

The Rock Island City Council met in Study Session at 6:00 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, Martin Luther King Center Director Jerry Jones, other City staff and City Attorney Dave Morrison. Alderman Joshua Schipp arrived at 6:02 pm.

PRESENTATION ON RESPONSIBLE BIDDER

City Attorney Dave Morrison discussed the issue of lowest responsible bidder and the possibility of implementing a lowest responsible bidder ordinance for the City.

City Attorney Morrison advised that in regards to the meaning of lowest responsible bidder, there are two different interests in which lowest is the first part and the second part is responsible, which is a combination of best price and most qualified person to provide the services. City Attorney Morrison explained that the lowest responsible bidder does not necessarily equate to the lowest bid. City Attorney Morrison noted that the courts have found that it is in the public interest to have individuals that the public has confidence in and the Council has confidence in concerning their ability to perform the work; there are a number of factors that can be considered to look at in terms of who is the lowest responsible bidder.

City Attorney Morrison discussed determining factors in awarding contracts, including the ability to perform work, prior experience with the person that is making the bid and other factors, which are relevant in determining the bidder's ability to actually work and do the work competently. City Attorney Morrison indicated that the rationale is to balance cost savings with the need to ensure quality workmanship. City Attorney Morrison advised that the general principle is to encourage competitive bidding because public resources want to be saved, but at the same time, you don't want to sacrifice quality. City Attorney Morrison stated that in order to encourage competition, reduce costs and save taxpayer money for municipal contracts, there is the need to have competitive bidding.

City Attorney Morrison advised that the IL. State Supreme Court and the Federal Courts have refused to establish any set terms of what is or is not a lowest qualified bidder. City Attorney Morrison added that the courts state that municipalities have broad discretion in determining what is factored in when determining the lowest qualified bidder as long as things are not arbitrary, capricious or intended to put someone at a disadvantage. City Attorney Morrison indicated that the courts have said that the people in the best position to make the decision are the local authorities that vote on awarding a contract to someone, and unless something is being done in violation of fairness, or is fraudulent or is promoting unfair competition, the courts will not get involved unless they feel that a municipality has violated one of those provisions. City Attorney Morrison stated that it is important to note that the lowest responsible bidder does not necessarily equate to that contractor with the lowest bid.

City Attorney Morrison indicated that the courts have found that the word responsible includes financially responsible and whether or not that person has the ability to discharge the obligations in accordance with what may be expected of them or demanded under the terms of the contract.

City Attorney Morrison discussed the legitimate factors that courts have found that could be allowable considerations by which municipalities can make their determination in reference to which contractor constitutes the lowest responsible bidder. The factors discussed included; financial responsibility to perform the work; ability to perform the work called for under the contract; social responsibility; maintaining the public's confidence in projects funded by public money; avoiding any appearance of impropriety; experience; adequacy of equipment; and the ability to complete performance within a specified time frame. City Attorney Morrison stated that none of these factors should be a single determining factor. City Attorney Morrison added that these are all of the things that the courts have considered to be allowable factors. City Attorney Morrison offered that the municipality has to come to a reasonable determination based on a combination of factors.

Next, City Attorney Morrison discussed the factors that have been determined to be impermissible in the determination of lowest responsible bidder. The factors City Attorney Morrison discussed included; decisions based solely on desire to award the contract to a local company; and any other factors that would result in favoritism, fraud, lack of authority and unfair dealing. City Attorney Morrison advised that the use of a local contractor could be a legitimate factor if it could be shown that this was not the sole motivating factor in determining the lowest responsible bidder. City Attorney Morrison further discussed this item.

City Attorney Morrison advised that the IL. Supreme Court and the Seventh Circuit Court of Appeals state that in the absence of arbitrariness, fraud or unfair dealing, they are reluctant to overturn a municipal government's decision in regards to what makes a particular contractor the lowest responsible bidder. City Attorney Morrison further discussed this subject.

City Attorney Morrison discussed a couple of ordinances from other municipalities in reference to their ordinance's similarities and differences as it related to factors concerning the lowest responsible bidder.

City Attorney Morrison and Council discussed a draft ordinance for the City that Alderman Schipp provided as it related to a list of factors to consider in regards to defining responsible bidders. Council and City Attorney Morrison further discussed each factor included in the draft ordinance. Council and City Attorney Morrison discussed the City's current policy and requirements for bidding projects. Council also discussed the issue of rejecting bids as it related to the lowest responsible bidder and the legal options for that bidder that was rejected. Council further discussed City Attorney Morrison's presentation.

