

October 19, 2026
City Council Minutes
213 1st Street NW
Mount Vernon, Iowa 52314

The Mount Vernon City Council met October 19, 2026, at City Hall, 213 1st Street NW, Mount Vernon, IA. A Zoom option was available. The following Council members were present: Engel, Rose, Andresen, Tuerler and Hansen-Player.

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

Agenda Additions/Agenda Approval. Motion made by Tuerler, seconded by Andresen to approve the Agenda as noted. Motion carries.

Consent Agenda. Motion made by Engel, seconded by Hansen-Player to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion carries.

Approval of City Council Minutes – October 5, 2026

Approval of Liquor License – Lincoln Winebar

Appointment of Trevor Sniegowski - Park & Rec Board

Resolutions for Approval

Resolution #10-19-2026A: Fixing Date for a Public Hearing Date on the Proposal to Enter into a Development Agreement with Pogo Properties LLC. This resolution sets a public hearing date for Monday, November 2, 2026, at 6:30 p.m. The purpose of the public hearing is to approve the formal development agreement with POGO Properties LLC. Motion made by Tuerler, seconded by Andresen to approve Resolution #10-19-2026A. Roll call all yes. Resolution passes.

Resolution #10-19-2026B: Approving the Final Plat and Accepting Dedication of Cornell College Third Addition to the City of Mount Vernon, Iowa. This plat establishes Lot 1 as a separate buildable lot and creates separate parcels for Smith Hall and the smaller apartment building along 10th Avenue SW. Sufficient right-of-way exists for Lot 3 to establish a separate driveway in the future, if necessary. Third Street SW right-of-way requires dedication to the City at this time. Planning and Zoning voted 4-0 to recommend approval of this plat. Motion made by Tuerler, seconded by Rose to approve Resolution #10-19-2026B. Roll call all yes. Resolution passes.

Resolution #10-19-2026C: Approving Plat of Survey #3081, Minor Boundary Change to the City of Mount Vernon, Iowa. Plat of Survey #3081 is a minor boundary change between two adjacent properties, Parcels A and B (Lots 9 and 10), involving the transfer of 0.08 acres from Lot 9 to Lot 10. These two parcels are owned by Cornell College. Motion made by Engel, seconded by Rose to approve Resolution #10-19-2026C. Roll call all yes. Resolution passes.

Motions for Approval

Consideration of Claims List – Motion to Approve. Motion made by Rose, seconded by Tuerler to approve the Claims List. Motion carries.

PAYROLL	CLAIMS	122,390.05
NORTHWAY CORP	WELL #9 REPAIRS-WAT	51,300.76
EMPLOYEE BENEFIT SYSTEMS	GROUP INSURANCE-ALL DEPTS	41,077.27
VEENSTRA & KIMM INC	HWY 1 RECONSTRUCTION	37,568.34

