

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 Aldermen P. J. Foley, Stephen L. Tollenaer, Jason W. Jones, Joy Murphy and Charles O. Austin III. Also present were City Manager John Phillips, Community and Economic Development Director Greg Champagne, Public Works Director Bob Hawes, other City staff and Renaissance Rock Island President Brian Hollenback. Alderman Terry M.A. Brooks I arrived at 5:20 p.m. and Alderman David Conroy arrived at 5:10 p.m. Mayor Dennis E. Pauley was absent.

MISCELLANEOUS

City Manager Phillips distributed copies of the Police and Fire pension reports and Actuarial Assumptions in regards to the interest rate. Mr. Phillips also distributed a summary from the Illinois Municipal League regarding the change in the Police and Fire pensions that the legislator passed last week.

Mr. Phillips reminded Council of the Rock Island Fitness and Activity Center ribbon cutting on Wednesday, December 8th at 2:00 p.m. Mr. Phillips stated that he would not be at the regular meeting this evening. It was noted that Mr. Hawes would be in attendance at the meeting.

BUDGET OPTIONS REPORT

City Manager Phillips stated that staff has been working very hard in preparation of the 2011/2012 General Fund Budget. Mr. Phillips advised that staff has worked together and narrowed the gap to \$1.3 million dollars. It was noted that everyone has done a great job. Mr. Phillips stated that some of the cuts that have already been made include; eliminating three (3) positions, reductions in overtime, supplies, professional development, education, travel and other line items. Mr. Phillips noted that after all of these cuts, there is still a shortfall of over \$1.1 million dollars.

Mr. Phillips indicated that the options that Council received in the report will go out in a series of public meetings to be held to obtain citizen feedback. It was noted that the meeting dates include; Thursday, December 9th at 9:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. at Comedy Sportz at 220 19th Street and Tuesday, December 14th at 3:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. in the Community Room at the Downtown Library at 401 19th Street. Mr. Phillips stated that a lot of tough decisions have to be made to get to the \$1.1 million dollar gap. It was noted that after the public meetings, a list will be put together and brought back to Council for discussion at the December 20th Study Session.

PRESENTATION BY RENAISSANCE ROCK ISLAND

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

Mr. Hollenback distributed ballots for the Mayor/Council Trophy to be awarded at the Hard Hat Awards. Council members voted and returned the ballots to Mr. Hollenback for tabulation.

Mr. Hollenback stated that Renaissance Rock Island is one organization with several entities under the umbrella including, the Development Association of Rock Island (DARI), Rock Island Economic Growth (GROWTH) and the Arts and Entertainment District (The District). Mr. Hollenback indicated that these organizations have generated more that \$100 million dollars in leveraged resources to date and have a direct impact on the local economy. Mr. Hollenback noted that four (4) additional staff members have been hired this year in support of the housing activities.

Mr. Hollenback stated that this is the first year in the history of the organization where an application has not been made for CDBG financing. It was noted that Rock Island Economic Growth with its housing activities is 100% self sufficient unless it is project specific. Mr. Hollenback added that Renaissance Rock Island works very closely in partnership with City staff on the Economic Development Strategic Plan.

Mr. Hollenback discussed funding requests. It was noted that GROWTH is requesting a total of \$195,000.00 for 2011. Mr. Hollenback explained that the funds will support the 2011/2015 Capital Campaign (\$135,000.00), Economic Development Activities (\$40,000.00) and The District (\$20,000.00).

Mr. Hollenback discussed investment as it relates to DARI and local sales tax receipts for the City and GROWTH as it relates to a positive and lasting impact on the local property tax base. Mr. Hollenback discussed income and expenses as it relates to the organization's operating budget and noted that for 2010 that their operating budget was just under \$6 million dollars. It was noted that in 2010, 11 new businesses opened and under Property Management/under the Development Association of Rock Island, 17 businesses are owned and managed in the Downtown. Mr. Hollenback stated that the private sector support of DARI continues to remain strong.

Mr. Hollenback discussed Great River Productions as it relates to opportunities in Rock Island in regards to opening a digital factory.

Mr. Hollenback discussed the direction for 2011. Mr. Hollenback noted that attracting and utilizing green jobs and product reuse is ongoing and consistent within the Economic Development Strategic Plan. Mr. Hollenback stated that the basis for engaging in new market credits through the Community Development Entity is community impact and job creation. It was noted that pending within the new markets application is \$40 million dollars worth of economic development for the City of Rock Island if funded. Mr. Hollenback discussed business marketing and retention as it relates to partnering with City staff to drive economic development and job creation, and encouraging entrepreneurship as it relates to the development of retail incubators. In addition, Mr. Hollenback discussed marketing as it relates to housing and 1st Army needs.

Mr. Hollenback discussed homebuyer counseling and the single family home buyer program in which Mr. Hollenback noted that it continues to be the backbone of Renaissance Rock Island. In addition, Mr. Hollenback discussed foreclosure prevention and the employer assisted housing program (Live Work Rock Island).

Mr. Hollenback discussed NSP1 and NSP2. It was noted that the City was one of 56 communities funded out of 600. Mr. Hollenback advised that to date, \$8.3 million dollars of the \$18.5 million dollars is committed and \$12 million dollars is invested in Rock Island.

Mr. Hollenback commented that under the Greening of Greenbush, five (5) homes were completed last year and six (6) are scheduled for this year. The New Old Chicago plan was discussed as well as new infill housing. Mr. Hollenback also discussed the Arts and Entertainment District. Mr. Hollenback stated that they are looking forward to partnering with the City to maximize event exposure in the downtown for 2011 as it relates to Schwiebert Riverfront Park and the upcoming Train Festival.

Council discussed Mr. Hollenback's presentation.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGIES

City Manager John Phillips inquired upon Community and Economic Development Director Greg Champagne to review the Economic Development Strategies with Council.

Mr. Champagne stated that in September, staff reviewed the draft Economic Development Strategic Plan with Council. It was noted that at that time, 14 strategies were identified to provide focus and direction to the City's economic development efforts over the next three years. Mr. Champagne commented that implementation of the plan was identified as a Top Priority during the Goal Setting Session. It was noted that since that time, staff developed action steps in support of each strategy. Mr. Champagne advised that in the original plan, the strategies were grouped into five categories. It was noted that another strategy has been added, which is to work with business owners and Augustana College to develop a plan to increase business activity in the 30th Street/14th Avenue and 38th Street/14th Avenue commercial districts.

Mr. Champagne discussed the six (6) priorities/strategies and action steps that have been identified for Fiscal Year 2012. It was noted that the first strategy regarding the College Hill/Campus Town project is underway. The other five (5) strategies included; creating an Arsenal Gateway Business Park centered near the intersection of 4th Avenue and 24th Street; continue efforts to support new retail development on major transportation corridors and in the downtown; encourage entrepreneurship including the development of the retail incubator as a model for other incubator projects; develop an outreach communication program targeted towards existing businesses; and review brand reassessment efforts as it relates to community perceptions and economic development efforts.

After Mr. Champagne discussed the action steps for each of the strategies, he commented that the concept of partnerships continue to be critical to the City's economic development efforts.

Mr. Champagne advised that partnerships allow the City to pool resources with other organizations and agencies; it allows the City to tap into expertise that the City does not have internally; and presents some real networking opportunities.

Council discussed various strategies and action steps as it relates to implementation of the Economic Development Strategic Plan.

Mr. Champagne then discussed one of Council's High Priorities in regards to developing a position description and funding source for a new City position that would work to support retention and growth of small business. Mr. Champagne recommended hiring a support staff position (Administrative Secretary) in support of the two existing staff economic development positions (Land and Development Programs Coordinator and Special Projects Manager). Mr. Champagne indicated that the new position would be responsible for some of the routine functions that are now being carried out by the economic development staff and would allow the Land and Development Programs Coordinator and Special Projects Manager to better focus their efforts on small business support and on implementation of the Economic Development Strategic Plan. Mr. Champagne noted that the Community and Economic Development Department organizational structure would be slightly modified to include a division of Business Support, which would be comprised of the Land and Development Programs Coordinator, Special Projects Manager and Administrative Secretary. Mr. Champagne stated that the whole idea is to allow the staff that have the expertise, experience and skills in economic development to better use those skills to support business enterprise in the community.

