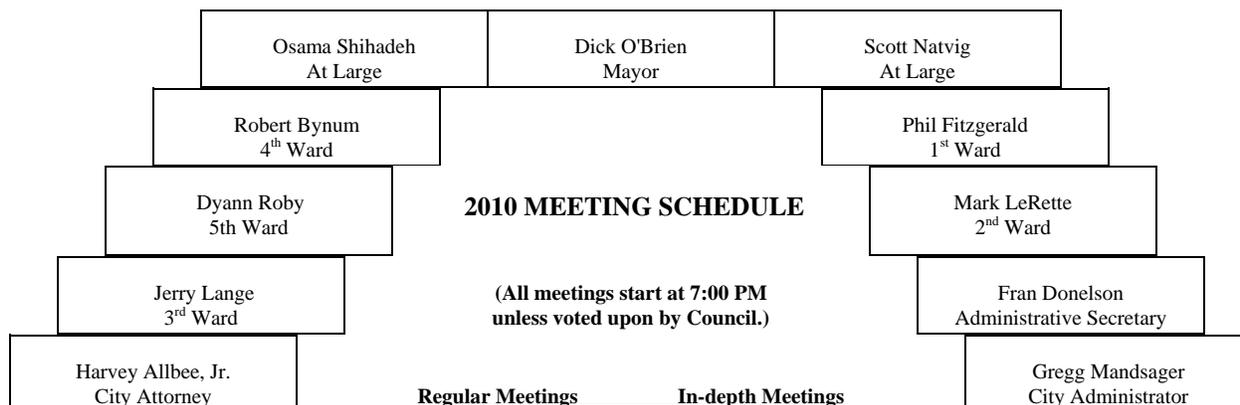


COUNCIL



	<u>Regular Meetings</u>	<u>In-depth Meetings</u>	
January 7 & 21	July 1 & 15	January 14	July 8
February 4 & 18	August 5 & 19	February 11	(None in August)
March 4 & 18	September 2 & 16	March 11	September 9
April 1 & 15	October 7 & 21	April 8	October 14
May 6 & 20	November 4 & 18	May 13	November 11
June 3 & 17	December 2 & 16	June 10	December 9

AGENDA

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2010 COUNCIL CHAMBERS - CITY HALL

1. **CALL TO ORDER**
2. **ROLL CALL**
3. **INVOCATION**
4. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
5. **COMMUNICATIONS – CITIZENS**

A. Presentation of Enviro Award of Excellence to Muscatine County

At this time Solid Waste Manager Laura Liegois will present Muscatine County with the Enviro Award of Excellence.

6. **MINUTES - APPROVAL**

A. City Council Meeting – January 21, 2010

7. CONSENT AGENDA

The following items are considered to be routine by the City Council and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Council Member or citizen so requests, in which event the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered in its normal sequence on the Agenda.

- * 9 –
- * 13 – A-I
- * Bills*

* Approval of attached Bills for Approval totaling \$1,113,725.57 is subject to the approval of any related agenda item(s).

8. PUBLIC HEARING

9. PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

A. Request for a new Class C Beer Permit with Sunday Sales for Pearl City Tire & Wheel, 3206 Hershey Avenue (action to be determined)

B. Request to Close Weed Park for Annual Melon City Criterium

Presented for City Council's consideration is a request from the Melon City Bike Club to close Weed Park to vehicular traffic on Sunday, May 30, 2010, from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. for the 32nd Annual Melon City Criterium Bike Race. This annual event, which draws hundreds of bicyclists, has been endorsed by the Recreation Advisory Commission. It is staff's recommendation this request be approved.

Is there a motion to approve the request as submitted?

C. Request for Use of City Property for Great River Days Community Celebration

Presented for City Council's consideration is a request for use of city property for the 51st Annual Great River Days Community Celebration from July 25, 2010 through August 1, 2010. Organizers of the event are requesting the closure of the Muscatine Riverfront from Cedar Street to the Millennium Plaza for various activities including carnival rides, live bands, youth activities, car and motorcycle shows, an arts and craft fair, beer tent, and a fishing tournament. The Cedar Street entrance will remain open to allow boaters access to the harbor and boat launch area. This event has been endorsed by the Recreation Advisory Commission. It is staff's recommendation this request be approved.

Is there a motion to approve the request as submitted?

D. Request for Use of City Property for Great Days Parade

Presented for City Council's consideration is a request for use of city property for the Great River Days Parade. Organizers of this event have chosen to use Parade Route #1. If approved, the parade would take place on Saturday, July 31, 2010, beginning at 11 a.m. with an expected completion time of approximately 1 p.m. Staging will begin at 9 a.m. on Iowa Avenue. It is staff's recommendation this request be approved.

Is there a motion to approve the request as submitted?

