

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 Stephen L. Tollenaer, Kate Hotle, Joy Murphy, Charles O. Austin III and Ivory D. Clark. Also present were City Manager Thomas Thomas, Public Works Director Randy Tweet, Community and Economic Development Director Jeff Eder and other City staff. Alderman P.J. Foley arrived at 5:50 pm. Alderman David Conroy and City Attorney Dave Morrison were absent.

PRESENTATION ON STREET ASSESSMENTS

Public Works Director Randy Tweet provided an overview of the street condition survey. Mr. Tweet stated that the street condition survey was conducted in the fall of 2013 in which 2,050 segments of pavement sections were identified. Mr. Tweet indicated that the Pavement Condition Index (PCI) values were determined and tabulated, and the International Roughness Index (IRI) values were determined from laser profile data from the field. Mr. Tweet commented that the roughness index determines how rough the streets are as compared to how they should be. Mr. Tweet added that maintenance recommendations were also provided for the next five years based on the budget.

Mr. Tweet explained that every street has a value from 1 to 100 and they are grouped into three categories. Mr. Tweet added that 71 to 100 is designated as very good to excellent, 41 to 70 is a fair to good street and 0 to 40 is considered to be a failed street or a street that is in very poor condition. Mr. Tweet advised that very good to excellent streets really don't require any type of maintenance except for maybe a pothole patch. Mr. Tweet added that Public Works does the needed maintenance such as in-place recycling, crack and joint sealing or full depth concrete patching on streets when they are in fair to good condition. Mr. Tweet commented that when a street falls under the PCI of 40, it falls into the category of having to be reconstructed. Council discussed the Pavement Condition Index for streets.

Mr. Tweet advised that the life of a street is approximately 25 years. Mr. Tweet added that for the first 75% life of a street, the quality drops about 40% and then there is a high drop and the street fails very fast; that is why maintenance is performed when a street is still in good condition. Council and Mr. Tweet further discussed maintenance as it related to the age of various streets in the City. Mr. Tweet referred to the map on the slide presentation and noted that most streets in the older part of the City are asphalt and the streets in the newer part of the City are concrete. Mr. Tweet advised that almost all of the streets in the City are over 20 years old. Mr. Tweet discussed pavement age as it related to the Pavement Condition Index and the International Roughness Index. Mr. Tweet commented that the streets in the older part of the City are in the worst condition. Mr. Tweet advised that about 84% of City streets are in the fair to good or good to excellent category. Mr. Tweet added that there is a little over 300 streets that need reconstruction, but only 123 of those streets fall into the very bottom (failed or very poor) category.

Mr. Tweet discussed the conclusions of the study. Mr. Tweet stated that the average PCI falls in the low 60's range, which overall is good, and the majority of the distresses were load and climate related. Mr. Tweet added that the study concluded that the streets are in better condition than expected given their age, but the streets were rougher than expected. Mr. Tweet commented

that to keep the same PCI over the next 20 years, it was projected that the City would put \$7.21 million dollars into the streets. Mr. Tweet further discussed this item. Next, Mr. Tweet discussed the recommendations of the study, which included that immediate plans should be developed to rehabilitate streets close to a PCI of 55; the PCI should be updated every three years instead of every five years; pavement performance predictions should be updated every three years; and a maintenance and rehabilitation program should be developed every three years.

Mr. Tweet then discussed Public Works' recommendations, which included; continue the current program of resurfacing, which is about six to eight blocks per year and reconstruct two to three blocks per year with a PCI of less than 40; continue and expand the maintenance programs; PCI to be updated every five years as is currently being done; pavement performance predictions should be updated every five years; and review maintenance and rehabilitation programs every year. Mr. Tweet further discussed these recommendations.

Next, Mr. Tweet discussed the upcoming major street projects for arterial and residential streets. Mr. Tweet stated that one project is the resurfacing of 18th Avenue from 17th Street to the Moline border. Mr. Tweet commented that this project may be delayed until next year due to federal funds being involved. Mr. Tweet further discussed this project. Mr. Tweet advised that the 9th Street resurfacing from 31st Avenue to 45th Avenue will be delayed until the Walmart construction starts. Mr. Tweet pointed out that they have opened bids for the Blackhawk Road and 11th Street intersection project and that will be coming to Council for approval. Mr. Tweet further discussed this project. Mr. Tweet discussed several residential special assessment projects scheduled for this year, which include the reconstruction of 26th Street north of 13th Avenue and 22 ½ Avenue east of 29th Street. In addition, Mr. Tweet discussed two resurfacing projects, which included 20th Avenue from 27th to 30th Street and Shadybrook Phase I and II projects.

