

Regular City Council Meeting November 10, 2020 (Tuesday, November 10, 2020)

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Council Members present

Councilmember Jeff Doherty, Councilmember Lee Fronabarger, Councilmember Tom Grant, Councilmember Carolin Harvey, Councilmember Adam Loos, Councilmember Jessica Bradshaw, and Mayor John M Henry

Meeting called to order at 6:01 PM

1. Preliminaries to the City Council Meeting

Procedural: 1.1 Roll Call

Procedural: 1.2 Citizens' Comments and Questions

Procedural: 1.3 Council Comments, General Announcements, and Proclamations - National Apprenticeship Week

City Manager Williams introduced Robert Jones, the new Carbondale F.O.P. Representative. Mr. Jones thanked the City for inviting him to the meeting and provided an overview of his goals toward relationship building with the City.

Mayor Henry proclaimed the week of November 8 through 14, 2020, as National Apprenticeship Week in the City of Carbondale and encouraged all citizens to recognize the impact apprenticeship has on closing the skill gap and preparing the workforce for the jobs of today and tomorrow.

Councilmember Fronabarger asked the City Manager who it was that initiated and applied for the Rebuild Illinois grant funds which were awarded and who would be administering the grant. City Manager Williams stated that while the Park District is a co-applicant, City Staff did the work for the grant application. He also noted that City Staff would be administering the grant.

Councilmember Harvey thanked veterans for their service to the country and reminded citizens about the virtual Veterans Day broadcast.

City Manager Williams advised the public of two free community testing dates at the Hopewell Baptist Church. Council members encouraged community members to attend and remarked on the quickness of the testing and results.

2. Public Hearings and Special Reports

Discussion, Information: 2.1 Analysis and Discussion of General Fund Major Sources of Revenue for FY21

Finance Director Davis reviewed the returns for the 2.5% Home Rule Sales Tax, the 1.0% Sales Tax, the hotel/motel tax, the 2% Food and Beverage Tax, and the 4% Package Liquor Tax.

City Council members asked about the figures for March and April (FY 20), projecting how further mitigation might impact figures, asked to receive updates on a monthly basis, comparison with Marion's reported projections, and inquired about the cannabis sales tax.

3. Consent Agenda of the City Council

Action (Consent): 3.1 **Minutes from the Regular City Council Meeting of October 27, 2020**

Resolution: Approve the minutes from the Regular City Council meeting of October 27, 2020

Action (Consent): 3.2 **Approval of Warrant for the Period Ending: 10/30/2020 for the FY 2021 Warrant 1393 in the Total Amount of \$856,957.09**

Resolution: Accept the following report of payments made for the period ended: 10/30/2020 totaling \$856,957.09 (*Exhibit A-11-10-2020*)

Action (Consent): 3.3 **Review and Acceptance of the Preservation Commission's Annual Certified Local Government (CLG) Report for FY 2020**

Resolution: Approve and place on file the City of Carbondale Preservation Commission's Annual CLG Report for the Fiscal Year ending April 30, 2020.

Action: 3.4 **Ordinance Approving, and a Resolution Denying, Brian Rhodes' Request to Designate 2603 West Sunset Drive as a Landmark District on the Carbondale Register of Historic Places**

Pulled by J. Henry

Action (Consent): 3.5 **Appointments to Boards and Commissions**

Resolution: Council is requested to concur with the Mayor's recommended appointments to Boards and Commissions

Action (Consent): 3.6 **Approval of Expenditure for Emergency Sewer Repairs for the Sunset Drive Bridge Project in the Amount of \$33,875.50**

Resolution: Approve an Expenditure for Emergency Sewer Repairs for the Sunset Drive Bridge Project in the Amount of \$33,875.50

Action (Consent): 3.7 **Approval of Consent Agenda Items**

Resolution: Approve all Consent Agenda items not pulled for separate consideration

Council inquired from where the emergency repairs would be paid, relating to Agenda Item 3.6.

MOTION: Approve all Consent Agenda items not pulled for separate consideration

Motion by Tom Grant, second by Jeff Doherty.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

Action: 3.4 **Ordinance Approving, and a Resolution Denying, Brian Rhodes' Request to Designate 2603 West Sunset Drive as a Landmark District on the Carbondale Register of Historic Places**

Pulled by J. Henry

This item was pulled as it included both an Ordinance and a Resolution for consideration.

Council inquired about the designation for a single property as opposed to an area or neighborhood as the Code describes it, commented on the history of the home, inquired about why the historic designation was pursued, interesting facts about the architect.

Brian Rhodes stated that the plans for the property are to restore the home to the original condition and preserving it as is as a cultural landmark.

MOTION: Adopt an Ordinance designating the Darling House at 2603 West Sunset Drive as a Landmark District on the Carbondale Register of Historic Places with the proposed design standards and district boundary.

Motion by Adam Loos, second by Lee Fronabarger.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Jeff Doherty, Lee Fronabarger, Tom Grant, Carolin Harvey, Adam Loos, Jessica Bradshaw, John M Henry (*Ordinance 2020-42; Exhibit B-11-10-2020*)

4. General Business of the City Council

Action: 4.1 Review of 2020 Proposed Tax Levy, Truth in Taxation Act Determination and Public Library Board's Tax Levy Requirements

It was noted that the City and the Library did not raise their levy.

It is recommended that the City Council direct staff to submit a Tax Levy Ordinance for the December 8, 2020 City Council meeting containing the recommended Tax Levy and Tax Levy Abatements that will result in a net 2020 Tax Levy in the amount of \$2,112,113 for General Government and Library purposes.

Motion by Tom Grant, second by Jeff Doherty.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

5. Adjournment of the City Council Meeting

Procedural: 5.1 Adjourn meeting

Council thanked Staff for preparing the reports presented and encouraged everyone to please wear their masks.

There being no further business to come before the public body, the meeting was declared adjourned at 6:51 p.m.

Jennifer R. Sorrell, City Clerk

Date