

The Rock Island City Council met in Study Session at 5:30 pm in City Council Chambers at Rock Island City Hall. Present were Mayor Dennis E. Pauley presiding, and Aldermen David Conroy, P.J. Foley, Stephen L. Tollenaer, Kate Hotle, Joy Murphy, Charles O. Austin III and Ivory D. Clark. Also present were City Manager Thomas Thomas, Community and Economic Development Director Jeff Eder, Planning and Redevelopment Administrator Ben Griffith, Urban Planner Brandy Howe, Parks and Recreation Director Bill Nelson, other City staff, City Attorney Ted Kutsunis and Developers Jim and Greg Hass.

NEW CONSTRUCTION PROPERTY TAX REBATE PROGRAM

Community and Economic Development Director Jeff Eder stated that the current new home construction property tax rebate program is expiring at the end of June. Mr. Eder added that this has been an ongoing program since 1991 and it has been renewed every three years. It was noted that the program is at the end of the three year cycle. Mr. Eder stated that he has reviewed the program and is looking towards revising it. Mr. Eder advised that there are two separate programs, which include the City-wide program and the TIF District program.

Mr. Eder referred to the memo that was distributed to Council and stated that there has been over 200 units that the City has assisted since 1991 with this program. Mr. Eder added that currently, the program rebates 36 months worth of property taxes. It was noted that the City's portion is at \$1,500.00 per year for a total of \$4,500.00 plus 40% of the school district's portion for three years.

Mr. Eder advised that the City needs to try and encourage more new construction in town. Mr. Eder added that in reviewing the programs, all but a dozen of properties in the last five years have been in the TIF Districts. It was noted that currently, this City-wide program is funded with gaming dollars.

Mr. Eder referred to the memo and stated that he created a 10 year program instead of a three year program and looked at it a couple of ways to try and increase the dollar figure. Mr. Eder stated that he wants to try and get the City dollar figure up to around \$10,000.00 over a 10 year period of time. Mr. Eder then discussed the two alternatives presented in the memo.

Council discussed the alternatives.

Mr. Jim Hass (developer) discussed what other cities are doing in regards to a rebate program.

Council then discussed subdivisions as it related to new construction and the \$10,000.00 figure.

Mr. Hass stated that \$10,000.00 would be a good number; we need to get people's attention. Mr. Hass commented that the State of Illinois has lost one and a half million people from 2000 to 2009 and that is across the State. Mr. Hass added that here, people just have to cross the river. Mr. Hass indicated that this rebate program applies whether it is a house or condo and whether it costs \$100,000.00 or \$400,000.00.

Mr. Hass, Mr. Eder and Council further discussed this issue as well as other cities' rebate programs as it related to housing starts, costs, property taxes, competition and marketing.

Mr. Eder advised that no changes are being made to the TIF incentive both in the New Old Chicago and the Downtown TIF. Mr. Eder noted that this is a 10 year payout because TIF dollars are utilized; the City is paying both portions; the school taxes and the City taxes. Mr. Eder and Council further discussed this rebate program.

Council also discussed the option of a six year program.

After more discussion, Mr. Eder stated that he would set up a six year program, change some numbers and come back to Council next week on the City-wide program. Mr. Eder added that he would also set up a six year program in regards to the TIF. Mr. Eder further discussed the TIF Program as it related to the Downtown TIF and the New/Old Chicago TIF.

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

Brandy Howe, Urban Planner II in the Community and Economic Development Department updated Council on the process for the City's Comprehensive Plan. Ms. Howe advised that the City was awarded a \$100,000.00 grant through the Illinois Disaster Recovery Program last year. Ms. Howe added that the plan will be a collaborative effort with City staff and the consultant. Ms. Howe indicated that City staff will be the lead author of the plan and the consultant will be responsible for certain components of the plan, which include; community engagement, hazard mitigation, economic asset and opportunity analysis and an updated future land use plan. Ms. Howe advised that the hazard mitigation component is a requirement of the grant funding, but also pertinent in terms of the recent flooding events in Illinois and the rest of the Midwest and other natural disasters.

Ms. Howe pointed out that the consultant components of the plan will be integrated into the plan that is prepared by City staff. Ms. Howe stated that the schedule for this process begins this month and will end in April of 2014. Ms. Howe indicated that the deadline for proposals is Monday, June 17th. It was noted that City staff will review the proposals and interview the consultants during the week of July 8th. Ms. Howe added that staff will provide a recommendation for a consultant that will be submitted to Council on July 22nd.

