

The Rock Island City Council met in Study Session at 5:30 pm in City Council Chambers at Rock Island City Hall. Present were Mayor Dennis E. Pauley presiding, and Aldermen Charles O. Austin III, Ivory D. Clark, Virgil J. Mayberry, P.J. Foley, Stephen L. Tollenaer and Kate Hotle. Also present were Interim City Manager Randy Tweet, Finance Director Stephanie Masson, Interim Public Works Director Larry Cook, other City staff and City Attorney Dave Morrison. Alderman Joshua Schipp was absent.

## **2016 BONDS DISCUSSION**

Finance Director Stephanie Masson discussed the 2016 bond issuance plan and recommendations. Ms. Masson advised that the 2016 bonds will have three portions. Ms. Masson commented that this past summer, a bond reimbursement resolution was approved for the 2016 street reconstruction work, which is underway. Ms. Masson added that a portion of it will be to restructure the 2014B bonds and there is an opportunity for some savings.

Ms. Masson referred to the PowerPoint presentation and stated that the 2016 Street Reconstruction Reimbursement Resolution was for the projects noted on this presentation. Ms. Masson added that most of the projects are underway and some only have engineering costs associated with them. Ms. Masson advised that to date, the City has spent about \$2.5 million dollars on these projects; \$3.6 million dollars was approved; and that portion of the bond issuance will have a 20 year life with interest and principal due June 1<sup>st</sup> and another principal due on December 1<sup>st</sup>. Ms. Masson indicated that the coupon payments range from 2% to 4% and the total principal and interest for that portion is approximately \$4.9 million dollars with an annual debt service payment of about \$245,000.00.

Ms. Masson stated that the second part of the 2016 bond issuance will be to restructure a portion of the 2014B bonds. Ms. Masson added that they are recommending a restructuring of the principal portion of the coming three years for these bonds. Ms. Masson commented that the 2014B bonds are taxable general obligation bonds issued for \$15.8 million dollars in which a part of it will be paid out of the Watchtower TIF District and the majority of it will be paid out of General Fund Sales Tax.

Ms. Masson advised that with the recommended restructuring of the 2014B bonds, it provides some relief in anticipation of new development in the Watchtower Plaza. Ms. Masson explained that without a restructuring, the principal payment is coming up on December 1<sup>st</sup> and then the debt service for each of the next two fiscal years would be just shy of \$1.2 million dollars. Ms. Masson pointed out that with restructuring, the payment due on December 1<sup>st</sup> would be \$250,000.00 and then the debt service payment would be about \$578,000.00 for the next two years. Ms. Masson stated that with the 2016 portion, which would be related to the 2014B bonds, the principal would be due in 2035; the total principal and interest for that portion would be \$3.3 million dollars with an annual payment of about \$77,000.00.

Next, Ms. Masson discussed refunding for savings. Ms. Masson indicated that there are several funds (Downtown TIF, Parks, Debt Service and Hydroelectric Plant) incorporated in the savings related to the bond issuance concerning the 2008A, 2008B, 2009A and 2009B bonds. Ms.

Masson noted that the Downtown TIF expires in 2020 so the last debt service payments are in 2021 and that frees up a little over \$90,000.00 in debt service in the Downtown funds.

Ms. Masson reiterated that there are three parts to the 2016 bond issuance, which include; the 2016 street work; refinancing the principal portion of the next three years for the 2014B bonds; and refunding the 2008A, 2008B, 2009A and 2009B bonds for savings. Ms. Masson pointed out that by combining these three pieces in one bond issue, it will create some savings of economies of scale and issuance costs.

Ms. Masson discussed the timeline that Speer Financial provided in regards to the bond issuance. Ms. Masson stated that the bond ordinance is scheduled to come to Council next week for the first reading and the following week for the second reading. Ms. Masson added that they are preparing the preliminary official statement that would be issued in regards to these bonds and they are preparing for the ratings call with Moody's, which is scheduled for the week of October 24<sup>th</sup>.

Council and Ms. Masson discussed the bond issuance as it related to the restructuring and refunding components concerning cost effectiveness. Council and Ms. Masson also discussed the 2014B bonds as it related to Watchtower Plaza concerning debt service payments and funding sources. Council further discussed the bond issuance.

#### **WATER FILTER BUILDING UPDATE**

Interim Public Works Director Larry Cook provided a progress report to Council on the water filter building. Mr. Cook advised that they are finally beyond the 90% design phase for the facility.

