

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

A Joint City Council and Town Board Meeting of Peoria, Illinois, was held March 10, 2015, at 6:03 P.M., at City Hall, Council Chambers, 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: Akeson (Arrived at 6:10 P.M.), Grayeb, Jensen, Johnson, Montelongo, Moore, Riggenbach, Spain, Weaver, Turner, Mayor Ardis – 11. Absent: None.

**INVOCATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

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

Council Member Akeson arrived at 6:10 P.M.

**RECOGNITION OF AVANTI'S RISTORANTE**

Mayor Ardis explained that the City Council began recognizing small businesses in the community in order to reinforce the strong support our small businesses need and what those businesses meant to the community.

Mayor Ardis recognized Avanti's Ristorante, noting that the owner, Albert Zellar came to Central Illinois in 1959 from St. Gallen, Switzerland, where he had learned the art of cheese-making. He said after Mr. Zellar served two years in the Army, he transferred to the frozen pizza business where his knowledge of dairy products served him well. He said Mr. Zellar then started his restaurant journey as manager and part owner of Gino's Pizza. After 15 months of hard work, he said the organization grew from 2 employees to 20 employees and from making 200 pizzas to 5,000 pizzas a day. In 1966, he said Mr. Zellar purchased Giordano's and changed the name to Avanti's, which means "forward" in Italian. He remarked that several other Avanti Ristorantes began to open, which included locations such as Bloomington/Normal, East Peoria, Pekin and additional locations in Peoria. He said Avanti's now employed 450 people. He remarked that the restaurant was now known in Central Illinois as the "Home of the Gondola." He said Mr. Zellar's oldest son, Stephan Zellar, was part owner of the business. He remarked that Avanti's always believed in giving back to the people who supported their restaurants. He said they gave over \$3.5 million to charitable organizations, schools and libraries over the past 40 years. On behalf of the City of Peoria, Mayor Ardis expressed his appreciation to Avanti's for investing in the community and its citizens.

Council Member Riggenbach expressed his appreciation to Mr. Albert Zellar and his son, Mr. Stephan Zellar, and he remarked that Avanti's Ristorante celebrated its 49<sup>th</sup> Anniversary on March 9, 2015.

Mr. Albert Zellar expressed his appreciation for the recognition, and he thanked all past and current employees for their hard work and dedication in making the restaurant what it was today. He said Avanti's was not always about the money, but taking care of the customer. He expressed his appreciation to all the customers and guests who visited Avanti's, noting that they were the reason for their recognition.

Mr. Stephan Zellar expressed his appreciation for the recognition of the Small Business Award.

**PROCLAMATIONS, COMMENDATIONS, ETC.**

**SUZETTE BOULAIS - RETIREMENT**

**MINUTES**

Council Member Spain moved to approve the minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting held on February 24, 2015, as printed; seconded by Council Member Turner.

Approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Akesson, Grayeb, Jensen, Johnson, Montelongo, Moore, Riggenschach, Spain, Turner, Weaver, Mayor Ardis – 11;

Nays: None.

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

**(15-073) Communication from Town Counsel with a Request to ADOPT an AMENDED ORDINANCE Amending Ordinance No. TO-15-04 Relating to ESTABLISHING PROPERTY TAX ABATEMENT AS A RIVER EDGE REDEVELOPMENT ZONE INCENTIVE.**

Upon request by Trustee Grayeb, Mr. William Connor, Counsel for the Town of the City of Peoria, explained this Ordinance was the same action that took place in Ordinance No. TO-15-04, but the legal description had changed.

Trustee Grayeb moved to adopt an amended Ordinance amending Ordinance No. TO-15-04 relating to establishing property tax abatement as a River Edge Redevelopment Zone Incentive; seconded by Trustee Johnson.

ORDINANCE NO. 10-15-05 was adopted by roll call vote.

Yeas: Akesson, Grayeb, Jensen, Johnson, Montelongo, Moore, Riggenschach, Spain, Turner, Weaver, Mayor Ardis – 11;

Nays: None.

