

Regular City Council Meeting August 1, 2017 (Tuesday, August 1, 2017)

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City Council Members present

Councilwoman Jessica Bradshaw, Councilman Jeff Doherty, Councilman Tom Grant, Councilwoman Carolin Harvey, Councilman Navreet Kang, Councilman Adam Loos, and Mayor John M Henry

Meeting called to order at 7:03 PM

1. Preliminaries to the City Council Meeting

Procedural: 1.1 Roll Call

Procedural: 1.2 General Announcements and Proclamations

City Manager Williams noted that the eclipse would be in 20 days and that volunteers are still needed; he indicated that the refuse route would be delayed by one day.

Councilwoman Bradshaw announced a fundraiser for the Women's Center at Cool Spoons on Wednesday, and Jennifer Howell will perform on Friday at the Varsity Center for the Arts, and a public arts reception at Carbondale Community Arts.

Councilman Kang noted that there are vacancies on Boards and Commissions, he asked citizens to contact the City Manager or City Clerk to express their interest in serving.

Procedural: 1.3 Citizens' Comments and Questions

Lisa Knight voiced her concern about the registration process for operating her home as a vacation rental location for the Eclipse. Councilman Loos made inquiries regarding the passage and enforcement of the Ordinance.

Donald Monty asked the City Council to consider how to better inform the public about zoning text amendments.

Sarah Heyer presented an update on the activities of Keep Carbondale Beautiful including tree varietal awards and preparations for the Eclipse.

M Stalls asked about why some potholes were repaired with concrete while others were repaired with asphalt; she asked that concrete repairs be utilized. She then requested additional refuse containers on specific street corners and near a ditch.

Procedural, Reports: 1.4 Public Hearings and Special Reports

2. Consent Agenda of the City Council

Action (Consent): 2.1 Approval of Minutes from the Regular City Council Meeting of July 18, 2017

Resolution: Approve the meeting minutes from the Regular City Council meeting of July 18, 2017.

Action (Consent): 2.2 Approval of Wells Fargo Warrant for the Period Ending 05/31/2017 FY 2018 Warrant # WF 05/2017 in the amount of \$195,588.13

Resolution: Accept the following report of payments made for the period ended: 05/31/2017 totaling \$195,588.13 (*Exhibit A-08-01-2017*)

Action (Consent): 2.3 Approval of Warrant for the Period Ending: 07/03/2017 FY 2018 Warrant 1307 in the Amount of \$769,816.09

Resolution: Accept the following report of payments made for the period ended: 07/03/2017 totaling \$769,816.09 (*Exhibit B-08-01-2017*)

Action (Consent): 2.4 An Ordinance Authorizing a Budget Adjustment of \$28,021 to the Information Services, Equipment Maintenance, Building Maintenance, Street Maintenance, and Lake Management Divisions to Provide for Repairs to Equipment Caused by the April 28-29 Storm.

Resolution: Approve an Ordinance Authorizing a Budget Adjustment to Provide Funds for the Repair of Municipal Equipment Damaged in the April 28-29 Storms. (*Ordinance 2017-34; Exhibit C-08-01-2017*)

Action (Consent): 2.5 A Resolution to Approve Jeff Williams' Request for a Special Use Permit for a Two-Unit Dwelling in a PAR, Professional Administrative, Residential, Zoning District at 806 West Main Street

Resolution: Adopt a Resolution Approving Jeff Williams' Request for a Special Use Permit for a Two-Unit Dwelling in a PAR, Professional Administrative Office, Residential, Zoning District at 806 West Main Street (*Resolution 2017-R-43; Exhibit D-08-01-2017*)

Action (Consent): 2.6 A Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Submit a 2017 Urban and Community Forestry Program Grant Application for Funding of a Tree Inventory and Management Plan

Resolution: Adopt a Resolution Authorizing The City Manager To Submit A 2017 Urban And Community Forestry Program Grant Application For Funding Of A Tree Inventory And Management Plan (*Resolution 2017-R-44; Exhibit E-08-01-2017*)

Action: 2.7 Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Submit an Application for DRA Grant Funds for a Downtown Pocket Park

Pulled by J. Doherty

Action (Consent): 2.8 Approval of Consent Agenda Items

Resolution: Approval of all Consent Agenda Items which were not pulled for separate consideration

MOTION: Approval of Consent Agenda Items 2.1 - 2.6

Motion by Navreet Kang, second by Jessica Bradshaw.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Jessica Bradshaw, Jeff Doherty, Tom Grant, Carolin Harvey, Navreet Kang, Adam Loos, John M Henry

Action: 2.7 Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Submit an Application for DRA Grant Funds for a Downtown Pocket Park

Council members expressed favor for or opposition to the proposed location for the pocket park, utilizing the parcel for retail development, and shared concerns expressed to them by citizens. Alternative suggestions were proposed.

Charlie Howe expressed his favor for a large downtown park. Dave Foster expressed opposition to the park based on budgetary concerns.

