

Regular City Council Meeting – Tuesday December 13, 2022

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Council Members Present

Councilmember Ginger Rye Sanders, Councilmember Jeff Doherty, Councilmember Lee Fronabarger, Councilmember Tom Grant, Councilmember Adam Loos, Mayor Pro Tempore Carolin Harvey

Council Members Absent

Mayor John M. Henry

Meeting called to order at 7:19 p.m.

A Local Liquor Control Commission meeting preceded the City Council meeting.

5. Preliminaries to the City Council Meeting

5.1 Roll Call

5.2 Citizens' Comments and Questions

The following citizens addressed the City Council during Citizens' Comments and Questions: James Cooper, Jr., Birdie Mae Ivey, Raymond Ivey, Barbara McCasson, Elius Reed, and Steve Quinn, President of the Carbondale Chamber of Commerce.

5.3 Council Comments, General Announcements, and Proclamations

Councilmember Rye-Sanders asked if there is anything that the City Council can do to assist Mr. Ivey, who spoke during citizens' comments, with the investigation of the death of his son. Police Chief Stan Reno responded by stating that his case has been forwarded to the State's Attorney's office.

Councilmember Rye-Sanders also spoke on her concerns regarding the number of local hires for Construction projects.

Mayor Pro Tem Harvey announced the blood drive to be held at Unitarian Hall sponsored by the NAACP and the I Can Read's Positive Incentive Program to be held at the Carbondale Middle School. She also wished everyone a Merry Christmas and encouraged all to enjoy their time with their loved ones.

6. Public Hearings and Special Reports

6.1 Presentation by Carbondale Tourism

No presentation.

6.2 Public Hearing on the Extension of the Downtown Special Service Area Number One Tax Levy

Mayor Pro Tem Harvey declared the public hearing open at 7:51 p.m.

No questions or comments from citizens or Council.

Mayor Pro Tem Harvey declared the public hearing closed at 7:53 p.m.

6.3 Preservation Commission Update and Council Approval of Founders Park Future Development Plan

Councilperson Tom Grant, Chair of the Founders Park Preservation Committee, gave background information on the Founders Park property and its development plan.

Questions and comments regarding the topic included if there was feedback from people within the neighborhood, ADA access to the park, recreation opportunities, importance of historical markers in the park, if a band shell is necessary, and possibly appointing an advisory board for parks in the future.

MOTION: Approve the proposed plan for Founders Park development

Motion by Adam Loos, second by Lee Fronabarger.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Ginger Rye Sanders, Jeff Doherty, Lee Fronabarger, Adam Loos, Carolin Harvey

Abstain: Tom Grant

7. Consent Agenda of the City Council

Action (Consent): 7.1 City Council Meeting Minutes from November 15, 2022

Resolution: Approve the minutes from the Regular City Council meeting of November 15, 2022

Action (Consent): 7.2 Approval of Warrant for the Period Ending: 11/11/2022 for the FY 2023 Warrant 1446 in the Total Amount of \$1,376,460.46

Resolution: Accept the following report of payments made for the period ended: 11/11/2022 totaling \$1,376,460.46

(Exhibit A 12-13-2022)

Action (Consent): 7.3 Approval of Warrant for the Period Ending: 11/25/2022 for the FY 2023 Warrant 1447 in the Total Amount of \$1,118,912.23

Resolution: Accept the following report of payments made for the period ended: 11/25/2022 totaling \$1,118,912.23

(Exhibit B 12-13-2022)

Action (Consent): 7.4 Approve a License and Services Agreement with Tyler Technologies in the Amount of \$735,180 for Records Management Software for the Police Department

Resolution: Approve an agreement with Tyler Technologies for a records management system for the Carbondale Police Department.

Action (Consent): 7.5 Approve the Purchase of Fire/Emergency Management Communication Equipment from Roy Walker Communications of Makanda, Illinois in the Amount of \$110,204

Resolution: Approve the purchase of fire/emergency management equipment from Roy Walker Communications in the amount of \$110,204.

Action (Consent): 7.6 Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Enter into a Lease of Property Formerly Consisting of East Freeman Street

Resolution: Approve a Resolution authorizing the City Manager to enter into a lease of property formerly consisting of East Freeman Street.

(Resolution 2022-R-57; Exhibit C 12-13-2022)

Action (Consent): 7.7 Ordinance Authorizing the Extension of the Downtown Special Service Area Number One

Resolution: Adopt an ordinance authorizing the extension of the Downtown Special Service Area Number One.

(Ordinance 2022-41; Exhibit D 12-13-2022)

Action: 7.8 Resolution Supporting the Proposed Shawnee National Park and Climate Preserve

Pulled by Adam Loos

Action (Consent): 7.9 Acceptance of Deed for Property Needed for CIP OS1901 - Northwest Bicycle and Pedestrian Path Phase II (New Era Road to Route 13)

Resolution: Accept the warranty deed for property needed for CIP OS1901.