UNITED WAY PRESENTATION

Martin Luther King Center Director Jerry Jones stated that the United Way Campaign is currently under way in the City and across the Quad Cities. Mr. Jones commented that the King Center has been a partner with United Way for over 25 years. Mr. Jones pointed out that United Way funds have provided for the King Center's summer program, after school program and drug prevention services. Mr. Jones added that United Way has been a key partner in the tax return program at the Martin Luther King Center that runs from February through April.

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Mr. Jones advised that Untied Way strategically employs funds so that there is a network of agencies, a network of initiatives and volunteers that make many lives in the Quad Cities much better by addressing the underlying causes of many social ills, which include; education, income and health.

Mr. Jones stated that when one considers their support for the City campaign, they will not only be improving the lives for the people at the Martin Luther King Center and not just improving the lives in Rock Island, but the support will be improving the lives for the people across the Quad Cities making this a much better place to live. Mr. Jones thanked everyone for their support.

Mr. Jones advised that the committee has done an incredible job this year and the City campaign is winding down. Mr. Jones stated that Trivia night will be coming soon at the Martin Luther King Center with a date to be determined.

Council discussed pledge forms and inquired to Mr. Jones as to when they would receive the forms for this year. Mr. Jones commented that he will get the forms to Council very soon.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion made by Alderman Schipp and seconded by Alderman Tollenaer 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, Alderman Hotle and Schipp; those voting No, none. The meeting was adjourned at 6:31 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 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 17, 2016.

A motion was made by Alderman Clark and seconded by Alderman Foley to approve the Minutes of the meeting of October 17, 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.

1841: The Year Rock Island Began - Mayor Pauley stated that on Tuesday, October 25, 2016, Augustana continues a lecture series at the Main Library. Topic will be discussed by Dr. Meg Kunde from 2:00 pm to 3:00 pm. The Mayor added that all lectures in the series are free and open to the public and include coffee and conversation afterwards. Full description can be found on the library's website at www.rockislandlibrary.org.

Early Voting - Mayor Pauley advised that any voter may cast a ballot and needs no excuse, reason or ID. Early voting is now open and will continue through November 7 at the County Clerk's office. The Mayor added that the County Clerk's office will be open Monday through Friday from 8:00 am to 4:30 pm of this week. The week of October 29 through November 7, the County Clerk's office will be open from 8:00 am to 7:00 pm. For more times and availability, please visit www.rockislandcounty.org.

Fright Night in the District - Mayor Pauley indicated that on Thursday, October 27, 2016, the Rock Island District and in partnership with the City of Rock Island's Park and Recreation Department will be full of spooky fun for children, including trick-or-treating, entertainment, live DJ, and a costume contest. The fun starts at 5:00 pm and goes until 8:00 pm. The event is free.

Hauberg Center's Annual Holiday Market - Unique, handcrafted, popular - this is how to describe the large variety of items being sold at Hauberg Center's annual Holiday Market. Mayor Pauley stated that on Saturday, November 5, 2016 from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm, enjoy shopping in the comfortable and beautiful atmosphere of the Hauberg mansion. Find great gifts, décor and

stocking stuffers in an array of prices. There will be a door prize drawings as well. Admission is free and hot drinks will be available to sip as you shop. Hauberg Center is located at 1300 - 24th Street. For more information, call (309) 732-2132.

Agenda Item #7

Presentation of the Best Rain Garden and Community Garden Awards by the Beautification Commission.

Beautification Commission member Bob Towler stepped forward and joined Mayor Pauley at the podium to present the Best Rain Garden and Community Garden awards. Mayor Pauley stated that the Beautification Commission began the Best Rain Garden Award Program 11 years ago to recognize the efforts made by citizens in creating and maintaining rain gardens through the City's Rain Garden for Rock Island Program. Mayor Pauley advised that rain gardens are shallow depressions planted with perennial plants that are located near a downspout or an area that sheds noticeable amounts of rainwater. Mayor Pauley added that rain gardens provide beneficial functions, which include reducing storm water runoff, flooding, absorption of pollutants and sustaining native wildlife.

Mayor Pauley then named the 2015-2016 Rain Garden recipients. The winners are as follows; Patrick Mahar (overall winner), John and Tierney Brosius (second place) and Michael and Lenore Knock (third place).

