

The Rock Island City Council met in Study Session at 5:00 p.m. in the Personnel Conference Room of Rock Island City Hall. Present were Mayor Dennis E. Pauley, presiding, and Aldermen David Conroy, P. J. Foley, Stephen L. Tollenaer and Charles O. Austin III. Also present were City Manager John Phillips, Community and Economic Development Director Greg Champagne, Renaissance Rock Island President Brian Hollenback and other City staff. Alderman Terry M.A. Brooks arrived at 5:10 p.m. and excused himself from the Study Session at 6:22 p.m. Alderwoman Joy Murphy arrived at 5:05 p.m. Mayor Dennis E Pauley excused himself from the Study Session at 6:25 p.m. Alderman Jason W. Jones was absent.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGIES

City Manager Phillips inquired upon Community and Economic Development Director Greg Champagne to review the plan and process for economic development strategies.

Mr. Champagne stated that there were a number of steps involved in arriving at a strategic plan for economic development efforts. Mr. Champagne commented that this plan is intended to guide the City's economic development efforts over the next three (3) to five (5) years. It was noted that one of the most important aspects of the plan is the mission statement, which is to create and retain jobs, expand the City's revenue base and increase the level of economic activity in the community.

Mr. Champagne then reviewed the 14 strategies (divided into five (5) categories) that were developed. Mr. Champagne discussed the first category, which included targeted development and infrastructure. The three (3) strategies identified were creating an Arsenal gateway business park centered near the intersection of 4th Avenue and 24th Street; continuing efforts to support new retail development on major transportation corridors and in the downtown; and surveying the condition of infrastructure, land use and vacancies in city business parks and develop an asset management plan to improve conditions.

Council discussed the first grouping of strategies as it relates to demographics concerning retail businesses and infrastructure as it relates to public infrastructure in business areas.

The second category that was discussed included communication and strategic partnerships as it relates to the strategies of developing an outreach communication program targeted towards existing businesses; reviewing the brand assessment efforts as it relates to community perceptions and economic development efforts; and work in partnership with area organizations that share the City's economic development mission. Mr. Champagne advised that efforts could be made to explore more routine communication with existing businesses in the City, and target financial and real-estate professionals for forging relationships with private sector groups that are often the first contact for firms considering an expansion project or locating a new facility. Mr. Champagne commented that the Rock Solid, Rock Island Brand represents the City. However, the City can also use the brand as a tool to attract new businesses and support existing businesses.

Council discussed the strategy of working in partnership with other organizations as it relates to support and periodic reviews of those organizations to see what they are doing and to make sure the City's interests are fully represented.

Mr. Champagne discussed business and workforce development as it relates to the strategies of assisting small businesses with international trade opportunities and government contracting; encouraging entrepreneurship including the development of the retail incubator as a model for other incubator projects that include manufacturing incubator, arts incubator, technology incubator and professional services incubator; work with local businesses to determine workforce needs and facilitate efforts to meet those needs; and review and revise ordinances regarding business regulation that may encourage or discourage certain business types. It was noted that on the strategy regarding retail incubators, business incubators are intended to increase the survival rate of start-up businesses by providing a supportive environment during the critical initial stages of business life.

Mr. Champagne also discussed funding as it relates to the strategies of actively pursuing federal and state grant opportunities that support plan strategies; and evaluating local resources and programs targeted towards development activities. Mr. Champagne stated that the last category of quality of life and environmental includes the strategies of emphasizing the importance of environmentally sustainable businesses and work to attract and grow green jobs in the community; and support community quality of life enhancements as a means of attracting new business, new residents and new work force. Mr. Champagne stated that the City has promoted sustainable environmental principles with the formation of the Green Team, incentives to encourage sustainable business development; the purchase and expansion of the Hydro Electric Plant and the Rain Gardens for Rock Island program. Mr. Champagne added that the City should continue to offer incentives to businesses that make green investments.

Council discussed the strategy of supporting quality of life enhancements as a means of attracting new business, new residents and new workforce as it relates to the importance of quality of life facilities in the community as related to the opening of Schwiebert Riverfront Park and other community investments.

NEIGHBORHOOD STABILIZATION PROGRAM UPDATE

City Manager John Phillips inquired upon Renaissance Rock Island President Brian Hollenback to update Council on the Neighborhood Stabilization Program.

