

# : OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS :

# : OF THE CITY OF PEORIA, ILLINOIS :

A Regular Meeting of the Joint City Council and Town Board of Peoria, Illinois, was held on January 11, 2022, at 6:00 P.M. at City Hall, Council Chambers (Room 400), 419 Fulton Street, with Mayor Ali presiding, and with proper notice having been posted.

# ROLL CALL

Roll Call showed the following Council Members were present: Allen, Cyr (electronic attendance), Grayeb, Jackson, Jensen, Kelly, Oyler, Riggenbach, Ruckriegel, Velpula (electronic attendance), Mayor Ali - 11. Absent: None.

# ELECTRONIC ATTENDANCE

Mayor Ali announced a notice was received by Council Member Cyr and Council Member Velpula of the City Council, in accordance with rules established in Ordinance No. 16,142, Council Member Cyr and Council Member Velpula would be deemed authorized to attend the meeting electronically unless a motion objecting to Council Member Cyr and Council Member Velpula's electronic attendance was made, seconded, and approved by two-thirds of the members of the City Council physically present at the meeting. She said if no such motion was made and seconded, then the request by Council Member Cyr and Council Member Velpula to attend electronically would be deemed approved by the City Council and Council Member Cyr and Council Member Velpula would be declared present.

Hearing no objection to the request for electronic attendance, Council Member Cyr and Council Member Velpula were declared present by Mayor Ali.

# **INVOCATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mayor Ali requested a moment of silent prayer or reflection and then she led the pledge of allegiance.

# PROCLAMATIONS, COMMENDATIONS, ETC.

# Certificate of Appreciation from the American Legion Post 2 to the City of Peoria 100<sup>th</sup> Birthday of Eleanor Stewart

# MINUTES

Council Member Oyler moved to approve the minutes of the Joint City Council and Town Board Meeting held on December 14, 2021, as printed; seconded by Council Member Kelly.

Motion to approve the minutes of the Joint City Council and Town Board Meeting held on December 14, 2021, as printed, was approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Allen, Cyr, Grayeb, Jackson, Jensen, Kelly, Oyler, Riggenbach, Ruckriegel, Velpula, Mayor Ali - 11;

Nays: None.

## PETITIONS, REMONSTRANCES & COMMUNICATIONS - TOWN OF THE CITY OF PEORIA

## (22-001) REQUEST from the Town Officials to APPROVE the DECEMBER 2021 ACTUAL EXPENDITURES and to APPROVE the JANUARY 2022 ANTICIPATED EXPENDITURES for the Town of the City of Peoria.

Trustee Grayeb moved to approve the December 2021 Actual Expenditures and to approve the January 2022 Anticipated Expenditures for the Town of the City of Peoria; seconded by Trustee Jackson.

Approved by roll call vote.

- Yeas: Allen, Cyr, Grayeb, Jackson, Jensen, Kelly, Oyler, Riggenbach, Ruckriegel, Velpula, Chairwoman Ali - 11
- Nays: None.

# PETITIONS, REMONSTRANCES & COMMUNICATIONS - CITY OF PEORIA

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

- (22-002) Communication from the Mayor and Corporation Counsel with a Request to APPROVE the DECLARATION OF LOCAL STATE OF EMERGENCY.
- (22-003) Communication from the City Manager and Community Development \* Director with a Request to APPROVE a CONTRACT with JIMAX, for Demolitions of Residential Properties.
- (22-004) Communication from the City Manager and Fire Chief with a Request to APPROVE a Two-Year CONTRACT with TARGET SOLUTIONS LEARNING, LLC., for TRAINING SOFTWARE to Schedule, Track, and Monitor Mandated Training for all Fire Personnel, in the Amount of \$16,944.65 per Year, for a Total Amount of \$33,889.30.
- (21-387) Communication from the City Manager and Corporation Counsel with a Request for the Following:
  - A. ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 17,924 Amending CHAPTER 28 of the CODE of the City of Peoria, Regarding AUTOMATED TRAFFIC VIOLATIONS; and
  - B. APPROVE and Authorize the City Manager to Execute an INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT Between the City of Peoria and PEORIA PUBLIC SCHOOLS DISTRICT 150, for Operation of the Automated Traffic Violation System.

