

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

A Joint City Council and Town Board Meeting of Peoria, Illinois was held October 28, 2014, at 6:19 P.M., at Charles Lindbergh Middle School, 6327 N. Sheridan Road, Peoria, Illinois, with Mayor Ardis presiding, and with proper notice having been posted.

ROLL CALL

Roll Call showed the following Council Members were physically present: Akeson, Grayeb, Jensen, Johnson, Montelongo, Moore, Riggerbach, Spain, Turner, Weaver, Mayor Ardis – 11; Absent: None.

INVOCATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Jim Ardis requested a moment of silent prayer or silent reflection. He recognized the attendance of Boy Scout Troop 154 from Holy Family Parish, and then he led the Pledge of Allegiance.

RECOGNITION OF WEAVERRIDGE GOLF CLUB

Mayor Ardis explained that the purpose of the recognition was to identify a small business from each District while the City Council was meeting at various locations in the City in order to recognize that business's positive impact in the community.

Mayor Ardis introduced Mr. Jerry Weaver, owner of WeaverRidge Golf Club. He remarked that WeaverRidge was developed by Jerry and Nancy Weaver, which opened in 1997. He said it was known as one of the best new golf courses in the country. He noted Mr. Weaver's influence on young workers to help develop positive working ethics. He expressed his appreciation to Mr. Weaver and his positive impact in the community and his investment in the City.

Council Member Montelongo congratulated Mr. Weaver for his development and growth of WeaverRidge Golf Club. He remarked that it was one of a kind within the community.

MINUTES

Council Member Spain moved to approve the minutes of the Joint City Council and Town Board Meeting held on October 14, 2014, as printed; 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.

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

- (14-421) Communication from the Town Officials Budget Committee Requesting Approval of the Proposed Estimated TAX LEVY of \$2,230,932.00 with an Estimated TAX RATE of \$0.1448 for the Town of the City of Peoria and to Enter this Action into the Permanent Record.**

Trustee Grayeb moved to approve the proposed estimated tax levy of \$2,230,932.00 with an estimated tax rate of \$0.1448 for the Town of the City of Peoria and to enter this action in the permanent record; seconded by Trustee Turner.

Approved by roll call vote.

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

Nays: None.

PETITIONS, REMONSTRANCES & COMMUNICATIONS – CITY OF PEORIA

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

- (14-422)** **Communication from the City Manager and Director of Public Works with a Request to ACCEPT the LOW BID of LASER ELECTRIC, INC. and Award the CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT in the Amount of \$86,949.87, with an Additional Authorization of \$8,694.99 for 10% Contingencies, for a Total Award of \$95,644.86 for the SHERIDAN ROAD H.A.W.K. PEDESTRIAN SIGNAL PROJECT Adjacent to Notre Dame High School. (District 3)**
- (14-423)** **Communication from the City Manager and the Chief Information Officer with a Request to APPROVE a Three (3) Year Maintenance AGREEMENT with ALTURA COMMUNICATIONS (Avaya Business Partner) for Maintenance on All Voice Communications Servers for the City of Peoria, in the Amount of \$47,195.83 Each Year.**
- (14-424)** **Communication from the City Manager and the Director of Community Development with a Request to Concur with the Recommendation from the Planning & Zoning Commission and Staff to ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 17,155 Approving a SPECIAL USE in Class I-3 (General Industrial) District for a JUNK YARD and AUTO GRAVEYARD, with a TOWING AND IMPOUND LOT, for the Property Identified as 2001, 2015, 2017 and 2021 S. DARST STREET (18-19-228-004 and 18-19-231-006 through 009), Located within Peoria, IL (District 1).**
- (14-425)** **APPOINTMENT by Mayor Ardis to the SPRINGDALE CEMETERY MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY with a Request to Concur:**

Mr. Steve Kerr (Voting) - Term Expiration June 30, 2015
- (14-426)** **APPOINTMENT by Mayor Ardis to the CONSTRUCTION COMMISSION with a Request to Concur:**

Mr. Bill Goad (Voting) - Term Expiration June 30, 2015
Mr. Brad Hall (Voting) - Term Expiration June 30, 2017

(14-427) APPOINTMENTS by Mayor Ardis to the PEORIA PUBLIC ARTS ADVISORY COMMISSION with a Request to Concur:

**Suzette Boulais (Voting) - Term Expiration TBD
Beth Ruesch (Voting) - Term Expiration TBD
James Pearce (Voting) - Term Expiration TBD
Jonathon Romain (Voting) - Term Expiration TBD
James Ludwig (Voting) - Term Expiration TBD**

(14-428) REAPPOINTMENTS AND APPOINTMENTS by Mayor Ardis to the TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION with a Request to Concur:

**Mr. Joe Hudson (Voting) - Term Expiration June 30, 2016
Mrs. Mary Jane Crowell (Voting) - Term Expiration June 30, 2016
Mr. Brandon Lott (Voting) - Term Expiration June 30, 2017
Mr. Michael Vespa (Voting) - Term Expiration June 30, 2017
Mr. Randall Ray (Voting) - Term Expiration June 30, 2016
Mr. Lon Lyons (Voting) - Term Expiration June 30, 2017
Mr. Nathaniel Herz (Voting) - Term Expiration June 30, 2017
Mr. Dan Adler (Voting) - Term Expiration June 30, 2017**

(14-429) Communication from the Peoria Civic Center Authority with a Request to RECEIVE and FILE the PEORIA CIVIC CENTER OPERATING and CAPITAL BUDGET for FISCAL YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2015.

(14-430) REQUEST to Adopt the COMMITTEE REPORT (Policy Session) Regarding ENTERPRISE ZONE REGULATIONS and APPLICATIONS.

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

Council Member Riggerbach requested Item No. 14-422 be removed from the Consent Agenda for further discussion.

Council Member Akeson requested Item No. 14-430 be removed from the Consent Agenda for further discussion.

Council Member Spain requested Item No. 14-427 be removed from the Consent Agenda for further discussion.

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

Item Nos. 14-422 through 14-430 (excluding Item Nos. 14-422, 14-427 and 14-430, which were 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.

