

EAST DUBUQUE CITY COUNCIL

261 Sinsinawa Avenue
East Dubuque, IL 61025

Monday

September 15, 2025

6:00 pm

Please Stand for the Pledge of Allegiance

1. 25-0916 Call to Order – Mayor Digman

Start Time: 6:00 pm

Aldersperson Burgmeier, Aldersperson Degenhardt, Aldersperson Fluhr, Aldersperson Meier,
Aldersperson Taylor, Mayor Digman and Attorney Hess Absent – Aldersperson Robey

2. 25-0917 Staff Reports

a. City Manager Report

We are making progress with the Emergency Services Building. We have found some issues once we opened up the building more. They have been dealt with and moving forward. Did find another cistern and had to take care of that.

b. Mayor Report

Last Tuesday we had our yearly TIF meeting where we hosted the communities and other governing bodies. We then went over the status of our TIF's. Shared with them all the projects that have been funded with TIF this last year as well as the current and future projects. Which we were not able to do last year when we did not have the money.

Read a statement about how everyone has their own opinion and that it is healthy to have other ideas than the rest. This is what makes the council important for the City. This is what makes for a healthy environment.

c. Aldersperson Report

i. Burgmeier

ii. Degenhardt

Have been talked to about the Post Office. Have talked with the owners and not sure what is going on with their floor.

iii. Fluhr

iv. Meier

v. Robey

vi. Taylor

d. City Attorney, Susan Hess

e. Police Chief, Luke Kovacic

f. Public Works Director, Tony VanOstrand

g. Fire Chief, Joe Heim

3. **25-0918** Speakers from the Floor
Tom and Yong O'Connor – Was asking about what is going on with the street past Timberline Ct. Just wanted to bring it to the council's attention on how rough the roads are out in that area. Public Works director said that it will not be this year but after the construction is done and will work on it when the Indian Hills construction is done.
4. **25-0919** **Consent Agenda** (City Council Minutes 09/02/25, Public Safety Reports(s), Warrants, Zoning Minutes and Correspondence)
Motion by Alderperson Burgmeier to Approve Consent Agenda (City Council Minutes 09/02/25, Public Safety Reports(s), Warrants, Zoning Minutes and Correspondence) second by Alderperson Degenhardt **ROLL CALL:** Ayes – Alderperson Burgmeier, Alderperson Degenhardt, Alderperson Fluhr, Alderperson Meier and Alderperson Taylor Motion carried Absent – Alderperson Robey

NEW BUSINESS:

5. **25-0920** Discussion and Possible Action to Amend Liquor License for River Bluff Gaming, LLC dba Hangry Hobo Pub & Grub in the City of East Dubuque, Jo Daviess County, Illinois / Mayor Digman, City Manager Seitz
This is 231 next door which is being sold and become Hangry Hobo Pub and Grub. This is transferring the licenses to them.
Alderperson Burgmeier said he is excited that the doors are not being locked.
Motion by Alderperson Burgmeier to Approve Amended Liquor License for River Bluff Gaming, LLC dba Hangry Hobo Pub & Grub second by Alderperson Meier **ROLL CALL:** Ayes – Alderperson Burgmeier, Alderperson Degenhardt, Alderperson Fluhr, Alderperson Meier and Alderperson Taylor Motion carried Absent – Alderperson Robey
6. **25-0921** Discussion and Possible Action to Amend Video Gaming License for River Bluff Gaming, LLC dba Hangry Hobo Pub & Grub in the City of East Dubuque, Jo Daviess County, Illinois / Mayor Digman, City Manager Seitz
Motion by Alderperson Meier to Approve Amended Video Gaming License for River Bluff Gaming, LLC dba Hangry Hobo Pub & Grub second by Alderperson Taylor **ROLL CALL:** Ayes – Alderperson Burgmeier, Alderperson Degenhardt, Alderperson Fluhr, Alderperson Meier and Alderperson Taylor Motion carried Absent – Alderperson Robey
7. **25-0922** Discussion and Possible Action to Approve Commercial Façade Improvement Award to Finally R Place in the City of East Dubuque, Jo Daviess County, Illinois / Mayor Digman, City Manager Seitz
It is for both bars in the same building. Have termed that they are ok to have two since they have their own address for each bar. This will be a great addition to the City since this is the first building you come upon when you come into town.
Motion by Alderperson Degenhardt to Approve Commercial Façade Improvement Award to Finally R Place second by Alderperson Meier **ROLL CALL:** Ayes – Alderperson Burgmeier, Alderperson Degenhardt, Alderperson Fluhr, Alderperson Meier and Alderperson Taylor Motion carried Absent – Alderperson Robey

