



# MINUTES

## CITY ROCK ISLAND CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

July 9, 2026

6:00 PM

### 1. CALL TO ORDER

*Mayor Pro-Tem Andonaegui opened the regular meeting of the Rock Island City Council on Thursday, July 9, 2026, at 6:00 PM.*

### 2. ROLL CALL

- a. Niko Gabaldo, Mayor – excused (5/0)
- b. Carmen Andonaegui, Mayor Pro Tem & Councilmember
- c. Scott Riseley, Councilmember
- d. Brad Hampton, Councilmember
- e. Jordan Conley, Councilmember
- f. Francisco Contreras, Councilmember
- g. Tara Whaley, Clerk/Treasurer
- h. Sonia Gonzalez, Deputy Clerk

### 3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

### 4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

- a. Consideration of a motion to approve the Agenda of July 9, 2026, as amended to remove Public Works staff report.

*Motion by CM Contreras made a motion to approve as amended and CM Riseley seconded the motion. Motion carried 5/0*

### 5. CONSENT AGENDA

STATEMENT: *“Consideration of a motion to approve the Consent Agenda of June 11, 2026 as presented.”*

- a. Consideration of a motion to approve the June 11, 2026 Regular City Council Meeting Minutes.
- b. Consideration of a motion to approve the June 2026 vouchers in the amount of \$109,036.11.

- c. Consideration of a motion to approve the June 2026 payroll in the amount of \$66,535.02.

*Motion by CM Conley made a motion to approve and CM Hampton seconded the motion. Motion carried 5/0*

## **6. NON-AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENTS**

- a. Opportunity for brief comments to the City Council about items not on the Agenda for a Public Hearing.

NOTE TO PUBLIC: *"Public Comment" must relate to City business only. Each speaker will be given three minutes to speak. This is a one-way opportunity to comment to the full City Council. It is not to "Questions and Answers" session for the Mayor, the Council, or individual Councilmembers. The City most likely will not respond directly at the meeting, but may ask staff to research and report back on an issue. Speakers must show respect to the forum and its elected officials. Speech and actions that lead to any disruption will not be tolerated. When called upon, please state your name, address, and if you are a resident of Rock Island for the record.*

*Jana Myers – commented on the fireworks stand being permitted/allowed to sell fireworks and the igniting of fireworks within the city; made statement regarding the Chelan Hills fire and the devastation; would like to see the city ban fireworks within the city limits; asking the council to ban fireworks.*

## **7. MOTION FOR CONSIDERATION**

- a. Consideration of a Motion for the Mayor to sign a contract with Smart XEO/IWorQ for the city's new website design and support. (see attachment)

*CM Conley made a motion to approve and CM Riseley seconded the motion. Motion passed 5/0*

- b. Consideration of a Motion for the Mayor to sign an agreement with Jay D. Eyestone for Hearing Examiner services. (see attachment)

*CM Contreras made a motion to approve and CM Conley seconded the motion. Motion passed 5/0*

## **8. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS**

- a. City Clerk / Treasurer's Report (*Tara*)  
A need for a Special Meeting to grant/award the bid for the completion of the Well 6 project; bid closes July 15, 2026. The Special Meeting would be on July 23, 2026.
- b. Economic Development Director (*Grace*)  
Given by Tara – there was no report as the UGA workshop was held on June 30, 2026

## **9. MAYOR & COUNCIL REPORTS**

- a. Mayor Pro-Tem Report-Out  
None given
- b. Councilmembers  
CM Riseley wants the topic of fireworks on the next regular meeting's agenda.

## **10. INFORMATIONAL DISCUSSION TOPICS**

- a. Council discussed that at the next regular meeting the citizens of Rock Island give comment on whether or not they would like fireworks allowed within the city limits. CM Conley stated that he would like to hear from the citizens; the rest of the council concurred on that matter. A notice will be sent via email (only to those that have paperless billing), mailed with the utilities billing, posted on the website, at city hall and at the post office regarding commenting on fireworks.

## **11. FUTURE AGENDA TOPICS**

NOTE TO COUNCIL: Items to be added to the next City Council Regular Meeting should be requested here.

- a. CM Riseley – fireworks and public comment.

**12. ADJOURN**

*The Council adjourned the Regular Meeting at 6:28p.*

ATTEST:

  
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Tara Whaley Clerk/Treasurer  
City of Rock Island

APPROVED:

  
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~~Carmen Andonaegui, Mayor Pro-Tem~~  
City of Rock Island

Niko Gabaldo, Mayor