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AGENDA REGULAR IRONWOOD CITY COMMISSION MEETING AUGUST 11, 2025

LOCATION: IRONWOOD MEMORIAL BUILDING
COMMISSION CHAMBERS
213 S. MARQUETTE ST.
IRONWOOD, MI 49938

~~Public Hearing – 5:00 P.M. – 1215 Celia Street Blight~~ **Cancelled**

Public Hearing - 5:03 P.M. – 352 E. Pine Street Blight

Public Hearing - 5:06 P.M. – 403 E. Pine Street Blight

Public Hearing - 5:09 P.M. – 405 E. Pine Street Blight

Public Hearing - 5:12 P.M. – 413 E. Pine Street Blight

Public Hearing - 5:15 P.M. – 531 E. Pine Street Blight

Public Hearing - 5:18 P.M. – 522 E. Houk Street Blight

~~Public Hearing – 5:21 P.M. – 139 Rowe Street Blight~~ **Cancelled**

Public Hearing - 5:24 P.M. – 150 Rowe Street Blight

Public Hearing - 5:27 P.M. – 216 Kennedy Street Blight

Regular Meeting – 5:30 P.M.

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PUBLIC HEARING 5:00 P.M.

Cancelled by Ironwood Public Safety

PUBLIC HEARING 5:03 P.M.

1. Open Public Hearing.
2. Roll Call.
3. Public Hearing: To receive public comment relative to a Blight Violation at 352 E. Pine Street, (52-22-482-050).
4. Close Public Hearing.



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PUBLIC HEARING

5:06 P.M.

1. Open Public Hearing.
2. Public Hearing: To receive public comment relative to a Blight Violation at 403 E. Pine Street, (52-27-228-010).
3. Close Public Hearing.

PUBLIC HEARING

5:09 P.M.

1. Open Public Hearing.
2. Public Hearing: To receive public comment relative to a Blight Violation at 405 E. Pine Street, (52-27-228-160).
3. Close Public Hearing.

PUBLIC HEARING

5:12 P.M.

1. Open Public Hearing.
2. Public Hearing: To receive public comment relative to a Blight Violation at 413 E. Pine Street, (52-27-228-130).
3. Close Public Hearing.

PUBLIC HEARING

5:15 P.M.

1. Open Public Hearing.
2. Public Hearing: To receive public comment relative to a Blight Violation at 531 E. Pine Street, (52-26-102-070).
3. Close Public Hearing.

PUBLIC HEARING

5:18 P.M.

1. Open Public Hearing.
2. Public Hearing: To receive public comment relative to a Blight Violation at 522 E. Houk Street, (52-23-351-210).
3. Close Public Hearing.

**PUBLIC HEARING
5:21 P.M.**

Cancelled by Ironwood Public Safety

**PUBLIC HEARING
5:24 P.M.**

1. Open Public Hearing.
2. Public Hearing: To receive public comment relative to a Blight Violation at 150 Rowe Street, (52-23-152-020).
3. Close Public Hearing.

**PUBLIC HEARING
5:27 P.M.**

1. Open Public Hearing.
2. Public Hearing: To receive public comment relative to a Blight Violation at 216 Kennedy Street, (52-24-310-060).
3. Close Public Hearing.

**REGULAR MEETING
5:30 P.M.**

- A. Regular Meeting Called to Order.
Pledge of Allegiance to the United States of America.
- B. Recording of the Roll.
- C. Approval of the Consent Agenda. *
All items with an asterisk (*) are considered to be routine by the City Commission and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of those items unless a Commission member or citizen so requests, in which event the item will be removed from the General Order of Business and considered in its normal sequence on the Agenda.
 - *1) Approval of Minutes:
 - a. Regular City Commission Meeting Minutes of July 28, 2025.
 - *2) Review and Place on File:
 - a. Ironwood Housing Commission Meeting Minutes of July 8, 2025.
 - b. Pat O'Donnell Civic Center Meeting Minutes of June 7, 2025.
- D. Approval of the Agenda.
- E. Citizens wishing to address the Commission on Items on the Agenda. (Three Minute Limit).
- F. Citizens wishing to address the Commission on Items not on the Agenda. (Three Minute Limit).

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- G. Discuss and consider approving Payment #8, for C.D. Smith, in the amount of \$628,830.91 for the City of Ironwood – Water Treatment Plant Phase 2 Project and authorize the Mayor to sign all applicable documents.
- H. Discuss and consider amending the 2025-2026 Fiscal Year Fee Schedule to reflect a \$.60 flat fee increase to the minimum monthly sewer charge as previously approved.

NEW BUSINESS

- I. Discuss and consider declaring a 2010 Ford Explorer, as surplus equipment and authorize the sale with a minimum bid set at \$400.00.
- J. Discuss and consider declaring a 2001 Ford F150 4X4 with liftgate, as surplus equipment and authorize the sale with a minimum bid set at \$500.00.
- K. Discuss and consider approving an agreement with Coleman Engineering Company, not to exceed \$8,000.00, for Professional Engineering Services related to the Phase 6 Water and Wastewater Improvements United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Rural Development (RD) Funding Application.
- L. Discuss and consider adopting Resolution #025-035-B, a Resolution Ordering Removal and Abatement of the Hazard and Nuisance of the property located at 352 E. Pine Street, (52-22-482-050).
- M. Discuss and consider adopting Resolution #025-036-B, a Resolution Ordering Removal and Abatement of the Hazard and Nuisance of the property located at 403 E. Pine Street, (52-27-228-010).
- N. Discuss and consider adopting Resolution #025-037-B, a Resolution Ordering Removal and Abatement of the Hazard and Nuisance of the property located at 405 E. Pine Street, (52-27-228-160).
- O. Discuss and consider adopting Resolution #025-038-B, a Resolution Ordering Removal and Abatement of the Hazard and Nuisance of the property located at 413 E. Pine Street, (52-27-228-130).
- P. Discuss and consider adopting Resolution #025-039-B, a Resolution Ordering Removal and Abatement of the Hazard and Nuisance of the property located at 531 E. Pine Street, (52-26-102-070).
- Q. Discuss and consider adopting Resolution #025-040-B, a Resolution Ordering Removal and Abatement of the Hazard and Nuisance of the property located at 522 E. Houk Street, (52-23-351-210).
- R. Discuss and consider adopting Resolution #025-042-B, a Resolution Ordering Removal and Abatement of the Hazard and Nuisance of the property located at 150 Rowe Street, (52-23-152-020).

- S. Discuss and consider adopting Resolution #025-043-B, a Resolution Ordering Removal and Abatement of the Hazard and Nuisance of the property located at 216 Kennedy Street, (52-24-310-060).
- T. Discuss and consider changes to the rate of pay for City Commissioners and the Mayor of Ironwood.
- U. Manager's Report.
- V. Other Matters.
- W. Consider going into closed session pursuant to MCL 15.268(a); purchase of real property up to the time an option to purchase of that property is obtained.
- X. Return to Open Session.
- Y. Adjournment.

Proceedings of the Ironwood City Commission Meeting

A Regular Meeting of the Ironwood City Commission was held on July 28, 2025, at 5:30 P.M. in the Commission Chambers, Second Floor of the Municipal Memorial Building in the City of Ironwood.

A. Mayor Corcoran called the Regular Meeting to Order at 5:30 P.M.

B. Recording of the Roll.

PRESENT: Commissioners Andresen, Korpi, Mildren, Semo, and Corcoran

ABSENT: None

C. Approval of the Consent Agenda.

1) Approval of Minutes:

a. Regular City Commission Meeting Minutes of July 14, 2025.

2) Review and Place on File:

a. Ironwood Carnegie Library Board Meeting Minutes of June 17, 2025.

b. Human Relations and Equity Committee Meeting Minutes of June 4, 2025.

***Motion** was made by Korpi, seconded by Andresen, to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Unanimously passed by roll call vote.*

D. Approval of the Agenda.

***Motion** was made by Mildren, seconded by Semo, and carried, to approve the Agenda as presented.*

E. Review and Place on File:

1. Revenue & Expenditure Report.

2. Cash and Investment Summary Report.

***Motion** was made by Andresen, seconded by Korpi, and carried, to receive and place on file the Statement of Revenue & Expenditures Report for the month ending June 2025, and the Cash and Investment Summary Report for June 2025.*

F. Approval of Monthly Check Register Report.

***Motion** was made by Mildren, seconded by Semo, to approve the Check Register Report for June 2025 as presented. Unanimously passed by roll call vote.*

G. Citizens wishing to address the Commission on Items on the Agenda. (Three Minute Limit).

There were none.

H. Citizens wishing to address the Commission on Items not on the Agenda. (Three Minute Limit).

John Hartaloo addressed the Commission regarding the Feeding America food pantry and lack of appropriate mental health care in our area.

