

The Mount Vernon City Council met May 18, 2026, at City Hall, 213 1st Street NW, Mount Vernon, IA. A Zoom option was available. The following Council members were present: Engel, Andresen, Tuerler and Hansen-Player. Absent: Rose.

Call to Order. At 6:30 p.m. Mayor Thomas M. Wieseler called the meeting to order.

Agenda Additions/Agenda Approval. Wieseler noted that items E1 and G1 will remain tabled and the Mayoral Proclamation will be read after the Consent Agenda. Motion made by Tuerler, seconded by Hansen-Player to approve the Agenda. Motion carries. Rose absent.

Consent Agenda. Motion made by Engel, seconded by Andresen to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion carries. Rose absent.

Approval of City Council Minutes – May 4, 2026

Approval of Retail Tobacco License – Mount Vernon Retail LLC

Mayoral Proclamation

Proclamation for Celebrating the Mount Vernon Middle School Science Olympiad Team.

Public Hearing

Public Hearing on the Proposed Engineering Report and Formation of the Mount Vernon EMS District (tabled on March 16, 2026, motion to remove item from table will need to be made before discussion can occur). This item remains tabled.

Public Hearing on the Proposal to Enter into a Developer Agreement with Mustang Land Company, LLC. Mayor Wieseler opened and closed the public hearing at 6:36 p.m. with no public comment.

Resolutions for Approval

Resolution #3-16-2026A: Approving the Engineer's Report, Preliminary Plat and Engineer Compensation, and Setting the Election for the EMS Election as Defined in Chapter 357G of the State Code of Iowa and Giving Notice Thereof (tabled on March 16, 2026, motion to remove item from table will need to be made before discussion can occur). This item remains tabled.

Resolution #5-18-2026A: Approving and Authorizing Execution of a Development Agreement by and Between the City of Mount Vernon and Mustang Land Company, LLC. This resolution approves the formal development agreement between the City of Mount Vernon and Mustang Land Company, (Mount Vernon Family Dentistry). The terms and conditions of the agreement were approved by the Council at the September 7, 2022 meeting. This will be a five-year TIF rebate of 70% each year. Motion made by Engel, seconded by Tuerler to approve Resolution #5-18-2026A. Roll call all yes. Rose absent. Resolution passes.

Resolution #5-18-2026B: Providing for new "No-Parking Zone" Designations Within the City of Mount Vernon, Iowa. During the construction of Rachel Street, staff discovered that semi-trucks and trailers were being parked on the dead-end portions of both Virgil Ave and Minish Ave SE. While they are currently dead-end streets, they will serve as commercial thoroughfares and should not be treated as overnight

parking. Motion made by Tuerler, seconded by Andresen to approve Resolution #5-18-2026B. Roll call all yes. Rose absent. Resolution passes.

Motions for Approval

Consideration of Claims List – Motion to Approve. Motion made by Andresen, seconded by Hansen-Player to approve the Claims List. Motion carries. Rose absent.

