

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 P.J. Foley, Kate Hotle, Joy Murphy, Charles O. Austin III and Ivory D. Clark. Also present were City Manager Thomas Thomas, Parks and Recreation Director Bill Nelson, Assistant to the City Manager Ben McCready, other City staff and City Attorney Ted Kutsunis. Alderman Stephen L. Tollenaer arrived at 5:35 pm and Alderman David Conroy arrived at 5:40 pm.

PRESENTATION ON DEER POPULATION OPTIONS

Parks and Recreation Director Bill Nelson updated Council on options for the deer population in the City. Mr. Nelson reviewed the possible options for deer management from a previous session with Council, which included; a licensed study approved by the State for contraceptive injection solution and surgical solution; approval by the State for a sharpshooting permit; changing the ordinance to allow for hunting in the City, continue as is, but permit land owners to fence up to 7ft in height to protect their plants; or do not take any action with the expectation of deer over population in the City.

Mr. Nelson advised that when looking at some other programs for deer management, staff considered the cost of management and the effectiveness of other programs. Mr. Nelson commented that there are targeted population locations of deer in the City. Mr. Nelson also discussed restrictions and safety components as it related to programs for the management of the deer population.

Mr. Nelson provided three recommendations to Council in regards to controlling the deer population, which included police sharpshooting, a private sharpshooter, which is either approved by the Department of Agriculture or through a private company, or a managed archery hunt. Mr. Nelson noted that a managed archery hunt is used in many cities including Davenport and Bettendorf, IA.

Mr. Nelson discussed these proposed recommendations in detail. Mr. Nelson stated that police sharpshooting is used in Lincolnshire and Northbrook IL. and the city holds all of the liability and is responsible for the program. Mr. Nelson advised that it is an effective program; there are safe shooting areas and cost depends on staff time. It was noted that once the deer are harvested, the food goes to charity. Mr. Nelson indicated that Iowa City, IA and Town and Country, MO have used hired sharp shooters. Mr. Nelson commented that the food from the harvested deer is provided to charity. Mr. Nelson indicated that the hunter purchases insurance and the city identifies safe areas to operate. It was noted that USDA or private contractors can be used. Mr. Nelson added that the contractor may be required to purchase deer tags and the contractor requests authorization from the IDNR. Mr. Nelson advised that archery hunting is the most used in a number of communities that were looked at and in forest preserves. Mr. Nelson discussed a variety of options, which included; requiring a certification process; utilizing public or private land, charging a program fee and requiring hunters to harvest two does before taking a buck.

Mr. Nelson then discussed the benefits and restrictions of archery hunting. Various benefits included; the cost being passed on to hunters and homeowners; deer tags must be purchased by

hunters; and local control by city ordinance. Various restrictions discussed included; one to three acre blind on private and public land; all shots to be 25 yards or less; no baiting, driving or stalking deer; and limited number of hunters. Mr. Nelson stated that there are negative possibilities of hunting where bad shots require a hunter to track the injured animal and deer can run onto other people's property or deer can flee onto the roads. Mr. Nelson noted that the higher populations of deer are located south of 18th Avenue in the City and along valleys and creek ways. Mr. Nelson further discussed location issues as it related to hunting deer on private property and public land. Mr. Nelson also discussed guidelines for hunting and sharpshooting, which included; must be from an approved blind; must pass a proficiency test, must take place during hunting season for hunters; hunters and homeowners must have proof of insurance and hunter must purchase deer tags. Mr. Nelson further discussed the guidelines for hunting and sharpshooting and discussed the monitoring component.

Mr. Nelson and Ben McCreedy, Assistant to the City Manager discussed the negative components of chemical and surgical injections for deer population control.

Mr. Nelson discussed ordinance changes if it is decided to do hunting in the City. Various ordinance changes would include; allow hunting; archery only; requirements for insurance; and agreement from neighbors to obtain three contiguous acres. Mr. Nelson further discussed ordinance changes. Mr. Nelson also discussed potential costs as it related to deer hunting.