(14-422) **Communication from the City Manager and Director of Public Works with a**
***** **Request to ACCEPT the LOW BID of LASER ELECTRIC, INC. and Award the**
 CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT in the Amount of \$86,949.87, with an
 Additional Authorization of \$8,694.99 for 10% Contingencies, for a Total
 Award of \$95,644.86 for the SHERIDAN ROAD H.A.W.K. PEDESTRIAN
 SIGNAL PROJECT Adjacent to Notre Dame High School. [District 3]

Council Member Riggerbach moved to defer this matter to the November 11, 2014, Regular City Council meeting; seconded by Council Member Turner.

Motion to defer this matter to the November 11, 2014, Regular City Council meeting was approved by roll call vote.

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

Nays: None.

(14-427) **APPOINTMENTS by Mayor Ardis to the PEORIA PUBLIC ARTS ADVISORY**
****** **COMMISSION with a Request to Concur:**

Suzette Boulais (Voting) - Term Expiration TBD

Beth Ruesch (Voting) - Term Expiration TBD

James Pearce (Voting) - Term Expiration TBD

Jonathon Romain (Voting) - Term Expiration TBD

James Ludwig (Voting) - Term Expiration TBD

A replacement communication was distributed removing the appointment of Renee Gorrell.

Council Member Spain moved to concur with the appointments of Suzette Boulais, Beth Ruesch, James Pearce, Jonathon Romain, Renee Gorrell and James Ludwig to the Peoria Public Arts Advisory Commission; seconded by Council Member Johnson.

Approved by roll call vote.

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

Nays: None.

(14-430) **REQUEST to *Adopt the COMMITTEE REPORT (Policy Session)**
******* **Regarding ENTERPRISE ZONE REGULATIONS and APPLICATIONS.**

Council Member Akeson expressed a concern with adopting the Committee Report, which could leave Staff the impression that everything discussed was direction from the City Council. She said it was her opinion that the Council had not come to a conclusion of the discussion and that a public policy was not created. She said it was her opinion that the City Council should not adopt the report, but the Council should receive and file the report.

Council Member Weaver moved to *receive and file the Committee Report regarding Enterprise Zone Regulations and Applications; seconded by Council Member Spain.

Approved by roll call vote.

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

Nays: None.

REGULAR BUSINESS ITEMS, with Recommendations as Outlined:

(14-431) Communication from the City Manager, the Community Development Director and Finance Director with the request for the following:

- A. ADOPT an ORDINANCE Amending the City of Peoria BUDGET for Fiscal Year 2014 Relating to the Funds Awarded by LOCAL INITIATIVES SUPPORT CORPORATION (LISC), in the Amount of \$170,000.00;**
- B. AUTHORIZE the City Manager to Execute a SUBGRANTEE AGREEMENT with LISC, in the Amount of \$170,000.00, for Property Demolitions.**

Council Member Riggerbach remarked that this item along with the additional items involving Access Peoria were the result of a \$3 million grant award from the Illinois Attorney General to the Local Initiatives Support Corporation (LISC) from the National Foreclosure Settlement Funds. He said the geographic zone was targeted in the East Village Growth Cell. He identified the Partnerships' team members outlined in the Council Communication. He recognized the efforts of City Staff Ms. Nicole Frederick, Ms. Shannon Techie, and Mr. Joe Dulin on representing the City of Peoria in this matter. He provided a breakdown of the project noting various demolitions, constructions, and mortgage lending and real estate services offered to prospective home buyers. He said the \$3 million from the Attorney General when combined with IDHA HOME funds would provide nearly \$6 million worth of development in the East Bluff Neighborhood. He recognized former Council Member Bob Manning for his efforts in this project.

Council Member Riggerbach moved to adopt an Ordinance amending the City of Peoria budget for Fiscal Year 2014 relating to the funds awarded by the Local Initiatives Support Corporation (LISC), in the amount of \$170,000.00; seconded by Council Member Jensen.

Council Member Akeson said she visited the neighborhoods for the proposed new developments, and she said she had concerns regarding how this project would take place. She said she was not convinced this strategy would create revitalization described in the Council Communication.

Mr. Brandon Holmes of LISC addressed some of Council Member Akeson's concerns. He said there was money set aside for long term maintenance and there were operating reserves.

Council Member Akeson continued to express concern as to how these new structures would fit into the neighborhood. She remarked that a new construction should be able to fit seamlessly into a neighborhood. She expressed concerns that drawings of the proposed construction were not provided in advance.

Mayor Ardis commented that the item before the Council related to the financial aspect of the project only. He said discussion regarding the construction of the project would be held when that item was before Council.

Council Member Akeson said she was opposed to the project because the Council was not given the entire plan.

ORDINANCE NO. 17,156 amending the City of Peoria budget for Fiscal Year 2014 relating to the funds awarded by the Local Initiatives Support Corporation (LISC), in the amount of \$170,000.00 was adopted by roll call vote.

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

Nays: Akeson - 1.

Council Member Riggerbach moved to authorize the City Manager to execute a subgrantee agreement with LISC, in the amount of \$170,000.00 for property demolitions; seconded by Council Member Grayeb.

Approved by roll call vote.

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

Nays: Akeson - 1.

(14-432) Communication from the City Manager and Community Development Director with a Request to Approve the Purchase CONTRACT between ACCESS PEORIA, LLC, an Illinois Limited Liability Company, and the City of Peoria for Property Located at 1831 N. PEORIA and 1634 N. MISSOURI for the Sale Price of \$2,250.00. (District 3).

Council Member Riggerbach moved to approve the purchase contract between Access Peoria, LLC, an Illinois Limited Liability Company, and the City of Peoria for property located at 1831 N. Peoria and 1634 N. Missouri for the sale price of \$2,250.00; seconded by Council Member Jensen.

Approved by roll call vote.

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

Nays: Akeson - 1.

(14-433) Communication from the City Manager and the Director of Community Development with a Recommendation from the Planning & Zoning Commission and Staff for the Following:

A. APPROVE a RESOLUTION, which Approves a Preliminary and Final Plat for ACCESS PEORIA SITE 1 SUBDIVISION, a One-Lot Subdivision for Duplex Development, with Waivers, for the Property Located at 1634 N. MISSOURI AVENUE (Parcel Identification No. 18-04-210-032), Peoria, IL. (District 3).

