

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING - AMENDMENT OF CURRENT BUDGET**  
City of EARLHAM  
Fiscal Year July 1, 2025 - June 30, 2026

The City of EARLHAM will conduct a public hearing for the purpose of amending the current budget for fiscal year ending June 30, 2026

Meeting Date/Time: 5/11/2026 07:00 PM Contact: Jessica L. Visser Phone: (515) 758-2281

Meeting Location: Earlham City Hall 140 S Chestnut Ave Earlham, Iowa 50072

There will be no increase in taxes. Any residents or taxpayers will be heard for or against the proposed amendment at the time and place specified above. A detailed statement of: additional receipts, cash balances on hand at the close of the preceding fiscal year, and proposed disbursements, both past and anticipated, will be available at the hearing. Budget amendments are subject to protest. If protest petition requirements are met, the State Appeal Board will hold a local hearing. For more information, consult <https://dom.iowa.gov/local-gov-appeals>.

REVENUES & OTHER FINANCING SOURCES		Total Budget as Certified or Last Amended	Current Amendment	Total Budget After Current Amendment
Taxes Levied on Property	1	874,101	0	874,101
Less: Uncollected Delinquent Taxes - Levy Year	2	0	0	0
Net Current Property Tax	3	874,101	0	874,101
Delinquent Property Tax Revenue	4	0	0	0
TIF Revenues	5	42,540	0	42,540
Other City Taxes	6	221,219	0	221,219
Licenses & Permits	7	15,250	0	15,250
Use of Money & Property	8	42,800	0	42,800
Intergovernmental	9	412,109	0	412,109
Charges for Service	10	1,148,500	0	1,148,500
Special Assessments	11	0	0	0
Miscellaneous	12	15,000	0	15,000
Other Financing Sources	13	0	227,193	227,193
Transfers In	14	348,040	0	348,040
<b>Total Revenues &amp; Other Sources</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>3,119,559</b>	<b>227,193</b>	<b>3,346,752</b>
EXPENDITURES & OTHER FINANCING USES				
Public Safety	16	842,276	0	842,276
Public Works	17	513,714	0	513,714
Health and Social Services	18	0	0	0
Culture and Recreation	19	439,463	0	439,463
Community and Economic Development	20	13,300	0	13,300
General Government	21	245,419	0	245,419
Debt Service	22	176,213	0	176,213
Capital Projects	23	0	191,444	191,444
Total Government Activities Expenditures	24	2,230,385	191,444	2,421,829
Business Type/Enterprise	25	1,016,091	0	1,016,091
<b>Total Gov Activities &amp; Business Expenditures</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>3,246,476</b>	<b>191,444</b>	<b>3,437,920</b>
Transfers Out	27	348,040	0	348,040
<b>Total Expenditures/Transfers Out</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>3,594,516</b>	<b>191,444</b>	<b>3,785,960</b>
Excess Revenues & Other Sources Over (Under) Expenditures/Transfers Out	29	-474,957	35,749	-439,208
Beginning Fund Balance July 1, 2025	30	2,295,323	0	2,295,323
<b>Ending Fund Balance June 30, 2026</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>1,820,366</b>	<b>35,749</b>	<b>1,856,115</b>

Explanation of Changes: Sewer Lagoon phase one was split between two fiscal years.

Unapproved Minutes  
Earlham Planning & Zoning Commission Meeting  
April 27, 2026

The Earlham Planning & Zoning Commission met on Monday, April 27, 2026, at Earlham City Hall, at 7:00 p.m. Chairperson Dan Werts called the meeting to order and the following answered roll: Sue Ramsey, Andrew Gettler, Russel Dobbins, Leslie Winey, Dan Werts, Chad Hayes. Absent: Steve Ory Also present: Clerk Visser.

City Meeting Minutes  
1. Approval of Agenda  
Motion by Gettler, seconded by Hayes, to approve the agenda.  
Roll Call: Ayes – Unanimous. Motion passed.

2. Election of Chairperson  
A new Chairperson was required to be elected at the first meeting of the year. Nominations were opened. Russell Dobbins was unanimously elected as Chairperson.

Motion by Ramsey, seconded by Hayes, to approve the appointment.  
Roll Call: Ayes – Unanimous. Motion passed.

3. Public Hearing  
a. Consider potential changes to permitted uses within the Commercial District  
Chairperson Werts declared the public hearing open at 7:03 p.m. Clerk Visser reported that no written or oral comments had been received at City Hall.

Public Comment:  
Colleen Peterson spoke regarding the historical register of the commercial district. She explained that modifying the ordinance could help the Earlham Commercial District qualify for the registry. Inclusion would allow participating business owners to apply for grants to fund building improvements.

She noted that the project includes 29 buildings and raised concerns that converting street-facing properties into residential use could reduce foot traffic, impact historical preservation, and create privacy and parking issues.

Motion by Hayes, seconded by Dobbins, to close the public hearing.  
Roll Call: Ayes – Unanimous. Motion passed.

4. Discussion on Ordinance 165.45(1)(A) – Commercial District  
The proposed ordinance reflects the council's intent for all commercial districts, with an opportunity for further discussion and revisions.

- Ramsey: Expressed support for addressing the issue and moving forward, specifically opposing street-front residential use. Confirmed that no existing residences would be displaced.
- Werts: Clarified that current residences would be grandfathered in.
- Clerk Visser: Explained the purpose of the meeting and the reasoning behind the proposed changes.
- Hayes: Asked about potential risks of moving forward.
- Visser: Stated that the council supports the changes and will hold a public hearing on May 11 at 7:00 p.m.

Motion by Gettler, seconded by Winey, to move forward with the ordinance change.  
Roll Call: Ayes – Unanimous. Motion passed.

5. Adjournment  
Motion by Gettler, seconded by Ramsey, to adjourn the meeting.  
Roll Call: Ayes – Unanimous. Motion passed.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:26 p.m.

**PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE**

The City of Earlham Iowa is hereby serving as Public Notice that on May 11, 2026, at 7:00 p.m., the City Council will hold a public hearing during a regular City Council meeting to consider potential changes to the permitted uses within the Commercial District of the City.

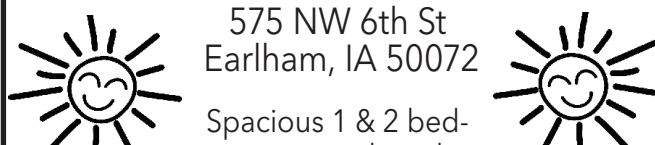
This meeting will be held to give residents information concerning the Zoning Code language change. Citizens are encouraged to attend and express their preferences about the proposed activities. Residents are able to provide comments in writing in advance of the meeting by email to [earlhamcityhall@earlhamiowa.org](mailto:earlhamcityhall@earlhamiowa.org) or by mail to PO Box 518, Earlham, IA 50072. Additionally, citizens who wish to participate in the public hearing can do so by attending in person on April 27, 2026, at 7:00 PM at Earlham City Hall, 140 S. Chestnut Avenue, Earlham, Iowa. Anyone having questions about this project or requiring special accommodation at the upcoming hearing may contact the City Clerk at 515-758-2281.

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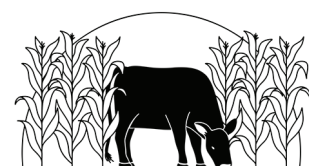


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