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The Alderman family who were the founders of Nevada were present when the Commissioners established Nevada as the County Seat of Story County June 27, 1853. The granite marker on the Story County Court house lawn marks the location of the first house built in the County Seat, town of Nevada. By 1966 the Town had grown to a City, official population of 4840.

Altitude of City of Nevada - 997 feet above sea level.

Average annual mean temperature 40 degrees

Annual percipitation - Snowfall 29.8 inches- Ranifall 35 inches

Land Use Map and Zoning Ordinance as plan for the future of Nevada adopted May 1960.

1968 Statistics - Nevada now has a first class post office due to the location of the Reuben H. Donnelley Corporation. They handle more mail than any other Iowa City except Des Moines.

R. H. Donnelley Corporation, a million dollar plant was built in 1956 and employs from 300 to 750 people in it's direct mail advertising.

The Story County Hospital has 52 beds, built at a cost of \$293,926.00. The hospital opened September 10, 1951, located in the City of Nevada on what was known since 1853 as the "South Park".

The East Story County Swimming Pool is located in Nevada adjacent to the site of the new Senior High School and Gates Community Building. The pool was constructed in 1957 entirely by donations of citizens of the Area.

Deep well water, natural gas, a power system linked to a state wide grid, direct dial telephone system, good City streets, good churches, schools, and medical facilities help make Nevada a progressive City, located in the Geographical Center of Iowa, served by two railroads and ample highway connections.

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POLITICAL HISTORY OF THE CITY OF NEVADA STORY COUNTY, IOWA

The land upon which the village of Nevada was later established was originally owned by a Jenkins W. Morris who entered the land July 1, 1853, showing entry four days after the location was made. It was the East Half of the Northwest Quarter and the West Half of the Northeast Quarter of Section Seven, Township Eighty-three, Range Twenty-two west of the 5th P.M. The location was made on June 27, 1853. A Messrs. Thrift and Edgar made the location, and Mr. Thrift named the town "Nevada" named after the Sierra Nevada range of mountains in California. Mr. Morris received in payment for this land a deed in behalf of the county for one-third of the lots and blocks when the one hundred and sixty acres were laid off regularly. The survey was made by a Mr. Barnard, surveyor of Polk County.

The first church was the Cumberland Presbyterian and this was probably the first church in the county. The first house in Nevada was raised on the eighth of September, 1853 by T. E. Alderman on Lot five in Block seventeen and Mr. Alderman moved into it on October 11th of the same year. In June of 1864 the railroad reached Nevada, and the first passenger train to reach Nevada was on July 4, 1864.

The incorporation of the village of Nevada occurred in November, 1869 and the first meeting of the Council was November 23, 1869.

Following are the names of the citizens who served in an official capacity in the Incorporated Town of Nevada, year 1869:

George A. Kellog	Mayor
John R. Hayes	Recorder
S. S. Statler	Treasurer
R. S. Padgett	Assessor
H. Boynton	Street Commissioner

Councilmen

J. S. Frazier	J. C. Mitchell
W. E. Waring	I. A. Ringheim
J. H. Talbott	

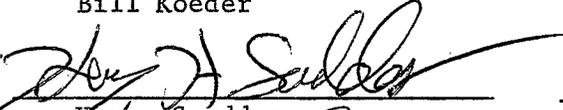
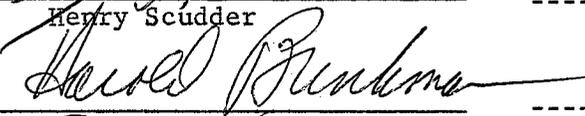
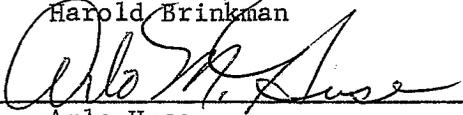
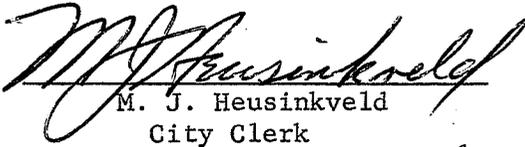
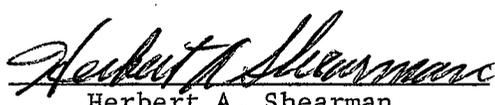
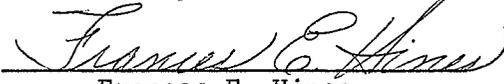
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This document prepared by authority of the City Council of City of Nevada, this 1st day of May 1968.

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 ----- Keith Cooper	-----	Councilman - 2nd Ward
 ----- Bill Koeder	-----	Councilman - 3rd Ward
 ----- Henry Scudder	-----	Councilman - 4th Ward
 ----- Harold Brinkman	-----	Councilman at Large
 ----- Arlo Huse	-----	Councilman at Large
 ----- M. J. Heusinkveld City Clerk		
 ----- Herbert A. Shearman Mayor		
 ----- Frances E. Hines Assistant City Clerk		

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