

The Rock Island City Council met in Study Session at 5:00 p.m. at the new Schwiebert Riverfront Park in Downtown Rock Island and at 6:00 p.m. in the Personnel Conference Room of Rock Island City Hall. Present were Mayor Dennis E. Pauley, presiding, and Aldermen Terry M.A. Brooks I, P. J. Foley, Stephen L. Tollenaer, Joy Murphy and Charles O. Austin III. Also present were City Manager John Phillips, Community and Economic Development Director Greg Champagne, Planning and Redevelopment Administrator Alan Carmen, Representatives from Williams/Valley Construction Management, Administrative Services Director John Thorson, Assistant Information Technology Services Director Tim Bain, Dave Wilson from Wilson Consulting and other City staff. Aldermen David Conroy and Jason W. Jones were absent.

MISCELLANEOUS

City Manager Phillips discussed the Safer Community Task Force and the focus group sessions as it related to accessing the recordings of the focus group sessions.

SCHWIEBERT RIVERFRONT PARK TOUR

Planning and Redevelopment Administrator Alan Carmen along with representatives of the Williams/Valley Construction Management team gave Council and staff a tour of the new Schwiebert Riverfront Park located in Downtown Rock Island. Mr. Carmen stated that there has been significant progress made on the park; it is 85% complete. Representatives of the construction team stated that a small amount of lighting, electrical work, paving, a few features and landscaping are yet to be completed. It was noted that along with the interactive water feature, staging area and other amenities, there will be two (2) playgrounds, one of which is a new interactive computer related type area. It is noted that Schwiebert Riverfront Park is tentatively scheduled to open on July 3, 2010.

After the tour, Council met back at City Hall at 6:00 p.m. for the 2nd part of the Study Session.

VOICE OVER IP TELEPHONE SYSTEM

City Manager Phillips inquired upon Administrative Services Director John Thorson to review the process. Mr. Thorson stated that staff has worked in conjunction with Wilson Consulting to go through the process of selecting a new telephone system for the City. Mr. Thorson offered that the old phone system is approximately a decade old and the hardware and software does not take advantage of the new technology that is available.

Mr. Thorson stated that Mr. Wilson was hired to do four phases of this process with the City. Mr. Thorson noted that the first phase was a review of inventory and the second phase included the type of technology that was available. Mr. Thorson stated that Mr. Wilson will discuss the third phase of the process, which is the result of the request for qualifications.

Mr. Wilson discussed the process of how they came to the recommendation for the purchase of the Shoretel VoIP Telephone System with RSM McGladrey. Mr. Wilson explained that 14 vendors submitted proposals and out of those 14, four (4) vendors were asked to make presentations in regards to incorporating the elements of system design, company capabilities, system administration, system survivability, telephone instruments and system capabilities, voice mail, programming related to 911 calls and automatic call distribution. Mr. Wilson indicated that after further examination, it was decided that RSM McGladrey's proposal met the requirements based on the City's specifications. It was noted that an evaluation matrix was used in determining the outcome, which was based on points. The criteria for the matrix included vendor strength, manufacturer support, system configuration, system features, telephone instruments, system administration and system cost.

Mr. Wilson commented that the Shoretel Telephone System will operate over the City's data network. Mr. Wilson indicated that an audit was completed in regards to all of the services and lines that the City pays for concerning its telephone bills. It was determined that after this new phone system is installed, the ongoing operating expenses for the City from the telephone company will be a reduction in costs of approximately \$63,000.00 a year.

Council discussed the process as it related to the recommendation of the VoIP System and using the City's data network with the phone system as it relates to the cost and reliability of the new phone system.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion made by Alderman Austin and seconded by Alderman Brooks to adjourn the meeting carried on a roll call vote. Those voting Aye being Alderman Brooks, Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderwoman Murphy and Alderman Austin; those voting No, none. The meeting was adjourned at 6:24 p. m.