Mike Johnson addressed the Commission regarding curbside garbage clean up and blight rules.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- I. Discuss and consider approving Payment #5, for Jake's Excavating and Landscaping, LLC., in the amount of \$10,686.55 for the TMF Water Service Exploration Project and authorize the Mayor to sign all applicable documents.

***Motion** was made by Semo, seconded by Mildren, to approve Payment #5, for Jake's Excavating and Landscaping, LLC., in the amount of \$10,686.55 for the TMF Water Service Exploration Project and authorize the Mayor to sign all applicable documents. Unanimously passed by roll call vote.*

- J. Discuss and consider approving Change Order #17, for Jake's Excavating and Landscaping, LLC., which is a decrease of \$11,203.75 for the Lead Service Line Replacement Project and authorize the Mayor to sign all applicable documents.

***Motion** was made by Mildren, seconded by Korpi, to approve Change Order #17, for Jake's Excavating and Landscaping, LLC., which is a decrease of \$11,203.75 for the Lead Service Line Replacement Project and authorize the Mayor to sign all applicable documents. Unanimously passed by roll call vote.*

- K. Discuss and consider approving Payment #18, for Jake's Excavating and Landscaping, LLC., in the amount of \$68,464.80 for the Lead Service Line Replacement Project and authorize the Mayor to sign all applicable documents.

***Motion** was made by Semo, seconded by Mildren, to approve Payment #18, for Jake's Excavating and Landscaping, LLC., in the amount of \$68,464.80 for the Lead Service Line Replacement Project and authorize the Mayor to sign all applicable documents. Unanimously passed by roll call vote.*

- L. Discuss and consider approving Change Order #2, for Jake's Excavating and Landscaping, LLC., which is an increase of \$285,128.00 for the Phase 5B Water and Sewer Project and authorize the Mayor to sign all applicable documents.

***Motion** was made by Mildren, seconded by Korpi, to approve Change Order #2, for Jake's Excavating and Landscaping, LLC., which is an increase of \$285,128.00 for the Phase 5B Water and Sewer Project and authorize the Mayor to sign all applicable documents. Unanimously passed by roll call vote.*

- M. Discuss and consider approving Change Order #2, for Jake's Excavating and Landscaping, LLC., which is an increase of \$113,864.50 for the Phase 5C Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Water Project and authorize the Mayor to sign all applicable documents.

***Motion** was made by Semo, seconded by Mildren, to approve Change Order #2, for Jake's Excavating and Landscaping, LLC., which is an increase of \$113,864.50 for the Phase 5C Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Water Project and authorize the Mayor to sign all applicable documents. Unanimously passed by roll call vote.*

- N. Discuss and consider approving Payment #2, for Jake's Excavating, in the amount of \$144,743.77 for the Phase 5C Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Water Project and authorize the Mayor to sign all applicable documents.

***Motion** was made by Semo, seconded by Mildren, to approve Payment #2, for Jake's Excavating, in the amount of \$144,743.77 for the Phase 5C Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Water Project and authorize the Mayor to sign all applicable documents. Unanimously passed by roll call vote.*

- O. Discuss and consider approving the Rural Development Pay Package #2 in the amount of \$259,276.07 for the City of Ironwood – Phase 5B Sewer Project and authorize the Mayor to sign all applicable documents.

***Motion** was made by Mildren, seconded by Semo, to approve the Rural Development Pay Package #2 in the amount of \$259,276.07 for the City of Ironwood – Phase 5B Sewer Project and authorize the Mayor to sign all applicable documents. Unanimously passed by roll call vote.*

NEW BUSINESS

- P. Discuss and consider approval of an access easement through Sunnyside Road for Aaron and Stephanie Zaleski.

***Motion** was made by Semo, seconded by Korpi, and carried, to approve an access easement through Sunnyside Road for Aaron and Stephanie Zaleski.*

- Q. Discuss and consider approval of an easement with Gogebic Range Bank for the placement of a new Downtown Ironwood sign and authorize the City to seek bids for the construction and installation of the new sign.

***Motion** was made by Mildren, seconded by Andresen, and carried, to approve an easement with Gogebic Range Bank for the placement of a new Downtown Ironwood sign and authorize the City to seek bids for the construction and installation of the new sign.*

- R. Discuss and consider appointing Doug Muskett of McKenzie & Muskett, PC, as the on-call City Attorney.

***Motion** was made by Semo, seconded by Mildren, and carried, to appoint Doug Muskett of McKenzie & Muskett, PC, as the on-call City Attorney.*

- S. Discuss and consider authorizing staff to go out for proposals for certified Grant Administrator, Environmental Review and State Historic Preservation Office review services related to the CDBG WRI Project.

***Motion** was made by Semo, seconded by Korpi, and carried, to authorize staff to go out for proposals for certified Grant Administrator, Environmental Review and State Historic Preservation Office review services related to the CDBG WRI Project.*

- T. Discuss and consider approval of the City's revised Capital Asset Management Policy, increasing the capitalization threshold for equipment from \$5,000 to \$10,000 effective July 1, 2025.

Motion was made by Mildren, seconded by Andresen, and carried, to approve the City's revised Capital Asset Management Policy, increasing the capitalization threshold for equipment from \$5,000 to \$10,000 effective July 1, 2025.

- U. Discuss and consider adopting Resolution #025-033, approving the Michigan Department of Natural Resources Land and Water Conservation Fund Program Grant Agreement for \$750,000, with a local match of \$375,000, for the replacement of the Ice-Making System at the Pat O'Donnell Civic Center, and authorize the Mayor to sign all related documents.

Motion was made by Semo, seconded by Mildren, to adopt Resolution #025-033, approving the Michigan Department of Natural Resources Land and Water Conservation Fund Program Grant Agreement for \$750,000, with a local match of \$375,000, for the replacement of the Ice-Making System at the Pat O'Donnell Civic Center, and authorize the Mayor to sign all related documents. Unanimously passed by roll call vote.

- V. Discuss and consider adopting Resolution #025-034-A, to schedule a Public Hearing on Monday, August 11, 2025, at 5:00 P.M., to hear comment on a blight violation at 1215 Celia Street, (52-14-383-010).

Motion was made by Korpi, seconded by Andresen, to adopt Resolution #025-034-A, to schedule a Public Hearing on Monday, August 11, 2025, at 5:00 P.M., to hear comment on a blight violation at 1215 Celia Street, (52-14-383-010). Unanimously passed by roll call vote.

- W. Discuss and consider adopting Resolution #025-035-A, to schedule a Public Hearing on Monday, August 11, 2025, at 5:03 P.M., to hear comment on a blight violation at 352 E. Pine Street, (52-22-482-050).

Motion was made by Semo, seconded by Andresen, to adopt Resolution #025-035-A, to schedule a Public Hearing on Monday, August 11, 2025, at 5:03 P.M., to hear comment on a blight violation at 352 E. Pine Street, (52-22-482-050). Unanimously passed by roll call vote.

- X. Discuss and consider adopting Resolution #025-036-A, to schedule a Public Hearing on Monday, August 11, 2025, at 5:06 P.M., to hear comment on a blight violation at 403 E. Pine Street, (52-27-228-010).

Motion was made by Korpi, seconded by Semo, to adopt Resolution #025-036-A, to schedule a Public Hearing on Monday, August 11, 2025, at 5:06 P.M., to hear comment on a blight violation at 403 E. Pine Street, (52-27-228-010). Unanimously passed by roll call vote.

- Y. Discuss and consider adopting Resolution #025-037-A, to schedule a Public Hearing on Monday, August 11, 2025, at 5:09 P.M., to hear comment on a blight violation at 405 E. Pine Street, (52-27-228-160).

Motion was made by Andresen, seconded by Korpi, to adopt Resolution #025-037-A, to schedule a Public Hearing on Monday, August 11, 2025, at 5:09 P.M., to hear comment on a blight violation at 405 E. Pine Street, (52-27-228-160). Unanimously passed by roll call vote.

- Z. Discuss and consider adopting Resolution #025-038-A, to schedule a Public Hearing on Monday, August 11, 2025, at 5:12 P.M., to hear comment on a blight violation at 413 E. Pine Street, (52-27-228-130).

Motion was made by Semo, seconded by Mildren, to adopt Resolution #025-038-A, to schedule a Public Hearing on Monday, August 11, 2025, at 5:12 P.M., to hear comment on a blight violation at 413 E. Pine Street, (52-27-228-130). Unanimously passed by roll call vote.

AA. Discuss and consider adopting Resolution #025-039-A, to schedule a Public Hearing on Monday, August 11, 2025, at 5:15 P.M., to hear comment on a blight violation at 531 E. Pine Street, (52-26-102-070).

Motion was made by Mildren, seconded by Korpi, to adopt Resolution #025-039-A, to schedule a Public Hearing on Monday, August 11, 2025, at 5:15 P.M., to hear comment on a blight violation at 531 E. Pine Street, (52-26-102-070). Unanimously passed by roll call vote.