- (22-005) Communication from the City Manager and Director of Community Development with a Request to Concur with the Recommendation from the Planning and Zoning Commission and Staff to ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 17,925 Approving a SPECIAL USE in a Class R-3 (Single-Family Residential) District, for a SHORT-TERM RENTAL for the Property Located at 3302 NORTH BROOKS LANE (Parcel Identification No. 13-25-478-006), Peoria, IL. (Council District 4)
- (22-006) Communication from the City Manager and Director of Community \*\* Development with a Request to Concur with the Recommendation from the Planning and Zoning Commission and Staff to ADOPT an ORDINANCE Approving a SPECIAL USE in a Class R-4 (Single-Family Residential) District, for a SHORT-TERM RENTAL for the Property Located at 1502 NORTH INDIANA AVENUE (Parcel Identification No. 18-04-278-028), Peoria, IL. (Council District 3)
- (22-007) Communication from the City Manager and Director of Community Development with a Request to Concur with the Recommendation from the Planning and Zoning Commission and Staff to ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 17,926 Approving a SPECIAL USE in a Class R-3 (Single-Family Residential) District, for a SHORT-TERM RENTAL for the Property Located at 3114 NORTH LINNHILL COURT (Parcel Identification No. 14-28-377-052), Peoria, IL. (Council District 2)
- (22-008) Communication from the City Manager and Director of Community Development with a Request to Concur with the Recommendation from the Planning and Zoning Commission and Staff to ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 17,927 Amending an Existing SPECIAL USE Ordinance No. 16,725, as Amended, in a Class R-4 (Single-Family Residential) District for Existing Non-Conforming Offices, to Install a FREESTANDING SIGN with Waivers, for the Property Located at 1716 NORTH UNIVERSITY STREET (Parcel Identification No. 18-05-201-018), Peoria, IL. (Council District 2)

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

Council Member Jensen requested Item Nos. 22-003 and 22-006 be removed from the Consent Agenda for further discussion.

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

Item Nos. 21-387, and 22-002 through 22-008 (except Item Nos. 22-003 and 22-006, which were removed for further discussion) were approved by roll call vote under the Omnibus Vote Designation.

- Yeas: Allen, Cyr, Grayeb, Jackson, Jensen, Kelly, Oyler, Riggenbach, Ruckriegel, Velpula, Mayor Ali 11;
- Nays: None.

## (22-003) Communication from the City Manager and Community Development \* Director with a Request to APPROVE a CONTRACT with JIMAX, for Demolitions of Residential Properties.

Council Member Jensen moved to defer this item to the January 25, 2022, City Council Meeting; seconded by Council Member Jackson.

Council Member Jensen said she requested the deferral to allow time for Staff to answer questions and to amend language in the proposed contract.

Motion to defer to the January 25, 2022, City Council Meeting was approved by roll call vote.

- Yeas: Allen, Cyr, Grayeb, Jackson, Jensen, Kelly, Oyler, Riggenbach, Ruckriegel, Velpula, Mayor Ali 11;
- Nays: None.
- (22-006) Communication from the City Manager and Director of Community \*\* Development with a Request to Concur with the Recommendation from the Planning and Zoning Commission and Staff to ADOPT an ORDINANCE Approving a SPECIAL USE in a Class R-4 (Single-Family Residential) District, for a SHORT-TERM RENTAL for the Property Located at 1502 NORTH INDIANA AVENUE (Parcel Identification No. 18-04-278-028), Peoria, IL. (Council District 3)

Council Member Jensen described her concerns with the applicant's role as a member of the Planning and Zoning Commission participating in discussions regarding Short-Term Rentals. She requested a Report Back with information on Short-Term Rental applications the Planning and Zoning Commission considered and details on the Commission members. She stressed the importance of appointing neighborhood leaders to Commissions, noting the applicant did not live in Peoria.

In response to Mayor Ali's question regarding when it was appropriate for Committee members to recuse themselves, Interim Corporation Counsel Chrissie Kapustka said owning a Short-Term Rental did not exclude a member from Short-Term Rental discussions, but recusal from their own properties was proper.

Council Member Oyler said the applicant did live in Peoria. Council Member Riggenbach thanked Interim Corporation Counsel Kapustka for her clarification and said he believed owning a business should not exclude someone from participating in Committee discussions.

Council Member Riggenbach moved to adopt an Ordinance approving a Special Use in a Class R-4 (Single-Family Residential) District, for a Short-Term Rental for the property located at 1502 North Indiana Avenue, Peoria, IL; seconded by Council Member Ruckriegel.

 ORDINANCE NO. 17,928 was adopted by roll call vote.
Yeas: Allen, Cyr, Grayeb, Jackson, Kelly, Oyler, Riggenbach, Ruckriegel, Velpula, Mayor Ali - 10;
Nays: Jensen – 1.

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

## (22-009) Communication from the City Manager and Human Resources Director with a Request to RECEIVE and FILE a PRESENTATION from the FIRE and POLICE COMMISSION and the ANNUAL PERFORMANCE GOALS REPORT, Covering the PERIOD of JANUARY 2021, through DECEMBER 2021.

A Handout containing the revised Police Annual Performance Goals Report was distributed to all Council Members.

Police Chief Echevarria reviewed the Police Department Annual Performance Goals Presentation by comparing the January 2018 through January 2022 data compiled regarding demographics of Police Staff. He reviewed Staff separations, new hire demographics, and the status of recruits and cadets, noting the cadet program had a decrease in membership in recent years but there was a focus to reverse the trend. In conclusion, he reviewed the set placement goals from 2015-2025 and he suggested revisiting the goals to keep them ambitious but obtainable. Mayor Ali discussed revisiting the milestone placement goals and noted the importance of obtainable goals for the Police Department.

In response to Council Member Allen regarding recruitment tactics, Chief Echevarria described the ten recent recruits that were sworn in and future recruitment plans, including implementing a new testing procedure.

Reverend Hightower said the milestone placement goals were lofty and he believed the goals should be revisited to bring them back into focus. He said the leadership would allow the City and NAACP Peoria to collaborate successfully.

Chief Bachman began the Fire Department Annual Performance Goals Presentation by describing the joint-partnership with Peoria Public Schools and Illinois Central College (ICC) offering a dual-credit program that included EMT and Fire Service Technology classes to students to generate interest these careers. He said despite decreasing participation, he was approached by education representatives with plans to reinvigorate the program by introducing content to younger students. He discussed recruitment activities and initiatives, and he reviewed the Fire Cadet Program that was discontinued in 2018. He said the Fire Explorer Program was still utilized, noting it was more independently operated. He reviewed the 2020-2021 recruitment efforts and diversity in the rank structure and administrative personnel. He discussed the current promotions list for Battalion Chief and Captain positions, and he summarized separations and onboarding from 2020 through 2021. He discussed resignations since 2018, staffing changes in 2021, and the status of the hiring pool. He concluded his presentation with an explanation of testing for applicants and other qualifications.

Discussions were held regarding female applicants to the Fire Department and challenges with testing procedures and qualifications used in previous years. Chief Bachman said a different nationally recognized test was recently implemented and Affirmative Employment Specialist Debra Bush said the new qualifications were focused on job-related skills and allowed for a better representation of diverse applicants to pass the test.

In response to Council Member Allen's inquiry on the promotions list, Chief Bachman said the list expired in 2 years and was staggered to match annual testing of either Battalion Chief or Captain positions. He reviewed the testing preparations, processes, and scoring methods. He discussed minorities in leadership roles and how they were affected by recent promotions.

Continued discussions were held regarding female Fire personnel and ways to increase diversity. Chief Bachman discussed challenges faced in the past when hiring female recruits and plans to improve results. He said the Fire Department began hosting open gym sessions in November 2021 to allow applicants to train and practice testing. Further discussions were held on the importance of diversity and the challenges of achieving set diversity goals. Council Member Jensen asked for a Report Back comparing the Fire Department female personnel percentages compared to other municipalities.

Mayor Ali suggested presenting the current minority Peoria Firefighters as role models in the community to encourage minority participation and applicants.

City Manager Urich said he would convene a committee to readdress milestone placement goals as Mayor Ali had requested earlier in the discussion.

Council Member Kelly moved to receive and file a presentation from the Fire and Police Commission and the annual Performance Goals Report, covering the period of January 2021 through December 2021; seconded by Council Member Jackson.