Aleisha L. Patchin, City Clerk

Rock Island City Council met in regular session at 6:45 p.m. in the Council Chambers of Rock Island City Hall. Present were Mayor Dennis E. Pauley, presiding, and Aldermen Terry M.A. Brooks I, P.J. Foley, Stephen L. Tollenaer, Joy Murphy and Charles O. Austin III. City Manager John Phillips was also present. Aldermen David Conroy and Jason W. Jones were absent.

Introductory Proceedings

Mayor Pauley called the meeting to order and recognized Boy Scout Troup 213. The Mayor stated that the scouts are working on their Citizenship in the Community Badge. Troup 213 joined the Mayor as he led in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America. Alderman Austin gave the Invocation.

Agenda Item #5

Minutes of the Meeting of March 22, 2010.

A motion was made by Alderman Austin and seconded by Alderwoman Murphy to approve the Minutes of the Meeting of March 22, 2010 as printed. The motion carried by the following Aye and No vote; those voting Aye being Alderman Brooks, Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderwoman Murphy and Alderman Austin; those voting No, none.

Agenda Item #6

Update Rock Island by Mayor Pauley.

Mayor Pauley stated that River Action announced Floatzilla, which is an attempt to break the Guinness World Record for the largest canoe and kayak raft. This event is scheduled for August 21, 2010. It is expected to draw over 1000 paddlers to Lake Potter in Sunset Park. Mayor Pauley indicated that to break the record, participants will have to link hands, paddles or hold on to adjacent boats to create and maintain a single interconnected raft for 30 seconds. It was noted that the current record is 1,104 boats. Mayor Pauley stated that if more information is needed, please visit www.floatzilla.org.

Mayor Pauley offered that the City of Rock Island is providing free leaf collection for its residential refuse customers from Monday, April 12, 2010 through Friday April 30, 2010. In addition to providing free leaf collection, the City will also furnish bags for this program at no cost. Mayor Pauley stated that starting this Monday, April 5th, residents may pick up bags at City Hall, Public Works, Martin Luther King Center, Community Caring Conference and 30/31 and Southwest Branch Libraries. It was noted that for more information go to www.rigov.org.

Mayor Pauley stated that construction on the 30th Street Resurfacing/Reconstruction project from 31st Avenue to Blackhawk Road will begin the week of April 5, 2010 and will continue until this fall. It was noted that during construction, there will be periods of time that 30th Street will be closed to north bound traffic between River Heights Road and Blackhawk Road; south bound traffic will be maintained along this section of 30th Street and north bound traffic will be detoured to 24th and 38th Streets. Mayor Pauley advised that two-way traffic will be maintained on 30th Street between 31st Avenue and River Heights Road. Mayor Pauley added that reconstruction of the 30th Street and 31st Avenue intersection will also take place at this time.

Mayor Pauley indicated that the City has started pavement patching on 38th Street, between 31st Avenue and Black Hawk Road. It was noted that the work should be completed around June 1, 2010. Mayor Pauley stated that the City is sorry for any inconvenience due to this road construction and appreciates the patience and consideration of the traveling public.

Mayor Pauley advised that applications for Rock Island Economic Growth Corporation's (GROWTH) Single Family Owner Occupied Rehab program (SFOOR) are available now and will be due on April 16, 2010. It was noted that this program provides financial assistance to Rock Island homeowners needing to bring their homes up to minimum housing quality standards. The Mayor stated that GROWTH received \$821,000.00 from the Illinois Housing Development Authority (IHDA) to rehab 20 homes over the next two (2) years. The Mayor added that since 2003, GROWTH has helped over 50 homeowners with rehab assistance through the SFOOR program. For an application and more information, please visit www.LiveRI.com.

Agenda Item #7

Proclamation declaring Thursday, April 8, 2010 as Keep Rock Island Beautiful Day.

