2024-2025
STATE OF NEBRASKA
CITY/VILLAGE BUDGET FORM

City of Battle Creek

TO THE COUNTY BOARD AND COUNTY CLERK OF
Madison County

This budget is for the Period October 1, 2024 through September 30, 2025

Upon Filing, The Entity Certifies the Information Submitted on this Form to be Correct:

The following **PERSONAL AND REAL PROPERTY TAX** is requested for the ensuing year:

$ 395,542.18	Property Taxes for Non-Bond Purposes
	Principal and Interest on Bonds
$ 395,542.18	**Total Personal and Real Property Tax Required**

$ 90,996,645	**Total Certified Valuation (All Counties)**

*(Certification of Valuation(s) from County Assessor **MUST** be attached)*

County Clerk's Use ONLY

Projected Outstanding Bonded Indebtedness as of October 1, 2024
(As of the Beginning of the Budget Year)

Principal	$ 5,150,000.00
Interest	$ 936,082.50
Total Bonded Indebtedness	$ 6,086,082.50

Report of Joint Public Agency & Interlocal Agreements

Was this Subdivision involved in any Interlocal Agreements or Joint Public Agencies for the reporting period of July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024?

[X] YES [ ] NO

*If **YES**, Please submit Interlocal Agreement Report by September 30th.*

Report of Trade Names, Corporate Names & Business Names

Did the Subdivision operate under a separate Trade Name, Corporate Name, or other Business Name during the period of July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024?

[X] YES [ ] NO

*If **YES**, Please submit Trade Name Report by September 30th.*

APA Contact Information

Auditor of Public Accounts
PO Box 98917
Lincoln, NE 68509

Telephone: (402) 471-2111 **FAX:** (402) 471-3301

Website: auditors.nebraska.gov

Questions - E-Mail: Jeff.Schreier@nebraska.gov

Submission Information

Budget Due by 9-30-2024

Submit budget to:

1. Auditor of Public Accounts -Electronically on Website or Mail
2. County Board (SEC. 13-508), C/O County Clerk

City of Battle Creek in Madison County

Line No.	Beginning Balances, Receipts, & Transfers	Actual 2022 - 2023 (Column 1)	Actual/Estimated 2023 - 2024 (Column 2)	**Adopted Budget 2024 - 2025** (Column 3)
1	Net Cash Balance	$ 1,287,222.04	$ 1,599,618.16	$ 1,774,392.68
2	Investments			
3	County Treasurer's Balance	$ 69,272.35	$ 53,695.56	$ 42,600.84
4	Beginning Balance Proprietary Function Funds **(Only If Page 6 is Used)**			$ -
5	**Subtotal of Beginning Balances** **(Lines 1 thru 4)**	**$ 1,356,494.39**	**$ 1,653,313.72**	**$ 1,816,993.52**
6	Personal and Real Property Taxes **(Columns 1 and 2 - See Preparation Guidelines)**	$ 395,565.43	$ 395,542.18	$ 391,625.92
7	Federal Receipts			
8	State Receipts: Motor Vehicle Pro-Rate	$ 977.23	$ 1,000.82	$ 1,024.99
9				
10	State Receipts: Highway Allocation and Incentives	$ 167,638.97	$ 172,062.37	$ 180,717.00
11	State Receipts: Motor Vehicle Fee	$ 11,226.04	$ 12,300.86	$ 13,087.32
12	State Receipts: State Aid			
13	State Receipts: Municipal Equalization Aid	$ 59,567.75	$ 59,268.12	$ 83,855.35
14	State Receipts: Other			
15	State Receipts: Property Tax Credit			
16	Local Receipts: Nameplate Capacity Tax			
17	Local Receipts: Motor Vehicle Tax			
18	Local Receipts: Local Option Sales Tax	$ 266,677.75	$ 275,802.63	$ 270,404.23
19	Local Receipts: In Lieu of Tax			
20	Local Receipts: Other	$ 7,193,045.19	$ 8,035,471.42	$ 7,582,289.42
21	Transfers In of Surplus Fees			
22	Transfers In Other Than Surplus Fees	$ 1,213,220.00		
23	Proprietary Function Funds **(Only if Page 6 is Used)**			$ -
24	**Total Resources Available** **(Lines 5 thru 23)**	**$ 10,664,412.75**	**$ 10,604,762.12**	**$ 10,339,997.75**
25	**Total Disbursements & Transfers** **(Line 22, Pg 3, 4 & 5)**	**$ 9,011,099.03**	**$ 8,787,768.60**	**$ 8,831,108.60**
26	**Balance Forward/Cash Reserve** **(Line 24 MINUS Line 25)**	**$ 1,653,313.72**	**$ 1,816,993.52**	**$ 1,508,889.15**
27	Cash Reserve Percentage			17%

PROPERTY TAX RECAP

Tax from Line 6	$ 391,625.92
County Treasurer Commission at 1%	$ 3,916.26
Total Property Tax Requirement	$ 395,542.18

City of Battle Creek in Madison County

To Assist the County For Levy Setting Purposes

The Cover Page identifies the Property Tax Request between Principal & Interest on Bonds and All Other Purposes. If your municipality needs more of a breakdown for levy setting purposes, complete the section below.

Property Tax Request by Fund:		Property Tax Request
General Fund	$	395,542.18
Bond Fund	$	-
_____ Fund		
_____ Fund		
Total Tax Request	** $	395,542.18

** This Amount should agree to the Total Personal and Real Property Tax Required on the Cover Page 1.

Cash Reserve Funds

Statute 13-503 says cash reserve means funds required for the period before revenue would become available for expenditure but shall not include funds held in any special reserve fund. If the cash reserve on Page 2 exceeds 50%, you can list below funds being held in a special reserve fund.

Special Reserve Fund Name	Amount
Total Special Reserve Funds	$ -
Total Cash Reserve	$ 1,508,889.15
Remaining Cash Reserve	$ 1,508,889.15
Remaining Cash Reserve %	17%

Documentation of Transfers of Surplus Fees:

(Only complete if Transfers of Surplus Fees Were Budgeted)

Please explain where the monies will be transferred from, where the monies will be transferred to, and the reason for the transfer.