Pictures of the winning recipients were taken with Mayor Pauley and Bob Towler.

Mayor Pauley stated that the Beautification Commission began the Community Garden Award Program six years ago to recognize the various community gardens throughout Rock Island. Mayor Pauley advised that community gardens are run by neighborhood groups, churches, schools and community service organizations; they provide a place for citizens to grow vegetables and learn about gardening while strengthening the community.

Mayor Pauley then named the 2016 Community Garden recipients. The winners are as follows; Lea Nzeyiamana's garden, Elisabeth Ndikumana's garden, Fanstine Munyakazi's garden, Seraphine Avegnon's garden, Broadway Church's garden and Jaques Barutwanayo's garden.

Pictures of the winning recipients were taken with Mayor Pauley and Bob Towler.

Agenda Item #8

Proclamation declaring Thursday, October 27, 2016 as Genesis Guild Day.

Mayor Pauley read the proclamation. Gary Rowe and Don Wooten accepted the proclamation. Mr. Wooten stated that he was deeply grateful that Genesis Guild can utilize the stage in Lincoln Park. Mr. Rowe stated that on Thursday, October 27th, a banquet will be held to mark Genesis Guild's 60th Anniversary and Don Wooten's retirement. Mr. Rowe noted that Don Wooten founded the Genesis Guild.

Agenda Item #9

Public Hearing on a request from People's Missionary Baptist Church for a Special Use Permit to construct a five stall accessory parking lot at an undeveloped parcel at 547 23rd Street.

Mayor Pauley closed the regular meeting at 6:58 pm and opened a Public Hearing on a request from People's Missionary Baptist Church for a Special Use Permit to construct a five stall accessory parking lot at an undeveloped parcel at 547 23rd Street.

Pastor Willie Jones of People's Missionary Baptist Church in Rock Island, IL and who resides in Davenport, IA stepped forward. Mayor Pauley swore in Pastor Jones.

Pastor Jones stated that they want this special use permit for church parking only. Pastor Jones commented that hopefully, we will get a few more cars off the street and the neighbors will have more parking on the street for themselves.

Alderman Austin stated that there were no negative comments.

Alderman Hotle advised that it gets congested in that area on Sundays and this is a step in the right direction; it will help with the congestion. Alderman Hotle stated that she thought the neighbors would support it.

Mayor Pauley inquired as to whether there was anyone who wished to speak in favor of the special use permit. No one stepped forward.

Mayor Pauley then inquired as to whether there was anyone who wished to speak in opposition to the special use permit. No one stepped forward.

With no person present to speak in favor of or in opposition to the special use permit, Mayor Pauley closed the Public Hearing and reconvened the regular meeting at 7:00 pm.

It was moved by Alderman Hotle and seconded by Alderman Mayberry to approve the special use permit as recommended, subject to the stipulations that the five space accessory parking lot shall be located along the east segment of the property with the spaces backing out onto the dead-end north/south alley; existing landscaping along the north property line and at the southeast corner of the subject lot shall be maintained; the use shall meet all other applicable codes and ordinances; and refer to the City Attorney for an 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 #10

Public Hearing on a request from People's Missionary Baptist Church for a Special Use Permit to construct a ten stall accessory parking lot at an undeveloped parcel at 2317 6th Avenue.

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Mayor Pauley closed the regular meeting at 7:01 pm and opened a Public Hearing on a request from People's Missionary Baptist Church for a Special Use Permit to construct a ten stall accessory parking lot at an undeveloped parcel at 2317 6th Avenue.

Pastor Willie Jones of People's Missionary Baptist Church in Rock Island, IL and who resides in Davenport, IA stepped forward. Mayor Pauley swore in Pastor Jones.

Pastor Jones stated that they hope to get a few more cars off the street for more neighbors to park on the street. Pastor Jones added that it would provide for fewer members crossing the street to get to their automobiles as well as the youth crossing the street. Pastor Jones commented that it would also provide for a safe entrance and exit.

Mayor Pauley inquired as to whether there was anyone who wished to speak in favor of the special use permit. No one stepped forward.

Mayor Pauley then inquired as to whether there was anyone who wished to speak in opposition to the special use permit. No one stepped forward.

With no person present to speak in favor of or in opposition to the special use permit, Mayor Pauley closed the Public Hearing and reconvened the regular meeting at 7:02 pm.