Ms. Howe commented that a Planning Commission meeting will be held in August as well as a Public Vision Workshop.

Council discussed the process for the Comprehensive Plan and the items that will be included in the plan.

Ms. Howe stated that the plan document will include opportunities, issues, demographic data, community development, transportation, agriculture, natural resources and other items.

Council wanted to make sure that they are a part of the process for this plan.

Community and Economic Development Director Jeff Eder stated that the elected body will be part of the process; staff will drive the process in working with the consultant. Mr. Eder advised that one of the charges of the Planning Commission is to update the Comprehensive Plan and then it is submitted to Council.

Council further discussed the process for the Comprehensive Plan.

PROPOSED SIGNAGE AT SCHWIEBERT RIVERFRONT PARK

Parks and Recreation Director Bill Nelson updated Council on the proposed signage at Schwiebert Riverfront Park. Mr. Nelson stated that the purpose of the signage is primarily to inform people about upcoming events, park closings, other Parks and Recreation programs and also to inform people of potential District events at Schwiebert Riverfront Park.

Mr. Nelson advised that at a previous meeting several questions were raised as to whether any other parks have message board centers, what the sizes of the signs are and is there a better location for the sign. Mr. Nelson referred to the PowerPoint presentation and indicated that various parks do have message center signs, which include; the Moline Softball Complex, Palmer Hills Golf Course, Bettendorf River Center, Bettendorf Community Center, Davenport Rivers Edge and Modern Woodmen Bank.

Mr. Nelson then discussed the original message center option locations that were previously reviewed. Mr. Nelson noted that the first option would be to place the sign on 1st Avenue. It was noted that the dimension of this sign would be 17½ ft. high by 13 ft. wide. Mr. Nelson advised that there were two locations reviewed for the second option, which included placing the 5½ ft. by 8 ½ ft sign right at the entry as the drive comes in on 18th Avenue and curves around to the right, or the second option is near the planting bed by the restroom area. Mr. Nelson also presented Council with several sign perspectives to get a better idea of the look and height of the sign.

Council discussed the sign options, location, type of sign and cost as it related to TIF dollars.

Mr. Nelson indicated that they purchase banners for each event and there is a cost to have them installed. Mr. Nelson noted that media is expensive. Mr. Nelson pointed out that a message center is very easy to change and it is located at a site where most of the users are passing by.

After more discussion, Mr. Nelson stated that 1st Avenue would be the first choice for a message center.

Council further discussed the location as it related to cost, placement and type of sign. After more discussion, Mayor Pauley inquired upon Mr. Nelson to bring back pricing for both the monument style sign and the pole style type of sign for further review by Council.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion made by Alderman Foley and seconded by Alderman Conroy to adjourn the meeting carried by the following Aye and No vote. Those voting Aye being; Alderman Conroy, Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderman Hotle, Alderman Murphy, Alderman Austin and Alderman Clark; those voting No, none. The meeting was adjourned at 6:38 pm.

Aleisha L. Patchin, City Clerk

**CITY OF ROCK ISLAND
CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

**June 10, 2013
MINUTES**

Rock Island City Council met in regular session at 6:45 pm in Council Chambers of Rock Island City Hall. Present were Mayor Dennis E. Pauley presiding, and Aldermen David Conroy, P.J. Foley, Stephen L. Tollenaer, Kate Hotle, Joy Murphy, Charles O. Austin III and Ivory D. Clark. Also present were City Manager Thomas Thomas and City Attorney Ted Kutsunis.

Introductory Proceedings

Mayor Pauley called the meeting to order and led in the Pledge of Allegiance. Alderman Foley gave the Invocation.

Agenda Item #5

Minutes of the meeting of June 3, 2013.

A motion was made by Alderman Austin and seconded by Alderman Foley to approve the minutes of the meeting of June 3, 2013 as printed. The motion carried by the following Aye and No vote; those voting Aye being; Alderman Conroy, Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderman Hotle, Alderman Murphy, Alderman Austin and Alderman Clark; those voting No, none.

Agenda Item #6

Update Rock Island by Mayor Pauley.

Mayor Pauley advised that on Tuesday, June 11th, the 57th Annual Starlight Revue Music Under the Stars Concert Series held at Lincoln Park continues with The Tailfins. The Mayor added that at 6:00 pm enjoy dinner and an ice cream social from Hy-Vee followed by a line dance lesson at 6:30 pm then at 7:00 pm the music begins. Concert rain date is Wednesday of the same week. Call (309) 732-RAIN.