Mr. Hollenback discussed the targeted census tracts for activity with emphasis on NSP2. Mr. Hollenback discussed investments by wards as it relates to what has been invested to date concerning the Neighborhood Stabilization Program. It was noted that \$450,141.00 has been invested in Ward1, \$125,987.00 in Ward2, \$7,559,370.00 in Ward5 and \$277,696.00 in Ward6. Mr. Hollenback noted that the investment in Ward5 is mainly due to Jackson Square, which is \$6 million dollars and the financing mechanism with the down payment for McKesson Lofts. Mr. Hollenback commented that the areas in Ward3, Ward4 and Ward7 were not eligible. It was

explained that HUD determines eligibility and the formula is based on census data and the percentage of foreclosures, unemployment and several other factors.

Mr. Hollenback advised that the firms that have been impacted by the Neighborhood Stabilization Program include; architects, engineers and design firms; real-estate attorneys, appraisers, real-estate and title companies; general contractors and environmental firms. In addition, delinquent water bills and taxes have been paid, staff has been increased for grant administration and there has been sale tax received on materials purchased.

Mr. Hollenback stated that the average acquisition price for the Neighborhood Stabilization Program has been \$51,355.00 with the average appraised value at \$55,576.00. It was noted that the average rehab investment into the property is at \$84,779.00. Mr. Hollenback advised that the total building permit fees that NSP has generated is \$34,355.00. Mr. Hollenback commented that \$7,376.00 in water bills has been paid and \$40,906.00 in property taxes has been paid. It was noted that total local investment for NSP to date is at \$82,637.00.

Mr. Hollenback then discussed NSP1 stating that 100% of \$2.7 million dollars in funding has been obligated. It was noted that 21 properties have been impacted and 80 contractors were assisted in securing new RRP licensing for lead. Next, NSP2 was discussed. It was noted that policies and procedures have been created for the consortium; Request For Proposals (RFP) and Request For Qualifications (RFQ) for professional services were released; a construction director and a program support specialist was hired; and bi-weekly calls are continuing to consortium members. As a single family rehab effort, Mr. Hollenback commented that two (2) properties have closed as of today and one (1) will close this week. It was noted that nine (9) additional properties are under contract and offers pending on other properties.

Mr. Hollenback stated that the infill development effort is a community and neighborhood process and job creation base. It was noted that this effort targets further implementation of the New Old Chicago plan and targets 7th Avenue and 9th Street. Mr. Hollenback advised that the infill development effort has brought together a development team to tour the New Old Chicago area; has released Request For Proposals (RFP) for architect services for infill design; and site control efforts are underway for the properties. Mr. Hollenback indicated that up to 30 homes will be realized in the New Old Chicago area in which approximately nine (9) or 10 homes will be funded by NSP2.

Mr. Hollenback also discussed Jackson Square as it relates to rent ranges, unit counts and features. It was noted that a ground breaking celebration will be held sometime in October.

REVIEW OF GOAL SETTING INFORMATION

Mr. Phillips stated that the Agenda for Goal Setting is included in the packet that was distributed to Council. Mr. Phillips advised that some of the goals that were accomplished this past year include; the Safer Community Task Force; a balanced budget; mass transit facility; some development projects; and the hiring of the new Police Chief. Mr. Phillips stated that the goals that were accomplished relate to the targets that were set by Council last year.

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Mr. Phillips stated that also included in the packet is a listing of all public and private projects. It was noted that there is a report from Ted Thoms on marketing, and some financial information is included in the packet. Mr. Phillips advised that included in the information is a broad look at major expense areas and revenues for the coming year. It was noted that the report shows that income tax levels that the City is anticipating receiving next year are 20% less than in 2008 and there is 36% less replacement tax than in 2008. Mr. Phillips indicated that on the expense side, there is a list of pension costs, IMRF, health insurance, self insurance and fuel costs. Mr. Phillips added that those costs are up \$974,000.00. Mr. Phillips offered that also included in the packet is information from Lyle Sumek in regards to the recent conversations he had with Council.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion made by Alderman Foley and seconded by Alderwoman Murphy to adjourn the meeting carried by the following aye and No vote. Those voting Aye being Alderman Conroy, Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderwoman Murphy and Alderman Austin; those voting No, none. The meeting was adjourned at 6:31 p. m.

Aleisha L. Patchin, City Clerk

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Rock Island City Council met in regular session at 6:45 p.m. in Council Chambers of Rock Island City Hall. Present were Mayor Dennis E. Pauley, presiding, and Aldermen Terry M.A. Brooks I, David Conroy, P.J. Foley, Stephen L. Tollenaer, Joy Murphy and Charles O. Austin III. City Manager John Phillips was also present. Alderman Jason W. Jones was absent.

Introductory Proceedings

Mayor Pauley called the meeting to order and led in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America. Alderwoman Murphy gave the Invocation.