Mr. Tweet discussed a number of maintenance projects to be done this year, some of which included; full depth concrete patching for 14th Avenue from 25th to 30th Street; 25th Avenue and 12th Street intersection; and 16th Avenue east of 44th Street. Mr. Tweet also discussed several maintenance projects for asphalt residential streets. Various projects included; 10th Avenue from 32nd to 34th Street, 39th Street from 11th to 18th Avenue and 18th to 13th Avenue, 12th to 15th Street and 5th to 9th Avenue, 39th to 46th Street.

Council and Mr. Tweet further discussed street projects for 2015. Council further discussed Mr. Tweet's presentation.

DISCUSSION ON DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT WITH KYLE PETERS

Community and Economic Development Director Jeff Eder distributed several letters of support for the Daiquiri Factory's deck expansion project. Mr. Eder addressed several questions that Council had in regards to this item from a previous study session. Mr. Eder advised that Mr. Peters is going to put a lot of resources, time and effort into this project. Mr. Eder indicated that at the last study session on this item, one of the questions had to do with the length of the contract. Mr. Eder advised that it has been changed to a 10 year contract instead of the original two year contract.

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Alderman Austin discussed the Downtown Revitalization Plan as it related to addressing specific things for Parking Lot F. Alderman Austin inquired that if an opportunity came up within that 10 year period to develop that lot, what would be the cost and impact to the City and Daiquiri Factory if it is already two years into the agreement.

Mr. Eder advised that there is an out clause in the agreement for the City with proper notification to Mr. Peters. Mr. Eder stated that the City would have to compensate Mr. Peters for some of the improvements made on that property. Council and Mr. Eder further discussed this item.

Mr. Eder discussed the Downtown Plan as it related to plans for Parking Lot F. Mr. Eder offered that it would be a higher priority to fill that current space rather than to build a new building on that particular lot. Mr. Eder added that with all of the projects going on, it would be at least 10 years before the City would have the opportunity to build something new on that lot. Council further discussed this item as it related to a 10 year agreement.

Alderman Foley inquired about the dimensions and cost of the deck. Mr. Kyle Peters, owner of the Daiquiri Factory stated that it will be a 20' by 40' addition to the deck. Mr. Peters advised that this is a \$100,000.00 project and \$60,000.00 is coming from CIRLF, \$15,000.00 from the Façade Program and the rest of it is an investment from the Daiquiri Factory's side.

Council further discussed the proposed agreement with Mr. Peters.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion made by Alderman Foley and seconded by Alderman Murphy 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 and Alderman Clark; those voting No, none. The meeting was adjourned at 6:20 pm.

Aleisha L. Patchin, City Clerk

**CITY OF ROCK ISLAND
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**March 23, 2015
MINUTES**

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

Introductory Proceedings

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

Agenda Item #5

Minutes of the meeting of March 16, 2015.

A motion was made by Alderman Tollenaer and seconded by Alderman Foley to approve the Minutes of the meeting of March 16, 2015 as printed. The motion carried by the following Aye and No vote; those voting Aye being; Alderman Conroy, Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderman Hotle, Alderman Murphy, Alderman Austin and Alderman Clark; those voting No, none.

Agenda Item #6

Update Rock Island by Mayor Pauley.

Mayor Pauley offered congratulations to the Augustana Basketball Team. They did a fantastic job this weekend. They finished #2 in the nation-Division 3. Congratulations to the team for the excellent work they did and for all of the time they put in to get to that level.

Mayor Pauley stated that there will be an informational meeting on Friday, March 27th at 5:30 pm in the City Hall Council Chambers, to discuss the Shadybrook Phase I project (7 ST W, 8 ST W, and 82 AV W). The Mayor added that City representatives and the contractor will be there to discuss the project and how it will impact your property until the project is completed. Project plans will be available at the meeting for your review. Mayor Pauley commented that if you have any questions about the project, please contact the Public Works Department at (309) 732-2200.

