

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 Charles O. Austin III, Ivory D. Clark, David Conroy and Kate Hotle. Also present were City Manager Thomas Thomas, Community and Economic Development Director Jeff Eder, other City staff and City Attorney Dave Morrison. Aldermen Joy Murphy, P.J. Foley and Stephen L. Tollenaer were absent.

REVIEW OF ENTERPRISE ZONE APPLICATION

Community and Economic Development Director Jeff Eder advised that about six weeks ago, he came to Council to ask about applying for a new zone. Mr. Eder added that at that time, it was a directive of Council to apply for the new zone with Moline, East Moline, Silvis, Village of Milan and Rock Island County.

Mr. Eder discussed the process for the new zone. Mr. Eder advised that the application is due December 31st and if approved, the zone would take effect on January 1, 2016. Mr. Eder commented that the statutory requirement was fulfilled by having a public hearing, which was held on Tuesday, November 25th at the City of East Moline offices. Mr. Eder commented that the zone would be good for 15 years. Mr. Eder stated that all participants must pass the same ordinance and that ordinance must include any local incentives. Mr. Eder noted that each municipality may also offer something different concerning incentives.

Mr. Eder advised that in regards to the enterprise zone administration, the ordinances will call for the creation of a zone management board in which this board will be the governing body of the zone. Mr. Eder stated that the board will consist of one representative from each of the participating municipalities or county and then a chairman will be elected from that group. Mr. Eder commented that the board will also create the position of zone administrator, and by State statute, the zone administrator shall be employed by a county or municipality, which is party to the agreement. Mr. Eder added that the zone management board may create the position of an assistant zone administrator, which can be hired staff. Mr. Eder and Council discussed this process.

Mr. Eder advised that under the new legislation, a small fee can be charged to cover the administration costs. Mr. Eder added that the fee charged can be no more than 0.5% of the cost of the building materials for the project with the maximum fee being \$50,000.00. Mr. Eder further discussed this item. Mr. Eder stated that the uses of those fees could be administrative, marketing, or the preparation of required annual reports.

Next, Mr. Eder discussed enterprise zone incentives. Mr. Eder stated that in the expiring enterprise zone that Rock Island has, the City provides property tax abatement as an incentive. Mr. Eder explained that the City has two different scales; one is below \$1 million and the other one is above that amount. Mr. Eder added that one is a five year scale and the other is a 10 year scale. Mr. Eder stated that since the City is joining other municipalities, staff is not recommending any incentives as part of the new zone. However, Mr. Eder advised that it is being recommended for staff to develop a policy for property tax abatement as a separate

incentive. Mr. Eder added that the City is the only municipality that offers property tax abatement. Mr. Eder further discussed property tax abatement as it related to the enterprise zone.

Mr. Eder discussed State incentives. Mr. Eder explained that there is a State exemption on sales tax on building materials. Mr. Eder commented that there is also a utility tax exemption, investment tax exemption and corporate contribution deductions. Mr. Eder further discussed the exemptions. Mr. Eder explained that the next step would be to approve an ordinance establishing the enterprise zone so that Bi-State can finish the application. Mr. Eder added that he is proposing to bring that ordinance back on December 8th for Council consideration. Mr. Eder noted that all of the other participating entities must pass the same ordinance, which will happen in the next two weeks, and then Bi-State will submit the application before the end of the year.

Council further discussed Mr. Eder's presentation.

PROPOSED 1ST STREET TIF

Mr. Eder advised that this would be a new TIF District, which consists of 1st Street between 6th and 18th Avenue. Mr. Eder discussed various issues regarding 1st Street, which included; the condition of 1st Street, the cost of demolishing old structures, potential environmental mitigation and promoting business expansion and retention in this area. Mr. Eder referred to the map and discussed the companies that are included in the area. Various companies discussed included; Del's Metals, the Rock Island Lubricant Company, the City street garage, the former Norcross site and the new Norcross building.

