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## Hopper throws shutout



Photo by Chuck Vandenberg/PCC

Fort Madison's Landes Williams waits on a throw from home as Burlington Notre Dame's Carson Chiprez swipes second base as the Hounds won 1-0 in Fort Madison Wednesday night.

### BLOODHOUNDS: Senior drives in winning run with double in fifth inning

BY CHUCK VANDENBERG  
PCC EDITOR

FORT MADISON – Matt Hopper said he pitched the best game of his high school career Tuesday night amongst the rain drops.

The senior hurler threw a 3-hit shutout, striking out eight with 72% of his pitches falling for strikes, in a 1-0 win over Burlington Notre Dame in Fort Madison.

"This is the best game I've ever pitched in high school. I don't think I've ever not given up a run in varsity," Hopper said following the gem.

Hopper came on in relief Monday night in Mt. Pleasant in the night cap of a double header to a runner with a 3-2 count. One pitch in and Hopper walked the hitter. On his fifth pitch

with two outs in the bottom of the ninth, a ground ball was misplayed in the infield, allowing the winning run to score.

Head Coach Ron Walker said Hopper put that game behind him very efficiently.

"He came out and pounded the zone tonight right from the start – fastball, fastball, fastball. I don't think we threw a curve until the 6th inning. He was doing well with his change up and keeping them off balance," Walker said.

"We put him in a tough spot last night facing a batter with a 3-2 count and that's just the way it works sometimes. He was kinda bummin', but that wasn't on him, it was on me and he came back out and answered the bell tonight."

Hopper was at 72 pitches through six innings and took the

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## District OKs construction bid contracts

**FACILITY UPGRADES:** District approves \$21 million in contracts for improvements

BY CHUCK VANDENBERG  
PCC EDITOR

FORT MADISON – The Fort Madison School district approved close to \$21 million in work for the district's planned facilities upgrade at a special meeting Tuesday night.

Bids on the \$33 million project came in close to 16% over estimates prepared by Construction Manager Carl A. Nelson Co out of Burlington.

Several bid packages that were part of the project were rejected and will be rebid at a later date.

The project is being paid for with bonds issued against the district's projected SAVE funds (Secure an Advanced Vision for Education), a statewide one-cent sales tax allocated to communities with approved referendums. They are also planning to use funds from the district's Physical Plant and Equipment Levy. Tapping into these existing revenue streams required voter approval, but does not require additional taxpayer support.

Carl A. Nelson & Co. officials said it's a horrendous time for bidding in the area.

"Unfortunately, the bidder turnout and bid results weren't quite what we were hoping for," said Chris Smith, Vice President of Construction for Carl A. Nelson.

He said the firm spent several days contacting bidders to go over the scope of the packages and try to figure out why some of the bids were over estimates.

The facility improvements include adding space to the Fort Madison Middle School to make it a PreK-6th grade facility, as well as adding space at the Fort Madison High School to accommodate adding grades 7 and 8. The cost was originally around \$28 million but that

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### FUN CITY

## GRE to hold groundbreaking on The Courts facility

BURLINGTON - The Courts, a long-awaited indoor basketball, volleyball and pickleball court facility, will have a ground-breaking ceremony on Wednesday, June 8th at 10:00am. There will be a ceremonial 'first dig' following brief comments by individuals and or-

ganizations who helped make this project possible. We invite anyone interested, media, and community members to attend this monumental moment for the Burlington community.

Background Information

The Courts were first conceived in

2011 after the 'Imagine Campaign' received more than 1,800 ideas on how to improve the Burlington area. In conjunction with the completion of the FunCity Turf in 2019, The Courts

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# Obituaries

## OBITUARIES

### ROBERT R. WAGNER, JR.

Mr. Robert R. Wagner, Jr., age 80, of Colusa, Illinois passed away at 1:00 a.m. Tuesday, May 3, 2022 at the Aspire of Donnellson in Donnellson, Iowa, following a battle with cancer.



WAGNER

He was born May 9, 1941, in La Harpe, the son of Robert R. Wagner, Sr. and Catherine E. (Owings) Wagner.

He was a 1959 graduate of Colusa High School. He later graduated from Western Illinois University with Bachelor of Science Degree. Early in life he farmed with his father in the Colusa area. Later, Robert served as pastor of the Bethel Church in Hamilton, Illinois, retiring in 2021. He enjoyed traveling and spending time with family, especially his grandchildren.

Robert was very active in his community and organizations, which included Kiwanis, Moose Lodge, Masons, Lions Club, Habitat for Humanity, Food Pantry, and many others. Robert did many good deeds for people, oftentimes with no knowledge or recognition by anyone other than the people he helped, and God. He cared deeply about this community and the people he served, and will be greatly missed.

Survivors include one son, Tom (Lisa) Wagner of Santa Barbara, California, two daughters, Brenda Wagner of Colusa and Jennifer (Greg) Harl, also of Colusa, four grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Robert was preceded in death by his parents, one sister, Judy Hribar and a daughter, Catherine Lynn Wagner.

A celebration of Robert's life will be held on Wednesday, June 15 at 6:00 p.m. at Bethel Church in Hamilton. A memorial fund has been established in his memory. Contributions may be sent to; Robert Wagner Memorial Fund, c/o Banks & Beals Funeral Home, PO Box 70, Dallas City, IL 62330. To leave a condolence, please visit his obituary at [www.banksandbeals.com](http://www.banksandbeals.com).

## OBITUARIES

### GEORGE A. AUSTIN

George A. Austin, 84, of Donnellson, Iowa, passed away at 12:13 p.m. Sunday, May 29, 2022, at Aspire of Donnellson.



AUSTIN

Born on October 5, 1937, in Nora Springs, Iowa, the son of George and Alyce (Leaf) Austin. On July 15, 1961, he married Gayle Fisher.

Survivors include his wife Gayle; daughter: Lori (Jim Vermazen) Mehl of West Point, Iowa; son: Robert Austin of Salt Lake City, Utah; grandchildren Ashley (Eric) Hocker, Daniel (Katelyn) Mehl, Brian (Mersade) Austin-Weischedel; great grandchildren: Brinley Hocker,

Brody Hocker, Brycen Mehl, Kinze Mehl, Emily Austin-Weischedel, Rylan Austin-Weischedel and Emmett Austin-Weischedel. Also surviving are several nieces and nephews.

Preceding him in death are his parents, brothers: Richard, Cortland, Conway and Gerald. His mother and father-in-law Burr and Aola Fisher. Plus sisters-in-law, brothers-in-law and son-in-law David Mehl.

George was a member of the Donnellson United Methodist Church. He was a United States Army Veteran, he worked at Armour-Dial for thirty-three years, retiring in 2000. George enjoyed fishing, hunting, golfing and going to the casino to play slots. He especially enjoyed time with his family.

His body has been entrusted to the crematory of Schmitz Funeral Home for cremation.

Family will meet friends from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Friday, June 3, 2022, at Schmitz Funeral Home in Donnellson.

A memorial service will be held at 11:00 a.m. Friday, June 3, 2022, at Schmitz Funeral Home in Donnellson, with Pastor Nancy St. Clair officiating.

Memorials may be made to the Donnellson United Methodist Church.

Online condolences may be made to the family at [www.schmitzfuneralhomes.com](http://www.schmitzfuneralhomes.com). Schmitz Funeral Home of Donnellson is assisting the family with arrangements.



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### HADLEY M. HAGMEIER

Hadley May Hagmeier, infant daughter of Skylar Stinson and Tyson Hagmeier, was born into Heaven on May 22, 2022 at the University of Iowa Hospital in Iowa City, IA.



HAGMEIER

She is survived and forever loved by her parents, Skylar and Tyson of Keokuk, her maternal grandparents, Jim and Angela Stinson, maternal great-grandparents, Jane and Steve Riter, paternal grandparents, Hanna Hagmeier and Travis Scott, paternal great-grandparents, Joe and Jackie Scott and many aunts and uncles. Hadley will remain in her family's hearts forever.

A memorial service will be held at 7 p.m., Saturday at the Vigen Memorial Home in Keokuk with Pastor Debra Letcher officiating.

Visitation will be held prior to the service from 6 pm - 7 pm with the family meeting with friends at that time.

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## From the Front

# Mohrfeld, Sanders land part of school project work

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increased to \$32 million after initial estimates in the current construction economic climate.

Carl A. Nelson separated the project into 17 bid packages and said more than 600 bid invitations were sent out to area contractors. Just 30 bids were received on the work.

"It's extremely difficult to hit a budget right now. We tried to somewhat prepare ourselves and communicate this. The industry is just tough," Smith said.

"We made several loops calling at least 100 people who we thought were good for this project. The recurring theme is 'we're just too busy to look at that job' or 'I'm not going to bid a two-year project when my material suppliers won't quote me for even next month.'"

He said bidders were reluctant to enter into a contract without knowing the costs of materials.

"Plumbing and HVAC, as well as all these other trades, are just very difficult right now. We're just chasing a moving target and nobody knows what their costs are going to be really even into the next week," he said.

Smith said they really had no information for a realistic estimate on site work and utilities because they had no information from traffic studies nor approval on plans from the City of Fort Madison.

He said a storm sewer extension that runs from across the front of the high school out through the main parking lot and into the creek was never anticipated in the design phase.

The first two bid packages, which cover sitework and utilities, and site paving, each came more than double engineering estimates. Smith said the sitework bid is so far off because initial designs "had basically zero information" and the estimate and bid aren't comparable as far as scope. Fye Excavating was the only bidder at \$3.48 million compared to the budgeted number of \$1.69 million.

The bid for the site paving was rejected and will be rebid.

Brockway Mechanical out of Burlington was awarded two contracts totaling \$6.75 million for plumbing, HVAC, roofing and siding panels, while Mohfeld Electric was awarded the electrical, communications, and technology contract at \$1.8 million. Industrial Steel Erectors was awarded a \$2.2 million contract for precast and structural steel work, Carl A. Nelson was awarded a separate contract for \$1.3 million for concrete foundations and floors, Gary Sanders Masonry was awarded a \$1.1 million contract for masonry services, and Bi-State Construction was awarded the contract for general construction at \$2.22 million.

Overall, the low bids for the base construction packages, including an estimate for drywall work which received no bid offers, came in \$4.25 million over the newest estimates. Those numbers prompted the district to take off the 7-12th grade added gymnasium and locker room facilities.

With construction management fees built into the project, the base construction costs now stand at \$27.3 million with Carl A. Nelson's fees projected at \$3.24 million, not including the concrete contract. DLR Group, the district's architect on the project, is

budgeted to receive \$2.12 million.

Furnishings, fixtures, and playground equipment is estimated at \$689,500. IT equipment, security cameras, and other electronics are estimated at \$120,000. Professional fees total about \$360,000 for traffic studies, inspections and permitting, and \$65,000 for a site survey.


The total budget on the project without the new gym or locker room at the high school stands at \$32,086,862, including a \$1.3 million contingency fund. A value engineering goal of \$600,000 was set for Carl A. Nelson to find savings on the project.

Smith said if the contingency fund isn't fully utilized, it could be used to offset some of the \$4.4 million needed for the new gym and locker rooms. They could also put in the shells for those spaces without interior developments at a cost of about \$2.5 million. The value engineering could also create some additional funds.

Smith said the board could either approve the base bid packages presented or reject all bids and basically start the bidding process over again. The board voted 6-0 to approve moving forward with the base bids and rebidding three of the bid packages.

The board approved moving forward with the recommended bids 6-0.

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## From the Front

# Hounds move to 4-1 with win over Notre Dame

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mound in the top of the seventh holding just the one-run lead. Hopper struck out Logan Brent, Lucas Johnson, and Isaiah Crow, all swinging, to secure the win.