BB. Discuss and consider adopting Resolution #025-040-A, to schedule a Public Hearing on Monday, August 11, 2025, at 5:18 P.M., to hear comment on a blight violation at 522 E. Houk Street, (52-23-351-210).

Motion was made by Semo, seconded by Mildren, to adopt Resolution #025-040-A, to schedule a Public Hearing on Monday, August 11, 2025, at 5:18 P.M., to hear comment on a blight violation at 522 E. Houk Street, (52-23-351-210). Unanimously passed by roll call vote.

CC. Discuss and consider adopting Resolution #025-041-A, to schedule a Public Hearing on Monday, August 11, 2025, at 5:21 P.M., to hear comment on a blight violation at 139 Rowe Street, (52-23-151-170).

Motion was made by Andresen, seconded by Korpi, to adopt Resolution #025-041-A, to schedule a Public Hearing on Monday, August 11, 2025, at 5:21 P.M., to hear comment on a blight violation at 139 Rowe Street, (52-23-151-170). Unanimously passed by roll call vote.

DD. Discuss and consider adopting Resolution #025-042-A, to schedule a Public Hearing on Monday, August 11, 2025, at 5:24 P.M., to hear comment on a blight violation at 150 Rowe Street, (52-23-152-020).

Motion was made by Semo, seconded by Mildren, to adopt Resolution #025-042-A, to schedule a Public Hearing on Monday, August 11, 2025, at 5:24 P.M., to hear comment on a blight violation at 150 Rowe Street, (52-23-152-020). Unanimously passed by roll call vote.

EE. Discuss and consider adopting Resolution #025-043-A, to schedule a Public Hearing on Monday, August 11, 2025, at 5:27 P.M., to hear comment on a blight violation at 216 Kennedy Street, (52-24-310-060).

Motion was made by Mildren, seconded by Semo, to adopt Resolution #025-043-A, to schedule a Public Hearing on Monday, August 11, 2025, at 5:27 P.M., to hear comment on a blight violation at 216 Kennedy Street, (52-24-310-060). Unanimously passed by roll call vote.

FF. Manager's Report.

City Manager Paul Anderson provided the following verbal updates:

Engineering Projects

- \$33MIL Wastewater Plant Project for GIWA: Construction is approximately 33% complete at this point and is scheduled to go through the end of 2026. The project is updating many

electrical and mechanical systems within the 40-year-old wastewater plant which treats water for Ironwood, Hurley, and Ironwood Township. Project is currently on schedule.

- *\$11MIL Phase 1 of the water plant project continues with CD Smith Construction. We are working on spending the last of the contingency money by completing some well rehab work and asphalt paving of the driveway around the water plant. This will spend the remaining Phase 1 contingency funds. Asphalt paving work is scheduled to be complete in late August and well rehab work from August through October, with the City and Binz discussing additional work to be completed within the project funds.*
- *\$11MIL Phase 2 of the water treatment plant continues. The floor is poured for the 250,000-gallon clear well. Now they are focusing on the footings for the new garage so that the garage can be completed this fall prior to winter conditions. Phase 2 work will generally be complete by January 2026 and start up commissioning of the treatment process is expected to be complete by spring 2026.*
- *Phase 5A \$1.6MIL water system project. Paving of Frederick Street and Albany is complete. Paving the second lift of asphalt for Lake St and Nightingale will occur this fall once concrete repair items are addressed and once we have videoed the sewer lines that need to be lined this fall (in case we need to perform any spot repairs).*
- *Phase 5B \$3.8MIL water and sewer project –consists of water and sewer work on Coolidge, Harding, Michigan, Ridge. Phase 5C \$1.8MIL water project for reconstructing portions of Coolidge, Harding and Lowell St from US2 to Harding.*
 - *Jakes currently has Coolidge all water and sewer main, and services are in. Harding working on water and sewer from Hemlock to Douglas. East of Douglas the main is done. Lowell street services being worked on.*
 - *Xcel Energy and Q3 contracting are doing their best to stay ahead of Jake's crews with replacing gas mains and services prior to Jakes coming in to do the water sewer and street work. They are currently working on Michigan and Lowell Streets.*
- *The \$3MIL lead service line replacement project with Jakes Excavating: their crew has been back and forth between Phase 5 and this job. But moving forward they plan to work on 1 to 2 services a day for this job. To date, they have had 162 services that they thought to be lead/galvanized but they turned out to be copper. We have replaced a total of 282 lead service lines with Copper. We have approximately 120 known galvanized / lead lines to replace still. We have 45 unknowns that need to be identified.*
- *The \$598,000 TMF grant work continues by Jakes Excavating. This is identifying material types of water services on ~520 unknown water services. 504 done to date. City and Jakes are coordinating utility locates on the last 20. They continue to find mainly copper lines. They expect to have this work complete in the next few weeks. We will have all of our unknowns throughout the City identified by the end of this project.*
- *2025 Small Urban Grant Project Update: \$375K grant will be split between these two projects:*
 - Project 1: replace the water main and street on Superior St from US2 to the City boundary, will repave Curry St around the school. \$482K was the low bid by Ruotsala Construction. Pipe work on Superior street is complete. They will be working on road reconstruction in the next few weeks. We are going to replace the sidewalks on Superior Steet as a change order.*
 - Project 2 - \$177K Fahrner Asphalt completed the chip seal work on the following roads:*

- *Greenbush north of US2*
- *Frenchtown Road*
- *Brogan St*
- *Penokee Road*
- *South Suffolk St*
- *Burma Road*
- *Library Community Spaces Grant Project: Ruotsala Construction has completed the foundation, walls, trusses and roofing. They are working on painting and soffit work and completing the window and building wrap on the exterior plywood. In early August the exterior brick work will take place. The construction project will continue through summer and fall 2025 with completion in the spring of 2026.*
- *Newport Heights water future project: Coleman Engineering submitted the EGLE funding application on 5/15/25. The USDA Rural Development application is being worked on; we need a draft engineering agreement, bond counsel agreement letter, SHPO resubmittal process, and then to publish a Notice of Intent. We are waiting on RD to review documents currently before we proceed any further. Signs are that RD has grant money available, so we are anxious to get our application in for consideration.*
- *Staff is working on reviewing priority areas for sewer and water work as part of Phase 6. At the next City Commission meeting will be considering a proposal to conduct a Preliminary Engineering Report for Phase 6 to get prepared for upcoming grant opportunities. We still have roughly 6-10 more "Phases" of neighborhood reconstruction work to replace the remainder of original infrastructure that needs replacement. Significant grant funding will be critical to be able to accomplish this work.*
- *Our 24 sanitary sewer flow meters have been installed again for the spring/summer/fall season. We recently read the meters for flow data and will be working with our vendor to analyze results.*
- *Mud Creek Builders has been hired by the Civic Center to do some drainage improvements and build a covered entry on the east door on the "front" of the Civic Center.*
- *Contractors have been busy with roof drain disconnections for the 15 private property owners that need to be disconnected by August 20th this summer. Most of the property owners have plans to comply with this requirement. 10 have been completed and the remaining 5 are being worked on in the coming weeks.*
- *WRI grant application: we are working through the steps with the State of Michigan Community Development Block Grant for this \$900K project for waterline work on Old County Road east of Country Club Road. As discussed earlier in tonight's meeting we need to go out to RFP for different environmental and grant services. We should be having a proposal for engineering services on the next meeting with the City Commission.*
- *The City of Ironwood has been notified that MDOT Contractors will begin working on two different projects on US-2 over the next several weeks:*
 - a. *Starting last week, Snow Country Contracting is working on repairing the US-2 catch basins that have caused the south lane closure of US-2 for the past several months. This work is expected to take approximately 3 weeks.*
 - b. *Starting today, a different MDOT Contractor will be working for the next 2-3 months on repair the WI/MI border bridge on US-2 on the west end of Ironwood. This will also cause additional lane closures and lane shifts as they route traffic through the work area.*

Manager's Update

- *Ironwood Public Safety is actively working on blight efforts. Cleanups from the July 14 ten public hearings will be happening in the weeks to come.*

July 28, 2025

- *DPW Equipment Operator 2 floater position we are excited to announce that Pat Libertoski Jr. has been selected and will be starting in two weeks from today.*
- *Candidates that will appear on the November ballot for City Commission include Kim Corcoran, Lauren Korpi, Jim Mildren, Ashley Oliver Igl, Tim Dean, Steve Frank, Ryon List, Ken Rausch and Garron Stenstrom.*
- *The 10-year Comprehensive Plan is out for review and comment for the Ironwood City Commission. Please get comments in by the end of this week if at all possible.*
- *First Friday is coming up this coming Friday with music at the downtown City Square. There will be 2 free bands and food being sold from 4-7 PM*

GG. Other Matters.

There were none.