Agenda Item #5

Minutes of the Meeting of August 23 2010.

A motion was made by Alderman Austin and seconded by Alderwoman Murphy to approve the Minutes of the Meeting of August 23, 2010 as printed. The motion carried by the following Aye and No vote; those voting Aye being Alderman Brooks, Alderman Conroy, Alderman Foley Alderman Tollenaer, Alderwoman Murphy and Alderman Austin; those voting No, none.

Agenda Item #6

Update Rock Island by Mayor Pauley.

Mayor Pauley stated that there would not be an Update Rock Island this week due to the length of the meeting.

Agenda Item #7

Presentation of the “Best Rain 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 Awards. Mr. Towler stated that this is the fifth annual “Best Rain Garden” Contest. The purpose of the contest is to recognize residents who show pride in their homes and neighborhoods by keeping neat and well maintained rain gardens. Mr. Towler then named the recipients of the Residential Beautification Award. The winners are as follows; Mark and Pamela Ernat, which were the overall winners, Doug and Marcia Nelson, Heather and Scott Culver, Augustana Eco House, 15th Avenue Christian Church, Donald Long, Westgate Condominiums, James and Eilene Stephens, Delores Workheiser, Chuck and Bev Wilt, Keith Smith, Barbara Zerull, Julie Heber, Janice Guidry, Henry Clash, Andrew Olson, Margaret Thomas, Nick Dobson and Lisa Seidlitz, Stephen Warren, Steve Gibson, First Lutheran Church, Todd Linscott, Nancy Hass, Jeanette Sendry, Kim and Ryan Woodward, Joseph Gustafson and Trisha and Michael Griffin.

Agenda Item #8

Presentation of the “Best 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 Community Garden Awards. Mr. Towler stated that this is

the first “Best Community Garden” Contest. The purpose of the contest is to recognize organizations that show pride in their neighborhood by keeping remarkably neat and well maintained community gardens. Mr. Towler then named the recipients of the organization Beautification Award. The winners are as follows; Broadway Historic District, Old Chicago Neighborhood Community Organic Garden, Christ Church Cathedral, Greenbush Neighbors, Broadway Presbyterian Church, Positive Empowerment, Rock Island County Area Project and Augie Acres.

Agenda Item #9

Proclamation declaring the week of September 19 through September 25, 2010 as Dollar Wise Week.

Mayor Pauley made reference the Proclamation declaring the week of September 19 through September 25, 2010 as Dollar Wise Week.

Agenda Item #10

Public Hearing on a request from Mr. Salvador Zepeda for a Special Use Permit to continue to operate a retail gift shop with some home decorating items at 4423 6th Avenue.

Mayor Pauley closed the regular meeting at 7:01 p.m. and opened a Public Hearing on a request from Mr. Salvador Zepeda for a Special Use Permit to continue to operate a retail gift shop with some home decorating items at 4423 6th Avenue.

Mr. Salvador Zepeda of 4423 6th Avenue and Robert Medina (City employee) interpreting for Mr. Zepeda stepped forward.

Mayor Pauley swore in Mr. Zepeda.

Mr. Zepeda stated that he is requesting a Special Use Permit to begin his small business at his property and sell small items such as gifts. Mr. Zepeda added that if his small business is a success, he may want to expand it in the future.

Alderman Austin read the stipulations to make sure the recommendations in the report were acknowledged.

Mr. Zepeda stated that he was hoping that he could put a small sign in his front yard instead of attaching it to his house.

Alderwoman Murphy inquired about the size of the sign requirements.

Planning and Redevelopment Administrator Alan Carmen stated that the limit for a Special Use Permit is a 15 square foot sign. It was noted that the 3’x 5’ sign would meet that requirement for the front yard.

Mayor Pauley inquired as to whether there was anyone who wished to speak in favor of the Special Use Permit application. 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 application. No one stepped forward.

With no persons present to speak in favor of, or in opposition to the Special Use Permit application, Mayor Pauley closed the Public Hearing and reconvened the regular meeting at 7:06 p.m.

It was moved by Alderwoman Murphy, seconded by Alderman Austin to approve the Special Use Permit as recommended, subject to the stipulations that the business be limited to two (2) resident employees; hours of operation shall be from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday through Saturday; a minimum of three (3) off street parking spaces be provided; no outside sales are allowed; that a 3' x 5' unlit sign be allowed in the front yard; and that the property shall meet all applicable code requirements, and refer to the City Attorney for an Ordinance. The motion carried by the following Aye and No vote: those voting Aye being Alderman Brooks, Alderman Conroy, Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderwoman Murphy and Alderman Austin; those voting No, none.