Mayor Pauley read the Proclamation declaring Thursday, April 8, 2010 as Keep Rock Island Beautiful Day. Carolyn Fuller, Executive Director of Keep Rock Island Beautiful accepted the Proclamation.

Ms. Fuller stated that Keep Rock Island Beautiful's 25th anniversary celebration will be held on Thursday, April 8, 2010 from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at Jumer's Casino and Hotel. Ms. Fuller stated that if anyone would like to attend, please call (309) 786-1334.

Agenda Item #8

A Special Ordinance providing for the sale of vacant property previously part of the former Michael's Trailer Park.

It was moved by Alderwoman Murphy, 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 Brooks, Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderwoman Murphy and Alderman Austin; those voting No, none.

Agenda Item #9

A Special Ordinance providing for the sale of property at 1302 and 1304 2nd Street and 102 and 104 13th Avenue.

Alderman Tollenaer moved and Alderwoman Murphy 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 Brooks, Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderwoman Murphy and Alderman Austin; those voting No, none.

Agenda Item #10

A Resolution opposing reduction of the Local Government Distributive Fund.

It was moved by Alderman Tollenaer, seconded by Alderman Foley to adopt the Resolution. The motion carried by the following Aye and No vote: those voting Aye being Alderman Brooks, Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderwoman Murphy and Alderman Austin; those voting No, none.

Agenda Item #11

CLAIMS

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

- a. Report from the Administrative Services Department regarding payment in the amount of \$7,129.50 to Konecky, Koenig, Kutsunis and Weng for legal services rendered for March 2010.
- b. Report from the Administrative Services Department regarding payment in the amount of \$4,339.79 to Crawford & Company (Attorney James Ridge) for Worker's Compensation Settlement for Timothy McCloud.
- c. Report from the Administrative Services Department regarding payment in the amount of \$4,000.00 to Russell Johnson and payment in the amount of \$1,905.00 to William Wardell for General Liability Claims.
- d. Report from the Administrative Services Department regarding payment in the amount of \$68,913.00 to Harris Computer Systems for the annual software maintenance contracts. (001)
- e. Report from the Administrative Services Department regarding payment in the amount of \$5,850.00 to NeoGov for the annual license agreements for Applicant Tracking Software. (002)
- f. Report from the Public Works Department regarding payment in the amount of \$8,874.07 to Valley Construction Company for an emergency main break repair at 38th Street and 7th Avenue. (081)
- g. Report from the Public Works Department regarding payment in the amount of \$6,692.07 to Brandt Construction Company for an emergency main break repair at 17th Street and 24th Street. (082)

- h. Report from the Public Works Department regarding payment in the amount of \$7,355.93 to C.H. Langman Son, Inc. for an emergency water main repair at 30th Street and John Deere Road. (083)
- i. Report from the Public Works Department regarding payment in the amount of \$6,464.32 to Valley Construction Company for an emergency sewer repair at 30th Street and 15th Avenue. (084)
- j. Report from the Public Works Department regarding payment #3 and final in the amount of \$4,740.10 to Legacy Corporation for services provided for the Outfall Repair Program. (088)
- k. Report from the Public Works Department regarding payment in the amount of \$5,612.28 to Langman Construction for services provided at 28th Street and 25th Avenue for the 2009 Sewer Lateral Repair Program. (089)

Agenda Item #12

Claims for the week of March 19 through March 25 in the amount of \$1,020,225.03.

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

Agenda Item #13

Payroll for the weeks of March 8 through March 21 in the amount of \$1,205,952.27

Alderman Tollenaer moved and Alderwoman Murphy seconded to allow the payroll. The motion carried by the following Aye and No vote: those voting Aye being Alderman Brooks, Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderwoman Murphy and Alderman Austin; those voting No, none.

Agenda Item #14

Report from the Administrative Services Department regarding the purchase of annual computer replacement equipment from the Hewlett-Packard Company in the amount of \$95,000.00 and from CDW-G in the amount of \$45,000.00.