Mr. Nelson discussed the differences between sharpshooting and archery. Council discussed other cities' ordinances as it related to deer population control. Council also discussed monitoring and regulations as it related to the deer issue.

After more discussion, it was a consensus among Council that something needs to be done in regards to the deer issue. Council inquired upon Mr. Nelson to gather more information in regards to other cities' ordinances concerning deer population management programs and information on costs including police sharpshooting.

At this time, citizens stepped forward to speak on the deer population issue.

Mr. Bob Motz of 2535 River Heights Drive stepped forward. Mr. Motz stated that he has talked to biologists, and the deer in Rock Island are healthy and not diseased. Mr. Motz advised that killing the deer would not mean putting them out of their misery for starving to death; it would not mean disease would have to be eliminated. Mr. Motz stated that Lyme disease is mainly carried by mice and not deer. Mr. Motz commented that at a past informational meeting, he was told by Police that there has not been a spike in deer/vehicle collisions. Mr. Motz commented that deer are not the only animals that eat plants. Mr. Motz had concerns about costs as it related to Mr. Nelson's presentation in regards to the aerial survey. Mr. Motz stated that he has six acres and doesn't want hunting on his land and his neighbors do not want hunting on their land. Mr. Motz had concerns about poachers. Mr. Motz thanked Council for the time given to this issue.

Ms. Sue McDevitt of 2940 17th Street stepped forward. Ms. McDevitt commented that she is part of a group called the Citizens for Managing the Deer Population in Rock Island. Ms. McDevitt stated that her group has spent a lot of time calling the Police, coming to the City Council and

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calling the IDNR. Ms. McDevitt stated that her group had signed a petition in the past asking the City Council to do something about the deer problem. Ms. McDevitt added that the group had also held an informational meeting at the Library about this problem. Ms. McDevitt commented that most of the people that attended that meeting were in favor of having something done in the City to reduce the number of deer. Ms. McDevitt stated that she is thankful that Council is looking into the deer issue. Ms. McDevitt indicated that she would be grateful for any program that Council could come up with to substantially lower the number of deer.

Mr. Bruce Peterson who has a dental office at 2917 17th Street stepped forward. Mr. Peterson thanked the Mayor and Council for taking time to study this issue. Mr. Peterson stated that he was in favor of some type of control of the deer population. Mr. Peterson commented that a few years ago, he won the Rock Island Clean and Beautiful award for doing the right-of-way at 17th Street. Mr. Peterson added that he participated in the City's 50/50 program and noted that several thousand dollars of shrubbery and greenery was put in. Mr. Peterson stated that one month after he received the Rock Island Clean and Beautiful award, the deer came in and munched all of the hostas and then they were gone. Mr. Peterson stated that it is an effort to keep the deer away.

Ms. Sheila Guse of 4010 29th Avenue stepped forward. Ms. Guse stated that she lives in an area where there is five times more deer than what should be there. Ms. Guse commented that she was very concerned about this issue and has no problem with using archery. Ms. Guse added that she has nothing in her garden because of the deer. Ms. Guse encouraged Council to do something about the deer problem.

Mr. John Farrell of 2555 37th Avenue stepped forward. Mr. Farrell stated that there is a large wooded area behind his house and he has numerous deer. Mr. Farrell stated that for a number of years, he has tried to grow tomatoes and has a four foot fence; once the tomatoes grow above the fence, they are eaten by the deer. Mr. Farrell commented that deer are a nuisance; they run out in front of cars. Mr. Farrell added that this is a terrible problem and commented that he would like to have something done about this deer problem. Mr. Farrell noted that he was glad that Council was taking this issue under consideration. Mr. Farrell concluded that there is one aspect of archery that has not been discussed, which is that archery is silent as opposed to other methods. Mr. Farrell hoped Council would consider archery.

