

Iowa's 2025 city elections are done and you now have new and/or returning elected officials. You now have until Jan. 2 to complete their [oath of office](#), which is a great time to welcome them publicly to city council. Consider taking pictures of the oath of office process to include in a press release.

To make this easy, we've prepared a set of templates you can customize, a short community notice below and a press release on the second page.

We recommend sending these materials to your local media outlets.

Short Community Notice:

[City Name] Welcomes New and Returning Council Members

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[Insert new mayor/council member quotes with photos here – Example: "I decided to run for city office because I wanted to give back to my community. I look forward to serving on the council to make a difference in the place I call home."] – [Council member name]

Learn more about our mayor and city council at [link to council webpage if you have one].

Letterhead or City Logo

City Hall Address

Phone Number Website

Contact:

[Your Name]

[Your Title/Organization]

[Phone/Email]

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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As of January 1, 2026 the city council for [City Name] will be:

- [Name], Mayor
- [Name], District/Ward/At-Large, etc.
- List all

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