

**: OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS :**

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

A Regular Meeting of the City Council of Peoria, Illinois, was held June 28, 2016, at 6:11 P.M. at City Hall, Council Chambers (Room 400), 419 Fulton Street, with Mayor Ardis presiding, and with proper notice having been posted.

**ROLL CALL**

Roll Call showed the following Council Members were physically present: Grayeb, Jensen, Johnson, Moore, Riggerbach, Ruckriegel, Spain, Turner, Mayor Ardis – 9. Absent: Akesson, Montelongo – 2.

**INVOCATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

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

**PROCLAMATIONS, COMMENDATIONS, ETC.**

**Recognition of Dave Tuttle, ECC Supervisor, Recipient of Presidential Leadership Award**

**MINUTES**

Council Member Spain moved to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on June 14, 2016, as printed; seconded by Council Member Turner.

Approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Grayeb, Jensen, Johnson, Moore, Riggerbach, Ruckriegel, Spain, Turner, Mayor Ardis – 9;

Nays: None.

**PETITIONS, REMONSTRANCES & COMMUNICATIONS – CITY OF PEORIA**

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

**(16-214) Communication from the City Manager and Corporation Counsel with a Request to Receive for Information and to Refer to the Legal Department the NOTICE OF LAWSUIT Filed on Behalf of ANNA ZINO Against the City of Peoria and County of Peoria.**

**(16-215) Communication from the City Manager with a Request to Approve a FAÇADE IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM Grant for Sophia Hibbard at 837 W. MAIN STREET, in the Amount Not to Exceed \$5,000.00 (Council District 2)**

- (16-216)  
\*\* Communication from the City Manager and Director of Public Works with a Request to Accept the LOW BID of HOROWITZ CONCRETE CO. and Award a Construction CONTRACT, in the Amount Not to Exceed \$100,000.00, from the Base Bid of \$31,351.75 for the CONCRETE REPAIRS CONTRACT – 2016. (All Council Districts)
- (16-217) Communication from the City Manager and Director of Public Works with a Request to Accept the LOW BID of R.A. CULLINAN & SON, A Division of UNITED CONTRACTORS MIDWEST, and Award the CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT, in the Amount of \$434,731.28, with an Additional Authorization of \$21,736.56, for a Total Amount of \$456,467.84 for the COLUMBINE ROAD RECONSTRUCTION (NORTHTRAIL DRIVE TO HICKORY GROVE ROAD). (Council District 5)
- (16-218)  
\*\*\* Communication from the City Manager and Director of Public Works with a Request to Approve the Lowest Responsible Bid of C & G CONCRETE CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, in the Amount of \$753,835.84 with an Additional Authorization of \$37,691.79, for a Total Contract Award \$791,527.63 for the MANOR PARKWAY RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT (STERLING AVE TO W. MOSS AVE). Council District 1
- (16-219)  
\*\*\*\* Communication from the City Manager and the Chief of Police with a Request to Approve and Authorize the City Manager to Execute an INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT Between the City of Peoria and the County of Peoria under the EDWARD BYRNE MEMORIAL JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT (JAG) Program FY2016 Local Solicitation, in the Amount of \$28,976.00
- (16-220)  
\*\*\*\*\* Communication from the City Manager and Director of Public Works with a Request to Approve a STATE MOTOR FUEL TAX RESOLUTION in the Amount of \$150,000.00, for Preliminary Engineering Services for the WESTERN AVENUE PROJECT (ADAMS STREET TO LINCOLN AVENUE). (Council District 1)
- (16-221) Communication from the City Manager and Director of Public Works with a Request to Approve a STATE MOTOR FUEL TAX RESOLUTION NO. 16-221, in the Amount of \$150,000.00 for Preliminary Engineering Services for the GLEN AVENUE PROJECT (WAR MEMORIAL DRIVE TO UNIVERSITY). (Council District 4)
- (16-222)  
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\* Communication from the City Manager and Director of Public Works with a Request to Approve a STATE MOTOR FUEL TAX RESOLUTION in the Amount of \$425,000.00, for Engineering Services for the SHERIDAN ROAD BRIDGE RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT (E. RICHMOND AVE. TO GALE AVE.) (Council District 2).