Mr. Eder then discussed the former Norcross Site. Mr. Eder stated that this building is in very poor condition and unsafe structurally. Mr. Eder added that it is on the market and there has been a little interest in it, but it will take City involvement to get this property redeveloped. Mr. Eder noted that this is a nice 20 acre piece of property. Mr. Eder indicated that the TIF district would give the City a mechanism to potentially pay for 1st Street and an incentive for a company to come in to redevelop this 20 acre site. Mr. Eder showed photos of various angles of the poor condition that 1st Street is in. Council discussed the condition of 1st Street.

Mr. Eder stated that he would like to hire a TIF consultant to do the required studies in which the cost could be charged back to the TIF once it is established. Council and Mr. Eder further discussed the process for establishing the TIF as well as possible projects once the TIF is established. Mr. Eder commented that this is a brownfield area in need of redevelopment. Council and Mr. Eder also discussed the proposed TIF as it related to the school district.

HARD HAT BALLOT DISTRIBUTION

Renaissance Rock Island President Brian Hollenback distributed ballots to Council for the Hard Hat Awards that will be held on December 3, 2014. Council voted and returned their ballots to Mr. Hollenback.

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ADJOURNMENT

A motion made by Alderman Clark and seconded by Alderman Hotle to adjourn the meeting carried by the following Aye and No vote. Those voting Aye being; Alderman Austin, Alderman Clark, Alderman Conroy and Alderman Hotle; those voting No, none. The meeting was adjourned at 6:04 pm.

Aleisha L. Patchin, City Clerk

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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 Joy Murphy, Charles O. Austin III, Ivory D. Clark, David Conroy, P.J. Foley, Stephen L. Tollenaer and Kate Hotle. Also present were City Manager Thomas Thomas and City Attorney Dave Morrison.

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 November 10, 2014, November 17, 2014 and November 24, 2014.

A motion was made by Alderman Austin and seconded by Alderman Conroy to approve the Minutes of the meeting of November 10, 2014, November 17, 2014 and November 24, 2014 as printed. The motion carried by the following Aye and No vote; those voting Aye being; Alderman Murphy, Alderman Austin, Alderman Clark, Alderman Conroy, Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer and Alderman Hotle; those voting No, none.

Agenda Item #6

Update Rock Island by Mayor Pauley.

Mayor Pauley advised that the College Hill District Holiday Walk will be Thursday, December 4, 2014 from 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm. There will be a visit from Santa, carolers, tree lighting, shopping, hot chocolate and more.

Mayor Pauley stated that you can see the beautiful, historic Hauberg Mansion come alive with holiday cheer at the 47th annual Winter in Bloom open house Sunday, December 7, 2014 from 12:00 pm to 4:00 pm. Free refreshments, live music, children's activities, a scavenger hunt through the many rooms (for prizes!), one-of-a-kind Poinsettia Tree, and a special visit from Frozen's Queen Elsa & Princess Anna make this a unique experience you won't want to miss! Free admission.

Mayor Pauley advised that the Martin Luther King Jr. Community Center's 38th Annual Children's Christmas Party will be on Wednesday, December 17, 2014. Mayor Pauley added that the program provides wrapped gifts, books and treats for Rock Island/Milan children, ages 3 to 12 years, whose families are in need of assistance during the holiday season. Interested parents need to register at the King Center by Friday, December 12, 2014. Registration is required. Volunteers interested in helping with gift wrapping for the King Center Children's Christmas Party can help on Saturday, December 13th from 9:00 am until task is completed. For more information, please call (309) 732-2999.

Mayor Pauley stated that a call for nominations has been made for the 2014 Mark W. Schwiebert Sustainability Leadership Award. Recall that this award was created in 2009 by the City's Advanced Technology & Sustainability Consortium (ATSC). It recognizes a business, organization, or individual that has demonstrated outstanding leadership in the area of green or

sustainable initiatives. Mayor Pauley commented that the 2014 award will be presented at a February 2015 City Council meeting. A nomination form is available by calling (309) 732-2909 or online at www.rigov.org under Rock Island News. Nominations can be mailed to City of Rock Island, CED Department, 1528 Third Avenue, Rock Island, IL, 61201, faxed to (309) 732-2930, or sent via e-mail to dziembowski.magda@rigov.org. The deadline for nominations is December 5th.