Ms. Jean Held of 931 20th Street stepped forward. Ms. Held stated that she loved animals and added that if there is a problem with the deer then something needs to be done. Ms. Held commented that their habitat has been destroyed and there needs to be a way to accommodate the deer such as tranquilizing them and moving them to other places.

Evie White of 4004 17th Street stepped forward. Ms. White stated that they bought their property because of the wildlife that they would be able to enjoy. Ms. White commented that she does have deer in her backyard and cannot imagine why anyone would want to kill Bambi when a few people are having problems with plants. Ms. White advised that she has gardens and she does not plant hostas. Ms. White further stated that she finds it to be a cruel act that somebody wants to kill magnificent animals (deer).

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ADJOURNMENT

A motion made by Alderman Murphy and seconded by Alderman Foley to adjourn the meeting carried by the following Aye and No vote. Those voting Aye being; Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderman Hotle, Alderman Murphy, Alderman Austin, Alderman Clark and Alderman Conroy; those voting No, none. The meeting was adjourned at 6:33 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 P.J. Foley, Stephen L. Tollenaer, Kate Hotle, Joy Murphy, Charles O. Austin III, Ivory D. Clark and David Conroy. Also present were City Manager Thomas Thomas and City Attorney Ted Kutsunis.

Introductory Proceedings

Mayor Pauley called the meeting to order and representatives of the Vietnam Veterans of America, Chapter 299 presented the Colors and Mayor Pauley led in the Pledge of Allegiance. Alderman Hotle gave the Invocation.

Agenda Item #5

Minutes of the meeting of July 8, 2013.

A motion was made by Alderman Foley and seconded by Alderman Hotle to approve the minutes of the meeting of July 8, 2013 as printed. The motion carried by the following Aye and No vote; those voting Aye being; Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderman Hotle, Alderman Murphy, Alderman Austin, Alderman Clark and Alderman Conroy; those voting No, none.

Agenda Item #6

Proclamation declaring Monday, July 22, 2013 as Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter 299 Day.

Mayor Pauley read the proclamation.

Agenda Item #7

Presentation of the Mayor's Civic Service Award to Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter 299.

Mayor Pauley stated that the Vietnam Veterans of America, Chapter 299 is a fantastic and outstanding organization. Mayor Pauley added that they are always willing to help out. At this time, Mayor Pauley presented the Mayor's Civic Service Award to the Vietnam Veterans of America, Chapter 299.

Dan Carothers, current President of Chapter 299 accepted the award. Mr. Carothers thanked the Mayor and Council for this public acknowledgement.

Agenda Item #8

A Special Ordinance authorizing acquisition of property near 78th Avenue West and Andalusia Road from LSW Investments in the amount of \$41,879.80.

A motion was made 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 Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderman Hotle, Alderman Murphy, Alderman Austin, Alderman Clark and Alderman Conroy; those voting No, none.

Agenda Item #9

A Special Ordinance providing for the donation of City owned property at 501-531 11th Street to Illinois/Iowa Independent Living Center.

It was moved by Alderman Hotle 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 Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderman Hotle, Alderman Murphy, Alderman Austin, Alderman Clark and Alderman Conroy; those voting No, none.

Agenda Item #10

A Special Ordinance providing for the donation of property at 1220 6th Avenue from the estate of Eddie B. Scott Sr.

Mayor Pauley stated that Item #10 has been pulled from the Agenda.

Agenda Item #11

CLAIMS

It was moved by Alderman Austin and seconded by Alderman Murphy 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 Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderman Hotle, Alderman Murphy, Alderman Austin, Alderman Clark and Alderman Conroy; those voting No, none.