#### Approved by roll call vote.

- Yeas: Allen, Cyr, Grayeb, Jackson, Jensen, Kelly, Oyler, Riggenbach, Ruckriegel, Velpula, Mayor Ali 11;
- Nays: None.

# (22-010) Communication from the City Manager with a Request to APPROVE the 2022 ANNUAL CITY LEGISLATIVE AGENDA.

City Manager Patrick Urich said the items listed on the agenda were either Direct Sponsorships or Funding Requests directed to State Legislators as the 2022 priorities for the City of Peoria. He reviewed the items on the Legislative Agenda, then he introduced Vincent Williams and John Kamis, lobbyists representing the City of Peoria's interests in the Springfield State Legislature.

<u>Vincent Williams</u>, of Vincent R. Williams (VRW) & Associates P.C., reviewed his experience in Springfield and explained why there was a shortened State Legislative session in Spring 2022 and how it affected their plan. He asked the Council Members for a focus on priority issues to address them in the shorter session, and he said additional items would be addressed in Fall 2022. He continued to discuss a potential legislative timeline and plans to address priorities.

<u>John Kamis</u>, the Partner and Co-Founder of Turing Strategies and Bradley University graduate, reviewed his background and experience in Springfield. He discussed leadership changes in the State House and Senate as well as other changes in the last few years. He said even though the Spring session was shortened, the State had received unprecedented funding in response to COVID-19 to allocate and distribute, requiring extensive administrative and logistic strategies.

Mayor Ali said she appreciated Mr. Williams and Mr. Kamis representing the City of Peoria at a most opportune time and said she looked forward to working with them.

Discussions were held regarding the possibility of holding a virtual Legislative Breakfast with State Representatives and Peoria County Officials. Council Member Riggenbach requested a meeting be reconsidered.

Mayor Ali said conducting a meeting would allow officials from both the County and City to see a combined agenda and initiatives. She asked City Manager Urich to see if the County would be willing conduct a virtual meeting.

Continued discussions were held regarding the funds received by the State in response to COVID-19, including timelines and the application and allocation process. Mr. Williams assured the Council the City of Peoria was well represented in Springfield and they would work together to achieve set goals and priorities.

Discussions were held regarding the appropriation of tax proceeds from cannabis distributors and the status of new applications to the State of Illinois.

Further discussions were held regarding the timeline for State fund distribution and prioritizing the City's objectives. Discussions were held regarding the balance of supporting and promoting public safety with legal and liability concerns to the municipalities.

Council Member Grayeb moved to approve the 2022 Annual City Legislative Agenda; seconded by Council Member Jackson.

- Approved by roll call vote.
- Yeas: Allen, Cyr, Grayeb, Jackson, Jensen, Kelly, Oyler, Riggenbach, Ruckriegel, Velpula, Mayor Ali - 11;
- Nays: None.
- (22-011) Communication from the City Manager and Director of Community Development with a Request to APPROVE the Award of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and Community Development Block Grant COVID-19 (CDBG-CV) Funds to PHOENIX COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT SERVICES, in the Total Amount of \$680,000.00. (Council District 1)

City Manager Urich reviewed how Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Community Development Block Grant COVID-19 (CDBG-CV) funds had been allocated in the past and the qualifications required to apply for them.

Community Development Director Joe Dulin said approving this item would award Phoenix Community Development Services funds to respond to citizen job losses due to the pandemic. He summarized how Phoenix benefitted the community and how funding would allow them to continue their mission through job training programs.

Christine Kahl, the President and Chief Executive Officer of Phoenix Community Development Services, said the proposed job training services had been a goal for a long time, noting the pandemic exacerbated the need in the community. She noted the unemployment levels were around 75% in the homeless and sheltered citizens community before the pandemic, and since the pandemic began it had risen to over 90%. She summarized their plans of creating a social enterprise for restaurant and café training and certifications, as well as employment approaches for mentally challenged citizens.

Council Member Jensen moved to approve the award of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and Community Development Block Grant COVID-19 (CDBG-CV) Funds to Phoenix Community Development Services, in the total amount of \$680,000.00; seconded by Council Member Allen.

Approved by roll call vote.