Agenda Item #7

Public Hearing on a request from Gurlen Kaur, owner of 2nd Avenue Market LLC, doing business as 2nd Avenue Market LLC for a waiver of the signature requirement to secure a liquor license at 1726 2nd Avenue.

Mayor Pauley closed the regular meeting at 6:49 pm and opened a Public Hearing on a request from Gurlen Kaur, owner of 2nd Avenue Market LLC, doing business as 2nd Avenue Market LLC for a waiver of the signature requirement to secure a liquor license at 1726 2nd Avenue.

Attorney Francis J. Coyle Jr. of 208 18th Street stepped forward. Mayor Pauley swore in Attorney Coyle.

Attorney Coyle stated that he was at the meeting representing the owner who is in Des Moines, IA and couldn't be at the meeting.

Mayor Pauley stated that the form states that the owner lives in Bettendorf, IA. Attorney Coyle stated that the owner does live in Bettendorf, IA, but the owner had business in Des Moines and he is in Des Moines today.

Attorney Coyle indicated that the petitioners have worked diligently and tried to contact all of the people; they have provided signatures for a significant percentage of the non-adjacent landowners and have provided the signatures from every adjacent landowner that they could contact. Attorney Coyle added that the situation is that there are three landowners that have not responded. Attorney Coyle further discussed this issue. Attorney Coyle advised that this project has been worked on for a long time; this will be a full service grocery store. Attorney Coyle stated that the store will have fresh produce, meats and canned goods. Attorney Coyle added that it is anticipated that less than 20% of the gross revenues will be generated from liquor. Attorney Coyle noted that there are numerous apartments being put in for the public and private sector and they will need a place to go. Council and Attorney Coyle further discussed this item.

Mayor Pauley advised that there are three properties that are City owned; Arts Alley is two of the properties and the parking lot at the Plaza, so the City would have to write off on those properties. Mayor Pauley advised that the former Warehouse building is two of the signatures that they couldn't obtain; the other one is a former restaurant, which is right next to the U.S. Bank and the U.S. Bank is the other signature that they could not get.

Mayor Pauley advised that the other issue is that even if these signatures are waived and qualified for a liquor license, no liquor license would be given until the building is brought up to code. The Mayor pointed out that the building has not been brought up to code yet, and the

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property owner said that he would not improve the property unless he could get a liquor license. The Mayor stated that the owner would only have six months to have this building brought up to code or he will not receive this license if it were to be approved.

Attorney Coyle stated that this is understood; it would be a contingent liquor license. Attorney Coyle further discussed this issue.

Alderman Hotle inquired as to why have the liquor license before the building is brought up to code since there will be such a small percentage of alcohol sold. Attorney Coyle stated that it was designed to be a small percentage.

Alderman Tollenaer stated that the people will not invest the money without having a full service facility whatever the percentage of alcohol happens to be. Alderman Tollenaer and the rest of Council further discussed this issue.

Attorney Coyle advised that a liquor license would not be issued until the business is turn-key. Attorney Coyle added that the estimated project is between \$400,000.00 and \$500,000.00 and 20% of revenues are anticipated on beer, wine and liquor. Attorney Coyle and Council further discussed this issue. Mayor Pauley stated that this will be contingent upon the \$400,000.00 investment.

Council discussed the waiver of the signature requirement for this liquor license.

Alderman Murphy inquired about the experience these people have in running this type of business. Attorney Coyle stated that this will be their first full service grocery store; they have another store, which is a full service convenience store with alcohol in Des Moines, IA.

Mayor Pauley inquired as to whether there was anyone that wished to speak in favor of the waiver of the signature requirement for a liquor license at 1726 2nd Avenue. No one stepped forward.

