

July 6, 2026

A regular meeting of the Alta City Council was held on July 6, 2026, at City Hall. The meeting was called to order at 6:00pm by Mayor Desi Suter with the following members present: Bruce McGowan, Peg Hinkeldey, Laurie Millard, Alie Sievers, and Pam Henderson.

Sievers moved, and Hinkeldey seconded to approve the agenda. Motion passed unanimously. Motion by Henderson, second by McGowan to approve the minutes of the June 16 regular meeting with the following corrections: add “due to insurance increases and no performance evaluations” to the motion to leave wages as they are for FY27, add “Sievers left the meeting at 5:49 pm”, change next regular meeting to Monday, July 6 at 6:00 pm, change voting on the motion to adjourn Aye: Hinkeldey, Henderson, McGowan, Millard. Nay: none, Absent: Sievers.

IOWA LAKES CORRIDOR: Curt Strouth and Trevor Smith provided an update from the Iowa Lakes Corridor.

STREET CLOSURE REQUEST: Motion by Henderson, second by Hinkeldey, to approve the request from Scooters on Main to close Main Street between 2nd St and 3rd St from 5:00 pm to 1:00 am on July 18, 2026, for a community event. Motion passed unanimously.

HTP HOMETOWN DAYS REQUEST: Motion by McGowan, second by Sievers, to approve the request for the city to partner with the Alta Hometown Pride committee for Hometown Days on October 3rd & 4th. Motion passed unanimously.

OPEN FORUM: Nothing was presented in the open forum.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS: Department reports were as follows:

There was no Engineer’s report.

Chief Reetz presented the Fire Department Report and answered questions.

Deputy Smith presented the Sheriff’s report and answered questions.

Park Board President Raegan Launderville presented the Park Board report and answered questions.

Library Director Gigi Nelson presented the library report. Ana Garcia has resigned from the Library Board as she is moving out of state. The Library Board will follow its process to fill this position.

Superintendent Pedersen presented the Streets and Sanitation report.

Code Officer Stange presented his report.

Tom Lane provided updates about Westview Trailer Park.

Mayor Suter presented her report, and discussion was held about repairs to Main Street by the school.

City Attorney Armstrong provided a verbal report.

City Clerk presented her report.

RESOLUTION 26-06- RESOLUTION SETTING EMPLOYEE WAGES: Motion by Henderson, second by Hinkeldey, to approve Resolution 26-06- A Resolution Setting the Wages for Appointed Officers and Employees of the City of

Alta for the Fiscal Year 2026-2027, Beginning July 1, 2026. Ayes: Henderson, Hinkeldey. Nays: Sievers, Millard, McGowan. Motion failed. Motion by Sievers, second by McGowan, to approve a 2.5% wage increase for full-time employees and approve Resolution 26-06 with the following changes to wages: Lindsay Brown- \$32.30 hourly, Brad Pedersen- \$40.56 hourly, Fred Theisen- \$32.63 hourly, Caleb Miller- \$23.06 hourly, and John Stange- \$23.06 hourly. Motion passed with the following members voting aye: Sievers, Hinkeldey, McGowan. Nays: Henderson, Millard.

APPOINTMENT TO THE BOARD OF ADJUSTMENTS: The council returned to agenda item 9(l)(a), which was inadvertently skipped. Motion by Hinkeldey, seconded by Sievers, to appoint Mike Kestel to the Board of Adjustments. Motion passed with the following members voting aye: McGowan, Hinkeldey, Sievers. Nay: Millard, Henderson.

EMPLOYEE HANDBOOK CHANGES: Motion by Henderson, second by Sievers, to approve changes to the Employee Handbook as presented. Motion passed unanimously. Changes were made to Sections 10.1- Content of Personnel Files, 14.0- Hours of Work, and 14.3- Overtime. Section 34.1-Employee Evaluations was added.

RESOLUTION 26-07- REPEALING SUDAS: Motion by Henderson, second by Hinkeldey, to approve Resolution 26-07- A Resolution Rescinding Resolution No. 1511 Adopting the Iowa Statewide Urban Design Standards for Public Improvements and the Iowa Statewide Urban Standard Specifications for Public Improvements Manuals. Motion passed with the following members voting aye: McGowan, Millard, Hinkeldey, Henderson, Sievers. Nays: none.