- Yeas: Allen, Cyr, Grayeb, Jackson, Jensen, Kelly, Oyler, Riggenbach, Ruckriegel, Velpula, Mayor Ali 11;
- Nays: None.

(22-012) Communication from the City Manager and Director of Community Development with a Request to APPROVE the Allocation of Community Development Block Grant COVID-19 (CDBG-CV) Funds for the Rehabilitation of TREWYN PARK, in the Amount of \$600,000.00.

Community Development Director Joe Dulin summarized the proposed rehabilitation project at Trewyn Park and he introduced Emily Cahill to provide additional details.

<u>Emily Cahill</u>, the Executive Director of Parks and Recreation at Peoria Park District, thanked the Council for approving the investment in Trewyn Park and explained what it meant to the community. She recognized those involved in the redevelopment project and the changes that would be implemented to the public space.

Mayor Ali thanked Emily Cahill for providing the additional details and she thanked everyone involved in the rehabilitation project.

Council Member Jackson moved to approve the allocation of Community Development Block Grant COVID-19 (CDBG-CV) Funds for the rehabilitation of Trewyn Park, in the amount of \$600,000.00; seconded by Council Member Jensen.

Approved by roll call vote.

- Yeas: Allen, Cyr, Grayeb, Jackson, Jensen, Kelly, Oyler, Riggenbach, Ruckriegel, Velpula, Mayor Ali - 11;
- Nays: None.
- (22-013) Communication from the City Manager and Director of Community Development with a Request to Concur with the Recommendation from the Planning and Zoning Commission and Staff to ADOPT an ORDINANCE Approving a SPECIAL USE in a Class R-4 (Single-Family Residential) District, for a SHORT-TERM RENTAL for the Property Located at 1106 NORTH PARKSIDE DRIVE (Parcel Identification No. 18-05-303-013), Peoria, IL. (Council District 2)

After Council Member Grayeb said there had been opposition by community members regarding this application and cited parking and density concerns in the neighborhood, he moved to deny an Ordinance approving a Special Use in a Class R-4 District for a Short-Term Rental for the property located at 1106 North Parkside Drive, Peoria, IL; seconded by Council Member Jensen.

Council Member Kelly said he would vote against the motion on the floor, noting the Council approved the rules and qualifications for Short-Term Rentals, and if the rules were followed, they should be approved. He said it was important for the Council to be consistent.

Council Member Oyler said he would vote against the motion on the floor. He said he was not aware of opposition from the community regarding this property, and he said since the Planning and Zoning Commission approved the application, he did not see a reason to deny it.

Council Member Grayeb said it was the job of the Council to listen to citizens' concerns regarding commercial encroachments on residential neighborhoods, especially those with high density and parking concerns. He said each application should be considered individually and by taking the concerns of citizens into account.

Council Member Jensen said the Council was not listening to citizens' concerns regarding Short-Term Rentals, and she said the goal to strengthen older historical neighborhoods would be threatened without proper consideration. She said she would vote to approve the motion on the floor to deny the Ordinance.

Mayor Ali said it was important to balance consistency with considering public input, and she said the Council should adhere to the standards and limitations that were set regarding Short Term Rentals. Interim Corporation Counsel Kapustka said the Planning and Zoning Commission decided the application met the criteria with the included provisions.

Motion to deny an Ordinance approving a Special Use in a Class R-4 District for a Short-Term Rental for the property located at 1106 North Parkside Drive (Parcel Identification No. 18-05-303-013), Peoria, IL, was DEFEATED by roll call vote. Yeas: Grayeb, Jackson, Jensen - 3; Nays: Allen, Cyr, Kelly, Oyler, Riggenbach, Ruckriegel, Velpula, Mayor Ali - 8.

Council Member Kelly moved to adopt an Ordinance approving a Special Use in a Class R-4 District, for a Short-Term Rental for the property located at 1106 North Parkside Drive, Peoria, IL; seconded by Council Member Oyler.

ORDINANCE NO. 17,929 was adopted by roll call vote. Yeas: Allen, Cyr, Kelly, Oyler, Riggenbach, Ruckriegel, Velpula, Mayor Ali - 8; Nays: Grayeb, Jackson, Jensen - 3.