Transfer From: _____ Transfer To: _____

Amount:

Reason:

Transfer From: _____ Transfer To: _____

Amount: _____

Reason:

Transfer From: _____ Transfer To: _____

Amount:

Reason:

City of Battle Creek in Madison County

Line No.	2024-2025 ADOPTED BUDGET Disbursements & Transfers	Operating Expenses (A)	Capital Improvements (B)	Other Capital Outlay (C)	Debt Service (D)	Other (E)	Transfers Out (F)	TOTAL
1	Governmental:							
2	General Government	$ 85,000.00						$ 85,000.00
3	Public Safety - Police	$ 201,000.00						$ 201,000.00
3a	Public Safety - Fire	$ 54,300.00						$ 54,300.00
4	Public Safety - Other	$ 65,250.00						$ 65,250.00
5	Public Works - Streets	$ 300,000.00						$ 300,000.00
6	Public Works - Other							$ -
7	Public Health and Social Services							$ -
8	Culture and Recreation	$ 290,500.00						$ 290,500.00
9	Community Development	$ 16,080.00						$ 16,080.00
10	Miscellaneous							$ -
11	Business-Type Activities:							
12	Airport							$ -
13	Nursing Home	$ 5,616,273.60			$ 262,205.00			$ 5,878,478.60
14	Hospital							$ -
15	Electric Utility	$ 1,100,000.00						$ 1,100,000.00
16	Solid Waste	$ 88,500.00						$ 88,500.00
17	Transportation							$ -
18	Wastewater	$ 275,000.00			$ 113,500.00			$ 388,500.00
19	Water	$ 250,000.00			$ 113,500.00			$ 363,500.00
20	Other							$ -
21	Proprietary Function Funds (Page 6)					$ -		$ -
22	**Total Disbursements & Transfers** (Lns 2 thru 21)	$ 8,341,903.60	$ -	$ -	$ 489,205.00	$ -	$ -	$ 8,831,108.60

(A) **Operating Expenses** should include Personal Services, Operating Expenses, Supplies and Materials, and Equipment Rental.
(B) **Capital Improvements** should include acquisition of real property or acquisition, construction, or extension of any improvements on real property.
(C) **Other Capital Outlay** should include other items to be inventoried (i.e. equipment, vehicles, etc.).
(D) **Debt Service** should include Bond Principal and Interest Payments, Payments to Retirement Interest-Free Loans from NDA (Airports) and other debt payments.
(E) **Other** should include Judgments, and Proprietary Function Funds if a separate budget is filed.
(F) **Transfers** should include Transfers and Transfers of Surplus Fees

City of Battle Creek in Madison County

Line No.	2023-2024 ACTUAL/ESTIMATED Disbursements & Transfers	Operating Expenses (A)	Capital Improvements (B)	Other Capital Outlay (C)	Debt Service (D)	Other (E)	Transfers Out (F)	TOTAL
1	Governmental:							
2	General Government	$ 77,865.00						$ 77,865.00
3	Public Safety - Police	$ 173,380.00						$ 173,380.00
3a	Public Safety - Fire	$ 52,192.00						$ 52,192.00
4	Public Safety - Other	$ 61,290.00						$ 61,290.00
5	Public Works - Streets	$ 572,383.00						$ 572,383.00
6	Public Works - Other							$ -
7	Public Health and Social Services							$ -
8	Culture and Recreation	$ 300,848.00						$ 300,848.00
9	Community Development	$ 22,164.00						$ 22,164.00
10	Miscellaneous							$ -
11	Business-Type Activities:							
12	Airport							$ -
13	Nursing Home	$ 5,616,273.60			$ 263,555.00			$ 5,879,828.60
14	Hospital							$ -
15	Electric Utility	$ 1,015,758.00						$ 1,015,758.00
16	Solid Waste	$ 106,711.00						$ 106,711.00
17	Transportation							$ -
18	Wastewater	$ 124,258.00			$ 112,550.00			$ 236,808.00
19	Water	$ 175,991.00			$ 112,550.00			$ 288,541.00
20	Other							$ -
21	Proprietary Function Funds							$ -
22	**Total Disbursements & Transfers** (Ln 2 thru 21)	$ 8,299,113.60	$ -	$ -	$ 488,655.00	$ -	$ -	$ 8,787,768.60

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(F) **Transfers** should include Transfers and Transfers of Surplus Fees

City of Battle Creek in Madison County

Line No.	2022-2023 ACTUAL Disbursements & Transfers	Operating Expenses (A)	Capital Improvements (B)	Other Capital Outlay (C)	Debt Service (D)	Other (E)	Transfers Out (F)	TOTAL
1	Governmental:							
2	General Government	$ 74,988.66					$ 832,590.00	$ 907,578.66
3	Public Safety - Police	$ 163,881.21						$ 163,881.21
3a	Public Safety - Fire	$ 111,921.95						$ 111,921.95
4	Public Safety - Other	$ 51,083.93						$ 51,083.93
5	Public Works - Streets	$ 184,045.19						$ 184,045.19
6	Public Works - Other							$ -
7	Public Health and Social Services							$ -
8	Culture and Recreation	$ 566,467.82						$ 566,467.82
9	Community Development	$ 19,559.80						$ 19,559.80
10	Miscellaneous							$ -
11	Business-Type Activities:							
12	Airport							$ -
13	Nursing Home	$ 5,130,107.60						$ 5,130,107.60
14	Hospital							$ -
15	Electric Utility	$ 995,622.10					$ 276,359.00	$ 1,271,981.10
16	Solid Waste	$ 87,098.00					$ 17,954.00	$ 105,052.00
17	Transportation							$ -
18	Wastewater	$ 190,308.27					$ 72,315.00	$ 262,623.27
19	Water	$ 222,794.50					$ 14,002.00	$ 236,796.50
20	Other							$ -
21	Proprietary Function Funds							$ -
22	**Total Disbursements & Transfers** (Ln 2 thru 21)	$ 7,797,879.03	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ 1,213,220.00	$ 9,011,099.03

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City of Battle Creek in Madison County

2024-2025 SUMMARY OF PROPRIETARY FUNCTION FUNDS

NOTE: COMPLETE THIS PAGE ONLY IF A SEPARATE PROPRIETARY FUNCTION FUND BUDGET IS FILED WITH THE CLERK OF THE MUNICIPALITY.

THIS SPACE FOR USE OF PROPRIETARY FUNCTION FUNDS ONLY

Funds (List)	Beginning Balance	Total Budget of Receipts	Total Budget of Disbursements	Cash Reserve
				$ -
				$ -
				$ -
				$ -
				$ -
				$ -
				$ -
				$ -
				$ -
				$ -
				$ -
				$ -
				$ -
TOTAL	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -
	(Forward to Page 2, Line 4)	(Forward to Page 2, Line 23)	(Forward to Page 3, Line 21)	

NOTE: State Statute Section 13-504 requires a uniform summary of the proposed budget statement including each proprietary function fund included in a separate proprietary budget statement prepared pursuant to the Municipal Proprietary Function Act. Proprietary function shall mean a water supply or distribution utility, a waste-water collection or treatment utility, an electric generation, transmission, or distribution utility, a gas supply, transmission, or distribution utility, an integrated solid waste management collection, disposal, or handling utility, or a hospital or a nursing home owned by a municipality.