- (16-155) \* Communication from the City Manager and Director of Community Development with a Request to DEFER until August 9, 2016, the Recommendation from the Planning & Zoning Commission and Staff to ADOPT an ORDINANCE Approving the UNIFIED DEVELOPMENT CODE by Combining and Amending Appendix A, the Subdivision Ordinance, Appendix B, the Zoning Ordinance and Appendix C, the Land Development Code.
- (16-223) Communication from the City Manager and Director of Public Works with a Request to ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 17,382 VACATING 6,156 Square Feet (0.141 Acre) of an Alley Bounded by GREEN STREET, HANCOCK STREET, MADISON AVENUE and MONROE STREET, Adjacent to Lots 5 through 12, Bock 35 of the ORIGINAL TOWN OF PEORIA, Peoria. (Council District 1)
- (16-224) Communication from the City Manager and Director of Public Works with a Request to ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 17,383 VACATING 166 Feet by 20 Feet (0.076 Acre) of an Alley Bounded by DOUGLAS STREET and MOSS AVENUE in Peoria, Illinois. (Council District 2)
- (16-225) Communication from the City Manager and the Community Development Director with a Request to Concur with the Recommendation from the Planning and Zoning Commission and Staff to ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 17,384 Amending the OFFICIAL ZONING MAP of the City of Peoria to Rezone Property from a Class R-4 (Single Family Residential) to a Class CN (Neighborhood Commercial) District for the Property Located at 1904 W. Garden Street (Parcel Identification No. 18-18-282-018), Peoria, Illinois. (Council District 1)
- (16-226) \*\*\*\*\* \*\* Communication from the City Manager and the Community Development Director with a Request to Concur with the Recommendation from the Planning and Zoning Commission and Staff to ADOPT an ORDINANCE Amending the OFFICIAL ZONING MAP of the City of Peoria to Rezone Property from a Class R-4 (Single Family Residential) to a Class CN (Neighborhood Commercial) District for the Property Located at 904 W. THIRD AVENUE (18-08-276-010), 906 W. THIRD AVENUE (18-08-276-009), 907 W. THIRD AVENUE (18-08-276-014), 909 W. THIRD AVENUE (18-08-276-013), 910 W. THIRD AVENUE (18-08-276-008), W THIRD AVENUE (18-08-276-017), AND MACARTHUR HWY (18-08-276-018), Peoria, Illinois. (Council District 1)
- (16-227) Communication from the City Manager and Corporation Counsel with a Request to ADOPT ORDINANCE NO 17,385 Ascertainng the PREVAILING RATE OF WAGE for Laborers, Workmen and Mechanics Employed at Public Works in the City of Peoria, Illinois
- (16-228) Communication from the City Manager and Corporation Counsel to APPROVE the SITE APPLICATION for a CLASS H (Temporary Outdoor) Liquor License from the ILLINOIS CANCERCARE FOUNDATION for an Event to be Held at 7610 N. ORANGE PRAIRIE ROAD – PARKING LOT, On Saturday, July 2, 2016. (Council District 5)

- (16-229) Communication from the City Manager and Corporation Counsel with a Request to APPROVE the SITE APPLICATION for a Class B (Restaurant, 50% Food) Liquor License with On-Site Consumption and Retail Sale of Alcohol at ZION COFFEE, LLC, 803 SW ADAMS, Contingent Upon the Issuance of the Certificate of Occupancy, with a Recommendation from the Liquor Commission to Approve. (Council District 1)
- (16-230) Communication from the City Manager and Corporation Counsel with a Request to APPROVE the SITE APPLICATION for a Class-B (restaurant, 50% food) Liquor License with On-Site Consumption and Retail Sale of Alcohol at OBED & ISAAC'S MICROBREWERY & EATERY, 321 NE MADISON, Contingent Upon the Issuance of the Certificate of Occupancy, with Recommendation from the Liquor Commission to Approve. (Council District 1)
- (16-231) Communication from the City Manager and Corporation Counsel with a Request to APPROVE the SITE APPLICATION for a Class G-B (Beer & Wine Only Restaurant) Liquor License with On-Site Consumption and Retail Sale of Alcohol at RUMBERGER'S, 3127 N. PROSPECT, with a Recommendation from the Liquor Commission to Approve. (Council District 3)
- (16-232) APPOINTMENT by Mayor Ardis to the PEORIA URBAN FORESTRY ADVISORY BOARD with a Request to Concur:

**Michael Price (Voting) – Term Expiration 6/30/2019**

Mayor Ardis questioned if the Council wished to have any of the Consent Agenda items removed for further discussion.