PAYROLL	CLAIMS	117,430.01
MUNICIPAL PIPE TOOL CO. INC	PAY APP #7-2024 SEWER REHAB	63,892.83
EMPLOYEE BENEFIT SYSTEMS	GROUP INSURANCE-ALL DEPTS	43,879.86
MODERN CONCRETE INC	PAY APP #3-2025 SIDEWALK IMPROVEMENTS	42,837.50
REPUBLIC SERVICES #897	GB,RECYL-SW RESIDENTIAL	25,180.02
NELSON ELECTRIC	PAY APP #4-UPTOWN LIGHTING	24,691.29
REPUBLIC SERVICES #897	GB,RECYL-SW COMMERCIAL	16,921.35
8 FINGER HVAC LLC	VENTILATION SYSTEM-PW FACILITIES	11,475.00
TOTAL TREE CARE OF IOWA CITY	GROUNDS/TREE MAINT-RUT,P&REC	7,443.75
MUNICIPAL ASSET MANAGEMENT, INC	EQUIP LEASE-LBC	7,281.00
VEENSTRA & KIMM INC	RACHEL STREET IMPROVEMENTS	6,957.58
LINN CO-OP OIL CO	FUEL-PW,PD,FD	6,635.65
EMPLOYEE BENEFIT SYSTEMS	INSURANCE CLAIMS-ALL DEPTS	5,763.27
HY-VEE	ACADEMY MEALS-PD	5,730.00
DIX LAWN CARE	CEMETERY MAINT	5,316.66
REXCO EQUIPMENT INC	EQUIP REPAIR-PW	4,635.99
CARRICO AQUATIC RESOURCES INC	CHEMICALS-POOL	4,600.00
TREASURER STATE OF IOWA	WET TAX	3,654.47
RED LION RENEWABLES	RED LION	3,316.83
TREASURER STATE OF IOWA	SALES TAX	3,237.10
FERGUSON WATERWORKS	METERS-WAT	3,144.21
MOUNT VERNON ACE HARDWARE	SUPPLIES-ALL DEPTS	2,680.15
BARNYARD SCREEN PRINTER LLC	TSHIRTS-P&REC	2,608.50
WHKS & COMPANY	CEMETERY GIS MAPPING	2,445.10
FERGUSON WATERWORKS	SUPPLIES-WAT	2,316.75
STATE HYGIENIC LAB	TESTING-SEW	2,204.50
CURTIS ENGLISH SELECT SERVICE	PORTABLE RR RENTALS-P&REC	2,120.00
BANKCARD 8076	CREDIT CARD FEES-LBC,POOL,P&REC	1,707.94
BRADLEY HAUGE CPA	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES-ALL DEPTS	1,435.00
KIECKS	UNIFORMS-PD	1,340.96
LYNCH DALLAS PC	LEGAL FEES-P&A	1,228.00
CAMPBELL SUPPLY	EQUIP-FD	1,010.00
EMPLOYEE BENEFIT SYSTEMS	INSURANCE CLAIMS-ALL DEPTS	837.19
DE NOVO MARKETING	WEBSITE/HUB SUPPORT-ALL DEPTS	825.00
GREAT WESTERN SUPPLY CO	SUPPLIES-POOL	824.98
TYLER TECHNOLOGIES	NEW SOFTWARE UPGRADE-ALL DEPTS	747.50
SCHIMBERG COMPANY	SUPPLIES-POOL	720.84
SCHIMBERG COMPANY	SUPPLIES-SEW	691.19
BRADY LANHAM	OUTLETS/BREAKERS-CTW	615.73
TAYLOR CONCESSIONS	CTW FOOD VENDOR-P&REC	605.00
RIBEYE SHACK	CTW FOOD VENDOR-P&REC	575.00
MENARDS	BLDG MAINT-RUT	543.87
IOWA PRISON INDUSTRIES	TRAINING UNIFORMS-PD	521.50
SJ SMITH CO, INC	TRAINING CONSUMABLES-FD	515.36
HAPPY LAO FOODS	CTW FOOD VENDOR-P&REC	515.00
REXCO EQUIPMENT INC	EQUIP MAINT-PW	466.23
ECICOG	DOWNTOWN REVITALIZATION APP	450.00

