



**CITY OF IONIA**  
**CITY COUNCIL**  
**REGULAR MEETING AGENDA**  
**7:00 PM, Tuesday – December 6, 2022**  
**CITY HALL – COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

**CALL TO ORDER**  
**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**  
**ROLL CALL**

**I. Approval of Minutes** November 1, 2022 – Regular Meeting

**II. Approval of Agenda**

**III. Proclamations** - None

**IV. Public Hearings & Associated Action**

1. Public Hearing to receive comments on Ordinance Nos. 568 and 569 – An ordinance to amend Part Twelve, Title Six, Chapter 1242, Section 1242.99 entitled “Planning and Zoning; Zoning; Administration, Enforcement and Penalty” and to amend Part Two, Title Two, Chapter 202, Section 202.99 entitled “Administration Code; General Provisions; Codified Ordinances; General Code Penalty; Civil Infractions; Equitable Remedies; Complicity” of the codified ordinances of the City of Ionia. **Action Required** – Second reading and decision to approve or reject Ordinance Nos. 568 and 569.
2. Public Hearing to receive comments on Ordinance No. 570 – An ordinance to amend Part Six, Chapter 692 Entitled “Fireworks” to add new Sections 692.07 through 692.08 regarding application process, requirements, restrictions, and procedures for display of professional fireworks to the Codified Ordinances of the City of Ionia. **Action Required** – Second reading and decision to approve or reject Ordinance No. 570 and to approve or reject Resolution 2022-16, Professional Fireworks Display Application Fee.
3. Public Hearing to receive comments on the proposed Michigan Sparks Grant application, which will request between \$800,000 - \$1,000,000 in grant funds to create “Steele Street Park,” a multi-purpose sports complex that will include softball and tee-ball fields, pickleball courts, beach volleyball courts, a playground, restroom/storage/concessions building, and a parking lot. This complex would be constructed on the vacant city owned property on S. Steele Street, which was previously the site of a now-demolished shopping center. The project is included in the City’s current Master and Recreation Plans. **Action Required** – Approve or reject Resolution 2022-18, City of Ionia Michigan Sparks Grant application.

**V. Public Comments** – Members of the public are invited to address the Council on any topic after recognition by the Mayor. Comments shall be limited to five (5) minutes per citizen, unless otherwise extended by the Mayor.

**VI. Old Business – None**

**VII. New Business**

1. *Action Required* – Receive FY21 – 22 Comprehensive Financial Report – presented by Peter Haefner, CPA of Vredevelde Haefner, LLC
2. *Action Required* – Special December Budget Amendment following FY21-22 Audit Report
3. *Action Required* – Upcoming Ward One Council Member Unfinished Term Vacancy
4. *Action Required* – Emergency Purchases – Ionia Theatre Furnace and S. State Rd. watermain
5. *Action Required* – Resolution 2022-17 to affirm Policy No. 1-013; Property Taxes – Poverty Guidelines 2023
6. *Action Required* – 2023 Regular Meeting Schedule for Council and other Boards
7. *Action Required* – Appointments to various boards and commissions

**VIII. Closed Session** – Closed session as permitted by Section 8(1)(h) of Michigan’s Open Meetings Act – to consider material exempt from discussion or disclosure by state or federal statute, specifically to discuss a written legal opinion of counsel.

**IX. City Councilmember Comments/Good of the Order**

Accounts Payable:

December 20, 2022 – Councilmembers Gustafson and/or Winters

**X. City Department Reports and Minutes from Boards and Commissions**

**XI. Adjournment**

**Public Participation**

Section 3.02 of the City Council’s Rules of Order and Conduct for City Council Meetings dated December 30, 2008 provides an opportunity for the public to address Council during the Public Comment section identified on the agenda. Your opportunity to speak occurs after you have been recognized by the Mayor. When addressing the City Council please give your name and address. Comments are limited to 5 minutes unless additional time (up to 10 minutes) is granted by the Mayor.