Council Member Moore requested Item Nos. 16-216, 16-218, 16-219, 16-220 and 16-226 be removed from the Consent Agenda for further discussion.

Council Member Grayeb requested Item No. 16-222 be removed from the Consent Agenda for further discussion.

Council Member Turner requested Item No. 16-155 by removed from the Consent Agenda for further discussion.

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

Item Nos. 16-155, 16-214 through 16-232 (excluding Item Nos. 16-155, 16-216, 16-218, 16-219, 16-220, 16-222 and 16-226, which were removed for further discussion) were approved by roll call vote under the Omnibus Vote Designation.

Yeas: Grayeb, Jensen, Johnson, Moore, Riggerbach, Ruckriegel, Spain, Turner,  
Mayor Ardis – 9;

Nays: None.

- (16-155)**      **Communication from the City Manager and Director of Community Development with a Request to DEFER until August 9, 2016, the Recommendation from the Planning & Zoning Commission and Staff to ADOPT an ORDINANCE Approving the UNIFIED DEVELOPMENT CODE by Combining and Amending Appendix A, the Subdivision Ordinance, Appendix B, the Zoning Ordinance and Appendix C, the Land Development Code.**  
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Council Member Turner moved to defer this item to the August 9, 2016, Regular City Council Meeting; seconded by Council Member Rigggenbach.

Motion to defer to the August 9, 2016, Regular City Council Meeting was approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Grayeb, Jensen, Johnson, Moore, Rigggenbach, Ruckriegel, Spain, Turner, Mayor Ardis – 9;

Nays: None.

- (16-216)**      **Communication from the City Manager and Director of Public Works with a Request to Accept the LOW BID of HOROWITZ CONCRETE CO. and Award a Construction CONTRACT, in the Amount Not to Exceed \$100,000.00, from the Base Bid of \$31,351.75 for the CONCRETE REPAIRS CONTRACT – 2016. (All Council Districts)**  
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Discussion was held regarding the good faith effort of the City to provide opportunities for minority or disadvantaged businesses within the Peoria area. Council Member Moore said it was important for the City to seek minority, women and veteran-owned businesses for City contracts.

Council Member Moore moved to accept the Low Bid of Horowitz Concrete Co. and award a construction contract, in the amount not-to-exceed \$100,000.00, from the base bid of \$31,351.75 for the Concrete Repairs Contract – 2016; seconded by Council Member Rigggenbach.

Approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Grayeb, Jensen, Johnson, Moore, Rigggenbach, Ruckriegel, Spain, Turner, Mayor Ardis – 9;

Nays: None.

- (16-218)**      **Communication from the City Manager and Director of Public Works with a Request to Approve the Lowest Responsible Bid of C & G CONCRETE CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, in the Amount of \$753,835.84 with an Additional Authorization of \$37,691.79, for a Total Contract Award \$791,527.63 for the MANOR PARKWAY RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT (STERLING AVE TO W. MOSS AVE). Council District 1**  
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Following a brief comment, Council Member Moore moved to approve the lowest responsible bid of C & G Concrete Construction Company, in the amount of \$753,835.84, with an additional authorization of \$37,691.79 for a total contract award of \$791,527.63 for the Manor Parkway Reconstruction Project; seconded by Council Member Grayeb.

Approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Grayeb, Jensen, Johnson, Moore, Riggerbach, Ruckriegel, Spain, Turner,  
Mayor Ardis – 9;

Nays: None.

**(16-219) Communication from the City Manager and the Chief of Police with a  
\*\*\*\* Request to Approve and Authorize the City Manager to Execute an  
INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT Between the City of Peoria and the  
County of Peoria under the EDWARD BYRNE MEMORIAL JUSTICE  
ASSISTANCE GRANT (JAG) Program FY2016 Local Solicitation, in the  
Amount of \$28,976.00**

Council Member Moore explained the Peoria Police Department would use the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant funds, in the amount of \$28,976.00, to purchase one state-of-the-art FARO Focus laser scanner, which would be used to replicate crime scenes in 3D color. She questioned Chief Mitchell if the money from this grant could be used for programs providing youth services.