HH. Consider Closed Session for strategy and negotiation connected with the Ironwood Professional Police Association/Police Officers Association of Michigan Collective Bargaining Agreement as permissible under MCL 15.268(l)(c).

Motion was made by Semo, seconded by Mildren, to enter closed session at 6:33 P.M. for strategy and negotiation connected with the Ironwood Professional Police Association/Police Officers Association of Michigan Collective Bargaining Agreement as permissible under MCL 15.268(l)(c). Unanimously passed by roll call vote.

II. Return to Open Session.

Motion was made by Semo, seconded by Korpi, and carried, to return to open session at 7:38 P.M.

JJ. Adjournment.

Motion was made by Semo, seconded by Mildren, and carried, to adjourn the meeting at 7:39 P.M.

Kim Corcoran, Mayor

Jennifer L. Jacobson, City Clerk

**IRONWOOD HOUSING COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
JULY 08, 2025
PIONEER PARK APARTMENTS – COMMUNITY ROOM
515 E. VAUGHN STREET – IRONWOOD, MI. 49938**

The regular meeting of the Ironwood Housing Commission was held on July 08, 2025 in the Community Room at Pioneer Park Apartments at 515 E. Vaughn Street, Ironwood, MI. 49938. The meeting was open to the public.

Present: Annabelle O'Brien
David Harkness
John Lupino
Kristine Perry
Paul Zysk

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by President O'Brien, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Minutes of June 10, 2025 meeting

Motion by Perry, seconded by Lupino, unanimously approved through roll call vote to approve minutes of the June 10, 2025 meeting.

3. Old Business

4. New Business

4.1.1 Hannula Agency Inc.

(U.S. Specialty Insurance Company Public Risk)

Motion was made by Perry, seconded by Zysk to authorize the Ironwood Housing to proceed forward with paying Hannula Agency, Inc. (U.S. Specialty Insurance Company Public Risk annual insurance renewal package.

Yes (4): Commissioner O'Brien, Perry, Zysk, and Harkness

No (1): Commissioner Lupino

5. Consent Agenda – "Information Only"

A-Account A/R Balance report as of June 30, 2025

B-Current Vacancy report as of June 30, 2025

Motion by Perry, seconded by Lupino, unanimously approved through call vote to approve the Consent Agenda – "Information only".

The Director provided information to the Board of Commissioners on the Account A/R balance report as of June 30, 2025 and the current Vacancy report for Public Housing as of June 30, 2025.

6. Disbursements of checks # 23274 – 23312

Motion by Zysk, seconded by Harkness, unanimously approved through roll call vote to approve the disbursements of checks # 23274 – 23312.

7. Commissioner Comments

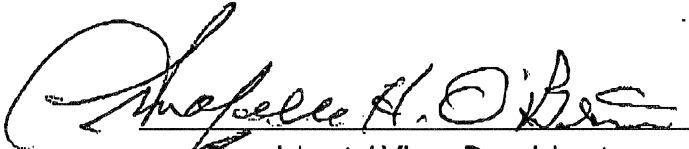
O'Brien commented about the cat smell on the 1st floor in one hallway on the Annex side, about washing windows for the complex, the door mats in some of the hallways are too thick and could be a tripping hazard, getting a new umbrella for the table outside, a possible tarp over another picnic table outside for shade, and additional apartment indication signs for the hallways.

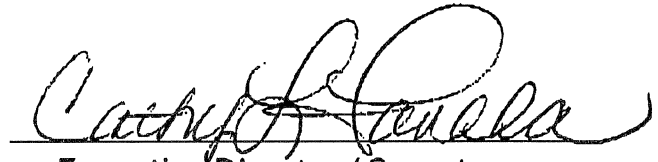
8. Public Comments

Mueller commented that she was assaulted by another tenant and she called 911 to have the situation resolved.

9. Adjournment

Motion by Perry, seconded by Lupino, unanimously approved through roll call vote to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 4:28 p.m.


President / Vice-President


Executive Director / Secretary

Civic Center Meeting Minutes

7/7/25

1. Meeting called to order by Stempihar at 5:00 pm.
2. Roll call: Gullan, Mildren, Pellinen, Peterson, Re, and Mgr. Kivisto present. Thomason absent.
3. Motion to approved the agenda with the amendment to 9. New Business: Item B: Discuss and Consider Approving Becker Arena Products Invoice was made by Re, seconded by Gullan. Motion approved.
4. Motion to approve the minutes was made by Mildren, seconded by Gullan. Motion approved.
5. Motion to receive and place on file the monthly financial statements was made by Gullan, seconded by Peterson. Roll call vote was as follows: Mildren-yes, Pellinen-yes, Re-yes, Stempihar-yes, Peterson-yes, Gullan-yes. Motion approved.
6. Citizens wishing to address the Board on items on the agenda: N/A
7. Citizens wishing to address the Board on items not on the agenda: N/A
8. Old Business:
 - A. Discuss and Consider Approval of Three-year Contract with Ironwood Lumberjacks Junior Hockey Club for City Commission Approval: Discussion about the Lumberjacks' contract was held. Discussion included but wasn't limited to modifications to contract and conference call with Doug.
 - i. Motion to approve the three-year contract with modifications as discussed was made by Mildren, seconded by Re. Roll call vote was as follows: Gullan-yes, Pellinen-yes, Peterson-yes, Stempihar-yes, Re-yes, Mildren-yes. Motion approved.
9. New Business:
 - A. Discuss and Consider Approving Digital Lobby Display: Discussion about a digital lobby display was held. Discussion included but wasn't limited to video/picture board(s) for menu, advertisements, and sponsors to be placed in the lobby area.
 - B. Discuss and Consider Approving Becker Arena Products Invoice: Discussion about the Becker Arena Products invoice was held. Discussion included but wasn't limited to Invoice #616193 on 6/6/25 for \$2,478.54 for acrylic glass.
 - i. Motion to pay invoice #616193 was made by Gullan, seconded by Re. Roll call vote was as follows: Mildren-yes, Pellinen-yes, Peterson-yes, Stempihar-yes, Re-yes, Gullan-yes. Motion approved.
10. Manager's Report:
 - A. Possible Basketball Camp in August: Discussion and update about a possible basketball camp was held. Discussion included but wasn't limited to possible dates and scheduling conflicts.
 - B. Fahrner Excavating GCC Project: Discussion and update about the GCC project was held. Discussion included but wasn't limited to there being no progress made.

- C. Fundraising Update: Discussion and update about the fundraising project was held. Discussion included but wasn't limited to 75 letters have been sent out to area businesses and 11 grants have been applied for.
 - D. Upcoming Events: Discussion and update about upcoming events was held. Discussion included but wasn't limited to the Flea Market being held on 7/5/25 and 7/19/25.
11. Other matters:
- A. Zamboni Driver: Discussion about the need for a new Zamboni driver was held. Discussion included but wasn't limited to no inquiries at this time and the advertisement being ready to go.
12. Next meeting Monday, August 4th, 2025 at 5:00 pm at the Civic Center.
13. Motion to adjourn at 5:57 pm was made by Re, seconded by Gullan. Motion approved.

Contractor's Application for Payment No.

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		Application Period: 7/1/2025 to 7/31/2025	Application Date: 7/31/2025
To (Owner):	CITY OF IRONWOOD	From (Contractor):	CD Smith Construction 125 Camelot Drive Fond Du Lac, WI 54935
Project:	WATER TREATMENT PLANT - PHASE 2	Contract:	
Owner's Contract No.:		Contractor's Project No.:	240143
		Engineer's Project No.:	10392842

Application For Payment Change Order Summary

Approved Change Orders	Number	Additions	Deductions
	1		\$250,800.00
	2	\$51,800.00	
	3	\$76,303.25	
	4		\$15,318.00
	5	\$43,810.26	
	6	\$21,453.92	
	7	\$12,407.86	
	8	\$27,703.50	
TOTALS		\$233,478.79	\$266,118.00
NET CHANGE BY CHANGE ORDERS		-\$32,639.21	

1. ORIGINAL CONTRACT PRICE.....	\$ 10,084,625.00
2. Net change by Change Orders.....	\$ -32,639.21
3. Current Contract Price (Line 1 ± 2).....	\$ 10,051,985.79
4. TOTAL COMPLETED AND STORED TO DATE (Column F total on Progress Estimates).....	\$ 3,520,342.59
5. RETAINAGE:	
a. 5% X \$3,520,342.59 Work Completed.....	\$ 176,017.13
b. 5% X Stored Material.....	\$ 0.00
c. Total Retainage (Line 5.a + Line 5.b).....	\$ 176,017.13
6. AMOUNT ELIGIBLE TO DATE (Line 4 - Line 5.c).....	\$ 3,344,325.46
7. LESS PREVIOUS PAYMENTS (Line 6 from prior Application).....	\$ 2,715,494.55
8. AMOUNT DUE THIS APPLICATION.....	\$ 628,830.91
9. BALANCE TO FINISH, PLUS RETAINAGE (Column G total on Progress Estimates + Line 5.c above).....	\$ 6,707,660.33