Agenda Item #11

Public Hearing on a request from Ms. Julie Hahn for a Special Use Permit to operate a small veterinary clinic at an existing vacant residence at 2300 18th Avenue.

Mayor Pauley closed the regular meeting at 7:07 p.m. and opened a Public Hearing on a request from Ms. Julie Hahn for a Special Use Permit to operate a small veterinary clinic at an existing vacant residence at 2300 18th Avenue.

Ms. Julie Hahn of 67 Crestwood Terrace in Davenport, Iowa stepped forward (business to be located at 2300 18th Avenue). Mayor Pauley swore in Ms. Hahn.

Ms. Hahn stated that 2300 18th Avenue is a beautiful classic property. It was noted that this property has been on the market for three (3) years. Dr. Hahn stated that the reason she wants the clinic in the house is because she wants her clinic to look and feel more like a home and not a commercial property. Dr. Hahn added that she would like for her clients, staff, patients and son to have a home away from home. Dr. Hahn indicated that as a start-up clinic, the property is practicable and affordable; there would be a large amount of expense in leasing a commercial space.

Dr. Hahn stated that the only changes that would be made to the exterior of the house is to remove the front hedges so that the house can be seen on 18th Avenue, and to add a small extension to the driveway in order to provide four (4) extra parking spaces. In addition, a sidewalk would be added that leads to the front door, and a small sign illuminated by garden lights would be added. Dr. Hahn offered that the hours of operation would be from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday and on Saturday from 8:00 a.m. to noon by appointment only.

Dr. Hahn stated that she would be a guaranteed good neighbor.

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Discussion followed. Alderman Austin inquired that if modifications were made to the house for the animal clinic and later she decided to move, would it be difficult to return it back to a single family home.

Dr. Hahn stated that if there were any changes made, they would be temporary.

Alderman Foley inquired as to whether Dr. Hahn could ensure that people coming to the veterinary clinic would not head south down 23rd Street toward 20th Avenue.

Dr. Hahn stated that she would make it clear to her clients to use 18th Avenue.

Mayor Pauley inquired as to whether there was anyone who wished to speak in favor of the Special Use Permit application. 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 application.

Ms. Bridget Helms of 1818 23rd Street stepped forward. Mayor Pauley swore in Ms. Helms.

Ms. Helms voiced concerns regarding traffic, parking and property values decreasing if the Special Use Permit is approved for Dr. Hahn.

Mr. Richard Bassford of 2236 18th Avenue stepped forward. Mayor Pauley swore in Mr. Bassford.

Mr. Bassford stated that he is a real estate agent and voiced concerns that if an animal clinic is allowed at that property, it would definitely hurt the values of the properties in the neighborhood.

Ms. Sue Winterbottom and Mr. Vince Cross of 1815 23rd Street stepped forward. Mayor Pauley swore in Ms. Winterbottom and Mr. Cross.

Mr. Cross stated that they lived behind the property in question and voiced concerns in regards to noise and traffic issues.

Ms. Winterbottom voiced concerns regarding the reduction in property values if the business is approved for a Special Use Permit.

Linda Anderson of 1718 21st Street stepped forward. Mayor Pauley swore in Ms. Anderson. Ms. Anderson voiced concerns regarding signage, traffic congestion and reduction in the property values of the neighborhood.

Mayor Pauley inquired upon Dr. Hahn as to whether she had anything else to add.

Dr. Hahn stated that this piece of property has been on the market for three (3) years and it would be a win, win situation for the City, the neighbors and the whole community.

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Alderman Murphy inquired as to whether it would be on an occasional basis for keeping animals over night.

Dr. Hahn responded that it would be on an occasional basis for medical emergencies.

Alderman Murphy inquired as to whether Dr. Hahn would be willing to put up a barrier or fence to the south where the Winterbottom's live. Dr. Hahn stated yes.

Alderman Austin clarified the request, which would be for three (3) employees; that the maximum hours of operation would be from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday and 8:00 a.m. to noon on Saturdays; a minimum of seven (7) off street parking spaces be provided and One (1) sign with illumination.

More discussion followed regarding signage, illumination and parking.

With no other persons present to speak in favor of, or in opposition to the Special Use Permit application, Mayor Pauley closed the Public Hearing and reconvened the regular meeting at 7:52 p.m.

It was moved by Alderman Austin, seconded by Alderman Brooks to approve the Special Use Permit as recommended with the following stipulations; that the business be limited to three (3) employees; that the maximum hours of operation be from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday and Saturday from 8:00 a.m. to noon, that a minimum of seven (7) off street parking spaces be provided; that one (1) sign be allowed with a maximum of 15 square feet with lighting to be extinguished by 8:00 p.m.; that the property meet all other applicable code requirements and refer to the City Attorney for an ordinance.