CORRESPONDENCE INFORMATION

ENTITY OFFICIAL ADDRESS

If no official address, please provide address where correspondence should be sent

NAME	**City of Battle Creek**
ADDRESS	**102 S. 2nd St., P.O. Box 280**
CITY & ZIP CODE	**Battle Creek, NE 68715**
TELEPHONE	**(402) 675-2165**
WEBSITE	**battlecreekne.com**

	BOARD CHAIRPERSON	CLERK/TREASURER/SUPERINTENDENT/OTHER	PREPARER
NAME	Heath J. Mettler	Michael D. Fleer	Michael D. Fleer
TITLE /FIRM NAME	Mayor	City Administrator/Clerk/Treasurer	City Administrator/Clerk/Treasurer
TELEPHONE	(402) 640-3804	(402) 675-2165	(402) 675-2165
EMAIL ADDRESS	hjmettler@gmail.com	admin@cityofbattlecreekne.com	admin@cityofbattlecreekne.com

For Questions on this form, who should we contact (please √ one): Contact will be via email if supplied.

- [ ] Board Chairperson
- [xxx] Clerk / Treasurer / Superintendent / Other
- [ ] Preparer

City of Battle Creek in Madison County

2024-2025 LID SUPPORTING SCHEDULE

Calculation of Restricted Funds

Total Personal and Real Property Tax Requirements		(1)	$ 395,542.18
Motor Vehicle Pro-Rate		(2)	$ 1,024.99
In-Lieu of Tax Payments		(3)	$ -
Prior Year Budgeted Capital Improvements that were excluded from Restricted Funds.			
Prior Year Capital Improvements Excluded from Restricted Funds (From Prior Year Lid Support, Line (17))	$ -	(4)	
LESS: Amount Spent During 2023-2024	$ -	(5)	
LESS: Amount Expected to be Spent in Future Budget Years	$ -	(6)	
Amount to be included as Restricted Funds ***(Cannot Be A Negative Number)***		(7)	$ -
Motor Vehicle Tax		(8)	$ -
Local Option Sales Tax		(9)	$ 270,404.23
Transfers of Surplus Fees		(10)	$ -
Highway Allocation and Incentives		(11)	$ 180,717.00
		(12)	
Motor Vehicle Fee		(13)	$ 13,087.32
Municipal Equalization Fund		(14)	$ 83,855.35
Insurance Premium Tax		(15)	$ -
Nameplate Capacity Tax		(15a)	$ -
TOTAL RESTRICTED FUNDS (A)		(16)	**$ 944,631.07**

Lid Exceptions

Capital Improvements (Real Property and Improvements on Real Property)	$ -	(17)	
LESS: Amount of prior year capital improvements that were excluded from previous lid calculations but were not spent and now budgeted this fiscal year *(cannot exclude same capital improvements from more than one lid calculation.)* Agrees to Line (6).	$ -	(18)	
Allowable Capital Improvements		(19)	$ -
Bonded Indebtedness		(20)	$ 489,205.00
Public Facilities Construction Projects (Statutes 72-2301 to 72-2308)		(21)	
Interlocal Agreements/Joint Public Agency Agreements		(22)	$ -
Public Safety Communication Project (Statute 86-416)		(23)	
Benefits Paid Under the Firefighter Cancer Benefits Act		(23a)	
Local Option Sales and Use Tax within Good Life District		(23b)	
Payments to Retire Interest-Free Loans from the Department of Aeronautics **(Public Airports Only)**		(24)	
Judgments		(25)	
Refund of Property Taxes to Taxpayers		(26)	
Repairs to Infrastructure Damaged by a Natural Disaster		(27)	
TOTAL LID EXCEPTIONS (B)		(28)	**$ 489,205.00**

TOTAL RESTRICTED FUNDS For Lid Computation (To Line 9 of the Lid Computation Form) *To Calculate: Total Restricted Funds (A)-Line 16 MINUS Total Lid Exceptions (B)-Line 28*	**$ 455,426.07**

*Total Restricted Funds for Lid Computation **cannot** be less than zero. See Instruction Manual on completing the Lid Supporting Schedule.*

City of Battle Creek

IN

Madison County

LID COMPUTATION FORM FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024-2025

PRIOR YEAR RESTRICTED FUNDS AUTHORITY OPTION 1 OR OPTION 2

OPTION 1

Prior Year Restricted Funds Authority (Base Amount) = Line (8) from last year's Lid Form	646,377.26 Option 1 - (Line 1)

OPTION 2

Only use if a vote was taken at a townhall meeting to exceed Lid for one year

Line (1) of Prior Year Lid Computation Form	Option 2 - (A)
Allowable Percent Increase **Less** Vote Taken (Prior Year Lid Computation Form Line (6) - Line (5)	% Option 2 - (B)
Dollar Amount of Allowable Increase Excluding the vote taken Line (A) times Line (B)	- Option 2 - (C)
Calculated Prior Year Restricted Funds Authority (Base Amount) Line (A) Plus Line (C)	- Option 2 - (Line 1)

CURRENT YEAR ALLOWABLE INCREASES

1 **BASE LIMITATION PERCENT INCREASE (2.5%)** 2.50 % (2)

2 **ALLOWABLE GROWTH PER THE ASSESSOR MINUS 2.5%** - % (3)

417,527.00 (2024 Value Attributable to Growth per Assessor) / 84,424,978.00 (2023 Valuation) = 0.49 % (Multiply times 100 To get %)

3 **ADDITIONAL ONE PERCENT COUNCIL/BOARD APPROVED INCREASE** 1.00 % (4)

4 (# of Board Members voting "Yes" for Increase) / 4 (Total # of Members in Governing Body at Meeting) = 100.00 % (Must be at least 75% (.75) of the Governing Body)

ATTACH A COPY OF THE BOARD MINUTES APPROVING THE INCREASE.

4 **SPECIAL ELECTION/TOWNHALL MEETING - VOTER APPROVED % INCREASE** % (5)

Please Attach Ballot Sample and Election Results OR Record of Action From Townhall Meeting

TOTAL ALLOWABLE PERCENT INCREASE = Line (2) + Line (3) + Line (4) + Line (5)	3.50 % (6)
Allowable Dollar Amount of Increase to Restricted Funds = Line (1) x Line (6)	22,623.20 (7)
Total Restricted Funds Authority = Line (1) + Line (7)	669,000.46 (8)
Less: Restricted Funds from Lid Supporting Schedule	455,426.07 (9)
Total Unused Restricted Funds Authority = Line (8) - Line (9)	213,574.39 (10)

LINE (10) MUST BE GREATER THAN OR EQUAL TO ZERO OR YOU ARE IN VIOLATION OF THE LID LAW.