“This is my first start. I’ve only pitched two innings before this. I’m throwing a lot harder this year than I did last year. I just feel a lot better out there and have a lot more confidence.”

Hopper has also shown confidence at the plate of late going 2 of 4 in Monday’s second game and went 1 for 3 Tuesday with a double to deep right field in the fourth inning that scored Aidan Pennock with the winning run.

The Hounds mustered seven hits against senior Jackson Brent, who went the distance for the Nikes. Brent struck out 11 Hounds and walked just one in suffering

the loss.

Fort Madison put two on in the 5th with no outs. Landes Williams singled to shallow left to open the inning and moved to second on a long throw to first that bounced away from first baseman Eli Oleson. Kane Williams then moved Landes over with a bunt for a single. Williams swiped second but then Tate Johnson and Tanner Settles each struck out and Jordan Simpson hit an infield fly to end the inning.

Walker said those missed opportunities could plague the Hounds.

“We’ve gotta do a better job with strikeouts. We had 10 the first night out, and the second night we had just a couple, and then last night we weren’t so good in the second game in putting the ball in play. We need to quit overthinking and trust our approach,” Walker said.

“We haven’t done a very good job of executing yet. Last night we had bases loaded, nobody out, and couldn’t score. Tonight we have 2nd and 3rd with no outs and can’t score. We have to take advantage of those situations – which is our kind of baseball.”

Walker said he’s been happy with Simpson’s production at the plate. Simpson went 2 of 3 Tuesday night after going 2 for 5 with a run scored and an RBI in Monday’s doubleheader.

“He’s been platooning in the outfield, but we DH’d him game two last night because he had great at bats in the first game. He’s been a great surprise and doing a good job competing in the box.”

The Hounds (4-1, 1-1) travel to Fairfield for another Southeast Conference matchup Thursday. Notre Dame falls to 1-3 and 1-2 in the SEI Superconference South and travels to Danville Thursday.



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# Obituaries

## OBITUARIES

### JERRY L. SEAGER

Jerry Leon Seager, 58, of Fort Madison, IA, passed away on Monday, May 30, 2022 at his home. He was born on March 24, 1964 in Fort Madison, IA to Adonis & Opal Magers Seager. He married Lorie A. Heidbreder on November 21, 1986 in Fort Madison, IA. He worked at Siemens in Fort Madison, IA and was a member of the 34th Place Neighborhood Watch Group. He enjoyed hunting, going on cruises and drinking his Busch Light.



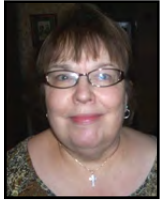
SEAGER

Jerry is survived by: his wife: Lorie Seager of Fort Madison, IA; 2-sons: Brad Heidbreder & Bryon Heidbreder of Fort Madison, IA; 3-daughters: Brandi (JC) Luke, Amy (Josh) Myers & Natasha Seager of Fort Madison, IA; 19-grandchildren; 6-great grandchildren; his father: Adonis Seager of Fort Madison, IA; 1-brother: Tim Seager of St. Louis, MO; 3-sisters: Lydia Seager of Los Gatos, CA, Juanita (David) Hornbaker of Quenemo, KS, Wanda (Rodney) Billings of Charleston, IA and several nieces & nephews. He was preceded in death by: his mother, 1-grandson: Jaydon Heidbreder, 1-brother: Carl Seager and 1-brother-in-law: James Rainey.

Cremation has been entrusted to the care of King-Lynk Funeral Home & Crematory. A visitation will be held from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. on Tuesday, June 7, 2022 at King-Lynk Funeral Home & Crematory. A memorial fund has been established in Jerry's memory. Online condolences to Jerry's family may be left at the King-Lynk Funeral Home & Crematory website: [www.kinglynk.com](http://www.kinglynk.com).

### PEGGY A. STUTENBERG

Peggy Ann Stutenberg, 75, of Keokuk, IA died Sunday, May 22, 2022 at the Donnellson Health Center in Donnellson, IA.



STUTENBERG

She was born on February 17, 1947 in Keokuk, IA the daughter of Murlen Horace and Louise Benlehr Schlotter Stutenberg. Peggy graduated from Keokuk High School and Southeastern Community College.

Peggy had been employed at Foil Graphic in Keokuk for thirteen years.

She was a member of St. Paul United Church of Christ in Keokuk. She was also a member of Keosippi Kickers, T.T.T. (Tri-T) and PEO.

Peggy is survived by many cousins including Julia Schlotter Fanney of Fleming Island, FL, Mark (Barb) Schlotter and Doug (Linda) Foulkes all of Missouri, Jamie (Michelle) Poindexter of Westport, WI and Mark (Mary Jo) Stutenberg of Le Claire, IA.

She was preceded in death by her parents.

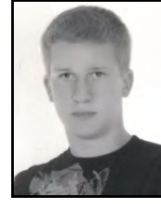
A graveside service will be held on June 14 at 10:30 a.m. in the Oakland Cemetery in Keokuk with Reverend Milo Van Veldhuizen officiating.

The Vigen Memorial Home in Keokuk, IA is assisting the family with arrangements.

## OBITUARIES

### CORY D. PETERSEN

Cory Douglas Petersen, 32, of Waverly, IA, and formerly of Fort Madison, passed away unexpectedly on Tuesday, May 31, 2022 at his home. He was born on December 17, 1989 in Fort Madison, IA to Douglas & Kay Auge Petersen.



PETERSEN

He was a park manager in Waverly, IA and enjoyed old cars, being outside, working in the yard, animals and biking.

Cory is survived by: his parents: Doug & Kay Petersen of Fort Madison, IA; 1-brother: Grant Petersen of Fort Madison, IA and his dog: Roxanne. He was preceded in death by: his maternal grandparents: Richard & Shirley Auge and his paternal grandparents: Pete & Marlene Petersen.

