

The Rock Island City Council met in Study Session at 5:45 pm in City Council Chambers at Rock Island City Hall. Present were Mayor Dennis E. Pauley presiding, and Aldermen Joy Murphy, Charles O. Austin III, Terry M.A. Brooks I, David Conroy, P.J. Foley and Stephen L. Tollenaer. Also present were City Manager Thomas Thomas, Finance Director Cynthia Parchert, other City staff, City Attorney Ted Kutsunis, Paul Rumler, Executive Vice President of the Quad Cities Chamber and Scott Vandewoestyne, Government Affairs Director with the Quad Cities Chamber. Alderman Jason W. Jones was absent.

QUAD CITIES CHAMBER PRESENTATION

Paul Rumler, Executive Vice President of the Quad Cities Chamber discussed the Red, White and Boom event and the 150th celebration of the Rock Island Arsenal that was held this past summer. Mr. Rumler then presented Mayor Pauley with the Quad Cities Military Community Covenant, which was signed by all federal officials, state governors, local elected officials and all of the commanders from the Quad City community.

Mr. Rumler discussed various highlights of the Quad Cities Chamber's approved new work plan. Mr. Rumler advised that their goals remain the same, which include fulfilling their five year regional growth strategy. It was noted that their goal is to move their rankings up in terms of regional metropolitan areas. Mr. Rumler noted that the easiest way to increase the rankings is by increasing primary jobs. It was noted that primary jobs are those companies that are based in the metro area but do a lot of business outside the metro area. Mr. Rumler indicated that about 5% of a community's companies are primary employers. Mr. Rumler commented that the goal is to help sustain the local companies or to attract the companies that are within certain industries.

Mr. Rumler advised that the economic development effort in the Quad Cities involves attraction of new businesses through Quad Cities First as well as the retention and expansion of existing businesses and the creation of new businesses through the Quad Cities Chamber of Commerce. Mr. Rumler stated that their focus this year is on Defense. Mr. Rumler noted that Defense is a prominent attraction target. Mr. Rumler added that this year, the Quad Cities Chamber will be the lead sponsor of the Defense Symposium that is held each year. Mr. Rumler commented that this is a way to help attract companies to the Quad Cities area. It was noted that recently, four new defense contractors joined the Quad Cities Chamber.

Mr. Rumler discussed how the Chamber works with existing companies that are primary employers or locally owned stage two companies. Mr. Rumler indicated that they are continuing their business growth meetings, which is a way to highlight some of the local large employers. It was noted that the Quad Cities Chamber is also expanding and trying to get new companies into government contracting. Mr. Rumler added that they are also doing business to business networking. Mr. Rumler pointed out that Defense companies know all about defense contracts because this is what they do, but what they don't understand is the opportunity to do business with local companies to expand their reach and utilize existing small businesses as part of their supply network. It was noted that this is how the Chamber can help local companies grow into a market that has largely been untapped.

Mr. Rumler advised that the Quad Cities Chamber is continuing their outreach business connections program for expansion of local companies. Mr. Rumler indicated that this upcoming year, the Chamber will be talking to 150 companies and will try to add about 25 new companies. Mr. Rumler discussed the Defense industry as it related to the military community and the Chamber's work plan.

Mr. Rumler advised that the Chamber has a very active young professional network. Mr. Rumler added that this year, they will be working with some of their larger companies and organizations in the Quad Cities in regards to diversity.

Mr. Rumler then discussed the Chamber's economic development progress as it related to their monthly score cards. Government Affairs Director Paul Vandewoestyne for the Quad Cities Chamber distributed several documents to Council. Mr. Rumler referred to the score card document and commented that last fiscal year in Rock Island, buildings were shown 11 times at 14 different sites. It was noted that there has been an increase in sites from 2011. Mr. Rumler further discussed the score card as it related to recommended sites and active projects. Mr. Rumler discussed the Quad Cities Chamber membership and stated that there are 209 members currently in Rock Island, which represent about 10,000.00 employees. It was noted that the Chamber has added six new members.

Council further discussed Mr. Rumler's presentation.

BILLING UTILITY PROCEDURES

Finance Director Cynthia Parchert distributed an example of the City of Rock Island's water utility bill and a calendar corresponding to the statement. Ms. Parchert explained in detail the various components of the utility bill, which included charges, account information and service information. Ms. Parchert then explained the process of how the utility bill is calculated.