City of Battle Creek in Madison County

2024-2025 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT LID EXEMPTIONS

Description of Capital Improvement	Amount Budgeted

Total - Must agree to Line 17 on Lid Support Page 8	$ -

Municipality Levy Limit Form

City of Battle Creek in Madison County

Municipality Levy				
Personal and Real Property Tax Request	(1)		395,542.18	
Judgments (Not Paid by Liability Insurance)	(2)	0.00		
Pre-Existing Lease - Purchase Contracts-7/98	(3)	0.00		
Bonded Indebtedness	(4)	0.00		
Interest Free Financing (Public Airports)	(5)	0.00		
Benefits Paid Under Firefighter Cancer Benefits Act	(6)	0.00		
Total Levy Exemptions	(7)		0.00	
Tax Request Subject to Levy Limit	(8)		395,542.18	
Valuation	(9)		90,996,645	
Municipality Levy Subject to Levy Authority	(10)		0.434678	
Levy Authority Allocated to Others-				
Airport Authority	(11)		0.000000	
Community Redevelopment Authority	(12)		0.000000	
Transit Authority	(13)		0.000000	
Off Street Parking District Valuation	(14)			
Off Street Parking District Levy (Statute 77-3443(2))	(15)	0.000000	0.000000	
Other	(16)		0.000000	
Total Levy for Compliance Purposes	(17)		0.434678	**(A)**
Levy Authority				
Municipality Levy Limit	(18		0.450000	
Municipality property taxes designated for interlocal agreements	(19)		0.000000	
Total Municipality Levy Authority	(20)		0.450000	**(B)**
Voter Approved Levy Override	(21)		0.000000	**(C)**

Note: (A) must be less than the greater of (B) or (C) to be in compliance with the Statutes

This Form is to be completed to ensure compliance with the levy limits established in State Statute Section 77-3442. The levy limit applicable to municipalities is 45 cents plus 5 cents for interlocal agreements.

State Statute Section 86-416 allows for a special tax to fund Public Safety Communication projects, the tax has the same status as bonded indebtedness. State Statute 72-2301 through 72-2308 allows bonds to be issued for Public Facilities Construction Projects. Amounts should be included as Bonded Indebtedness on Line 7 above.

A municipality may exceed the limits in State Statute Section 77-3442 by completing the requirements of State Statute Section 77-3444 (Election or Townhall Meeting). **If an amount is entered on Line 21, a sample ballot and election results MUST be submitted with budget. If voter approved override was completed at a Townhall Meeting, minutes of that meeting, and a list of registered voters in the municipality must be submitted.** Please refer to the statutes to ensure all requirements are met.

City of Battle Creek in Madison County

2024-2025 ALLOWABLE GROWTH PERCENTAGE COMPUTATION FORM

YES ☐ **This budget is for a VILLAGE; therefore the allowable growth provisions of the Property Tax Request Act DO NOT apply.**

CALCULATION OF ALLOWABLE GROWTH PERCENTAGE

Prior Year Total Property Tax Request (1) $ 390,665.51
*(Total Personal and Real Property Tax Required from **prior year** budget - Cover Page)*

Base Limitation Percentage Increase (2%) 2.00 % (2)

Real Growth Percentage Increase

252,234.00 (2024 Real Growth Value per Assessor) / 84,424,978.00 (Prior Year Total Real Property Valuation per Assessor) = 0.30 % (3)

Note: Real Growth Value per Assessor for purposes of the Property Tax Request Act (§77-1631) is different than the growth value for purposes of the Lid on Restricted Funds(§13-518). The County Assessor must provide you with separate growth amounts.

Total Allowable Growth Percentage Increase (Line 2 + Line 3) (4) 2.30 %

Allowable Dollar Amount of Increase to Property Tax Request (Line 1 x Line 4) (5) $ 8,985.31

TOTAL BASE PROPERTY TAX REQUEST AUTHORITY (Line 1 + Line 5) (6) **$ 399,650.82**

ACTUAL PROPERTY TAX REQUEST

2024-2025 ACTUAL Total Property Tax Request (7) $ 395,542.18
(Total Personal and Real Property Tax Required from Cover Page)

Property Tax Request is within allowable growth percentage. Political subdivision is NOT required to complete postcard notification requirements, or participate in the joint public hearing.

If line (7) is **greater than** line (6), your political subdivision **is required** to participate in the joint public hearing, and complete the postcard notification requirements of §77-1633. You must provide your information to the County Assessor electronically by September 4th. You are not required to hold the Special Hearing to Set the Final Tax Request outlined in §77-1632. The joint public hearing is completed in lieu of this hearing.

If line (7) is **less than** line (6), your political subdivision **is not required** to participate in the joint public hearing, or complete the postcard notification requirements of §77-1633. You are required to hold the Special Hearing to Set the Final Tax Request outlined in §77-1632.

REPORT OF JOINT PUBLIC AGENCY AND INTERLOCAL AGREEMENTS

REPORTING PERIOD JULY 1, 2023 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2024

City of Battle Creek — SUBDIVISION NAME

Madison County — COUNTY

Parties to Agreement (Column 1)	Agreement Period (Column 2)	Description (Column 3)	Amount Used as Lid Exemption (Column 4)
City of Battle Creek, Madison County Sheriff	June 1, 2020 - Indefinite	StateWide Radio System	

Total Amount used as Lid Exemption $ -

REPORT OF TRADE NAMES, CORPORATE NAMES, BUSINESS NAMES

REPORTING PERIOD JULY 1, 2023 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2024

City of Battle Creek	Madison County
SUBDIVISION NAME	COUNTY

List all Trade Names, Corporate Names and Business Names under which the political subdivision conducted business.

Battle Creek Municipal Light & Power

Community Pride Care Center

City of Battle Creek
IN
Madison County, Nebraska

NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING AND BUDGET SUMMARY

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given, in compliance with the provisions of State Statute Sections 13-501 to 13-513, that the governing body will meet on the 9 day of September 2024, at 7:00 o'clock P.M., at Battle Creek City Council Chambers for the purpose of hearing support, opposition, criticism, suggestions or observations of taxpayers relating to the following proposed budget. The budget detail is available at the office of the Clerk during regular business hours.

