

Tuesday, January 28, 2025
Regular City Council Meeting January 28, 2025

City Council Chambers, Room 108
200 South Illinois Avenue
Carbondale, Illinois 62901
6:00 p.m.

1. Preliminaries to the City Council Meeting

Subject :	1.1 Roll Call
Meeting :	Jan 28, 2025 - Regular City Council Meeting January 28, 2025
Type :	Procedural

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Subject :	1.2 Citizens' Comments and Questions
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Citizens may address the City Council for up to four minutes on any agenda item. Public comments will be accepted for a maximum of 30 minutes per item. Those wishing to address the City Council should raise their hand to be recognized by the Mayor prior to approaching the podium. Speakers should provide their names for the minutes and end their comments when the four-minute time limit is announced. The Council may suspend or waive the speaker time limit with the consent of a majority of Council members present and are not required to respond to public remarks during the meeting.

1. Preliminaries to the City Council Meeting

Subject :	1.3 Council Comments, General Announcements, and Proclamations
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General Comments from the City Council and City Manager. Proclamations, Special Recognition, and Oaths of Office will periodically be administered at this time.

3. Consent Agenda of the City Council

Subject : 3.1 Regular City Council Meeting Minutes from January 14, 2025

Meeting : Jan 28, 2025 - Regular City Council Meeting January 28, 2025

Type : Action (Consent)

Recommended Action : Approve the minutes from the regular City Council meeting of January 14, 2025

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Originating Department:

City Clerk's Office

File Attachments

[Regular City Council Meeting Minutes 14 January 2025.pdf \(184 KB\)](#)

3. Consent Agenda of the City Council

Subject : 3.2 Resolution Authorizing the Interim City Manager to Enter into a Three-Year Contract with Gateway Fireworks Displays

Meeting : Jan 28, 2025 - Regular City Council Meeting January 28, 2025

Type : Action (Consent)

Recommended Action : Approve the resolution authorizing the Interim City Manager to enter into a three-year contract with Gateway Fireworks Displays

Goals : [Goal #3: Demonstrate fiscal responsibility and transparency while providing high-quality City services](#)
[Goal #1: Provide a high quality-of-life and foster a sense of community for all residents](#)

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Originating Department: City Attorney's Office

Background:

Gateway Fireworks Displays has provided the City of Carbondale with its services for the annual Fourth of July fireworks program for the past five years. Gateway Fireworks Display has approached the City with the option to guarantee the 4th of July display date for the next three years with this three-year contract. Staff is of the opinion that the Council should have the opportunity to review and accept the offer of Gateway Fireworks Display.

This contract will allow the City of Carbondale to continue with Gateway Fireworks Displays' services for the next three years with minimum price increases. It will lock in the City's Fireworks display on the 4th of July over the term of the agreement. The cost for each year's program will be as follows: \$28,000 for 2025, \$28,750 for 2026, and \$29,500 for 2027.

The City Council may choose to approve the three-year agreement as an exception to the formal bidding procedure under 1-6-13(E)(2), where the services required are for professional or artistic skills pursuant to a written contract.

File Attachments

- [Gateway Fireworks Display Fireworks Proposal.pdf \(2,707 KB\)](#)
- [Exhibit A - Gateway Fireworks Display Service Contract.pdf \(3,716 KB\)](#)
- [Resolution Authorizing the Interim City Manager to Enter into a Three Year Contract with Gateway Fireworks Displays 2025-01-28.pdf \(89 KB\)](#)

3. Consent Agenda of the City Council

Subject :	3.3 Ordinance Authorizing a Budget Adjustment to the FY 2025 Water and Sewer Fund Budget in the Amount of \$200,971 for Various Water & Sewer Operating Costs
Meeting :	Jan 28, 2025 - Regular City Council Meeting January 28, 2025
Type :	Action (Consent)
Recommended Action :	Approve an Ordinance Authorizing a Budget Adjustment to the FY 2025 Water and Sewer Fund Budget in the Amount of \$200,971 for Various Water & Sewer Operating Costs and approve the emergency purchase.
Goals :	Goal #5: Provide high-quality City infrastructure Goal #3: Demonstrate fiscal responsibility and transparency while providing high-quality City services

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Originating Department:Public Works - Utilities

Background:
Additional funds are needed to pay for increased costs in several Water & Sewer divisions for general maintenance, repairs, and operating supplies for a total amount of \$200,971.
In connection with the Water & Sewer rate increases adopted by the Council last year, staff presented data sets and numerous examples of significant price increases. Portions of the requested budget adjustment are for specific purchases, for which documentation is attached. These include a shoring box for excavation safety in Sewer Collection, emergency replacement of four (4) air release valves in Sewer Collection (for proper operation of lift station force mains), a large water main repair clamp in Water Distribution, and emergency repair of the primary air supply line at the Southeast Wastewater Treatment Plant (SEWWTP).

Other costs are for standard types of repairs made or supplies purchased continuously throughout the year. The volatility of material costs coupled with the unpredictable nature and number of needed repairs that arise throughout the year has caused budgetary shortfalls. The funding requested is based on actual costs to date, estimating additional funds needed for the remainder of the budget year. These costs include laboratory testing supplies, water main repairs and maintenance including pavement restoration, sewer collection repairs and maintenance, and additional testing at the SEWWTP mandated by IEPA after the budgetary process concluded last year.

These purchases were made to make emergency repairs and were not included in the FY2026 budget.

