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PRESENTATIONS ON MCKEE BUILDING, LOVE'S ON AGENDA

The future of two projects in Muscatine will be presented to City Council Thursday

MUSCATINE, Iowa – The Muscatine City Council will hear a presentation on the future of the McKee Building and a presentation on the Love's Project on Thursday (March 10) when the Council convenes for their in-depth session.



A virtual meeting will be held in conjunction with the in-person meeting for those who want to view the proceedings or make a comment but do not feel comfortable in attending in person. Details for joining that meeting are listed below.

The Kent Corporation recently acquired the McKee Button Factory, 1000 Hershey Avenue, and are proposing renovating the existing building into office space that will ultimately house a significant number of employees. Tax increment financing (TIF), consisting of a 50 percent rebate for 10 years, is being requested for this project.

The parcel upon which the building sits is not large enough to construct a parking lot of the size necessary to accommodate the size of the proposed workforce. For this reason, Kent is



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proposing to acquire a 1.14-acre portion of the City owned parcel that directly adjoins their property.

A special regular meeting of the Muscatine City Council will be held five minutes after the conclusion of the in-depth session to set a public hearing on March 17 on declaring a portion of City owned property located at 1030 Hershey Avenue as surplus and directing for its disposal.

The second presentation will be on a new Love's Travel Stop is being proposed at the northeast corner of the Grandview Avenue/U.S. 61 intersection. A Love's Country Store, underground fuel tanks, fueling canopies for both passenger vehicles and trucks, and separate parking areas for both passenger vehicles and trucks in part of the proposal.

Thursday's City Council meeting is open to the public. Citizens who do not want to attend the in-person meeting can watch and/or participate through the GoToMeeting virtual meeting portal. Information on joining the session and how to make a comment during the meeting is listed below. The session will also be broadcast live on the City of Muscatine [YouTube channel](#) and on Muscatine Power & Water Cable Channel 2.

Information on the presentations and other agenda items can be found by clicking [AGENDA](#) to download the March 3, 2022, City Council agenda and/or attachments.

The best way for the public to participate is to dial in to the GoToMeeting session, mute your device, watch the session on YouTube or Cable Channel 2, and, at the appropriate time, unmute your device to ask a question or make a comment. The public can also use the "chat" feature on the GoToMeeting virtual meeting to pose a question to the Mayor, Council, or staff member.

Muscatine City Council In Depth Meeting | Thu, Mar. 10, 2022 | 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM (CDT)

Join the meeting from your computer, laptop, tablet or smartphone by clicking the following link:
<https://www.gotomeet.me/CityofMuscatine/city-council-meeting>



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