2022-2023 Actual Disbursements & Transfers	$	9,011,099.03
2023-2024 Actual/Estimated Disbursements & Transfers	$	8,787,768.60
2024-2025 Proposed Budget of Disbursements & Transfers	$	8,831,108.60
2024-2025 Necessary Cash Reserve	$	1,508,889.15
2024-2025 Total Resources Available	$	10,339,997.75
Total 2024-2025 Personal & Real Property Tax Requirement	$	395,542.18
Unused Budget Authority Created For Next Year	$	213,574.39

Breakdown of Property Tax:

Personal and Real Property Tax Required for Non-Bond Purposes	$	395,542.18
Personal and Real Property Tax Required for Bonds	$	-

NOTICE OF SPECIAL HEARING TO SET FINAL TAX REQUEST

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Valuation	84,424,978	90,996,645	8%
Tax Rate	0.449999	0.434678	-3%
Tax Rate if Prior Tax Request was at Current Valuation	0.429319		

Madison County, Nebraska

NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING AND BUDGET SUMMARY

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given, in compliance with the provisions of State Statute Sections 13-501 to 13-513, that the governing body will meet on the 9 day of September 2024, at 7:00 o'clock P.M., at Battle Creek City Council Chambers for the purpose of hearing support, opposition, criticism, suggestions or observations of taxpayers relating to the following proposed budget. The budget detail is available at the office of the Clerk during regular business hours.

2022-2023 Actual Disbursements & Transfers	$	9,011,099.03
2023-2024 Actual/Estimated Disbursements & Transfers	$	8,787,768.60
2024-2025 Proposed Budget of Disbursements & Transfers	$	8,831,108.60
2024-2025 Necessary Cash Reserve	$	1,508,889.15
2024-2025 Total Resources Available	$	10,339,997.75
Total 2024-2025 Personal & Real Property Tax Requirement	$	395,542.18
Unused Budget Authority Created For Next Year	$	213,574.39
Breakdown of Property Tax:		
Personal and Real Property Tax Required for Non-Bond Purposes	$	395,542.18
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Proof Of Publication

The State of Nebraska, }
Madison County, } ss.

Mary Stahl, being first duly sworn on oath, deposes and says that he is the Editor of The Battle Creek Enterprise, a legal newspaper of general circulation in said county, and that a Notice entitled,

Notice of Budget Hearing & Budget Summary

a true copy of which, as printed in said paper, is hereto attached and made a part hereof, was published in said paper 1 consecutive weeks commencing on the 4 day of September 2024, and ending on the 4 day of September 2024, that said newspaper was published weekly in the City of Battle Creek within said county for more than 52 consecutive weeks immediately prior to the commencement of the publication of said notice and every week consecutively since that time; that during all of said times said newspaper had a bona fide circulation of more than 300 copies weekly and was printed wholly in the English Language and in whole or in part in office maintained by the Publishers at said place of publication. Affiant has personal knowledge of the facts stated herein.

Mary Stahl

Editor - Publisher.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 4th day of September 2024

Mitzi S. Bredehoft

Notary Public.

GENERAL NOTARY - State of Nebraska
MITZI S. BREDEHOFT
My Comm. Exp. May 23, 2025

CERTIFICATION OF TAXABLE VALUE FOR COUNTIES AND CITIES

TAX YEAR 2024

{certification required on or before August 20th of each year}

To: BATTLE CREEK CITY GENERAL

TAXABLE VALUE LOCATED IN THE COUNTY OF MADISON COUNTY, NE

Name of Political Subdivision	Subdivision Type	Value attributable to Growth	Total Taxable Value	Real Growth Value a	Prior Year Total Real Property Valuation	Real Growth Percentage b
BC CITY GENERAL	City	$417,527	$90,996,645	$252,234	$84,424,978	0.29877%

* Value attributable to growth is determined pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. § 13-518 which includes real and personal property and annexation, if applicable.

a) Real Growth Value is determined pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. § 77-1631 which includes (i) improvements to real property as a result of new construction and additions to existing buildings, (ii) any other improvements to real property which increase the value of such property, (iii) annexation of real property by the political subdivision, and (iv) a change in the use of real property; and (v) the annual increase in the excess value for any tax increment financing project located in the political subdivision, if applicable.

b) Real Growth Percentage is determined pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. § 77-1631 and is equal to the political subdivision's Real Growth Value divided by the political subdivision's total real property valuation from the prior year.

I , Madison County, NE County Assessor, hereby certify that the valuation listed herein is, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the true and accurate taxable valuation for the current year, pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. § 13-509 and § 13-518.

(signature of county assessor)

08/16/2024
(date)

CC: County Clerk, Madison County, NE County

CC: County Clerk where district is headquartered, if different county, Madison County, NE County

Note to Political Subdivision: A copy of the Certification of Value must be attached to the budget document.

Guideline form provided by Nebraska Dept. of Revenue Property Assessment Division (July 2023)

CITY OF BATTLE CREEK, NEBRASKA
RESOLUTION NO. 2024-002R

WHEREAS, Nebraska Revised Statute 77-1632 and 77-1633 provides that Governing Body of the City of Battle Creek passes by a majority vote a resolution or ordinance setting the tax request; and

WHEREAS, a special public hearing was held as required by law to hear and consider comments concerning the property tax request;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing recitals, the Mayor and City Council of the City of Battle Creek, Nebraska hereby adopts the following Resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Battle Creek, Nebraska, that:

1. **The 2024-2025 property tax request be set at:**
   General Fund: $395,542.18
   Bond Fund: $0.00

2. **The total assessed value of property differs from last year's total assessed value by 7.78 percent.**

3. **The tax rate which would levy the same amount of property taxes as last year, when multiplied by the new total assessed value of property, would be $0.429319 per $100 of assessed value.**

4. **The City of Battle Creek proposes to adopt a property tax request that will cause its tax rate to be $0.434678 per $100 of assessed value.**

5. **Based on the proposed property tax request and changes in other revenue, the total operating budget of the City of Battle Creek will increase (or decrease) last year's budget by (11.12) percent.**

6. **A copy of this resolution be certified and forwarded to the Madison County Clerk on or before October 15, 2024.**

A motion was made by Council member Nygren and seconded by Council member Hrabanek to adopt Resolution 2023-005R. Voting yes were Nygren, Barry, Kraft and Hrabanek. Voting no were none.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 9th day of September, 2024.

Heath J. Mettler
Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk

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CITY OF BATTLE CREEK, NEBRASKA
102 SOUTH 2ND STREET
BATTLE CREEK, NEBRASKA

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
SEPTEMBER 9, 2024 – 7:00 P.M.