Mayor Pauley then inquired as to whether there was anyone who wished to speak in opposition to the waiver of the signature requirement for a liquor license at 1726 2nd Avenue. No one stepped forward.

After more discussion and with no persons present to speak in favor of or in opposition to the waiver of the signature requirement for a liquor license at 1726 2nd Avenue, Mayor Pauley closed the Public Hearing and reconvened the regular meeting at 7:06 pm.

It was moved by Alderman Austin and seconded by Alderman Tollenaer to recommend to the Mayor/Liquor Commissioner to waive the signature requirement as requested and approve the liquor license.

Discussion followed. Alderman Hotle had concerns that the owner wasn't here to answer all of the questions.

Alderman Austin inquired as what the hours and days of operation would be. Attorney Coyle stated that it would be typical hours of a grocery store; in the morning until the restriction of 11:00 pm. Mayor Pauley noted that for this type of store with alcohol, the restriction would be 1:00 am.

Council further discussed this issue as it related to the signature requirement concerning how many signatures were needed and how many were obtained.

After more discussion, the motion carried by the following Aye and No vote; those voting Aye being; Alderman Austin, Alderman Clark, Alderman Conroy, Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer and Alderman Hotle; those voting No, Alderman Murphy.

Mayor Pauley advised that the motion is approved, but it will be written up as a deferral until all of the work is done on the building.

Agenda Item #8

A Special Ordinance granting a Special Use Permit at 1826 31st Street.

Alderman Conroy made a motion to combine items 8 through 18 into one motion, Alderman Tollenaer seconded the motion. The motion carried by the following Aye and No vote; those voting Aye being; Alderman Murphy, Alderman Austin, Alderman Clark, Alderman Conroy, Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer and Alderman Hotle; those voting No, none.

Note: Please refer to the motion for Agenda Items 8 through 18 after Agenda Item 20.

Agenda Item #9

A Special Ordinance amending a zoning district and zoning map at 2617 18th Avenue and 2711 18th Avenue.

Agenda Item #10

A Special Ordinance removing a handicapped parking space at 1124 19 1/2 Avenue.

Agenda Item #11

A Special Ordinance removing two metered parking spaces on the corner in front of QC Coffee and Pancake House located at 1831 3rd Avenue and establishing a handicapped parking space in front of the business.

Agenda Item #12

A Special Ordinance removing a metered parking space in front of the Rock Island Public Library at 401 19th Street and extending the two hour parking zone to cover the space.

Agenda Item #13

A Special Ordinance removing a handicapped parking space at 1312 32nd Street.

Agenda Item #14

A Special Ordinance regulating parking on private property at 3900 18th Avenue.

Agenda Item #15

A Special Ordinance removing three metered parking spaces in front of QC Coffee and Pancake House located on 19th Street and the two remaining metered parking spaces on 3rd Avenue and extend the two hour parking zone to cover the entire area.

Agenda Item #16

A Special Ordinance establishing Type B residential permit parking only area on the west side of 12th Street between 20th and 21st Avenues.

Agenda Item #17

A Special Ordinance establishing a stop intersection at 16th Street regulating northbound and southbound traffic at its intersection with 21st Avenue.

Agenda Item #18

A Special Ordinance amending a Special Ordinance by establishing a four hour parking zone on the west side of 19th Street from 4th Avenue south to the alley.