- B. APPROVE a RESOLUTION, which Approves a Preliminary and Final Plat for ACCESS PEORIA SITE 2 SUBDIVISION, a One-Lot Subdivision for Duplex Development, with Waivers, for the Property Located at 1831 N. PEORIA AVENUE (Parcel Identification No. 18-04-202-033), Peoria, IL. (District 3).**
- C. APPROVE a RESOLUTION, which Approves a Preliminary and Final Plat for ACCESS PEORIA SITE 3 SUBDIVISION, a One-Lot Subdivision for Duplex Development, with Waivers, for the Property Located at 1915 N. PEORIA AVENUE (Parcel Identification No. 14-33-453-032), Peoria, IL. (District 3).**
- D. APPROVE a RESOLUTION, which Approves a Preliminary and Final Plat for ACCESS PEORIA SITE 4 SUBDIVISION, a One-Lot Subdivision for Duplex Development, with Waivers, for the Property Located at 1512-1514 N. NEW YORK AVENUE (Parcel Identification No. 18-04-277-021), Peoria, IL. (District 3).**
- E. APPROVE a RESOLUTION, which Approves a Preliminary and Final Plat for ACCESS PEORIA SITE 5 SUBDIVISION, a One-Lot Subdivision for Duplex Development, with Waivers, for the Property Located at 1817-1819 N. INDIANA AVENUE (Parcel Identification No. 18-04-227-033), Peoria, IL. (District 3).**
- F. APPROVE a RESOLUTION, which Approves a Preliminary and Final Plat for ACCESS PEORIA SITE 6 SUBDIVISION, a One-Lot Subdivision for Duplex Development, with Waivers, for the Property Located at 1707 N. INDIANA AVENUE (Parcel Identification No. 18-04-231-025), Peoria, IL. (District 3).**
- G. APPROVE a RESOLUTION, which Approves a Preliminary and Final Plat for ACCESS PEORIA SITE 7 SUBDIVISION, a One-Lot Subdivision for Duplex Development, with Waivers, for the Property Located at 603 E. RAVINE AVENUE (Parcel Identification No. 18-04-227-031), Peoria, IL. (District 3).**
- H. APPROVE a RESOLUTION, which Approves a Preliminary and Final Plat for ACCESS PEORIA SITE 8 SUBDIVISION, a One-Lot Subdivision for Duplex Development, with Waivers, for the Property Located at 713 E. LASALLE STREET (Parcel Identification No. 18-04-232-016), Peoria, IL. (District 3).**

Council Member Riggerbach moved to approve a Resolution, which approves a preliminary and final plat for Access Peoria Site 1 Subdivision, a one-lot subdivision for duplex development, with waivers, for the property located at 1634 N. Missouri Avenue (Parcel Identification No. 18-04-210-032), Peoria, Illinois; seconded by Council Member Turner.

In response to Council Member Akeson, Community Development Director Ross Black said within the Land Development Code there was a requirement that new development had to be similar to the surrounding development and that the design had to be compatible, but not necessarily identical.

Council Member Akeson expressed her concern with this project and the lack of design standards.

Council Member Riggenbach confirmed there had been discussions in order to verify that these new constructions would fit within the neighborhoods. He said IFF was very conscientious of what the City wanted to accomplish. He said he was comfortable with the Land Development Code with the scale for homes to be compatible. He said the Code gave direction without dictating. He said this project was truly a marking point for the future of the East Bluff. He remarked that this project was a long progression and it was an opportunity to have these funds. He expressed appreciation for Council Member Akeson's concerns, but he said with the direction and partnerships in place along with the phenomenal community involvement, he believed there would be a number of checks and balances in place to keep everyone on track to develop a project that would be the pride of the community.

In response to Council Member Grayeb, Council Member Riggenbach said IFF presented examples of other similar properties with a similar targeted population that would make the projects blend with the East Bluff neighborhood. He said there were examples, but final decisions on the plans had not been made.

Council Member Moore said she could appreciate the East Bluff's position in looking for someone to invest in their community. She said funds were available from the State that would provide housing for handicapped individuals. He commented that IFF agreed to make the new constructions fit in with the neighborhood. She said it was her intent to vote in favor of all eleven of the items before the Council.

Ms. Tara Peeler of IFF said she had been involved with this process since the beginning. She said the City had a lot of input in the designs. She said the duplexes were fully accessible one-story buildings making them fully ADA or wheelchair accessible. She said IFF was close to finalizing plans with the help and input from City Staff.

Discussions continued regarding the architectural design of the proposed new structures.

Council Member Spain expressed his appreciation to Council Member Riggenbach for his efforts in this matter, and he expressed confidence in his leadership. He said he wanted to place emphasis on the role of LISC in this project. He said even though this organization was new to the Peoria area, it was not new to this type of project, which they had been doing for approximately 35 years. He said this was a good project and good for the East Bluff and he said he would support this project.

RESOLUTION NO. 14-433A, which approves a preliminary and final plat for Access Peoria Site 1 Subdivision, a one-lot subdivision for duplex development, with waivers, for the property located at 1634 N. Missouri Avenue (Parcel Identification No. 18-04-210-032), Peoria, Illinois, was approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Grayeb, Jensen, Johnson, Montelongo, Moore, Riggenbach, Spain, Turner, Weaver, Mayor Ardis – 10;

Nays: Akeson - 1.

Council Member Riggensch moved to approve a Resolution, which approves a preliminary and final plat for Access Peoria Site 2 Subdivision, a one-lot subdivision for duplex development, with waivers, for the property located at 1831 N. Peoria Avenue (Parcel Identification No. 18-04-202-033), Peoria, Illinois; seconded by Council Member Moore.

RESOLUTION NO. 14-433B was approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Grayeb, Jensen, Johnson, Montelongo, Moore, Riggensch, Spain, Turner, Weaver, Mayor Ardis – 10;

Nays: Akeson - 1.

Council Member Riggensch moved to approve a Resolution, which approves a preliminary and final plat for Access Peoria Site 3 Subdivision, a one-lot subdivision for duplex development, with waivers, for the property located at 1915 N. Peoria Avenue (Parcel Identification No. 14-33-453-032), Peoria, Illinois; seconded by Council Member Moore.

RESOLUTION NO. 14-433C was approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Grayeb, Jensen, Johnson, Montelongo, Moore, Riggensch, Spain, Turner, Weaver, Mayor Ardis – 10;

Nays: Akeson - 1.