Contractor's Certification

The undersigned Contractor certifies, to the best of its knowledge, the following:

- (1) All previous progress payments received from Owner on account of Work done under the Contract have been applied on account to discharge Contractor's legitimate obligations incurred in connection with the Work covered by prior Applications for Payment;
- (2) Title to all Work, materials and equipment incorporated in said Work, or otherwise listed in or covered by this Application for Payment, will pass to Owner at time of payment free and clear of all Liens, security interests, and encumbrances (except such as are covered by a bond acceptable to Owner indemnifying Owner against any such Liens, security interest, or encumbrances); and
- (3) All the Work covered by this Application for Payment is in accordance with the Contract Documents

Contractor Signature

By: *Samuel Platon*

Date: **8/4/2025**

Payment of: \$ **628,830.91**
(Line 8 or other - attach explanation of the other amount)

is recommended by: Prusakiewicz, Joshua R. (Date) _____
(Engineer)

Payment of: \$ _____
(Line 8 or other - attach explanation of the other amount)

is approved by: _____ (Date) _____
(Owner)

Approved by: _____ (Date) _____
Funding or Financing Entity (if applicable)

City of Ironwood
213 S. Marquette St.
Ironwood, MI 49938



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July 31, 2025

To: Ironwood City Commission
Paul Anderson, City Manager

From: Bob Tervonen, City Utilities Manager 

Re: Clerical Error Correction 2025-2026 Fee Schedule

The Ironwood City Commission approved the 2025-2026 fiscal year budget and appropriate fees at the June 9, 2025, Ironwood City Commission meeting. The budget included a cost-of-living rate increase of 3.4% for water and sewer plus an addition 60 cents for the sewer minimum charge to offset the phase 5 sewer construction costs. The 60-cent increase was omitted from the 2025-2026 fee schedule. I am requesting the Ironwood City Commission to approve amending the fee schedule to include the 60-cent sewer minimum charge that was approved on June 9, 2025.

I apologize for the clerical error. Please contact me if you have any questions.



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SECTION IX - SEWAGE RATES - MONTHLY**Variable Usage Charge:**

Effective 7/1/2025: \$9.30 per cf(x100) of all water used

Minimum Service Charge:

<u>Meter Size (in.)</u>	<u>Effective 7/1/2025 Monthly Service Charge</u>
5/8	\$43.43 \$44.03
3/4	\$48.72 \$49.32
1	\$91.03 \$91.63
1 1/2	\$226.97 \$227.57
2	\$420.41 \$421.01
3	\$956.50 \$957.10

NOTE: Township residents on City water and sewer will pay minimum monthly charge to Township and variable monthly charge to City.

Sewer Tap Inspection FeeResident

4" sewer line	\$600.00
6" sewer line	\$850.00
8" sewer line	\$1,100.00
10" sewer line	\$1,600.00

****Sewer Tap Fee will be waived for new residential development in the City of Ironwood.**

****Fee for Street Repair/City Right of Way** \$800.00 Minimum

Anything over \$800 will be charged at actual cost of labor & material.

\$44.00	LF Curb
\$24.00	sf sidewalk
\$5.60	sf asphalt

****Sidewalk/curb/gutter only, at current cost.**

Cleaning grease from sanitary sewer mains Cost + 15%

Televising Sewer - City Use No Charge

Assisting Contractor/Owner \$150.00 hr.

Evaporation Allowance for Commercial laundries 90% current usage rate

Contractor Assistance/Tracing Lines \$60.00 hr.

Normal Sewer Lateral Maintenance (Steaming) \$125.00 hr.
\$100.00 OT (2 hr. min.)
Vactor service \$45.00 hr./man

plus Vactor rental fee at current State of MI Schedule C rate

Smoke Machine (City operator required) \$60.00 hr.

Damage to barricades & lights will be billed appropriately

*Exception - City Involved Special Events

SECTION X - GARBAGE/RECYCLING - MONTHLY

Effective 11/1/2025

\$20.14



To: Mayor Corcoran and City Commission

From: Cory Casari, DPW Equipment Repair Foreman

Date: 8/7/25 **Meeting Date:** 8/11/25

Re: Car #9 Surplus Equipment Sale

For your consideration the City would like to sell as surplus equipment, car #9, a 2010 Ford Explorer 4x4, with 91,753 miles, for a minimum bid of \$400. This vehicle was formerly an IPSD vehicle and most recently used by Staff for City related travel needs.

Thank you for your time and consideration.



To: Mayor Corcoran and City Commission

From: Cory Casari, DPW Equipment Repair Foreman

Date: 8/7/25 **Meeting Date:** 8/11/25

Re: **Truck #32 Surplus Equipment Sale**

For your consideration the DPW would like to sell as surplus equipment, truck #32, a 2001 Ford F150 4x4, with 119,230 miles with a liftgate, for a minimum bid of \$500. Thank you for your time and consideration.



COLEMAN ENGINEERING COMPANY

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July 21, 2025

Mr. Paul Anderson
City Manager
City of Ironwood
213 S. Marquette Street
Ironwood, MI 49938

Re: Professional Engineering Services
Phase 6 Water and Wastewater Improvements
USDA RD Funding Application

Dear Mr. Anderson:

Coleman Engineering Company (CEC) appreciates the opportunity to provide our proposal for professional engineering services for assisting the City of Ironwood (City) with the development of the USDA Water/Wastewater and Environmental Programs funding applications for the City of Ironwood Phase 6 Water/Wastewater project. CEC has worked with the City to prepare a project scope; as we have discussed, there are likely upcoming opportunities for federal money to become available for these improvements.

Base Scope of Services

As part of this proposal, CEC will prepare an USDA water and wastewater application. CEC acknowledges time is of the essence with this application and will complete this work as soon as possible. This document is anticipated to be prepared in USDA Rural Development Preliminary Engineering Report format.

CEC will work with the City to submit an application to USDA Rural Development. If your project is selected for funding, preliminary design would be started in the 2025-26 winter with bidding in the winter of 2026-27 and construction in 2027-28.

Assumptions

- This proposal includes preparation of a preliminary engineering report and assistance with the application process through the obligation from USDA. Design, subsequent application work, and construction related tasks are not included as part of this proposal.
- The application will include the environmental review and State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) review. SHPO will include hiring an archaeologist subconsultant and will need field investigations; this will need to be completed before snowfall.

Fee

The professional engineering services described above will be completed on a time and materials basis for a not-to-exceed amount of \$8,000.00 for a USDA application.

Acceptance

If you accept this proposal, please endorse the attached Work Order and return a signed copy to our office.

We appreciate the opportunity to submit this proposal. If you have any questions or comments, please feel free to contact me at (906) 932-5048.

Sincerely,
COLEMAN ENGINEERING COMPANY

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'S. Nowack', written over a horizontal line.

Scott Nowack, P.E.
Project Manager

SAN/mb

Attachment

AGREEMENT NO. 07044
PROJECT NO. _____
WORK ORDER NO. _____

EXHIBIT "A"
WORK ORDER

COLEMAN ENGINEERING COMPANY and its directors, officers, shareholders, employees, agents, affiliates, independent professional associates, consultants and subcontractors, as the case may be, (collectively, "COLEMAN") agree to perform for CLIENT, on this specific Project, the Services described below. The services shall be performed subject to and upon the terms and conditions set forth in the Professional Services Agreement (the "Agreement") dated February 16, 2007, by and between COLEMAN and CLIENT, which Agreement is hereby amended to incorporate this Work Order.

It is agreed that this Agreement, and such other documents required by it during the term of this Agreement, may be approved by a signed copy transmitted by fax or .pdf copy containing all signatures in lieu of the original signed copy, and that a copy transmitted by fax or .pdf shall be legally binding upon the parties to said Agreement(s)."

PROJECT: Professional Engineering Services
Phase 6 Water and Wastewater Improvements USDA RD Funding Application

SERVICES: As described in our proposal letter dated July 21, 2025, a copy of which is attached and made part of this contract.

FEES: Services will be completed for a not to exceed fee of \$8,000.00 for the scope of work, the assumptions and the conditions set forth in our proposal dated July 21, 2025, a copy of which is attached and made part of this contract.

Please understand that services will be invoiced on a time and materials basis using our current standard fee schedule(s) and that our estimate of cost is based on our current understanding of the project requirements and the level of effort needed to complete the services. We will make every effort to not exceed our estimate but if the scope of services and the associated assumptions or conditions of our estimate change, we will need to discuss how the changes will affect our estimate. Out of scope services will not be completed until our estimate is adjusted and approved. In addition, if our understanding of the service changes, we will also cease work until we discuss and agree to proceed.

SPECIAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS:

During completion of this work, Coleman Engineering Company will not accept responsibility for the safety of individuals other than Coleman Engineering Company employees.

