

**CITY OF ROCK ISLAND  
CITY COUNCIL MEETING-GOAL SETTING**

**June 23, 2017  
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The Rock Island City Council met at 1:00 p.m. at the Rock Island Police Station at 1212 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Rock Island, Illinois for day one of their annual Goal Setting session. Present were Mayor Mike Thoms presiding, and Aldermen Ivory D. Clark, Virgil J. Mayberry, James Spurgetis, Stephen L. Tollenaer, Dylan Parker, Joshua Schipp, and Dave Geenen. Also present were City Manager Randy Tweet, Human Resources Director John Thorson, City Attorney Dave Morrison and Lyle Sumek, Group Facilitator of Sumek and Associates.

Mayor Thoms said he appreciated everyone taking the time to do Goal Setting. They are building the future for the City and he hopes they will get a lot accomplished.

Mr. Sumek briefly discussed the Strategic Planning Model process.

Mr. Sumek and Council reviewed various major accomplishments (successes) that were identified by staff and Council members in the past year, some of which included; new procedures and processes to ensure continued receipt of CDBG funds; the relationship with Augustana College; funding agreements with various organizations; neighborhood engagement plan; inventory of commercial districts; Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA) award for Excellence in Financial Reporting (audit report); GFOA Distinguished Budget Presentation award; review and amendment of financial policies; restructured staffing of Customer Service and Accounting Divisions in the Finance Department; participation by the Fire Department in two full-scale exercises in 2016; continued improvements in patient care resulting in increase of survival rates of patients in cardiac arrest and improved outcomes in patients with stroke or heart attack by the Fire Department; adoption of an ordinance requiring electronic submission of Fire Department inspection reports; upgrade of patient care reporting (PCR) software by the Fire Department; savings of \$378,000 in 2017 health insurance premiums; the onsite Wellness Center; the Benefit and Wellness Fair; key staff hires for new Fire Chief, Parks and Recreation Director, Martin Luther King Center Director, Finance Director, Community and Economic Development Director, and City Clerk; FOP union negotiations; City website redesign; video expansion (camera projects); telecommunications consolidation; IT customer satisfaction survey; renegotiated library service contract with Milan-Blackhawk Area Public Library District; completion of Library master plan; contract with Midwest Writing Center for rental of space at Main Library; rejoining the PrairieCat Consortium for library services; updating of the MLK Center strategic plan; implementation of the Family Advocacy Center at the King Center; hosting of a legislative breakfast at the King Center; increase in revenue from grants and rentals at the MLK Center; reorganization of the Parks and Recreation Department; community meetings and roundtable discussions regarding the Parks and Recreation Department; creation of facility/program/event review for the Parks and Recreation Department; establishment and success of the Friends of Hauberg Civic Center and Friends of Douglas Park; outdoor pickle ball facility; purchase and implementation of body cameras by the Police Department; Community Crime Prevention Partnership monthly meetings; creation of DEA task force position; Police Department community engagement programs; completion of the Water Treatment Plant Filter Building design; completion of the 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue Relief Sewer (Long Term Control Plan) project; completion of the Farmall Storage Tank (LTCP) project; and in-house completion of various street projects at lower cost than outsourcing.

Mr. Sumek suggested putting City successes on the website with pictures and video.

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Council then reviewed each element of the City Vision that was created last year and chose the elements of what they wanted to see in 2032.

Council created a new Vision for Rock Island: Rock Island is a Growing City with a Vibrant Downtown and Livable Neighborhoods. Rock Island respects Diversity and History. Our Citizens enjoy Quality Homes and Places for Enjoyment and Fun.

Note: Alderman Mayberry left at 4:45 p.m.

The meeting was recessed at 5:33 p.m.

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Judith H. Gilbert, City Clerk