A G E N D A

I. **CALL MEETING TO ORDER**
(Note-Open Meetings law)

II. **ROLL CALL**

III. **RECITAL OF THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

IV. **BUDGET HEARING TO PRESENT 2024-2025 BUDGET AND EITHER AMEND OR APPROVE. DISCUSS AND/OR TAKE ACTION THEREON.**

V. **CONSIDERATION OF OPTION TO INCREASE LID LIMIT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024-2025 BY AN ADDITIONAL ONE PERCENT ABOVE THE BASE LIMITATION PERCENTAGE INCREASE OF TWO- AND ONE-HALF PERCENT TO A TOTAL INCREASE OF RESTRICTED FUNDS AUTHORITY TO THREE- AND ONE-HALF PERCENT ABOVE THE 2023-2024 RESTRICTED FUNDS AUTHORITY. DISCUSS AND/OR TAKE ACTION THEREON.**

VI. **SPECIAL HEARING TO SET FINAL TAX REQUEST. DISCUSS AND/OR TAKE ACTION THEREON.**

VII. **CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. 2024-002R: A RESOLUTION THAT THE FINAL LEVY OF THE CITY OF BATTLE CREEK, NEBRASKA FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2024-2025 BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2024, BE SET AT $0.434678 PER ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS OF ACTUAL VALUATION OR A LEVY OF .00434678 AND THAT THE CITY CLERK CERTIFY AND FORWARD A COPY OF THIS RESOLUTION TO THE MADISON COUNTY CLERK PRIOR TO OCTOBER 15, 2024. DISCUSS AND/OR TAKE ACTION THEREON.**

VIII. **CONSENT AGENDA**

a. **Approval of minutes from August 12, 2024 Regular meeting;**
b. **Approval of Treasurer's Report, August, 2024;**
c. **Building Permit Application: Jacob Wemhoff, 304 South 5th Street (storage shed), Merlin Hamilton, 308 West McAllister Street**

(detached garage), Rick & Connie Lade, 503 South 4th Street (cement patio with gabled roof on to existing garage).

IX. COMMENTS/QUESTIONS FROM PUBLIC
(No Formal Action Can Be Taken On Any Items Discussed.)

X. CONSIDERATION OF OPTIONS FOR DETERMINING THE STYLE AND PLACEMENT OF PET WASTE STATIONS WITHIN THE CITY PARK. DICUSS AND/OR TAKE ACTION THEREON.

XI. CONSIDERATION OF OPTIONS FOR ASSISTING BATTLE CREEK COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT WITH THE PURCHASE OF SUN SHADE POLES FOR USE AT THE BATTLE CREEK COMMUNITY POOL. DISCUSS AND/OR TAKE ACTION THEREON.

XII. DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS: DISCUSSION AND APPROVAL THEREOF:

a. Police
b. Fire/Rescue/Emergency Management
c. Utilities (Electric, Water, Sewer)
d. Streets/Parks/Swimming Pool
e. Library
f. Nursing Home
g. General Clerk's Report

XIII. CONSIDERATION OF OPTIONS FOR PROVIDING FUNDING TO THE HERITAGE PARK AND MUSEUM TO ASSIST WITH ELECTRICAL AND BUILDING UPGRADES. DISCUSS AND/OR TAKE ACTION THEREON.

XIV. CONSIDERATION OF ORDINANCE NO. 2024-003: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF BATTLE CREEK, NEBRASKA TO AMEND SECTION 10-116 OF THE REVISED MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE CITY OF BATTLE CREEK THAT RELATES TO HOURS OF OPERATION FOR THE SALE OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES; TO REPEAL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH; TO PROVIDE WHEN THIS ORDINANCE SHALL BE IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT; AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE PUBLICATION OF THIS ORDINANCE IN PAMPHLET FORM. DISCUSS AND/OR TAKE ACTION THEREON.

XV. APPROVAL OF PAYMENT OF CLAIMS ON FILE.

XVI. COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS/ATTORNEY COLLINS

XVII. ADJOURNMENT

NOTE: The Mayor and City Council reserve the right to adjourn into executive session as per Section 84-1410 of the Nebraska Revised Statutes.

NOTICE OF MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a meeting of the Mayor and City Council of the City of Battle Creek, Nebraska will be held on Monday, September 9, 2024, at 7:00 o'clock p.m. at the City Council Chambers, 102 South 2nd Street, Battle Creek, Nebraska, which meeting will be open to the attendance of the public.

An agenda for such meeting, kept continuously current, is available for public inspection at the office of the City Clerk during normal working hours.

The Mayor and City Council reserve the right to adjourn into executive session as per Section 84-1410 of the Nebraska Revised Statutes.

If auxiliary aids of reasonable accommodations are needed for attendance at a meeting, please call the City Clerk's office, 675-2165. Advance notice of seven days is needed when requesting an interpreter.

Michael D. Fleer
City Clerk

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RECEIPT OF NOTICE OF MEETING

The undersigned members of the governing body of the City of Battle Creek, Nebraska, hereby acknowledge receipt of advance notice of a meeting of said body and the agenda for such meeting held at 7:00 o'clock p.m. on September 9, 2024.

Dated this 9th day of September, 2024.

_____	_____
Mayor	**Council member**
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CITY OF BATTLE CREEK

The regular meeting of the Mayor and Council of the City of Battle Creek, Nebraska was held at the Battle Creek City Council Chambers, 102 South 2nd Street, Battle Creek, Nebraska, in open and public session at 7:00 o'clock p.m. on September 9, 2024. Present were Mayor Heath J. Mettler as well as Council members John Hrabanek, Eric Kraft, Tammi Barry and Brent Nygren. Others present were City Administrator Michael Fleer, City Attorney Dennis Collins, Police Chief Jeffrey Meinke, Fire Chief Scott Kudera, Library Director Brandon Hemberger, Utilities Superintendent Todd Bessmer, Mr. John Bomar, Mrs. Chirsty Schmidt, Ms. Jaylinn Schmidt, Mrs. Marci Sextro, Ms. Nicole Lauritson, Ms. Leah Gomes, Mrs. Breann Schulz, Mr. Russ Hamer, Mrs. Tiffany Pokorny, Mr. Colby Kolm, Mr. Vince Hoehne, Mrs. Kettie Schnitzler and Mr. Marv Stahl. Notice of the regular meeting was given in advance thereof, by publication in the August 28, 2024, issue of the Battle Creek Enterprise. Notice of the meeting was simultaneously given to the Mayor and all Council members with a copy of their acknowledgment herein contained. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

PROCEEDINGS HAD

Mayor Heath J. Mettler called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 o'clock p.m. Mayor Mettler then stated that a copy of the open meetings law was displayed on the south wall of the Council Chambers. Roll call showed the following Council members present: Hrabanek, Kraft, Barry and Nygren.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all present.