Ms. Parchert advised that recently, the City instituted payment options and explained the three installment options. Ms. Parchert advised that the three payment method arrangement does not apply to any outstanding balances and the installment is calculated only on current charges.

Ms. Parchert referred to the calendar in regards to the payment option process and then explained that in Zone 11, any work orders have to be entered by July 3, 2012. It was noted that the meters are read by July 10th and the bills are printed on July 19th. Ms. Parchert pointed out that the bill on the first installment would be due on August 7, 2012. It was noted that if it is not paid, the penalty is applied on August 9th. Ms. Parchert indicated that the 2nd installment is due on August 24th and if a balance is remaining then a shut-off notice is sent on August 27th, which is right before the 3rd notice is due, which is on September 10th. Ms. Parchert pointed out that if there is a balance due, the past due notice has to be sent out. It was noted that the landlords have to be notified if the renter has obligated them to an additional penalty fee. Ms. Parchert indicated that the house would then be posted on September 13, 2012 and if the bill is still unpaid then the water would be shut-off on September 20th. Ms. Parchert pointed out that there is a 10 day period between when one quarter ends and the next quarter begins.

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CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

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MINUTES**

Council discussed the three payment option process and utility bill payment arrangements as it related to the time component. Council also discussed the water usage component of the utility bill as it related to a property owner selling their house and the new property owner having to pay the previous owner's bill. It was noted that the water bill stays with the property.

Council discussed collection efforts as it related to past due water bills from previous property owners.

City Attorney Kutsunis offered that when a property owner of the house signs up for water, it is a contract. It was noted that if they have unpaid charges then liens are filed, which would be recorded with the Recorder of Deeds and the lien would show up when a title search is done. City Attorney Kutsunis added that hopefully at the closing on the new house, the owner would see that there is a bill owed by the previous owner and an adjustment would be made at closing.

Council further discussed unpaid charges and the utility billing process.

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, Alderwoman Murphy, Alderman Austin, Alderman Brooks, Alderman Conroy, Alderman Foley and Alderman Tollenaer; those voting No, none. The meeting was adjourned at 6:30 pm.

Aleisha L. Patchin, City Clerk

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

Introductory Proceedings

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

Agenda Item #5

Minutes of the meeting of July 23, 2012.

A motion was made by Alderwoman Murphy and seconded by Alderman Austin to approve the minutes of the meeting of July 23, 2012 as printed. The motion carried by the following Aye and No vote; those voting Aye being; Alderwoman Murphy, Alderman Austin, Alderman Brooks, Alderman Conroy, Alderman Foley and Alderman Tollenaer; 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.

Agenda Item #7

Announcement of the 2012 Citizen of the Year Winners.

Alderman Chuck Austin, Co-Chairman of the Citizen of the Year Committee announced the winners for the 2012 Citizen of the Year. Alderman Austin stated that he and Alderwoman Murphy had the pleasure of being on the Citizen of the Year Committee this year. Alderman Austin noted that there are eight (8) categories for Citizen of the Year. The first seven (7) categories recognize citizens who live in Rock Island and include Business, Professional, Education, Organization, Individual, City Employee and Youth. The final category, Honorary Citizen, recognizes an individual that does not live in Rock Island.

The winners of the eight (8) categories are as follows: Business - Jumer's Casino & Hotel; Professional - Dr. Jeff Maurus; Education - Glenda Nicke; Organization - Rock Island Kiwanis; Individual - Bud Helpenstell; City Employee - Amy Penry; Youth - Drew Brozovich; and Phil Ambrose won for Honorary Citizen.

Alderman Austin advised that the overall 2012 Citizen of the Year will be named on Monday, August 27, 2012 at the Council meeting. Alderman Austin added that all of the winners will ride in the Labor Day Parade on Monday, September 3, 2012. It was noted that the overall Citizen of the Year will be the Grand Marshal of the parade.

Agenda Item #8

Presentation of the Award of Excellence for Schwiebert Riverfront Park.

Community and Economic Development Director Jeff Eder presented the Award of Excellence (plaque) from the Society of American Landscape Architects to the City of Rock Island in the general design category for Schwiebert Riverfront Park.

Agenda Item #9

Presentation of Tell on Your Neighbor Awards by the Beautification Commission.