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

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

- (15-074) Recommendation from the City Manager and Community Development Director to Approve a SOLE SOURCE PURCHASE from MIDCO, INC. of Two (2) Pole-Mounted Surround View/PTZ Camera Combinations for the WISCONSIN BUSINESS CORRIDOR, in the Total Amount of \$25,261.10. (Council District 3)
- (15-075) Communication from the City Manager and Community Development Director with a Request to Concur with the Recommendation from the Planning and Zoning Commission and Staff to ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 17,197 Amending the OFFICIAL ZONING MAP of the City of Peoria, to Rezone Property from a Class CG (General Commercial) District, to a Class I2 (Railroad/Industrial) District, Located at 3011 SW ADAMS STREET (Parcel Index No. 18-17-309020), Peoria, Illinois (District 1). Case No. PZ 15-2
- (15-076) Communication from the City Manager and Community Development Director with a Request to Concur with the Recommendation from the Site Plan Review Board to ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 17,198 Reducing the 100 Foot CENTERLINE SETBACK REQUIREMENT Along KNOXVILLE AVENUE for the Property Located at 5712-5720 N KNOXVILLE AVENUE, Peoria, Illinois (PIN 14-16-451-014 & -016), with Contingencies. (Council District 3)
- (15-064) Communication from the City Manager and the Director of Community Development with a Recommendation from the Planning & Zoning Commission and Staff to ADOPT the following:
- A. ORDINANCE NO. 17,199 Amending APPENDIX B, the Zoning Ordinance, Related to ELDERLY HOUSING; and
  - B. ORDINANCE NO. 17,200 Amending APPENDIX C, the Land Development Code, Related to ELDERLY HOUSING.
- (15-065) Communication from the City Manager and the Director of Community Development with a Recommendation from the Planning and Zoning Commission and Staff to ADOPT the Following:
- A. ORDINANCE NO. 17,201 Amending APPENDIX B, the Zoning Ordinance, Related to MURALS; and
  - B. ORDINANCE NO. 17,202 Amending APPENDIX C, the Land Development Code, Relating to MURALS. PZ 15-C

- (15-077)**      **Communication from the City Manager and the Corporation Counsel with a Request to ADOPT an ORDINANCE Amending CHAPTER 3 of the CODE of City of Peoria for a TEMPORARY MORATORIUM of a Site Approval of Establishments Whose Primary Purpose is to Operate as a VIDEO GAMING CAFÉ.**  
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- (15-078)**      **REPORT from the CITY TREASURER PATRICK A. NICHTING for the YEAR 2014, with Request to Receive and File.**
- (15-079)**      **REPORT from the CITY TREASURER PATRICK A. NICHTING for the MONTH of JANUARY 2015, with Request to Receive and File.**

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

Council Member Akeson requested Item No. 15-077 be removed from the Consent Agenda for further discussion.

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

Item Nos. 15-064, 15-065, 15-074 through 15-079 (excluding Item No. 15-077, which was removed for further discussion) were approved by roll call vote under the Omnibus Vote Designation.

Yeas: Akeson, Grayeb, Jensen, Johnson, Montelongo, Moore, Riggerbach, Spain, Turner, Weaver, Mayor Ardis – 11;

Nays: None.

- (15-077)**      **Communication from the City Manager and the Corporation Counsel with a Request to ADOPT an ORDINANCE Amending CHAPTER 3 of the CODE of City of Peoria for a TEMPORARY MORATORIUM of a Site Approval of Establishments Whose Primary Purpose is to Operate as a VIDEO GAMING CAFÉ.**  
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Discussions were held regarding extending the temporary moratorium to a new date.

Mayor Ardis explained that the current moratorium had expired and needed to be extended. He said the request was to extend the moratorium for one month in order to bring an item to the City Council for review.

City Manager Urich recommended changing the recommended expiration date from April 7, 2015, to April 14, 2015, which would be the first City Council meeting in April.

Council Member Johnson expressed a concern on what impact the laws of the State of Illinois would have on current establishments in continuing the moratorium.

Council Member Weaver recommended tabling the item versus continuing it to the first meeting in April.

Council Member Spain said it was his understanding that the State proposal was to provide an 80% threshold on other sales for video gaming cafes. He said until the City Council received more feedback, the moratorium needed to be extended.

Council Member Spain moved to adopt an Ordinance amending Chapter 3 of the Code of the City of Peoria for a temporary moratorium of a site approval of establishments whose primary purpose is to operate as a video gaming café, with the amendment of changing the recommended moratorium from April 7, 2015, to April 14, 2015; seconded by Council Member Akeson.