Bring your bags and baskets to Lincoln Park, 11th Avenue and 38th Street, on Saturday, March 28, 2015. Mayor Pauley stated that there will be many colorful eggs throughout the hunt areas, and some contain special prizes! There may even be a surprise visit from a very popular bunny. Mayor Pauley commented that the hunt is free and will begin promptly at 9:30 am. Do not be late, as eggs are only available for a short time! Rain location will be the Rock Island Fitness & Activity Center, 4303 24th Street.

Mayor Pauley advised that the City of Rock Island is providing free leaf collection for its residential refuse customers from Monday, April 6 through Friday, April 24, 2015. In addition to providing free leaf collection, the City will also furnish bags for this program at no cost. Mayor Pauley stated that the free bags will be available beginning Monday, March 30th. In order to insure that everyone has an opportunity to receive free leaf bags, residents will only be given a maximum of 20 bags per day. Residents must provide proof of Rock Island residence through a

photo ID or official mail in order to receive free bags. To find out locations and times and more information go to www.rigov.org.

Mayor Pauley advised that the 27th Annual Night of a Thousand Dreams, a fundraiser for the Rock Island/Milan School District *presents*, “A Taste of Rock Island-Milan” at Jumer’s Casino & Hotel Friday, April 10, 2015 at 6:00 pm. Come enjoy one of the signature charitable events of the QCA! Mayor Pauley indicated that admission will include samplings of signature dishes from some of the finest restaurants in Rock Island, Milan and the surrounding area, complimented by fine wine and premium beer. Attendees will also enjoy socializing, raffles, and bidding in a first class silent and live auction. General Admission is \$25 and reserved seating is \$30. For additional information, call (309) 793-5950 ext 2006 or ext 2019.

Mayor Pauley stated to come into RIFAC by April 24th at 5:00 pm to get a \$40 discount on a family membership at Whitewater Junction for the summer of 2015. After April 24th, it will be available at the regular price.

Mayor Pauley advised that the NAACP is presenting a Candidates’ Forum for the City’s Alderman Contest. The forum will be held on Thursday, April 2, 2015 from 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm at the Martin Luther King Jr. Community Center, 630 9th Street. The invited candidates include; Virgil Mayberry, Dale Muller, Joy Murphy, Joshua Schipp and Gregg Spriet. Mayor Pauley stated that Alderman Tollenaer doesn’t have a contested race, but he will be there to answer questions. Mayor Pauley added that this is a great opportunity for everybody to show up and ask questions of your alderman candidates to see which one that you would like to choose in the April 7th election.

Agenda Item #7

Proclamation declaring April 2, 2015 as Junior Achievement Day.

Mayor Pauley read the proclamation. Barbara VenHorst, President of Junior Achievement of the Heartland and Adam Hass of Valley Construction and a Junior Achievement board member accepted the proclamation. Ms. VenHorst stated that Junior Achievement is teaching kids how to learn to be financially literate and how to be good employees. Ms. VenHorst stated that this is good for the kids so that they can develop a good career, but it is also good for the corporations in the area. Ms. VenHorst advised that last year, there were about 3,400 students in Rock Island that benefitted from the JA programs; and that was 138 JA programs, 114 volunteers from the community and 15 area businesses that provided volunteer resources to support the programs.

Mr. Hass thanked Council for the proclamation and stated that as a business owner in Rock Island, we think it is important to continue to empower the youth and educate them, not only for their benefit but for the business community as well, and JA does a very good job of that.

Agenda Item #8

A Special Ordinance providing for the donation of property at 321 24th Street to Rock Island Economic Growth Corporation.

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

Agenda Item #9

A Special Ordinance amending a zoning district and zoning map at 1116 11th Avenue.

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

Agenda Item #10

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

- a. Report from the Human Resources Department regarding payment in the amount of \$3,668.28 to Jared Moore for General Liability Claim.
- b. Report from the Public Works Department regarding payment in the amount of \$17,421.46 to Valley Construction and payment in the amount of \$9,927.77 to Langman Construction for performing snow removal in the Downtown.

Agenda Item #11

Claims for the week of March 13 through March 19 in the amount of \$1,043,502.72 and payroll for the weeks of March 2 through March 15 in the amount of \$1,344,907.73.