Mr. Cook discussed the five primary objectives in regards to this project; the five major objectives discussed included; maintaining uninterrupted water supply to the citizens through the duration of construction; maintain the footprint within the existing facility fence line and not take up any park property; design for future capacity increases; maintain architectural aesthetics with existing pulsator building; and compare and assess alternatives for cost reductions.

Mr. Cook provided background information on the water filter building. Mr. Cook referred to the layout of the current site and stated that the filtration building is 108 years old. Mr. Cook noted that the building will be demolished upon completion of the new facility. Mr. Cook commented that it is a very tight site; it will be a tight squeeze to not only maintain the operation of the filtration building but to also maintain the structural integrity of the water tower on the site. Mr. Cook added that there are a lot of underground utilities currently there and most of them are being utilized, but some have been abandoned over the last several decades.

Mr. Cook stated that because of the fire protection law, a new Fire Department access road will have to be implemented to the north of the building. Mr. Cook added that this will help to keep a reduction in costs and not have to sprinkler the entire building; this is about a \$250,000.00 savings. It was noted that this access will be used during construction and it will then be paved afterwards for utilization by the Fire Department. Mr. Cook indicated that in the parking area to

the south where the recycling area is, it is being proposed to repurpose that area for general parking for employees of the water treatment plant. Mr. Cook commented that locations are currently being determined as alternatives for the recycling facility. Mr. Cook advised that during construction, there will be a portion of the reservoir park that will have to be utilized for a storage area for the oil that has to be removed. Mr. Cook further discussed this item. Mr. Cook also discussed the pictures of the site and how it will look from various directions.

Next, Mr. Cook discussed probable construction cost estimates. Mr. Cook stated that direct costs are about \$16 million dollars and include the building, materials and pumps. Other costs Mr. Cook discussed included; indirect costs including permits, insurance and bonds at \$900,000.00; contractor's general conditions at \$3.7 million dollars; and a 15% contingency of the entire project at \$3.1 million dollars. Mr. Cook stated that it is about a \$23.7 million dollar project. Mr. Cook added that the escalation to midpoint of construction is about \$1.3 million dollars and the total of probable construction costs is approximately \$25 million dollars. Mr. Cook explained that this is only at 60% of probable construction costs; they are still working on the 90% costs. Mr. Cook added that some of these costs may be reduced. Mr. Cook also discussed alternative bid items and costs.

Next, Mr. Cook discussed the timeline for the project, which began in 2012. Mr. Cook commented that they started with the design work in December of 2015 and they were at 90% of the design work in July of this year. Mr. Cook advised that they are anticipating going out for bid in November to January once approval has been received from the EPA. Mr. Cook added that construction will start in March of 2017.

Mr. Cook then showed a 3-D video walkthrough of the building. Mr. Cook commented that this is a general concept of what the building is going to look like.

Council discussed Mr. Cook's presentation as it related to technology in reference to standards and reliability concerning the new water filter building. Council further discussed the presentation.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

A motion made by Alderman Tollenaer and seconded by Alderman Clark to adjourn the meeting carried by the following Aye and No vote. Those voting Aye being; Alderman Austin, Alderman Clark, Alderman Mayberry, Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer and Alderman Hotle; those voting No, none. The meeting was adjourned at 6:03 pm.

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Aleisha L. Patchin, City Clerk

**CITY OF ROCK ISLAND  
CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

**October 10, 2016  
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 Charles O. Austin III, Ivory D. Clark, Virgil J. Mayberry, P.J. Foley, Stephen L. Tollenaer, Kate Hotle and Joshua Schipp. Also present were Interim City Manager Randy Tweet and City Attorney Dave Morrison.

**Introductory Proceedings**

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

**Agenda Item #5**

**Minutes of the meeting of October 3, 2016.**

A motion was made by Alderman Foley and seconded by Alderman Clark to approve the Minutes of the meeting of October 3, 2016 as printed. The motion carried by the following Aye and No vote; those voting Aye being; Alderman Austin, Alderman Clark, Alderman Mayberry, Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderman Hotle and Alderman Schipp; those voting No, none.

**Agenda Item #6**

**Update Rock Island by Mayor Pauley.**

**Firefighter Story Time** – Mayor Pauley stated that October 9<sup>th</sup> through the 15<sup>th</sup> is Fire Prevention week. On Wednesday, October 12, 2016 from 10:30 am to 11:30 am, the Southwest Branch Library and the Fire Department will come together and treat kids to firefighter stories, songs, crafts and the chance to see a real fire truck and meet firefighters. Please call (309) 732-5338.