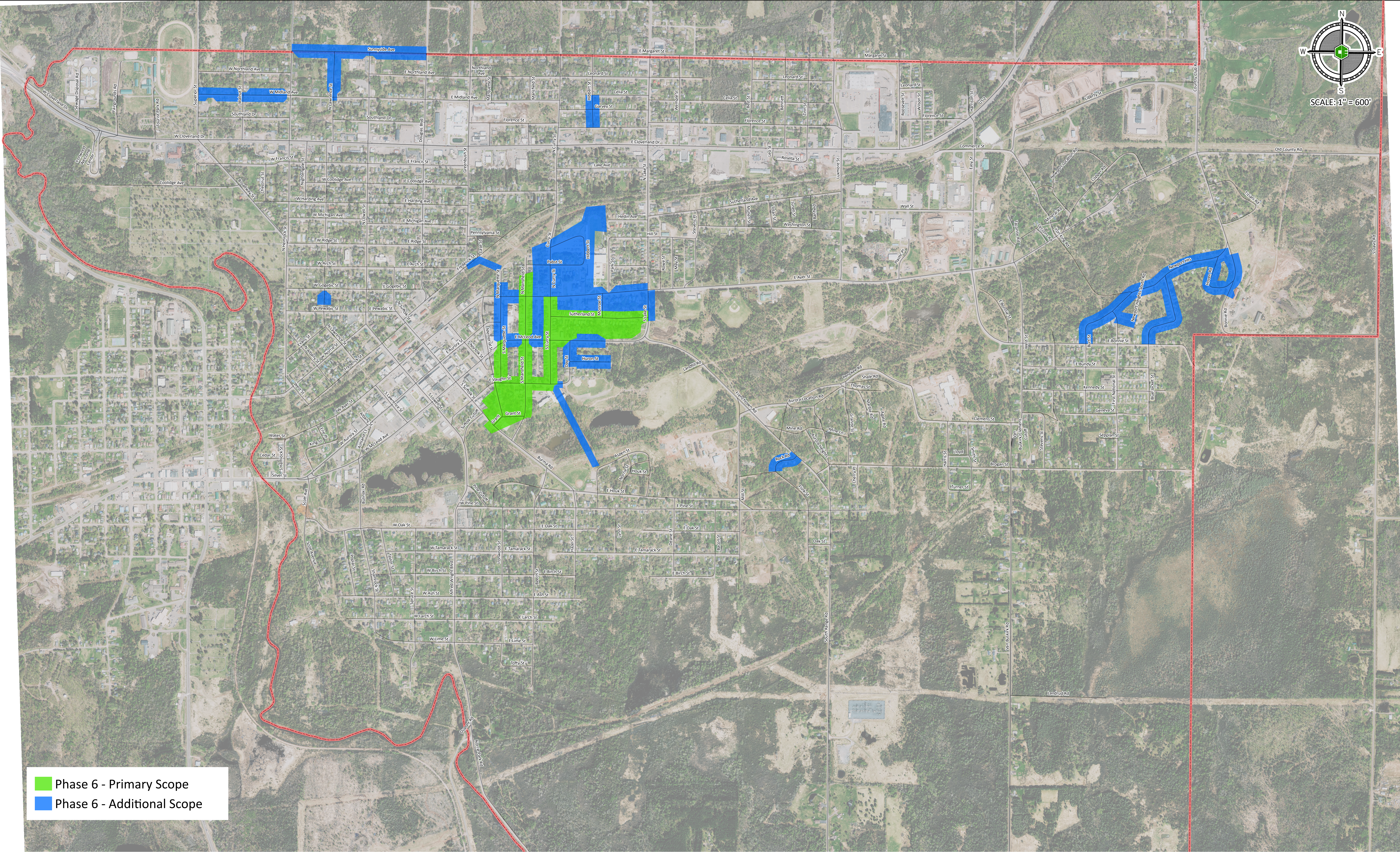
AUTHORIZATION

This Work Order and the scope of services (the "Services") defined herein are approved and COLEMAN is hereby directed and authorized to proceed with the Services for the designated Project in accordance with the terms and conditions of the above-referenced Agreement.

Requested By:
CITY OF IRONWOOD

Accepted By:
COLEMAN ENGINEERING COMPANY

By: _____ By: Scott Nowack, P.E.
Title: _____ Title: Principal
Date: _____ Date: 7-21-25



PROPOSED PROJECT AREAS
PHASE 6 WATER & SEWER IMPROVEMENTS
CITY OF IRONWOOD
GOGEBIC COUNTY, MICHIGAN

RESOLUTION #025-035-B
A RESOLUTION ORDERING REMOVAL AND ABATEMENT OF THE
PUBLIC HAZARD AND NUISANCE

Following a public hearing of the City Commission of the City of Ironwood, duly held on August 11, 2025, in the Commission Chambers of the Municipal/Memorial Building, Ironwood, Michigan, the following Resolution was offered by Commissioner _____, supported by Commissioner _____.

WHEREAS, the City Commission has investigated the conditions of the property located at 352 E. Pine St Ironwood, MI. 49938 (52-22-482-050) and found miscellaneous debris including but not limited to scrap wood, tires, scrap metal, and furniture.

WHEREAS, proper notice and deadlines have been given to owner(s)/occupant(s) of the property regarding the correction of the City Code violation(s) via letters sent on 05/16/25, 06/05/25, and 07/23/25

WHEREAS, proper notice to abate a public hazard and nuisance (including notice of the public hearing) was served by certified mail on the owner/occupant and published in the Daily Globe; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission is duly authorized to order that the public hazard and nuisance be cleaned up under direction of the City Manager and that any and all expenses of abatement may be assessed against the prospective property and/or its owner(s)/occupant(s).

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the City Commission of the City of Ironwood, that:

1. The public hazard and nuisance at 352 E. Pine St., Ironwood, MI. 49938 (52-22-482-050) be removed and abated, by the proper department or by contract, under the direction of the City Manager, if clean up has not occurred by August 26th, 2025.
2. After the above deadline, the City Manager or his/her designee shall take all steps necessary to carry out the directions of the City Commission in removing and abating the public hazard and nuisance, shall keep or cause to be kept an accurate record of all expenses in connection therewith and, upon completion of the work to be performed, shall submit a report of the work done and all expenses in connection therewith to the City Commission.
3. The City Commission shall, by resolution, after examination of the City Manager's report, determine what amount or part of each such expense shall be charged and the person, if known, against whom and the premises upon which the expense shall be levied as a special assessment under City Code Section 28-12.

Upon roll call vote the following voted:

YEAS:

NAYS:

ABSENT:

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED.

Kim Corcoran, Mayor

I, Jennifer Jacobson, the duly appointed City Clerk of the City of Ironwood, Michigan, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of a Resolution adopted by the City Commission of the City of Ironwood at its Regular Meeting on 8/11/25.

Jennifer Jacobson, City Clerk

RESOLUTION #025-036-B
A RESOLUTION ORDERING REMOVAL AND ABATEMENT OF THE
PUBLIC HAZARD AND NUISANCE

Following a public hearing of the City Commission of the City of Ironwood, duly held on August 11, 2025, in the Commission Chambers of the Municipal/Memorial Building, Ironwood, Michigan, the following Resolution was offered by Commissioner _____, supported by Commissioner _____.

WHEREAS, the City Commission has investigated the conditions of the property located at 403 E. Pine St Ironwood, MI. 49938 (52-27-228-010) and found miscellaneous debris including but not limited to scrap wood, tires, scrap metal, and furniture.

WHEREAS, proper notice and deadlines have been given to owner(s)/occupant(s) of the property regarding the correction of the City Code violation(s) via letters sent on 05/16/25, 06/05/25, and 07/23/25.

WHEREAS, proper notice to abate a public hazard and nuisance (including notice of the public hearing) was served by certified mail on the owner/occupant and published in the Daily Globe; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission is duly authorized to order that the public hazard and nuisance be cleaned up under direction of the City Manager and that any and all expenses of abatement may be assessed against the prospective property and/or its owner(s)/occupant(s).

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the City Commission of the City of Ironwood, that:

1. The public hazard and nuisance at 403 E. Pine St., Ironwood, MI. 49938 (52-27-228-010) be removed and abated, by the proper department or by contract, under the direction of the City Manager, if clean up has not occurred by August 26th, 2025.
2. After the above deadline, the City Manager or his/her designee shall take all steps necessary to carry out the directions of the City Commission in removing and abating the public hazard and nuisance, shall keep or cause to be kept an accurate record of all expenses in connection therewith and, upon completion of the work to be performed, shall submit a report of the work done and all expenses in connection therewith to the City Commission.
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Upon roll call vote the following voted:

YEAS:

NAYS:

ABSENT:

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED.