Chief Mitchell indicated that the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant money could only be spent on technology for the Police Department.

Council Member Moore encouraged the Police Chief to seek programs helping youth in the community to prevent crime.

Council Member Moore moved to approve and authorize the City Manager to Execute an Intergovernmental Agreement between the City of Peoria and County of Peoria under the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program FY2016 local solicitation, in the amount of \$28,976.00; seconded by Council Member Ruckriegel.

Approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Grayeb, Jensen, Johnson, Moore, Riggerbach, Ruckriegel, Spain, Turner,  
Mayor Ardis – 9;

Nays: None.

**(16-220) Communication from the City Manager and Director of Public Works with a  
\*\*\*\*\* Request to Approve a STATE MOTOR FUEL TAX RESOLUTION in the  
Amount of \$150,000.00, for Preliminary Engineering Services for the  
WESTERN AVENUE PROJECT (ADAMS STREET TO LINCOLN AVENUE).  
(Council District 1)**

Following a brief statement, Council Member Moore moved to approve the State MFT Resolution, in the amount of \$150,000.00, for preliminary engineering services for the Western Avenue project, (Adams Street to Lincoln Avenue); seconded by Council Member Spain.

MFT RESOLUTION NO. 16-220 was approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Grayeb, Jensen, Johnson, Moore, Riggerbach, Ruckriegel, Spain, Turner,  
Mayor Ardis – 9;

Nays: None.

**(16-222)**      **Communication from the City Manager and Director of Public Works with a Request to Approve a STATE MOTOR FUEL TAX RESOLUTION in the Amount of \$425,000.00, for Engineering Services for the SHERIDAN ROAD BRIDGE RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT (E. RICHMOND AVE. TO GALE AVE.) (Council District 2).**  
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Council Member Grayeb spoke about the Sheridan Road bridge reconstruction project and the need for bi-partisan support in Springfield to continue road projects within the area.

Council Member Grayeb moved to approve the State MFT Resolution, in the amount of \$425,000.00, for engineering services for the Sheridan Road bridge reconstruction project, (E. Richmond Ave. to Gale Ave.); seconded by Council Member Jensen.

MFT RESOLUTION NO. 16-222 was approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Grayeb, Jensen, Johnson, Moore, Riggerbach, Ruckriegel, Spain, Turner,  
Mayor Ardis – 9;

Nays: None.

**(16-226)**      **Communication from the City Manager and the Community Development Director with a Request to Concur with the Recommendation from the Planning and Zoning Commission and Staff to ADOPT an ORDINANCE Amending the OFFICIAL ZONING MAP of the City of Peoria to Rezone Property from a Class R-4 (Single Family Residential) District to a Class CN (Neighborhood Commercial) District for the Property Located at 904 W. THIRD AVENUE (18-08-276-010), 906 W. THIRD AVENUE (18-08-276-009), 907 W. THIRD AVENUE (18-08-276-014), 909 W. THIRD AVENUE (18-08-276-013), 910 W. THIRD AVENUE (18-08-276-008), W THIRD AVENUE (18-08-276-017), AND MACARTHUR HWY (18-08-276-018), Peoria, Illinois. (Council District 1)**  
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Council Member Moore stated she would be abstaining because of a business interest with one of the contractors.

Council Member Spain moved concur with the recommendation from the Planning and Zoning Commission and Staff to adopt an Ordinance amending the official zoning map of the City of Peoria to rezone property from a Class R-4 (single family residential) District to a Class CN (neighborhood commercial) District for the property located at 904 W. Third Ave. (18-08-276-010), 906 W. Third Ave. (18-08-276-009), 907 W. Third Ave. (18-08-276-014), 909 W. Third Ave. (18-08-276-013), 910 Third Ave. (18-08-276-008) and W Third Avenue (18-08-276-017) and Macarthur Highway (18-08-276-018), Peoria, Illinois; seconded by Council Member Jensen.

ORDINANCE NO. 17,386 was adopted by roll call vote.

Yeas: Grayeb, Jensen, Johnson, Riggerbach, Ruckriegel, Spain, Turner,  
Mayor Ardis – 8;

Nays: None;

Abstention: Moore – 1.