ORDINANCE NO. 17,203 was adopted, as amended, by roll call vote.

Yeas: Akeson, Grayeb, Jensen, Johnson, Montelongo, Moore, Riggenbach, Spain, Turner, Weaver, Mayor Ardis – 11;

Nays: None.

**FIRST READING**

**(15-080) Communication from the City Manager and the Corporation Counsel Requesting FIRST READING Review of an ORDINANCE Amending Section 3-92 of CHAPTER 3 of the CODE of the City of Peoria, Pertaining to Bottle Clubs.**

Corporation Counsel Don Leist provided an explanation of the Ordinance presented. He said this Ordinance would create a new Class M liquor license, which would afford 501(c)(3) agencies, non-profit agencies, to serve alcohol during certain hours. He said the fee for the non-profit agencies would be \$100.00, and he remarked that this would begin as a trial program.

Council Member Moore provided some background information as to why this Ordinance was proposed. She said this would allow non-profit agencies, such as the Contemporary Arts Center, to provide for wedding receptions without actually having to obtain a liquor license. She said this had been an issue for quite some time, and she requested the Council give this Ordinance consideration.

Council Member Jensen commended City Staff, Corporation Counsel Don Leist and Assistant Corporation Counsel Sonni Williams on their efforts in this matter. She said this was a good solution to a problem rather than forcing non-profit organizations to obtain a liquor license.

Council Member Jensen moved to suspend the rules and waive the second reading of the Ordinance amending Chapter 3 of the Code of the City of Peoria, pertaining to Bottle Clubs; seconded by Council Member Weaver.

Motion to suspend the rules was approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Akeson, Grayeb, Jensen, Johnson, Montelongo, Moore, Riggenbach, Spain, Turner, Weaver, Mayor Ardis – 11;

Nays: None.

Council Member Jensen moved to adopt an Ordinance amending Chapter 3 of the Code of the City of Peoria, pertaining to Bottle Clubs; seconded by Council Member Weaver.

Council Member Spain expressed his concerns on how this item came to light, and he identified the First Friday Events, and he asked whether this item would have an impact on those events.

Corporation Counsel Leist said this would not impact First Friday Events. He said, in response to Council Member Grayeb, this item was only applicable to the Riverfront Entertainment District. He said there was a desire to expand the locations, but Staff began with the Riverfront as an experimental area.

Council Member Grayeb commented that items such as this should be reviewed on their implications to other parts of the City. He said other businesses may find this Ordinance helpful, if it applied to them.

Mayor Ardis agreed with Council Member Grayeb that other non-profit organizations within the City should be afforded this opportunity, and he recommended amending the Ordinance and expanding its boundaries.

Council Member Jensen recommended approving the Ordinance as presented in order for the Contemporary Arts Center to continue to operate, and she said Staff could then come back with a proposal to amend the Ordinance appropriately.

Council Member Grayeb said the Council needed to reserve the right to look at the suitability of the expansion of this Ordinance as it related to the compatibility to the adjoining neighborhoods.

ORDINANCE NO. 17,204 amending Chapter 3 of the Code of the City of Peoria, pertaining to Bottle Club was adopted by roll call vote.

Yeas: Akeson, Grayeb, Jensen, Johnson, Montelongo, Moore, Riggenbach, Spain, Turner, Weaver, Mayor Ardis – 11;

Nays: None.

**REGULAR BUSINESS ITEMS, with Recommendations as Outlined:**

**(15-081) Communication from the City Manager with a Request to APPROVE a RESOLUTION Urging the Governor and General Assembly to PROTECT FULL FUNDING OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT DISTRIBUTIVE FUND REVENUES.**

Council Member Riggenbach moved to approve a Resolution urging the Governor and General Assembly to protect full funding of Local Government Distributive Fund Revenues; seconded by Council Member Turner.

RESOLUTION NO. 15-081 was approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Akeson, Grayeb, Jensen, Johnson, Montelongo, Moore, Riggenbach, Spain, Turner, Weaver, Mayor Ardis – 11;

Nays: None.