Action (Consent): 7.10 Ordinance Amending Title Two of the Carbondale Revised Code to Waive Certain Liquor License Rider Fees for Establishments in the Downtown Entertainment District and Amend Requirements to Changes in Officers for Nonprofits or Businesses with Uncompensated Officers

Resolution: Approve the Ordinances Amending Title Two of the Carbondale Revised Code waiving the liquor license rider fees for amplified sound and live entertainment for establishments located in the Downtown Entertainment District and creating exceptions for the approval process for changes to board or officers positions for nonprofits or in cases where officers are not compensated and hold less than 5% interest.

(Ordinance 2022-42; Exhibit F 12-13-2022), (Ordinance 2022-43; Exhibit G 12-13-2022)

Action (Consent): 7.11 Award of Contract for Electric Vehicle Charging Stations for City Fleet at Various Buildings (CIP NO. PB2303) to WJ Burke Electric of Murphysboro, Illinois, in the Amount of \$180,000.00

Resolution: Award of Contract for the For Electric Vehicle Charging stations for City Fleet at Various Buildings (CIP NO. PB2303) to WJ Burke Electric of Murphysboro, Illinois, in the Amount of \$180,000.00

Action (Consent): 7.12 Ordinance Increasing the Building and Neighborhood Services Division Budget \$85,550.00 due to an Illinois Housing Development Authority (IHDA) Single-Family Rehabilitation Grant

Resolution: Approve an Ordinance increasing the Building and Neighborhood Services Budget by \$85,550 due to the final spend on an IHDA Single Family Housing Rehabilitation Grant. (*Ordinance 2022-44; Exhibit H 12-13-2022*)

Action (Consent): 7.13 Approval of Consent Agenda Items

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

MOTION: Approval of Consent Agenda items 7.1 through 7.7 and 7.9 through 7.12.

Motion by Tom Grant, second by Lee Fronabarger.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Ginger Rye Sanders, Jeff Doherty, Lee Fronabarger, Tom Grant, Adam Loos, Carolin Harvey

7.8 Resolution Supporting the Proposed Shawnee National Park and Climate Preserve

Many people were present to express their views, opinions, opposition, or support of the proposed Shawnee National Park and Climate Preserve. Due to the amount of people present and the total time of comments being close to an hour, the minutes will only reflect the names of those persons who addressed Council during this portion of the meeting. It should be noted that after spending thirty minutes on this item the Council came to a consensus to extend the discussion time, as the City Code requires, to allow a few more citizens in the audience to give their comments on the subject.

Those persons include: Barbara McCasson on behalf of Illinois Chapter Sierra Club, Debra Bewtawn, Charles Ruffner, Rhonda Rothrock, Carina Lange, Jane Cogie, Kaye Bursell, John Wallace, Don Monty, Karen Frayley, and Sam Stearns.

MOTION: Approve a resolution supporting the proposed Shawnee National Park and Climate Preserve.

Motion by Jeff Doherty, second by Tom Grant.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Jeff Doherty, Lee Fronabarger, Tom Grant, Adam Loos, Carolin Harvey

Nay: Ginger Rye Sanders

(*Resolution 2022-R-58; Exhibit E 12-13-2022*)

8. General Business of the City Council

8.1 Ordinances Abating the 2022 Tax Levies for General Obligation Bonds

MOTION: Approve the Ordinances abating the 2022 Debt Service Tax Levies for the 2011, the 2013, the 2020A and 2020B, and the 2022 General Obligation Bonds.

Motion by Jeff Doherty, second by Lee Fronabarger.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Ginger Rye Sanders, Jeff Doherty, Lee Fronabarger, Tom Grant, Adam Loos, Carolin Harvey

(Ordinances 2022- 45 - 2022-49; Exhibits I - M -12-13-2022)

8.2 Ordinance Adopting the 2022 Property Tax Levy

MOTION: Approve an Ordinance adopting the 2022 Tax Levy in the amount of \$2,189,685 (\$1,035,331 City Purposes, \$1,014,383 Library General Operating Purposes, \$53,729 Library IMRF Purposes, \$39,933 Library Social Security Tax Purposes, \$36,970 Library Liability, Tort, & Insurance Purposes, \$9,339 Library Medicare Tax Purposes)

Motion by Tom Grant, second by Lee Fronabarger.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Ginger Rye Sanders, Jeff Doherty, Lee Fronabarger, Tom Grant, Adam Loos, Carolin Harvey

(Ordinance 2022-50; Exhibit N 12-13-2022)

8.3 Ordinance Establishing the 2022 Tax Levy for the Downtown Special Services Area Number One

MOTION: Approve the Ordinance adopting the 2022 Tax Levy in the amount of \$48,991.09 for the Downtown Special Service Area Number One

Motion by Lee Fronabarger, second by Tom Grant.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Ginger Rye Sanders, Jeff Doherty, Lee Fronabarger, Tom Grant, Adam Loos, Carolin Harvey

(Ordinance 2022-51; Exhibit O 12-13-2022)

9. Adjournment of the City Council Meeting

9.1 Adjourn meeting

There being no further business to come before the public body, the meeting was declared adjourned at 9:34 p.m.

Clinette C. Hayes, Deputy City Clerk

Date