

: OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS :**: OF THE CITY OF PEORIA, ILLINOIS :**

A Joint City Council & Town Board Meeting of the City Council of Peoria, Illinois, was held June 13, 2017, at 6:00 P.M. at City Hall, Council Chambers (Room 400), 419 Fulton Street, with Chairman Pro Tem Charles Grayeb presiding, and with proper notice having been posted.

ROLL CALL

Roll Call showed the following Council Members were physically present: Cyr, Jensen, Moore, Oyler, Riggerbach, Chairman Pro Tem Grayeb –6; Absent: Akeson, Montelongo, Ruckriegel, Turner, Mayor Ardis – 5.

INVOCATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairman Pro Tem Grayeb requested a moment of silent prayer or silent reflection and then Boy Scout Troop 18 from St. Philomena School led the pledge of allegiance.

PROCLAMATIONS, COMMENDATIONS, ETC.

Heart of Illinois Harvest – 25th Anniversary
Dunlap High School Girls Track Team – State Champions
Dunlap High School Tennis Team – State Champions
1st Annual Women Empowering Women – July 22nd
Flag Day – June 14, 2017
Recognition of Arts Students Participating in City Hall Art Displays
Peoria Sister City Friedrichshafen, Germany

MINUTES

Council Member Moore moved to approve the minutes of the Joint City Council and Town Board Meeting held on May 23, 2017, as printed; seconded by Council Member Cyr.

Approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Cyr, Jensen, Moore, Oyler, Riggerbach, Chairman Pro Tem Grayeb - 6;

Nays: None.

PETITIONS, REMONSTRANCES & COMMUNICATIONS – TOWN OF THE CITY OF PEORIA**UNFINISHED BUSINESS (Including but not limited to motions to reconsider items, if any, from the previous Regular Meeting)-TOWN OF THE CITY OF PEORIA**

(17-143) Communication from the Town Board with a Request to APPROVE MONTHLY ANTICIPATED EXPENDITURES for JUNE 2017 for the Town of City of Peoria.

Trustee Oyler moved to approve the monthly anticipated expenditures for June 2017 for the Town of the City of Peoria; seconded by Trustee Riggerbach.

Approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Cyr, Jensen, Moore, Oyler, Riggerbach, Chairman Pro Tem Grayeb – 6;

Nays: None.

PETITIONS, REMONSTRANCES & COMMUNICATIONS – CITY OF PEORIA

- (17-160) Communication from the City Manager with a Request to Receive and File a Presentation by Bradley University Regarding the NASA Centennial Challenge.**

Chairman Pro Tem Grayeb introduced Dr. Lex Akers, Dean of Caterpillar College of Engineering and Technology from Bradley University and Eric Reiners, Program Manager of Automation & Site Technologies Innovation & Technology Development Division from Caterpillar who provided a power-point presentation regarding the NASA Centennial Challenge.

Dr. Akers indicated that Bradley University and Caterpillar had partnered with NASA and construction industry leaders Bechtel Corporation and Brick & Mortar Ventures. He stated innovators from around the world would be coming to Caterpillar Edwards Learning & Demonstration Center the week of August 21, 2017, to compete in the 3D habitat challenge. He explained that the 3D habitat challenge seeks to foster development of new technologies to additively manufacture a habitat using local indigenous materials with or without recyclable materials in space and on Earth. He indicated alternative housing could be built quickly following a natural disaster or casualties of war. He also indicated these materials could be used to form a new habitat on Mars. Dr. Akers stated this challenge would engage the local community and its students and be great publicity to Peoria as a technology hub.

Council Member Jensen moved to receive and file the presentation by Bradley University regarding the NASA Centennial Challenge; seconded by Council Member Rigenbach.

Approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Cyr, Jensen, Moore, Oyler, Rigenbach, Chairman Pro Tem Grayeb – 6;

Nays: None.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS BY OMNIBUS VOTE, with Recommendations as Outlined:

- (17-161) Communication from the City Manager with a Request to APPROVE a FAÇADE IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM Grant for QUAD CITIES CONSOLIDATED at 1919 Knoxville Ave., in an Amount Not to Exceed \$5,000.00. (Council District 2)**
- (17-162) * Communication from the City Manager and Director of Public Works with a Request to Approve the Selection Process and Approve an AGREEMENT with the Hermann & Associates, LLC and Hutchinson Engineering, Inc. team in the Amount Not to Exceed \$500,000, for Engineering Services for the North University Street from Pioneer Parkway to Townline Road project. [Council District 5]**
- (17-163) Communication from the City Manager and Director of Public Works with a Request for the Following: (Council District 4)**