8. 25-0923 Discussion and Possible Action to Approve Commercial Façade Improvement Award to Shorty's in the City of East Dubuque, Jo Daviess County, Illinois / Mayor Digman, City Manager Seitz
Motion by Alderperson Degenhardt to Approve Commercial Façade Improvement Award to Shorty's second by Alderperson Taylor **ROLL CALL:** Ayes – Alderperson Burgmeier, Alderperson Degenhardt, Alderperson Fluhr, Alderperson Meier and Alderperson Taylor
Motion carried Absent – Alderperson Robey

9. 25-0924 Discussion and Possible Action to Approve Resolution Authorizing Initiation of Bidding for the Sinsinawa Avenue Water Main in the City of East Dubuque, Jo Daviess County, Illinois / Mayor Digman, City Manager Seitz

Looking at the TIF budget to see if we can start this project. We are going to draw a lot of people to our downtown area and it becomes more important to make sure that we do not have to shut down downtown because of breaks. We have been able to build our TIF back up and able to use that money for this project. We think we can squeeze it in this fall before the snow flies or hope for a mild winter.

Travis says they are hoping to have it done in a month. Asked what the process is going to be. We are going for a minimal replacement. Try to stay within one panel or expand that panel when necessary. Laying the main will probably only take one to two weeks.

Motion by Alderperson Burgmeier to Approve Resolution Authorizing Initiation of Bidding for the Sinsinawa Avenue Water Main second by Alderperson Meier **ROLL CALL:** Ayes – Alderperson Burgmeier, Alderperson Degenhardt, Alderperson, Alderperson Fluhr, Alderperson Meier and Alderperson Taylor Motion carried Absent – Alderperson Robey

10. 25-0925 Discussion and Possible Action to Approve and Authorize Mayor and City Clerk to Certify and Publish the Annual Treasurer's Report for the City of East Dubuque for the Fiscal Year Ending 4/30/2025 in the City of East Dubuque, Jo Daviess County, Illinois / Mayor Digman, City Manager Seitz

This is a legal requirement that is supposed to be published. Would ask to amend because of more precise numbers and that is on your desk when you came in.

Motion by Alderperson Taylor to Amend the Annual Treasurer's Report for the City of East Dubuque for the Fiscal Year Ending 4/30/2025 second by Alderperson Meier **ROLL CALL:** Ayes – Alderperson Burgmeier, Alderperson Degenhardt, Alderperson Fluhr, Alderperson Meier and Alderperson Taylor Motion carried Absent – Alderperson Robey

Motion by Alderperson Degenhardt to Authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to Certify and Publish the Annual Treasurer's Report for the City of East Dubuque for the Fiscal Year Ending 4/30/2025 second by Alderperson Fluhr **ROLL CALL:** Ayes – Alderperson Burgmeier, Alderperson Degenhardt, Alderperson Fluhr, Alderperson Meier and Alderperson Taylor Motion carried Absent – Alderperson Robey

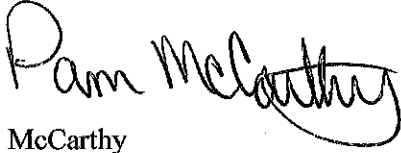
11. 25-0926 **Executive Session:** 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(11) Litigation / Mayor Digman, City Manager Seitz
No motion needed.

12. 25-0927 Discussion and Possible Action on Matters Discussed Executive Session in the City of East Dubuque, Jo Daviess County, Illinois / Mayor Digman, City Manager Seitz
No motion needed.

13. 25-0928 Adjourn

End Time: 6:23 pm

Motion by Alderperson Degenhardt to Adjourn second by Alderperson Burgmeier **ROLL CALL:** Ayes – Alderperson Burgmeier, Alderperson Degenhardt, Alderperson Fluhr, Alderperson Meier and Alderperson Taylor Motion carried Absent – Alderperson Robey

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Pam McCarthy". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looped initial "P" and a long, sweeping underline.

Pam McCarthy
City Clerk, East Dubuque