Council discussed Mr. Champagne's recommendation as it relates to economic development concerning specific areas in the City.

City Manager Phillips and Council discussed modification of the Gaming Policy as it relates to funding for the economic development staff position.

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN AND GAMING ALLOCATIONS

City Manager Phillips inquired upon Public Works Director Bob Hawes to discuss the Gaming Allocations and the Capital Improvement Plan.

Mr. Hawes stated that in the area of Gaming, contract street maintenance includes \$1,225,000.00 per year for five (5) years. It was noted that \$21.9 million dollars is allocated for the street system over the next five (5) years. Mr. Hawes advised that this is actually a normal investment.

Mr. Hawes then discussed the water main projects. First, Mr. Hawes advised that there is no rate increase anywhere. It was noted that a year ago, Council adopted a two (2) year rate increase for sewer, water and stormwater. Mr. Hawes stated that all three of them are tracking well. Mr. Hawes offered that future sewer rate increases have been reduced slightly.

Mr. Hawes advised that there are two (2) new water projects. The first project includes a Neighborhood Water Distribution Study. Mr. Hawes explained that the fund is building up to a

point where these problems can be addressed. It was noted that there is not a plan in place yet. Mr. Hawes offered that the idea is to build a priority list to help determine the most effective way to address water problems in various neighborhoods. Mr. Hawes advised that the first year includes \$40,000.00 for the study and \$200,000.00 a year thereafter for putting the pipes in the ground.

The second new water project Mr. Hawes discussed was an upgrade to the Supervisory, Control and Data Acquisition System (SCADA) at the water treatment plant and eventually at the new sewer plant. Mr. Hawes advised that this will incorporate real-time distribution system monitoring. Mr. Hawes added that this will enhance the capability of the water system staff to manage water quality in the distribution system and track distribution problems. Mr. Hawes stated that this will take some years to complete.

Mr. Hawes then stated that on the sewer side, there is the federally mandated Combined Sewer Long Term Control Plan. It was noted that the first major project was the 1st Avenue sewer, which has been completed. Mr. Hawes advised that the City is under contract to improve the Saukie and Franciscan store-treat basins in which the work will begin later this year and hopefully be done in the spring. Mr. Hawes indicated that the street garage relocation project is underway. The building should be delivered near the 20th of December. It was noted that the existing street garage will be able to be torn down around the 1st of June. Mr. Hawes indicated that bids will be opening for the big project in March with construction to begin in May or June.

Mr. Hawes advised that the sewers under the streets need to be done. Mr. Hawes stated that some of the old sewers retain enough structural capacity and shape to be rehabilitated by slip-lining. Mr. Hawes further discussed sewer rehabilitation and sewer replacements. Mr. Hawes advised that with stormwater utility, it is basically slip-lining, catch basin reworking and working on outfalls. It was noted that the City has approximately 600 storm sewer outfalls. Mr. Hawes further commented that there is nothing in the stormwater utility related to the Mill Creek South Slough problem. Mr. Hawes further discussed the Mill Creek issue.

After discussion, Mr. Phillips stated that discussion will continue on the Capital Improvement Plan, Gaming Allocations and the TIF Report at the December 13th Study Session.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion made by Alderman Brooks and seconded by Alderman Jones to adjourn the meeting carried by the following Aye and No vote. Those voting Aye being Alderman Brooks, Alderman Conroy, Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderman Jones, Alderwoman Murphy and Alderman Austin; those voting No, none. The meeting was adjourned at 6:35 p. m.

Aleisha L. Patchin, City Clerk

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, Jason W. Jones, Joy Murphy and Charles O. Austin III. Acting City Manager Bob Hawes was also present. City Manager John Phillips 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. Alderman Conroy gave the Invocation.