Discussion followed. Alderman Conroy stated that he would be in support of the Special Use Permit due to the property being vacant for three (3) years, and that the businesses is unique because it is on 18th Avenue.

Alderman Tollenaer stated that an amendment should be added to the motion for emergency situations.

Alderman Tollenaer moved and Alderman Conroy seconded to amend the motion to state that the maximum hours of operation would be from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday and Saturday from 8:00 a.m. to noon except in emergency situations. The motion carried by the following Aye and No vote: those voting Aye being Alderman Brooks, Alderman Conroy, Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderman Murphy and Alderman Austin; those voting No, none.

More discussion followed with Alderman Murphy stating that she was in favor of the Special Use Permit because Dr. Hahn appears to be concerned about the impact on the neighborhood and community and if she makes the requested changes regarding signs and barriers then the Special Use Permit should move forward.

Alderman Foley stated that he would be in favor of the Special Use Permit because it is less intrusive to the neighborhood than other types of businesses.

After discussion, the main motion reads as follows:

It was moved by Alderman Austin, seconded by Alderman Brooks to approve the Special Use Permit as recommended with the following stipulations; that the business be limited to three (3) employees; that the maximum hours of operation be from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday and Saturday from 8:00 a.m. to noon except in emergency situations, that a minimum of seven (7) off street parking spaces be provided; that one (1) sign be allowed with a maximum of 15 square feet with lighting to be extinguished by 8:00 p.m.; that the property meet all other applicable code requirements and refer to the City Attorney for an ordinance. The motion carried by the following Aye and No vote: those voting Aye being Alderman Brooks, Alderman Conroy, Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderwoman Murphy and Alderman Austin; those voting No, none.

Agenda Item #12

Public Hearing on a request from the City of Rock Island Public Works Department for a Special Use Permit to operate an auxiliary bulk storage facility for materials such as dirt, aggregates, mulch, broken pavement, asphalt millings and snow at 100 31st Avenue.

Mayor Pauley closed the regular meeting at 7:53 p.m. and opened a Public Hearing on a request from the City of Rock Island Public Works Department for a Special Use Permit to operate an auxiliary bulk storage facility for materials such as dirt, aggregates, mulch, broken pavement, asphalt millings and snow at 100 31st Avenue.

Public Works Director Bob Hawes at 1309 Mill Street stepped forward. Mayor Pauley swore in Mr. Hawes.

Mr. Hawes stated that the expansion of the sewage treatment plant will eliminate the street garage and all of the outdoor storage that goes along with it. It was noted that the new facility is being built at the former Watt's property. Mr. Hawes indicated that the property will not be large enough to house all of the outdoor storage that is needed. Mr. Hawes added that the City would like to use the area that was the Girl's Softball Complex for the bulk storage.

Mr. Hawes stated that in order to screen the area from passing cars, a landscape berm will be built along the road using material from previously described construction projects. It was noted that when the construction starts on the new sewage treatment plant and the current storage goes away sometime next summer, this facility will be ready.

Alderman Conroy inquired as to how high the berm would be and what materials would be used.

Mr. Hawes advised that limestone would be used and natural plantings and shrubs would be planted on top of the berm, which would be constructed four (4) feet above the curb. Mr. Hawes advised that there was a typo in the report; the hours will be from 7:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. instead of 1:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

More discussion followed regarding the berm, beautification and neighbors as it relates to the area being an entry way to the City.

Mayor Pauley inquired as to whether there was anyone who wished to speak in favor of the Special Use Permit application. 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 application. No one stepped forward.

With no persons present to speak in favor of, or in opposition to the Special Use Permit application, Mayor Pauley closed the Public Hearing and reconvened the regular meeting at 7:59 p.m.

It was moved by Alderman Conroy, seconded by Alderman Tollenaer to approve the Special Use Permit as recommended subject to the stipulations that the use have an adequate landscape berm and secure gate; that employees only be on the site for maintenance and material handling; and the hours will be from 7:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., but will be available for 24 hour emergency service, and refer to the City for an ordinance. The motion carried by the following Aye and No vote: those voting Aye being Alderman Brooks, Alderman Conroy, Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderwoman Murphy and Alderman Austin; those voting No, none.

Agenda Item #13

A Resolution regarding AirTran Airways service to the Bi-State region.

Alderman Conroy moved and Alderwoman Murphy seconded to adopt the resolution.