- a. Report from the Human Resources Department regarding payment in the amount of \$11,075.56 to Ultra Clean for restoration services provided to Jackson Square.
- b. Report from the Public Works Department regarding payment in the amount of \$10,963.00 to JC Cross Company for the repair and return of one Spencer aeration tank blower for the Southwest Wastewater Treatment Plant.
- c. Report from the Public Works Department regarding payment #21 in the amount of \$2,952,526.77 to Civil Constructors, Inc. for services provided for the Wet Weather Treatment System project.
- d. Report from the Public Works Department regarding payment #1 and final in the amount of \$102,569.17 to Langman Construction, Inc. for services provided for the 2013 Catch Basin and Manhole Program projects.
- e. Report from the Public Works Department regarding payment #1 and final in the amount of \$76,996.40 to New Coat Sealing and Paving for services provided for the 2013 Street Joint and Crack Sealing Program project.
- f. Report from the Public Works Department regarding payment #1 in the amount of \$28,638.00 to A.J. Excavating for services provided for the 3rd Avenue Reconstruction: 24th Street to 25th Street project.

g. Report from the Public Works Department regarding payment #1 in the amount of \$152,428.73 to General Asphalt Construction Company for services provided for the 2013 Asphalt Street Milling and Patching Program project.

h. Report from the Public Works Department regarding payment #1 in the amount of \$9,426.58 to Greenspace Associates for services provided for the 2013 Sod Replacement Program project.

Agenda Item #12

Claims for the weeks of July 5 through July 11 in the amount of \$1,115,570.36 and July 12 through July 18 in the amount of \$575,916.36.

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

Agenda Item #13

Payroll for the weeks of June 24 through July 7 in the amount of \$1,380,188.03.

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

Agenda Item #14

Report from the Public Works Department regarding bids for the 2013 Storm Sewer Outfall Program, recommending the bid be awarded to Legacy Corporation in the amount of \$72,380.00.

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

Agenda Item #15

Report from the Community and Economic Development Department regarding request for proposals for professional consulting services for the preparation of the City's Comprehensive Plan, recommending Vandewalle & Associates in an amount not to exceed \$70,000.00.

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

Discussion followed. Alderman Conroy inquired for an update on what this item entails.

Community and Economic Development Director Jeff Eder stated that the City received a grant for comprehensive planning from the State for \$100,000.00. Mr. Eder added that staff went out for Request for Proposal services to help complete the Comprehensive Plan and this item is for the consultant services. Council and Mr. Eder further discussed this item.

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

Agenda Item #16

Report from the Community and Economic Development Department regarding an agreement with the Moose Lodge for the purchase of a portion of their property in the amount of \$100,000.00.

Alderman Murphy moved and Alderman Hotle seconded to approve the purchase agreement 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 Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderman Hotle, Alderman Murphy, Alderman Austin, Alderman Clark and Alderman Conroy; those voting No, none.

Agenda Item #17

Report from the Community and Economic Development Department regarding an agreement with Friendship Manor for the development of 13 new senior housing units.

It was moved by Alderman Foley and seconded by Alderman Conroy to approve the agreement as recommended and authorize the City Manager to execute the contract documents with minor modifications to the contract language to be agreed upon by the parties and their respective council. The motion carried by the following Aye and No vote; those voting Aye being; Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderman Hotle, Alderman Murphy, Alderman Austin, Alderman Clark and Alderman Conroy; those voting No, none.

Agenda Item #18

Report from the Community and Economic Development Department regarding a request from Bob Buker for approval of a final site plan and plat for the third addition of the 14 acre Beaver Properties PUD (planned unit development) as proposed and located at approximately 3200 Blackhawk Road.

Alderman Hotle moved and Alderman Tollenaer seconded to approve the request as recommended.

Comments followed. Alderman Conroy stated that this is exciting for the City to see more housing in that area.

Alderman Foley commented that with the Friendship Manor item that was just voted on and this project; all of these are exciting things with this momentum of economic development. Alderman Foley thanked the staff, Mayor and Council for working so hard and making these priorities as the City moves towards a new Rock Island.

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

Agenda Item #19

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.

Note: Agenda Item # 19 was deferred from the July 8th Council meeting.

It was moved by Alderman Clark to establish residential parking (Type A) on 15th Street between 15th and 16th Avenue and refer to the City Attorney for an ordinance; Alderman Tollenaer seconded the motion.

