

On December 10, 2025, at 6:15 pm, the Anita City Council held a public hearing at Anita City Hall in consideration of vacating a portion of platted right of way described as Rosehill Ave Parcel B of the S½ of the SW¼ of Section 21-77N-R34, West of the 5th P.M., in the City of Anita Cass County, Iowa, as shown on Plat of Survey recorded in Book 4 Page 854 in the Office of the Cass County Recorder. Council members present were Meghan Dorsey, Simon Jensen, Deanna Andrews, and Roger Huffman representing a quorum. Mayor Daughenbaugh was present and presided over the hearing. City Clerk Jean Jessen was present and took the minutes of hearing. Also present were City Attorney, Justin Hockenberry and various members of the public.

Mayor Daughenbaugh opened the public hearing at 6:15 p.m. A brief overview of the proposed street vacating was discussed. Members of the public voiced concerns and questioned the turnaround strategy.

No written comments were received. Mayor Daughenbaugh closed the public hearing at 6:17 p.m.

With no further business, Motion by Andrews; second by Jensen to adjourn at 6:18 p.m. Ayes: All. Motion passed.

The Anita City Council met in regular session December 10, 2025, at 6:30 pm, at Anita City Hall. Council members present were Meghan Dorsey, Simon Jensen, Deanna Andrews, and Roger Huffman, representing a quorum. Mayor Daughenbaugh was present and presided. City Clerk Jean Jessen was present and took the minutes. Also present were City Attorney, Justin Hockenberry and various members of the public.

Mayor Daughenbaugh called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm. Motion by Jensen; second by Dorsey to approve the agenda as posted. Ayes: All. Motion passed.

Motion by Dorsey; second by Andrews to approve the consent agenda including the November 19th , 2025, city council meeting minutes; clerk's treasurer's report, Casey's Marketing Company Liquor License Amendment and bills as presented. Ayes: All. Motion passed.

Linda Harms from The Anita Development requested an Iowa Economic Agency Walk Through program costing \$300. A motion by Dorsey, seconded by Andrews to approve splitting the cost of the IEA's walk though program as requested. Ayes: All. Motion passed.

A discussion was held on Resolution 2025-30 "VACATING PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY (Street)" Motion by Dorsey; second by Jensen to approve Resolution 2025-30 as presented. Roll Call Vote: Dorsey-aye, Jensen-aye, Huffman-aye, Andrews-aye. Resolution passed.

A discussion was held on appointing a fire chief for 2026. Motion by Andrews, second by Dorsey to appoint Eric Steffensen to the role. Ayes: All. Motion passed.

A discussion was held on nuisance properties. Council will begin to use civil infraction penalties as enforcement.

Public input was heard.

The mayor thanked Dorsey for her term on the council. Eyon Steffensen, John Knutson, Simon Jensen and incumbent Deanna Andrews recited the oath of office before the mayor, council, and public in attendance for their terms beginning January 1, 2026.

With no further business, Motion by Dorsey; second by Jensen to adjourn at 7:12 p.m. Ayes: All. Motion passed.

The next regular monthly Anita City Council meeting will be January 14th 2026, at 6:30 pm at Anita City Hall.

The Anita City Council met in special session December 22, 2025, at 5:30 pm, at Anita City Hall. Council members present were Meghan Dorsey, Simon Jensen, Deanna Andrews, and Roger Huffman, representing a quorum. Mayor Daughenbaugh was present and presided. City Clerk Jean Jessen was present and took the minutes. Also present were City Attorney, Justin Hockenberry and various members of the public.

Mayor Daughenbaugh called the meeting to order at 5:31 pm. Motion by Jensen; second by Dorsey to approve the agenda as posted. Ayes: All. Motion passed.

A discussion was held on proposed settlement agreement in regard to 794 Main Street. Motion by Dorsey, second by Jensen to accept signed settlement agreement and deed as presented. Ayes: All. Motion passed.

Public input was heard.

A structural engineering report will be ordered to assess next steps need. Possible grant opportunities exist including the derelict building program to offset costs associated with the deteriorating structure. Council will be addressing subject in future meetings pending reports.

With no further business, Motion by Jensen; second by Andrews to adjourn at 6:02 p.m. Ayes: All. Motion passed.

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