Kim Corcoran, Mayor

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Jennifer Jacobson, City Clerk

RESOLUTION #025-037-B
A RESOLUTION ORDERING REMOVAL AND ABATEMENT OF THE
PUBLIC HAZARD AND NUISANCE

Following a public hearing of the City Commission of the City of Ironwood, duly held on August 11, 2025, in the Commission Chambers of the Municipal/Memorial Building, Ironwood, Michigan, the following Resolution was offered by Commissioner _____, supported by Commissioner _____.

WHEREAS, the City Commission has investigated the conditions of the property located at 405 E. Pine St Ironwood, MI. 49938 (52-27-228-060) and found miscellaneous debris including but not limited to scrap wood, tires, scrap metal, furniture, and unregistered vehicles.

WHEREAS, proper notice and deadlines have been given to owner(s)/occupant(s) of the property regarding the correction of the City Code violation(s) via letters sent on 05/16/25, 06/05/25, and 07/23/25

WHEREAS, proper notice to abate a public hazard and nuisance (including notice of the public hearing) was served by certified mail on the owner/occupant and published in the Daily Globe; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission is duly authorized to order that the public hazard and nuisance be cleaned up under direction of the City Manager and that any and all expenses of abatement may be assessed against the prospective property and/or its owner(s)/occupant(s).

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the City Commission of the City of Ironwood, that:

1. The public hazard and nuisance at 405 E. Pine St., Ironwood, MI. 49938 (52-27-228-060) be removed and abated, by the proper department or by contract, under the direction of the City Manager, if clean up has not occurred by August 26th, 2025.
2. After the above deadline, the City Manager or his/her designee shall take all steps necessary to carry out the directions of the City Commission in removing and abating the public hazard and nuisance, shall keep or cause to be kept an accurate record of all expenses in connection therewith and, upon completion of the work to be performed, shall submit a report of the work done and all expenses in connection therewith to the City Commission.
3. The City Commission shall, by resolution, after examination of the City Manager's report, determine what amount or part of each such expense shall be charged and the person, if known, against whom and the premises upon which the expense shall be levied as a special assessment under City Code Section 28-12.

Upon roll call vote the following voted:

YEAS:

NAYS:

ABSENT:

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED.

Kim Corcoran, Mayor

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Jennifer Jacobson, City Clerk

RESOLUTION #025-038-B
A RESOLUTION ORDERING REMOVAL AND ABATEMENT OF THE
PUBLIC HAZARD AND NUISANCE

Following a public hearing of the City Commission of the City of Ironwood, duly held on August 11, 2025, in the Commission Chambers of the Municipal/Memorial Building, Ironwood, Michigan, the following Resolution was offered by Commissioner _____, supported by Commissioner _____.

WHEREAS, the City Commission has investigated the conditions of the property located at 413 E. Pine St Ironwood, MI. 49938 (52-27-228-130) and found miscellaneous debris including but not limited to scrap wood, tires, scrap metal, furniture, and unregistered vehicles.

WHEREAS, proper notice and deadlines have been given to owner(s)/occupant(s) of the property regarding the correction of the City Code violation(s) via letters sent on 05/16/25, 06/05/25, and 07/23/25

WHEREAS, proper notice to abate a public hazard and nuisance (including notice of the public hearing) was served by certified mail on the owner/occupant and published in the Daily Globe; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission is duly authorized to order that the public hazard and nuisance be cleaned up under direction of the City Manager and that any and all expenses of abatement may be assessed against the prospective property and/or its owner(s)/occupant(s).

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the City Commission of the City of Ironwood, that:

1. The public hazard and nuisance at 413 E. Pine St., Ironwood, MI. 49938 (52-27-228-130) be removed and abated, by the proper department or by contract, under the direction of the City Manager, if clean up has not occurred by August 26th, 2025.
2. After the above deadline, the City Manager or his/her designee shall take all steps necessary to carry out the directions of the City Commission in removing and abating the public hazard and nuisance, shall keep or cause to be kept an accurate record of all expenses in connection therewith and, upon completion of the work to be performed, shall submit a report of the work done and all expenses in connection therewith to the City Commission.
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Upon roll call vote the following voted:

YEAS:

NAYS:

ABSENT:

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED.

Kim Corcoran, Mayor

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Jennifer Jacobson, City Clerk

RESOLUTION #025-039-B
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PUBLIC HAZARD AND NUISANCE

Following a public hearing of the City Commission of the City of Ironwood, duly held on August 11, 2025, in the Commission Chambers of the Municipal/Memorial Building, Ironwood, Michigan, the following Resolution was offered by Commissioner _____, supported by Commissioner _____.

WHEREAS, the City Commission has investigated the conditions of the property located at 531 E. Pine St Ironwood, MI. 49938 (52-26-102-070) and found miscellaneous debris including but not limited to scrap wood, tires, scrap metal, furniture, and unregistered vehicles.

WHEREAS, proper notice and deadlines have been given to owner(s)/occupant(s) of the property regarding the correction of the City Code violation(s) via letters sent on 05/16/25, 06/05/25, and 07/23/25

WHEREAS, proper notice to abate a public hazard and nuisance (including notice of the public hearing) was served by certified mail on the owner/occupant and published in the Daily Globe; and

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NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the City Commission of the City of Ironwood, that:

1. The public hazard and nuisance at 531 E. Pine St., Ironwood, MI. 49938 (52-26-102-070) be removed and abated, by the proper department or by contract, under the direction of the City Manager, if clean up has not occurred by August 26th, 2025.
2. After the above deadline, the City Manager or his/her designee shall take all steps necessary to carry out the directions of the City Commission in removing and abating the public hazard and nuisance, shall keep or cause to be kept an accurate record of all expenses in connection therewith and, upon completion of the work to be performed, shall submit a report of the work done and all expenses in connection therewith to the City Commission.
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Upon roll call vote the following voted:

YEAS:

NAYS:

ABSENT:

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED.

Kim Corcoran, Mayor

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Jennifer Jacobson, City Clerk

RESOLUTION #025-040-B
A RESOLUTION ORDERING REMOVAL AND ABATEMENT OF THE
PUBLIC HAZARD AND NUISANCE

Following a public hearing of the City Commission of the City of Ironwood, duly held on August 11, 2025, in the Commission Chambers of the Municipal/Memorial Building, Ironwood, Michigan, the following Resolution was offered by Commissioner _____, supported by Commissioner _____.

WHEREAS, the City Commission has investigated the conditions of the property located at 522 E. Houk St Ironwood, MI. 49938 (52-23-351-210) and found miscellaneous debris including but not limited to scrap wood, tires, scrap metal, furniture, and unregistered vehicles.

WHEREAS, proper notice and deadlines have been given to owner(s)/occupant(s) of the property regarding the correction of the City Code violation(s) via letters sent on 05/16/25, 06/05/25, and 07/23/25

WHEREAS, proper notice to abate a public hazard and nuisance (including notice of the public hearing) was served by certified mail on the owner/occupant and published in the Daily Globe; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission is duly authorized to order that the public hazard and nuisance be cleaned up under the direction of the City Manager and that any and all expenses of abatement may be assessed against the prospective property and/or its owner(s)/occupant(s).

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the City Commission of the City of Ironwood, that:

1. The public hazard and nuisance at 522 E. Houk St., Ironwood, MI. 49938 (52-23-351-210) be removed and abated, by the proper department or by contract, under the direction of the City Manager, if clean-up has not occurred by August 26th, 2025.
2. After the above deadline, the City Manager or his/her designee shall take all steps necessary to carry out the directions of the City Commission in removing and abating the public hazard and nuisance, shall keep or cause to be kept an accurate record of all expenses in connection therewith and, upon completion of the work to be performed, shall submit a report of the work done and all expenses in connection therewith to the City Commission.
3. The City Commission shall, by resolution, after examination of the City Manager's report, determine what amount or part of each such expense shall be charged and the person, if known, against whom and the premises upon which the expense shall be levied as a special assessment under City Code Section 28-12.

Upon roll call vote the following voted:

YEAS:

NAYS:

ABSENT:

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED.

Kim Corcoran, Mayor

I, Jennifer Jacobson, the duly appointed City Clerk of the City of Ironwood, Michigan, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of a Resolution adopted by the City Commission of the City of Ironwood at its Regular Meeting on 8/11/25.

Jennifer Jacobson, City Clerk

RESOLUTION #025-042-B
A RESOLUTION ORDERING REMOVAL AND ABATEMENT OF THE
PUBLIC HAZARD AND NUISANCE

Following a public hearing of the City Commission of the City of Ironwood, duly held on August 11, 2025, in the Commission Chambers of the Municipal/Memorial Building, Ironwood, Michigan, the following Resolution was offered by Commissioner _____, supported by Commissioner _____.

WHEREAS, the City Commission has investigated the conditions of the property located at 150 Rowe St Ironwood, MI. 49938 (52-23-152-020) and found miscellaneous debris including but not limited to scrap wood, tires, scrap metal, and furniture.