- A. APPROVE a Local Agency AGREEMENT for Federal Participation with the ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION to Request 70% STU Federal Funding (not to exceed \$6,475,000.00) and 80% ITEP Federal Funding (not to exceed \$55,431.00) for the NORTHMOOR ROAD IMPROVEMENT – ALLEN ROAD to UNIVERSITY STREET; and
- B. APPROVE RESOLUTION NO. 17-163-B Authorizing the City's Estimated Minimum Local Agency Funding Match (\$4,769,569.00) for the NORTHMOOR ROAD IMPROVEMENT – ALLEN ROAD to UNIVERSITY STREET.

- (17-164) Authorize the City Manager to RENEW PROPERTY AND CONTENTS and AUTO CATASTROPHIC COVERAGE INSURANCE WITH ALLIANT/MESIROW INSURANCE SERVICES INC. for a Cost of \$130,101.35.
- (17-156) Communication from the City Manager and Community Development
** Director with a Request to ADOPT an ORDINANCE Amending CHAPTER 5 of the CODE of the City of Peoria, Requiring a 30-Day DEMOLITION REVIEW PERIOD FOR ALL DEMOLITION PERMITS.

Chairman Pro Tem Grayeb questioned if the Council wished to have any of the Consent Agenda items removed for further discussion.

Council Member Moore requested Item No. 17-162 be removed from the Consent Agenda for further discussion.

Council Member Oyler requested Item No. 17-156 be removed from the Consent Agenda for further discussion.

Council Member Jensen moved to approve the Consent Agenda items as outlined in the Council Communications; seconded by Council Member Cyr.

Item Nos. 17-156 and 17-161 through 17-164 (excluding Item Nos. 17-156 and 17-162) were approved by roll call vote under the Omnibus Vote Designation.

Yeas: Cyr, Jensen, Moore, Oyler, Riggerbach, Chairman Pro Tem Grayeb - 6;

Nays: None.

- (17-162) Communication from the City Manager and Director of Public Works with a
* Request to Approve the Selection Process and Approve an AGREEMENT with the Hermann & Associates, LLC and Hutchinson Engineering, Inc. team in the Amount Not to Exceed \$500,000, for Engineering Services for the North University Street from Pioneer Parkway to Townline Road project. [Council District 5]

Council Member Moore questioned Public Works Director Scott Reiese regarding the selection process and contractors meeting their diversity goals. She questioned the diversity makeup of the proposed contractors.

In response to Council Member Moore's question, Public Works Director Scott Reiese suggested a deferral in order to review this item and send information to the Council.

Council Member Cyr moved to defer this item to the June 27, 2017, Regular City Council Meeting; seconded by Council Member Jensen.

Motion to defer to the June 27, 2017, Regular City Council Meeting was approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Cyr, Jensen, Moore, Oyler, Riggerbach, Chairman Pro Tem Grayeb – 6;

Nays: None.

**(17-156) Communication from the City Manager and Community Development
** Director with a Request to ADOPT an ORDINANCE Amending CHAPTER 5 of
 the CODE of the City of Peoria, Requiring a 30-Day DEMOLITION REVIEW
 PERIOD FOR ALL DEMOLITION PERMITS.**

Council Member Oyler stated he supported the 30 day delay period prior to demolition, but he said he was concerned that items from a house could be removed during that period, which could make it more difficult to save the property.

Community Development Director Ross Black explained the language was vague to allow the property owner to hold discussions regarding the value of the property. He said any change to the property during that period pertaining to demolition or salvage activity would be delayed.

Council Member Oyler stated he would support an amendment to the Ordinance that would state Salvage activity would not be allowed during the 30 day delay period.

In further discussion, Council Member Moore spoke in favor of the 30 day delay, but she expressed concern regarding the process and when the demolition company would be notified. Director Black explained and he added that private transactions could also be explored during this time period.

Council Member Jensen expressed concern that the 30 day period would allow for enough time.

In discussion with Council Member Riggerbach regarding amending language, Corporation Counsel Don Leist recommended that it would be more prudent for the Ordinance to be amended and brought back for adoption at the next Regular City Council Meeting.

Council Member Riggerbach moved to defer this item to the June 27, 2017, Regular City Council Meeting; seconded by Council Member Oyler.

Motion to defer to the June 27, 2017, Regular City Council Meeting was approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Cyr, Jensen, Moore, Oyler, Riggerbach, Chairman Pro Tem Grayeb – 6;

Nays: None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS (Including but not limited to motions to reconsider items, if any, from the previous Regular Meeting)

- (17-094) Communication from the City Manager and Corporation Counsel with a Request to APPROVE the SITE APPLICATION for a Class A (Tavern) Liquor License with the Retail Sale of Alcohol at WISCONSIN TAP, 1918 N. WISCONSIN, Contingent Upon the Issuance of a Certification of occupancy, With a Recommendation from the Liquor Commission to Approve. (Council District 3)**

Council Member Riggerbach moved to Deny the Site Application for a Class A (Tavern) liquor license with the retail sale of alcohol at Wisconsin Tap, 1918 N. Wisconsin; seconded by Council Member Oyler.

Motion to DENY the Site Application for Class A (Tavern) Liquor License for Wisconsin Tap, 1918 N. Wisconsin was approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Cyr, Jensen, Moore, Oyler, Riggerbach, Chairman Pro Tem Grayeb – 6;

Nays: None

- (17-141) Report Back regarding Water Company Buyout**

Council Member Jensen asked for information regarding her request for a report back pertaining to the purchase of the water company.

Assistant City Manager Chris Setti indicated that City Manager Patrick Urich was out of town, but would provide this information at a future Council meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

Tianguis Mexican Outdoor Market

Council Member Moore encouraged everyone to attend the Tianguis Mexican Outdoor Market, which runs 8 AM to noon every Saturday from June 3 – September 30th at 306 Pecan Street and SW Adams in downtown Peoria.

Recent gun violence and fireworks

Council Member Riggerbach requested Police Chief Mitchell to speak about the rise in gun violence and the enforcement of fireworks.

Police Chief Mitchell spoke on the rise in gun violence for 2017 and he indicated that the City had seized 144 guns off the streets just this year. He explained the number of gun seizures had doubled over the last two years. He stated the City would enforce the Fireworks Ordinance and he mentioned that education was important to help reduce fireworks complaints.

CITIZENS' OPPORTUNITY TO ADDRESS THE CITY COUNCIL/TOWN BOARD

Hearing no objection, Mayor Ardis granted Privilege of the Floor to those citizens wishing to address the City Council/Town Board.

Ms. Elaine Hopkins, a citizen of Peoria, thanked the City Council for their interest in historic preservation. She spoke on the many organizations that utilizes Riverfront Park along with the various animal habitats that call Riverfront Park home. She voiced opposition regarding development at Riverfront Park.

Ms. Kathleen Hillard, a citizen of Peoria, voiced concern regarding the removal of bus benches around Peoria, especially at Glen Oak Towers. She requested the City of Peoria and City Link work together to replace these benches throughout Peoria.

Mr. Ron Valle, Director of Programs at Helping Hands Resource Center, praised Council Member Moore for her accomplishments within the First District, especially in the Warehouse District.

Mr. Marvin Hightower, a citizen of Peoria, spoke on the need to end poverty within the Peoria community and he encouraged the City to make diversity a top priority. He stated that if the City would take the lead on diversity, other Peoria businesses would then follow.

Mr. Al Hooks, a citizen of Peoria voiced concerns with the lack of diversity on various construction projects within the City of Peoria. He questioned the policies for granting construction contracts within the City and he emphasized the City needed to make sure these contractors are following all diversity goals. He also stated the need to end racial profiling within our community.

Ms. Karrie Alms, a citizen of Peoria spoke in opposition to the proposed development at Riverfront Park. She encouraged the Council to vote against any contract extensions regarding Riverfront Park, which should be on the June 27, 2017, Regular City Council Meeting.

Mr. Savino Sierra, a citizen of Peoria, spoke about encouraging our young people and having opportunities for training within the City. He expressed concern regarding the conditions of roads within our City. He spoke on the need for development in disadvantaged areas.

Ms. Jackie Petty, a citizen of Peoria, voiced concern regarding the City's issuance of construction contracts despite these companies not meeting the desired goals pertaining to diversity. She indicated the City should issue a penalty to companies that don't meet diversity guidelines.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

It was determined that an Executive Session was not needed at this time.

ADJOURNMENT

Council Member Cyr moved to adjourn the Joint City Council & Town Board Meeting; seconded by Council Member Jensen.

Approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Cyr, Jensen, Moore, Oyler, Riggenbach, Chairman Pro Tem Grayeb - 6;

Nays: None.

Meeting adjourned at 8:07 P.M.



Beth Ball, MMC, City Clerk
City of Peoria, Illinois

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