Council Member Riggensch moved to approve a Resolution, which approves a preliminary and final plat for Access Peoria Site 4 Subdivision, a one-lot subdivision for duplex development, with waivers, for the property located at 1512-1514 N. New York Avenue (Parcel Identification No. 18-04-277-021), Peoria, Illinois; seconded by Council Member Jensen.

RESOLUTION NO. 14-433D was approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Grayeb, Jensen, Johnson, Montelongo, Moore, Riggensch, Spain, Turner, Weaver, Mayor Ardis – 10;

Nays: Akeson - 1.

Council Member Riggensch moved to approve a Resolution, which approves a preliminary and final plat for Access Peoria Site 5 Subdivision, a one-lot subdivision for duplex development, with waivers, for the property located at 1817-1819 N. Indiana Avenue (Parcel Identification No. 18-04-227-033), Peoria, Illinois; seconded by Council Member Spain.

RESOLUTION NO. 14-433E was approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Grayeb, Jensen, Johnson, Montelongo, Moore, Riggensch, Spain, Turner, Weaver, Mayor Ardis – 10;

Nays: Akeson - 1.

Council Member Riggensch moved to approve a Resolution, which approves a preliminary and final plat for Access Peoria Site 6 Subdivision, a one-lot subdivision for duplex development, with waivers, for the property located at 1707 N. Indiana Avenue (Parcel Identification No. 18-04-231-025), Peoria, Illinois; seconded by Council Member Jensen.

RESOLUTION NO. 14-433F was approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Grayeb, Jensen, Johnson, Montelongo, Moore, Riggensch, Spain, Turner, Weaver, Mayor Ardis – 10;

Nays: Akeson - 1.

Council Member Riggensch moved to approve a Resolution, which approves a preliminary and final plat for Access Peoria Site 7 Subdivision, a one-lot subdivision for duplex development, with waivers, for the property located at 603 E. Ravine Avenue (Parcel Identification No. 18-04-227-031), Peoria, Illinois; seconded by Council Member Turner.

RESOLUTION NO. 14-433G was approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Grayeb, Jensen, Johnson, Montelongo, Moore, Riggensch, Spain, Turner, Weaver, Mayor Ardis – 10;

Nays: Akeson - 1.

Council Member Riggensch moved to approve a Resolution, which approves a preliminary and final plat for Access Peoria Site 8 Subdivision, a one-lot subdivision for duplex development with waivers, for the property located at 713 E. Lasalle Street (Parcel Identification No. 18-04-232-016), Peoria, Illinois; seconded by Council Member Jensen.

RESOLUTION NO. 14-433H was approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Grayeb, Jensen, Johnson, Montelongo, Moore, Riggensch, Spain, Turner, Weaver, Mayor Ardis – 10;

Nays: Akeson - 1.

(14-434) Communication from the City Manager and the Community Development Director with a Request to Approve the Allocation of \$408,827.00 of HOME FUNDS to ACCESS PEORIA, LLC, for the Construction of Two New Duplexes Located at 713 E. LASALLE ST. (Tax ID# 18-04-232-016) and 1707 N. INDIANA AVE. (Tax ID# 18-04-231-025). (District 3).

Council Member Riggensch moved to approve the allocation of \$408,827.00 of HOME Funds to Access Peoria, LLC, for the construction of two new duplexes located at 713 E. Lasalle Street (Tax ID# 18-04-232-016) and 1707 N. Indiana Avenue (Tax ID# 18-04-231-025), Peoria, Illinois; seconded by Council Member Turner.

In response to Council Member Grayeb, Council Member Riggensch said all the labor force would be local.

Motion to allocate of \$408,827.00 of HOME Funds to Access Peoria, LLC, for the construction of two new duplexes located at 713 E. Lasalle Street (Tax ID# 18-04-232-016) and 1707 N. Indiana Avenue (Tax ID# 18-04-231-025), Peoria, Illinois was approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Grayeb, Jensen, Johnson, Montelongo, Moore, Riggensch, Spain, Turner, Weaver, Mayor Ardis – 10;

Nays: Akeson - 1.

(14-413) Communication from the City Manager and the Corporation Counsel with a Request to Adopt an ORDINANCE Amending CHAPTER 3 of the CODE of the City of Peoria to Add SUBCLASS 12 SUPPLEMENTAL LICENSE Allowing for On-Site Consumption of Alcohol for a Restaurant Located Inside a Supermarket Grocery Store.

Council Member Johnson moved to adopt an Ordinance amending Chapter 3 of the Code of the City of Peoria to add Subclass 12 Supplemental License allowing for on-site consumption of alcohol for a restaurant located inside a supermarket grocery store; seconded by Council Member Turner.

Council Member Riggerbach offered a friendly amendment to raise the square footage requirement of a supermarket grocery store from 24,000 square feet to 50,000 square feet in order to assure the grocery stores were truly supermarket grocery stores.

Council Member Johnson agreed to the friendly amendment.

Council Member Grayeb expressed his concern regarding this Ordinance citing potential control issues. He said it was his opinion that passing this Ordinance would be against the best interest of the City. He expressed a concern that the Council did not have all the necessary information at the First Reading of this Ordinance. Because of his concerns, he said he would not support the motion to adopt this Ordinance.

Discussions were held regarding the definitions of a grocery store and a supermarket grocery store. Corporation Counsel Leist said the reason for the amendment was to provide more definition for a supermarket.

Mayor Ardis recommended clarifying the Ordinance by including the minimum size for the supermarket grocery store along with a cleaner definition of a full service restaurant. He recommended deferring this item in order for Staff to clarify these issues for Council.

Council Member Weaver expressed a concern regarding a construction delay with the cold season approaching. He said deferring this matter would delay construction for those who wanted to utilize this Ordinance; however, he remarked on the importance of clearly defining the meaning of "full service."

Discussions were held regarding the square footage of the grocery store, with the recommendation of a minimum size being 25,000 square feet.

Council Member Johnson moved to defer the motion to amend the motion to adopt an Ordinance amending Chapter 3 of the Code of the City of Peoria to add Subclass 12 Supplemental License allowing for on-site consumption of alcohol for a restaurant located inside a supermarket grocery store, as amended to change the square footage from 25,000 to 50,000, to the November 11, 2014, Regular City Council Meeting; seconded by Council Member Jensen.