Beautification Commission member Bob Towler stepped forward and Mayor Pauley joined Mr. Towler at the podium to present the Tell on Your Neighbor Awards. Mr. Towler stated that this is the 38th annual Tell on Your Neighbor contest. It was noted that the purpose of the contest is to recognize residents who show pride in their homes and neighborhoods by keeping neat and well maintained yards.

Mr. Towler then named the recipients of the Residential Beautification Award. The winners are as follows; Linda Brandle; Christopher Browne; Charles Colclasure; Richard and Mary Fislar; Jackie and Steve Haskins; Timothy and Marlyn Jacks; Sandra Richardson; Dixie Rohn; Shirley Rote; Michael Rust; Gina and John Schafer; Carol Travis; James and Dena Ward; Carol Yuris; Barbara Zerull; Ernie and Carol Beane; Penny Carr; Roy Lagerblade; Lizzie Nimmers; Steve Ryan; Patricia and Myron White; Tom Benac; Nass Brubaker; Bill Carmichael; Michael and Dorrene Endicott; Maisabel Gualajara; Robert and Leu Huffman; Joseph and Cynthia Jones; Thomas Kerr; Harlan and Suzanne King; William Lensch; Donald and Roberta Palm; Martin Pearson; Gary Ruge; Michael Schulte; Megan Sedam; Lori West; and Paul Wiener. After the awards, pictures were taken with Mayor Pauley.

Agenda Item #10

Public Hearing on a request from Jordan Michelin, owner of Jordan's Tobacco & Liquor, LLC doing business as Jordan's Smoke Shack & Liquor for a waiver of the signature requirement to secure a liquor license at 1733 30th Street.

Mayor Pauley closed the regular meeting and opened a Public Hearing at 7:00 pm on a request from Jordan Michelin, owner of Jordan's Tobacco & Liquor, LLC doing business as Jordan's Smoke Shack & Liquor for a waiver of the signature requirement to secure a liquor license at 1733 30th Street.

Mr. Jordan Michelin of 2849 Oak Street, Bettendorf, IA stepped forward. Mayor Pauley swore in Mr. Michelin.

Mr. Michelin stated that he is opening up a tobacco and liquor store in the Rock Island area. It was noted that the location is at 1733 30th Street. Mr. Michelin stated that he has secured all of the signatures with the exception of three, which include Wells Fargo Bank, Walgreens and Express Lane. Mr. Michelin advised that he made personal visits to those locations to inquire as to whether there was anyone in authority that could sign the waiver. Mr. Michelin added that no

one was there. Mr. Michelin stated that he has sent three different letters to each of those corporations, but has not received any responses.

Alderwoman Murphy inquired upon Mr. Michelin to explain about the business.

Mr. Michelin responded that it is going to be a tobacco and liquor store with a walk-in cooler. Mr. Michelin added that he wants to be a responsible business owner and serve the needs of the community in that area. Mr. Michelin stated that the hours of operation will be from 10:00 am to 10:00 pm.

After more discussion, Mayor Pauley inquired as to whether there was anyone that wished to speak in favor of the waiver of the signature requirement for a liquor license at 1733 30th Street. No one stepped forward.

Mayor Pauley then inquired as to whether there was anyone who wished to speak in opposition to the waiver of the signature requirement for a liquor license at 1733 30th Street. No one stepped forward.

With no persons present to speak in favor of or in opposition to the waiver of the signature requirement for a liquor license at 1733 30th Street, Mayor Pauley closed the Public Hearing and reconvened the regular meeting at 7:04 pm.

It was moved by Alderman Austin and seconded by Alderman Foley to recommend to the Mayor/Liquor Commissioner to waive the signature requirement as requested and approve the liquor license. The motion carried by the following Aye and No vote; those voting Aye being; Alderwoman Murphy, Alderman Austin, Alderman Brooks, Alderman Conroy, Alderman Foley and Alderman Tollenaer; those voting No, none.

Agenda Item #11

Public Hearing on a request from the Karpeles Manuscript Library to amend an approved Special Use Permit to allow a second attached sign on the building facade at 700 22nd Street.

Mayor Pauley closed the regular meeting and opened a Public Hearing at 7:05 pm on a request from the Karpeles Manuscript Library to amend an approved Special Use Permit to allow a second attached sign on the building facade at 700 22nd Street.

Mr. John Snow of 2012 42nd Street and representing Karpeles Manuscript Library Museum stepped forward. Mayor Pauley swore in Mr. Snow.