Agenda Item #19

Tax Abatement Resolutions

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

- a. Resolution authorizing Tax Abatement in the amount of \$211,850.00, such funds to be provided from revenues of the Public Benefit, Wastewater and Park funds to pay principal and interest on General Obligation Refunding Bonds, series 2005.
- b. Resolution authorizing Tax Abatement in the amount of \$425,000.00, such funds to be provided from revenues of the Public Benefit and Wastewater funds to pay principal and interest on General Obligation Bonds, series 2007.
- c. Resolution authorizing Tax Abatement in the amount of \$537,197.50, such funds to be provided from revenues of the Public Benefit, TIF, Hydropower, Wastewater and Gaming funds to pay principal and interest on General Obligation Bonds, series 2008A and General Obligation Bonds, series 2008B.
- d. Resolution authorizing Tax Abatement in the amount of \$306,182.50, such funds to be provided from revenues of the Downtown TIF fund to pay principal and interest on General Obligation Bonds, series 2008D.
- e. Resolution authorizing Tax Abatement in the amount of \$50,493.33, such funds to be provided from revenues of the Hydropower fund to pay principal and interest on General Obligation Clean Renewable Energy Bonds, series 2008C.

- f. Resolution authorizing Tax Abatement in the amount of \$866,175.00, such funds to be provided from revenues of the Public Benefit, Park and Recreation and Tax Increment Financing funds to pay principal and interest on General Obligation Bonds, series 2009A and General Obligation Bonds, series 2009B.
- g. Resolution authorizing Tax Abatement in the amount of \$571,266.26, such funds to be provided from revenues of the Water fund and Wastewater fund to pay principal and interest on Taxable General Obligation Bonds, series 2010A BABs.
- h. Resolution authorizing Tax Abatement in the amount of \$617,600.00, such funds to be provided from revenues of the Debt Services fund, Gaming and Water fund to pay principal and interest on General Obligation Bonds, series 2010B.
- i. Resolution authorizing Tax Abatement in the amount of \$223,750.00, such funds to be provided from Debt Service fund and Sewer to pay principal and interest on General Obligation Bonds, series 2011A.
- j. Resolution authorizing Tax Abatement in the amount of \$332,087.52, such funds to be provided from revenues of the Debt Service fund, Gaming, Sunset Marina and Water funds to pay principal and interest on General Obligation Bonds, series 2012A.
- k. Resolution authorizing Tax Abatement in the amount of \$741,368.76, such funds to be provided from revenues of the Debt Service fund and Gaming to pay principal and interest on General Obligation Bonds, series 2013A.
- l. Resolution authorizing Tax Abatement in the amount of \$114,670.00, such funds to be provided from revenues of the Gaming fund to pay principal and interest on Taxable General Obligation Bonds, series 2013B.

Agenda Item #20

CLAIMS

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

- a. Report from the Human Resources Department regarding payment in the amount of \$6,464.58 to Dave Morrison for legal services rendered for the month of November.
- b. Report from the Human Resources Department regarding payment in the amount of \$1,705.75 to MidAmerican Energy Company for general liability claim.

- c. Report from the Public Works Department regarding payment #2 and final in the amount of \$40,018.52 to Langman Construction, Inc. for services provided for the 13th Street Water Main, 5th Avenue to 7th Avenue project.
- d. Report from the Public Works Department regarding payment #1 and final in the amount of \$43,380.26 to Chicagoland Trenchless Rehabilitation for services provided for the 2014 Sewer Cleaning and Televising Program project.
- e. Report from the Public Works Department regarding payment #2 and final in the amount of \$155,149.07 to Langman Construction, Inc. for services provided for the 7th Avenue Resurfacing: 30th Street to 38th Street project.
- f. Report from the Public Works Department regarding payment #2 and final in the amount of \$17,199.41 to Langman Construction, Inc. for services provided for the 2014 Southwest Rock Island Street Patching project.
- g. Report from the Public Works Department regarding payment #3 in the amount of \$24,817.60 to Greenspace Associates for services provided for the 2014 Sod Replacement Program project.
- h. Report from the Public Works Department regarding payment #2 and final in the amount of \$23,448.51 to Langman Construction, Inc. for services provided for the 2014 Catch Basin and Manhole Program projects.
- i. Report from the Public Works Department regarding payment #12 in the amount of \$576,759.99 to Gilbane Building Company for construction services provided for the Rock Island Police Station project.