It was moved by Alderman Tollenaer, seconded by Alderwoman Murphy to approve the purchases as recommended. The motion carried by the following Aye and No vote: those voting Aye being Alderman Brooks, Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderwoman Murphy and Alderman Austin; those voting No, none.

Agenda Item #15

Report from the Public Works Department regarding bids for 14th and 15th Street reconstruction from Blackhawk Road to 47th Avenue, recommending the bid be awarded to Centennial Contractors of the Quad Cities, Inc. in the amount of \$380,266.50.

Alderman Tollenaer moved and Alderwoman Murphy 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 Brooks, Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderwoman Murphy and Alderman Austin; those voting No, none.

Agenda Item #16

Report from the Public Works Department regarding bids for 14th Street resurfacing of 42nd to 35th Avenues and 40th Avenue to Watch Hill Road, recommending the bid be awarded to Valley Construction in the amount of \$1,073,744.94.

It was moved by Alderman Foley, seconded by Alderwoman 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 Brooks, Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderwoman Murphy and Alderman Austin; those voting No, none.

Agenda Item #17

Report from the Public Works Department regarding bids for 23rd Avenue resurfacing of 24th to 26th Streets, recommending the bid be awarded to C.H. Langman and Son in the amount of \$437,135.50.

Alderman Tollenaer 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 Brooks, Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderwoman Murphy and Alderman Austin; those voting No, none.

Agenda Item #18

Report from the Public Works Department regarding bids for 22½ Avenue resurfacing of 25th to 27th Streets, recommending the bid be awarded to C.H. Langman and Son in the amount of \$349,672.00.

It was moved by Alderman Tollenaer, seconded by Alderman Austin 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 Brooks, Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderwoman Murphy and Alderman Austin; those voting No, none.

Agenda Item #19

Report from the Public Works Department regarding bids for the 2010 Sidewalk/Curb Replacement Program and the 2010 Tree Program, recommending the bid be awarded to Centennial Contractors of the Quad Cities in the amount of \$77,808.00.

Alderman Foley moved and Alderman Tollenaer 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 Brooks, Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderwoman Murphy and Alderman Austin; those voting No, none.

Agenda Item #20

Report from the Public Works Department regarding bids for the 2010 Catch Basin and Manhole Program, recommending the bid be awarded to Langman Construction in the amount of \$129,861.00.

It was moved by Alderman Tollenaer, seconded by Alderwoman 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 Brooks, Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderwoman Murphy and Alderman Austin; those voting No, none.

Agenda Item #21

Report from the Community and Economic Development Department regarding bids for the NESHAPS (asbestos) investigation of 10 residential properties, recommending the bid be awarded to Environet, Inc. in the amount of \$3,950.00.

Alderman Austin 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 Brooks, Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderwoman Murphy and Alderman Austin; those voting No, none.

Agenda Item #22

Report from the Administrative Services Department regarding a purchase agreement with RSM McGladrey for the Shoretel VoIP Telephone System in the amount of \$271,543.00.

It was moved by Alderman Tollenaer, seconded by Alderman Austin 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 Brooks, Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderwoman Murphy and Alderman Austin; those voting No, none.

Agenda Item #23

Report from the Community and Economic Development Department regarding a proposal from McClure Engineering for design and oversight of the removal of City water and sewer utilities in the former 45th Street right-of-way from 3rd to 4th Avenues in an amount not to exceed \$7,000.00.

Alderman Foley moved and Alderwoman Murphy seconded to approve the proposal 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 Brooks, Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderwoman Murphy and Alderman Austin; those voting No, none.

Agenda Item #24

Report from the Community and Economic Development Department regarding a renewal agreement with the Quad Cities Convention and Visitors Bureau for the operation of the Centennial Bridge Visitors Center.

It was moved by Alderwoman Murphy, seconded by Alderman Austin 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 Brooks, Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderwoman Murphy and Alderman Austin; those voting No, none.