**REGULAR BUSINESS ITEMS, with Recommendations as Outlined:****(16-233) Presentation of the PEORIA PUBLIC LIBRARY 2015 ANNUAL REPORT, with Request to Receive and File.**

Council Member Ruckriegel indicated what a valuable asset the Peoria Public Library was to this community. He remarked on the current reading programs involving 3200 participants and the Smithsonian exhibit exploring human origins, which was on display at the library. He thanked the Board of Directors and Staff for their amazing job providing services at the library.

Library Board of Trustees President Edward J. Barry Jr., introduced Library Director Leann Johnson, Assistant Director Roberta Koscielski, Board of Trustees Member Debbie Ritschel and Margaret Cousin who was all in attendance.

Library Director Leann Johnson encouraged everyone to review the annual report, which would be posted on-line at [peoriapubliclibrary.org](http://peoriapubliclibrary.org). She thanked the City Council and Staff for always assisting the Library's needs.

Mayor Ardis echoed Council Member Ruckriegel's remarks on how valuable the Library was to the Peoria Community.

Council Member Moore spoke on a recent event held at the Lincoln Branch, which brought the library out to the community. She requested additional parking at the Lincoln Branch to accommodate the current needs of the library.

Council Member Ruckriegel moved to receive and file the Peoria Public Library 2015 Annual Report; seconded by Council Member Spain.

Approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Grayeb, Jensen, Johnson, Moore, Riggerbach, Ruckriegel, Spain, Turner,  
Mayor Ardis – 9;

None: None.

**(16-234) Communication from the City Manager and Director of Public Works with a Request to Approve a SECOND AMENDMENT to the WASTE COLLECTION AGREEMENT Between the City of Peoria and PDC SERVICES INC.**

A Handout from the City Manager was distributed to the Council.

City Manager Patrick Urich provided an overview of the Waste Collection Agreement with PDC Services, which was signed in the Fall of 2009, amended in January 2012, and expires on December 31, 2016. He stated the first amendment allows for a 3-year contract extension from 2017-2019, should the City of Peoria notify PDC in writing by July 1, 2016. He indicated City Staff had been discussing the contract extension with PDC and exploring other services options including 1) Enhanced recycling services, up from 1 recycling trip a month to every other week Services; 2) Additional yard waste collection in December; 3) The removal of age limitation of Garbage trucks; 4) The performance bond provided by PDC; 5) The correct count of households for billing purposes; and 6) The annual contractual cost increase (currently set at 3%). City Manager Urich explained the Waste Collection Agreement was the largest contract the City had costing \$6 million a year. He stated the Council had three options in regards to the Waste Collection Agreement, which would be as follows: 1) Begin the process of soliciting competitive



bids or; 2) Notify PDC by September 1 of a three (3) year extension of the current contract; or 3) Negotiate with PDC through July and August on revised terms of the agreement.

Council Member Moore expressed concern regarding owners of vacant or non-occupied properties being charged a garbage fee. She encouraged the public to speak out against the garbage fee being charged to owners of vacant properties.

Council Member Jensen moved to approve a Second Amendment to the Waste Collection Agreement with a 60 day extension of the notice to PDC Services by September 1<sup>st</sup> for a three (3) year extension of the current contract; seconded by Council Member Turner.

Council Member Spain voiced concern with the City wanting to solicit competitive bids with the current contract expiring December, 2016. He encouraged continued negotiations with PDC regarding services that would better serve our community.

Council Member Riggerbach indicated the negotiations with the City Manager and PDC Services had been ongoing for a while and he encouraged continued discussions.

Motion to approve the Second Amendment to the Waste Collection Agreement between the City of Peoria and PDC Services Inc. with a sixty (60) day notification extension of the Notice to PDC Services by September 1<sup>st</sup> for a 3 year extension of the current contract was approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Grayeb, Jensen, Johnson, Moore, Riggerbach, Ruckriegel, Spain, Turner, Mayor Ardis – 9;

Nays: None.

**(16-235) Communication from the City Manager and Director of Public Works with a Request to APPROVE an AGREEMENT with AMEREN ILLINOIS for Modernizing the UTILITY POLES on the East Side of N. UNIVERSITY STREET from Forrest Hill Avenue to War Memorial Drive in an Amount Not – to- Exceed \$826,000 for Certain UTILITY POLE REPLACEMENT alongside the Current University Street Project. (Council District 2)**

City Manager Urich indicated Ameren had agreed to clean up the utility poles and place the utility lines on one side of the street and underground the crossings. He stated the cost would be \$800,000, which the City would pay \$200,000 in 2016 and the remaining \$600,000 would be paid out of the 2017 budget.