Mayor Mettler introduced the next item on the agenda which was a Hearing to present 2024-2025 budget and either amend or approve. City Administrator Fleer reviewed key points on the provided Budget Forms after-which the hearing was officially opened at 7:07 p.m. City Administrator Fleer asked if anyone from the Council had any questions about the Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Budget. No one responded with any questions. City Administrator Fleer asked the audience if anyone had any questions or comments about the Budget as presented. No one came forward to question or comment. City Administrator Fleer called three separate times for anyone to speak either in favor of or in opposition to the proposed Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Budget for the City of Battle Creek. No one came forward for any of the calls. Council member Hrabanek made a motion to closed the Budget Hearing to present the 2024-2025 Budget. Council member Nygren seconded the motion to close the Budget Hearing. Roll Call: Nygren, yes; Barry, yes; Kraft, yes; Hrabanek, yes. The Budget Hearing was closed at 7:09 p.m.

Mayor Mettler introduced for consideration an option to increase the Lid Limit for Fiscal Year 2024-2025 by an additional one percent above the Base Limitation Percentage Increase of two- and one-half percent to a total increase of Restricted Funds Authority to three- and one-half percent above the 2023-2024 Restricted Fund Authority. Council member Kraft made a motion to increase the Lid Limit for Fiscal Year 2024-2025 by an additional one percent above the Base Limitation Percentage Increase of two- and one-half percent to a total increase of

Restricted Funds Authority to three- and one-half percent above the 2023-2024 Restricted Fund Authority. Council member Hrabanek seconded the motion to increase the Lid Limit for Fiscal Year 2024-2025. Roll Call: Nygren, yes; Barry, yes; Kraft, yes; Hrabanek, yes. The motion carried.

Mayor Mettler opened the Special Hearing to set the Final Tax Request at 7:12 p.m. City Administrator Fleer reiterated information from the Budget Forms which showed that the Tax Request would require a Levy of .00434678 or $0.434678 per one hundred dollars of actual valuation. This would be a decrease for last year's Levy of .00449999. City Administrator Fleer called three separate times for anyone to speak either in favor of or in opposition to the proposed Final Tax Request. No one came forward for any of the calls. Council member Barry made a motion to closed the Special Hearing to set the Final Tax Request. Council member Hrabanek seconded the motion to close the Special Hearing. Roll Call: Nygren, yes; Barry, yes; Kraft, yes; Hrabanek, yes. The Special Hearing was closed at 7:14 p.m.

Mayor Mettler introduced for consideration RESOLUTION NO. 2024-002R: A RESOLUTION THAT THE FINAL LEVY OF THE CITY OF BATTLE CREEK, NEBRASKA FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024-2025 BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2024, BE SET AT $0.434678 PER ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS OF ACTUAL VALUATION OR A LEVY OF .00434678 AND THAT THE CITY CLERK CERTIFY AND FORWARD A COPY OF THIS RESOLUTION TO THE MADISON COUNTY CLERK PRIOR TO OCTOBER 15, 2024. Council member Nygren made a motion to approve passage of RESOLUTION NO. 2024-002R. Council member Hrabanek seconded to motion to approve passage of RESOLUTION NO. 2024-002R. Roll Call: Nygren, yes; Barry, yes; Kraft, yes; Hrabanek, yes. Passage of RESOLUTION NO. 2024-002R was approved.

Council member Kraft made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as follows:

a. **Approval of minutes from August 12, 2024 Regular meeting;**
b. **Approval of Treasurer's Report, August, 2024;**
c. **Building Permit Applications: Jacob Wemhoff, 304 South 5th Street (storage shed), Merlin Hamilton, 308 West McAllister Street (detached garage), Rick and Connie Lade, 503South 4th Street (cement patio with gabled roof on to existing garage).**

Council member Nygren seconded the motion to approve said Consent Agenda. Roll Call: Nygren, yes; Barry, yes; Kraft, yes; Hrabanek, yes. Nayes: none. The Consent Agenda was approved as presented.

Mayor Mettler asked for any comments or questions from the public. Mr. Russ Hamer, President of the Battle Creek Ball Association came forward to present information about the 2024 Baseball/Softball Season and a breakdown of revenue and expenditure for the association as well as planned upgrades for next season. Mrs. Kattie Schnitzler, the Business Manager for St. John's Lutheran Church came forward with information about the status/need for quality child-care

in not only Battle Creek, but the Northeast Nebraska Area and the entire state of Nebraska. No one else came forward with any questions, comments or concerns.

Mayor Mettler called upon representatives from the Local Girl Scout to come forward to discuss the determination of the style and placement of Pet Waste Stations within the City Park. Ms. Jaylinn Schmidt and Ms. Leah Gomez came forward and inform the Council that they had raised nearly $2,000.00 for the purchase of six Pet Waste Stations (two with trash containers and four without trash receptacles). Mayor Mettler stated that the Girl Scouts should work with Utilities Superintendent Bessmer to determine the best locations for the Pet Waste Stations. No official action was taken on this agenda item.

Mayor Mettler introduced for consideration options for assisting Battle Creek Community Development with the purchase of Sun Shade Poles for use at the Battle Creek Community Pool. Mrs. Breann Schulz came forward to discuss the quotes and renderings that had been included in the Agenda Packets. One set was from Madison County Metalwork and another was from Northeast Machine and Manufacturing. Council member Hrabanek made a motion to pay $4,668.25 to the Battle Creek Community Development Group for the purchase of Sun Shade Poles, Sun Shade Sails and Pole Base Pads for use at the Battle Creek Community Pool and to include this payment with others authorized later at this meeting for expenditure this current Fiscal Year. Council member Nygren seconded the motion to make a payment of $4,668.25 to the Battle Creek Community Development Group for expenditure this current Fiscal Year. Roll Call: Nygren, yes; Barry, yes; Kraft, yes; Hrabanek, yes. Nayes: none. The motion to approve a payment of $4,668.25 to the Battle Creek Community Development Group for the purchase of Sun Shade Poles, Sun Shade Sails and Pole Base Pads for use at the Battle Creek Community Pool and to include this payment with others authorized later at this meeting for expenditure this current Fiscal Year was approved.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

POLICE DEPARTMENT: Police Chief Jeffrey D. Meinke reported that since the last meeting there had been one arrest made, thirteen warnings had been issued, assistance to other agencies had been provided seven times, three animal calls, six assist citizens, four miscellaneous complaints, one funeral traffic, four 9-1-1 hang-ups, two open doors, four suspicious people or vehicles, one weather watch. The Police Department participated in the City Summerfest Touch-A-Truck and Parade. Police Chief Meinke utilized one of his tourniquets for the first time this month. Council member Barry made a comment that Officer Smith had positioned himself near the school and as a result, she had never before seen drivers operate as calmly as that day. Complaints have been voiced about the new entrance into the Jr./Sr. High School and the propensity for collisions.

