

Regular City Council Meeting October 3, 2017 (Tuesday, October 3, 2017)

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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 7:00 PM

1. Preliminaries to the City Council Meeting

Procedural: 1.1 Roll Call

Procedural: 1.2 General Announcements and Proclamations

Mayor Henry announced the birth of his ninth grandson, Oliver.

Councilwoman Harvey announced that the African American Museum will hold a financial aid workshop on Thursday, October 5.

Councilwoman Bradshaw announced that the Sparrow Coalition is collecting cold weather items for those in need and noted the upcoming Heartland Solar Tour on Saturday, October 7.

Procedural: 1.3 Citizens' Comments and Questions

Ted Gutierrez updated the Council on the Human Relation Commission's activities and extended an invitation to those present to attend their meetings. He expressed support for the TIGER Grant application.

Margaret Polovich expressed concern about how the rezoning of the former fire department will impact the resale ability of nearby properties.

Information, Procedural: 1.4 Public Hearings and Special Reports

Jason Sigler introduced Preservation Commission member Kevin Clark. Mr. Clark gave a presentation on the Commission's request to declare a City-owned property located at the corner of East College and South Marion Streets as "Founders Park." His presentation included updates on the Commission's collaboration with various entities to assist in the construction of the park.

2. Consent Agenda of the City Council

Action (Consent): 2.1 Approval of the City Council Meeting Minutes of September 19, 2017

Resolution: Approve the minutes of the regular City Council meeting of September 19, 2017

Action (Consent): 2.2 Approval of Warrant for the Period Ending: 09/11/2017 FY 2018 Warrant 1312 in the Amount of \$1,386,970.69

Resolution: Accept the following report of payments made for the period ended: 09/11/2017 totaling \$1,386,970.69 (*Exhibit A-10-04-2017*)

Action (Consent): 2.3 Approval of the Purchase of Lights and Poles for the Drainways/Greenways Path from Springfield Electric of Carbondale Illinois in the amount of \$30,004.35

Resolution: Approve the purchase of lights and poles from Springfield Electric of Carbondale, IL in the amount of \$30,004.34

Action: 2.4 Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Execute an Engineering Agreement with Thouvenot, Wade & Moerchen, Inc. (TWM) of Swansea, IL in the Amount of \$125,300 for the Design of the Northwest Pedestrian and Bicycle Path (OS1704)

Pulled by J. Doherty

Action: 2.5 Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Execute an Engineering Agreement with RJN Group in the Amount of \$160,400 for Continued Work on the City's Sanitary Sewer Inflow and Infiltration Study (SA1301)

Pulled by J. Doherty

Action (Consent): 2.6 Approve an Obligation Retirement Resolution for the 2006 Street Improvement Program Bonds Payment of \$450,000 from State Motor Fuel Tax (MFT) Funds

Resolution: Approve the Obligation Retirement Resolution for the City's 2006 Street Improvement Program to retire a portion of the bonds, including interest, from the City's annual allotment of State Motor Fuel Tax Revenues. (*Resolution 2017-R-54; Exhibit D-10-03-2017*)

Action (Consent): 2.7 Resolution to Approve the Name of City-Owned Property as Founders Park and to Place a Sign on Said Property

Resolution: Approve the resolution to approve the name of City-owned property as Founders Park and to place a sign on said property. (*Resolution 2017-R-55; Exhibit E-10-03-2017*)

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 all Consent Agenda Items which were not pulled for separate consideration

Motion by Carolin Harvey, second by Navreet Kang.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

Action: 2.4 Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Execute an Engineering Agreement with Thouvenot, Wade & Moerchen, Inc. (TWM) of Swansea, IL in the Amount of \$125,300 for the Design of the Northwest Pedestrian and Bicycle Path (OS1704)

Concerns raised included details in the proposed agreement such as no indemnification for the City, the ownership of the records, liability limitations, the length of time for the design period, a lack of a performance clause addressing the completion timeline, and a typographical error under the fee section. Public Works Director Sean Henry responded to these concerns.

Margaret Polovich asked about the location of this pathway. Ed VanAwken noted his agreement with Councilman Doherty's comments and offered an alternate bike path location.

MOTION: Approve a Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Execute an Engineering Agreement with Thouvenot, Wade & Moerchen, Inc. (TWM) of Swansea, IL in the Amount of \$125,300 for the Design of the Northwest Pedestrian and Bicycle Path (OS1704)

Motion by Adam Loos, second by Tom Grant.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

Nay: Jeff Doherty, Navreet Kang (*Resolution 2017-R-52; Exhibit B-10-03-2017*)

Action: 2.5 Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Execute an Engineering Agreement with RJN Group in the Amount of \$160,400 for Continued Work on the City's Sanitary Sewer Inflow and Infiltration Study (SA1301)

Comments - do not support the use of the consultant's contract.

Approve a Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Execute an Engineering Agreement with RJN Group the Amount of \$160,400 for Continued Work on the City's Sanitary Sewer Inflow and Infiltration Study (SA1301)

Motion by Adam Loos, second by Carolin Harvey.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

Nay: Jeff Doherty (*Resolution 2017-R-53; Exhibit C-10-03-2017*)

3. General Business of the City Council

Action: 3.1 Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Submit an Application for TIGER Funding for a Multi-Modal Station

Council questions and comments included a change in the project name from that of last year's application, the need for transportation along the Route 13 corridor, the support being sought by elected representatives, the importance of the facility for the area, inquiries as to why the grant was not awarded to us last year, what the project had previously been titled, whether there had been a change in cost, and when we might find out the outcome.

MOTION: Approve a resolution authorizing the City Manager to submit an application for TIGER funding for a multi-modal station.

Motion by Jessica Bradshaw, second by Navreet Kang.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Jessica Bradshaw, Jeff Doherty, Tom Grant, Carolin Harvey, Navreet Kang, Adam Loos, John M Henry (*Resolution 2017-R-56;Exhibit F-10-03-2017*)

Discussion: **3.2 Discussion of Community Investment Project (CIP) priorities for the Local Improvement Fund Budget**

Public Works Director Sean Henry reviewed three handouts which outlined CIP projects over the next five years; some of the projects have grant funds attached which limits the ability to defer action on their implementation. City Council members requested additional details on certain projects in order to determine the prioritization of projects and offered their own recommendations on delaying specific projects in order to pursue others. Staff will review the recommendations and accommodate as many as possible based on the City Council's direction.

Donald Monty asked about the status of the Lewis Lane sidewalk project, remarked on the importance of replacing corrugated piping, requested clarification on the Schwartz Street bonds, indicated that a new street study is needed, noted the complications with the greenways/drainways project, touched on the issues involved in assuming the Park District responsibilities, and argued for the need to repair the off-street bike path on Giant City Road.

Margaret Polovich noted problems caused by traffic signals on Oakland and Walnut and the safety concerns they raise; she expressed the need for additional lighting in the same area.

4. Council Comments for the City Council

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

Councilman Kang expressed his sorrow about the incident which occurred in Las Vegas.

Councilman Loos inquired whether it would be possible to return a city-maintained section of street to brick. Councilman Doherty asked about the patching of the same area. Mr. Loos then responded to Mr. Kang's comment regarding the violence in Las Vegas.

5. Executive Session

None.

6. Adjournment of the City Council Meeting

Procedural: **6.1 Adjourn meeting**

The Carbondale City Council adjourned at 9:37 p.m.

Submitted by:

Approved:
