Regular City Council Meeting June 27, 2017 (Tuesday, June 27, 2017)
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City Council Members present
Councilwoman Jessica Bradshaw, Councilman Jeffrey Doherty, Councilman Tom Grant, Councilwoman Carolin Harvey, Councilman Navreet Kang, Councilman Adam Loos, Mayor John M Henry

Prior to the start of the meeting, the oath of office was administered to Carbondale Police Officer Cody Schaefer.

Meeting called to order at 7:00 PM

1. Preliminaries to the City Council Meeting
Procedural: 1.1 **Roll Call**

Procedural: 1.2 General Announcements and Proclamations

City Manager Williams announced the fireworks display will be at the Superblock on Tuesday, July 4.

Councilwoman Bradshaw announced a fundraiser for the Women's Center to take place at Cool Spoons on Wednesday, July 5.

Procedural: 1.3 Citizens' Comments and Questions
None.

Procedural, Reports, Public Hearing: 1.4 Public Hearings and Special Reports

The public hearing regarding two ¼ % Home Rule Sales Taxes expiring on January 1, 2018 was called to order at 7:02 p.m.

On Sunday, June 18, 2017, a notice was published in the Southern Illinoisan announcing that a public hearing would be scheduled at the June 27th Council meeting. The purpose of the public hearing is to allow ample opportunity for the public to make comments regarding the two 1/4% home rule sales taxes that may expire on January 1, 2018. The City Council will consider ordinances later in the agenda that address the future of the sales taxes.

Scott Thorne expressed his opposition to the continuation of the two one-quarter percent sales taxes. He indicated that his objection was not to the sales taxes *per se*, but rather the rolling over of the sales taxes.

The public hearing was declared closed at 7:05 p.m.

2. Consent Agenda of the City Council
Action (Consent): 2.1 Approval of the City Council Meeting Minutes from June 6, 2017
Resolution: Approve the meeting minutes from the Regular City Council meeting of June 6, 2017

Action (Consent): 2.2 Approval of Warrant for the Period Ending: 05/22/2017 FY 2017 and FY 2018 Warrants 1303 and 1304 in the combined amount of $3,047,177.68 *(Exhibit A-06-27-2017)*

Resolution: Accept the following report of payments made for the period ended: 05/22/2017 totaling $3,047,177.68

Action (Consent): 2.3 Approval of Warrant for the Period Ending: 06/05/2017 FY 2018 Warrants 1305 in the combined amount of $2,149,527.64
Resolution: Accept the following report of payments made for the period ended: 06/05/2017 totaling $2,149,527.64 *(Exhibit B-06-27-2017)*

Action (Consent): 2.4 Acceptance of Approved Meeting Minutes from Boards, Commissions, and Committees
Resolution: Accept the approved meeting minutes from the Boards, Commissions, and Committees and place them on file

Action (Consent): 2.5 Award of Purchase of MFT Maintenance Materials for FY2018
Resolution: It is requested that the purchase of MFT Maintenance Materials be conditionally awarded pending IDOT's concurrence to: Illini Asphalt, Benton, IL, for Section 18-00000-02-GM Group A in the amount of $41,633.19; Section 18-00000-01-GM Groups A,C,E and G to Beelman Logistics LLC of East St Louis, IL, in the amount of $20,084 and Group F to Marathon Petroleum of Benton IL in the amount of $13,062.50. It is further requested that the purchase of Non-MFT Maintenance Materials be awarded to Beelman Logistics LLC, East St Louis, IL, for Groups B and D in the amount of $21,640

Action (Consent): 2.6 Award of Contract for the Installation of Landscaping and 3 years of Maintenance as Part of the Illinois Avenue Streetscape Improvements Project (SP 0904) to Jason Shoot, in the Amount of $34,793
Resolution: It is recommended that the City Council award the Contract for the installation and 3 years of maintenance of landscaping as part of the Illinois Avenue Streetscape Improvements to Jason Shoot in the amount of $34,793.

Action (Consent): 2.7 Award of Purchase of (5) Ford Pick-up Trucks for Various City Divisions in the Amount of $128,324
Resolution: The City Council is requested to award the purchase of: (1) 2018 Ford F-150 4X4 Pickup in the amount of $27,092 (3) 2018 Ford F-150 Pickups in the amount of $72,198 with trade-in allowances of $2,000 for a total of $70,198 (1) 2017 F-250 4X4 Pickup in the amount of $31,534 The City Council is also requested to declare these vehicles as surplus to be traded in: 1995 Ford F-150 Pickup, VIN# 1FTDF15Y9SLA98855 2005 Dodge Dakota, VIN# 1D7HE22K95S176867 1995 Ford F-150 Pickup, VIN# 1FTDF15Y0SLA98856 1994 Ford Aerostar, VIN# 1FTCA14U0RZA54680 2003 Ford Crown Victoria, VIN# 2FAHP71W13X146140

Action (Consent): 2.8 Ordinance Accepting an ILEAS Explosive Ordinance Disposal Unit Robot and Approving a Budget Adjustment to Increase the Police Department's FY2018 Budget in the Amount of $44,500
Resolution: It is recommended the City Council approve an Ordinance accepting the EOD robot; approve a budget adjustment increasing the Police Department's FY 2018 budget in the amount of $44,500; and authorize the City Manager, or his designee, to execute such assurances, certifications and other documents as may be necessary to accept the robot. *(Ordinance 2017-25; Exhibit C-06-27-2017)*

Action (Consent): 2.9 An Ordinance Adopting a Labor Agreement Between the City of Carbondale, Illinois and Local No. 160 United Association of Journeymen and Apprentices of the Plumbing and Pipefitting Industry of the Unites States and Canada, AFL-CIO
Resolution: Approve an Ordinance Adopting a Labor Agreement Between the City of Carbondale, Illinois and Local No. 160 United Association of Journeymen and Apprentices of the Plumbing and Pipefitting Industry of the Unites States and Canada, AFL-CIO *(Ordinance 2017-26; Exhibit D-06-27-2017)*

Action (Consent): 2.10 Award of Contract for Northwest Wastewater Treatment Plant Storage Pad
Resolution: Award the Contract for the Northwest Wastewater Treatment Plant Storage Pad to Evrard-Strang Construction of Marion, Illinois in the Amount of $28,102.85

Action (Consent): 2.11 Resolution to Accept a Permanent Easement from Mark Garwin, President of M.R. Beans, Inc., for the Continuation of a Parking Lot Along the 600 block of South Illinois Avenue
Resolution: Resolution to accept a permanent easement from Mark Garwin and authorize the City Clerk to record said easement with the Jackson County Clerk and Recorder's Office *(Resolution 2017-R-39; Exhibit E-06-27-2017)*

Action (Consent): 2.12 A Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Enter into an Agreement with West Bus Service, Inc. in the Amount of $24,975 to Provide Transportation/Shuttle Services During the Eclipse
Resolution: Adopt the Resolution authorizing the City Manager to enter into an agreement with West Bus Service, Inc. to provide transportation/shuttle service from the designated parking areas to City Hall for the downtown solar eclipse festivities *(Resolution 2017-R-40; Exhibit F-06-27-2017)*

Action (Consent): 2.13 Approve a Five-Year Service Agreement with Frontier Communications in the Annual Amount of $20,304 to Provide Free Wi-Fi Internet in Downtown Carbondale
Resolution: It's recommended that the City Council approve a Five-Year Service Agreement with Frontier Communications in the Annual Amount of $20,304 to Provide Free Wi-Fi Internet in Downtown Carbondale

Action (Consent): 2.14 Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Enter into a Contract to Purchase Real Estate and to Accept a Quitclaim Deed from Trinity Services Foundation to Construct a Bicycle/Pedestrian Path
Resolution: Approve a Resolution authorizing the City Manager enter into a sales contract to purchase real estate and to accept a Quitclaim Deed from Trinity Services Foundation for two right-of-way parcels near New Era Road for the construction of bicycle/pedestrian path *(Resolution 2017-R-41; Exhibit G-06-27-2017)*

Action (Consent): 2.15 Approval of Consent Agenda Items
Resolution: Approval of all Consent Agenda Items which were not pulled for separate consideration

MOTION: Approve Consent Agenda Items 2.1 through 2.14

Motion by Adam Loos, second by Jeffrey Doherty.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Jessica Bradshaw, Jeffrey Doherty, Tom Grant, Carolin Harvey, Navreet Kang, Adam Loos, John M Henry

3. <u>General Business of the City Council</u>
Action: 3.1 Ordinance Amending Title Nine of the Carbondale Revised Code as it Relates to Fares Charged by Taxicab or Transportation Network Companies

Council inquired about the fare options available, how the public will be made aware of the fees, which company TNC drivers were operating on behalf of, inquiries about the inspections, and whether the City zone map could still be utilized.

Scott Thorne inquired if pedicabs would be included in the regulations being adopted.

MOTION: Adopt an Ordinance Amending Title Nine of the Carbondale Revised Code as it relates to fares charged by Taxicab or Transportation Network Companies

Motion by Adam Loos, second by Carolin Harvey.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Jessica Bradshaw, Jeffrey Doherty, Tom Grant, Carolin Harvey, Navreet Kang, Adam Loos, John M Henry *(Ordinance 2017-27; Exhibit H-06-27-2017)*

Action: 3.2 Ordinance Adding territory to the Jackson County – Murphysboro – Carbondale Enterprise Zone (9.1 acres north of Murphysboro)

MOTION: Adopt an Ordinance approving an expansion of the Jackson County-Murphysboro-Carbondale Enterprise Zone to add a 9.1-acre parcel located north of Murphysboro, as more specifically described in attached Exhibits A-42 and B-42