Agenda Item #25

Report from the Community and Economic Development Department regarding the Neighborhood Stabilization Program (NSP) 2 Grant agreement with Rock Island Economic Growth.

Alderwoman Murphy moved and Alderman Brooks seconded to approve the subgrantee 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 Brooks, Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderwoman Murphy and Alderman Austin; those voting No, none.

Agenda Item #26

Report from the Community and Economic Development Department regarding a proposal from Quad City Arts for participation in the 2010 Sculpture in the District Program in the amount of \$7,000.00.

It was moved by Alderwoman Murphy, seconded by Alderman Tollenaer to approve the proposal 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 Brooks, Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderwoman Murphy and Alderman Austin; those voting No, none.

Agenda Item #27

Report from the Community and Economic Development Department regarding a Special Ordinance ceding the City's 2010 private activity volume bonding cap to the Quad Cities Regional Economic Development Authority.

It was moved by Alderwoman Murphy, 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 Brooks, Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderwoman Murphy and Alderman Austin; those voting No, none.

Agenda Item #28

Report from the Traffic Engineering Committee regarding a request to ban parking on the east side of 35th Street north of 12th Avenue to the dead end.

Alderman Tollenaer moved and Alderman Austin 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 Brooks, Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderwoman Murphy and Alderman Austin; those voting No, none.

Agenda Item #29

Report from the Traffic Engineering Committee regarding a request for installation of a handicapped parking space at 811 15th Street.

It was moved by Alderman Tollenaer, seconded by Alderwoman Murphy 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 Brooks, Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderwoman Murphy and Alderman Austin; those voting No, none.

Agenda Item #30

Report from the Traffic Engineering Committee regarding a request for installation of a handicapped parking space at 1712 5th Street.

Alderman Tollenaer moved and Alderwoman 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 Brooks, Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderwoman Murphy and Alderman Austin; those voting No, none.

Agenda Item #31

Report from the Traffic Engineering Committee regarding a request for removal of a handicapped parking space at 1837 9th Street.

It was moved by Alderman Tollenaer, seconded by Alderwoman Murphy 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 Brooks, Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderwoman Murphy and Alderman Austin; those voting No, none.

Agenda Item #32

Report from the City Clerk regarding a request from Reverend Willie E. Jones of the People's Missionary Baptist Church for parking to be permitted at the curbside along the east and west sides of 23rd Street between 5th and 6th Avenues on Monday, April 12, 2010 from 5:45 p.m. to 9:45 p.m., and Tuesday, April 13, 2010 from 8:00 a.m. to 9:45 p.m. for their Iowa Missionary and Educational State Convention.

Alderwoman Murphy moved and Alderman Foley seconded to approve the request as recommended. The motion carried by the following Aye and No vote: those voting Aye being Alderman Brooks, Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderwoman Murphy and Alderman Austin; those voting No, none.

Agenda Item #33

Report from the City Clerk regarding a request from Hilltop Tavern to hold an outdoor benefit (Ride With Kelly Foundation Charity Motorcycle Ride), and a request from The Ride With Kelly Foundation for a sound amplification permit for Saturday, April 24, 2010 from 4:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. at 1228 30th Street.

It was moved by Alderman Tollenaer, seconded by Alderman Foley to approve the event and the sound amplification as recommended. The motion carried by the following Aye and No vote: those voting Aye being Alderman Brooks, Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderwoman Murphy and Alderman Austin; those voting No, none.

Agenda Item #34

Report from the City Clerk regarding a request from Junior's Tap to hold an event outside on Saturday, May 1, 2010 from 12:00 noon to 8:00 p.m.

Alderwoman Murphy moved and Alderman Tollenaer seconded to approve the outside event for Junior's Tap as recommended. The motion carried by the following Aye and No vote: those voting Aye being Alderman Brooks, Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderwoman Murphy and Alderman Austin; those voting No, none.