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

Agenda Item #12

Report from the Public Works Department regarding bids for the 2015 Catch Basin and Manhole Program project, recommending the bid be awarded to Langman Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$107,858.00.

It was moved by Alderman Tollenaer and seconded by Alderman Foley to award the bid as recommended and authorize the City Manager to execute the contract documents. The motion carried by the following Aye and No vote; those voting Aye being; Alderman Conroy, Alderman

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

Agenda Item #13

Report from the Community and Economic Development Department regarding a development agreement with Kyle Peters, owner of the Daiquiri Factory at 1809 2nd Avenue for constructing an expansion to the existing deck on the adjacent City owned parcel that is used as a parking lot.

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

Agenda Item #14

Report from the Community and Economic Development Department regarding the establishment of a Community Garden Committee along with the organizational structure and responsibilities.

It was moved by Alderman Murphy and seconded by Alderman Austin to approve the establishment of the committee and the organizational structure and responsibilities as recommended, and authorize the use of the Old Lincoln School site for a demonstration community garden.

Discussion followed. Alderman Austin inquired as to which staff person will be the liaison for this group. It was noted that Community and Economic Development Director Jeff Eder would be the liaison for the group.

Alderman Austin then inquired as to whether staff knows who the committee members will be. Community and Economic Development Director Jeff Eder advised that there are a number of people that have requested to participate in this group.

Alderman Austin inquired as to whether the structure will be set up with input from that group or staff. Mr. Eder advised that the structure would be set up by input from staff and the group. Alderman Austin and Mr. Eder further discussed this item.

Alderman Murphy inquired as to whether the committee is still open if other people are interested in applying to be on this committee. Mr. Eder stated yes; they will need to contact the CED Department and then the names will be forwarded to the Mayor for the appointments to the committee.

Alderman Hotle advised that she had received phone calls about this item and the report was a little confusing; it made it seem like the City already had five people picked for the committee. Alderman Hotle stated that if people are interested and would like to be on the committee, it is still open.

Council further discussed this item.

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

Agenda Item #15

Report from the Mayor regarding an appointment to the Labor Day Parade Advisory Board.

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

Ms. K.J. Whitley was appointed to the Labor Day Parade Advisory Board for a three year term expiring in January 2018.

Agenda Item #16

Other Business.

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

Alderman Austin stated that Mayor Pauley very appropriately recognized Augustana's basketball accomplishments. Alderman Austin advised that the week prior, they had a group of four athletes of the NCAA Division Three Track Championships win a national title in Division Three on a relay. Alderman Austin stated that we are working on proclamations to bring both groups (the track athletes and the basketball athletes) to a Council meeting in the next few weeks for recognition.

Alderman Austin stated that voting in the municipal election is well underway. Alderman Austin added that this next Saturday will be the one Saturday where early voting will be a possibility.

Alderman Clark stated that Rock Island's Chasson Randle was voted Pac-12 Scholar-Athlete of the Year. Council discussed this item.

Alderman Murphy reminded everyone to Shop Rock Island. Alderman Murphy advised that Legends Corner Bar and Grille is located on the corner of 7th Avenue and 30th Street. Alderman Murphy stated that they have great sandwiches and appetizers and a variety of craft and domestic beers. Alderman Murphy commented that Legends Corner Bar and Grille is a great place to hang out. Alderman Murphy encouraged everyone to support our local businesses and Shop Rock Island First.

Agenda Item #17

Executive Session on Personnel, Property Acquisition and Litigation.

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A motion was made by Alderman Foley and seconded by Alderman Murphy at 7:01 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 Conroy, Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderman Hotle, Alderman Murphy, Alderman Austin and Alderman Clark; those voting No, none.

Agenda Item #18

Recess

Mayor Pauley reconvened the regular meeting at 7:21 pm. A motion was made by Alderman Clark and seconded by Alderman Foley to recess to 5:30 pm, Monday, April 6, 2015. The motion carried by the following Aye and No vote; those voting Aye being; Alderman Conroy, Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderman Hotle, Alderman Murphy, Alderman Austin and Alderman Clark; those voting No, none. The meeting was recessed at 7:22 pm.

Aleisha L. Patchin, City Clerk