

The Rock Island City Council met in Study Session at 5:00 p.m. in City Council Chambers at Rock Island City Hall. Present were Mayor Dennis E. Pauley presiding, and Aldermen, P.J. Foley, Stephen L. Tollenaer, Jason W. Jones and Charles O. Austin III. Also present were Interim City Manager Bob Hawes, Police Chief Scott Harris, Parks and Recreation Director Bill Nelson, Planning and Redevelopment Administrator Alan Carmen, other City staff, Senior Architect Dean Roberts from McClaren, Wilson and Lawrie, Inc. and Quad City Botanical Center Executive Director Ami Jenkins. Alderwoman Joy Murphy arrived at 5:13 p.m., Alderman Terry M.A. Brooks I arrived at 5:15 p.m. and Alderman David Conroy arrived at 5:05 p.m.

### **UPDATE ON POLICE SPACE NEEDS STUDY**

Police Chief Scott Harris advised that Dean Roberts, Senior Architect from McClaren, Wilson and Lawrie, Inc. will update Council on the police facility needs assessment.

Mr. Roberts stated that his firm responded to the request for proposal issued by the City for assessing space utilization needs for the current and future operations of the Police Department; investigating the facility and location options including the expansion of the existing facility and moving the operations to a new site; and to provide cost estimates for the various options.

Mr. Roberts explained the steps in the process as it related to project initiation, data gathering, existing facility analysis, space needs search, building and site concept planning and cost projections. Mr. Roberts discussed the current facility challenges as it related to building code requirement compliance and the methodology for building space and parking needs. In addition, Mr. Roberts discussed the site option evaluation matrix, which is based on five criteria including; minimum preferred requirements (location and proximity to other functions of the Police Department), operational requirements, planning policy requirements, security risks and project costs.

Mr. Roberts discussed benchmarking as it related to comparing other Quad City police facilities to the City's police facility based on statistics concerning population, land area and the number of police officers. Costs were also discussed as it related to contractor's costs, soft costs and overall project costs concerning the new police facility.

After more discussion in regards to the process in determining the building space, parking needs, and assessment of the capacity of the facility currently in use by the Police Department, Mr. Roberts recommended that the building size needs to be approximately 48,948 square feet. It was noted that the site would need to accommodate 138 vehicles, and this would call for a site area of approximately three acres. Mr. Roberts commented that the preferred location could be in the Downtown area. It was noted that it is too early to determine a project budget. Mr. Roberts further discussed the recommendations in regards to the study and future steps in the process.

### **QUAD CITY BOTANICAL CENTER UPDATE**

Ami Jenkins, Executive Director of the Quad City Botanical Center presented an update to Council on the Botanical Center. Ms. Jenkins advised that the main attraction of the facility is the tropical sun garden. However, the Botanical Center has added several new features including a garden train exhibit, children's secret garden and butterfly habitat. It was noted that work is underway on the Children's Garden.

Ms. Jenkins indicated that the Botanical Center's programs include education, special events, travel club, art in the gardens, private rentals, development (memberships, memorials and capital campaigns), volunteer and intern programs. Ms. Jenkins further discussed the programs.

It was noted that the Quad City Botanical Center focuses generally on raising operating funds for the facility, but also focuses on raising capital funds for the Children's Garden, program development, membership retention, private rentals, corporate sponsorship and building partnerships and alliances.

Ms. Jenkins discussed the facility's goals that were identified in their 2008 Strategic Plan and their accomplishments. Various noted accomplishments included; restoring funds to restricted grant accounts; reduced aged payables to "current to 30 days owing" and raised debt for building repairs totaling \$180,000.00.

Ms. Jenkins advised that the Botanical Center went out to the community via a survey to ask people how the center was doing in the community. It was noted that the survey indicated that the majority of people that have visited the center have done so in the last six years. Ms. Jenkins stated that the most valuable experience that the respondents reported was learning about plants. Ms. Jenkins commented that the major reason guests do not visit is due to lack of time.