Discussion followed. Alderman Hotle inquired as to whether the hold up was due to not obtaining the signatures.

Alderman Clark stated yes, but an effort was made on three occasions to go to other people on the block and obtain signatures. Alderman Clark added that he and another resident tried twice. Alderman Clark indicated that most of the people on the block are in favor of establishing the parking.

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

Agenda Item #20

Report from the Traffic Engineering Committee regarding a request from Fire Chief James Fobert to ban parking on the east side of 35th Street between 12th to 14th Avenues because it is difficult for emergency vehicles to respond in this area with parking allowed on both sides of the street.

Alderman Hotle moved and Alderman Murphy seconded to ban parking on the west side of 35th Street between 12th to 14th Avenues and refer to the City Attorney for an ordinance.

Discussion Followed. Alderman Austin indicated that the report states to ban parking on the east side of 35th Street, but the motion states to ban parking on the west side of 35th Street.

Public Works Director Randy Tweet advised that the residents that live on the west side of that street have driveways and their garbage pick-up is also on the west side of the street. Mr. Tweet

added that it makes sense to ban parking on the west side of the street because there is available parking on the east side of the street.

Mr. Frank Nelson of 1214 35th Street stepped forward. Mr. Nelson stated that he lives on the west side of 35th Street and supports the ban on parking for the west side of 35th Street. Mr. Nelson indicated that the snow plows can't come down that street because the plows do not fit. Mr. Nelson offered that it really wasn't a problem until the college put up dormitories behind his home. Mr. Nelson added that he would like to see the college provide more off street parking for their tenants. Mr. Nelson further discussed this issue.

Alderman Foley discussed the parking issue and stated that it is a constant problem.

Alderman Murphy stated that she had a conversation with Augustana College within the last year due to neighborhood complaints. Alderman Murphy stated that she was told that students are required to pay to park in the driveway of the house where they are living. Alderman Murphy stated that Augustana said no. Alderman Murphy advised that she is constantly hearing from the residents in the neighborhood that the students are parking on the street; there is no one parking in the driveway because they don't want to pay the \$500.00. Alderman Murphy inquired upon staff to get a definitive opinion from Augustana College on this issue. Council further discussed this issue.

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

Agenda Item #21

Report from the Traffic Engineering Committee regarding a request from Don Krueger, MetroLink Risk Manager for City ordinance (section 9-42) control of the STS Paratransit Facility Lot at 2103 5th Avenue.

It was moved by Alderman Murphy and seconded by Alderman Foley 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 Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderman Hotle, Alderman Murphy, Alderman Austin, Alderman Clark and Alderman Conroy; those voting No, none.

Agenda Item #22

Report from the Mayor regarding appointments and reappointments to the Citizen's Advisory Committee.

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

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Pamela Galvin, Kristin Heck and Corey Ellis were appointed to the Citizen's Advisory Committee for three year terms expiring on September 30, 2015.

Jean McAdam, Jerry Wolking and Lee Strohbehn were reappointed to the Citizen's Advisory Committee for three year terms expiring on September 30, 2015.

Agenda Item #23

Report from the City Clerk regarding a request from the Greater Antioch Church for a Street Closing at 10th Avenue between 14th Street and 14th 1/2 Street including the alleys between the parking lot and in back of the church, and a Sound Amplification permit for Friday, August 2, 2013 from 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm.

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

Agenda Item #24

Report from the City Clerk regarding a request from Octavia Mathew for a Sound Amplification permit for Saturday, August 3, 2013 from 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm for a wedding reception at 510 20th Avenue.

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

Agenda Item #25

Report from the City Clerk regarding a Plaza activity event application from Steve's Old Time Tap to host an Irish Family Festival on Saturday, August 17, 2013 from noon to 10:00 pm.

It was moved by Alderman Conroy and seconded by Alderman Foley to approve the event as recommended, subject to complying with all Plaza and liquor license regulations and waive all fees for the event but not to include the Police Officer fees.