Most of the requested funding for vehicle parts (\$24,525) has been reimbursed by insurance for excavation equipment repair.

CRC 1-6-13-E-3 allows an exception to the formal bidding process "in emergencies involving public health, public safety, or where immediate expenditure is necessary for repairs to city property to protect against further loss or damage to city property or to prevent or minimize serious disruption in city services. Where funds of this nature are expended in an emergency by purchase, contract, or otherwise, the city council shall be notified of the expenditure and the justification of such expenditure."

File Attachments

[Ordinance Authorizing a Budget Adjustment for the Waterworks and Sewerage Fund for FY2025 2025.01.28.pdf \(17 KB\)](#)

[Exhibit A Budget Adjustment for Various W&S Divisions 2025.01.28.pdf \(17 KB\)](#)

[Shoring Box 47021 2025.01.28.pdf \(40 KB\)](#)

[Air Release Valves 47021 2025.01.28.pdf \(1,459 KB\)](#)

[Large Repair Clamp 47015 2025.01.28.pdf \(40 KB\)](#)

[Air Supply Line Repair 47022 2025.01.28.pdf \(60 KB\)](#)

3. Consent Agenda of the City Council

Subject :	3.4 Reappointments to Boards and Commissions
Meeting :	Jan 28, 2025 - Regular City Council Meeting January 28, 2025
Type :	Action (Consent)
Recommended Action :	Council is requested to concur with Mayor Harvey's recommended reappointments to Boards and Commissions

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Originating Department: Mayor's Office

Background: Mayor Harvey recommends the following reappointments to Boards and Commissions:

Planning Commission - Zoning Board of Appeals: Reappointment of John Shukites to a term ending January 31, 2028. Reappointment of LaRue Love and George Sheffer to terms expiring January 31, 2029.

3. Consent Agenda of the City Council

Subject :	3.5 A Resolution Approving an Employment Agreement Between the City of Carbondale and Stan Reno
Meeting :	Jan 28, 2025 - Regular City Council Meeting January 28, 2025
Type :	Action (Consent)
Recommended Action :	Approve a Resolution approving an employment agreement between the City of Carbondale and Stan Reno

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Originating Department: Legal

Background: After a National search for a permanent City Manager following the resignation of Gary Williams, the City Council has selected the Interim City Manager and the Current Chief of the Carbondale Police Department Stan Reno to be the Carbondale City Manager. Chief Reno's extensive leadership experience and dedication to the community make him an excellent choice for the key role.

Upon appointment, Chief Reno will appoint an Acting Chief of Police to ensure continuity within the Carbondale Police Department. A nationwide search for a new Police Chief will also commence.

File Attachments

[Stan Reno City Manager Agreement - Final 2025-01-28.pdf \(468 KB\)](#)
[Resolution Authorizing Mayor to Execute an Employment Agreement with Stan Reno to Serve as the City Manager for the City of Carbondale 2025-01-28.pdf \(84 KB\)](#)

3. Consent Agenda of the City Council

Subject :	3.6 Approval of Consent Agenda Items
Meeting :	Jan 28, 2025 - Regular City Council Meeting January 28, 2025
Type :	Action (Consent)
Recommended Action :	Approve all Consent Agenda items not pulled for separate consideration

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5. Executive Session

Subject :	5.1 Enter into an Executive Session to Discuss Pending or Imminent Litigation, Communications from or with an Insurer of the Public Body or Any Intergovernmental Risk Management Association, and Self Evaluation, Practices and Procedures or Professional Ethics, When Meeting with a Representative of a Statewide Association of Which the Public Body is a Member
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Type :	Action
Recommended Action :	Enter into an Executive Session to Discuss Litigation, Communications from or with an Insurer of the Public Body or Any Intergovernmental Risk Management Association, and Self Evaluation, Practices and Procedures or Professional Ethics, When Meeting with a Representative of a Statewide Association of Which the Public Body is a Member as permitted by the Illinois Open Meetings Act 5 ILCS 120/2(c) (11), (c)(12), and (c)(16).

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Background:

Discussion by the public body in Executive Session of the below-listed exceptions is permitted by the Illinois Open Meetings Act (5 ILCS/120.) In the event that any action is to be taken as a result of the discussions held in the Executive Session, final action will be taken only upon return to open session and will be preceded by a public recital of the nature of the matter being considered and other information that will inform the public of the business being conducted.

5 ILCS 120/2(c)

(11) Litigation, when an action against, affecting or on behalf of the particular public body has been filed and is pending before a court or administrative tribunal, or when the public body finds that an action is probable or imminent, in which case the basis for the finding shall be recorded and entered into the minutes of the closed meeting.

(12) The establishment of reserves or settlement of claims as provided in the Local Governmental and Governmental Employees Tort Immunity Act, if otherwise the disposition of a claim or potential claim might be prejudiced, or the review or discussion of claims, loss or risk management information, records, data, advice, or communications from or with respect to any insurer of the public body or any intergovernmental risk management association or self insurance pool of which the public body is a member.

(16) Self evaluation, practices and procedures or professional ethics, when meeting with a representative of a statewide association of which the public body is a member.

5. Executive Session

Subject :	5.2 Return to Open Session
Meeting :	Jan 28, 2025 - Regular City Council Meeting January 28, 2025
Type :	Action
Recommended Action :	Return to Open Session

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6. Adjournment of the City Council Meeting

Subject :	6.1 Adjourn meeting
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The Mayor will declare the meeting adjourned.