Following a brief statement, Council Member Grayeb moved to approve the Agreement with Ameren Illinois for modernizing the utility poles on the East side of N. University Street from Forrest Hill Avenue to War Memorial Drive, in an amount not-to-exceed \$826,000.00, for certain utility poles replacement alongside the current University Street Project; seconded by Council Member Ruckriegel.

Approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Grayeb, Jensen, Johnson, Moore, Riggerbach, Ruckriegel, Spain, Turner, Mayor Ardis – 9;

Nays: None.

**(16-236) Communication from the City Manager and Director of Public Works with a Request to Approve an AMENDMENT to the LANDFILL INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT for the Peoria City/County Landfill Committee. (Refer to Item No. 97-052-D)**

Council Member Spain moved to approve the amendment to the Landfill Intergovernmental Agreement for the Peoria City/County Landfill Committee; seconded by Council Member Ruckriegel.

Approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Grayeb, Jensen, Johnson, Moore, Riggerbach, Ruckriegel, Spain, Turner, Mayor Ardis – 9;

Nays: None.

**(16-237) Communication from Council Member Beth Jensen with a Request to Approve a RESOLUTION Stating that the City of Peoria Stands with Muslim Neighbors Against ISLAMOPHOBIA.**

Following a brief statement encouraging her fellow Council Members to support the Resolution, Council Member Jensen moved to approve the Resolution stating that the City of Peoria stands with Muslim Neighbors against Islamophobia; seconded by Council Member Moore.

Council Member Spain voiced support for the Resolution, but requested a revised Resolution that extended no tolerance of discrimination against all religious groups, races and sexual orientation.

Council Member Riggerbach said he agreed with Council Member Spain and suggested the Council revise the Resolution. He indicated he felt it was important not to tolerate any discrimination against Christians, Muslims, Jews, etc. and it should be made clear.

Council Member Jensen suggested the Council not defer this item and she requested a vote on the outlined Resolution. She said she would be open to voting on other resolutions in a future meeting.

Council Member Spain moved for a substitute motion to defer the Resolution stating the City of Peoria stands with Muslim Neighbors against Islamophobia until the July 26, 2016, Regular City Council Meeting, to include all religious groups, race and sexual orientation; seconded by Council Member Riggerbach.

Council Member Grayeb indicated he would not support the substitute motion.

Council Member Moore requested the City Council vote on the proposed Resolution and not defer until a future meeting.

Council Member Ruckriegel reflected on the positive influence the PAV had on the Peoria Community by holding peace walks and he stated the Peoria community had a strong commitment that intolerance and discrimination would not play in Peoria. He stated he supported the deferral because he wanted a resolution that was inclusive of all groups, which reflected the Peoria community.

Substitute Motion to defer this item to the July 26, 2016, Regular City Council Meeting in order for Staff to revise the proposed Resolution to include all religious groups, race and sexual orientation was approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Johnson, Riggerbach, Ruckriegel, Spain, Turner, Mayor Ardis – 6;

Nays: Grayeb, Jensen, Moore – 3.

**(16-238) Communication from the City Manager with a Request to Adopt an ORDINANCE Removing 237 NE MONROE (Parcel 18-04-459-014) from the HOSPITALITY IMPROVEMENT ZONE Redevelopment Project Area and Plan. (Council District 1)**

Council Member Ruckriegel said he would abstain from voting because of a business interest at this property.

City Manager Patrick Urich stated that Council Member Ruckriegel would like to purchase the building at 237 NE Monroe, but the property was part of the Hospitality Improvement Zone, which prevented a Council Member from purchasing that property according to State Statues.

Council Member Moore indicated the building had been on the real estate market for a long time and she looked forward to Council Member Ruckriegel redeveloping the building.

Council Member Moore moved to adopt an Ordinance removing 237 NE Monroe (Parcel 18-04-459-014) from the Hospitality Improvement Zone Redevelopment Project Area and Plan; seconded by Council Member Grayeb.

ORDINANCE 17,387 was adopted by roll call vote.

Yeas: Grayeb, Jensen, Johnson, Moore, Riggerbach, Spain, Turner, Mayor Ardis – 8;

Nays: None;

Abstention: Ruckriegel – 1.