Mr. Snow advised that a Certificate of Appropriateness was obtained from the Preservation Commission. Mr. Snow stated that the museum is asking to add an additional sign on the façade of the building at 700 22nd Street. Mr. Snow explained that they would like to move the sign that is currently on the structure to the north side of the building and then add the second sign that will be a little bit longer and have the entire title of the museum placed on that sign - Karpeles Manuscript Library Museum.

Mayor Pauley inquired as to what the approximate size of the sign would be.

Mr. Snow responded that the sign will be 49 feet long and 18 inches tall. Mr. Snow added that the sign will be 15 inches in height.

Alderman Conroy inquired as to whether the Preservation Commission approved this item. Mr. Snow stated yes, they did.

Alderman Foley inquired as to when the museum plans on opening. Mr. Snow stated that they are planning to open as soon as possible. Mr. Snow added that depending on occupancy inspections with the City, they hope to open in the next month.

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 7:08 pm.

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

Agenda Item #12
CLAIMS

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

- a. Report from the Administrative Services Department regarding payment in the amount of \$1,000.00 to Timothy Banks for General Liability Claim.
- b. Report from the Administrative Services Department regarding payment in the amount of \$7,574.00 to Kutsunis and Weng P.C. for legal services rendered for the month of July.
- c. Report from the Public Works Department regarding payment #2 in the amount of \$159,532.56 to Valley Construction for services provided for the 24th Street Resurfacing: 5th Avenue to 9th Avenue project. (174)

- d. Report from the Public Works Department regarding payment #2 in the amount of \$14,108.75 to Kelly Construction for services provided for the 2012 Mudjacking Program project. (175)
- e. Report from the Public Works Department regarding payment #6 in the amount of \$13,529.21 to General Constructors, Inc. for services provided for the Turkey Hollow Road Bridge Replacement project. (176)
- f. Report from the Public Works Department regarding payment #10 in the amount of \$1,605,140.69 to Civil Constructors, Inc. for services provided for the Wet Weather Treatment System project. (177)

Agenda Item #13

Claims for the weeks of July 20 through July 26 in the amount of \$2,699,150.72, July 27 through August 2 in the amount of \$254,149.41 and August 3 through August 9 in the amount of \$566,863.44.

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

Agenda Item #14

Payroll for the weeks of July 9 through July 22 in the amount of \$1,347,609.56 and July 23 through August 5 in the amount of \$1,298,121.62.

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

Agenda Item #15

Report from the Public Works Department regarding bids for repair of the City Hall boiler, recommending the bid be awarded to Ragan Mechanical, Inc. in the amount of \$19,741.00.

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

Agenda Item #16

Report from the Board of Local Improvements regarding bids for 44th Street Reconstruction from 41st Avenue Court to Blackhawk Road, recommending the bid be awarded to Walter D. Laud, Inc. in the amount of \$367,872.37.

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

Agenda Item #17

Report from the Board of Local Improvements regarding bids for 37th Avenue East of 44th Street Reconstruction, recommending the bid be awarded to Walter D. Laud, Inc. in the amount of \$233,249.50.

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

Agenda Item #18

Report from the Public Works Department regarding bids for 20th Street Bike Path from 1st to 2nd Avenue, recommending the bid be awarded to A.J. Excavating in the amount of \$76,778.25.

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

Agenda Item #19

Report from the Public Works Department regarding bids for 13th Avenue Reconstruction from 1st to 2nd Street, recommending the bid be awarded to Centennial Contractors of the Quad Cities, Inc. in the amount of \$220,376.00.

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

Agenda Item #20

Report from the Community and Economic Development Department regarding bids for the Transient Boat Dock at Schwiebert Riverfront Park.

It was moved by Alderwoman Murphy and seconded by Alderman Austin to reject all bids as stated in the report and authorize Stanley Consultants to redesign the facility and rebid the project.

Discussion followed. Alderman Conroy inquired as to what the timeline is for this project. Community and Economic Development Director Jeff Eder stated six to eight weeks.

Alderman Conroy inquired as to whether they will start the project this year.

Mr. Eder responded that the project would be pushed into the next construction season.

Alderman Tollenaer inquired as to whether this would affect the DNR grant (funding).

Mr. Eder stated that he did not know the particulars on the grant but would check with the DNR and update Council.

Alderman Conroy advised Mr. Eder to look into it because the City should start the project in the construction year that it is suppose to be started in.