Cremation has been entrusted to the care of King-Lynk Funeral Home & Crematory. A visitation will be held on Monday, June 6, 2022 from 9:30 to 11:00 a.m. at King-Lynk Funeral Home & Crematory. A memorial service will immediately follow at 11:00 a.m. with Rev. Dean Graber officiating. A memorial has been established for P.A.W. Animal Shelter. Online condolences to Cory's family may be left at the King-Lynk Funeral Home & Crematory website: [www.kinglynk.com](http://www.kinglynk.com).

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All votes are unanimous unless otherwise indicated. Spear read the minutes from the regular meeting held on March 31, 2022. Moved by Walker, seconded by Kuntz, to approve the minutes. Motion carried.

Pat Kaltefleiter gave the April Pump Master report. River stage in April was 15.4. Moved by Walker, seconded by Bonar, to accept the Pump Master Report as presented. Motion carried.

Discussion was had regarding the pipelines. The board was informed the gas pipeline may make a corner under the levee or the rail road tracks. The company has asked the

Corp if they needed any special treatment, but have not heard anything.

Walker updated the board regarding the sand movement project. There are no new developments. Walker did ask how long a mussel survey would last and was told possibly 5 years.

Walker, Bonar and Bluetop Excavating drove the ditch and everything looks good. Bluetop will rock the road on the west side. Moved by Walker, seconded by Bonar to approve the final Bluetop Excavating Payment per contract. Motion carried.

Klinger has reported the Corp wanted the relief wells tests to be longer. Klinger did run additional tests and will run the wells when the river is lower.

Walker gave an update on the USACE 408 permit. There is nothing new to report.

Moved by Kuntz, seconded by Bonar to approve the Clerk's Report.

Motion carried. Current balances are \$269,359.91 in the Operating Fund and \$1000.00 in the Bond Fund.

At 7:35 p.m. Walker made a motion to adjourn. It was seconded by Kuntz. Motion carried.

The next regular meeting of the Drainage District will be Thursday, May 26, 2022.

Respectfully submitted by Kimberly Spear, Lee County Auditor's Office.

### PUBLIC NOTICE AGENDA KEOKUK CITY COUNCIL MEETING June 2, 2022 5:30 P.M.

1. Call to Order.
  2. Pledge of Allegiance.
  3. Roll Call.
  4. Mayor's Correspondence:
  5. Citizen's Request.
  6. Consent Agenda.
- Minutes of the Council

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cil Workshop & Regular City Council meeting of May 19, 2022;

- Minutes of the Safety Committee meeting of May 19, 2022;
- Minutes of the Goal Setting Session of May 25, 2022;
- Cigarette Permits for July 2022- June 2023;
- Resolution approving a Liquor License for Casey's #2636, 3530 Main Street, effective July 1, 2022 – Class E Liquor License with Sunday Sales;
- Resolution approving a Liquor License for Casey's #2595, 326 Main Street, effective July 1, 2022 – Class E Liquor License with Sunday Sales;
- Special Event Permit for Rand Park Pavilion, various music concerts for Summer 2022, requesting council approval to allow BYOB;
- Special Event Permit for Rollin on the River, Victory Park, August 19-20, 2022 (will be applying for a liquor license);

- Special Event Permit for Lake Cooper Foundation for the Big Dam Street Festival, Victory Park, August 25-27, 2022 (will be applying for a liquor license);
- Motion to pay bills and transfers listed in Register No.'s 5274-5276;

7. (a) Now is the time and place for a public hearing on a proposed Amendment No. 7 to the amended and restated Twin Rivers Urban Renewal Plan in the City of Keokuk, State of Iowa. A public hearing notice was published in the Daily Gate City on Friday, May 20, 2022.

(b) Consider resolution determining an area of the city to be economic development and blighted area, and that the rehabilitation, conservation, redevelopment, development, or a combination thereof of such area is necessary in the interest of the public health, safety, or welfare of the

residents of the city; designating such area as appropriate for Urban Renewal Projects and adopting Amendment No. 7 to the amended and restated Twin Rivers Urban Renewal Plan.

8. Motion to approve the third/final reading of an Ordinance amending Section 9.28.040 dealing with parking regulations.

9. Motion to approve initial of an Ordinance amending the employee residency requirements.

10. Motion to approve the initial reading of an Ordinance amending Ordinances No.'s 1852, 1952, 2010 and 2013 Amendment No. 7 to the amended and restated Twin Rivers Urban Renewal Plan.

11. Consider resolution approving contract for transportation services with the Southeast Iowa Regional Planning Commission (SEIBUS).

12. Boards & Commissions:

13. Council Liaison Reports:  
 14. Staff Reports:  
 15. New Business:  
 16. Adjourn Meeting.

**PUBLIC NOTICE  
 AGENDA  
 KEOKUK COUNCIL  
 WORKSHOP  
 June 2, 2022  
 IMMEDIATELY  
 FOLLOWING REGULAR  
 MEETING**

(1) Discussion on Homeless Shelter Ordinance.  
 Chapter 20.68  
 20.68.040 Special uses – Designated.  
 (28) Homeless Shelters as provided in Section 20.68.070  
 20.68.070 – Homeless Shelters  
 This section establishes standards and procedures for the location and operation of homeless shelters.  
 1. Definitions  
 Homeless person shall mean an individual who,

or family which, lacks a fixed, regular and/ or adequate nighttime residence, here within referred to as client.  
 Homeless shelter shall mean emergency housing with minimal supportive services for homeless persons that is intended for temporary occupancy by a homeless person.  
 Emergency Warming/Cooling Center A warming/cooling center is a short-term emergency shelter that operates when temperatures or a combination of precipitation, wind chill, wind and temperature become dangerously inclement. The paramount purpose is the prevention of death and injury from exposure to the element. Shall be considered an accessory use to the primary use of the property when located in a public building, church or place of worship.  
 2. Permit required.  
 No person shall operate a homeless shelter within

the corporate boundaries without a valid special use permit issued by the Board of Adjustment. Exception: Emergency Warming/Cooling Center may operate as specified in Section 20.68.070 (4) (A) in a church or other place of worship or designated public building when temperatures fall below 32° during the months of November through April, or when temperatures are above 100° during the day and 85° during night hours.  
 3. Location  
 (A) May be located in an R-3, two family dwelling district, R-4, Multiple family dwelling district, F-1, Townhouse, F-2, Condominium and any commercially zoned district, when issued a special use permit by the Keokuk Zoning Board of Adjustment.  
 (B) A minimum distance of 1000 feet shall be maintained between all Homeless shelters within

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a residential district.