It was noted that the location of the new police facility was announced Wednesday, June 5, 2013 at a press conference with Mayor Dennis Pauley and Police Chief Jeff VenHuizen. The site is between 5th and 7th Avenues and 12th and 13th Streets. Mayor Pauley advised that about three years ago, a space analysis of the current Rock Island police facility was conducted. The Mayor added that it was determined that the current 22,000 square foot facility was not adequate to serve the needs of the citizens of Rock Island. The Mayor stated that after a thorough analysis of 11 locations, the new location was chosen as the best option. The Mayor added that demolition and site preparation are expected to begin in September.

Mayor Pauley advised that Trinity officials broke ground on Wednesday, June 5th on the Rock Island location expansion at 2701 17th Street. The Mayor added that the \$61.3 million expansion is the largest in the facility's history and is designed to improve patient safety and privacy, better coordinated care, reduce operational costs and accommodate increased demand. Mayor Pauley indicated that the expansion will be a 90,000 square-foot, three-story expansion of the Heart Center and emergency department at Trinity Rock Island.

Mayor Pauley advised that the Rock Island City Council will hold a special meeting on Monday, June 24th at 5:30 pm in the City Council Chambers. Mayor Pauley stated that this meeting has been scheduled to provide the public an opportunity to voice their input, both positive and negative, on the Fareway project. The Mayor added that this will be the only topic open for discussion and no action will be taken that night by the City Council.

Agenda Item #7

A Special Ordinance declaring one current City owned 2002 Dodge Cargo Van as surplus and allowing for disposal.

A motion was made by Alderman Murphy and seconded by Alderman Foley to consider, suspend the rules and pass the ordinance. The motion carried by the following Aye and No vote; those voting Aye being; Alderman Conroy, Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderman Hotle, Alderman Murphy, Alderman Austin and Alderman Clark; those voting No, none.

Agenda Item #8

CLAIMS

It was moved by Alderman Austin and seconded by Alderman Foley to accept the following report and authorize payment as recommended. The motion carried by the following Aye and No vote; those voting Aye being; Alderman Conroy, Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderman Hotle, Alderman Murphy, Alderman Austin and Alderman Clark; those voting No, none.

- a. **Report from the Public Works Department regarding payment #20 in the amount of \$2,989,647.43 to Civil Constructors, Inc. for services provided for the Wet Weather Treatment System project.**

Agenda Item #9

Claims for the week of May 31 through June 6 in the amount of \$686,566.27.

Alderman Hotle moved and Alderman Clark seconded to allow the claims. The motion carried by the following Aye and No vote; those voting Aye being; Alderman Conroy, Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderman Hotle, Alderman Murphy, Alderman Austin and Alderman Clark; those voting No, none.

Agenda Item #10

Report from the Community and Economic Development Department regarding the purchase of property (1.637 acres) from LSW Investments in the amount of \$41,879.80 to support the development of the secondary access road to the Ridgewood Sustainable Business Park.

It was moved by Alderman Conroy and seconded by Alderman Foley to approve the purchase as recommended, authorize the City Manager to execute the contract documents and refer to the City Attorney for an ordinance. The motion carried by the following Aye and No vote; those

voting Aye being; Alderman Conroy, Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderman Hotle, Alderman Murphy, Alderman Austin and Alderman Clark; those voting No, none.

Agenda Item #11

Report from the Public Works Department regarding bids for street maintenance materials used for micro-surfacing, recommending the bids be awarded to Tri-State Asphalt in the amount of \$99,200.00 and Phoenix Corporation of the Quad Cities in the amount \$33,792.00.

Alderman Foley moved and Alderman Austin seconded to award the bids as recommended and authorize purchases. The motion carried by the following Aye and No vote; those voting Aye being; Alderman Conroy, Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderman Hotle, Alderman Murphy, Alderman Austin and Alderman Clark; those voting No, none.

Agenda Item #12

Report from the Public Works Department regarding bids for the Fiber Optic Cable Phase 6 project, recommending the bid be awarded to Davenport Electric Contract Company in the amount of \$66,216.48.

It was moved by Alderman Hotle and seconded by Alderman Murphy to award the bid as recommended and authorize the City Manager to execute the contract documents. The motion carried by the following Aye and No vote; those voting Aye being; Alderman Conroy, Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderman Hotle, Alderman Murphy, Alderman Austin and Alderman Clark; those voting No, none.

Agenda Item #13

Report from the Community and Economic Development Department regarding bids for the demolition of two additional residential houses at 3917 and 3923 9th Street, recommending the bid be awarded to Miller Trucking and Excavating to the existing contract in the amount of \$28,729.80.

Alderman Conroy moved and Alderman Foley seconded to award the bid as recommended and authorize the City Manager to execute the contract documents. The motion carried by the following Aye and No vote; those voting Aye being; Alderman Conroy, Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderman Hotle, Alderman Murphy, Alderman Austin and Alderman Clark; those voting No, none.

Agenda Item #14

Report from the Public Works Department regarding a proposal with Engineering and Research International, Inc. for engineering services to conduct the Pavement Inventory Condition Survey in the amount of \$136,110.00.

It was moved by Alderman Hotle and seconded by Alderman Foley to approve the proposal as recommended and authorize the City Manager to execute the contract documents.

Discussion followed. Alderman Hotle inquired upon Public Works Director Randy Tweet to explain what this item entails.

Mr. Tweet stated that every five years, the City conducts a pavement analysis survey and rates the streets from 0 to 100. Mr. Tweet added that this is used when selecting streets for reconstruction and resurfacing. Mr. Tweet further explained this item.

After discussion, the motion carried by the following Aye and No vote; those voting Aye being; Alderman Conroy, Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderman Hotle, Alderman Murphy, Alderman Austin and Alderman Clark; those voting No, none.

Agenda Item #15

Report from the Police Department regarding a Memorandum of Understanding for the 2013 Justice Assistance Grant.

Alderman Austin moved and Alderman Hotle seconded to approve the memorandum of understanding as recommended and authorize the Mayor, City Clerk and City Attorney to execute the contract documents. The motion carried by the following Aye and No vote; those voting Aye being; Alderman Conroy, Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderman Hotle, Alderman Murphy, Alderman Austin and Alderman Clark; those voting No, none.

Agenda Item #16

Report from the Community and Economic Development Department regarding a lease termination agreement with Express Contracting in the amount of \$146,500.00.

It was moved by Alderman Murphy and seconded by Alderman Hotle to approve the agreement as recommended and authorize the City Manager to execute the contract documents. The motion carried by the following Aye and No vote; those voting Aye being; Alderman Conroy, Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderman Hotle, Alderman Murphy, Alderman Austin and Alderman Clark; those voting No, none.

Agenda Item #17

Report from the Board of Local Improvements regarding a Special Assessment Ordinance for improvements to 23rd Avenue from 12th Street to 17th Street, recommending that the amount assessed against the property owners be limited to no more than 5% of the estimated construction cost of the project.

Alderman Foley moved and Alderman Conroy seconded to approve the assessed limited amount of no more than 5% as recommended and pass the ordinance.

Discussion followed.

Mr. Fritz Dieudonne of 1310 23rd Avenue stepped forward. Mr. Dieudonne stated that he had concerns with the proposed 23rd Avenue project. Mr. Dieudonne indicated that the project is well deserved and overdue and is supported by the residents, but his chief complaint is in regards to the Special Assessment being levied against the property owners. Mr. Dieudonne discussed the

public hearing that was held on May 23rd and expressed frustration with the lack of answers that were given at that meeting concerning the special assessment process.

Mr. Dieudonne stated that he had submitted a petition asking that the special assessment be removed because of the unique circumstances and location of 23rd Avenue. Mr. Dieudonne stated that the replacement of the sanitary sewer, water main, catch basin, storm sewer, fire hydrants and everything else listed in this project should be basic and required duties of the City. Mr. Dieudonne stated that we are being asked to pay the special assessment for the project, which is not strictly a resurfacing.

Alderman Austin advised that those items are not paid for by the assessment; they are paid for by the water fund and sewer fund. Alderman Austin inquired upon Public Works Director Randy Tweet to explain this issue.

Mr. Tweet advised that the entire project is funded by the City and then there is the assessment. Mr. Tweet added that the assessment is based on the assessor that the City hires and he bases the assessment only on the street.

Mr. Dieudonne further discussed the public hearing component.

Council discussed the special assessment issue as it related to the amount assessed against the property owners being limited to no more than 5%. Council also discussed special assessments as it related to other streets in the City not being a special assessment.