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

Agenda Item #21

Report from the Community and Economic Development Department regarding proposals for conducting the Arsenal Gateway and Central Neighborhoods planning process, recommending the selection of MSA Professional Services in the amount of \$72,500.00.

Alderman Austin moved to approve the selection of MSA Professional Services as recommended and authorize the City Manager to execute the contract documents.

Mayor Pauley inquired as to whether there was a second to the motion. Mayor Pauley further inquired as to whether there was a second to the motion. With no second coming forth, the motion died for lack of a second.

Agenda Item #22

Report from the Public Works Department regarding a purchase agreement with LRC Real Estate as it relates to the construction of an underground combined sewer holding tank near the intersection of 40th Street with 5th Avenue.

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

Agenda Item #23

Report from the Public Works Department regarding an agreement with Shive-Hattery, Inc. for engineering design and construction inspection services for phase 1 of the Neighborhood Water Improvement Program in a total estimated amount of \$8,900.00.

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

Agenda Item #24

Report from the Community and Economic Development Department regarding a development agreement with JDH, LLC for creating four apartments on the second floor of the properties located at 1808 - 1810 3rd Avenue and the City's commitment of \$80,000.00 of Downtown TIF funds.

It was moved by Alderwoman Murphy and seconded by Alderman Conroy to approve the agreement committing \$80,000.00 of Downtown TIF funds to create the four apartments as recommended and authorize the City Manager to execute the contract documents, subject to the program application being completed. The motion carried by the following Aye and No vote; those voting Aye being; Alderwoman Murphy, Alderman Austin, Alderman Brooks, Alderman Conroy, Alderman Foley and Alderman Tollenaer; those voting No, none.

Agenda Item #25

Report from the Finance Department regarding Request for Proposals for banking and related services, recommending the selection of American Bank and Trust Company, N.A. and JP Morgan Chase Bank N.A.

Alderman Conroy moved to approve the selection of American Bank and Trust Company, N.A. and JP Morgan Chase Bank N.A. as recommended and authorize the Finance Department to negotiate agreements for discussion purposes. Alderman Brooks seconded.

Alderman Austin commented that due to potential conflict, he would be abstaining from discussion and voting on this issue.

Discussion followed with Alderman Conroy inquiring as to why all of the banking and related services are not going to American Bank. Alderman Conroy added that it looks like they are \$12,000.00 cheaper than the part that is proposed to go to JP Morgan Chase Bank.

Finance Director Cindy Parchert explained the report. Ms. Parchert stated that there are six sections related to the banking services; the selection committee recommended American Bank

and Trust for banking services and they were not the lowest bid. Ms. Parchert advised that any cost savings that could be identified would be quickly eaten up with additional labor to transfer the accounts. Ms. Parchert further explained that JP Morgan Chase Bank was selected for the purchasing card due to their rebate on purchases was larger than any of the others. Ms. Parchert added that the selection committee felt that their purchase card program was better than any of the other vendors that participated in the process.

Alderman Conroy inquired to Ms. Parchert to explain dollar amounts and services.

Ms. Parchert advised that with the purchase card, and based on what the anticipated level of purchases would be, JP Morgan Chase Bank would be providing the City with a rebate of \$27,500.00. It was noted that the rebates with American Bank and Trust with the same level of purchases would be only \$13,825.00.

Ms. Parchert discussed merchant cards as it related to bids and cost.

Council further discussed this item as it related to additional costs for services and cost savings concerning the six sections, which included, banking services, lockbox services, purchasing card, merchant card, loans and printing and mailing services. Council also discussed the quality of services as it related to the request for proposals in general.

After discussion, a voice vote was taken. Mayor Pauley stated that a roll call vote would then be taken because it could not be determined how many were in favor and how many opposed.

The motion then carried by the following Aye and No vote; those voting Aye being; Alderwoman Murphy, Alderman Brooks, Alderman Conroy and Alderman Foley; those voting No, Alderman Tollenaer. Alderman Austin abstained.

Agenda Item #26

Report from the Public Works Department regarding proposals from consulting firms for investigating and assessing the City's water plant filtration and disinfection processes, recommending the selection of CDM Smith, Inc.

It was moved by Alderwoman Murphy and seconded by Alderman Austin to approve the selection of CDM Smith, Inc. as recommended and authorize the Engineering Division to enter into contract negotiations with them. The motion carried by the following Aye and No vote; those voting Aye being; Alderwoman Murphy, Alderman Austin, Alderman Brooks, Alderman Conroy, Alderman Foley and Alderman Tollenaer; those voting No, none.