**Thursday Night GROOVE Music Series** – Mayor Pauley commented that Schwiebert Riverfront Park will host its last Thursday Night GROOVE concert this year on Thursday, October 13, 2016 with Machine Gun Willie. Get ready for some Rock N’ Roll, Blues and music from the 60’s to the 90’s. Presented by Rock Island Happy Joe’s and the Park and Recreation Department. The Mayor commented that the event is free admission and open from 6:00 pm to 8:30 pm with food and drink for purchase.

**Laura’s Legacy – Fall Harvest Celebration ALS Benefit Concert** – A family friendly day of live music, food and fun to benefit the ALS division of the Muscular Dystrophy Association of Iowa and Western Illinois. Mayor Pauley advised that on October 15, 2016 from 2:00 pm to 8:00 pm, Schwiebert Riverfront Park will hold the event. Ten dollars cash admission at the gate while kids under 12 are free with paid adult. Come celebrate a good cause. For more information, please call (309) 732-7275.

**Police & Community Crime Prevention** – Mayor Pauley stated that the City of Rock Island’s Police Department is holding a community meeting to strengthen existing partnerships with the citizens of Rock Island. Join the discussion on October 19, 2016 from 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm at the

Police Department (1212 5<sup>th</sup> Ave) to look for ways to prevent crime and improve the department's services to citizens. For more information, please call (309) 732-2677.

**Hug-A-Book, Play-A-Book** – Play and learning go together for preschoolers, so join us at the Main Library to help create young readers with play activities designed to grow your preschooler's mind. Ages five and under are encouraged to join on October 19 from 3:00 pm to 5:00 pm. Mayor Pauley stated that the event is free and is sponsored by the Merrill Harris fund of the Rock Island Public Library Foundation.

Agenda Item #7

**Presentation of the 2016 Labor Day Parade Awards.**

Grace Shirk, a member of the Labor Day Parade Advisory Board and Mayor Pauley stepped to the podium for the Presentation of the 2016 Labor Day Parade Awards.

Ms. Shirk stated that this year's parade had over 140 entries along with seven sponsored musical groups. Ms. Shirk thanked everyone involved with the parade for making it safe and successful. It was noted that "We Love Rock Island" was the parade theme. Ms. Shirk then commented on the highlights of the parade.

Ms. Shirk along with Mayor Pauley presented the 2016 Labor Day Parade Awards to the winning recipients.

The following are the winners of the 2016 Labor Day Parade Awards:

The Citizen's Choice Award winners were selected by various citizens watching the parade. The winners included; Society of Italian Americans, Knights of Columbus Allouez Council 658, Denkmann Elementary School, Close & Company 1946 Fire Truck, Factory of Fear and New Windsor Drill Team.

The Council's Choice Award winners included; Blackhawk Bank & Trust, Rock Island Animal Hospital, Rock Island Horticultural Club, Longfellow Liberal Arts Elementary School, Terror at Skellington Manor, 1926 International Fire Truck and Quad Cities 50's Friends.

The 175<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Float was the winner of the Parade Committee's Choice Award. Two Rivers United Methodist Church received the Marshal's Choice Award for the best theme-related entry, and the Black Family was the recipient of the Mayor's Cup Winner. All winners had their pictures taken with the Mayor.

Mayor Pauley congratulated all of the winners and everyone involved with the parade.

Agenda Item #8

**A Special Ordinance regulating parking on private property located at 1625 11<sup>th</sup> Street.**

It was moved by Alderman Tollenauer 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 Austin, Alderman Clark, Alderman Mayberry, Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderman Hotle and Alderman Schipp; those voting No, none.

Agenda Item #9

**CLAIMS**

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

- a. Report from the Information Technology Department regarding payment in the amount of \$32,995.00 to Azteca Systems, Inc. of Sandy, UT for the Cityworks System annual update and support maintenance.
- b. Report from the Public Works Department regarding payment in the amount of \$18,707.60 to Brandt Construction Company of Milan, IL for an emergency sanitary sewer and sewer lateral repair at 520 24<sup>th</sup> Avenue.