Council Member Weaver encouraged the Council not to defer this matter to a later date. He said by deferring it, construction would be affected.

Motion to defer to the November 11, 2014, Regular City Council Meeting was approved by roll call vote.

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

Nays: Akesson, Weaver, Spain - 3.

CLERK'S NOTE: At the November 11, 2014, City Council Meeting, the motion on the floor will be to adopt the Ordinance, as amended, changing the required square footage from 25,000 to 50,000.

- (14-414) **Communication from the City Manager and the Corporation Counsel with a Request to ADOPT One of the Following Ordinances Amending Chapter 3 of the Code of the City of Peoria Regarding Liquor Regulations Relating to Proposed Establishments that Will Operate Video Gaming Terminals:**
- A. An ORDINANCE Amending Section 3-92 of CHAPTER 3 of the CODE of the City of Peoria, Requiring Newly Site Approved Class A, B, B-1, G-A, or G-B Liquor Licensee to Have a MINIMUM AVERAGE MONTHLY SALE of at Least \$10,000 from the Sale of Food, Alcoholic or Non-Alcoholic Beverages, and/or General Merchandise For One Year Prior to Adding Video Gaming Machines;**
 - B. An ORDINANCE Amending Section 3-92 of CHAPTER 3 of the CODE of the City of Peoria, Requiring Newly Site Approved Class A, B, B-1, G-A, or G-B Liquor Licensee to Have a MINIMUM AVERAGE MONTHLY SALE of at Least \$10,000 from the Sale of Food, Alcoholic or Non-Alcoholic Beverages, and/or General Merchandise For One Year Prior to Adding Video Gaming Machines AND No Video Gaming Terminals Will be Allowed in Any New Liquor Establishment which is Located within 1500 feet from an Already Established Liquor Establishment with Video Gaming Terminals;**
 - C. An ORDINANCE Amending Section 3-92 of CHAPTER 3 of the CODE of the City of Peoria, Requiring Newly Site Approved Class A, B, B-1, G-A, or G-B Liquor Licensee to Have a MINIMUM AVERAGE MONTHLY SALE of at Least \$10,000 from the Sale of Food, Alcoholic or Non-Alcoholic Beverages, and/or General Merchandise For One Year Prior to Adding Video Gaming Machines, No Video Gaming Terminals Will be Allowed in Any New Liquor Establishment which is Located within 1500 feet from an Already Established Liquor Establishment with Video Gaming Terminals; AND Limit the Number of Liquor Establishments that can Operate Video Gaming Terminals to 5 Per City Council District.**

Corporation Counsel Don Leist provided an overview of this Item noting that Staff incorporated recommendations from the Council. He said the Council needed to determine which of these items to adopt.

Council Member Jensen moved to approve Item C, an Ordinance amending Section 3-92 of Chapter 3 of the Code of the City of Peoria, requiring newly site approved Class A, B, B-1, G-A, or G-B Liquor Licensees to have a minimum average monthly sale of at least \$10,000 from the sale of food, alcoholic or non-alcoholic beverages, and/or general merchandise for one year prior to adding video gaming machines, no video gaming terminals will be allowed in any new liquor establishment which is located within 1500 feet from an already established liquor establishment with video gaming terminals; and limit the number of liquor establishments that can operate video gaming terminals to 5 per City Council District, with the amendment that the establishment had to have a minimum average monthly sale of at least \$15,000 from the sale of food, alcoholic or non-alcoholic beverages, and/or general merchandise, and only one additional video gaming terminal would be allowed to open in each Council District; seconded by Council Member Weaver.

Council Member Turner expressed a concern of how this would negatively impact local long-time existing businesses.

Council Member Jensen said she was concerned with video gaming cafes, and she remarked that it was a reasonable limitation to have only one per Council District along with the minimum sale of food, which she believed would prevent over-saturation of the population.

Council Member Spain remarked that the prevailing thought among the Council was that there needed to be an Ordinance designed for businesses that were not established to serve alcohol or food, but were back doors to having gaming machines. He said he was not an advocated for Option B, as presented. He said Option C was poor policy with a quota system assigned to a geographic boundary, which was an open invitation for corruption and inappropriate behavior. He said with the motion currently on the floor for Option C, it was his opinion that it was poor public policy and he would not support that motion.

Council Member Riggerbach reminded the Council that a majority of the Council voted to accept the State's new laws on video gaming, which allowed them in qualified establishments. He said he concurred with Council Member Spain's remarks relating to Option A. He said what the Council wanted to avoid were video gaming cafes that served pop and chips.

Mayor Ardis said it was his observation of the options provided that each option included additional restrictions. He said he concurred with Council Member Spain's assessment on Option C and that he was not in favor of the current motion on the floor.

Corporation Counsel Leist said monthly reports were available in the Finance Department that demonstrated how much money was generated from alcohol or other sales. He said a \$10,000.00 licensing fee was no longer a requirement, and instead Staff recommended a minimum of \$10,000.00 in sales. He said the additional license fee would be the same as a Class A Tavern license, having a fee of \$840.00, and the fee for a Class B was \$1,000.00.

Council Member Moore said she was not in favor of any of the options presented in that none allowed for small business owners.

Motion to approve Item C, an Ordinance amending Section 3-92 of Chapter 3 of the Code of the City of Peoria, requiring newly site approved Class A, B, B-1, G-A, or G-B Liquor Licensee to have a minimum average monthly sale of at least \$10,000 from the sale of food, alcoholic or non-alcoholic beverages, and/or general merchandise for one year prior to adding video gaming machines, no video gaming terminals will be allowed in any new liquor establishment which is located within 1500 feet from an already established liquor establishments with video gaming terminals; and limit the number of liquor establishment that can operate video gaming terminals to 5 per City Council District, with the amendment that the establishment had to have a minimum average monthly sale of at least \$15,000 from the sale of food, alcoholic or non-alcoholic beverages, and/or general merchandise, and only one video gaming terminals would be allowed to open in each Council District was DEFEATED by roll call vote.

Yeas: Akesson, Grayeb, Jensen, Weaver – 4;

Nays: Johnson, Montelongo, Moore, Riggerbach, Spain, Turner, Mayor Ardis - 7.