### 4. Development and Operation Standards

(A) Emergency Warming/Cooling Center Shall be considered as accessory uses to the primary use when located in a church or other place of worship or designated public building. An Emergency Warming/Cooling Center may operate:

(i) An emergency warming center may operate when temperatures fall below 32° during the months of November through April, or when temperatures are above 100° during the day and 85° during night hours.

(ii) May serve up to thirty-five (35) individuals, not including staff/volunteers.

(iii) Shall provide at least two (2) employees and/or volunteers on the premises during all operational hours.

(iv) Submit a safety and management plan to the City of Keokuk for review and approval by the Community Development Director, Police and Fire Chiefs.

### (B) Homeless Shelter/Facilities

(i) May serve up to (35) thirty-five clients, not including staff/volunteers.

(ii) Adequate management, support staff and

security must be present during the hours of operation of the Homeless shelter. A minimum of two employees and/or volunteers one being a supervisory level staff member must be present on the site during hours of operation. Management staff must make best efforts to ensure that loitering does not occur on the property during off-hours and must ensure that clients are not creating a nuisance to the neighborhood.

(iii) Homeless shelters shall comply with all adopted Building and Fire Codes, including maximum occupancy restrictions.

(iv) Bicycle racks shall be provided.

(v) A designated outdoor smoking area (not within public right of way).

(vi) A designated location should be provided for adequate waste receptacles.

(vii) Homeless shelters shall not be permitted within the first floor of a commercial district, exception of emergency warming center.

(viii) Off-street parking shall be provided at a rate of one (1) vehicle parking space per employee/volunteer plus one vehicle parking space for every six (6) beds.

(ix) Management Plan shall be submitted with the application for special use permit that addresses the following items:

(1) A narrative description of the nature and characteristics of the use and description of all supportive services provided.

(2) A client identification process.

(3) An emergency/security/safety plan that addresses security for staff, volunteers and clients as well as how responses to medical and other emergencies will be handled.

(4) An outline of the "rules of conduct" for clients.

(5) A communication plan that establishes how the shelter will regularly communicate with City and neighbors.

(6) A staffing plan noting the number of employees per clients during daytime and nighttime operating hours.

(7) Hours of operation and standard lights-out.

5. Revocation of Permits: The special use permit for the operation of a homeless shelter may be revoked at any time by the Board of Adjustment upon a determination that it is in violation of the standards of this Section or any other City Code requirement.

6. Certificate of Occupancy: Prior to establishing a homeless shelter as a use, an application for and approval of a new certificate of occupancy is required, including compliance with building and fire codes.

### PUBLIC NOTICE NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER APPROVAL OF A PROPOSED AMENDMENT NO. 7 TO THE AMENDED AND RESTATED TWIN RIVERS URBAN RENEWAL PLAN FOR AN URBAN RENEWAL AREA IN THE CITY OF KEOKUK, STATE OF IOWA

The City Council of the City of Keokuk, State of Iowa, will hold a public hearing before itself at its meeting which commences at 5:30 P.M. on June 2, 2022 in the Council Chambers, City Hall, 501 Main Street, Keokuk, Iowa, to consider adoption of a proposed Amendment No. 7 to the Amended and Restated Twin Rivers Urban Renewal Plan (the "Amendment") concerning an Urban Renewal Area in the City of Keokuk, State of Iowa.

Which Amendment No. 7 is proposed to add

the following land to the Urban Renewal Area:

Beginning at the intersection of the city boundary line in the Mississippi River and Blondeau Street extended, thence Northwesterly along the centerline of Blondeau Street to its intersection with North 1st Street, thence Southwesterly along the centerline of North 1st Street to its intersection with the centerline of the alley, extended, in Block 12, Original City of Keokuk, thence Northwesterly along the centerline line of the alleys extended in Blocks 12 and 27, Original City of Keokuk, to its intersection with the centerline of North 3rd Street, thence Northeastly along the centerline of North 3rd Street to its intersection with the centerline of Concert Street, thence Northwesterly along the centerline of Concert Street to its intersection with the centerline of North 4th Street, thence Southwesterly along the centerline of North 4th Street to its intersection with the alley extended in Block 3 8, Original City of Keokuk, thence Northwesterly along the centerline of the alleys in Block 38, 63 and 95, Original City of Keokuk, extended, to its intersection with the centerline of North 7th Street, thence Southwesterly along the centerline of North 7th Street to its intersection with the centerline of the alley, extended, in Block 106, Original City of Keokuk, thence Northwesterly along the centerline of the alley in Block 106 to its intersection with the centerline of North 8th Street, thence Northeastly along the centerline of North 8th Street 50 feet to the Southwesterly boundary of the Lot line dividing Lot 1, Block 125, Original City of Keokuk, thence Northwesterly, 50 feet to the Northeastly boundary of Lot 1, Block 125, Original City of Keokuk, thence Southwesterly 50 feet to the centerline of the alley in Block 125, Original City of Keokuk, thence Northwesterly along the centerline of the alley in Block 125, Original City of Keokuk, to its intersection with the centerline of North 9th Street, thence Northeastly to its intersection with the centerline of Blondeau Street, thence Northwesterly along the centerline of Blondeau Street to the centerline of Fayette Square fronting on Blondeau Street, thence Southwesterly to the centerline of the alley