- (15-082) Communication from the City Manager and Director of Public Works with a Request to ADOPT an ORDINANCE Amending the FY2015 BUDGET Reprogramming \$90,000.00 from the 2015 SIDEWALK PARTICIPATION PROGRAM to the Proposed Special Assessment Project for SIDEWALK Installation on MOUNT HAWLEY ROAD From High Point Road to Fox Point Drive. [District 3]**

Council Member Riggerbach commended the Hawley Hills Homeowner's Association in their efforts on this item. He said the sidewalk along Mount Hawley Road had a missing link, and he said this Ordinance would be the connection. He said the City had 100% participation from the homeowners, and he commented that the neighborhood made it clear how valuable the sidewalks and greenways were in the community.

Council Member Riggerbach moved to adopt an Ordinance amending the FY2015 Budget reprogramming \$90,000.00 from the 2015 Sidewalk Participation Program to the proposed Special Assessment Project for sidewalk installation on Mount Hawley Road from High Point Road to Fox Point Drive; seconded by Council Member Akeson.

ORDINANCE NO. 17,205 was adopted by roll call vote.

Yeas: Akeson, Grayeb, Jensen, Johnson, Montelongo, Moore, Riggerbach, Spain, Turner, Weaver, Mayor Ardis – 11;

Nays: None.

### **RECOGNITION OF LOCAL DIGNITARIES**

Mayor Ardis welcomed former City Council Member and current ICC Trustee Gale Thetford who was in attendance.

### **REGULAR BUSINESS ITEMS, with Recommendations as Outlined (Continued):**

- (15-083) Communication from the City Manager and Corporation Counsel to APPROVE the SITE APPLICATION for a CLASS H (Temporary Outdoor) Liquor License from the Illinois Chapter of Concerns of POLICE SURVIVORS, INC. for an Event to be held at JUNCTION CITY, 5901 N. PROSPECT, On Saturday, May 2, 2015. (District 3)**

Council Member Jensen left the meeting at 6:49 P.M.

Council Member Riggerbach moved to approve the Site Application for a Class H (Temporary Outdoor) Liquor License from the Illinois Chapter of Concerns of Police Survivors, Inc. for an event to be held at Junction City, 5901 N. Prospect, on Saturday, May 2, 2015; seconded by Council Member Turner.

Approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Akeson, Grayeb, Johnson, Montelongo, Moore, Riggerbach, Spain, Turner, Weaver, Mayor Ardis – 10;

Nays: None.

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

**(14-218) Communication from the City Manager and Director of Public Works with a Request to ADOPT an ORDINANCE Amending CHAPTER 26 of the CODE of the City of Peoria Pertaining to the Commercial Use of Sidewalks for SIDEWALK CAFÉS.**

Public Works Director Mike Rogers provided a presentation regarding sidewalk cafes and how the proposed Ordinance would affect them. He expressed appreciation toward Council Member Akeson in her efforts in this matter. He reviewed the proposed changes in the Ordinance, and he remarked that three establishments agreed to be part of the pilot program: Rhythm Kitchen, 30/30 Coffee, and Kickback.

Council Member Akeson remarked that the City had a good process to provide proposed changes to the Ordinance.

Council Member Weaver commended Council Member Akeson in her efforts in this matter, and he said he would support this item.

Discussions were held regarding how business owners would lock down their outdoor furniture and other items at night at the sidewalk cafés. Director Rogers commented that the business owners could lock up whatever equipment necessary, but he said those items could not be bolted to the sidewalk.

Council Member Grayeb expressed his appreciation for Council Member Akeson's efforts in this matter; however, he inquired why this was starting out as a pilot program and not open to all businesses who were interested in participating. He said he would support this Ordinance, but he recommended adopting it without a pilot period.

Director Rogers said utilizing a pilot program period would provide Staff time to observe and address any issues that may come up that were not anticipated; however, he commented that if additional businesses wanted to participate, the City would not deny them the opportunity.

Discussions were held regarding current sidewalk cafes being grandfathered in for 2015. Director Rogers said beginning in 2016 the current cafes would have to be brought into compliance.

City Manager Urich said, under the current Ordinance, prior to granting a permit, the City Manager could modify any changes necessary for public interest. He said the Ordinance already allowed current sidewalk cafés to continue for 2015, but they would have to be in compliance for 2016.

Council Member Spain expressed concerns over regulatory burdens in the City's Ordinances and that the City needed to be business friendly. He said it was his desire to support cafés that have used the strategies outlined in the old Ordinance that would be noncompliant with the proposed amended Ordinance.