Agenda Item #35

Report from the City Clerk regarding a request from Martinis on the Rock to hold live entertainment outside on Friday and Saturday nights beginning May 1, 2010 through November 30, 2010 from 8:00 p.m. to midnight.

It was moved by Alderman Austin, seconded by Alderwoman Murphy to approve the request as recommended, subject to complying with all liquor license regulations and subject to being closed down if noise complaints are received.

Discussion followed. Alderman Austin stated that last year when this request came forward, some of the neighbors that live 75 or more feet away heard the noise (music) the year before. At that time it was noted that a representative of Martinis on the Rock attended the meeting and acknowledged that there had been a problem in regards to the noise. Alderman Austin stated that this year, the same neighbors stated that there was not a problem with the noise this past year. Alderman Austin complimented Martini's on the Rock for taking care of their responsibility.

After discussion, the motion carried by the following Aye and No vote: those voting Aye being Alderman Brooks, Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderwoman Murphy and Alderman Austin; those voting No, none.

Agenda Item #36

Report from City Clerk regarding a Plaza activity application from the Daiquiri Factory for an event (concert) to be held on Friday, July 2, 2010.

Alderman Foley moved and Alderwoman Murphy seconded to approve the event for the Daiquiri Factory as recommended, subject to complying with all liquor and Plaza regulations. The motion carried by the following Aye and No vote: those voting Aye being Alderman Brooks, Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderwoman Murphy and Alderman Austin; those voting No, none.

Agenda Item #37

Report from the City Clerk regarding a Plaza activity application from RIBCO for an additional day as part of their annual outdoor Summer Concert Series to be held on Friday, July 9, 2010.

It was moved by Alderwoman Murphy, seconded by Alderman Tollenaer to approve the event for RIBCO as recommended, subject to complying with all liquor and Plaza regulations. The motion carried by the following Aye and No vote: those voting Aye being Alderman Brooks, Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderwoman Murphy and Alderman Austin; those voting No, none.

Mayor Pauley stated that there is a request for Council volunteers for the Citizen of the Year Committee. Mayor Pauley inquired upon Council for volunteers. Alderman Austin and Alderman Foley volunteered.

Agenda Item #38

Items from the City Manager's Memorandum Packet.

Mr. Phillips made reference to the Goal Setting Session dates for this year, which will be on Friday, September 17th and Saturday, September 18th.

City Manager Phillips inquired upon Finance Director Bill Scott to review Highlights of the February 2010 Management Report.

Mr. Scott stated that there has been some slippage in the tax revenues. The Income Tax projection for this year is \$3,162,000.00. It was noted that this current 2011 Fiscal Year is actually \$3,055,000.00. For the current year, the City is projecting less than the projection for Fiscal Year 2010. It was noted that the difference is slightly over \$100,000.00. Mr. Scott stated that the projection for 2010 regarding Replacement Tax is \$2,527,000.00 and the projection for Fiscal Year 2011 is \$2,177,000.00. It was noted that this is a \$350,000.00 difference. Mr. Scott had concerns regarding the Utility Tax, but anticipated that there would be some improvement as March receipts are looked at and year end accruals.

Mr. Scott pointed out that the General Fund revenue is at 84% of budget and expenditures are at 83% of budget. It was noted that both are under the benchmark for February, which is 92%. Mr. Scott stated that the City implemented new financial software on January 1, 2010. The monthly budgeted transfers between funds are recorded with journal entries. It was noted that these recurring journal entries have not been recorded since December. As a result, several revenue and expense categories are reported at 75% of the budget. Mr. Scott pointed out that these amounts will be at 100% at year end after these entries are recorded in the new financial system.

City Manager Phillips further discussed the Management Report.

City Manager John Phillips inquired upon Community Economic Development Director Greg Champagne to explain why the City needs a Downtown TIF Redevelopment Plan amendment.