Mr. Jim McFarlen of 1314 23rd Avenue stepped forward. Mr. McFarlen referred to a Public Works Department Engineering Division document and stated that it has a breakout, description and item numbers. Mr. McFarlen added that the items included; water mains, sanitary sewer, storm sewer, catch basin, etc. Mr. McFarlen stated that some of the things that were thought to be covered under something else actually seems to be in the 5% value that we are looking at.

Council discussed the rules that govern special assessments.

Alderman Foley stated that he would prefer this item to be zero because of the unique situation but, he would be voting for the 5% because he wants to see this project done.

Alderman Tollenaer stated that it is a service the City is providing. Alderman Tollenaer added that the residents of 23rd Avenue are not being treated any different than any other special assessment. Alderman Tollenaer stated that this is the process.

Alderman Hotle stated that she understood why the residents would be upset. Alderman Hotle added that the homeowners do use 23rd Avenue slightly more than others; the residents should be a little bit responsible just because they will use that road a little more than the general taxpayer.

Alderman Austin advised that it is a very fair combination and he will support it.

Alderman Clark stated that with the policy being what it is, this is not the time to change the policy. Alderman Clark stated that he understood the residents concern; but the policy needs to be supported.

Alderman Murphy advised that the City needs to change the process for special assessments. Alderman Murphy stated that she will support the 5% because the street needs to be fixed.

Alderman Conroy advised that if Council decides to eliminate the policy, the other side of it has to be looked at; the streets still need to be maintained. Alderman Conroy stated that he has no problem getting rid of this type of assessment. Alderman Conroy stated that he will be voting to get this project done. Alderman Conroy noted that no one on Council likes this process.

After discussion, the motion carried by the following Aye and No vote; those voting Aye being; Alderman Conroy, Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderman Hotle, Alderman Murphy, Alderman Austin and Alderman Clark; those voting No, none.

Agenda Item #18

Report from the Human Resources Department regarding a Special Ordinance for prevailing wage rates in the City of Rock Island.

It was moved by Alderman Conroy and seconded by Alderman Foley to consider, suspend the rules and pass the ordinance. The motion carried by the following Aye and No vote; those voting Aye being; Alderman Conroy, Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderman Hotle, Alderman Murphy, Alderman Austin and Alderman Clark; those voting No, none.

Agenda Item #19

Report from the Public Works Department regarding a surplus mower, recommending to reinstate the 2001 John Deere Mower back into the City fleet.

Alderman Foley moved and Alderman Murphy seconded to reinstate the mower as recommended and refer to the City Attorney for an ordinance. The motion carried by the following Aye and No vote; those voting Aye being; Alderman Conroy, Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderman Hotle, Alderman Murphy, Alderman Austin and Alderman Clark; those voting No, none.

Agenda Item #20

Report from the Community and Economic Development Department regarding a request for approval of a three lot major final plat of the New Old Chicago Redevelopment Second Addition Subdivision with alley dedication at 10th Street and 7th Avenue.

It was moved by Alderman Hotle and seconded by Alderman Tollenaer to approve the final plat with alley dedication as recommended. The motion carried by the following Aye and No vote; those voting Aye being; Alderman Conroy, Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderman Hotle, Alderman Murphy, Alderman Austin and Alderman Clark; those voting No, none.

Agenda Item #21

Report from the Community and Economic Development Department regarding a request from Renaissance Rock Island (GROWTH) to vacate the north segment of a north/south alley south of 6th Avenue between 9th and 10th Street.

Alderman Tollenaer moved and Alderman Murphy seconded to approve the request as recommended and refer to the City Attorney for an ordinance. The motion carried by the following Aye and No vote; those voting Aye being; Alderman Conroy, Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderman Hotle, Alderman Murphy, Alderman Austin and Alderman Clark; those voting No, none.

Agenda Item #22

Report from the Traffic Engineering Committee regarding a neighborhood petition from Jeff Umlandt to establish residential parking (Type A) on 15th Street between 15th and 16th Avenue.

It was moved by Alderman Clark and seconded by Alderman Conroy to defer Agenda Item #22 until the second week in July. The motion carried by the following Aye and No vote; those voting Aye being; Alderman Conroy, Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderman Hotle, Alderman Murphy, Alderman Austin and Alderman Clark; those voting No, none.

Agenda Item #23

Report from the Traffic Engineering Committee regarding a request from Lisa Vinar to remove a handicapped parking space in front of her home at 4520 13th Avenue.