In response to Council Member Spain's concern, Director Rogers said it was Staff's intent to work with the businesses who were noncompliant.

Council Member Spain requested when there were items that had been deferred several times, the Council should be notified in advance the item would be placed on an upcoming agenda in order to afford time to gather necessary information.

Council Member Akeson moved to adopt an Ordinance amending Chapter 26 of the Code of the City of Peoria pertaining to the commercial use of sidewalks for sidewalk cafes; seconded by Council Member Weaver.

Mayor Ardis commended Council Member Akeson on her efforts in this matter. He concurred with Council Member Grayeb's comments that a number of businesses would be willing to take an active part in this program.

ORDINANCE NO. 17,206 amending Chapter 26 of the Code of the City of Peoria pertaining to the commercial use of sidewalks for sidewalk cafes was adopted by roll call vote.

Yeas: Akeson, Grayeb, Johnson, Montelongo, Moore, Riggerbach, Spain, Turner, Weaver, Mayor Ardis – 10;

Nays: None.

**(15-016) Discussion Regarding the PRELIMINARY 2016 THROUGH 2019 BUDGET PROJECTIONS, with a Request to RECEIVE and FILE.**

Council Member Jensen returned to the meeting at 7:18 P.M.

Finance Director/Comptroller Jim Scroggins distributed a handout providing a summary of fines and forfeitures for 2000 through 2014.

Discussions were held regarding the handout and the amount of fines and fees collected. In response to Council Member Jensen, City Manager Urich said he would forward information to the Council as to when the change occurred that the City began hearing Ordinance Violations before a Hearing Officer.

Director Scroggins said, in response to Council Member Jensen, the other Fines/Forfeits-Other was money collected from Peoria County on behalf of the City. He said he was conducting research to see for what reasons this money was being collect, and he said he would provide that information in a Report Back to the Council.

In response to Council Member Johnson's question on whether the City utilized the Comptroller Recovery Program, Director Scroggins said the City had not used said program; however, the City used the B&D Collection Group on occasion to collect fines and fees.

Council Member Johnson requested information to be distributed to the Council regarding the Comptroller Recovery Program as well as on the total outstanding balance of uncollected fines.

Mayor Ardis requested the City Council to bring forward any questions they had regarding the handout, which would then be updated for the next City Council meeting.

Council Member Spain expressed a concern on how the City would handle a reduction from the State should it take a portion of the Local Government Distributive Fund Revenues (LGDF).

City Manager Urich said the City would have to look at the reduction from a capital or operational standpoint. He said if the reduction took place in 2015, the City would have to make an adjustment to the 2015 budget, which he said could be \$3.5 million to \$4 million.

Council Member Jensen requested a comparison of fines collected and uncollected for the last five years.

Council Member Moore expressed a concern for code violations on the South Side and the lack of enforcing or collecting those fines. She commented that if the City continued to not pursue these property owners and fine them, then it would continue to trend down. She said the City knew who these property owners were and there needed to be a program to address the issues.

Corporation Counsel Leist said the Legal Department was reviewing the issue, and he commented that the City had to be sensitive to the issue of seizing property.

Council Member Montelongo asked for a liability sheet for items such as sidewalks promised to neighborhoods, penalties owed to governmental bodies, and any assets and any money owed the City.

Council Member Weaver moved to receive and file the preliminary 2016 through 2019 Budget Projections; seconded by Council Member Spain.

Approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Akeson, Grayeb, Jensen, Johnson, Montelongo, Moore, Riggenbach, Spain, Turner, Weaver, Mayor Ardis – 11;

Nays: None.

**(15-072) Communication from the City Manager and Corporation Counsel with a Request to DENY the SITE APPLICATION for a Class E-1 (Private Club Over 200) Liquor License with On-Site Consumption and Retail Sale of Alcohol at CONTEMPORARY ART CENTER OF PEORIA, 305 SW WATER, UNIT 2A, with a Recommendation from the Liquor Commission to Deny. (DISTRICT 1)**

Council Member Moore said she would like to defer this matter until Item No. 15-080 was finalized.

Council Member Moore moved to defer this item to the March 24, 2015, Regular City Council Meeting; seconded by Council Member Riggenbach.