Mr. Champagne stated that Tax Increment Financing is a state statute that was enacted in 1977 that created the redevelopment tool for cities across the state. Mr. Champagne noted that the City has five (5) TIF districts in which the oldest is the Downtown that was created in February of 1985. Mr. Champagne explained that when a TIF district is created, the Council adopts a redevelopment plan; the plan is to outline the projected amount of TIF revenues that will be accrued in the district over the life of the TIF district and how those funds will be spent.

Mr. Champagne indicated that the state allows a TIF district to run for 23 years with the exception of special legislation that can be approved by the General Assembly, which will extend the life of a TIF for 35 years. It was noted that in 2000, the City went to the General Assembly and was successful in having legislation passed that allows the Downtown TIF district to run for 35 years. The Downtown TIF will end in 2020.

Mr. Champagne discussed the TIF as it relates to looking at the budget to determine how much TIF revenue would be expected to be received. Mr. Champagne commented that the projected \$36 million dollars for TIF revenue for expenditure in the amended plan is really only what is anticipated on the public side; it possibly could be two (2) to three (3) times more than that in private investments.

Mr. Champagne offered that the process for amending the plan is a reflection of the state statute. It was noted that in three (3) weeks, there will be a public meeting held to seek input on amending the plan. Mr. Champagne noted that the next step will be an Ordinance for Council action on May 18th for establishing the place and time of the Public Hearing. On July 12th, there will be a Public Hearing, followed by the adoption of the redevelopment plan on July 26th.

City Manager Phillips made reference to information included in the memo packet regarding a modification to the Beaver Landing condo project that was recently approved.

City Manager Phillips noted information included in the memo packet regarding several ribbon cutting events to celebrate the completion of some of the construction projects of the Rock Island/Milan School District's Building Excellence plan.

City Manager Phillips made reference to information included in the memo packet regarding the Quad City Regional Strategic Planning Session to be held on Thursday, April 8, 2010 at 5:30 p.m. at Stoney Creek Inn and Conference Center.

Alderman Brooks stated that residents have been complaining in regards to ladies pushing strollers in the City's right-of-way. Alderman Brooks advised that there should be some type of enforcement in regards to this issue.

Alderwoman Murphy stated that the Citizen of the Year program is coming up and encouraged everyone to start thinking about someone that they know that would be a good candidate for Citizen of the Year.

Alderwoman Murphy discussed violence in the community as it relates to organizing neighborhood block clubs.

**CITY OF ROCK ISLAND
CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

**April 5, 2010
MINUTES**

Alderwoman Murphy reminded everyone to Shop Rock Island. Alderwoman Murphy stated that Parr's Small Engine Repair is located at 24th Street and Blackhawk Road. It was noted that Parr's has been in business for 35 years and they repair lawnmowers and snow blowers. They also sell a variety of household tools. In addition, Parr's is open Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and Saturday from 8:00 a.m. to noon. Alderwoman Murphy reminded everyone to shop Parr's Engine Repair, which is almost, but not in Rock Island.

Agenda Item #39

Other Business

Timothy Dooling of 832 14½ Street voiced concerns regarding Police issues.

Agenda Item #40

Executive Session on Personnel.

A motion was made by Alderman Austin, seconded by Alderman Tollenaer at 7:36 p.m. to recess to Executive Session on matters of Personnel. The motion carried on a roll call vote. Those voting Aye being Alderman Brooks, Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderwoman Murphy and Alderman Austin; those voting No, none.

Agenda Item #41

Recess

Mayor Pauley reconvened the regular meeting at 8:20 p.m. A motion was made by Alderman Brooks and seconded by Alderwoman Murphy to recess to Monday, April 12, 2010 at 5:00 p.m. The motion carried by the following Aye and No vote: those voting Aye being Alderman Brooks, Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderwoman Murphy and Alderman Austin; those voting No, none.

The meeting was recessed at 8:21 p.m.

Aleisha L. Patchin, City Clerk