in Fayette Square, thence Northwesterly along the centerline of the alley in Fayette Square and the alleys extended in Blocks 155 and 168, Original City of Keokuk, to its intersections with the centerline of North 12th Street, thence Northeastly along the centerline of North 12th Street to its intersection of the centerline of Blondeau Street, thence Northwesterly along the centerline of Blondeau Street to its intersection with the centerline of North 13th Street, thence Southwesterly along the centerline of North 13th Street to its intersection with the alley extended in Block 200, Original City of Keokuk, thence Northwesterly along the centerline of the alley in Block 200, Original City of Keokuk, to its intersection with the centerline of North 14th Street, thence Southwesterly along the centerline of 14th Street to its intersection with the centerline of Johnson Street, thence Southeastly along the centerline of Johnson Street to its intersection of the centerline of South 13th Street, thence Southwesterly to its intersection with the alley extended in Block 182, Original City of Keokuk, thence Southeastly along the centerline of the alley in Block 182, Original City of Keokuk, to its intersection with the centerline of South 12th Street, thence Northeastly along the centerline of South 12th Street to its intersection with the centerline of Johnson Street, thence Southeastly along the centerline of Johnson Street to its intersection with the centerline of South 4th Street, thence Southwesterly along the centerline of South 4th Street to the centerline of Exchange Street, thence Southeastly along the centerline of Exchange Street to its intersection with the centerline of South 2nd Street, thence Southwesterly along the centerline of South 2nd Street to its intersection with the centerline of Bank Street, thence Southeastly along the centerline of Bank Street to its intersection with the centerline of South 1st Street, thence Southwesterly along the centerline of South 1st Street to its intersection with Des Moines Street extended, thence Southeastly along the centerline of Des Moines Street to its intersection with the city boundary line in the Mississippi River, thence Northeastly along the

city boundary line in the Mississippi River to point of beginning

EXCEPT the following property which was NOT removed by Amendment No. 6 to the Amended and Restated Twin Rivers Urban Renewal Plan and remains part of the Twin Rivers Urban Renewal Area and continues to be referred to as the Downtown Urban Renewal Subarea:

Lot 3 and the Easterly 21 Feet of Lot 4, Block 93, Original City of Keokuk, Lee County, Iowa

And The full right of way for Main Street from 6th Street to 7th Street, including the intersections with each, and the full right of way for 6th Street from Main Street to Johnson Street including the intersections with each.

AND EXCEPT the following property that was previously removed from the Twin Rivers Urban Renewal Area by Amendment No. 2 to the Amended and Restated Twin Rivers Urban Renewal Plan in 2016 and was placed in a separate urban renewal area-the Keokuk Senior Lofts Urban Renewal Area:

Beginning at the west corner of lot 7, Fayette Square, City of Keokuk, Lee County, Iowa; thence northeasterly one-hundred and sixty feet (160') to the west corner of lot 6, thence southeasterly three hundred feet (300') to the south corner of lot 1, thence southwesterly one hundred and sixty feet (160') to the south corner of lot 12, thence northwesterly three hundred feet (300') and to the point of beginning.

A copy of the Amendment is on file for public inspection in the office of the City Clerk, City Hall, City of Keokuk, Iowa.

The City of Keokuk, State of Iowa is the local public agency which, if such Amendment is approved, shall undertake the urban renewal activities described in such Amendment.

The general scope of the urban renewal activities under consideration in the Amendment is to promote economic development and to rehabilitate, conserve and redevelop land, buildings and other improvements within such area through the elimination and containment of conditions of blight so as to improve the community through the establishment of effective land use controls, through use of an effective program of rehabilitation of existing

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## For the Record/From the Front

### For the Record

#### Fort Madison Police Report

05/31/22 – 7:56 a.m. – Fort Madison police responded to a report of larceny/theft in the 2100 block of Avenue G.

05/31/22 – 8:16 a.m. – Fort Madison police responded to a report of a burglary in the 1700 block of Avenue E.

05/31/22 – 8:40 a.m. – Fort Madison police arrested Patrick Dale Wright, 48, of Fort Madison, in the 5400 block of Avenue O, on a warrant for failure to register as a sex offender. He was taken to Lee County Jail.

05/31/22 – 10:13 a.m. – Fort Madison police responded to a report of larceny/theft in the 5000 block of Avenue O.

05/31/22 – 10:19 a.m. – Fort Madison police responded to a report of vandalism in the 1800 block of Avenue A.

05/31/22 – 11:02 a.m. – Fort Madison police responded to a report of a stolen vehicle in the 2700 block of Avenue M.

05/31/22 – 4:39 p.m. – Fort Madison police arrested Amber Rae Grooms, 38, of Wever, in the 5000 block of Avenue O, on 2 charges of 5th degree theft less than \$300. She was taken to Lee County Jail.

05/31/22 – 10:06 p.m. – Fort Madison police cited Ethan James Jones, 20, of Fort Madison, in the 1700 block of Avenue H, on a charge of 4th degree criminal mischief between \$300 and \$750.

05/31/22 – 10:43 p.m. – Fort Madison police arrested Damien Ray Pope, 24, of Fort Madison, in the 1700 block of Avenue H, on charges of possession of a controlled substance and unlawful possession of prescription drugs. He was taken to Lee County Jail.

05/31/22 – 10:43 p.m. – Fort Madison police arrested Kyhlie Cathlyn Daughters, 21, of Montrose, in the 1700 block of Avenue H, on charges of possession of a controlled substance and possession of drug paraphernalia. She was taken to Lee County Jail.

06/01/22 – 3:41 a.m. – Fort Madison police arrested Selena Paige Stotts, 18, of Fort Madison, in the 1400 block of Avenue C, on a charge of false report – 911 call. She was taken to Lee County Jail.

06/01/22 – 4:18 a.m. – Fort Madison police arrested Michael Allen Broyles, 22, of South Carolina, in the 800 block of Avenue H, on charges

of 4th degree criminal mischief between \$300 and \$750 and possession of a controlled substance. He was taken to Lee County Jail.

#### Lee County Sheriff Report

05/31/22 – Lee County sheriff deputies had no activity to report.