Agenda Item #27

Report from the Finance Department regarding an adjustment to the Fiscal Year 2013 Budget, recommending increasing the Library Fund in the amount of \$358.26.

Alderman Conroy moved and Alderwoman Murphy seconded to approve the adjustment as recommended. The motion carried by the following Aye and No vote; those voting Aye being;

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

Agenda Item #28

Report from the Finance Department regarding an adjustment to the Fiscal Year 2013 Budget, recommending increasing the General Fund in the amount of \$15,318.32, the Library Fund in the amount of \$1,880.00, the Capital Improvements Fund in the amount of \$277,299.14 and the Park and Recreation Fund in the amount of \$127,000.00 through a transfer from the Gaming Fund.

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

Agenda Item #29

Report from the Public Works Department regarding the elimination of current City-owned vehicles and equipment, recommending the items be declared as surplus as stated in the report.

Alderman Conroy moved and Alderwoman Murphy seconded to approve the request as recommended, refer to the City Attorney for an ordinance and authorize staff to dispose of the items in a manner that is advantageous to the City. The motion carried by the following Aye and No vote; those voting Aye being; Alderwoman Murphy, Alderman Austin, Alderman Brooks, Alderman Conroy, Alderman Foley and Alderman Tollenaer; those voting No, none.

Agenda Item #30

Report from the Community and Economic Development Department regarding a request from Langman Construction and Dan Carothers to vacate a 65 foot long segment of 34th Avenue west of 8th Street.

It was moved by Alderman Austin and seconded by Alderman Conroy to approve the request as recommended and refer to the City Attorney for a vacation ordinance with easements and requirements for curb and gutter to protect the fire hydrant. The motion carried by the following Aye and No vote; those voting Aye being; Alderwoman Murphy, Alderman Austin, Alderman Brooks, Alderman Conroy, Alderman Foley and Alderman Tollenaer; those voting No, none.

Agenda Item #31

Report from the Community and Economic Development Department regarding a request from MetroLink for a Riverfront Corridor Overlay District site plan review for construction of a 2,028 square foot bus transfer station structure with a freestanding sign at approximately 1907 2nd Avenue.

Alderwoman Murphy moved and Alderman Austin seconded to approve the request as recommended. The motion carried by the following Aye and No vote; those voting Aye being;

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

Agenda Item #32

Report from the Community and Economic Development Department regarding a request from Beaver Properties (Robert Buker) for a final site plan and final plat for a segment of an approximate 14 acre total development site at approximately 3200 Blackhawk Road.

It was moved by Alderman Tollenaer and seconded by Alderman Conroy to approve the request as recommended.

Discussion followed.

Alderwoman Murphy inquired about a letter included in the report from a woman that purchased the condo. Alderwoman Murphy inquired as to whether the woman has been offered any kind of a buyout.

Community and Economic Development Director Jeff Eder stated that this is really outside of this realm; she is trying to negotiate through City staff and she really needs to be talking to Mr. Buker directly.

After discussion, the motion carried with five (5) Aldermen voting Aye and one (1) Alderman voting No.

Agenda Item #33

Report from the Traffic Engineering Committee regarding a request from David Gottwalt for the installation of a handicapped parking space at 2931 36th Street.

Note: The motion in the report was to deny the request.

Alderman Conroy moved and Alderman Tollenaer seconded to approve the request for discussion purposes.

Discussion followed. Alderman Conroy commented that Council has never denied a handicapped parking space before, why would it be denied.

Street and Technical Services Manager Randy Tweet stated that the recommendation to deny was based on the input from the neighborhood. Mr. Tweet added that the committee looks at what type of access is available and in this case, there is a driveway.

Mr. David Gottwalt of 2931 36th Street stepped forward. Mr. Gottwalt stated that he didn't really request a handicapped parking space but the officer had written it that way. Mr. Gottwalt added that in the wintertime when there is snowfall and it is plowed, it piles up at the driveway. Mr. Gottwalt stated that he cannot shovel snow anymore.

Alderwoman Murphy inquired as to whether Mr. Gottwalt requested the space because he didn't want anyone parking in front of his house or if he requested the space because he didn't want to shovel the snow.

Mr. Gottwalt replied that it is not the parking in front of the house, it is at the driveway.