Agenda Item #5

Minutes of the Meeting of November 22, 2010.

A motion was made by Alderman Austin and seconded by Alderman Jones to approve the Minutes of the Meeting of November 22, 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, Alderman Jones, Alderwoman Murphy and Alderman Austin; those voting No, none.

Agenda Item #6

Update Rock Island by Mayor Pauley.

Mayor Pauley stated that citizens are invited to attend one (1) of four (4) public meetings to discuss the City's budget. Mayor Pauley commented that the process to prepare the budget for Fiscal Year 2011, which begins April 1st, started in September. Mayor Pauley advised that departments have already cut over \$1.2 million dollars during internal budget reviews, but an additional \$1.2 million dollars needs to be cut in order to close the gap between revenue and expenses. The Mayor stated that the City is asking for citizen feedback on how the budget shortfall should be bridged. It was noted that meetings will be held Thursday, December 9th at 9:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. at the Establishment Theater/Comedy Sportz at 220 19th Street and Tuesday, December 14th at 3:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. in the Community Room of the Main Library.

Mayor Pauley indicated that a ribbon cutting ceremony and open house will be held on Wednesday, December 8, 2010 at 2:00 p.m. at the Rock Island Fitness and Activity Center's new recreation gymnasium at 4303 24th Street. Mayor Pauley indicated that the Rock Island Fitness and Activity Center (RIFAC) will become the center for the Park and Recreation Department for both public recreation and membership use, and a "one stop shop" for family recreation.

Mayor Pauley advised that the media and public are invited to attend this ribbon cutting ceremony and open house and will be encouraged to view the newly constructed space including a new gymnasium, classrooms and administration offices. The Mayor commented that attendees will be able to learn about new sports leagues and recreation programs and can sign up for the winter/spring session of classes including land and water fitness, learn to swim, arts and crafts, dance, sports, martial arts and much more. It was noted that light refreshments will be served.

Mayor Pauley stated that with the appointment of Jim Fobert to Fire Chief, the Rock Island Fire Department is pleased to announce the following promotions:

Battalion Chief Jeff Yerkey has been promoted to Assistant Fire Chief and assigned to oversee Operations and Training. It was noted that Assistant Chief Yerkey has been with the department since 1990, was promoted to Lieutenant in 2001, Captain in 2006 and Battalion Chief in 2008.

Captain Bob Graff has been promoted to Battalion Chief and assigned to Operations in command of Second Battalion. It was noted that Battalion Chief Graff has been with the department since 1997, was promoted to Lieutenant in 2005 and Captain in 2007.

Lieutenant Greg Marty has been promoted to Captain and assigned to the Office of Special Operations. Captain Marty has been with the department since 2001 and was promoted to Lieutenant in 2007.

Firefighter Casey Price has been promoted to Lieutenant and assigned to Operations in the Second Battalion. It was noted that Lieutenant Price has been with the department since 1995.

Mayor Pauley advised that the Hilltop Holiday Festival will be held on Saturday, December 11th from 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. around 14th Avenue and 30th Street. The Mayor stated that he would be hosting the holiday tree lighting at 4:00 p.m. It was noted that decorations were created by local schools, businesses and institutions. The Mayor indicated that live music will be provided by area musicians including; RIHS Jazz Band (2:00 p.m.), Augustana College Carolers (3:00 p.m.), Alleman High School Performance Choir (3:30 p.m.) and RIHS Choir (4:15 p.m.). It was noted that other activities will include pictures with Santa, ice sculptors, ornament making, coloring contest, holiday crafts, raffles and door prizes, cookie decorating, Toys for Tots donations and an opportunity to win a free turkey. Mayor Pauley stated that the activities and events are sponsored by the businesses around 14th Avenue and 30th Street.

Agenda Item #7

A Special Ordinance establishing a yield intersection at 2nd Street and 5th Avenue.