#### Hancock County Sheriff Report

05/26/2022 – EVNS, AL-FRED K (34 of LaHarpe, IL) McDonough County Warrant  
05/30/2022 – THOMAS, ERIC K (30 of Hamilton, IL) Driving While License Suspended

05/30/2022 – ANDERSON, RACHEL I (52 of Colchester, IL) Animals at Large

05/31/2022 – CHRISTY, IC F (35 of Argyle, IA) Hancock County Warrant, Driving While License Suspended, Possession of Methamphetamine

*Those listed above are charged with a suspicion of a crime and are presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.*

# New facility will serve as multi-sport indoor venue

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will be the second and final phase of the project aimed to increase sports tourism, health, fitness, and athletic activities in the area. The Courts will be built in the southeast parking lot of FunCity Resort, between the Winegard building and east wing of the newly renovated FunCity Resort Hotel. Once complete, it will feature three collegiate-sized basketball courts and five pickleball courts, all indoors. Additionally, this space will also be able to host volleyball games, racquet-sports, wrestling, events, and other community activities.

Leading the charge on fundraising and design is a group of community and business leaders from Great River Entertainment, Southeastern Community College, Winegard Company, the Greater Burlington Partnership, Great

River Health Systems, and many others. Like the FunCity Turf, The Courts will be managed by the Greater Burlington Area Sports Facilities – a non-profit led by President of the Board Michael Ash, who also serves as the President of Southeastern Community College. It will be managed by Andrew Ryerson, who is the current general manager of the FunCity Turf.

To date The Courts project has raised \$6.1 million and is tentatively scheduled to be completed July of 2023. Prior to the opening of The Courts, FunCity plans to re-open Balloccity, a new indoor water feature, and the new Ninja Extreme course in early 2023. In addition, a new Court Side activity space, featuring concessions, arcade games, video screens, and more - will also open in 2023.

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buildings and elimination of those structures which cannot be economically rehabilitated, with a limited amount of acquisition, clearance, resale and improvement of land for various purposes specified in the Amendment. To accomplish the objectives of the Amendment, and to encourage the further economic development of the Urban Renewal Area, the Amendment provides that such special financing activities may include, but not be limited to, the making of loans or grants of public funds to private entities under Chapter 15A, Code of Iowa. The City also may reimburse or directly undertake the installation, construction and reconstruction of substantial public improvements, including, but not limited to, street, water, sanitary sewer, storm sewer or other public improvements. The City also may acquire and make land available for development or redevelopment by private enterprise as authorized by law. The Amendment provides that the City may issue bonds or use available funds for purposes allowed

by the Plan and that tax increment reimbursement of the costs of urban renewal projects may be sought if and to the extent incurred by the City. The Amendment initially proposes no specific public infrastructure or site improvements to be undertaken by the City, and provides that the Amendment may be amended from time to time.

The proposed Amendment No. 7 would add property to the Urban Renewal Area and add/confirm the urban renewal projects to be undertaken within the Urban Renewal Area.

Other provisions of the Plan not affected by the Amendment would remain in full force and effect. Any person or organization desiring to be heard shall be afforded an opportunity to be heard at such hearing.

This notice is given by order of the City Council of the City of Keokuk, State of Iowa, as provided by Section 403.5, Code of Iowa.

Dated this 5th day of May, 2022.

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**Town Wide Yard Sales** 8 a.m.  
**Custom Cars & Pickups** 10 a.m.-3 p.m.  
**Wiffle Ball Game** 10 a.m.-2 p.m.  
**Sidewalk Chalk Contest** 10:30 a.m.-12 p.m.  
**Tractor Parade** 1 p.m.  
**Silver Steppers** 2:30 p.m.  
**Pedal Tractor Pulls** 2:30 p.m.  
**Live Auction** 4 p.m.  
**Pork Meal in Shelter House** 5 p.m.  
**Live Music in Shelter House** 5:30 p.m.  
 by Lonesome Fugitive

### SUNDAY

**Breakfast at Church** 7:30 a.m.  
**Church in Shelter House** 10 a.m.  
**Ham Ball Dinner at Church** 11 a.m.  
**Tractor Parade** 1 p.m.