Alderman Hotle moved and Alderman Murphy seconded to approve the request as recommended and refer to the City Attorney for an ordinance. The motion carried by the following Aye and No vote; those voting Aye being; Alderman Conroy, Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderman Hotle, Alderman Murphy, Alderman Austin and Alderman Clark; those voting No, none.

Agenda Item #24

Report from the Mayor regarding designation of the Mayor Pro Tem.

Alderman Austin nominated Alderman Conroy to be Mayor Pro Tem for 2013-2014, which nomination was seconded by Alderman Clark. Nominations were then closed. Alderman Conroy was elected as Mayor Pro Tem. The nomination carried by the following Aye and No vote: those voting Aye being; Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderman Hotle, Alderman Murphy, Alderman Austin and Alderman Clark; those voting No, none. Alderman Conroy abstained.

Agenda Item #25

Report from the Mayor regarding a reappointment to Neighborhood Partners.

It was moved by Alderman Murphy and seconded by Alderman Hotle to approve the reappointment as recommended. The motion carried by the following Aye and No vote; those

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voting Aye being; Alderman Conroy, Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderman Hotle, Alderman Murphy, Alderman Austin and Alderman Clark; those voting No, none.

Ethel Bassett was reappointed to Neighborhood Partners as an At-Large member.

Agenda Item #26

Report from the City Clerk regarding an activity application and Resolution for the annual Ride the River event to be held on Sunday, June 16, 2013.

Alderman Foley moved and Alderman Austin seconded to approve the application as recommended and adopt the resolution. The motion carried by the following Aye and No vote; those voting Aye being; Alderman Conroy, Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderman Hotle, Alderman Murphy, Alderman Austin and Alderman Clark; those voting No, none.

Agenda Items #27 and #28

It was moved by Alderman Conroy to approve the event as recommended, subject to complying with all liquor license regulations and subject to being closed down early if noise complaints are received for Item #27 and Item #28, Alderman Hotle seconded. The motion carried by the following Aye and No vote; those voting Aye being; Alderman Conroy, Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderman Hotle, Alderman Murphy, Alderman Austin and Alderman Clark; those voting No, none.

Agenda Item #27

Report from the City Clerk regarding a request from Kavanaugh's Hilltop Tavern to hold an outdoor event on Saturday, June 29, 2013 from 7:00 pm to 10:00 pm at 1228 30th Street.

Agenda Item #28

Report from the City Clerk regarding a request from the Rock Island Moose Lodge to hold an outdoor event on Saturday, July 13, 2013 from 3:00 pm to 11:00 pm at 4410 9th Street.

Agenda Item #29

Other Business.

No one signed up to address Council to speak on a topic.

Alderman Murphy inquired upon IT Director Tim Bain to explain Agenda Item #12 in regards to the Fiber Optic Cable Phase 6 project.

Mr. Bain advised that the City is adding some fiber optic cable into the southwest area, specifically in the area that is being built at this time. Mr. Bain stated that the intention is to connect the southwest area to the interior part of Rock Island via the Milan connection that will be built later this year. Mr. Bain indicated that the fiber optic cabling is used to interconnect the Southwest Sewer Plant, Highland Springs Golf Course, Fire Station #2 and the Southwest Library. Mr. Bain further discussed this item.

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Alderman Murphy reminded everyone to shop Rock Island. Alderman Murphy stated that Mary Lee's Café is located at 2700 5th Avenue. Alderman Murphy stated that they serve American food and Soul food and they have a \$5.00 lunch special every day. It was noted that they serve breakfast every day of the week and all day long. Alderman Murphy stated that Mary Lee's Café is open seven days a week until 10:00 pm and they have extended hours on Thursday, Friday and Saturday. Alderman Murphy encouraged everyone to shop local.

Agenda Item #30

Executive Session on Personnel, Property Acquisition and Litigation.

An Executive Session on Personnel, Property Acquisition and Litigation was not needed.

Agenda Item #31

Recess

A motion was made by Alderman Murphy and seconded by Alderman Austin to recess to 5:30 pm, Monday, June 17, 2013. The motion carried by the following Aye and No vote: those voting Aye being; Alderman Conroy, Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderman Hotle, Alderman Murphy, Alderman Austin and Alderman Clark; those voting No, none.

The meeting was recessed at 7:40 pm.

Aleisha L. Patchin, City Clerk