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

**(16-175) Communication from the City Manager with a Request to Approve an INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT with the PEORIA CIVIC CENTER AUTHORITY to Provide for Operations of the Peoria Civic Center.**

Council Member Spain moved to defer this item until July 12, 2016, Regular City Council Meeting; seconded by Council Member Johnson.

Motion to defer to the July 12, 2016, Regular City Council meeting was approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Grayeb, Jensen, Johnson, Moore, Riggerbach, Ruckriegel, Spain, Turner, Mayor Ardis – 9;

Nays: None.

**(16-183) Communication from the City Manager with a Request to Approve a Three (3) Year AGREEMENT with the PEORIA AREA CONVENTION AND VISTOR'S BUREAU FOR TOURISM and Related Marketing Services, in the Amount of \$650,000.00 Annually.**

Council Member Spain moved to defer this item until July 12, 2016, Regular City Council Meeting; seconded by Council Member Riggerbach.

Motion to defer to the July 12, 2016, Regular City Council meeting was approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Grayeb, Jensen, Johnson, Moore, Riggerbach, Ruckriegel, Spain, Turner, Mayor Ardis – 9;

Nays: None.

**POLICY SESSION**

**(16-239) Communication from the City Manager and Chief Innovation Officer with a Request for a POLICY SESSION on the INNOVATION TEAM'S NEXT PRIORITY AREA, with a Request for Direction.**

Chief Innovation Officer Anthony Corso presented an overview of selecting the next I-team's priority project. He stated the Policy Session was to gather feedback and direction regarding two general priority areas that had been identified by Council and Staff. He reviewed the following outline:

1. Recap of the i-team's role and process
  - a. Innovation teams function as in-house innovation consultants, moving from one community priority to the next.
  - b. I-teams help City leaders and staff through a data-driven process to assess problems, generate responsive new interventions, develop partnerships, and deliver measurable results.
  - c. I-teams are designed to be 100% focused on bringing new approaches to bear in priority areas.
2. Priority Area Definition
  - a. A Priority is a broad area in which the I-team and internal and external partners work to achieve results.
3. Consideration for Priority Selection
  - a. A problem experienced by residents for which clear and impactful solutions have not been found.
  - b. A problem that the City is committed to solving.
  - c. An issue where the City has leverage and can make an impact that residents Will feel.
4. Discussion of Priority Area Ideas Identified to Date (and Preliminary Data)
  - a. Neighborhood Revitalization
    - i. Vacant and Blighted Properties/Empty Commercial Spaces
    - ii. Neighborhood-Scale Economic Development
    - iii. Crime Mitigation

- b. Youth Opportunity and Learning
    - i. Mentorship Programs
    - ii. Pathways to Success
    - iii. Next Generation Leadership
5. Selecting a Priority Area to move forward.
6. Discussion of Next Steps
- a. Approval of proposed Priority Area by Bloomberg Philanthropies
  - b. Refining the Priority Area and research/data collection (investigate the problem)
  - c. Preliminary timeline for Priority 2 initiative development.

Council Member Moore stated that neighborhood revitalization youth opportunity and learning was very important for the First District and the entire City of Peoria.

Council Member Spain indicated that he agreed neighborhood revitalization and youth opportunity was needed. He spoke on the positive activities especially in the leadership roles of Peoria Public Schools by doing the Pathway to Prosperity and the alignment initiative. He remarked on the Memphis model along with other examples the innovation team has used to gain ideas to assist our community.

Council Member Riggenbach voiced concerns with the high number of vacant and blighted properties especially in the older neighborhoods and he suggested that neighborhood revitalization become a top priority.

Council Member Ruckriegel spoke on the importance of both issues and he explained the City needed to take care of our youth and provide them a safe, vital neighborhood to work and live. He agreed with Council Member Riggenbach that neighborhood revitalization should be a top priority.

Council Member Moore voiced concerns with the large number of commercial properties and residential homes that were vacant and blighted. She requested assistance with getting these properties back on the tax rolls.

Council Member Grayeb thanked Chief Innovation Officer Corso for his presentation. He touched on neighborhood revitalization and its connection to the CSO resolution.

Council Member Riggenbach moved to receive and file the presentation by Chief Innovation Officer Anthony Corso, regarding a Policy Session on the Innovation Team's Next Priority Area; seconded by Council Member Turner.

Approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Grayeb, Jensen, Johnson, Moore, Riggenbach, Ruckriegel, Spain, Turner,  
Mayor Ardis – 9;

Nays: None.

**NEW BUSINESS****Sidewalk Education**

Council Member Moore mentioned a sidewalk education meeting would be held on Thursday June 30, 2016, at the PCCEO Office on McBean Street to educate residents of the Southside how the City's sidewalk program works.

**SAVE A LOT**

Council Member Moore acknowledged she received a letter from the Save A Lot Corporation thanking Dr. Leslie McKnight for all her hard work and dedication.

**FIREWORKS**

Council Member Riggerbach expressed concerns with illegal fireworks occurring within the City.

Peoria Police Captain Greene spoke on the community's expectations regarding fireworks and he stated the City had done public service announcements regarding the use of fireworks. He stated the City was prepared to write tickets for firework violations.

Council Member Jensen suggested the City's Firework Policy be placed on social media and have signs made to reach out to more individuals within the community.

**AVENUE OF THE ARTISTS**

Council Member Jensen requested that Staff review the possibility of renaming a portion of Washington Street, where the sculpture walk was located, to "Avenue of the Artists" to help attract visitors to the area.

Mayor Ardis stated a meeting was already in the works to discuss the idea and suggested Council Member Jensen be notified.

**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.

Mary Clark, a citizen of Peoria, thanked Council Member Riggerbach for a recent alley repair in her neighborhood. She asked the City for another light in the alley between Arcadia and Archer to help reduce crime in that area. She stated the City needed to review the road conditions on Arcadia Avenue and she requested a signal light for pedestrian crossing on McClure and Frye.

Joyce Harant, a citizen of Peoria, spoke on the proposed PDC Waste contract. She thanked the Council for extending the waste agreement discussion.

Karrie Alms, an interested citizen, reminded the City Council that Great Neighbor Appreciation Week was July 11-16. She encouraged neighborhood association input in neighborhood development.

Marcus Fogliano, a citizen of Peoria, encouraged the City Council to support the Resolution stating the City of Peoria Stands with Muslim Neighbors against Islamophobia.

Joyce Blumenshine, a citizen of Peoria, reflected on the 325<sup>th</sup> Birthday of the Peoria settlement and she spoke in support of saving Riverfront Park.

Elaine Hopkins, a citizen of Peoria, spoke in support of saving Riverfront Park and the historic significance the riverfront played in the settlement of Peoria back in 1691.

### EXECUTIVE SESSION

**Consideration of a Motion to enter into EXECUTIVE SESSION pursuant to 2 (c)(5) The purchase or lease of real property for the use of the public body; 2(c)(11) Litigation, when an action against, affecting, or on behalf of the particular public body has been filed and is pending before a court or administrative tribunal, or when the public body finds that such an action is probable or imminent; 2(c)(21) Discussion of minutes of meetings lawfully closed under this Act, whether for purposes of approval by the body of the minutes or semi-annual review of the minutes as mandated by Section 2.06.**

Council Member Ruckriegel moved to enter into an Executive Session to discuss 2 (c)(5) The purchase or lease of real property for the use of the public body; 2(c)(11) Litigation, when an action against, affecting, or on behalf of the particular public body has been filed and is pending before a court or administrative tribunal, or when the public body finds that such an action is probable or imminent; 2(c)(21) Discussion of minutes of meetings lawfully closed under this Act, whether for purposes of approval by the body of the minutes or semi-annual review of the minutes as mandated by Section 2.06; seconded by Council Member Jensen.

Approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Grayeb, Jensen, Johnson, Moore, Riggerbach, Ruckriegel, Spain, Turner,  
Mayor Ardis – 9;

Nays: None.

### ADJOURNMENT

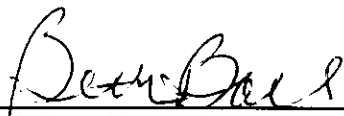
Council Member Ruckriegel moved to adjourn the Regular City Council Meeting; seconded by Council Member Grayeb.

Approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Grayeb, Jensen, Johnson, Moore, Riggerbach, Ruckriegel, Spain, Turner,  
Mayor Ardis – 9;

Nays: None.

Meeting adjourned at 8:39 P.M.

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