Discussion followed. Mr. Frank Coyle stepped forward. Mr. Coyle thanked the Mayor and Council for acknowledgment of the Vietnam Veterans of America, Chapter 299.

Mr. Coyle also invited everyone to the Irish Family Festival.

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

Agenda Item #26

Report from the City Clerk regarding a modification to a Plaza event application from the Daiquiri Factory, recommending revising the original scheduled date of Saturday, August 31st to Sunday, August 25th for the 9th Annual Labor Day Ride.

Alderman Hotle moved and Alderman Foley seconded to approve the modification as recommended, subject to complying with all Plaza and liquor licenses regulations. The motion carried by the following Aye and No vote; those voting Aye being; Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderman Hotle, Alderman Murphy, Alderman Austin, Alderman Clark and Alderman Conroy; those voting No, none.

Agenda Item #27

Other Business.

The two individuals that signed up to address Council to speak on a topic had already left the meeting.

Mayor Pauley inquired upon Martin Luther King Center Director Rev. Dwight Ford to step forward.

Mayor Pauley stated that several weeks ago, he had the opportunity to participate in a celebrity showmanship contest at the Rock Island County Fair. Mayor Pauley added that he was given a short course on how to show a pig. It was noted that Mayor Pauley made it into the finals of this competition and received a check for the City's favorite charity. Mayor Pauley then presented a \$100.00 check to Rev. Dwight Ford for the Martin Luther King Center.

Rev. Ford thanked the Mayor for the contribution and stated that this donation will help to provide service and enhance the lives of so many people that depend on the Martin Luther King Center every day.

Alderman Clark stated that a strong leader in the community was lost recently; his name was Lance Chaney. Alderman Clark added that he had moved to Florida, but was influential in this community. Alderman Clark stated that prayers go out to his family.

Alderman Hotle stated that there are many boards and commissions throughout the City, and it is a great way to get involved with the community. Alderman Hotle stated that a wide variety of topics are covered under these board and commissions. Alderman Hotle encouraged people that are interested to call their Alderman, or the department that heads up the committee, or send a letter of interest to your Alderman or the Mayor. Alderman Hotle indicated that she would like to see new people get involved with the City.

Alderman Murphy stated that when Council was discussing the consultant earlier in regards to the Comprehensive Plan, it was noted that the Planning Commission will take the lead on this item and it is going to start in August. Alderman Murphy stated that there is one meeting before that and there are three expiring terms. Alderman Murphy hoped that at the next meeting this could be updated with either new people or reappointments.

Alderman Murphy reminded everyone to shop Rock Island. Alderman Murphy stated that Free Land Auto Body is located at 2626 7th Avenue. Alderman Murphy stated that Y-Nguyen fought in the Vietnamese Army and when Saigon fell, he and his family set sail and eventually came to the Quad Cities where he opened his own auto body shop. Alderman Murphy added that he named his business Free Land to celebrate what he had found when he came to the Quad Cities. Alderman Murphy further discussed this item. Alderman Murphy encouraged everyone to shop local.

Agenda Item #28

Executive Session on Personnel, Property Acquisition and Litigation.

A motion was made by Alderman Foley and seconded by Alderman Hotle at 7:20 pm to recess to Executive Session on matters of Personnel, Property Acquisition and Litigation. The motion carried on a roll call vote. Those voting Aye being; Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderman Hotle, Alderman Murphy, Alderman Austin, Alderman Clark and Alderman Conroy; those voting No, none.

Agenda Item #29

Recess

Mayor Pauley reconvened the regular meeting at 8:12 pm. A motion was made by Alderman Foley and seconded by Alderman Hotle to recess to 5:30 pm, Monday, August 12, 2013. The motion carried by the following Aye and No vote: those voting Aye being; Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderman Hotle, Alderman Murphy, Alderman Austin, Alderman Clark and Alderman Conroy; those voting No, none.

The meeting was recessed at 8:13 pm.

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