THEISEN SUPPLY INC	UNIFORMS-PW,P&REC	448.88
GRAINGER	SAFETY SUPPLIES-PW	420.19
US CELLULAR	CELL PHONE-PD	388.10
GALLS LLC	UNIFORMS-PD	387.25
MEDIACOM	PHONE/INTERNET-SEW	352.42
INTERMEDIA COMMUNICATIONS	PHONE SERVICES-CITY HALL	351.99
EVER-GREEN LANDSCAPE NURSERY	MULCH-P&REC	350.00
IOWA SOLUTIONS INC	COMPUTER MAINT-SEW	340.00
DE NOVO MARKETING	WEBSITE SUPPORT-LBC	325.00
MEDIACOM	PHONE/INTERNET-PW	323.89
MOUNT VERNON ACE HARDWARE	SUPPLIES-FD	297.16
WENDLING QUARRIES	ROADSTONE-RUT	284.11
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	SUPPLIES-P&REC	281.84
RC TECH	CAMERA TESTING-PW	271.25
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	SUPPLIES-PW	260.98
BASS FARMS	CTW FOOD VENDOR-P&REC	260.00
CAUSE TEAM	SAFETY SUPPLIES-PW	239.40
VERMEER SALES & SERVICE INC	EQUIP REPAIR-SW	228.64
KONICA MINOLTA PREMIER FINANCE	COPIER LEASE-LBC	220.54
OVERHEAD DOOR CO	DOOR REPAIRS-PW	207.50
CITY LAUNDERING CO	SERVICES-CITY HALL	190.20
GREAT WESTERN SUPPLY CO	SUPPLIES-LBC	179.00
MERCY MEDICAL CENTER	PRE-EMPLOYMENT TESTING-PD	170.00
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	SUPPLIES-PD	163.00
PNP	FUEL-PD	145.00
AIRGAS INC	CYLINDER RENTAL-PW	144.75
GARY'S FOODS	SUPPLIES-LBC,WAT	132.45
GREAT WESTERN SUPPLY CO	SUPPLIES-PD	131.47
DSG	SUPPLIES-WAT	110.00
FRIED SWEETS AND TREATS	CTW FOOD VENDOR-P&REC	110.00
GREAT WESTERN SUPPLY CO	SUPPLIES-FD	104.84
STEVE MOEL	FITNESS MEMBERSHIP-PD	100.00
VESTIS	JANITORIAL SUPPLIES-FD	95.79
VESTIS	JANITORIAL SUPPLIES-LBC	87.56
IOWA SOLUTIONS INC	COMPUTER MAINT-ALL DEPTS	85.00
IOWA SOLUTIONS INC	COMPUTER MAINT-PD	85.00
STAPLES INC	SUPPLIES-P&A	81.98
CYPRESS SOLUTIONS	SUBSCRIPTION-PD	78.75
NEAL'S WATER CONDITIONING	WATER/SALT-ALL DEPTS	74.25
STAPLES INC	SUPPLIES-PD	73.13
JACK ROGERS	TRAINING-FD	52.75
STEVE MOEL	FUEL-PD	50.00
KONICA MINOLTA PREMIER FINANCE	COPIER USAGE-PD	47.89
DAVID FRANKFURT	FUEL-PD	46.61
ALTORFER INC	GENERATOR KEYS-ALL DEPTS	42.78
HANNAH GANZEL	INSTRUCTOR-LBC	42.50
KELLI MARIE KENNON-LANE	INSTRUCTOR-LBC	42.50
UPH ST LUKES DRUG & ALCOHOL	PRE-EMPLOYMENT TESTING-PD	42.00
MENARDS	EQUIP-RUT	41.93
BANKCARD 8076 ACH DEBIT MTOT	REFUND-POOL	35.00
IOWA LEAGUE OF CITIES	MAYORS ASSOC DUES-P&A	35.00
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	SUPPLIES-RUT	34.88
MARY SCHLICHTE	INSTRUCTOR-LBC	32.00
HETHER STAUFFACHER	INSTRUCTOR-LBC	21.25

JULIE ELLEN	INSTRUCTOR-LBC	21.25
HAWKINS INC	CHEMICALS-WAT	10.00
AUTHNET GATEWAY BILLING	CREDIT CARD SERVICES-LBC	5.00
TOTAL		453,760.31

FUND EXPENSE TOTALS

PAYROLL		117,430.01
GENERAL FUND		71,492.72
ARPA LINN COUNTY GRANT		63,892.83
SOLID WASTE		48,204.19
SIDEWALK PROJECT		42,837.50
2025 UPTOWN LIGHTING		24,691.29
WATER FUND		20,707.27
LBC		17,064.48
SEWER FUND		15,131.85
ROAD USE TAX FUND		11,657.00
PW FACILITIES		11,475.00
RACHEL STREET		6,957.58
STORM WATER FUND		1,768.59
LOST III UR & STREETScape		450.00
TOTAL		453,760.31

FY26 APRIL REVENUE

GENERAL GOVERNMENT		1,237,346.49
TIF REVENUE		695,250.18
PUBLIC WORKS		384,110.85
CULTURE-RECREATION		68,389.97
PUBLIC SAFETY		47,825.76
COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEV		10,456.60
TOTAL		2,443,379.85