**CONTACT INFO**  
 VENDORS 319-470-8670  
 319-470-0050  
 CAR SHOW 319-759-4331  
 GENERAL INFORMATION  
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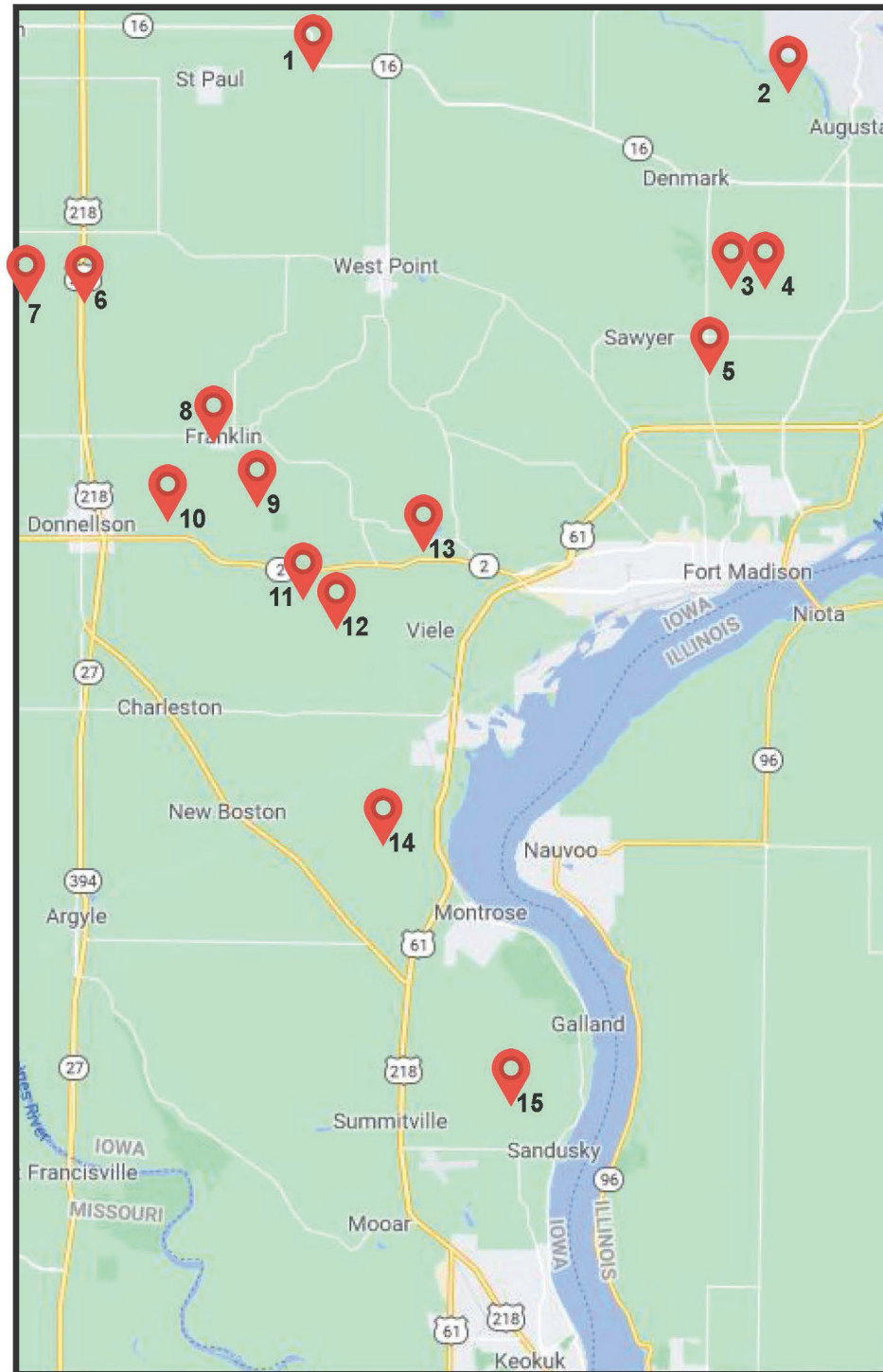
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# Love LEE COUNTY TOUR

**JUNE 10TH 10AM-6PM**  
**JUNE 11TH 10AM-6PM**  
**JUNE 12TH 12PM-4PM**

*Celebrating  
businesses  
off the  
beaten path*



**1. J & L FARMS - 2270 HWY 16, WEST POINT**

Family farm offering premium beef & pork. All cuts of meat available.

**2. CHESTNUT HILL POTTERY - 3198 OLD QUARRY RD, WEVER**

Art studio making functional and sculptural stoneware for home and garden.

Select pottery 50% off.

**3. FOUR B TACK & MORE - 3077 170TH ST., FT. MADISON**

Full line of boots for men, women & children; clothes & horse tack.

**4. ANGELS & OUTLAWS BOUTIQUE - 3079 170TH ST., FT. MADISON**

A unique shop that carries something for the entire family, plus, your horse!

**5. QUARRY CREEK ELK & BISON CO. - 1866 303RD AVE., FT. MADISON**

Elk & buffalo raised right on the farm with the fresh meat sold in store.

Samples will be available all weekend.

**6. APPLE TREE ANTIQUES - 1805 180TH ST., DONNELLSON**

Huge selection of antiques, primitives, furniture & collectable treasures

**7. LEE COUNTY FLORAL LLC - 1738 180TH ST, DONNELLSON**

Fresh cut flowers for everyday and special occasions. Pop-up at the flower farm!

**8. CHRISTIAN HERSCHLER WINERY & STAGECOACH STOP**

503 FRANKLIN 6TH ST., DONNELLSON

Step back in time & enjoy 100+ year old wine recipes along with a little history.

**9. HINTERLAND DAIRY - 2149 FRANKLIN RD., DONNELLSON**

Farmstead cheeses. Serving up handmade ice cream by the scoop, cones & sundaes!

Grilled cheese Friday 4-6.

**10. HARVESTVILLE FARMS - 1977 HWY. 2, DONNELLSON**

Agritainment business providing plants, veggies, home & garden décor, flower festivals and family activities!

**11. HILLCREST HOSTAS & MORE - 2292 HILLCREST RD., DONNELLSON**

A small plant nursery specializing in hostas, daylilies, grasses & perennials.

**12. M.B. WEBER MERCANTILE - 2237 234TH ST., DONNELLSON**

Small business that specializes in primitives, refurbished and one of a kind pieces.

**13. APPLEBERRY ORCHARD - 2469 HWY 2., DONNELLSON**

Farm-market store offering gifts, gourmet foods and fresh-baked goods from bakery.

Fresh Strawberry Pies, Apple Cider Donuts & Turkey Legs (Sat&Sun).

**14. JIM'S GREENHOUSE - 2407 280TH ST., MONTROSE**

Largest selection of annuals, perennials, herbs & veggies in the area!

**15. GREEN FROG DISTILLERY - 3345 270TH AVE., KEOKUK**

Family owned corn whiskey distillery. Free tours and tastings! \$2.00 off all apparel.

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# YOUR INPUT IS NEEDED ON CHILD CARE

Child care has been identified as an urgent need in Lee County. We need your feedback to understand the challenges families have around child care.

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For Child Care Providers  
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**THE SURVEY WILL TAKE 10-15 MINUTES TO COMPLETE. AVAILABLE UNTIL JUNE 15TH.**

Questions? Contact: [bkramer-riesberg@leecountyhd.org](mailto:bkramer-riesberg@leecountyhd.org)  
or call Breanna at (319) 372-5225







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**MONDAY**  
**JULY 4, 2022 7:30AM**

**DONNELLSON FIRE DEPARTMENT**  
616 N MAIN STREET  
DONNELLSON, IA 52625

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