Motion by Jeffrey Doherty, second by Tom Grant.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Jessica Bradshaw, Jeffrey Doherty, Tom Grant, Carolin Harvey, Navreet Kang, Adam Loos, John M Henry *(Ordinance 2017-28; Exhibit I-06-27-2017)*

Action: 3.3 Ordinance Amending Title 7 of the Carbondale Revised Code to Repeal the Sunset Provision for a 1/4% Home Rule Sales Tax Established in Ordinance 2014-10, and Ordinance Affirming and Maintaining the 1/4% Home Rule Sales Tax Established in Ordinance 99-06

Council questions and comments included an inquiry as to whether the sales tax established by Ordinance 99-06 will remain in effect if the Ordinance amending it does not pass; whether the Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors has taken a position on the Ordinances; a desire to take time to look at all the revenues and their allocation; setting Council priorities for expenditures before determining whether to extend the sales taxes; the original intent of the individual Ordinances; a suggestion to repeal and replace the taxes with those established for different purposes; remarks regarding the food and beverage and package liquor taxes as it relates to the two ¼% sales taxes; slowing down the pace of capital improvements; the establishment of the City Council's priorities during the budget process and through the passage of the budget; the need for improvements throughout the City, particularly as it relates to drawing student population; the tactics of other university cities as it relates to improvements in order to increase student enrollment; the impact of the Jackson County 1% sales tax for schools; the budget as a policy document; the effect of removing these two sales taxes; from where budgetary cuts would be made should these taxes be removed; an appropriate time to look at making budgetary cuts; concerns about the impact of the State budget impasse; who will be impacted the most by sales taxes;

current City staffing levels compared with prior years; suggestions for alternative fees and revenues; the primary sources of budgetary increases; discussion regarding regressive/progressive taxes and alternative fees or taxes to compensate for these two sales taxes; staffing levels for the police department, and an interest in having an analysis of all revenues and expenditures. City Council members shared their own thoughts and reasoning for taking action either in favor of or in opposition to the Ordinances.

Scott Thorne noted that the Chamber of Commerce had no official position one way or the other and inquired about what is exempted from the tax (cars, unprepared foods, medications).

MOTION: Amend Title 7 of the Carbondale Revised Code to repeal the sunset provision in Ordinance 2014-10, maintaining the 1/4% home rule sales tax

Motion by Adam Loos, second by Tom Grant.
Motion Carries
Yea: Tom Grant, Carolin Harvey, Adam Loos, John M Henry
Nay: Jessica Bradshaw, Jeffrey Doherty, Navreet Kang *(Ordinance 2017-29; Exhibit J-06-27-2017)*

MOTION: Adopt an Ordinance affirming and maintain the 1/4% home rule sales tax established in Ordinance 99-06

Motion by Adam Loos, second by Tom Grant.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Tom Grant, Carolin Harvey, Adam Loos, John M Henry
Nay: Jessica Bradshaw, Jeffrey Doherty, Navreet Kang *(Ordinance 2017-30; Exhibit K-06-27-2017)*

4. <u>Council Comments for the City Council</u>
Information: 4.1 An opportunity for City Council members to offer general comments

Mayor Henry stated that the Council will be entering executive session, but there will be no action taken as a result of the discussion.

Councilman Loos suggested having the fireworks at Evergreen Park next year; Mayor indicated the Interim Chancellor has agreed to hold them at SIU.

Councilwoman Harvey encouraged citizens to please drive carefully over the holiday weekend.

Councilwoman Bradshaw encouraged citizens to consider their pets' safety as it relates to fireworks.

5. <u>Executive Session</u>
Action: 5.1 **Vote to Enter into Executive Session**

MOTION: Enter an Executive Session as permitted under the Illinois Open Meetings Act, 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(5) and (c)(6) to discuss the purchase or lease of real property for the use of the public body, including meetings held for the purpose of discussing whether a particular parcel should be acquired and the setting of a price for sale or lease of property owned by the public body

Motion by Jeffrey Doherty, second by Tom Grant.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Jessica Bradshaw, Jeffrey Doherty, Tom Grant, Carolin Harvey, Navreet Kang, Adam Loos, John M Henry

Open Session recessed at 8:11 p.m.

Action: 5.2 **Leave Executive Session and Return to Open Session**

MOTION: Return to Open Session

Motion by Jeffrey Doherty, second by Tom Grant.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Jessica Bradshaw, Jeffrey Doherty, Tom Grant, Carolin Harvey, Navreet Kang, Adam Loos, John M Henry

Open Session resumed at 8:57 p.m.

6. Adjournment of the City Council Meeting
Procedural: 6.1 **Adjourn meeting**

The City Council meeting adjourned at 8:57 p.m.

Submitted by: Approved:

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Jennifer R. Sorrell, City Clerk