

: OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS :

: OF THE CITY OF PEORIA, ILLINOIS :

A Special Meeting of the City Council of Peoria, Illinois, was held November 21, 2017, at 6:00 P.M. at City Hall, Council Chambers (Room 400), 419 Fulton Street, with Mayor Jim Ardis presiding, and with proper notice having been posted.

ROLL CALL

Roll Call showed the following Council Members were physically present: Cyr, Grayeb, Jensen, Moore, Montelongo (Electronic Attendance), Oyler, Riggenbach, Turner, Mayor Ardis – 9. Absent: Akeson, Ruckriegel- 2.

REQUEST BY COUNCIL MEMBER MONTELONGO  
FOR ELECTRONIC ATTENDANCE

After having established a quorum, Mayor Ardis said a notice was received from Council Member Montelongo in accordance with the rules established by Ordinance No. 16,142. He said Council Member Montelongo would be authorized to attend the meeting electronically unless a motion objecting to his electronic attendance was made, seconded, and approved by two-thirds of the members of the City Council physically present at the meeting. He said if no such motion was made and seconded, then the request by Council Member Montelongo to attend electronically shall be deemed approved by the City Council and Council Member Montelongo would be declared present.

INVOCATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Jim Ardis requested a moment of silent prayer or silent reflection, and then he led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PETITIONS, REMONSTRANCES & COMMUNICATIONS – CITY OF PEORIA

**(17-326) Communication from the City Manager and Finance Director/Comptroller with a Request to CONTINUE DISCUSSION of the 2019 - 2019 BIENNIAL BUDGET.**

Two handouts were distributed to the Council prior to the meeting, which were a City of Peoria Budget Reconciliation Worksheet and a summary of the Peoria Fire Department 2018 Operations Budget.

City Manager Urich provided a PowerPoint presentation on the 2018-2019 Biennial Budget pertaining to the Pending Operating Budget of the Fire Department. He stated the Fire Department Administration could manage the available resources and keep the 17 apparatus on the streets during 2018 by restructuring as follows: New Revenues of \$175,000 from fee increases would allow for three firefighters, eliminating the Battalion Chief of Training would allow for two firefighters, transferring the Inspector and Captain back to Suppression would allow for two firefighters, eliminating 1 Bouncer Slot per shift would allow for three firefighters and reorganizing resources would be one firefighter. He said the Fire Department would have 6 less full time employees, but would have full Suppression staffing and the budget for the Fire Department would be \$20,525,296.

City Manager Urich reviewed the General Fund that would add an additional \$2,187,593 to the Fund Balance over 2018-2019 budget. He stated the funding level was at 13%, still well below the 25% policy level, but funding has been increasing. He indicated in 2018 General Fund Revenues would be \$94,606,742, Expenses \$92,983,962 and \$1,622,780 for the Fund Balance. He said in 2019 General Fund Revenues would be \$95,590,208, Expenses \$95,025,395 and \$564,813 for the Fund Balance.

City Manager Urich indicated revenues and expenses for all funds without transfers for 2018-2019 were as follows: 2018 Revenues \$205,995,049, Expenses \$198,921,479 and \$7,073,570 for the Fund Balance and 2019 Revenues \$207,189,706, Expenses \$198,093,090 and \$9,096,616 for the Fund Balance. He stated \$16,170,186 added to the fund balance, with reserves being established to fund CSO obligations and repay the General Fund.

City Manager Urich stated a Special Budget Meeting would be held on December 5, 2017, at 5:00 PM. He said the following items would be discussed: an Appropriation Ordinance, Property Tax Levy Ordinance, Stormwater Utility Ordinance, Garbage Fee Ordinance, Amusement Tax Ordinance, SSA Property Tax Levy Ordinances, Fire Revenue Ordinance First Reading, Township Appropriation Ordinance and Township Property Tax Levy Ordinance.

Council Member Oyler moved to receive and file the presentation and accept the City Manager's recommendation for the 2018-2019 Biennial Budget; seconded by Council Member Jensen.

Motion was approved by roll call.

Yeas: Cyr, Grayeb, Jensen, Moore, Montelongo, Oyler, Riggerbach, Turner,  
Mayor Ardis – 9

Nays: None.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT REGARDING THE PROPOSED 2018/2019 BIENNIAL BUDGET**

It was determined that no one wished to speak at this time.

#### **CITIZEN'S 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.

Mr. Anthony Walraven, a concerned citizen, spoke in support of the Firefighters Union Local 50 and he said there should be no cuts to the Fire Department. He commented on the City's budget and how it affected public safety. He expressed concern regarding the funding of the Civic Center, Springdale Cemetery and the Convention & Visitors Bureau.

Mayor Ardis thanked City Urich and his Team for their efforts on the proposed Budget.

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

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

ADJOURNMENT

Council Member Grayeb moved to adjourn the Special City Council Meeting; seconded by Council Member Turner.

Approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Cyr, Grayeb, Jensen, Moore, Montelongo, Oyler, Riggerbach, Turner,  
Mayor Ardis - 9;

Nays: None.

The Special City Council Meeting adjourned at 6:20 P.M.



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

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