Discussion followed with Alderman Conroy stating that keeping AirTran in the Quad Cities is critical to the City of Rock Island, the Quad City area and area businesses. Alderman Conroy also discussed ticket costs as it relates to AirTran and other airlines.

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

Agenda Item #14

CLAIMS

It was moved by Alderman Austin, seconded by Alderman Foley to accept the following reports and authorize payment as recommended. The motion carried by the following Aye and No vote: those voting Aye being Alderman Brooks, Alderman Conroy, Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderwoman Murphy and Alderman Austin; those voting No, none.

- a. Report from the Administrative Services Department regarding payment in the amount of \$5,572.51 to Konecky, Koenig, Kutsunis and Weng for legal services rendered for August 2010.

- b. Report from the Administrative Services Department regarding payment in the amount of \$3,540.00 to ACS Government Systems, Inc. for the Firehouse Computer Software annual maintenance.
- c. Report from the Martin Luther King Center regarding payment #3 in the amount of \$86,203.00 to Estes Construction for services provided for the Martin Luther King Center expansion/renovation project.
- d. Report from the Public Works Department regarding payment in the amount of \$35,473.00 to Godwin Pumps of America, Inc. for the rental of nine (9) pumps used during the 2010 summer flood along the Mississippi River. (254)
- e. Report from the Public Works Department regarding payment in the amount of \$6,254.99 to Valley Construction for an emergency storm sewer repair at 24th Street and 27th Avenue. (256)
- f. Report from the Public Works Department regarding payment in the amount of \$15,560.00 to Tri City Blacktop, Inc. for asphalt street repair on 31st Avenue, 38th Street and 7th Avenue and 11th Street and 37th Avenue as part of the Utility Patching Program. (257)
- g. Report from the Public Works Department regarding payment #1 and final in the amount of \$35,295.36 to Settle, Inc. for services provided for the 2010 Seal Coating Program. (258)
- h. Report from the Public Works Department regarding payment #3 in the amount of \$4,340.65 to Rock River Electric for services provided for the variable frequency drives for the Rock Island Southwest Wastewater Treatment Plant. (259)
- i. Report from the Public Works Department regarding payment #2 in the amount of \$73,093.64 to Bi-State Masonry for services provided for the 2010 Parking Ramp Renovation project. (260)
- j. Report from the Public Works Department regarding payment #4 in the amount of \$234,839.84 to Valley Construction for services provided for the 14th Street resurfacing of 35th to 42nd Avenue, 40th Avenue and 14th Street to Watch Hill Road. (262)
- k. Report from the Public Works Department regarding payment in the amount of \$2,621.58 to Badger Meter, Inc. for parts for the rebuilding of Badger water meters. (264)
- l. Report from the Public Works Department regarding payment in the amount of \$27,811.54 to Valley Construction for emergency repairs and erosion control work along the bank of the Rock River at the former landfill site along 31st Avenue. (269)

- m. Report from the Public Works Department regarding payment in the amount of \$7,132.44 to Langman Construction, Inc. for an emergency water main repair at 2903 22 ½ Avenue. (271)
- n. Report from the Public Works Department regarding payment in the amount of \$3,411.22 to Langman Construction, Inc. for traffic control setup and tear down for the emergency water main repair at 11th Street and 33rd Avenue. (272)

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Claims for the week of August 20 through August 26 in the amount of \$2,110,144.05, August 27 through September 2 in the amount of \$438,416.81 and September 3 through September 9 in the amount of \$302,192.21.

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

Agenda Item #16

Payroll for the weeks of August 9 through August 22 in the amount of \$1,244,259.26 and August 23 through September 5 in the amount of \$1,214,340.04.

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

Agenda Item #17

Report from the Public Works Department regarding the State Contract purchase of 20 Ford Crown Vic's and two (2) Ford Expedition 4x4's from Landmark Ford, Inc. in the amount of \$510,730.00.

It was moved by Alderman Austin, seconded by Alderman Foley to approve the purchase as recommended and refer to the City Attorney for an ordinance declaring the current fleet as surplus. The motion carried by the following Aye and No vote: those voting Aye being Alderman Brooks, Alderman Conroy, Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderwoman Murphy and Alderman Austin; those voting No, none.

Agenda Item #18

Report from the Public Works Department regarding the purchase of 350 new register/touch pads from Badger Meter, Inc. in the amount of \$19,600.00.

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

Agenda Item #19

Report from the Community and Economic Development Department regarding the purchase of 15 tax auction properties in the amount of \$13,896.70.

It was moved by Alderwoman Murphy, seconded by Alderman Conroy to approve the purchase 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 Brooks, Alderman Conroy, Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderwoman Murphy and Alderman Austin; those voting No, none.

