

Proceedings of the Colo City Council  
May 4, 2026

The Colo City Council met in regular session on Monday, March 6, 2026 at the Community Center. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Brinkman. The roll was called showing members present and absent as follows: Present: Vaughn, Nicholas, and Thompson. Absent: King and Imler.

Council member Nicolas moved to approve the agenda. Council member Thompson seconded the motion and it passed all ayes.

Council member Vaughn moved to approve the minutes of the April 6, 2026 regular meeting and special meetings as presented. Council member Nicholas seconded the motion and it passed all ayes.

Receipts Summary: General Fund \$15039.22, Road Use Tax Fund \$9715.33, Water Utility Fund \$14012.99, Sewer Utility Fund \$8354.43, Solid Waste Fund \$9511.58, Local Option Sales Tax Fund \$13073.32, Tax Increment Fund \$2560.90, Special Revenue Fund \$2057.69, Trust and Agency Fund \$0.

Council member Nicholas moved to approve the following claims for payment:

CLAIMS REPORT

VENDOR	REFERENCE	AMOUNT
A TEAM APPAREL	REC-SUPPLIES	1,029.07
ABSTRACT & TITLE SERVICES	LEGALS	5,550.00
ALLIANT ENERGY/IPL	UTILITIES	7,281.98
ARNOLD MOTOR SUPPLY	FIRE-VEHICLE	45.79
BADGER METER INC	WATER-METER READING	71.62
CARD SERVICES	LIBRARY-SUPPLIES	595.2
CENTER POINT LARGE PRINT	LIBRARY-BOOKS	90
COLO POST OFFICE	LIBRARY-POSTAGE	31.2
COLO TELEPHONE	TELEPHONE	354.2
CROPSTAR	REPAIRS	2,246.41
DAN'S AUTO	STREETS-VEHCILE REPAIR	350.83
DUSTY HILL FARMS	PARKS	94.16
EFTPS	FED/FICA TAX	9,586.60
GARBAGE GUYS	CITY PICKUPDAY	1,367.50
HEN NOZZLES	FIRE-REPAIRS	1,350.00
HINES TRAILER REPAIR	FIRE-REPAIRS	323.5
I.P.E.R.S	IPERS- REGULAR	6,562.84
INGRAM	LIBRARY	291.84
IOWA DOT	RAMP RENO	19,736.64
MICROBAC LABORATORIES, INC	LAB FEES	192.75
LINCOLN NATIONAL LIFE INS CO.	LIFE/DIS/ACCDD	109.43
LYNCH DALLAS LEGAL	LEGAL FEES	497.5
MARCO	FIRE-OFFICE	152.72
MARSHALL COUNTY LANDFILL	LANDFILL FEE	2,863.40
MASS MUTUAL	DEFERRED COMP	2,000.00
MENARDS	PARKS-REPAIRS	544.55
MID IOWA ENTERPRISE	LEGAL ADVERTISEMNET	188.3
NEVADA HARDWARE	PARKS-REPAIRS	110.35
RANDY'S PEST CONTROL	CC-PEST CONTROL	65
STARNET TECHNOLOGIES	SEWER-LIFT STATION DIALER	240
STATE WITHHOLDING	STATE TAXES	418.59
STORY COUNTY ANIMAL CONTROL	ANIMAL CONTROL	192.5
US BANK EQUIPMENT	LIBRARY-SUPPLIES	418.76

WELLMARK	HEALTH INSURANC	1,627.83
Accounts Payable Total		58,599.14
Invoices: Paid		58,506.34
Invoices: Scheduled		0
Payroll Checks		16,079.45
***** REPORT TOTAL *****		74,678.59
GENERAL FUND		40,903.47
LIBRARY FUND		1,551.38
RECREATION FUND		1,099.07
CEMETERY FUND		0
ROAD USE TAX FUND		20,114.79
WATER UTILITY FUND		3,217.71
SEWER UTILITY FUND		3,538.47
SOLID WASTE		4,230.90
TOTAL FUNDS		74,678.59

Council member Vaughn seconded the motion and it passed all ayes.

Story County Sheriff, Shultz shared there hasn't been too much going on in town. There is a new deputy that has started at Sheriff's Department.

Karin Sevede from the Story County Community Foundation informed the council of upcoming grants that are available.

Chris Black from Heart of Iowa Farmers Market asked the council if he could host two farmers markets in Colo. The council agreed this would be a great idea for the community. Markets will be at Central Park on August 1, 2026 and October 3, 2026 from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Markets will be held in four different locations including State Center, Rhodes, and Collins.

Mayor Brinkman presented Carroll Stokesbary with the Poet Laureate Proclamation. Stokesbary has written a poem book called "Only Words". It is available on Amazon. The poem "Small Town" was written about Colo.

The agreement between the city and the Historical Association was discussed. Both parties agreed with the agreement.

Council member Nicholas moved to approve the outside liquor license for RAGBRAI with the Starlite Lounge. Council member Thompson seconded the motion and it passed with one nay and 2 ayes.

The 2026 Street Project was discussed. All agreed to do commercial streets first. The city engineer is gathering information.

Council member Vaughn moved to approve spending \$5,200 on landscaping at City Hall. Will include a flag pole, new rock, flowers and a new sign. Council member Thompson seconded the motion and it passed all ayes.

Council member Nicholas moved to approve setting the Public Hearing date for June 1, 2026 at 7:15 p.m. for Urban Renewal Area Designation and Urban Renewal Plan and Project. Council member Thompson seconded the motion and passed all ayes.

Council member Vaughn introduced and moved the approval of a RESOLUTION NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING ON DESIGNATION OF THE 2026 COLO HOUSING URBAN RENEWAL AREA, AND ON PROPOSED URBAN RENEWAL PLAN AND PROJECT. Council member Nicholas seconded the motion and it passed all ayes with record vote as follows: Ayes: Thompson, Nicholas, and Vaughn. Nays: none. Whereupon the Mayor declared the motion carried and the resolution was adopted and he gave it 26-5-1 for the record.

In other business the Slab renovation was discussed along with fireworks, insurance and RAGBRAI. The Soccer Club asked to put a sump pump at the Casey's field. The council said no due to insurance liability.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, Council member Nicholas moved to adjourn. Council member Vaughn seconded the motion. The motion carried and the meeting adjourned.

Jeff Brinkman

Mayor

ATTEST: Amy S. Kohlwes  
City Clerk