Council Member Akeson moved that no more video gaming establishments be allowed within the City of Peoria, and to grandfather the current ones into the City; seconded by Council Member Jensen.

In response to Council Member Grayeb, Corporation Counsel Leist said the current motion on the floor was legally defensible and appropriate.

Council Member Grayeb said he would support the current motion on the floor, and he asked the other Council Members to do the same.

Discussions were held regarding if a current business sold its establishment, would the license be conveyed to the other business. It was noted that this would cause the property value of that business to become overvalued. It was discussed that an establishment that already had its liquor license allowed for them to apply for gaming machines.

Motion that no more video gaming establishments be allowed within the City of Peoria, and to grandfather the current ones into the City was DEFEATED by roll call vote.

Yeas: Akeson, Grayeb, Jensen, Riggerbach, Weaver – 5;

Nays: Johnson, Montelongo, Moore, Spain, Turner, Mayor Ardis - 6.

Council Member Spain moved to approve Item A, an Ordinance amending Section 3-92 of Chapter 3 of the Code of the City of Peoria, requiring newly site approved Class A, B, B-1, G-A, or G-B liquor licensee to have a minimum average monthly sale of at least \$10,000 from the sale of food, alcoholic or non-alcoholic beverages, and/or general merchandise for one year prior to adding video gaming machines; seconded by Council Member Turner.

Motion to approve was DEFEATED by roll call vote.

Yeas: Johnson, Riggerbach, Spain, Turner, Mayor Ardis – 5;

Nays: Akeson, Grayeb, Jensen, Montelongo, Moore, Weaver – 6.

Mayor Ardis stated that the current moratorium remains in full force and effect.

(14-435) Communication from the City Manager and the Director of Community Development with a Recommendation from the Planning & Zoning Commission and Staff for the Following:

- A. ADOPT an ORDINANCE Granting a SPECIAL USE in Class R-3 (Single Family Residential) District for a Family Care Facility for the Property Identified as 1910 W. NEWMAN PARKWAY (Parcel Identification No. 14-31 -281-015), Peoria, Illinois (District 2).**
- B. ADOPT an ORDINANCE Granting a SPECIAL USE in Class R-3 (Single Family Residential) District for a Family Care Facility for the Property Identified as 6502 N. ROBINWOOD DR (Parcel Identification No. 14-18-129-019), Peoria, Illinois (District 5).**
- C. ADOPT an ORDINANCE Granting a Special Use in Class R-3 (Single Family Residential) District for a Family Care Facility for the Property Identified as 6225 N. HAMILTON RD (Parcel Identification No. 14-18-254-006), Peoria, IL. (District 4).**

- D. ADOPT an ORDINANCE Granting a Special Use in Class R-3 (Single Family Residential) District for a Family Care Facility for the Property Identified as 2912 PARKRIDGE DR. (Parcel Identification No. 14-31-151-007), Peoria, IL. (District 4).**

- E. APPROVE a recommendation to DENY a Special Use in Class R-3 (Single Family Residential) District for a Family Care Facility for the Property Identified as 4023 SAYMORE CT (Parcel Identification No. 13-25-202-030), Peoria IL. (District 4).**

Council Member Grayeb remarked that this was an exciting construction project in the City of Peoria. He said the Petitioner has done an excellent job assisting people with developmentally disabled people in their homes.

Mr. Roger A. Meyer, a Peoria resident, spoke in favor of the Bethesda Lutheran Community Housing. He outlined the various programs the Church offered the residents and encouraged their attendance to their services. He encouraged the City Council to approve each of these motions, and he said Bethesda was serving a ministry to the people. He remarked that putting them in small group homes provided them with an opportunity to flourish and to be happy.

Council Member Grayeb moved to adopt an Ordinance granting a Special Use in Class R-3 (Single Family Residential) District for a family care facility for the property identified as 1910 W. Newman Parkway (Parcel Identification No. 14-31 -281-015), Peoria, Illinois; seconded by Council Member Jensen.

ORDINANCE NO. 17,157 was adopted roll call vote.

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

Nays: None.

Council Member Johnson moved to adopt an Ordinance granting a Special Use in Class R-3 (Single Family Residential) District for a family care facility for the property identified as 6502 N. Robinwood Dr. (Parcel Identification No. 14-18-129-019), Peoria, Illinois; seconded by Council Member Jensen.

ORDINANCE NO. 17,158 was adopted by roll call vote.

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

Nays: None.

Council Member Montelongo moved to adopt an Ordinance granting a Special Use in Class R-3 (Single Family Residential) District for a family care facility for the property identified as 6225 N. Hamilton Rd. (Parcel Identification No. 14-18-254-006), Peoria, Illinois; seconded by Council Member Jensen.

ORDINANCE NO. 17,159 was adopted by roll call vote.

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

Nays: None.

Council Member Montelongo moved to adopt an Ordinance granting a Special Use in Class R-3 (Single Family Residential) District for a family care facility for the property identified as 2912 Parkridge Dr. (Parcel Identification No. 14-31-151-007), Peoria, Illinois; seconded by Council Member Spain.

ORDINANCE NO. 17,160 was adopted by roll call vote.

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

Nays: None.

Council Member Montelongo moved to WITHDRAW the request to deny a Special Use in Class R-3 (Single Family Residential) District for a Family Care Facility for the property identified as 4023 Saymore Ct. (Parcel Identification No. 13-25-202-030), Peoria, Illinois; seconded by Council Member Jensen.

A letter regarding the request to withdraw this item was distributed to all Council.

Motion to WITHDRAW was approved by roll call vote.

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

Nays: None.

(14-436) Communication from the City Manager and Corporation Counsel with a Request to ADOPT Either ORDINANCE “A” or ORDINANCE “B” SETTING COMPENSATION for ELECTED OFFICIALS of the City of Peoria.

Council Member Turner moved to approved Ordinance A setting compensation for elected officials of the City of Peoria; seconded by Council Member Akesson.

ORDINANCE NO. 17,161 was adopted by roll call vote.

Yeas: Akesson, Grayeb, Johnson, Moore, Riggerbach, Turner, Mayor Ardis – 7;

Nays: Jensen, Montelongo, Spain, Weaver – 4.