It was moved by Alderwoman Murphy, seconded by Alderman Jones to consider, suspend the rules and pass the ordinance. The motion carried by the following Aye and No vote: those voting Aye being Alderman Brooks, Alderman Conroy, Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderman Jones, Alderwoman Murphy and Alderman Austin; those voting No, none.

Agenda Item #8

A Special Ordinance establishing a four-way stop intersection at Watch Hill Road and Woodley Drive with the installation of stop signs.

Alderman Foley moved and Alderwoman Murphy seconded to consider, suspend the rules and pass the ordinance. The motion carried by the following Aye and No vote: those voting Aye being Alderman Brooks, Alderman Conroy, Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderman Jones, Alderwoman Murphy and Alderman Austin; those voting No, none.

Agenda Item #9

A Special Ordinance establishing a three-way stop intersection at 14th Street and 37th Avenue and the installation of two stop signs for northbound and southbound traffic on 14th Street.

It was moved by Alderman Foley, seconded by Alderwoman Murphy to consider, suspend the rules and pass the ordinance. The motion carried by the following Aye and No vote: those voting Aye being Alderman Brooks, Alderman Conroy, Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderman Jones, Alderwoman Murphy and Alderman Austin; those voting No, none.

Agenda Item #10

CLAIMS

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

- a. Report from the Administrative Services Department regarding payment in the amount of \$3,884.50 to Califf and Harper, P.C. for legal services rendered for the month of October 2010.
- b. Report from the Administrative Services Department regarding payment in the amount of \$6,429.05 to Konecky, Kutsunis and Weng for legal services rendered for November 2010.
- c. Report from the Finance Department regarding payment in the amount of \$11,000.00 to Moody's Investors Service for services related to the 2010A Taxable General Obligation Bonds and the 2010B General Obligation Bonds. (040)
- d. Report from the Finance Department regarding payment in the amount of \$34,028.40 to Speer Financial, Inc. for services related to the 2010A Taxable General Obligation Bonds and the 2010B General Obligation Bonds. (041)
- e. Report from the Finance Department regarding payment in the amount of \$21,850.00 to Katten Muchin Rosenman, LLP for legal services related to the 2010A Taxable General Obligation Bonds and the 2010B General Obligation Bonds. (042)
- f. Report from the Public Works Department regarding payment #3 in the amount of \$118,385.82 to McCarthy Improvement Company for services provided for the Turkey Hollow Road Resurfacing: Andalusia Road to the City Limits project. (319)
- g. Report from the Public Works Department regarding payment in the amount of \$41,522.25 to General Constructors, Inc. for services and costs for the Public Works Street Garage project. (354)

Agenda Item #11

Claims for the weeks of November 19th through December 2nd in the amount of \$1,720,483.14.

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

Agenda Item #12

Payroll for the weeks of November 15th through November 28th in the amount of \$1,251,954.58.

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

Agenda Item #13

Report from the Police Department regarding the purchase of a Speed Sentry Shield 12 Speed Display Unit from All Traffic Solutions in the amount of \$4,955.00.

Alderman Austin moved and Alderman Foley 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, Alderman Jones, Alderwoman Murphy and Alderman Austin; those voting No, none.

Agenda Item #14

Report from the Public Works Department regarding the purchase of a used Wacker Light Tower from Logan Contractors Supply in the amount of \$7,255.00.

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

Agenda Item #15

Report from the Police Department regarding bids for the Dry Cleaning contract, recommending to reject the bid from Sanitary Cleaners.

Alderman Conroy moved and Alderman Jones seconded to reject the bid as recommended and authorize the Police Department to rebid the contract as soon as possible. The motion carried by the following Aye and No vote: those voting Aye being Alderman Brooks, Alderman Conroy, Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderman Jones, Alderwoman Murphy and Alderman Austin; those voting No, none.

Agenda Item #16

Report from the Finance Department regarding an adjustment to the Fiscal Year 2011 Budget, recommending increasing the TIF #4 Jumer's Casino Rock Island Fund budget in the amount of \$8,616.00.

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

Agenda Item #17

Report from the Police Department regarding amendments to Sections 9-17 (a) and 9-17 (h) of the C.O.R.A. Ordinance.