After more discussion, Ms. Jane Grahlmann of 2936 36th Street stepped forward. Ms. Grahlmann stated that the reason the parking is in front of Mr. Gottwalt's house is because he petitioned to have parking on one side of the street. Otherwise, the neighbors would be parking in front of their house. It was noted that there is resident parking only on Mr. Gottwalt's side of the street.

Ms. Amy Curtiss of 2924 36th Street stepped forward. Ms. Curtiss stated that Mr. Gottwalt wants handicapped parking so that we cannot park in front of our house; he does not want anyone parking in front of his house. Ms. Curtiss inquired upon Council to please deny the handicapped parking space.

Alderwoman Murphy advised that she would vote to deny the request because by Mr. Gottwalt's own admission, it would not be used for handicapped parking.

At this time, Alderman Brooks withdrew his second and Alderman Conroy withdrew his motion.

Mayor Pauley inquired three times as to whether anyone was going to make a motion on Agenda Item #33. With no motion being made, the item was dropped for lack of a motion.

Agenda Item #34

Report from the Traffic Engineering Committee regarding a request from Chris Thompson, owner of Ganson's Bakery and Cafe for the installation of a pedestrian crosswalk across 38th Street near the cafe.

It was moved by Alderman Austin and seconded by Alderman Conroy to deny the request as recommended for discussion purposes.

Alderman Austin stated that he talked with Ms. Thompson and she didn't realize that there would be a lot more involved than just putting paint across the street. Alderman Austin added that additional sidewalk and curb cuts would be necessary and it would create a crosswalk within a major block of an intersection. Alderman Austin added that Ms. Thompson is happy with the recommendation.

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

Agenda Item #35

Report from the Mayor regarding Reappointments to the Planning Commission and the Board of Zoning Appeals.

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

Michael Creger, David Levin, Norman Moline and Berlinda-Tyler-Jamison were reappointed to the Planning Commission for three year terms ending on April 30, 2015.

Faye Jalloh was reappointed to the Board of Zoning Appeals for a five year term ending on April 30, 2017.

Agenda Item #36

Report from the City Clerk regarding a request from Martinis on the Rock to hold a fundraising event outside on Sunday, August 26, 2012 from 1:00 pm to 8:00 pm at 4619 34th Street.

It was moved by Alderman Tollenaer and seconded by Alderwoman Murphy to approve the event as recommended, subject to complying with all liquor license regulations and subject to being closed down early if noise complaints are received. The motion carried by the following Aye and No vote; those voting Aye being; Alderwoman Murphy, Alderman Austin, Alderman Brooks, Alderman Conroy, Alderman Foley and Alderman Tollenaer; those voting No, none.

Agenda Item #37

Report from the City Clerk regarding a Plaza activity event application from Priscilla Bremer of SK Model Management requesting to host a private wedding in Arts Alley on Saturday, September 15, 2012 beginning at 6:00 pm and requesting a waiver of the application and event fees.

Alderman Austin moved and Alderman Tollenaer seconded to approve the event as recommended, subject to complying with all Plaza regulations.

Discussion followed.

Alderman Conroy stated that he would make an amendment to the motion for the waiver of fees. Alderman Conroy advised that this is a private party; they are not going to drink outside; they will only have a tent outside. Alderman Conroy advised that they are not really using the Plaza; they are just using the area right by their building.

Alderman Austin advised that the City has a lot of entities that request to use public facilities like park shelters and Hauberg Civic Center, and there are fees associated with that use for using public space including weddings, parties, picnics and meetings. Alderman Austin stated that he felt that this item does not fall out of that range of uses.

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

At this time, Alderman Conroy amended the motion. Alderman Conroy moved and Alderwoman Murphy seconded to approve the waiver of fees. The motion did not carry, it was tied by the following Aye and No vote; those voting Aye being; Alderwoman Murphy, Alderman Brooks and Alderman Conroy; those voting No; Alderman Austin, Alderman Foley and Alderman Tollenaer.

Mayor Pauley stated that it is tied three to three. Mayor Pauley broke the tie by voting yes. The motion was then approved.

Agenda Item #38

Report from the City Clerk regarding an Activity Permit application from the Cornbelt Running Club to hold their 24th annual 5K and 10K Run on Sunday, September 16, 2012 from 8:00 am to 9:30 am.

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

Agenda Item #39

Report from the City Clerk regarding two Sound Amplification permits for Augustana College to hold concerts outside on campus grounds from 5:00 pm to midnight on Saturday, August 18, 2012 and Tuesday, October 9, 2012.