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

(21-391) Communication from the City Manager and Director of Community Development with a Request for a SUBSTITUTE MOTION to DEFER until the JANUARY 25, 2022, City Council Meeting, an ORDINANCE to DISCONNECT Certain Real Estate, Commonly Known as Parcel Identification Number 13-23-326-005, Vacant Land within Peoria Owned by Lynnette & Steven Demanes, from the City of Peoria.

<u>MOTION ON THE FLOOR</u>: To deny an Ordinance to Disconnect certain real estate, commonly known as parcel identification number 13-23-326-005, vacant land within Peoria owned by Lynnette & Steven Demanes, from the City of Peoria.

City Manager Urich asked for an additional two-week deferral of this item to allow time to schedule a meeting with the property owners and their attorney for discussions.

Council Member Oyler moved for a substitute motion to defer until the January 25, 2022, City Council Meeting, an Ordinance to Disconnect certain real estate, commonly known as parcel identification number 13-23-326-005, vacant land within Peoria owned by Lynnette & Steven Demanes, from the City of Peoria; seconded by Council Member Ruckriegel.

Substitute motion to defer this item to the January 25, 2022, was approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Allen, Cyr, Grayeb, Jackson, Jensen, Kelly, Oyler, Riggenbach, Ruckriegel, Velpula, Mayor Ali - 11;

Nays: None.

# NEW BUSINESS

## Martin Luther King Jr. Day

Mayor Ali said City Hall would be closed on Monday, January 17, 2022, for Martin Luther King Jr. Day. She said there were multiple events scheduled around the City, including a virtual concert featuring the Heritage Ensemble and a luncheon at the Civic Center hosted by Public Employees for Community Concern (PECC).

## **Public Safety Meeting**

Council Member Grayeb thanked all those involved in facilitating the Public Safety Meeting held on December 30, 2021, at St. Mark's School, regarding anti-violence strategies. He remarked it was a beneficial and informative event with a focus on creating a safer community.

## **Cannabis Dispensary Policies**

Council Member Allen asked the Council to be proactive with policies and strategies regarding continued growth in cannabis dispensaries in the State. Mayor Ali said a Policy Session could be scheduled after Redistricting was resolved. City Manager Urich said he would provide a review regarding the policies already determined by the Council, a summary and status of State applications and progress, and would provide an opportunity for discussions regarding additions or changes to the cannabis dispensary policies going forward.

## **Rental Registration**

Council Member Kelly said over 25 years ago the Council approved a Rental Registration Program, and he asked City Manager Patrick Urich for a Report Back with information on the process and how it benefits the community. Discussions were held regarding the intentions when the program was implemented and how it allowed for inspections of the rental properties. Council Member Jensen asked City Manager Urich to include the history of the program and the problems it was meant to address.

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

Hearing no objection, Mayor Ali granted privilege of the floor to those citizens wishing to address the City Council/Town Board as follows:

<u>Alex Shelton</u>, a citizen of Peoria, submitted an email to City Clerk Stefanie Tarr, which she read into the record. Alex Shelton said some roads in the City on January 3, 2022, were not treated or cleared satisfactorily in response to the winter weather. He asked the Public Works Department to improve road conditions following storms.

<u>Chad Zike</u>, a citizen of Peoria and owner of the Hungry Moose on Sterling Avenue, submitted an email to City Clerk Tarr, which she read into the record. Chad Zike said following the snow event the first week of January 2022, there were thick layers of ice on the roads. He asked if improved strategies were being considered to eliminate this problem in the future.

<u>Naseeruddin Shaik Imam</u>, a citizen of Peoria, described recent communications with the Public Works Department regarding a request to address streets after recent winter weather. He said he was concerned for the safety of drivers and pedestrians on dangerous streets and sidewalks. He said the population was decreasing due to declining City services and he noted frustrations with attempted communications with the City.

# **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

It was determined there was no need for an Executive session at this time.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

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

Approved by roll call vote. Yeas: Allen, Cyr, Grayeb, Jackson, Jensen, Kelly, Oyler, Riggenbach, Ruckriegel, Velpula, Mayor Ali - 11; Nays: None.

The Regular Joint City Council and Town Board Meeting was adjourned at 8:16 P.M.

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Stefanie Tarr, RMC, CMC, City Clerk City of Peoria, Illinois

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