WHEREAS, proper notice and deadlines have been given to owner(s)/occupant(s) of the property regarding the correction of the City Code violation(s) via letters sent on 05/15/25, 06/09/25, and 07/23/25

WHEREAS, proper notice to abate a public hazard and nuisance (including notice of the public hearing) was served by certified mail on the owner/occupant and published in the Daily Globe; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission is duly authorized to order that the public hazard and nuisance be cleaned up under the direction of the City Manager and that any and all expenses of abatement may be assessed against the prospective property and/or its owner(s)/occupant(s).

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the City Commission of the City of Ironwood, that:

1. The public hazard and nuisance at 150 Rowe St., Ironwood, MI. 49938 (52-23-152-020) be removed and abated, by the proper department or by contract, under the direction of the City Manager, if clean-up has not occurred by August 26th, 2025.
2. After the above deadline, the City Manager or his/her designee shall take all steps necessary to carry out the directions of the City Commission in removing and abating the public hazard and nuisance, shall keep or cause to be kept an accurate record of all expenses in connection therewith and, upon completion of the work to be performed, shall submit a report of the work done and all expenses in connection therewith to the City Commission.
3. The City Commission shall, by resolution, after examination of the City Manager's report, determine what amount or part of each such expense shall be charged and the person, if known, against whom and the premises upon which the expense shall be levied as a special assessment under City Code Section 28-12.

Upon roll call vote the following voted:

YEAS:

NAYS:

ABSENT:

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED.

Kim Corcoran, Mayor

I, Jennifer Jacobson, the duly appointed City Clerk of the City of Ironwood, Michigan, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of a Resolution adopted by the City Commission of the City of Ironwood at its Regular Meeting on 8/11/25.

Jennifer Jacobson, City Clerk

RESOLUTION #025-043-B
A RESOLUTION ORDERING REMOVAL AND ABATEMENT OF THE
PUBLIC HAZARD AND NUISANCE

Following a public hearing of the City Commission of the City of Ironwood, duly held on August 11, 2025, in the Commission Chambers of the Municipal/Memorial Building, Ironwood, Michigan, the following Resolution was offered by Commissioner _____, supported by Commissioner _____.

WHEREAS, the City Commission has investigated the conditions of the property located at 216 Kennedy St Ironwood, MI. 49938 (52-24-310-060) and found miscellaneous debris including but not limited to scrap wood, tires, scrap metal, and furniture.

WHEREAS, proper notice and deadlines have been given to owner(s)/occupant(s) of the property regarding the correction of the City Code violation(s) via letters sent on 2024, 06/18/25, and 07/23/25

WHEREAS, proper notice to abate a public hazard and nuisance (including notice of the public hearing) was served by certified mail on the owner/occupant and published in the Daily Globe; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission is duly authorized to order that the public hazard and nuisance be cleaned up under the direction of the City Manager and that any and all expenses of abatement may be assessed against the prospective property and/or its owner(s)/occupant(s).

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the City Commission of the City of Ironwood, that:

1. The public hazard and nuisance at 216 Kennedy St., Ironwood, MI. 49938 (52-24-310-060) be removed and abated, by the proper department or by contract, under the direction of the City Manager, if clean-up has not occurred by August 26th, 2025.
2. After the above deadline, the City Manager or his/her designee shall take all steps necessary to carry out the directions of the City Commission in removing and abating the public hazard and nuisance, shall keep or cause to be kept an accurate record of all expenses in connection therewith and, upon completion of the work to be performed, shall submit a report of the work done and all expenses in connection therewith to the City Commission.
3. The City Commission shall, by resolution, after examination of the City Manager's report, determine what amount or part of each such expense shall be charged and the person, if known, against whom and the premises upon which the expense shall be levied as a special assessment under City Code Section 28-12.

Upon roll call vote the following voted:

YEAS:

NAYS:

ABSENT:

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED.

Kim Corcoran, Mayor

I, Jennifer Jacobson, the duly appointed City Clerk of the City of Ironwood, Michigan, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of a Resolution adopted by the City Commission of the City of Ironwood at its Regular Meeting on 8/11/25.

Jennifer Jacobson, City Clerk



MEMO

To: Mayor Corcoran and the City Commission

From: Paul Anderson, City Manager

Date: August 7, 2025

Meeting Date: August 11, 2025

Re: City Commissioners and Mayor Rates of Pay

The City Commission recently noted that the rate of pay for Commissioners and the Mayor has not been raised in many years and requested that staff investigate what other local entities are being paid for the same positions. Staff have compiled the attached spreadsheet of information. Please note that the current pay structure has a quarterly payment (\$125 / quarter for Commissioners and \$175/ quarter for the Mayor) as well as a per meeting basis (\$25/meeting for Commissioners and \$45/meeting for the Mayor) with a max of 4 City Commission meetings per month. Commissioners are not paid for the other Committees and Commissions (i.e. Parks & Rec, Planning Commission, DIDA, Theatre, Pat O'Donnell, etc.) meetings that they attend.

Staff believe it may be prudent to go away from the quarterly and per meeting rates and just go to a per meeting rate. This is up to the will of the Commission.

	Commissioner Pay								Mayor Pay							
municipality	min	max	actual	basis	amount_of_extra_pay	per	Per Year		min	max	actual	basis	amount_of_extra_pay	per	Per Year	
Ironwood			25	Meeting	125	Quarter	\$ 1,100	2 mtgs/mo (4 max)			45	Meeting	175	Quarter	\$ 1,780	2 mtgs/mo (4 max)
Stephenson			109.78	Meeting	no		\$ 2,635	assume 2 mtgs/mo			548.89	Month	no		\$ 6,587	
Menominee			1000	Year			\$ 1,000				1250	Year			\$ 1,250	
Houghton			75	Meeting			\$ 1,800	assume 2 mtgs/mo			100	Meeting			\$ 2,400	assume 2 mtgs/mo
Calumet	0	35	35	Month	0		\$ 420		0	35	35	Month	0		\$ 420	
Ishpeming	200	220		Month			\$ 2,400				250	Month	400	Year	\$ 3,400	
Iron River	150			Month	0		\$ 1,800		200			Month	0		\$ 2,400	
Marquette			7900	Year			\$ 7,900				11000	Year			\$ 11,000	
Saint Ignace	50	60		Meeting	no		\$ 1,440	assume 2 mtgs/mo	65	70		Meeting		Meeting	\$ 1,680	assume 2 mtgs/mo
Sault Sainte Marie			357	Month			\$ 4,284				535.5	Month			\$ 6,426	
Bessemer			150	Month	no		\$ 1,800				200	Month	no		\$ 2,400	
Crystal Falls			150	Month	25	Month	\$ 2,100				200	Month	25	Month	\$ 2,700	
Wakefield			40	meeting			\$ 1,200	capped 1200/year			40	Meeting			\$ 1,200	
Watersmeet			350	month	\$50/spec mtg up to 10 year		\$ 4,700				350	month	\$50/spec mtg up to 10 year		\$ 4,700	
Gogebic County			320	month			\$ 3,840				445	month			\$ 5,340	
	Average of All Data above \$ 2,561 Ironwood is % of Average 43%								Average of All Data above \$ 3,579 Ironwood is % of Average 50%							
	Average of above, not including, low, high and Gog Cty: \$ 2,188 Ironwood is % of Average 50%								Average of above, not including, low, high and Gog Cty: \$ 3,077 Ironwood is % of Average 58%							
	changing our current pay structure to a per meeting pay, (no quarterly pay) we are currently at \$1100/yr /24 meetings = \$45.80/meeting								changing our current pay structure to a per meeting pay, (no quarterly pay) we are currently at \$1780/yr /24 meetings = \$74.16/meeting							
	To consider some higher rates of pay per meeting, here are some options:								To consider some higher rates of pay per meeting, here are some options:							
	Annual								Annual							
	\$ 50 per meeting 24 meetings/year \$ 1,200								\$ 80 per meeting 24 meetings/year \$ 1,920							
	\$ 60 per meeting 24 meetings/year \$ 1,440								\$ 90 per meeting 24 meetings/year \$ 2,160							
	\$ 70 per meeting 24 meetings/year \$ 1,680								\$ 100 per meeting 24 meetings/year \$ 2,400							
	\$ 75 per meeting 24 meetings/year \$ 1,800								\$ 110 per meeting 24 meetings/year \$ 2,640							
	\$ 80 per meeting 24 meetings/year \$ 1,920								\$ 120 per meeting 24 meetings/year \$ 2,880							
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\$ 110 per meeting 24 meetings/year \$ 2,640								\$ 150 per meeting 24 meetings/year \$ 3,600								
\$ 120 per meeting 24 meetings/year \$ 2,880								\$ 160 per meeting 24 meetings/year \$ 3,840								
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