

AGENDA
SPECIAL MEETING OF THE AMES CITY COUNCIL
COUNCIL CHAMBERS - CITY HALL
FEBRUARY 5, 2026

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC: The Mayor and City Council welcome comments from the public during discussion. The Standards of Decorum, posted at the door and available on the City website, define respectful conduct for public participation. If you wish to speak, please fill out the form on the tablet outside the door to the Council Chambers or scan the QR Code to the right to fill out the same form on a personal device. When your name is called, please step to the microphone, state your name for the record, and keep your comments brief so that others may have the opportunity to speak.



CALL TO ORDER: 5:15 p.m.

WORKSHOP:

1. City Council Budget Hearings:
 - a. Transportation Program
 - Transit
 - b. General Government/Internal Services
 - City Council
 - City Manager
 - City Clerk
 - Communications and Outreach
 - Sustainability
 - Legal Services
 - Human Resources
 - Risk Management
 - Health Insurance
 - Health Promotion
 - c. Community Development Program
 - Planning Services
 - Administrative Support Services
 - City-Wide Housing Programs
 - Community Development Block Grant
 - HOME Program
 - HOME/ARP Program

COUNCIL COMMENTS:

CLOSED SESSION:

2. Motion to hold Closed Session as provided by Section 21.5(1)(c), *Code of Iowa*, to discuss matters presently in litigation or where litigation is imminent
 - a. Motion directing staff

ADJOURNMENT:

***Public Input will be received on Tuesday, February 10, 2026, during the City Council Budget Wrap-Up Meeting. Please note that this agenda may be changed up to 24 hours**

before the meeting time as provided by Section 21.4(2), Code of Iowa.



Item No. 1
MEMO

To: Mayor and City Council
From: Corey Goodenow, Director of Finance
Date: February 5, 2026
Subject: City Council Budget Hearings

As part of the City's annual budget process, staff presents the budget hearings for City Council consideration. Public input is welcome at the City Council meeting on February 10, 2026. The current financial documents are located on the City website here: [Finance | City of Ames, IA](#).



Item No. 2
MEMO

To: Mayor & City Council
From: Mark O. Lambert, City Attorney
Date: February 5, 2026
Subject: Closed Session

I hereby advise the Council that the Council has the authority to go into closed session under *Iowa Code* section 21.5(1)(c), to discuss with legal counsel matters presently in litigation or where litigation is imminent.