Motion to defer to the March 24, 2015, Regular City Council Meeting was approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Akeson, Grayeb, Jensen, Johnson, Montelongo, Moore, Riggenbach, Spain, Turner, Weaver, Mayor Ardis – 11;

Nays: None.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### **AmeriCorps Volunteers Nationwide**

Council Member Riggenbach announced that LISC would be hosting their AmeriCorps Volunteers Nationwide in Peoria at a convention this week. He said these volunteers had done tremendous work in the community and were great assets to the non-profits in the City.

#### **Cameras on the Wisconsin Business Avenue Corridor**

Council Member Riggenbach expressed his appreciation to all Council Members for their support in approving Item No. 15-014 that would install cameras on the Wisconsin Business Avenue Corridor. He said the business owners and residents along that corridor were grateful for the Council's support.

#### **Bike Master Plan**

Council Member Riggenbach announced that the Bike Master Plan was going to be released with more information to follow later in the week.

#### **East Bluff Mural**

Council Member Riggenbach announced that March 18, 2015, at 3:00 P.M. the "Faces of the East Bluff Mural" would be unveiled at the corner of Wisconsin Avenue at Nebraska.

#### **East Village Growth Cell**

Council Member Riggenbach announced that the EVGC was scheduled to meet on April 6, 2015, to discuss the Residential Loan Program, and he encouraged citizens to attend to provide input.

#### **Hunting on Derby Lane**

At the request of Council Member Weaver, Corporation Counsel Leist said the Police Department and the Legal Department were working on the issues on Derby Lane, and he said an update would be provided to the Council at the next City Council meeting.

#### **Live Music Entertainment in the Downtown Area**

Council Member Moore said there was a lack of live music entertainment in the Downtown area on Sunday nights. She asked that this be taken into consideration for visitors who come to the area for conferences who feel there is no place to visit.

**Cleanup of the Downtown Area**

Mayor Ardis expressed his appreciation to Public Works Director Mike Rogers, City Manager Ulrich and the Public Works Department for their efforts in cleaning up the Downtown area for the visitors who will be attending the IHSA March Madness. He said they had done a tremendous job and the Downtown really looked nice after the rough winter.

**IHSA March Madness Location**

Mayor Ardis said the IHSA would be approving the location for the future March Madness Tournaments. He said Peoria had been complimented by IHSA on the outstanding presentation the City provided and how much visitors enjoyed the Peoria area. He said an announcement would be made next week as to the next location for IHSA tournaments.

**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.

Mr. Anthony Gardner, a Peoria resident, provided an update on baby Jordy Jackson's donations for treatment needed. He expressed his appreciation to everyone who helped, and he reported that they collected \$10,000.00 within six weeks.

Mr. John Franks, business owner of Peoria Yellow Checker Cab and Taxi Inc., said the company is Peoria's oldest vehicle-for-hire company, being in business since 1923. He expressed his concern for other transportation companies coming to the community, and he emphasized fairness among all companies when drafting an Ordinance to address the same. He said he would be willing to work with the City on this matter.

Ms. Joyce Harrant, a Peoria resident, expressed a concern regarding the Edward Coal Ash and Regulations, and the affect it was having on the environment. She asked the Council to sign a Resolution she would provide them.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**Consideration of a Motion to enter into EXECUTIVE SESSION to Discuss 2(c)(3) The selection of a person to fill a public office, as defined in the Open Meetings Act, including a vacancy in a public office, or the discipline, performance or removal of the occupant of a public office; 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 Riggerbach moved to enter into an Executive Session to Discuss 2(c)(3) The selection of a person to fill a public office, as defined in the Open Meetings Act, including a vacancy in a public office, or the discipline, performance or removal of the occupant of a public office; 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 Moore.

Approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Akeson, Grayeb, Jensen, Johnson, Montelongo, Moore, Riggerbach, Spain, Turner, Weaver, Mayor Ardis – 11;

Nays: None.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Council Member Moore moved to adjourn the Joint City Council and Town Board Meeting; seconded by Council Member Turner.

Approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Akeson, Grayeb, Jensen, Johnson, Montelongo, Moore, Riggerbach, Spain, Turner, Weaver, Mayor Ardis – 11;

Nays: None.

The Joint City Council and Town Board Meeting adjourned at 8:00 P.M.



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