Parks and Recreation Director Bill Nelson discussed the methodology in regards to the survey.

Ms. Jenkins discussed the Quad City Botanical Center's new Strategic Plan for Fiscal Years 2011 through 2014. It was noted that by the end of Fiscal Year 2012, various goals they want to achieve include; finish the year \$10,000.00 over budget; break ground on the first phase of the Children's Garden and raise funds for the second phase of the Children's Garden. Ms. Jenkins also discussed the colored drawings and site plan for the master plan in regards to the Children's Garden.

### **ARSENAL GATEWAY AND CENTRAL CITY NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN**

Planning and Redevelopment Administrator Alan Carmen discussed the Arsenal Gateway and Central Neighborhood planning process. Mr. Carmen stated that one of the components in the planning process was related to the Old Lincoln School initiative in which there was an unresolved issue as to whether or not Council wanted to proceed on both planning studies. Mr. Carmen indicated that Council decided to move forward to solicit demolition bids by July of next year for the demolition of the building. Mr. Carmen advised that staff is also in the process of

securing bids for placing a tarp on the roof of Old Lincoln School to make it safer for renovation or demolition.

It was noted that staff is preparing to move forward with requesting proposals for consultant studies for the Arsenal Gateway and Central Neighborhood area. Mr. Carmen then defined the areas. The Arsenal Gateway Business Park is between the river and 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue, and 20<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup> Streets and the Central Neighborhood area is between 20<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> Streets and 5<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> Avenues. It was noted that the Arsenal Gateway area includes the Quad City Botanical Center, QCCA Expo Center and Jackson Square, and borders The District and the Central Neighborhood area. In addition, the Central Neighborhood includes the northern edge of the Broadway Historic area and a portion of the Downtown. Mr. Carmen further discussed the layout of the areas.

Mr. Carmen discussed vacant properties, at risk properties and underused properties as it related to the Arsenal Gateway and Central Neighborhood areas. Mr. Carmen advised that there needs to be a policy direction in terms of what should happen to the properties. Mr. Carmen pointed out that this planning process will identify what options there are in terms of land use, policy planning, investment and reinvestment strategies, potential demolition strategies for some of the properties, and to set long range direction for what will happen to both neighborhoods and how they link to one another.

Mr. Carmen stated that staff is recommending to move forward with the planning process (consultant driven). Mr. Carmen added that the studies can be prepared for both areas for \$75,000.00 with \$10,000.00 come from Gaming funds.

Council discussed the issue and came to a consensus to move forward with staff's recommendation. Mr. Carmen stated that staff will put together the requests for proposals in the next several weeks and the process should be complete by the mid part of next year. Council then discussed steering committees as it related to the process.

## **TRAILERS PARKING IN RESIDENTIAL NEIGHBORHOODS**

Council discussed trailers parking in residential neighborhoods.

Alderman Conroy advised that he is seeing more and more where utility trailers and other trailers are being parked in residential areas. Alderman Conroy indicated that there is a critical need for the City to not allow parking of certain types of vehicles on City streets in residential areas. Alderman Conroy added that his would target people that are keeping these vehicles in front of their yards for a week or a month. Alderman Conroy commented that he would like to see an ordinance that restricts utility vehicles from being parked on residential streets.

Council discussed the enforcement component of an ordinance as it related to complaints, and what the ordinance would entail in regards to other restrictions for these vehicles. In addition, Council discussed trailers parking on streets as it related to time limits concerning special projects including lawn mowing services or tree trimming services.

Alderman Conroy stated that he would like to take a look at other Cities existing ordinances for comparing and making adjustments.

Alderwoman Murphy stated that she would also like to look at other existing ordinances. Alderwoman Murphy advised that it gets to be a burden on the neighborhood when two or three trucks with trailers are parked in the street every single day; it becomes a problem for the neighborhood.

Council discussed utility trailers as it related to parking the vehicles in garages or in driveways in residential neighborhoods. Council also discussed the current ordinance that addresses roll-off containers.