It was moved by Alderman Hotle and seconded by Alderman Foley to approve the special use permit as recommended, subject to the stipulations that the accessory parking lot be limited to ten spaces; parking lot landscaping be provided in five foot wide areas along the north, west and east property lines and shall include a minimum 5% landscape coverage of shrubs in these areas and also a minimum of two canopy trees along the north landscaped area; the use shall meet all other applicable codes and ordinances; and refer to the City Attorney for an 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 #11

An Ordinance authorizing the issuance of three series of unlimited tax General Obligation Bonds, Series 2016A for the financing of roadway improvement projects at an estimated cost of \$3,610,000 and refunding of all or a portion of the outstanding General Obligation Bonds, Series 2008A and 2009B; Series 2016B for the refunding of all or a portion of the outstanding General Obligation Bonds, Series 2008B and 2009A; and Series 2016C for the refunding of all or a portion of the Taxable General Obligation Bonds, Series 2014B.

It was moved by Alderman Foley and seconded by Alderman Tollenaer to 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 #12

CLAIMS

It was moved by Alderman Austin 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 Human Resources Department regarding payment in the amount of \$1,872.91 to MVP Collision Repair, Inc. of Milan, IL for General Liability claim.

b. Report from the Public Works Department regarding payment #18 in the amount of \$132,163.84 to Brandt Construction of Rock Island/Milan, IL for services provided for the 6th Avenue Relief Sewer project.

Agenda Item #13

Claims for the week of October 14 through October 20 in the amount of \$763,597.46.

It was moved by Alderman Tollenaer and seconded by Alderman Clark 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 #14

Report from the Police Department regarding bids for the dry cleaning contract, recommending the bid be awarded to Burke Cleaners of Rock Island, IL in the amount of \$7,721.65.

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

Agenda Item #15

Report from the Community and Economic Development Department regarding the terms of an agreement with Michael and Penni Steen of Skellington Manor LLC for assistance with the financing for the redevelopment projects at 420 18th Street.

It was moved by Alderman Hotle and seconded by Alderman Schipp to approve the terms of an agreement as recommended, authorize staff to work with legal counsel to draft a development agreement, subject to minor attorney modifications and authorize the City Manager to execute the contract documents.

Comments followed. Alderman Hotle thanked Skellington Manor for their investment in Rock Island and their loyalty. Alderman Hotle stated that the City looks forward to the end result.

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 #16

Report from the City Attorney regarding a Special Ordinance amending five Special Ordinances by abandoning those terms and conditions contained in Ordinance Numbers 055-2014, 025-2015, 026-2015, 027-2015 and 028-2015, previously passed and approved, which specifically provides for the assessment and/or payment by the owners of record for a portion of the total improvement costs, as vacated by the Orders Vacating Special Assessment Judgments signed by the Judge on October 6, 2016.

Alderman Clark moved and Alderman Hotle seconded to consider, suspend the rules and pass the ordinance.

Discussion followed. Alderman Hotle advised that the City has a special assessment ordinance in the code and it has been utilized for a long time to help supplement the cost of redoing residential roads; the City has a lot of infrastructure that needs to be redone. Alderman Hotle advised that it is a huge testament to Randy Tweet and the Public Works team because they have been able to do more with less. Alderman Hotle stated that the City has been able to get rid of utilizing the special assessment program, which basically is supported by all of the City's residents. Alderman Hotle commented that the City will do just as many roads but residents won't be asked to pitch in more. Alderman Hotle noted that this item is taking care of the last few that were already voted on prior to voting to not use that special assessment anymore.

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 #17

Report from the Community and Economic Development Department regarding an amendment to Chapter 7 of the Code of Ordinances by establishing Exhibit A as Division IV of Article VI of that chapter for allowing urban chickens in the City of Rock Island and a Resolution establishing a \$25.00 application fee for a permit to allow urban chickens.

It was moved by Alderman Foley and seconded by Alderman Hotle to consider the ordinance and resolution.

Discussion followed. Alderman Austin stated that two or three months ago, he had concerns in regards to this item. Alderman Austin added that since then, he has been invited by some residents that have chickens to come and see their operations. Alderman Austin commented that he took advantage of it and walked around the area on a warm day, listened and inhaled to see if

there was anything offensive, and there wasn't anything offensive. Alderman Austin further discussed this subject.

Alderman Austin stated that he talked to the City of Moline, and it was stated that they started issuing licenses in August of this year. Alderman Austin added that so far, 11 licenses have been issued. Alderman Austin advised that the City of Moline also stated that much of the burden is on the chicken owner due to the cost of raising chickens. Alderman Austin commented that the City of Moline has not experienced any disputes or concerns.