(14-437) Communication from the City Manager and Corporation Counsel with a Request to Approve the SITE APPLICATION for a Class D (Hotel) Liquor License with On-Site Consumption and Retail Sale of Alcohol at the SPRINGHILL SUITES, 2701 W. LAKE, with a Recommendation from the Liquor Commission to Approve. (DISTRICT 4)

Council Member Montelongo moved to approve the Site Application for a Class D (Hotel) Liquor License with on-site consumption and retail sale of alcohol at the Springhill Suites, 2701 W. Lake, with a recommendation from the Liquor Commission to approve; seconded by Council Member Akesson.

Approved by roll call vote.

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

Nays: None.

- (14-438) 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 the BLUE MARGARITAS MEXICAN BAR & GRILL, 9010 N. ALLEN ROAD, SUITE C & D, with a Recommendation from the Liquor Commission to Approve, contingent upon the following: 1) All handicapped fee signs must be \$350.00; and 2) The dumpster in the rear of the building must be screened in a six foot tall, four-sided solid enclosure. (DISTRICT 5)**

Council Member Johnson moved to approve the Site Application for a Class B (Restaurant, 50% Food) Liquor License with on-site consumption and retail sale of alcohol at the Blue Margaritas Mexican Bar & Grill, 9010 N. Allen Road, Suite C & D, with the recommendation from the Liquor Commission to approve, contingent upon the following: 1) All handicapped fee signs must be \$350.00; and 2) The dumpster in the rear of the building must be screened in a six foot tall four-sided solid enclosure; seconded by Council Member Turner.

Approved by roll call vote.

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

Nays: None.

- (14-439) Communication from the City Manager and the Finance Director/Comptroller Requesting the following:**

A. A PRESENTATION of the Recommended REVISED 2015 ANNUAL BUDGET.

B. APPROVE the ESTIMATE OF TAXES TO BE LEVIED, in the Amount of \$25,333,673, at a RATE of \$1.2899 Pursuant to 35 ILCS 200/18-60.

City Manager Urich reviewed the outline for the proposed revised 2015 budget. He reported that this was year two of Peoria's first two-year budget. He said a copy of the 2015 budget was filed in the City Clerk's Office and would be made available to public on the City's website by October 29, 2014. He reviewed the 2015 Budget Calendar identifying important deadline dates. He said the City Council would have a Special Meeting of the Council on November 18, 2014, to continue budget discussions. He remarked that, if necessary, a Truth in Taxation Hearing would be held at the same time.

Mayor Ardis commented that a Truth in Taxation was not necessary at this time unless the City Council saw a need to raise taxes.

City Manager Urich continued to review the Budget Calendar noting that Staff would be asking for approval of the budget at the November 25, 2014, City Council Meeting.

City Manager Urich reviewed the opening transmittal, and he reported that the Police and Fire Pensions needed an additional \$1 million for pensions and capital expenses would decrease by nearly \$7 million, a 26.3% reduction. He said the goal was to curtail capital spending without having to reduce City staff. He reviewed a list of Capital Improvement Projects along with the recommended amounts to be swept from the projects. He reviewed the estimated revenues for 2015 noting a significant decline in tax revenues. He said the revenue projections for 2015 had to be adjusted. He remarked that other funds had been stressed such as the home rule and state sales taxes, revenue from the river boat, and licensing. He reported that some of the

declines were due to staff vacancies, such as Parking Enforcement. He reviewed the major expense categories for 2014-2015, fund balances, staffing, and the growth in the Police and Fire pension contributions.

In response to Council Member Akeson, City Manager Ulrich said he would provide a Report Back on what was included in the council and commissions contractual services and supplies and materials.

Mayor Ardis stated that if Council had additional questions or needed clarification, they should contact the City Manager by email with their questions prior to the next Budget Session.

In response to Council Member Montelongo and Council Member Weaver, Public Works Director Rogers provided an update on the road data project. He said throughout the data collection of the streets, Staff would come back to the City Council and provide an overall review of the road way conditions. He said if the City wanted to increase the budgeted amount by 10%, they would have to identify the four funding mechanisms needed, which was for the Council to determine.

Council Member Weaver pointed out that the decline in road conditions needed to be stopped. He requested an explanation regarding maintenance versus repair.

City Manager Ulrich said the City was able to curtail capital spending for 2015; however, he said at some point the City had to know the sustainable strategy.

Council Member Grayeb expressed the importance of keeping Staff in order to deliver important City services, and he remarked on the importance of retaining public safety personnel. He also discussed the CSO project and he suggested that discussion should begin with the public so they were informed.

Council Member Akeson moved to receive and file the presentation of the recommended Revised 2015 Annual Budget; 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.

Council Member Moore moved to approve the estimate of taxes to be levied, in the amount of \$25,333,673, at a rate of \$1.2899 pursuant to 35 ILCS 200/18-60; seconded by Council Member Riggerbach.

Approved by roll call vote.

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

Nays: None.

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

- (14-395) Communication from the City Manager and Corporation Counsel with a Request to DENY the SITE APPLICATION for a Class C-G (Gas Station/Convenience Store) Liquor License for Retail Sale of Packaged Alcohol at CASEY'S GENERAL STORE, 6203 N. BIG HOLLOW ROAD, with a Recommendation from the Liquor Commission to DENY. (DISTRICT 4)**

A letter was distributed to all Council from a concerned citizen urging the Council to deny this site application.

Council Member Montelongo moved to deny the Site Application for a Class C-G (Gas Station/Convenience Store) Liquor License for retail sale of packaged alcohol at Casey's General Store, 6203 N. Big Hollow Road; seconded by Council Member Spain.

Corporation Council Leist said the City's Legal Department would defend any action against the City Council, and should this matter go to litigation, the likelihood of success was difficult, and he said the Council most likely would not have a successful defense.

Motion to DENY the Site Application for a Class C-G (Gas Station/Convenience Store) Liquor License for retail sale of packaged alcohol at Casey's General Store, 6203 N. Big Hollow Road was approved by roll call vote.

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

Nays: None.