Agenda Item #10

**Claims for the week of September 30 through October 6 in the amount of \$305,874.57.**

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

Agenda Item #11

**Purchase Card Claims for the month of September in the amount of \$62,980.36.**

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

Agenda Item #12

**Report from the Community and Economic Development Department regarding an amended Illinois Quad City Enterprise Zone Intergovernmental Agreement for the City to join the enterprise zone.**

It was moved by Alderman Foley and seconded by Alderman Hotle to approve the amended agreement as recommended and authorize the Mayor to execute the contract documents.

Discussion followed. Alderman Schipp inquired upon Interim City Manager Randy Tweet to explain this item.

Mr. Tweet advised that the enterprise zone expired this summer and the City is looking to join the Quad Cities Enterprise Zone, which are the cities on the Illinois side. Mr. Tweet stated that it was originally passed earlier this year; there is some amended language that all of the other cities have agreed to and the City needs to do it.

Alderman Schipp stated that the enterprise zone gives certain economic advantages for businesses to relocate or expand in certain areas. Mr. Tweet commented that typically, it is a sales tax rebate for building materials.

Alderman Hotle stated that this is a good opportunity to partner with our neighboring cities. Alderman Hotle further discussed this item.

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

Agenda Item #13

**Report from the Community and Economic Development Department regarding the hiring of consultants for analyzing Millennia Housing Development's request to establish two project specific TIF's (one for Century Woods and one for Heather Ridge), recommending Kane, McKenna & Associates.**

Alderman Mayberry moved to table Agenda Item 13, Alderman Foley seconded. The motion carried by the following Aye and No vote; those voting Aye being; Alderman Austin, Alderman Clark, Alderman Mayberry, Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderman Hotle and Alderman Schipp; those voting No, none.

Agenda Item #14

**Report from the Police Department regarding the hours for Halloween Trick or Treat, recommending Monday, October 31, 2016 from 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm in the City of Rock Island.**

It was moved by Alderman Foley and seconded by Alderman Hotle to approve the Trick or Treat hours as recommended. The motion carried by the following Aye and No vote; those voting Aye being; Alderman Austin, Alderman Clark, Alderman Mayberry, Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderman Hotle and Alderman Schipp; those voting No, none.

Agenda Item #15

**Report from the Public Works Department regarding a request from William Clay, owner of 2035 9<sup>th</sup> Street to install a handicap ramp and platform within the 21<sup>st</sup> Avenue right-of-way at 2035 9<sup>th</sup> Street.**

Alderman Foley moved and Alderman Hotle seconded to approve the request as recommended, subject to providing proof of insurance and a recordable agreement.

Discussion followed. Alderman Foley stated that some time ago, a rezoning was approved for this property; it is great to see that Mr. Clay is on his way to opening up a restaurant in the 3<sup>rd</sup> Ward right across from the 2<sup>nd</sup> Ward. Alderman Foley added that he and Alderman Mayberry are excited because Mr. Clay took a dilapidated property that was empty and decided to fix it up.

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

Agenda Item #16

**Report from the Mayor regarding a reappointment to the Airport Authority Board.**

It was moved by Alderman Hotle and seconded by Alderman Schipp to approve the reappointment as recommended. Alderman Foley stated that he would be abstaining from this item.

Alderman Hotle commented that the person being reappointed is Alderman Foley's wife. Alderman Hotle added that Molly Foley is doing an excellent job of representing the City of Rock Island on this board.

After comments, the motion carried by the majority vote of six (6) in favor with one (1) Alderman abstaining.

Molly Foley was reappointed to the Airport Authority Board for a five year term expiring in November 2021.

Agenda Item #17

**Report from the City Clerk regarding a request from John Norris of J & M Displays for a pyrotechnic display permit for fireworks to be held on Saturday, October 15, 2016 at approximately 8:30 pm at the Quad City Hindu Temple located at 9801 14<sup>th</sup> Street West, Rock Island, IL.**

Alderman Foley moved and Alderman Hotle seconded to approve the request as recommended, and temporarily waive Article I of Chapter 10: Sec. 10-9 (a) of the Code of Ordinances to allow for the issuance of a pyrotechnic display permit and authorize the Fire Marshal to issue the permit. The motion carried by the following Aye and No vote; those voting Aye being; Alderman Austin, Alderman Clark, Alderman Mayberry, Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderman Hotle and Alderman Schipp; those voting No, none.