APPROVE RETAIL TOBACCO PERMITS: Motion by Henderson, second by Sievers, to approve the Retail Tobacco Permit for Kimmes Alta Country Store. Motion passed unanimously. Motion by Henderson, second by Sievers, to approve the Retail Tobacco Permit for Casey's. Motion passed unanimously.

APPROVE ALCOHOL LICENSE: Motion by Henderson, second by Hinkeldey, to approve the Temporary Outdoor Service Amendment to the alcohol license for Scooters on Main. Motion passed unanimously.

APPROVE PICKLEBALL COURT AND SIDEWALK BIDS: Motion by Hinkeldey, second by Sievers, to approve the bid from Mann-Speers Construction for \$52,315 for construction of a pickleball court and trail extension sidewalk in the park. Motion passed with the following members voting aye: Hinkeldey, Sievers, Millard, Henderson. Nays: none. McGowan abstained from voting due to a conflict of interest, as he is related to the company owners.

APPROVE SIDEWALK BIDS- MAIN STREET: Motion by Hinkeldey, second by Sievers, to approve the bid from Smith Concrete for \$9520 for sidewalk reconstruction for the northwest and southeast corners of Main and 2nd Street. Motion passed unanimously.

JUNE Bills Payable

GENERAL FUND:		AMOUNT
Ace Hardware	supplies	204.79
AgState	fuel	519.80
Alliant Energy	utilities	24.59
Alta-Aurelia CSD- Cheer	fee	50.00
Amazon	supplies	16.14
AMU	postage	91.50

AMU	postage	98.28
AMU	telecom	426.20
AMU	utilities	1,303.21
Amazon	supplies	564.23
Aurelia Lumber	supplies	155.00
Blue Lake Websites	fee	163.98
Bomgaars	supplies	242.76
BV County EMA	fee	626.10
BV County Recycle Center	fee	2,407.90
Central Iowa Distributing	supplies	164.00
DA Davidson	fees	1,000.00
DeMan/Willie	reimbursement	41.67
Ecolab	service	150.00
Foundation Analytical	fee	90.00
Friedrich/Todd	reimbursement	4.27
GFC Leasing	lease	187.54
GFC Leasing	lease	59.59
GFC Leasing	lease	59.59
Gordon Flesch Co	fee	106.19
Heiman Fire	supplies	256.25
Hinners/Sharon	fee	30.00
Hirschman Auto	service	10.00
HyVee	supplies	154.16
IAMU	fee	530.00
Ingram	books	319.77
Iowa League of Cities	dues	1,727.00
JCL Solutions	supplies	365.59
Johnson/Joann	service	292.00
Johnston Auto Stores	supplies	1,079.80
Joyce's Greenery	supplies	350.77
Kreutz/Sara	fee	125.00
Kuhrts Sharpening	fee	15.00
Mattson/Kyler	fee	50.00
Nelson/Gigi	reimbursement	176.90
Neotek	service	186.00
Neotek	service	186.00
Norris/Amy	fee	30.00
North Lake Truck Repair	supplies	45.38
NW Iowa League of Cities	fee	25.00
NWIPDC	fee	1,356.55
P&H Wholesale	supplies	46.44
Pitney Bowes	fee	135.27
Power Solutions	service	940.76
Reetz/Heidi	fee	100.00
RPL Products	supplies	1,425.00
SCE	service	3,084.54
Smith/Grant	fee	50.00
Stange, John	reimbursement	26.10
Storm Lake Times Pilot	fee	345.88
Storm Lake Times Pilot	fee	354.54
Sunchaser Elite	fee	2,664.00
TCY Machine	service	168.00
TCY Machine	service	430.00
Textcaster	fee	141.33
Turnquist/Dave	fee	50.00
Turnquist/Laura	reimbursement	35.57
USBank Card	supplies	1,853.47
VECTOR	fee	5,285.00
Warrior PTO	fee	250.00
Wendl, Cassie	fee	50.00

33,504.40

COMMUNITY BLDG FUND:

Ace Hardware	supplies	79.97
Alliant Energy	utilities	124.83
Amazon	supplies	164.89
AMU	telecom	117.90
AMU	utilities	968.95
Amazon	supplies	219.80
Chesterman	supplies	50.00
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Doll Distributing	supplies	270.00
Doll Distributing	supplies	1,116.60
Ecolab	service	113.40
HyVee	supplies	276.90
HyVee	supplies	618.02
Jacuinde/Yadira	fee	82.50
Klein/Ashley	contract	500.00
Launderville/Jen	fee	292.50
Marshall/Kevin	fee	101.25
Napa Auto Parts	supplies	21.68
Petty Cash- City of Alta	ATM restock	1,820.00
Power Solutions	supplies	13.84
Schubert/ Carla	contract/fee	204.50
Theisen/Maddie	fee	105.00
		7,312.53

SUMMER BASEBALL FUND:

Cheney/Justin	contract	1,500.00
Chesterman	supplies	2,629.92
Daughenbaugh, Alex	fee	35.00
Diischer/Trevor	fee	210.00
Diischer/Trevor	fee	245.00
Droegmiller/Austin	fee	375.00
Droegmiller/Austin	fee	440.00
Fareway	supplies	1,221.83
Friedrich/Todd	reimbursement	100.00
Glienke/Korbin	fee	105.00
Glienke/Korbin	fee	135.00
Langschwager/Laeton	fee	205.00
Lopez, Sofia	fee	35.00
Pedersen/Parker	fee	35.00
Randall/Scott	fee	550.00
Stough/Michael Dean	fee	360.00
Stough/Michael Dean	fee	810.00
Syndergaard/Payton	fee	205.00
USBank Card	supplies	2,013.64
		11,210.39

ROAD USE TAX FUND:

Ace Hardware	supplies	109.93
AgState	fuel	634.59
Alliant Energy	utilities	78.07
AMU	utilities	686.34
Bomgaars	supplies	885.35
Edwards	service	5,270.10
Fastenal	supplies	57.07
Hotsy Equipment	supplies	696.52
Johnston Auto	supplies	8.28
Kueny Chiropractic	fee	60.00
Menards	supplies	7.98

Spectrum Paint	supplies	2,225.26
		10,719.49

SEWER RENT FUND:

Alliant Energy	utilities	77.79
AMU	telecom	114.85
AMU	utilities	2,314.94
Bomgaars	supplies	3.49
Foundation Analytical	service	1,285.25
GW Pete Howe Sanitation	service	5,468.75
Mann Speers Construction	service	33,450.00
Mike's Electronics	service	500.00
SCE	service	1,266.06
		44,481.13

SOLID WASTE FUND:

AgState	fuel	224.33
AMU	utilities	21.66
BV Co Recycle Center	assessment	36,522.50
BV Co Recycle Center	fee	3,095.75
North Lake Truck Repair	service	2,096.98
		41,961.22

DEBT SERVICE

United Bank of Iowa	principal	18,000.00
		18,000.00

LOST

Frank Dunn Co	supplies	998.00
		998.00

JUNE PAYROLL:

payroll	41,174.34
	41,174.34

TOTAL = 209,361.50

JUNE REVENUE

General	31,155.99
Trees Forever	0.00
Playground	0.00
Community Building	12,911.94
Summer Baseball	25,566.75
Road Use	29,132.39
Employee Benefits	1,985.35
Emergency	0.00
Local Option Sales Tax	21,814.93
TIF	0.00
Debt Service	1,668.03
Inf. Savings	0.00
Housing Rehab	0.00
Sewer/Drainage Project	0.00
CIP - W. 1st St. Project	0.00
Sewer Rent	39,893.16
Sewer - Short-lived assets	653.00
Sewer Reserve	0.00
Solid Waste	13851.45
Storm Water	1774.58
	180,407.57

CLAIMS: Motion by Henderson, second by Sievers, to approve June claims in the amount of \$209,361.50.
Motion passed unanimously.

The next regular meeting will be Monday, July 20, at 4:30pm.

Being no further business, motion by Sievers to adjourn at 8:10 pm, second by Hinkeldey, and approved with all members voting aye.

Lindsay Brown, City Clerk

Attest:

Desi Suter, Mayor