Alderman Austin advised that there are only two differences between the City of Moline's ordinance and the proposed Rock Island ordinance/resolution. Alderman Austin stated that Moline calls for a little different setback from the property line and they have a \$25.00 annual fee. Alderman Austin discussed whether or not it would be wise for the City to establish a \$25.00 annual fee as opposed to a one time application fee of \$25.00 upfront. Alderman Austin advised that this would be so that the City knows who is going to be in operation each year and where the operations are located. Alderman Austin added that it may also give the City a revenue stream because there are costs involved. After more discussion, Alderman Austin stated that he would support this action.

Alderman Foley advised that there should be an annual fee and he does support this item.

Alderman Schipp inquired upon Alderman Foley as to whether he would be willing to amend the motion to include suspend the rules and pass the ordinance and resolution and also amend the resolution to include the language to make it a \$25.00 annual fee.

At this time, Alderman Hotle removed her second and Alderman Foley removed his motion to consider.

Alderman Schipp then moved to suspend the rules and pass the ordinance and resolution and include language to make it a \$25.00 annual fee for the permit, Alderman Hotle seconded.

Discussion followed. Interim Community and Economic Development Director Tom Ayers stated that staff extensively discussed this item with the City of Moline as they were going through the ordinance process.

Alderman Clark stated that he really doesn't want anyone living next to him with chickens, but if they are going to live next to him then he definitely would want a policy that states how it would be done. Alderman Clark stated that he was in support of the item.

Alderman Hotle stated that she was glad to see this item moving forward.

Alderman Tollenaer stated that it is about the people that contacted him, and more than two times the amount of people that have contacted him have stated that they do not want their neighbors to have chickens without their permission. Alderman Tollenaer stated that he would not support this item.

Alderman Schipp thanked all of the people that organized and supported this item, and petitioned their local government in an earnest effort to bring forth a quality of life issue.

Alderman Mayberry advised that as representative of the 2nd Ward, there has been a lot of discussion on this issue. Alderman Mayberry stated that there are three women that have chickens, they have passed around petitions and done the whole thing. Alderman Mayberry stated that he will not be supporting this item. Alderman Mayberry added that he represents 5,000 people and he has received many letters, phone calls, etc, and they do not want chickens in the 2nd Ward.

Elizabeth Kirk of 4012 6th Street, Rock Island, IL stepped forward. Ms. Kirk stated that she was in support of backyard chickens and she was at the meeting on behalf of Michelle Ramsey-Moody. Ms. Kirk stated that the issue is important to her and her peers; it is a part of a sustainable lifestyle. Ms. Kirk commented that when gathering signatures for the petition, the focus was on wards that had originally voted against the proposed ordinance.

Lindsey O'Brien of 1710 65th Avenue West, Rock Island, IL stepped forward. Ms. O'Brien stated that she supported the regulation and the passing of this ordinance for backyard chickens. Ms. O'Brien added that community gardens and rain gardens are part of Rock Island being a progressive community and the legalization of urban backyard chickens ties in with that.

Tierney Brosius of 1816 36th Street, Rock Island, IL stepped forward. Ms. Brosius stated that there is a lot of support for urban chickens, but they are a lot of work. Ms. Brosius commented that most people that want to have chickens will find out that it is a lot of work. Ms. Brosius added that the ordinance Council is passing will help regulate it better than it is currently being regulated.

After discussion, the motion carried by the following Aye and No vote; those voting Aye being; Alderman Austin, Alderman Clark, Alderman Foley, Alderman Hotle and Alderman Schipp; those voting No, Alderman Mayberry and Alderman Tollenaer.

Agenda Item #18

Report from the Community and Economic Development Department regarding a Resolution for the Rock Island County Multi-Jurisdictional Local Hazard Mitigation Plan.

It was moved by Alderman Schipp and seconded by Alderman Hotle to adopt the Resolution as recommended and forward to Rock Island County. 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 Community and Economic Development Department regarding the Citizen's Advisory Committee recommendations for PY2017-2018 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding and CY2017 Gaming Grant fund allocations.

Alderman Foley moved and Alderman Mayberry seconded to approve the allocations 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 #20

Report from the Community and Economic Development Department regarding the donation of City owned property at 515 10th Street to Second Baptist Church for a parking lot.

