

City of Monticello, Iowa

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Posted on March 25, 2022 at 5:00 p.m.

Monticello City Special Council Meeting March 28, 2022 @ 5:30 p.m.

Monticello Renaissance Center, 220 E. 1st Street, Monticello, Iowa

Mayor:	Dave Goedken	Staff:	
City Council:		City Administrator:	Russell Farnum
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Ward #4:	Tom Yeoman	Park & Rec Director:	Jacob Oswald
		Library Director:	Michelle Turnis

- **Call to Order – 5:30 P.M.**
- Pledge of Allegiance
- Roll Call
- Agenda Addition/Agenda Approval

Open Forum: If you wish to address the City Council on subjects pertaining to today's meeting agenda please wait until that item on the agenda is reached. If you wish to address the City Council on an item not on the agenda, please approach the lectern and give your name and address for the public record before discussing your item. Individuals are normally limited to speaking for no more than three (3) minutes on a topic and the Open Forum is by rule limited to a total of twenty (20) minutes.

Public Hearings:

1. **Public Hearing** to review an application with the USDA Rural Development for financial assistance to develop the new Waste Water Treatment Facility

Adjournment: Pursuant to §21.4(2) of the Code of Iowa, the City has the right to amend this agenda up until 24 hours before the posted meeting time.

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Meeting Instructions for the Public

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The meeting will continue to be broadcast on Mediacom (Local Access Channel) and will be accessible via Zoom via the following link.

City of Monticello is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: March 28, 2022 Special Council Meeting

Time: Mar 28, 2022 05:30 PM Central Time (US and Canada)

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<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85430004104>

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City Council Meeting
Prep. Date: 03/24/2022
Preparer: Russell Farnum



Agenda Item: # 1
Agenda Date: 03/28/2022

Communication Page

Agenda Items Description: Public Hearing - USDA-RD Funding Application for Waste Water Treatment Facility

Type of Action Requested: Hold Public Hearing

Attachments & Enclosures:

Fiscal Impact:

Budget Line Item:	
Budget Summary:	
Expenditure:	
Revenue:	

Synopsis: The City has an option of using the USDA Rural Development program as a financing tool for construction of the Waste Water Treatment Facility (WWTF). In order to make an application to that program, a public hearing must be held. The applications are due March 31.

Background: The Department of Natural Resources is implementing new Environmental Protection Agency requirements for nutrient removal in sewage processing facilities. As part of those mandates that have been handed down, the City of Monticello has been ordered by Iowa DNR to upgrade its WWTF to include nutrient removal. In order to accomplish the DNR mandate, the City must reconstruct a majority of its existing facility, at substantial cost.

The latest engineers' estimate is:

Monticello WWTP Improvements - Engineer's Opinion of Probable Cost - 2/21/2022		
1	Admin, Legal Expenses	\$45,000
2	Land, Structures, ROW, appraisals	\$0
3	Relocation	\$0
4	Arch & Engineering Fees	\$1,320,000
5	Other Arch & Engineering Fees	\$0
6	Project Inspection Fees	\$350,000
7	Site Work	\$1,351,000
8	Demo & removal	\$501,000
9	Construction	\$6,809,000
10	Equip	\$5,826,000
11	Misc.	\$0

12	Sub Total	\$16,202,000
13	Contingencies	\$1,313,000
14	Total Project Costs	\$17,515,000

The terms of the USDA-RD financing include a 40-year amortization and an interest rate of only 1.25% (fixed). There is no obligation for the City to take this financing, and if the City does use this financing, it can be paid off early with no penalties.

Submission of the application by March 31 will allow the City to lock in the 1.25% interest rate, again with no obligation to use or pursue this financing if a better option is available.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Council hold the public hearing as required. No further action is necessary at the meeting.