It was moved by Alderman Foley, seconded by Alderwoman Murphy to approve the amendments as recommended and refer to the City Attorney for an ordinance.

Discussion followed. Alderman Foley inquired upon Police Chief Scott Harris to explain the nature of the amendments to the CORA Ordinance.

Chief Harris stated that the CORA Ordinance requires the Police Department within 10 days of towing a vehicle to immediately notify the lien holder by mail. Police Chief Harris advised that some of the CORA ordinances are under the 10 day limit and some are over the 10 day limit. Chief Harris indicated that to be in compliance, the ordinance needs to be changed to reflect that lien holders are notified within that 10 day period if tows are more than 30 days.

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

Agenda Item #18

Report from the Traffic Engineering Committee regarding a request for the installation of a handicapped parking space at 1009 11th Avenue.

Alderwoman Murphy moved and Alderman Austin seconded 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, Alderman Jones, Alderwoman Murphy and Alderman Austin; those voting No, none.

Agenda Item #19

Report from the Traffic Engineering Committee regarding a request to change the 30 minute parking zone on the east side of 30th Street directly opposite of 13th Avenue to a two hour parking zone.

It was moved by Alderwoman Murphy, 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, Alderman Jones, Alderwoman Murphy and Alderman Austin; those voting No, none.

Agenda Item #20

Items from the City Manager's Memorandum Packet.

Acting City Manager Bob Hawes made reference to information included in the memo packet regarding the meeting with the Corps of Engineers related to the marina entrance configurations. Mr. Hawes advised that staff will be getting together with the Boater's Advisory Committee over the next few months to figure out how to proceed. Mr. Hawes commented that there will be approximately \$250,000.00 remaining from the congressional appropriation; the City will be able use a portion of that money for dredging. However, the City will be on its own for the future. Council further discussed this issue.

Alderwoman Murphy reminded everyone to shop Rock Island. Alderwoman Murphy stated that the Hilltop Holiday Festival will be held on Saturday, December 11, 2010 beginning at 2:00 p.m. in the College Hill District in the area of 30th Street and 14th Avenue. Alderwoman Murphy advised that the businesses in the area are organizing into a small district organization (College Hill). Alderwoman Murphy congratulated Cool Beanz Coffee House for their 1st year in business. Alderwoman Murphy encouraged everyone to patronize Cool Beanz, Fred and Ethel's, Vintage Rose Antiques, Hilltop Tavern, Happy Joes, Sport's Depot and other businesses in the area this coming weekend.

Alderman Foley stated that he attended the Alleman game on November 26th in Champagne, IL. Alderman Foley indicated that there was great fan support from the Quad Cities at that game.

Mayor Pauley congratulated the Alleman Pioneers and the Rock Island Rocks on a great season.

Agenda Item #21

Other Business

Mr. Timothy Dooling of 832 14½ Street #1 stepped forward. Mr. Dooling voiced concerns regarding issues surrounding Quad Citians Affirming Diversity and prior Freedom of Information requests.

Agenda Item #22

Executive Session on Property Acquisition and Personnel.

A motion was made by Alderman Brooks, seconded by Alderman Foley at 7:08 p.m. to recess to Executive Session on matters of Property Acquisition and Personnel. The motion carried on a roll call vote. Those voting Aye being Alderman Brooks, Alderman Conroy, Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderman Jones, Alderwoman Murphy and Alderman Austin; those voting No, none.

Agenda Item #23

Recess

**CITY OF ROCK ISLAND
CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

**December 6, 2010
MINUTES**

Mayor Pauley reconvened the regular meeting at 7:27 p.m. A motion was made by Alderwoman Murphy and seconded by Alderman Jones to recess to Monday, December 13, 2010 at 5:00 p.m. The motion carried by the following Aye and No vote: those voting Aye being Alderman Brooks, Alderman Conroy, Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderman Jones, Alderwoman Murphy and Alderman Austin; those voting No, none.

The meeting was recessed at 7:28 p.m.

Aleisha L. Patchin, City Clerk