Agenda Item #20

Report from the Community and Economic Development Department regarding the purchase of property at 602 8th Street in the amount of \$5,637.00.

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

Agenda Item #21

Report from the Fire Department regarding bids for the purchase of fitness equipment, recommending the bid be awarded to Body Dynamics Fitness Equipment in the amount of \$4,955.83.

It was moved by Alderman Foley, seconded by Alderwoman Murphy to award the bid as recommended and authorize purchase. The motion carried by the following Aye and No vote: those voting Aye being Alderman Brooks, Alderman Conroy, Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderwoman Murphy and Alderman Austin; those voting No, none.

Agenda Item #22

Report from the Martin Luther King Center regarding bids for asbestos removal from City property at 630 9th Street and 602 1st Street, recommending the bid be awarded to Advanced Environmental in the amount of \$19,950.00.

Alderman Conroy moved and Alderman Austin 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 Brooks, Alderman Conroy, Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderwoman Murphy and Alderman Austin; those voting No, none.

Agenda Item #23

Report from the Community and Economic Development Department regarding proposals to perform a professional condition assessment of the Centennial Bridge Commission Building at 201 15th Street, recommending accepting the proposal from Scholtz, Gowey, Gere and Marolf (SGGM) in the amount of \$5,000.00.

It was moved by Alderman Foley, seconded by Alderwoman Murphy to approve the proposal 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 Brooks, Alderman Conroy, Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderwoman Murphy and Alderman Austin; those voting No, none.

Agenda Item #24

Report from the Public Works Department regarding Local Agency/State agreements with the Illinois Department of Transportation for the Turkey Hollow Road Resurfacing and Turkey Hollow Creek Bridge Replacement projects.

Alderman Conroy moved and Alderman Foley seconded to approve the agreements 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 Brooks, Alderman Conroy, Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderwoman Murphy and Alderman Austin; those voting No, none.

Agenda Item #25

Report from the Public Works Department regarding an amendment to the agreement with Symbiont for additional engineering services at the former J.L. Watts Company property in the amount of \$46,000.00.

It was moved by Alderman Foley, seconded by Alderman Austin to approve the amendment 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 Brooks, Alderman Conroy, Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderwoman Murphy and Alderman Austin; those voting No, none.

Agenda Item #26

Report from the Public Works Department regarding the reallocation of Fiscal Year 2011 Gaming revenue, recommending to reallocate \$30,000.00 of Gaming revenues from the Capital Improvement Fund to the General Fund to pay the extra cost of the Central Fire Station basement repair.

Alderman Austin moved and Alderman Foley seconded to approve the reallocation of gaming revenue as recommended. The motion carried by the following Aye and No vote: those voting Aye being Alderman Brooks, Alderman Conroy, Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderwoman Murphy and Alderman Austin; those voting No, none.

Agenda Item #27

Report from the Community and Economic Development Department regarding a review of the two-lot minor final plat for the Elsberg Second Addition located at 3700, 3704 and 3708 11th Street.

It was moved by Alderman Conroy, seconded by Alderman Foley to approve the final plat as recommended, subject to minor technical revisions required by the City Engineer. The motion

carried by the following Aye and No vote: those voting Aye being Alderman Brooks, Alderman Conroy, Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderwoman Murphy and Alderman Austin; those voting No, none.

Agenda Item #28

Report from the Community and Economic Development Department regarding a request for approval of a Riverfront Corridor Overlay District site plan for a building expansion in a B-3 (community business) district at 2408 4th Avenue.

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

Agenda Item #29

Report from the Traffic Engineering Committee regarding a request for the removal of school zone signs in front of Immanuel Lutheran School at 3300 24th Street.

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

Agenda Item #30

Report from the City Clerk regarding a Sound Amplification application for St. George Greek Orthodox Church for Friday, September 17 and Saturday, September 18, 2010 from 11:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. for their 6th annual Big Fat Greek Festival.

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

Agenda Item #31

Report from the City Clerk regarding a Plaza activity application from Beer Belly's Pub requesting to hold an outdoor concert on Saturday, September 18, 2010 from 5:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.

It was moved by Alderman Austin, seconded by Alderman Foley to approve the event as recommended, subject to complying with all liquor and Plaza regulations.

Discussion followed. Council inquired as to whether there would be access to the downtown area businesses where the street will be closed. It was noted that there will be access to the various business affected by the street closure.

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

Agenda Item #32

Report from the City Clerk regarding a request from Reverend Willie E. Jones of the People's Missionary Baptist Church for parking to be permitted at the curbside along the east and west sides of 23rd Street between 5th and 6th Avenues on Monday, September 27 through Friday, October 1, 2010 from 5:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. for their annual "Fall Revival."