It was moved by Alderman Clark and seconded by Alderman Mayberry to approve the donation as recommended, subject to submission and approval of a site plan and landscaping plan for the parking lot, allow Second Baptist Church to begin work on the parking lot at their risk while the property transfer is pending and refer to the City Attorney for an 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 #21

Report from the Mayor regarding appointments and a reappointment to the Rock Island Park and Recreation Board.

Alderman Austin moved and Alderman Tollenaer seconded to approve the appointments and reappointment 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.

John McEvoy Jr. and Don DeLou were appointed to the Rock Island Park and Recreation Board with terms to expire on April 30, 2019. Dave Conroy was reappointed to the Rock Island Park and Recreation Board with a term to expire on April 30, 2019.

Agenda Item #22

Report from the City Clerk regarding requests from the businesses in the College Hill District to place signage in the City's right-of-way grassy areas along 14th Avenue and 30th Street, requesting sound amplification and a request for Public Works to place 25 orange cones in the parking lot of Cool Beanz for their Halloween Walk to be held on Saturday, October 29, 2016 from 3:00 pm to 6:00 pm.

It was moved by Alderman Foley and seconded by Alderman Schipp to approve the requests for placing signage in the City's right-of-way, sound amplification and authorize staff to place 25 cones in the parking lot at Cool Beanz. 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 #23

Report from the City Clerk regarding a request from Second Baptist Church for a Street Closing at 6th Avenue between 9th Street and 10th Street and a portion of 10th Street between 5th Avenue and 6th Avenue for their 5th Annual Halloween Trunk or Treat event to be held on Monday, October 31, 2016 from 5:00 pm to 9:00 pm.

Alderman Clark moved and Alderman Mayberry seconded to approve the request 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 #24

Other Business.

Alderman Schipp stated that in regards to the United Way Campaign, the City had a cookout at the King Center last Friday. Alderman Schipp added that it was a good turnout and nice event. Alderman Schipp commented that Hill and Valley donated 280 cookies for the success of the campaign. Alderman Schipp further discussed this item.

Alderman Austin stated that last Tuesday evening, his ward/community meeting was held in the community room of the police station. Alderman Austin advised that 11 people showed up for the tour of the police station and they were thrilled at what they were able to see.

Alderman Austin advised that there were about 50 people in the room for the meeting and there was good support from staff. Alderman Austin stated that it was a crowd that asked tough questions, and staff was impressive with the responses. Alderman Austin explained that two things kept coming up from the discussions. Alderman Austin pointed out that one of the items was that there was a need for the Community and Economic Development Department to work harder with the City's existing businesses and the second reoccurring item was communication, openness and transparency.

Alderman Austin stated that a question was asked at the meeting about recycle carts. Alderman Austin inquired upon Interim Public Works Director Larry Cook as to why the City is charging \$10.00 for anybody that wants to get a larger cart to recycle more.

Mr. Cook advised that the City no longer charges the \$10.00 upcharge. Mr. Cook added that if a citizen wants to increase the size of their recycle cart, they may contact Public Works and an appointment will be scheduled with Republic Services to come and swap the cart out.

Alderman Austin inquired upon Library Director Angela Campbell to say a few words about their upcoming event.

Ms. Campbell stated that Food for Thought will be held on Thursday, November 10th from 5:00 pm to 7:30 pm. Ms. Campbell added that the cost is \$40.00. Ms. Campbell indicated that there will be wine and beer tasting along with numerous chef stations, live music and a silent auction. Ms. Campbell further discussed this event.

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Alderman Hotle thanked Don Wooten and the Genesius Guild. Alderman Hotle encouraged anyone that has never been to see a play at Lincoln Park to please go. Alderman Hotle stated that it is an enjoyable experience. Alderman Hotle also discussed the Rain Garden Program. Alderman Hotle commented that rain gardens are not only for stormwater runoff but also to make yards look better; it is a great program. Alderman Hotle stated that she would like to see more residents utilize it.

Agenda Item #25

Executive Session on Personnel, Property Acquisition and Litigation.

A motion was made by Alderman Foley and seconded by Alderman Schipp at 7:33 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 #26

Recess

Mayor Pauley reconvened the regular meeting at 7:38 pm. A motion was made by Alderman Schipp and seconded by Alderman Hotle to recess to 5:30 pm, Monday, November 7, 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 7:39 pm.

Aleisha L. Patchin, City Clerk