Alderman Jones discussed recreational vehicles as it related to parking these vehicles in residential areas.

Interim City Manager Hawes discussed development of an ordinance in regards to utility trailers parking in residential neighborhoods as it related to complaints and the enforcement component.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

A motion was made by Alderman Jones and seconded by Alderman Conroy to recess to Executive Session on matters of Personnel and Litigation. The motion carried on a roll call vote. Those voting Aye being, Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderman Jones, Alderwoman Murphy, Alderman Austin, Alderman Brooks and Alderman Conroy; those voting No, none. The meeting was recessed at 6:00 p.m.

Mayor Pauley reconvened the regular meeting at 6:16 p.m.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

A motion made by Alderman Jones and seconded by Alderman Conroy to adjourn the meeting carried by the following Aye and No vote. Those voting Aye being Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderman Jones, Alderwoman Murphy, Alderman Austin, Alderman Brooks and Alderman Conroy; those voting No, none.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:17 p.m.

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, P. J. Foley, Stephen L. Tollenaer, Jason W. Jones, Joy Murphy, Charles O. Austin III, Terry M.A. Brooks I and David Conroy. Also present was Interim City Manager Bob Hawes.

### **Introductory Proceedings**

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

Agenda Item #5

#### **Minutes of the Meeting of October 3, 2011.**

A motion was made by Alderman Austin and seconded by Alderman Jones to approve the Minutes of the Meeting of October 3, 2011, The motion carried by the following Aye and No vote; those voting Aye being, Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderman Jones, Alderwoman Murphy, Alderman Austin, Alderman Brooks and Alderman Conroy; those voting No, none.

Agenda Item #6

#### **Update Rock Island by Mayor Pauley.**

Mayor Pauley stated that on September 29<sup>th</sup>, more than 70 Rock Island residents, College Hill business owners and Augustana College students and faculty participated in a workshop to help determine the design aesthetic of College Hill District. It was noted that now anyone can register their preferences to enhance the ambience of College Hill District through streetscape changes, landscaping, streetlights, street furniture and more by taking an on-line survey. Mayor Pauley indicated that the survey is available at [www.thelakotagroup.com/collegehill/](http://www.thelakotagroup.com/collegehill/) until midnight, Wednesday, October 12<sup>th</sup>.

Mayor Pauley offered that the City of Rock Island has been engaged in a planning process with College Hill business stakeholders to create a future vision for this unique neighborhood business district centered around two nodes along 14<sup>th</sup> Avenue at 30<sup>th</sup> and 38<sup>th</sup> Streets.

Mayor Pauley commented that the Rock Island Public Library Children's Department will offer two weeks of activities to keep children busy while Rock Island/Milan are on fall break from October 10 to October 21, 2011. The Mayor added that all of the events are free and open to the public. It was noted to please visit the Rock Island Public Library website at [www.rockislandlibrary.org](http://www.rockislandlibrary.org) or call (309) 732-7323 for a complete listing of the activities and for more events.

Mayor Pauley indicated that one of Rock Island's 100 Most Significant Unprotected Structures is looking for a new owner. It was noted that the City currently has a right-of-entry to demolish the Charles Jewell House at 552 31<sup>st</sup> Street, considered to be Rock Island's most intact Folk Victorian home. Mayor Pauley stated that to help save this noteworthy building, call Alan Carmen at (309) 732-2900 if interested.

Agenda Item #7

**United Way Presentation.**

Special Projects Manager Sally Heffernan and Co-Chairman for the 2011 United Way Campaign stated that this is rally week for the City of Rock Island. Ms. Heffernan indicated that to kick-off the campaign, two rallies were held this morning in the Police Department. Ms. Heffernan then presented the 2011 United Way video to Council.

Mr. Bruce Pieper, a loaned executive volunteer from United Way, thanked the City for their support last year. Mr. Pieper stated that a rally will be held for each department in the City. It was noted that the campaign video will be shared, which shows how United Way is helping advance education, income and health in the Quad Cities. Mr. Pieper commented that during the rallies, Achieve Quad Cities will be discussed, which is a program to help increase graduation rates by 5% in the next 10 years. Mr. Pieper indicated that United Way is meeting the immediate needs of the community by funding 93 programs and 48 partner agencies.

Kristia Tinsley of the Martin Luther King Center discussed some of the King Center's programs that have benefitted from United Way. Ms. Tinsley stated that the Martin Luther King Center serves twenty-five thousand people every year through a variety of services. It was noted that United Way funding supports the afterschool program, summer day camp, drug prevention and the tax return program. Ms. Tinsley advised that the Martin Luther King Center serves over two thousand kids annually. It was noted that 65% of the children are improving their grades from the beginning to the end of the year. Ms. Tinsley commented that 80% of children have improved their school attendance, and 90% have demonstrated positive decision making skills in regards to alcohol, tobacco and other drugs. Ms. Tinsley further discussed how the Martin Luther King Center benefits from United Way.

Ms. Heffernan thanked Council for the support and for allowing an active United Way program in the City.

Mayor Pauley stated that in 2010, the Safer Communities Task Force was set up to discuss and recommend how to make Rock Island an even greater and safer place for the community. It was noted that as a result of the work of the Safer Communities Task Force, it was determined that more mentoring is needed in the field of education. Jerry Jones, Executive Director of the Martin Luther King Jr. Center was asked to take a look at how to approach this issue. Mayor Pauley indicated that after review, Jerry focused in on Achieve Quad Cities. Mayor Pauley stated that Rock Island has a great education system both public and private, but some students still don't get the attention they need to succeed. Mayor Pauley indicated that three ways one can get involved with Achieve Quad Cities includes; becoming a career navigator mentor, providing job shadow opportunities and giving classroom presentations.

Mayor Pauley encouraged everyone to get involved in the schools and help students so that Rock Island can have the highest graduation rate of any community.

Agenda Item #8

**Proclamation declaring Saturday, October 15, 2011 as Rock Island County NAACP Day.**

Mayor Pauley read the proclamation. Mr. Willie Seward accepted the proclamation, and thanked the Mayor and Council for the proclamation.

Mayor Pauley advised that the event will be held at the i-Wireless Center this Saturday night beginning at 6:00 p.m.

Agenda Item #9

**A Special Ordinance amending a Special Ordinance by extending the current no parking zone on the south side of 16<sup>th</sup> Avenue from twenty (20) feet to forty (40) feet from the west edge of the driveway at 4508 16<sup>th</sup> Avenue.**

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

Agenda Item #10

**A Special Ordinance regarding the removal of a handicapped parking space at 1001 20<sup>th</sup> Street.**

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

Agenda Item #11

**A Special Ordinance regulating parking on private property at 1228 30<sup>th</sup> Street.**

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

Agenda Item #12

**CLAIMS**

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

- a. Report from the Administrative Services Department regarding payment in the amount of \$15,150.00 to ESRI, Inc. for the annual GIS software maintenance. (014)
- b. Report from the Administrative Services Department regarding payment in the amount of \$10,740.00 to Azteca Systems, Inc. for the Cityworks System annual update and support maintenance. (015)
- c. Report from the Public Works Department regarding payment #3 in the amount of \$125,950.67 to Walter D. Laud, Inc. for services provided for the 25<sup>th</sup> Avenue Reconstruction from 17<sup>th</sup> to 24<sup>th</sup> Street project. (288)
- d. Report from the Public Works Department regarding payment #4 and final in the amount of \$125,407.47 to Langman Construction, Inc. for services provided for the 26<sup>th</sup> Avenue Reconstruction from 32<sup>nd</sup> to 34<sup>th</sup> Street project. (289)
- e. Report from the Public Works Department regarding payment #12 in the amount of \$4,668.00 to the Treasurer of the State of Illinois for the City's share of the IL 92 Resurfacing from 38<sup>th</sup> Street to the Moline border project. (291)

Agenda Item #13

**Claims for the week of September 30 through October 6 in the amount of \$1,142,050.46.**

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

Agenda Item #14

**Payroll for the weeks of September 19 through October 2 in the amount of \$1,278,026.46.**

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

Agenda Item #15

**Report from the Public Works Department regarding bids for Aerobic Aeration Unit Cleaning at the Southwest Treatment Plant, recommending rejecting the bid from Valley Construction in the amount of \$92,840.00.**

It was moved by Alderman Conroy and seconded by Alderman Austin to reject the bid as recommended and re-let the project for bid.

Discussion followed with Alderman Conroy inquiring as to whether the rejected bid was due to the amount of the bid being too high.

Interim City Manager Hawes stated yes, and due to only one bid being submitted.

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

Agenda Item #16

**Report from the Community and Economic Development Department regarding the Citizen's Advisory Committee recommendations for Fiscal Year 2012-2013 Gaming Fund allocations.**

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

Agenda Item #17

**Report from the Police Department regarding the hours for Halloween Trick or Treat, recommending Monday, October 31, 2011 from 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm in the City of Rock Island.**

It was moved by Alderman Conroy and seconded by Alderman Foley to approve the Trick or Treat hours as recommended. The motion carried by the following Aye and No vote; those voting Aye being, Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderman Jones, Alderwoman Murphy, Alderman Austin, Alderman Brooks and Alderman Conroy; those voting No, none.

Agenda Item #18

**Report from the Community and Economic Development Department regarding a request from the Plumbers and Pipefitters Local Union #25 for a Riverfront Corridor Overlay District site plan review for a proposed lighted freestanding sign in the north front yard at 4600 46<sup>th</sup> Avenue.**

Alderwoman Murphy moved and Alderman Jones seconded to approve the request as recommended, subject to adding low level landscaping around the sign. The motion carried by the following Aye and No vote: those voting Aye being, Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderman Jones, Alderwoman Murphy, Alderman Austin, Alderman Brooks and Alderman Conroy, those voting No, none.

Agenda Item #19

**Report from the Community and Economic Development Department regarding a request from the City to vacate 13<sup>th</sup> Avenue between Mill Street and the Iowa Interstate Railroad tracks.**

It was moved by Alderman Jones and seconded by Alderman Austin to approve the request as recommended and refer to the City Attorney for an ordinance.

Discussion followed. Alderman Tollenaer stated that some of the property was already vacated near Mill Street and 18<sup>th</sup> Avenue and inquired as to whether this was the same property owner on the other end.

Interim City Manager Bob Hawes responded no. Mr. Hawes advised that this is the street that goes through the middle of what will be the sewage treatment plant. It was noted that the City owns the property on both sides. Mr. Hawes added that it will still be owned by the City, but will not be a street right of way anymore.

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

Agenda Item #20

**Report from the Community and Economic Development Department regarding a request from Augustana College to vacate the north/south alley east of 38<sup>th</sup> Street between 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> Avenues.**

Alderman Tollenaer moved and Alderman Foley seconded to approve the request as recommended and refer to the City Attorney for an ordinance.

Discussion followed. Ms. Dorothy Austin of 610 39<sup>th</sup> Street stepped forward. Ms. Austin had concerns in regards to whether or not she would be allowed access now and in the future after the alley has been vacated. Ms. Austin noted that she received a letter from Augustana College stating that she would have access.

Mayor Pauley stated to Ms. Austin that this issue was reviewed with the legal staff and access will always be allowed. The Mayor added that a clause will be written into the ordinance with Augustana College.

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

Agenda Item #21

**Report from the Community and Economic Development Department regarding a request from Divia Dunbar to apply for a Special Use Permit to locate a lighted freestanding sign to advertise her party planning business in the front yard of her residence at 1618 7<sup>th</sup> Street.**

It was moved by Alderman Tollenaer and seconded by Alderman Foley to allow for the application of the Special Use Permit as recommended. The motion carried by the following Aye and No vote; those voting Aye being, Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderman Jones, Alderwoman Murphy, Alderman Austin, Alderman Brooks and Alderman Conroy; those voting No, none.

Agenda Item #22

**Report from the Mayor regarding an appointment and reappointment to the Housing Authority Board.**

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

Lori Pappas was appointed to a five year term expiring in October, 2016, and Edward Littig was reappointed to a five year term expiring in October, 2016.

Agenda Item #23

**Report from the City Clerk regarding a Special Ordinance amending Chapter 8, Sec. 8-441 of the Code of Ordinances regarding raffles.**

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

Agenda Item #24

**Report from the City Clerk regarding a request from the businesses in the area of 14<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> Streets to decorate street posts and trees beginning on Sunday, October 16, 2011, along with a sound amplification permit from 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm on Wednesday, October 26, 2011 for their Halloween Festival.**

Alderman Jones moved and Alderwoman Murphy seconded to approve the request for decorating the street posts and trees as recommended, subject to providing the proper insurances and removing the decorations by Saturday, November 5<sup>th</sup>, and approve the sound amplification. The motion carried by the following Aye and No vote: those voting Aye being, Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderman Jones, Alderwoman Murphy, Alderman Austin, Alderman Brooks and Alderman Conroy; those voting No, none.

Agenda Item #25

**Report from the City Clerk regarding a request for a Street Closing at 28<sup>th</sup> Street between 29<sup>th</sup> Avenue and 28<sup>th</sup> Avenue on Saturday, October 22, 2011 from 11:30 am to 4:00 pm for a block party.**

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

Agenda Item #26

**Report from the City Clerk regarding a request for a Sound Amplification Permit for Saturday, October 29, 2011 from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm for a Halloween party at 1313 43<sup>rd</sup> Street.**

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

Agenda Item #27

**Items from the City Manager's Memorandum Packet.**

Interim City Manager Hawes did not have any items to discuss.

Alderman Austin wished Interim City Manager Hawes Happy Birthday.

Alderman Jones advised that the City is moving forward on creating a plan for the Arsenal Gateway and the Central Neighborhood. Alderman Jones commented that it is a very exciting time for the City. Alderman Jones commented on various prior investments in these areas, which included, QCCA Expo Center, Social Security Administration and Housing Authority offices. In addition, Alderman Jones noted various expansions, new businesses and housing in those areas including, Spirit Partners/Mandus Group expansion, Bent River Brew Pub, Jackson Square housing development and the Botanical Center's Children's Garden.

Alderwoman Murphy reminded everyone to Shop Rock Island. Alderwoman Murphy stated that Fabulous Finds is an antique and resale shop located at 2715 18<sup>th</sup> Avenue. It was noted that they sell antique toys, jewelry, seasonal décor and a lot of other fun stuff. Alderwoman Murphy noted that they are open on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays from 10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Alderwoman Murphy encouraged everyone to shop Rock Island.

Alderwoman Murphy challenged everyone to volunteer through Achieve Quad Cities. Alderwoman Murphy stated that it is easy to sign up and volunteer, just go to [www.achieveqc.org](http://www.achieveqc.org).

Agenda Item #28

**Other Business**

Timothy Dooling of 832 14 ½ Street voiced concerns regarding civil and police issues.

Agenda Item #29

**Executive Session on Personnel and Litigation.**

The Executive Session was held prior to the regular meeting.

**CITY OF ROCK ISLAND  
CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

**October 10, 2011  
MINUTES**

Agenda Item #30

**Recess**

A motion was made by Alderman Austin and seconded by Alderwoman Murphy to recess to Monday, October 17, 2011 at 5:00 p.m. The motion carried by the following Aye and No vote: those voting Aye being Alderman Foley, Alderman Tollenaer, Alderman Jones, Alderwoman Murphy, Alderman Austin, Alderman Brooks and Alderman Conroy; those voting No, none.

The meeting was recessed at 7:25 p.m.

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Aleisha L. Patchin, City Clerk