Agenda Items 8-18

Alderman Conroy stated that in regards to point of order; he had made a motion to combine Agenda items 8 through 18 earlier, but did not make a motion to consider, suspend the rules and pass the ordinances. At this time, Alderman Conroy moved to consider, suspend the rules and pass the ordinances for those items and Alderman Tollenaer seconded. The motion carried by the following Aye and No vote; those voting Aye being; Alderman Murphy, Alderman Austin, Alderman Clark, Alderman Conroy, Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer and Alderman Hotle; those voting No, none.

Agenda Item #21

Claims for the weeks of November 7 through November 13 in the amount of \$1,127,496.30 and November 14 through November 20 in the amount of \$2,136,458.21 and payroll for the weeks of October 27 through November 9 in the amount of \$1,323,976.74 and November 10 through November 23 in the amount of \$1,350,284.99.

Alderman Clark moved and Alderman Tollenaer seconded to allow the claims and payroll. The motion carried by the following Aye and No vote; those voting Aye being; Alderman Murphy,

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

Agenda Item #22

Purchase Card Claims for the month of October in the amount of \$70,444.39.

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

Agenda Item #23

Report from the Public Works Department regarding request for qualifications from consulting firms to provide recommendations and design for the HVAC system upgrades at Central Fire Station.

Alderman Foley moved and Alderman Conroy seconded to approve Miner Consulting Engineers, P.C. as recommended and authorize the engineering division to enter into negotiations with them for a service agreement. The motion carried by the following Aye and No vote; those voting Aye being; Alderman Murphy, Alderman Austin, Alderman Clark, Alderman Conroy, Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer and Alderman Hotle; those voting No, none.

Agenda Item #24

Report from the Human Resources Department regarding a proposed labor agreement between the City and the International Association of Firefighters (IAFF) for the period of March 31, 2014 through December 31, 2018.

It was moved by Alderman Tollenaer and seconded by Alderman Murphy to approve the agreement as recommended and authorize the City Manager to execute the contract documents.

Comments followed. Alderman Conroy stated that this is stepping out of any boundaries that any community has done by offering a five year contract, and making a secure workplace for the City's firefighters is a pretty unique thing to happen in this area.

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

Agenda Item #25

Report from the Police Department regarding a contract with Rock Island Housing Authority for police services at the Housing Authority properties.

Note: Agenda Item #25 was tabled at the November 10th Council meeting.

Alderman Conroy moved and Alderman Clark seconded to take item #25 from the table and place it back on the Agenda.

Mayor Pauley stated that a motion remains on the floor - Alderman Clark moved and Alderman Murphy seconded to approve the contract as recommended and authorize the City Manager to execute the contract documents. The roll was then called and the motion carried by the following Aye and No vote; those voting Aye being; Alderman Murphy, Alderman Austin, Alderman Clark, Alderman Conroy, Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer and Alderman Hotle; those voting No, none.

Agenda Item #26

Report from the Community and Economic Development Department regarding a lease agreement with American Bank and Trust for an ATM drive through lane on the south side of 4th Avenue between 16th and 17th Streets.

It was moved by Alderman Austin and seconded by Alderman Foley to approve the lease agreement as recommended, subject to minor City Attorney modifications 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 Murphy, Alderman Austin, Alderman Clark, Alderman Conroy, Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer and Alderman Hotle; those voting No, none.

Agenda Item #27

Report from the Finance Department regarding an Ordinance authorizing the issuance of General Obligation Bonds, Series 2014A to finance part of the construction of the new police facility and Taxable General Obligation Bonds, Series 2014B to finance redevelopment project costs for the 11th Street redevelopment project.

Alderman Tollenaer moved and Alderman Clark seconded to consider the ordinance.

Discussion followed. Alderman Austin inquired upon Finance Director Cynthia Parchert to explain the details of this item.

Ms. Parchert advised that the City is working with Speer Financial on these offerings. Ms. Parchert stated that in regards to the Police Facility, approximately \$10 million in qualified tax exempt bonds are being issued and \$15 million for the 11th Street Redevelopment to refinance the City's line of credit.