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

Agenda Item #40

Report from the City Clerk regarding two Sound Amplification permits for Augustana College to hold concerts outside on campus grounds from 8:00 pm to 11:00 pm on Monday, September 24, 2012 and Monday, April 22, 2013.

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

Agenda Item #41

Report from the City Clerk regarding a request for a Sound Amplification permit from The Refuge for a Tent Revival to be held on Friday, September 7th from 5:00 pm to 9:00 pm, Saturday, September 8th from 10:00 am to 9:00 pm and Sunday, September 9th from 11:00 am to 6:00 pm at 3795 9th Street.

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

Agenda Item #42

Report from the City Clerk regarding a request for a Street Closing at 23rd Street between 20½ Avenue and 2025 23rd Street for a block party, along with a sound amplification permit for Saturday, September 8, 2012 from 4:30 pm to midnight.

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

Agenda Item #43

Report from the City Clerk regarding a request for a Street Closing at 45th Street between 6th and 7th Avenue and the alley east of 4501 7th Avenue; along with a Sound Amplification permit for the East End Neighborhood Fair to be held on Saturday, September 8, 2012 from 11:45 am to 5:15 pm.

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

Agenda Item #44

Other Business

Alderman Brooks inquired upon Parks and Recreation Director Bill Nelson to comment on the groundbreaking for the new Martin Luther King Jr. Park.

Mr. Nelson stated that on Friday August 24th at 10:00 am, a groundbreaking will be held for the new Martin Luther King Jr. Park that is across the street from the Martin Luther King Center. Mr. Nelson commented that Senator Mike Jacobs helped the City obtain some funds to build the park. Mr. Nelson added that Senator Jacobs will be there on August 24th.

Alderman Brooks invited everyone to this groundbreaking event.

Alderwoman Murphy reminded everyone to Shop Rock Island. Alderwoman Murphy stated that she read an article in the paper in regards to Casino Player, which is the country's largest gaming publication. Alderwoman Murphy noted that Jumer's Casino & Hotel is part of the Chicago land region for voting. Alderwoman Murphy advised that Jumer's Casino & Hotel won 14 1st place awards for overall gaming resort; best casino, best hotel, best rooms and suites; best players club, best comps, best dealers, best real slots, video slots and blackjack, best nightclub and steakhouse and the casino where you feel the luckiest. It was noted that Jumer's also won five 2nd place

awards, which included; best spa, best poker and table game tournaments, best light poker and best entertainment. Alderwoman Murphy stated that they also won three 3rd place awards for best buffet, coffee shop and roulette.

Alderwoman Murphy commented that Hal Jackson is the owner of the District Mini Mart, which is a new business downtown and it is located at 1806 3rd Avenue. Alderwoman Murphy encouraged everyone to shop local; Shop Rock Island.

Mr. Terry Tilka, property owner at 1815 2nd Avenue stepped forward.

Mr. Tilka addressed Council and stated that in the last several weeks, there has been some serious problems downtown with loitering of young people on the Plaza between the hours of 1:00 am and 3:00 am. Mr. Tilka inquired upon Council to reconsider closing off 2nd Avenue the way it was years ago. Mr. Tilka voiced concerns regarding the Plaza not having any rules or regulations about loitering. Mr. Tilka also voiced concerns in regards to the issue of buses parking in the alleys and dropping people off.

Agenda Item #45

Executive Session on Litigation.

A motion was made by Alderman Austin and seconded by Alderwoman Murphy at 8:04 pm to recess to Executive Session on matters of Litigation. The motion carried on a roll call vote. Those voting Aye being; Alderwoman Murphy, Alderman Austin, Alderman Brooks, Alderman Conroy, Alderman Foley and Alderman Tollenaer; those voting No, none.

Agenda Item #46

Recess

Mayor Pauley reconvened the regular meeting at 8:10 pm. A motion was made by Alderman Brooks and seconded by Alderwoman Murphy to recess to Monday, August 27, 2012 at 5:30 pm. The motion carried by the following Aye and No vote: those voting Aye being; Alderwoman Murphy, Alderman Austin, Alderman Brooks, Alderman Conroy, Alderman Foley and Alderman Tollenaer; those voting No, none.

The meeting was recessed at 8:11 pm.

Aleisha L. Patchin, City Clerk