MOTION: Adopt the Resolution authorizing the City Manager to submit an application for DRA grant funds for a Downtown Pocket Park. (*Resolution 2017-R-45; Exhibit F-08-01-2017*)

Motion by Adam Loos, second by Carolin Harvey.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Jessica Bradshaw, Tom Grant, Carolin Harvey, Adam Loos, John M Henry

Nay: Jeff Doherty, Navreet Kang

3. General Business of the City Council

Action: 3.1 An Ordinance Authorizing Acceptance of a Grant from FM Global in the Amount of \$2,135 and Approve a Budget Adjustment to Increase the Fire Department's FY2018 Budget in the Amount of \$2,135

Council inquired as to why this item was on the General Business portion of the agenda.

MOTION: Accept a Grant from FM Global in the Amount of \$2,135 and Approve a Budget Adjustment to Increase the Fire Department's FY2018 Budget in the Amount of \$2,135

Motion by Adam Loos, second by Tom Grant.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Jessica Bradshaw, Jeff Doherty, Tom Grant, Carolin Harvey, Navreet Kang, Adam Loos, John M Henry (*Ordinance 2017-35; Exhibit G-08-01-2017*)

Action: 3.2 An Ordinance to Regulate the Operation of Unmanned Aircraft Systems near the Southern Illinois Airport

Council noted discrepancies in the Ordinance that referred to the County instead of the City; these were corrected at the table. Council inquired about weight restrictions and height of flight restrictions for UAVs.

Steve Bost provided clarification to the City Council regarding the proposed restrictions.

MOTION: Adopt an ordinance, as amended, to regulate the operation of unmanned aircraft systems near the Southern Illinois Airport.

Motion by Jeff Doherty, second by Tom Grant.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Jessica Bradshaw, Jeff Doherty, Tom Grant, Carolin Harvey, Navreet Kang, Adam Loos, John M Henry (*Ordinance 2017-36; Exhibit H-08-01-2017*)

Action: 3.3 An Ordinance Approving a Text Amendment to Title 15 of the Carbondale Revised Code as it Relates to Accessory Dwelling Units

Council shared concerns they had received from the citizens and noted their own concerns about, support for or opposition to, the Ordinance. Additional City Council comments addressed the process which brought this Ordinance to the Council, waiting to take action on the item, preservation of single-family zoning districts, possible benefits and detriments in allowing ADUs, additional resources needed for and challenges of enforcement, loopholes in the Ordinance, whether or not there would be a proliferation of ADUs, commendation for the civil conduct of the Council, and the Council's consideration of the City in all decisions.

Don Monty remarked on the process of placing items on the agenda and expressed opposition to adopting the Ordinance as it relates to preserving R-1 neighborhoods and enforcement. Sarah Heyer offered alternatives to the Ordinance.

MOTION: Approve the Proposed Text Amendment to Title 15 of the Carbondale Revised Code as it relates to Accessory Dwelling Units

Motion by Adam Loos, second by Carolin Harvey.

Final Resolution: Motion Fails

Yea: Jessica Bradshaw, Adam Loos

Nay: Jeff Doherty, Tom Grant, Carolin Harvey, Navreet Kang, John M Henry

4. Council Comments for the City Council

Information: 4.1 An opportunity for City Council members to offer general comments

Councilman Loos noted that there is a section on the agenda which allows Council discussion, agreed with Councilwoman Harvey's suggestion regarding looking into alternate means of notifying the public about text amendments, remarked on the current process of establishing the agenda, and commented on revisiting the Accessory Dwelling Units subject at a later time.

Council members Grant, Harvey, Kang, and Mayor Henry commented on the upcoming solar eclipse, the planning and work already undertaken by City Staff, and made suggestions regarding preparations that citizens should consider.

Councilwoman Bradshaw suggested revisiting the topic of rental property inspection fees.

Councilman Loos reviewed the City Code language regarding placing items on the agenda.

5. Executive Session of the City Council

Action: 5.1 Vote to Enter into Executive Session

MOTION: Enter into an Executive Session to discuss the setting of a price for sale or lease of property owned by the public body as permitted under the Illinois Open Meetings Act, 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(6)citing the specific exemption(s) for which they will be meeting

Motion by Adam Loos, second by Tom Grant.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Jessica Bradshaw, Jeff Doherty, Tom Grant, Carolin Harvey, Navreet Kang, Adam Loos, John M Henry *Open Session recessed at 9:16 p.m.*

Action: 5.2 Leave Executive Session and Return to Open Session

Open Session resumed at 9:58

MOTION: Return to Open Session

Motion by Adam Loos, second by Navreet Kang.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Jessica Bradshaw, Jeff Doherty, Tom Grant, Carolin Harvey, Navreet Kang, Adam Loos, John M Henry *Open Session resumed at 9:58 p.m.*

6. Adjournment of the City Council Meeting

Procedural: 6.1 Adjourn meeting

There being no further business to come before the public body, the meeting was declared adjourned at 9:59 p.m.

Jennifer R. Sorrell, City Clerk

Date