



AGENDA
FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF PERU, NEMAHA COUNTY, NEBRASKA
TO BE HELD AT **6:00 PM** OR AS SOON THEREAFTER AS POSSIBLE
MAY 19th, 2026

* * * **CALL TO ORDER** * * *

This is an open meeting of the Peru City Council, MAY 19th, 2026. The City of Peru abides by the Open Meetings Act in conducting business. A copy of the Open Meetings Act is posted on the east wall in these City Council Chambers as required by state law.

The City Council may vote to go into **Closed Session** on any agenda item as allowed by state law.

1. ROLL CALL

____ Mayor K. Novak ____ B. Brown ____ R. Brown ____ T. Westfall ____ J. Whisler

2. RECOGNITION OF VISITORS

Members of the public may request from the City Clerk a copy of City Resolution #2017-02 pertaining to Conduct Rules for City Council Meetings. City Resolution #2017-02 may also be read aloud by either a Councilmember or the Mayor.

3. CONSENT AGENDA

The Consent Agenda shall be presented by the Mayor or City Clerk at the beginning of the Council session. Items within the Consent Agenda may be removed at the request of anyone Councilmember. Items not removed from the Consent Agenda may be adopted by general consent without further discussion or debate. Removed items may be taken up either immediately after the Consent Agenda or placed later within the agenda at the discretion of the Council.

A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

(i.) Approval of Minutes from the April 21st, Regular Council Meeting.

B. APPROVAL OF CLAIMS:

(i.) Ratification of Claims already paid pursuant to Resolution No. 2018-01.
(ii.) Claims still needing approval.

C. APPROVAL: The Closure of 5th Street from Park Ave. to Main St. for Peru State College's Homecoming Parade on October 24th, 2026, from 9:30am to 11:00am | *Agenda Item from Peru State College.*

D. APPROVAL: Acceptance of \$50 Donation from Theresa Westfall for Usage of the City’s Copier. | *Agenda Item from City Clerk/Treasurer.*

E. APPROVAL: Authorization to Purchase Flowers for Downtown Beautification. | *Agenda Item from Councilmember Westfall.*

F. APPROVAL: Application of Mark Brown to become a Member of the Peru Volunteer Fire Department | *Agenda from Peru Volunteer Fire Department.*

4. REPORTS FROM CITY AND COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS

G. CITY REPORTS:

- (i.) Water Report
- (ii.) Mayor’s Report
- (iii.) Clerk’s Report
 - (1.) Financial Reports, May 2026.
- (iv.) Grant Report
- (v.) Facilities Report

H. COMMISSION AND COMMITTEE REPORTS:

(i.) Parks and Recreation Commission, (ii.) Board of Health, (iii.) Finance Committee, (iv.) Water and Sewer Committee, (v.) Streets and Alleys Committee (vi.) Safety Committee.

I. REPORTS FROM OTHER ORGANIZATIONS:

5. OLD BUSINESS

J. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION: Update on the 5th Street Sewer Project | *Agenda Item from Councilmember Westfall.*

K. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL: Authorization to Donate Half of Proceeds from the “Souper Bowl” Joint Fundraiser to Hearts United for Animals | *Agenda Item from Parks and Recreation Commission.*

L. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION: Purchase and Implementation of gWorks Utility Billing Software. | *Agenda Item from City Clerk/Treasurer and Deputy Clerk/Grant Coordinator.*

6. NEW BUSINESS

M. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION: Proposal from Phil Wemhoff to Mow Neal Park | *Agenda Item Request from Phil Wemhoff.*

N. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL: Purchase of Office Chairs for City Hall and City Staff. | *Agenda Item from City Clerk/Treasurer.*

O. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL: Purchase of Handicap Signs and Street Signposts | *Agenda Item from Maintenance Department and Streets Committee.*

P. RESOLUTION 2026-06: A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PERU, NEBRASKA, AUTHORIZING THE TRANSFER, CLOSURE, AND INVESTMENT OF CERTAIN MUNICIPAL FUNDS THROUGH THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC AGENCY INVESTMENT TRUST. | *Agenda Item from City Clerk/Treasurer and Finance Committee.*

Q. RESOLUTION 2026-07: A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PERU, ADOPTING THE NEMAHA NRD HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN. | *Agenda Item from the City Clerk/Treasurer.*

R. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION: Western National Bank Purchase of Additional Pledged Securities. | *Agenda Item from City Clerk/Treasurer and Finance Committee.*

S. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION: Authorizing the Repair of the Gutters at City Hall. | *Agenda Item from Deputy Clerk/Grant Coordinator.*

T. ORDINANCE NO. 2026-03: (Third Reading) AN ORDINANCE REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 2024-05 WHICH COMBINED AND MERGED THE POSITIONS OF DEPUTY CLERK AND GRANT COORDINATOR POSITIONS; REESTABLISHING THE POSITIONS AS SEPARATE AND DISTINCT OFFICES; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. | *Agenda Item from Councilmember Westfall.*

U. ORDINANCE NO. 2026-04: (Third Reading) AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE COMPENSATION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS; FIXING COMPENSATION OF THE OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY OF PERU; TO PROVIDE FOR THE REPEAL OF ALL PRIOR ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH; ORDERING THE PUBLICATION OF THE ORDINANCE IN PAMPHLET FORM; AND TO PROVIDE THE EFFECTIVE DATE HEREOF. | *Agenda Item from Councilmember Westfall.*

7. OTHER BUSINESS

V. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION: PSC Past Water Billing Issues | *Agenda Item from Previous Meeting.*

8. ADJOURNMENT

*Next Regularly Scheduled Meeting: June 16th, 2026 @ 6:00pm CT
Peru City Hall - 614 5th Street, Peru, NE 68421*