REPUBLIC SERVICES #897	GB,RECYL-SW RESIDENTIAL	25,704.06
ALLIANT ENERGY	ENERGY USAGE-ALL DEPTS	25,391.88
REPUBLIC SERVICES #897	GB,RECYL-SW COMMERCIAL	18,054.82
VEENSTRA & KIMM INC	BRYANT ROAD SANITARY SEWER	13,584.84
BAKER GROUP	HVAC MAINT-LBC	11,806.50
REC DESK LLC	ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION-LBC,POOL,P&REC	8,510.78
VEENSTRA & KIMM INC	WWTP PHASE 2 MODELING	7,710.19
IOWA LAW ENFORCEMENT ACADEMY	TRAINING-PD	5,225.00
TREASURER STATE OF IOWA	SALES TAX	4,375.64
TREASURER STATE OF IOWA	WET TAX	4,313.69
IOWA ASSOC OF MUNICIPAL UTILITIES	SGEI MEMBERSHIP-PW	4,005.71
MACQUEEN EQUIPMENT	EQUIP MAINT-FD	3,729.59
STATE HYGIENIC LAB	TESTING-SEW	3,120.50
IOWA SOLUTIONS INC	MONTHLY MAINT-PD	2,013.08
RED LION RENEWABLES	SOLAR ELECTRIC-PD,CITY HALL,LBC	1,831.40
EMPLOYEE BENEFIT SYSTEMS	INSURANCE CLAIMS-ALL DEPTS	1,738.61
BANKCARD 8076 ACH DEBIT MTOT	REFUND-LBC	1,391.72
STAPLES INC	SUPPLIES-ALL DEPTS	1,072.41
CARDIO PARTNERS	EQUIP MAINT-PD	1,061.15
HAWKEYE FIRE & SAFETY	SUPPLIES-PD	1,015.00
BANKCARD 8076 ACH DEBIT MTOT	CREDIT CARD FEES-LBC,POOL,P&REC	1,004.90
NIGHT SHIFT LLC	CLEANING SERVICES-PD	920.70
AXON ENTERPRISE INC	TRAINING-PD	895.00
KROUL FARMS	BEAUTIFICATION	887.35
HAWKEYE ELECTRICAL CONTRACTORS	EQUIP REPAIR-LBC	827.00
DE NOVO MARKETING	WEBSITE/HUB SUPPORT-ALL DEPTS	825.00
CAUSE TEAM	UNIFORMS-PD	820.00
ICMA	MEMBERSHIP-ALL DEPTS	806.00
RAPIDS REPRODUCTIONS INC	EQUIP MAINT-P&A	755.65
SPRINGVILLE READY MIX	CONCRETE-WAT, SCULPTURE TRAIL	586.25
RAPIDS REPRODUCTIONS INC	PLOTTER SUPPLIES-P&A	585.16
APPLIANCE PLUS	WASHING MACHINE-SEW	529.00
HENDERSON PRODUCTS INC	VEHICLE MAINT-RUT	496.97
DIESEL TURBO SERVICES INC	EQUIP MAINT-PW	452.50
KJ & CLINTON	DISPOSAL SERVICES-FD	429.30
SCHIMBERG COMPANY	SUPPLIES-WAT	407.64
T-MOBILE	CELL PHONE-PD	403.46
BANKCARD 8076 ACH DEBIT MTOT	REFUND-LBC	353.10
INTERMEDIA COMMUNICATIONS	PHONE SERVICES-CITY HALL	352.12
DE NOVO MARKETING	WEBSITE SUPPORT-LBC	325.00
MEDIACOM	PHONE/INTERNET-FD	316.37
HAWKEYE FIRE & SAFETY	ANNUAL INSPECTION-ALL DEPTS	308.93
ELECTRIC PUMP	EQUIP MAINT-SEW	303.47
GREAT WESTERN SUPPLY CO	SUPPLIES-LBC	294.62
TASC	FSA ADJUSTMENT-PD	261.52
CURTIS ENGLISH SELECT SERVICE	PORTABLE RR RENTAL-P&REC	260.00
MENARDS	TRAINING CENTER SUPPLIES-FD	245.88
MATT SIDERS	MILEAGE-P&REC,LBC	235.60
REXCO EQUIPMENT INC	EQUIP MAINT-RUT	231.73
CUMMINS SALES AND SERVICE	EQUIP REPAIR-LBC	225.96
KONICA MINOLTA PREMIER FINANCE	COPIER LEASE-LBC	220.54
CARTER GADBERRY	REFEREE-P&REC	220.00
LANDON JOHANNINGMEIER	REFEREE-P&REC	220.00
LYNCH FORD-LYNCH CHEVROLET	VEHICLE MAINT-PD	214.06

ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCE ASSOCIATES	SUPPLIES-SEW	205.59
CITY LAUNDERING CO	SERVICES-CITY HALL	199.08
IOWA WORKFORCE DEVELOPEMENT	UNEMPLOYMENT-LBC	185.97
CAUSE TEAM	UNIFORMS-ALL DEPTS	182.50
WENDLING QUARRIES	ROADSTONE-RUT	180.41
JUNCTION AUTO SALES	VEHICLE MAINT-PD	175.10
REXCO EQUIPMENT INC	EQUIP MAINT-PW	171.57
ALTORFER INC	EQUIP MAINT-ALL DEPTS	160.49
AIRGAS INC	CYLINDER RENTAL-PW	154.90
JAYNE DEWITTE	UNIFORMS-ALL DEPTS	152.00
MENARDS	TRAINING CENTER SUPPLIES-FD	147.98
JAMISON W BILLINGSLEY	REFEREE-P&REC	142.50
JAXSON J BILLINGSLEY	REFEREE-P&REC	142.50
LUKE RUSHFORD	REFEREE-P&REC	142.50
TEWODROS J BONEWALD	REFEREE-P&REC	142.50
APPLIED CONCEPTS INC	VEHICLE MAINT-PD	140.00
STAPLES INC	SUPPLIES-ALL DEPTS	108.68
MONET ROELLE	FUEL-PD	108.57
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	SUPPLIES-P&A	102.35
BARNYARD SCREEN PRINTER LLC	UNIFORMS-LBC	102.00
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	SUPPLIES-P&REC	100.84
TERMINIX PRESTO-X	PEST CONTROL-CITY HALL	97.93
TRAE D BIELEFELD	REFEREE-P&REC	97.50
LYNCH FORD-LYNCH CHEVROLET	VEHICLE MAINT-FD	94.65
GABRIEL GRAFFT	REFEREE-P&REC	90.00
CUSTOM HOSE & SUPPLIES INC	EQUIP MAINT-PD	87.11
DIXIE COLLINS	REFUND-LBC	86.48
TERMINIX PRESTO-X	PEST CONTROL-VC	82.75
CYPRESS SOLUTIONS	SUBSCRIPTION-PD	78.75
TERMINIX PRESTO-X	PEST CONTROL-PD	77.61
B4 BRANDS	SUPPLIES-LBC	75.11
GARY'S FOODS	SUPPLIES-PD,LBC	69.59
NEAL'S WATER CONDITIONING	WATER/SALT-ALL DEPTS	68.50
HETHER STAUFFACHER	INSTRUCTOR-LBC	64.50
SARAH L FITZGERALD	INSTRUCTOR-LBC	64.50
VESTIS	JANITORIAL SUPPLIES-LBC	64.46
P&K MIDWEST INC	EQUIPMENT-RUT	59.59
KONICA MINOLTA PREMIER FINANCE	COPIER USAGE-PD	47.89
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	SUPPLIES-PD K9	34.19
MARY SCHLICHTE	INSTRUCTOR-LBC	32.00
HAWKINS INC	CHEMICALS-WAT	20.00
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	SUPPLIES-LBC	16.88
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	SUPPLIES-P&REC	14.49
ALTORFER INC	EQUIP MAINT-WAT	13.86
HUBSPOT INC	REFUND-DOG LICENSE	10.00
TECH SOLUTIONS	FIRE ALARM MONITORING-LBC	8.92
CUSTOM HOSE & SUPPLIES INC	EQUIP MAINT-RUT	3.32
TOTAL		418,822.38

FUND EXPENSE TOTALS

PAYROLL	122,390.05
WATER FUND	70,874.86
GENERAL FUND	52,335.63

SOLID WASTE	47,801.97
HWY 1 RECONSTRUCTION	37,568.34
LBC	31,346.99
SEWER FUND	29,361.92
BRYANT ROAD SANITARY SEWER	13,584.84
ROAD USE TAX FUND	12,330.11
STORM WATER FUND	934.55
LOST III TRAILS/PARKS	293.12
TOTAL	418,822.38

FY27 SEPTEMBER REVENUE

GENERAL GOVERNMENT	333,679.76
PUBLIC WORKS	315,176.76
TIF REVENUE	94,270.47
CULTURE-RECREATION	62,178.19
PUBLIC SAFETY	24,550.18
COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEV	22,963.70
TOTAL	852,819.06

Discussion and Consideration of Date and Time for 2026 Mount Vernon Halloween Designation – Council Action as Needed. Council had a brief discussion regarding the designated timeframe for Trick-or-Treating on Halloween night. It was the consensus of Council to leave it at the regular time that has been done in the past. Motion made by Engel, seconded by Andresen to set the official Trick-or-Treating for Mount Vernon from 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm on October 31, 2026. Motion carries.

Discussion and Consideration of Northway Invoice 17873 – Well #9 Replacement and Repairs - Council Action as Needed. Council was informed in early September 2026 of the need for emergency repairs to Well #9. The necessary repairs have since been completed and The Northway Corporation has submitted Invoice #17873 in the amount of \$51,300.76 for the work performed. Motion made by Tuerler, seconded by Andresen to approve Invoice #17873. Motion carries.

Reports to be Received/Filed. Full reports available in the October 19, 2026 Council Packet on the City website.

Mt. Vernon/Lisbon Police Report
Mt. Vernon Public Works Report
Mt. Vernon Parks and Rec Report

Reports of Mayor/Council/Administrator

September Reconciliation Report. Report is available in the October 19, 2026 Council Packet on the City website.

Mayor's Report. Wieseler has received invitations to attend meetings in area communities regarding data centers. He also attended a community outreach event hosted by the Fire Department at Lowe's where they displayed fire apparatus and distributed items to the public. This event made it possible for a partnership with Lowe's to provide significant discounts on materials for the Fire Department training site.

Council Reports. Tuerler reported on the CDG rebranding process (new logo and title) that is taking place. Hansen-Player attended the 2026 Religious Freedom Symposium at Iowa State recently where one of the sessions focused on “Disagreeing with Dignity” and how that could be used in the political setting.

City Administrator’s Report. Report is available in the October 19, 2026 Council Packet on the City website.

As there was no further business to attend to, the meeting adjourned, the time being 6:54 p.m., October 19, 2026.

Respectfully submitted,
Marsha Dewell
City Clerk