Discussion and Consideration of Access Control Replacement – City Hall – Council Action as Needed. Staff continues to work towards a universal access system for all public buildings. The current access system at City Hall is proprietary and is in need of repair. Rather than expending funds to repair an outdated system, staff is requesting that RC Tech be allowed to replace the system at a cost of \$5,501.48. Motion made by Andresen, seconded by Tuerler to approve the purchase with RC Tech to upgrade the access system at City Hall. Motion carries. Rose absent.

Discussion and Consideration of Change Order #2 with Rathje Construction – Rachel Street Improvements – Council Action as Needed. Change Order #2 is a deduct of \$1,837.50. The City transitioned from hydroseed to conventional seed and straw. Motion made by Engel, seconded by Andresen to approve Change Order #2 – Rachel Street Improvements. Motion carries. Rose absent.

Discussion and Consideration of Pay Application #6 with Rathje Construction – Rachel Street Improvements – Council Action as Needed. Motion made by Tuerler, seconded by Hansen-Player to approve Pay Application #6 – Rachel Street Improvements, in the amount of \$229,110.55. Motion carries. Rose absent.

Discussion and Consideration of Electric Service Upgrades for Gas Detection System – Nelson Electric Co. – Council Action as Needed. The installation of the gas detection and exhaust fan system requires an upgrade to the current electric panel in the PW Shop building. Nelson Electric has submitted a proposal to complete the work in the amount of \$11,372.00. Motion made by Andresen, seconded by Tuerler to approve the proposal from Nelson Electric in the amount of \$11,372.00. Motion carries. Rose absent.

Discussion and Consideration of a Tree Donation – Stonebrook 10th Addition – Council Action as Needed. Rory Wiebel has submitted a tree donation proposal to the City and Park and Rec Board for review. Mr. Wiebel has purchased lot 20 in the Stonebrook 10th Addition, which is near an existing trail. He would like to donate and plant several trees in the City right-of-way adjacent to the trail, on Outlot C. A plan was provided to Council for review. Nosbisch noted that Outlot C, where the trees would be planted, is also a siltation basin. Depending on the amount of silt that is collected, the developer will go back and certify that the elevations meet what was designed. In some cases they will need scrape dirt and do earthwork in order to make that happen, but there is potential for the trees needing to be moved in the future. The trees that are being requested should be close enough to the trail to not necessarily be an issue. Mr. Wiebel will be made aware of this concern. The Parks and Recreation Board has recommended approval of the donation and planting schedule. Motion made by Tuerler, seconded by Engel to approve the request from Rory Wiebel to plant trees in City Outlot C, Stonebrook 10th Addition. Motion carries. Rose absent. This approval does not include the trees indicated on the plan marked as “future tree”.

Reports to be Received/Filed. Reports available on the City website in the May 18, 2026 Council Packet.
Mt. Vernon/Lisbon Police Report
Mt. Vernon Public Works Report
Mt. Vernon Parks and Rec Report
Cole Library Report

Reports of Mayor/Council/Administrator

April Reconciliation Report. Full report available on the City website in the May 18, 2026 Council Packet.

Quarterly Expense Fund Balance Report. Full report available on the City website in the May 18, 2026 Council Packet.

Mayor’s Report. Wieseler recently finished his last Junior Achievements class with Mrs. Hand’s third grade class. As a result of last month’s proclamation for Tanager Place, Wieseler has been invited to a photo opportunity with mayors in Linn County at NewBo in support of mental health.

Council Reports. Engel reported that for the Summer Research Program at Cornell, food service will not be open but food trucks will be available on five dates (May 20, May 27, June 3, June 24 and July 8) in the circle by the Commons and the community is invited to utilize these trucks.

City Administrator’s Report. Full report available on the City website in the May 18, 2026 Council Packet.

As there was no further business to attend to, the meeting adjourned, the time being 7:15 p.m., May 18, 2026.

Respectfully submitted,
Marsha Dewell
City Clerk