Alderman Austin inquired as to whether this is good timing in regards to favorable rates. Ms. Parchert stated yes. Ms. Parchert added that the City has had the bond rating call with Moody's, and the City should be getting information back from them tomorrow on the bond rating. Ms. Parchert commented that she is confident that the City will maintain the AA rating. Ms. Parchert indicated that the bond sale will take place on December 8th. Ms. Parchert advised that this item will come back to Council next week, and the representative from Speer Financial will be in attendance at the Council meeting to present the bids.

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

Agenda Item #28

Report from General Administration regarding a Special Ordinance amending a Special Ordinance for Chapter 7, Article IX, Section 7-233(b) of the Code of Ordinances regarding establishing a \$100.00 minimum fee for the removal of refuse and debris.

It was moved by Alderman Conroy and seconded by Alderman Tollenaer to consider, suspend the rules and pass the ordinance.

Discussion followed. Alderman Murphy inquired as to whether this would affect every resident's free pick-up. Mayor Pauley stated no.

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

Agenda Item #29

Report from General Administration regarding a Special Ordinance amending a Special Ordinance for Chapter 13, Article II, Section 13-25 of the Code of Ordinances regarding a \$2.00 increase in the monthly refuse charge.

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

Agenda Item #30

Report from General Administration regarding a Special Ordinance amending a Special Ordinance for Chapter 13, Article II, Section 13-38(b) of the Code of Ordinances regarding an increase in the minimum charge for removal of weeds and grass from \$15.00 to \$100.00.

It was moved by Alderman Foley and seconded by Alderman Conroy to consider, suspend the rules and pass the ordinance.

Comments followed. Mayor Pauley stated that the City is not trying to raise a bunch of money with this; the City is trying to keep people from abusing the issue in which case, the City would then have to go out and cut the weeds and grass.

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

Agenda Item #31

Report from General Administration regarding a Special Ordinance amending a Special Ordinance for Chapter 16, Section 16-36(c) of the Code of Ordinances regarding establishing a fee of \$35.00 for water shutoff notices for nonpayment.

Alderman Tollenaer moved and Alderman Murphy seconded to consider, suspend the rules and pass the ordinance.

Discussion followed. Alderman Conroy stated that he would not be voting for this item; it should be a step measure. Alderman Conroy added that the first time it could be \$10.00 and maybe do it a second time. Alderman Conroy further discussed this issue.

Alderman Hotle stated that she would not be voting for this item. Alderman Hotle added that she agreed with some of Alderman Conroy's comments. Alderman Hotle indicated that she understands where staff is coming from on this issue. However, Alderman Hotle thought that the City should try to be very helpful to the people that are getting themselves into this situation of having their water shut off. Alderman Hotle added that she was not in support of adding an additional fee.

Alderman Clark stated that he would not be voting for this item and he didn't understand where staff was coming from.

Alderman Murphy inquired as to whether staff has considered some type of progressive fee. Finance Director Cynthia Parchert stated no, staff has not. Ms. Parchert advised that the first fee could be waived. Ms. Parchert added that this is currently done with any late fees. Ms. Parchert further discussed this issue.

Alderman Clark discussed the additional \$35.00 proposed fee as it related to the \$65.00 fee that is currently charged to turn water service back on. Council further discussed this issue.

After more discussion on alternative measures that were suggested, Alderman Austin moved to Table item #31 for one week, Alderman Foley seconded. The motion carried by the following Aye and No vote; those voting Aye being; Alderman Murphy, Alderman Austin, Alderman Clark, Alderman Conroy, Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer and Alderman Hotle; those voting No, none.

Mayor Pauley stated to Ms. Parchert to come back to Council next week with alternatives.

Agenda Item #32

Report from the Community and Economic Development Department regarding a Resolution identifying a partnership with GROWTH to submit an application to IHDA for funding through the Blight Reduction Program and an agreement with GROWTH for Blight Reduction Program Services.

It was moved by Alderman Hotle and seconded by Alderman Murphy to adopt the resolution as recommended, approve the agreement, subject to minor attorney modifications 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 Murphy, Alderman Austin, Alderman Conroy, Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer and Alderman Hotle; those voting No, none. Alderman Clark abstained.

Agenda Item #33

Report from the Community and Economic Development Department regarding the Jumer's Casino Rock Island TIF Surplus, recommending to declare a surplus of funds in TIF 4 in the amount of \$553,127.99.

It was moved by Alderman Austin and seconded by Alderman Conroy to declare the surplus of funds as recommended and authorize the Finance Director to return these surplus funds to the Rock Island County treasurer for distribution. The motion carried by the following Aye and No vote; those voting Aye being; Alderman Murphy, Alderman Austin, Alderman Clark, Alderman Conroy, Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer and Alderman Hotle; those voting No, none.

Agenda Item #34

Report from the Community and Economic Development Department regarding a two-lot minor subdivision final plat of CVS/Pharmacy Rock Island located at the site of the former Audubon Elementary School at 2617 18th Avenue.

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

Agenda Item #35

Report from the Mayor regarding an appointment to the Sunset Marina Boaters Advisory Committee.

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

Mr. Rick Riley was appointed to the Sunset Marina Boaters Advisory Committee to represent the 500 Dock with a term to expire on June 1, 2017.

Agenda Item #36

Other Business.

Alderman Foley wanted everyone to be aware that Conan Dalton, a former traveling soccer teammate passed away. Alderman Foley stated Conan and his family will be kept in our thoughts and prayers.

Alderman Murphy discussed American Express and how they supported small businesses across America on Small Business Saturday.

Alderman Murphy reminded everyone to Shop Rock Island. Alderman Murphy stated that Luxury Hair Boutique is located Downtown in the Shoppes on 2nd. Alderman Murphy advised that they sell a large variety of 100% virgin hair extensions. Alderman Murphy commented that

they are open on Tuesdays by appointment, Wednesdays and Thursdays from 11:00 am to 6:00 pm, Fridays from 11:00 am to 7:00 pm and Saturdays from 11:00 am to 3:00 pm. It was noted that a Ribbon Cutting will be held on Friday. Alderman Murphy reminded everyone to shop local and shop Rock Island first.

Pastor Allen Shuler of the Olivet Baptist Church located at 1115 21st Avenue stepped forward. Pastor Shuler discussed residential permit parking on the west side of 12th Street between 20th and 21st Avenue in which an ordinance was passed earlier in the evening for residential permit parking Type B. Pastor Shuler stated that item 16 was approved for Type B residential permit parking and this area is adjacent to the church's location. Pastor Shuler advised that this becomes an issue because the church has funerals, weddings and all types of community services. Pastor Shuler commented that the concern is that with the Type B residential parking, this sets up the constituents and the church's congregation for possible tickets because that area between 20th and 21st Avenue is used. Pastor Shuler inquired upon Council to review the motion that was approved and that it be reconsidered and stricken from the record.

Alderman Foley stated that Pastor Shuler has brought up a good point. Alderman Foley commented that church activities were not taken into consideration. Alderman Foley inquired as to whether something could be waived or done for the church when they have functions, funerals, weddings, or church services.

Mayor Pauley advised that the Council has done that for other churches. Mayor Pauley stated to Pastor Shuler to write a letter of request and ask for a waiver for an event, Sunday services funerals or weddings. Mayor Pauley added that the letter can be submitted to Alderman Foley and he will present it to Council.

Agenda Item #37

Executive Session on Personnel, Property Acquisition and Litigation.

An Executive Session was not held.

Agenda Item #38

Recess

A motion was made by Alderman Foley and seconded by Alderman Murphy to recess to 5:30 pm, Monday, December 8, 2014. The motion carried by the following Aye and No vote; those voting Aye being; Alderman Murphy, Alderman Austin, Alderman Clark, Alderman Conroy, Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer and Alderman Hotle, those voting No, none. The meeting was recessed at 7:42 pm.