

**: OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS :**

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

A Joint Regular Meeting of the City Council and Town Board of Trustees of Peoria, Illinois, was held November 28, 2017, at 6:00 P.M. at City Hall, Council Chambers (Room 400), 419 Fulton Street, with Chairman Pro Tem Ruckriegel presiding, and with proper notice having been posted.

**ROLL CALL**

Roll Call showed the following Council Members were physically present: Akesson, Cyr, Grayeb, Jensen, Moore, Montelongo, Oyler, Rigggenbach, Chairman Pro Tem Ruckriegel – 9. Absent: Turner, Mayor Ardis - 2.

**INVOCATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Chairman Pro Tem Ruckriegel requested a moment of silent prayer or reflection and then he led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**PROCLAMATIONS, COMMENDATIONS, ETC.**

America's Gold Star Families and the Heroes Banner Program  
ABG Retirement Plan Services - 2017 Best in Retirement Business IMPACT Award  
Community Festival of Nativities - December 1 - 3, 2017  
Dream Girls Mentoring Program

**MINUTES**

Council Member Grayeb moved to approve the minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting held on November 14, 2017, the Special City Council Meeting held on November 21, 2017, as printed; seconded by Council Member Cyr.

Approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Akesson, Cyr, Grayeb, Jensen, Montelongo, Moore, Oyler, Rigggenbach, Chairman Pro Tem Ruckriegel - 9;

Nays: None.

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

**(17-349) Communication from the Town Board with a Request to APPROVE MONTHLY ANTICIPATED EXPENDITURES for DECEMBER 2017 for the Town of the City of Peoria.**

Trustee Grayeb moved to approve the monthly anticipated expenditures for December 2017 for the Town of the City of Peoria; seconded by Trustee Cyr.

Trustee Jensen remarked on the need for a more in-depth analysis regarding the consolidation of the Township with the City in order to work more efficiently and cost-effectively and to elicit meaningful public input.

Trustee Grayeb encouraged providing advanced notice on future questions in order for Township Officials to prepare and respond with the necessary information. He said the Township would provide presentation on the effects of consolidating with the City at a future meeting.

Trustee Jensen requested the presentation be a joint effort between the City and the Township with both entities conducting a study. She said this matter needed to be reviewed more closely and in advance of the Township budget for next year with an in-depth analysis and whether it would save the City money.

In response to Trustee Grayeb, City Manager Ulrich said a memo was previously provided to all Trustees in a Budget Report Back on what a consolidation of both entities would look like and he said he would redistribute the memo for further review by the Town Trustees

Motion to approve the monthly anticipated expenditures for December 2017 for the Town of the City of Peoria was approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Akesson, Cyr, Grayeb, Jensen, Moore, Montelongo, Oyler, Riggerbach, Chairman  
Pro Tem Ruckriegel - 9;

Nays: None.

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

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

- (17-350) **Communication from the City Manager and Community Development Director with a Request to APPROVE and ACCEPT the following:**
- A. **A Down Payment Assistance Grant from GREATER PEORIA LISC, in the Amount of \$100,000.00, as part of the ILLINOIS ATTORNEY GENERAL GRANT PARTNERS FOR A BETTER EAST BLUFF INITIATIVE.**
  - B. **An ORDINANCE Amending City of Peoria 2017 AMENDED ANNUAL BUDGET Relating to the Capital Fund to Recognize the Receipt of a Down Payment Assistance Grant from GREATER PEORIA LISC, in the Amount of \$100,000.00, as Part of the Illinois Attorney General Grant Partners for a Better East Bluff Initiative.**
- (17-351) **REPORT from the CITY TREASURER PATRICK A. NICHTING for the MONTH of OCTOBER 2017, with Request to Received and File.**
- (17-352) **Communication from the City Manager and Finance Director/Comptroller with a Request to RECEIVE and FILE the Month Ended OCTOBER 31, 2017, UNAUDITED FINANCIAL REPORT.**

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

Hearing no request to remove an item from the Consent Agenda, Council Member Riggerbach moved to approve the Consent Agenda items as outlined in the Council Communications; seconded by Council Member Moore.

Item Nos. 17-350 through 17-352 were approved by roll call vote under the Omnibus Vote Designation.

Yeas: Akesson, Cyr, Grayeb, Jensen, Montelongo, Moore, Oyler, Riggenschach, Chairman Pro Tem Ruckriegel - 9;

Nays: None.

### **FIRST READINGS**

**(17-353) Communication from the City Manager and the Community Development Director with a Request from the Planning & Zoning Commission and Staff for a FIRST READING of an ORDINANCE Amending the UNIFIED DEVELOPMENT CODE Related to SIGNS.**

Community Development Director Ross Black requested the Council receive and file the First Reading and to schedule this item for the January 9, 2018, Regular City Council Meeting. He said a thorough presentation would be given at that time, which would address the issue of temporary signs.

Council Member Grayeb moved to receive and file the First Reading of an Ordinance amending the Unified Development Code related to signs and to schedule this matter for a Second Reading and presentation at the January 9, 2018, Regular City Council meeting; seconded by Council Member Jensen.

In response to Council Member Grayeb, Director Black said part of the discussion in January would encompass temporary signs, the number allowed in one location and the length of time allowed to post. He said there was currently a generic approach on signage and he said he would provide background information to the City Council and to the public for review in order to discuss the matter more in depth in January.

Motion to receive and file the First Reading of an Ordinance amending the Unified Development Code related to signs and to schedule the matter for a Second Reading and presentation at the January 9, 2018, Regular City Council Meeting was approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Akesson, Cyr, Grayeb, Jensen, Montelongo, Moore, Oyler, Riggenschach, Chairman Pro Tem Ruckriegel - 9;

Nays: None.

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

**(17-354) Communication from the City Manager with a Request for to APPROVE the 2017-2032 STRATEGIC PLAN.**

Council Member Cyr moved to defer this item to the December 12, 2017, Regular City Council meeting; seconded by Council Member Jensen.

Motion to defer this item to the December 12, 2017, Regular City Council meeting was approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Akesson, Cyr, Grayeb, Jensen, Montelongo, Moore, Oyler, Riggenschach, Chairman Pro Tem Ruckriegel - 9;

Nays: None.

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

**(17-345) Communication from the City Manager with a Request to ADOPT an ORDINANCE Levying an Addition to Sales Tax within the WESTLAKE SPECIAL SERVICE AREA. (Fourth District)**

Council Member Montelongo moved to defer this item to the January 9, 2018, Regular City Council Meeting; seconded by Council Member Akeson.

Motion to defer this item to the January 9, 2018, Regular City Council meeting was approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Akeson, Cyr, Grayeb, Jensen, Montelongo, Moore, Oyler, Riggerbach, Chairman Pro Tem Ruckriegel - 9;

Nays: None.

**(17-326) Questions and Continued Discussions Concerning the 2018-2019 BUDGET**

City Manager Urich distributed the following handouts:

- Answers to Questions of Councilman Montelongo Concerning the 2018-2019 Budget
- Stormwater Utility Fee Credit and Incentive Manual – November 28, 2017 (DRAFT)

City Manager Urich said Staff previously presented to Council in a First Reading held on October 31, 2017, a policy on a stormwater utility and discussions were held on how the fee would be calculated. He said every parcel in the City would have a stormwater utility. He reviewed how the stormwater utility would be calculated as set forth in Section 31-162 of the proposed Ordinance. He said Staff was working on a Credit and Incentive Manual that encouraged onsite stormwater retention. He said this manual would be posted to the City's website once completed.

City Engineer/Assistant Public Works Director Bill Lewis reviewed the credits and incentives as outlined in the draft manual. He reviewed the application process for incentives and credits along with the fees associated with that process. He said the process would require a licensed professional engineer to review the application. He remarked on the importance of educating the youth of the City, noting that schools would be provided an incentive/credit for educating their students.

City Manager Urich said the stormwater utility was not due to go into effect until June 2018. He provided a timeline noting that the Ordinance pertaining to the utility was due to come before the Council for adoption at the December 5, 2017, Special City Council meeting. He said the credit approval was something that could come back before the City Council. He noted that the City Council could always make modifications to the Ordinance at a later date.

Council Member Montelongo expressed a concern for the cost that would be incurred by three shopping areas and golf courses within the Fourth District that had substantial impermeable surfaces and he commented on the importance of these places receiving credits and incentives. He said he was looking forward to having some input on the policy that the Council would be adopting in the future.

In regards to Council Member Grayeb's question on how this item related to the Combined Sewer Overflow settlement with the EPA, City Manager Urich said the stormwater utility was part of the funding stream on how the City would address its wet weather management. He commented on the advantage of having businesses address their drainage issues with their parking lots. He said the City would educate businesses and homeowners on best practices to reduce the amount of runoff from their properties. He said this would provide opportunity in the industry as well.

Council Member Riggerbach expressed his appreciation for this information noting that the last time outreach was conducted in the community was in 2015. He said this was a refresher prior to the City Council adopting the Ordinance that would establish the stormwater utility, which would set the rate. He said the Ordinance could be modified by Council at a later date, if necessary. He expressed his appreciation to the Public Works Department for their endeavors in this matter. He said the money raised would go towards stormwater projects within the City and he commented that he would be supporting this matter.

Discussions were held regarding the stormwater utility and the CSO settlement. City Manager Urich said the stormwater utility fee would cover a portion of the maintenance cost of CSO in conjunction with the sewer rates. He said there would have to be significant increases in revenue to cover the cost of CSO.

Regarding the stormwater utility, Council Member Montelongo requested clarification on permeable pavers, noting a new development on Big Hollow Road that had already been approved for its development. City Engineer Lewis said Staff would need to review the parking lot to determine if it qualified for a credit.

Council Member Riggerbach said an extensive list of projects addressing the CSO and stormwater were previously tendered to the City Council that covered all the Council Districts. He said the adoption of the Stormwater Ordinance next week would be the first step in the process. He said the City had been sued by the EPA to comply with the Clean Water Act, noting that this was a critical step that would help address that lawsuit.

City Manager Urich stated the next meeting would be held on December 5, 2017, at 5:00 P.M. to adopt the budget as well as the tax levies.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### **East Bluff Community Get Together**

Council Member Riggerbach announced that a community get together for the East Bluff was scheduled for Thursday, November 30, 2017, at 6:00 P.M. He said it would be a holiday gathering with East Bluff updates and holiday refreshments.

#### **December 5, 2017, Special City Council Meeting**

Council Member Riggerbach commented that the December 5, 2017, Special City Council meeting would be starting at 5:00 P.M. instead of 6:00 P.M. City Clerk Beth Ball concurred noting that emails would be sent highlighting the time change.

### **CITIZENS' OPPORTUNITY TO ADDRESS THE CITY COUNCIL/TOWN BOARD**

It was determined that there were no citizens who wished to address the City Council/Town Board.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

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

**ADJOURNMENT**


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

Approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Akeson, Cyr, Grayeb, Jensen, Montelongo, Moore, Oyler, Riggerbach, Chairman  
Pro Tem Ruckriegel - 9;

Nays: None.

The Joint City Council and Town Board Meeting was adjourned at 7:09 P.M.



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

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