- (14-397) Communication from the City Manager and Corporation Counsel with a Request to Approve the SITE APPLICATION for a Class A (Tavern) Liquor License with On-Site Consumption and Retail Sale of Alcohol at PEACE BROTHERS CLUB, 1923 SW ADAMS, with a Recommendation from the Liquor Commission to Approve, contingent upon the following: 1) The rezoning of the property to a commercial zoning district; 2) The issuance of a change of use by the Community Development Department; and 3) The payment of any fees or fines owed to the Finance Department. (DISTRICT 1)**

Council Member Moore moved to deny the request to approve the Site Application for a Class A (Tavern) Liquor License with on-site consumption and retail sale of alcohol at Peace Brothers Club, 1923 SW Adams. She said this item had been deferred by the City Council twice. She said she had researched this location and spoke with the organization. She said the building was in disrepair both inside and out.

Motion seconded by Council Member Riggenbach.

Community Development Director Black said part of the requirement, under the Illinois Liquor Code, was that the property was to be inspected for compliance according to City Code. He said Staff was unable to gain access to this property prior to coming to Council. He said the recommendation at the Liquor Commission Hearing noted Staff did not have enough information, and he said any approval should be contingent as outlined in the communication.

He said when the zoning review was done, the property was not zoned for a tavern and that a change of use would be required. He said Staff made reports to the Liquor Commission and the Commission made its decision.

Council Member Turner said the Commission decided to approve the request with the additional comments as outlined in the communication. He said they wanted to make sure the Council was aware certain things had to be done before there was final approval.

Council Member Moore said she really wanted to see the Peace Brothers have a place of operation; however, she said she could not see how this particular building operated as a tavern for so long. She said she saw this as an opportunity to bring that particular building into compliance.

Motion to DENY the request to approve the Site Application for a Class A (Tavern) Liquor License with on-site consumption and retail sale of alcohol at Peace Brothers Club, 1923 SW Adams, was approved by roll call vote.

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

Nays: None.

NEW BUSINESS

Boy Staters from the American Legion

Council Member Turner introduced Mr. Aaron T. Chess, a Richwoods High School Senior who was attending tonight's meeting as part of the Boys Staters of the American Legion Post 2.

Hoops for Charity: Police vs. Firefighters Basketball Game

Council Member Turner announced that the Peoria Police and Fire Departments would be versing one another in a fund raising event on November 15, 2014, at 4:00 P.M. at the East Bluff Community Center. He said food and a raffle would be available. He encouraged everyone to attend this event.

Appreciation to Focal Point Video, LLC

Council Member Moore expressed her appreciation to Mr. George Bean of Focal Point Video LLC. She said Mr. Bean video recorded the Carver Community Center Update meeting and made it available on YouTube for the citizens of Peoria.

Show Your Mind, Not Your Behind

Council Member Moore said LISC was sponsoring a community project through the Neighborhood House promoting the slogan to young people with the statement, "Show Your Mind, Not Your Behind." She said grants had been received to promote this project. She said yard signs were being made to be displayed in neighborhood yards and posters were being created for businesses. She said these signs would be available for pick up this Saturday at the Neighborhood House. She expressed her appreciation to LISC for their contribution to this project.

Free Health Fair at the Carver Center

Council Member Moore announced that there would be a free health fair at the Carver Center this Saturday, November 1, 2014, from 9:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M.

Yard Waste Pickup

Council Member Moore reminded everyone that it was time to put out yard waste for free pickup before the season was over.

Request for a Review of the Historic Preservation Ordinance

Council Member Akeson said she recently attended a Historic Preservation Commission meeting. She said the Commission was charged with approving or denying requests that came before them. She said there was friction with a neighborhood and they wanted to be more proactive in their efforts. She requested Staff to come back with suggestions that would prevent this kind of friction it has caused when the Commission approved or denied a request. She requested Director Black to have Staff review the Ordinance.

Fourth District Breakfast Meeting, Thursday, November 6, 2014

Council Member Montelongo announced the Breakfast Meeting for the Fourth District was scheduled for Thursday, November 6, 2014, at 7:30 A.M. at Panera in Westlake Shopping Center. He said Council Member Akeson and Council Member Jensen would be attending those meetings in his place since he would be unable to attend. He said emails would be sent to his constituents of the Fourth District.

Day of the Dead Celebration

Council Member Riggerbach announced there would be a Latino Day of the Dead Celebration on Sunday, November 2, 2014, at 10:00 a.m. at Glen Oak School.

Ebola Epidemic Update

At the request of Council Member Weaver, Fire Chief Tomblin provided an update on the plan should there be an Ebola outbreak. He said the First Responders were AMTs, Fire and Police, and dispatch centers. He said the Department of Health and Welfare were included as well regarding how the community would react to an Ebola incident. He said the necessary equipment and sterilizations were ready, and personnel knew how to quarantine an incident until a hospital was reached. He said the Police Department was also involved in the process. He reported that he had contacted Lauren Malmberg of PCAPS to ensure the safety of pets. Chief Tomblin said infectious diseases were not uncommon for first responders and they were prepared to handle such incidents.

Burned House on Sheridan and Nebraska

In response to Council Member Grayeb, City Manager Urich reported that the house located on Sheridan and Nebraska, which had caught fire in late August, had not been demolished because no emergency request for a demolition was received by the City, nor had there been a request for the Community Development Department to come out to inspect the house. He reported that the Fire Department was currently conducting an arson investigation.

Appreciation To Peoria School District 150

Mayor Ardis expressed his appreciation to School District 150 for allowing the City Council to utilize Charles Lindbergh Middle School while the Council Chambers were in the process of being renovated.

November 11, 2014, City Council Meeting

Mayor Ardis announced that the next City Council meeting would be held at the Peoria County Courthouse in the County Board Room at 324 Main Street, County Board Room 403.

Appreciation to the City's Public Works Department

Mayor Ardis expressed his appreciation to the City's Public Works Department who ensured there would be a proper sound system held at this evening's meeting.

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. Savino Sierra, a Peoria resident, expressed his appreciation for the Paint Program to address issues on the South Side.

Mr. Charles Williams, a Peoria resident, expressed his disappointment in the budget. He remarked on the disrepair of City streets. He said the young African-American people needed more jobs, and he remarked on the traffic at Richwoods High School.

Mr. Steve Ashburn, a Peoria resident, remarked on the City's budget deficit. He said when citizens purchased items online, the City would not get any kind of sales tax revenue. He said it was not good for the City to build its budget on sales tax revenues when that type of revenue was not solid.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

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

ADJOURNMENT

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

Approved by roll call vote.

The Regular City Council Meeting adjourned at 9:55 P.M.



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