Agenda Item #18

**Report from the City Clerk regarding a request from Augustana College's student radio station (WAUG) for a Sound Amplification Permit for Saturday, October 22, 2016 from 9:00 pm to midnight for a concert in the lower quad at Augustana College.**

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

Agenda Item #19

**Report from the City Clerk regarding a request from Laborspace at 311 21<sup>st</sup> Street and Rozz-Tox at 2108 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue to have outdoor entertainment on their adjoining properties, and a request to sell alcohol outside in the demarcated area for their event to be held on Sunday, October 16, 2016 from 10:00 am to 6:00 pm.**

Alderman Hotle moved and Alderman Schipp seconded to approve the requests for outdoor entertainment and outdoor alcohol as recommended, subject to complying with all liquor license regulations and subject to being closed down early if noise complaints are received.

Alderman Hotle thanked the gentlemen that are putting on the event. Alderman Hotle stated that this is an area of the downtown where sometimes people don't think of it as having lively things going on. Alderman Hotle encouraged everyone to attend the event.

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

Agenda Item #20

**Other Business.**

Alderman Austin stated that no one has an excuse not to vote because they can vote right now at the County office building and other remote sites will become available during the next four weeks.

Alderman Austin reminded everyone of his upcoming ward (community) meeting, which is a week from tomorrow night. Alderman Austin stated that it will be held in the community room at the police station from 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm. Alderman Austin added that if anyone wants to be there at 5:30 pm, a behind the scenes look inside the more secure spaces of the police station will be offered. Alderman Austin commented that another tour will be held after the ward meeting.

Alderman Austin inquired upon Library Director Angela Campbell to say a few words on the upcoming event to be held at the Rock Island Public Library. Ms. Campbell advised that once a year, the Rock Island Public Library Foundation has a huge party called Food for Thought. Ms. Campbell stated that the theme for this year is Grow Your Love of Reading. Ms. Campbell added that the event will be held on Thursday, November 10<sup>th</sup> from 5:00 pm to 7:30 pm and tickets are \$40.00 per person. Ms. Campbell indicated that there will be wine and beer tasting along with numerous food stations, live music and a silent auction. Ms. Campbell further discussed this event.

Alderman Hotle advised that there will be a couple of opportunities for the public to get out and see some of the candidates that are running for State Representative in the Quad City area in the 71<sup>st</sup> District and 72<sup>nd</sup> District along with candidates for the State's Attorney and County Recorder positions. Alderman Hotle indicated that this is being put on by the Black and Brown Political Coalition in the Quad Cities. Alderman Hotle stated that the first forum will be held on Sunday, October 16<sup>th</sup> from 5:30 pm to 7:15 pm at Blackhawk College for the 71<sup>st</sup> District candidates and County Recorder candidates. Alderman Hotle stated that the second one will be held on Thursday, October 20<sup>th</sup> at the Martin Luther King Center from 5:30 pm to 7:15 pm for the 72<sup>nd</sup> District candidates and the candidates for State's Attorney.

Alderman Foley stated that he recently participated in the Nancy Kapheim Memorial 5K and 10K Run at Sunset Park. Alderman Foley thanked Parks and Recreation Director John Gripp for the great access with the flooding going on and having the park looking good.

Alderman Mayberry thanked Parks and Recreation Director John Gripp for putting the George Skafidas Parkway sign back up on 18<sup>th</sup> Avenue. Alderman Mayberry stated that the Parks Department is doing their job.

Michelle Ramsey-Moody of 8201 Ridgewood Road, Rock Island, IL stepped forward. Ms. Ramsey-Moody stated that she will be available after the meeting if anyone from the audience is interested in supporting backyard chickens or wants more information or has questions.

Agenda Item #21

**Executive Session on Personnel, Property Acquisition and Litigation.**

A motion was made by Alderman Foley and seconded by Alderman Schipp at 7:25 pm to recess to Executive Session on matters of Personnel, Property Acquisition and Litigation. The motion carried by the following Aye and No vote; those voting Aye being; Alderman Austin, Alderman Clark, Alderman Mayberry, Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderman Hotle and Alderman Schipp; those voting No, none.

Agenda Item #22

**Recess**

Mayor Pauley reconvened the regular meeting at 7:34 pm. A motion was made by Alderman Clark and seconded by Alderman Hotle to recess to 5:30 pm, Monday, October 17, 2016. The motion carried by the following Aye and No vote; those voting Aye being; Alderman Austin, Alderman Clark, Alderman Mayberry, Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderman Hotle and Alderman Schipp; those voting No, none. The meeting was recessed at 7:35 pm.