FIRE/RESCUE/EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT: Fire Chief Scott Kudera reported that since the last report, there had been one Fire Call, and twelve EMS Calls. The Department is currently hosting an IV Training Course for some of our as well as area Emergency Medical Technicians. The department is considering updating the Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) packs. The current packs are 22-plus years old, of which there are sixteen on hand. Most neighboring departments have or will be upgrading from thirty-minute bottles that hold up to 2216 psi of air to a 45-minute bottle. The packs cost approximately $7,000.00 a piece; bottles are between $1,500.00 to $2,000.00 each. Council member Hrabanek made a motion to authorize an expenditure of $30,000.00 to the Battle Creek Volunteer Fire & Rescue Department for the purchase of SCBA packs and bottles from Fiscal Year 2023-2024 funds. Council member Barry seconded the motion to authorize an expenditure of $30,000.00 to the Battle Creek Volunteer Fire & Rescue Department from Fiscal Year 2023-2024 funds. Roll Call: Nygren, yes; Barry, yes; Hrabanek, yes; Kraft, yes. Nayes: none. The motion was approved.

UTILITIES (ELECTRIC, WATER, SEWER): Utilities Superintendent Todd Bessmer commented that the service for North 4th Street/Highway 121 is nearly completed ant the eastbound traffic at McAllister Street should be opened again soon. All the manholes along McAllister Street have been sealed as part of the paving project earlier.

STREETS, PARK, SWIMMING POOL: Superintendent Bessmer further reported that Travis Howard has been in the community cleaning out the interior drainage channel east of town, many ditches within the city and trenching the Legion Ball Field.

LIBRARY: Library Director Brendan Hemberger reviewed the written report of activities which was included in the agenda packets.

NURSING HOME: Interim Nursing Home Administrator Shelley McIntosh was absent from this meeting, but had provided a report that was included in the agenda packet as well as a Financial Report with a listing of bills to be paid that was on the table in front of the Mayor and each Council member.

GENERAL CLERK'S REPORT: City Administrator Fleer advised the Council that no date has been set as of yet for the annual audit by our accounting firm.

Council member Nygren made a motion to accept the Departmental Reports. Council member Barry seconded the motion to accept the Departmental Reports. Roll Call: Nygren, yes; Barry, yes; Kraft, yes; Hrabanek, yes. Nayes: none. The motion carried.

Mayor Mettler introduced for consideration options for providing funding to the Heritage Park and Museum to assist with electrical and building upgrades. Mayor Mettler called upon Mrs. Marcelle (Marci) Sextro to come forward to discuss plans for the Heritage Park and Museum. Mrs. Sextro began by reminding the Council of the perceived needs to the Heritage Park and Museum: electrical service to the Museum Building and Movie Projector Building, replacement doors on the Museum Building, a climate control unit for the Museum Building and

handicap accessibility throughout the park. The estimated cost for all work would be around $30,000. Council member Nygren made a motion to provide $17,795.00 from Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Funds for improvements to the Heritage Park and Museum. Council member Barry seconded the motion to approve $17,795.00 from Fiscal Year 2024-2024 Funds for improvements to the Heritage Park and Museum. Roll Call: Nygren, yes; Barry, yes; Kraft, yes; Hrabanek, yes. Nayes: none. The motion carried.

Mayor Mettler introduced for consideration ORDINANCE NO. 2024-003: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF BATTLE CREEK, NEBRASKA TO AMEND SECTION 10-116 OF THE REVISED MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE CITY OF BATTLE CREEK THAT RELATES TO HOURS OF OPERATION FOR THE SALE OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES; TO REPEAL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH; TO PROVIDE WHEN THIS ORDINANCE SHALL BE IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT; AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE PUBLICATION OF THIS ORDINANCE IN PAMPHLET FORM. City Administrator Fleer explained to all present the purpose of the ordinance. Council member kraft made a motion to approve passage of ORDINANCE NO. 2024-003 on First Reading. Council member Hrabanek seconded the motion to approve passage of ORDINANCE NO. 2024-003 on First Reading. Roll Call: Nygren, yes; Barry, yes; Kraft, yes; Hrabanek, yes. Nayes: none. ORDIANCE NO. 2024-004 was approved on First Reading.

Council member Kraft made a motion to suspend the rules and approve passage ORDINANCE NO. 2024-003 on Second and Third Readings. Council member Hrabanek seconded the motion to suspend the rules and approve passage of ORDINANCE NO. 2024-003 on Second and Third Readings. Roll Call: Nygren, yes; Barry, yes; Kraft, yes; Hrabanek, yes. Nayes: none. The motion to suspend the rules and approve passage on ORDINANCE NO. 2024-003 on Second and Third Readings was approved.

Mayor Mettler introduced for consideration the approval of Claims On File. Council Kraft made a motion to approve payment of not only the Claims On File as listed in the Agena Packets, but also the claims approved earlier in this meeting. Council member Hrabanek seconded the motion to approve amended list of Claims On File. Roll Call: Nygren, yes; Kraft, yes; Hrabanek, yes. Nayes: none. Council member Barry abstained from voting on this Agenda Item. Payment of Claims On File was approved as amended.

There had not been any Committee meetings to report on and City Attorney Collins denied having any concerns to discuss.

Mayor Mettler adjourned the Regular Council meeting at 9:17 p.m.

Heath J. Mettler
Mayor

ATTEST:

Michael D. Fleer
City Clerk

I, the undersigned City Clerk for the City of Battle Creek, Nebraska, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the proceedings had and done by the Mayor and City Council on September 9, 2024; that all of the subjects included in the foregoing proceedings were contained in the agenda for the meeting, kept continually current and readily available for public inspection at the office of the City Clerk; that such subjects were contained in said agenda for at least twenty-four hours prior to said meeting; that at least one copy of all reproducible material discussed at the meeting was available at the meeting for examination and copying by members of the public; that the said minutes were in written form and available for public inspection within ten working days and prior to the next convened meeting of said body; that all news media requesting notification concerning meetings of said body were provided advance notification of the time and place of said meeting and the subjects to be discussed at said meeting; and that a current copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act was available and accessible to members of the public, posted during such meeting in the room in which such meeting was held.

Michael D. Fleer
City Clerk

Dated this 19th day of September, 2024.