E. Request for Use of City Property for the 2010 Muscatine Boat Show

Presented for City Council's consideration is a request for use of city property on May 14-16, 2010 for the fourth annual "That was Then, This is Now" 2010 Boat Show. This event will require the closing of the Muscatine Riverfront from Cedar Street to Iowa Avenue exclusive of Cedar Street to allow boaters access to the harbor and boat launch area. The hours of activity will be 6 a.m. to 9 p.m. each day. The Recreation Advisory Commission endorses this activity, and it is staff's recommendation the request be approved.

Is there a motion to approve the request as submitted?

F. Request for Use of City Property for the Great River Rumble

Presented for City Council's consideration is a request for use of city property for the Great River Rumble. The purpose of this request is to allow approximately 80 to 130 canoes to land at the old boat launch area next to the Pearl City Station on Saturday, August 7, 2010. Organizers of the event are also seeking approval to allow camping overnight on the riverfront for those interested in doing so. The Recreation Advisory Commission has endorsed this activity which has taken place in the past on a smaller scale. It is staff's recommendation the request be approved.

Is there a motion to approve the request as submitted?

G. Request for Use of City Property for Bishop Hayes 5K Race/Walk

Presented for City Council's consideration is a request to approve the Bishop Hayes 5K Race/Walk. The event is scheduled to take place on Saturday, April 17, 2010, beginning at 9 a.m. and will follow a route on Cedar Street from the Bishop Hayes School to Fulliam Avenue to Houser Street back to Cedar Street and ending at the school. The race is expected to last two hours. Staff has reviewed this request and is recommending its approval.

Is there a motion to approve the request as submitted?

10. FROM THE MAYOR

A. Proclamation Declaring February 21-27, 2010 as “Alexander G. Clark Week”

Is there a motion to approve the proclamation as submitted?

11. **FROM THE PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION**

12. **FROM THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR**

A. First Reading of an Ordinance Providing for the Division of Taxes Levied on Taxable Property in the Muscatine 2010 Industrial Urban Renewal Area Pursuant to Section 403.19 of the Code of Iowa

Presented for City Council’s consideration is the first reading of an ordinance providing for the division of taxes levied on taxable property in the Muscatine 2010 Industrial Urban Renewal Area Pursuant to Section 403.19 of the Code of Iowa. Previous action by Council included a public hearing and a resolution establishing the Muscatine 2010 Industrial Urban Renewal Area and adopting the urban renewal plan. The next step for City Council to take is to establish by ordinance the legislation necessary to capture the incremental property tax growth known as “tax increment financing”. By state statute, the length of a TIF area is limited to 20 years.

Is there a motion to approve the ordinance on first reading as submitted?

B. Request from Police Department to Declare Bicycles/Frames as Surplus Property

Presented for City Council’s consideration is a request from the Police Department to declare 36 bicycles/frames as surplus property. These items were the result of an extensive burglary investigation that took place last year, and they are currently being stored at the Public Works Facility. The Muscatine Salvation Army has agreed to take these bicycles/frames, refurbish them as needed and donate them to people in need. Prior to this happening, the items must be declared as surplus.

Is there a motion to approve the request as submitted?

C. Request Approval to Purchase a New ATV/Utility Vehicle for the Police Department

Presented for City Council’s consideration is a request from the Police Department to purchase a new ATV/Utility vehicle for the department. This vehicle would replace the Kawasaki Mule currently being used, and funding would come from the ARRA Justice Assistance Grant. The current utility vehicle is used for patrolling parks, bicycle/walking paths, special events, and natural and manmade disasters. The vehicle is marked with police identification, a full emergency light bar, police radio and utility equipment for use as a fully functional patrol vehicle. Once again, federal monies would be used for this purchase.

Is there a motion to approve the request as submitted?

D. Request from Fire Department to Change Residency Requirements

Presented for City Council's consideration is a request from the Fire Department to change the residency requirements for department employees. Due to current labor negotiations, the department is requesting to change the current residency requirements from Muscatine County to read the same as the police union which states that employees must reside in Muscatine, Louisa, Cedar, or Scott counties. This change should not impact department operations. It is also believed it will open up the candidate pool for new employees in the future.

Is there a motion to approve the request as submitted?

13. COMMUNICATIONS - RECEIVE AND FILE

- A. Muscatine County Board of Supervisors – January 11, 12, 18 & 20, 2010
- B. Historic Preservation Commission – December 16, 2009
- C. Joint Communications Commission – January 14, 2010
- D. Senior Resources – December 22, 2009
- E. Art Center Board of Trustees – December 17, 2009
- F. Board of Water, Electric, and Water Communications Trustees – December 22, 2009
- G. MP&W Communications Utility – December 2009 (Unaudited)
- H. MP&W Electric Utility – December 2009 (Unaudited)
- I. MP&W Water Utility – December 2009 (Unaudited)

14. APPROVAL OF BILLS

It is recommended bills totaling \$1,113,725.57 be approved and that the City Council authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to issue warrants for the same. It should be noted that this listing is subject to the approval of any related agenda item(s).

15. COMMUNICATIONS - COUNCIL MEMBERS

16. OTHER BUSINESS

17. ADJOURNMENT