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

Agenda Item #33

Report from the City Clerk regarding a request from Hilltop Tavern to hold the 2nd annual Irish Hooley event outside on Saturday, October 2, 2010 from 5:00 p.m. to 11:30 p.m. along with a sound amplification application request from Gamma Alpha Beta fraternity.

Alderman Foley moved and Alderwoman Murphy seconded to approve the event for Hilltop Tavern and the sound amplification for Gamma Alpha Beta fraternity as recommended. The motion carried by the following Aye and No vote: those voting Aye being Alderman Brooks, Alderman Conroy, Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderwoman Murphy and Alderman Austin; those voting No, none.

Agenda Item #34

Report from the City Clerk regarding a Plaza activity permit application for Steve's Old Time Tap to hold their 5th annual Grill-off on Saturday, October 9, 2010 from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Alderman Conroy moved and Alderwoman Murphy seconded to approve the event for Steve's Old Time Tap as recommended, subject to complying with all liquor and Plaza regulations. The motion carried by the following Aye and No vote: those voting Aye being Alderman Brooks, Alderman Conroy, Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderwoman Murphy and Alderman Austin; those voting No, none.

Agenda Item #35

Report from the City Clerk regarding a request from Cabanas to extend their current schedule for outdoor entertainment through January 1, 2011, extend Friday and Saturday night hours until 1:00 a.m. and a request for outdoor entertainment to be extended for one night only on Friday, December 31, 2010 until 2:00 a.m. on Saturday, January 1, 2011 for New Year's Eve.

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It was moved by Alderman Austin, seconded by Alderman Foley to approve the extended outdoor entertainment through January 1, 2011 as recommended, approve Friday and Saturday nights until 12:00 (midnight) only and extend outdoor entertainment for one night only on New Year's Eve, subject to Cabanas renewing their current liquor license, complying with all other liquor license regulations and subject to being closed down early if noise complaints are received.

Discussion followed with Alderwoman Murphy inquiring as to whether this is a new precedent or whether this is a routine request. It was noted that this is a routine schedule for Cabanas.

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

Agenda Item #36

Items from the City Manager's Memorandum Packet.

City Manager Phillips did not have any items to discuss.

Alderwoman Murphy reminded everyone to Shop Rock Island. Alderwoman Murphy stated that Long's Carpet is located at 4200 11th Street. They are open Monday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and evenings and weekends by appointment. Alderwoman Murphy offered that they offer design interior services, sales and installation of residential and commercial carpets. It was noted that Long's Carpet has been in business for over 40 years.

Alderman Tollenaer stated that Jonathon Turner has composed a musical that will be playing at Playcrafters Barn Theater on Friday September 17th, Saturday, September 18th and Sunday, September 19th.

Agenda Item #37

Other Business

Mr. Gregg Cotton of 2726 Carey Avenue, Davenport, Iowa and Mr. Maurice Reed of 627 24th Avenue in Rock Island stepped forward.

Mr. Cotton stated that several months ago he came to Council and voiced concerns regarding parking problems at the Elks Club at 427 7th Avenue when they hold special events. Mr. Cotton stated that at that time, he was told that the next time the Elks Club has a special event that they could come before Council and request a variance to the parking requirements so that people could park along the bike path on 7th Avenue.

Mayor Pauley stated that Mr. Cotton would need to submit the proper documents and it would be put on the Agenda. After more discussion, Mr. Cotton submitted a letter requesting temporary parking. It is noted that the letter and a report will be submitted for the September 20th Agenda.

Agenda Item #38

Executive Session on Property Acquisition and Litigation.

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A motion was made by Alderman Austin, seconded by Alderwoman Murphy at 8:16 p.m. to recess to Executive Session on matters of Property Acquisition and Litigation. The motion carried on a roll call vote. Those voting Aye being Alderman Brooks, Alderman Conroy, Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderwoman Murphy and Alderman Austin; those voting No, none.

Note: The date and time for the next meeting was incorrect on the printed Agenda. The correct date is Friday, September 17th at noon.

Agenda Item #39

Recess

Mayor Pauley reconvened the regular meeting at 8:35 p.m. A motion was made by Alderwoman Murphy and seconded by Alderman Brooks to recess to Friday, September 17, 2010 at noon at McKesson Lofts. The motion carried by the following Aye and No vote: those voting Aye being Alderman Brooks, Alderman Conroy, Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderwoman Murphy and Alderman Austin; those voting No, none.

The meeting was recessed at 8:36 p.m.

Aleisha L. Patchin, City Clerk