

**CITY COUNCIL, CITY OF ROCKFORD
JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS
JANUARY 3, 2012
COUNCIL CONVENED AT 6:23 P.M.**

1. The invocation was given by Chaplain Ken Stachyra, St. Bernadette's Catholic Church/ Rockford Police Chaplain and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Council Page Yesenia Centeno.
2. Roll Call:
Mayor Lawrence Morrissey
Aldermen: Curran, Mark, Wasco, Hervey, Jacobson, Thompson-Kelly, Johnson, Timm, Beach, Elyea, Beck, McNeely, Robertson -13-
Absent: Durkee -1-
3. Alderman Mark moved to accept the Journal of Proceedings of December 19, 2011, seconded by Alderman Wasco. MOTION PREVAILED (Ald. Durkee absent).

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

4. Jim Buckingham expressed disappointment with city staff, the current administration and downtown parking issues.
5. Anthony Foreman recited a tribute to the late Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.
6. Prophet Yusef congratulated African American moms everywhere for their accomplishments.
7. Bruce Roberts reminded council members of the six police officers killed in the line of duty and encouraged them to support conceal and carry.
8. Jerry Kortman reported the Laurent House Foundation won the bid to purchase the house which will now remain as a museum and tourist attraction. He also thanked the State, City, County and citizens for their monetary support to the Foundation.

Doc Slafkosky opposed the empty lot on the corner of State and Church Streets becoming a surface parking lot.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

9. Alderman Beck submitted a Memorandum from Carrie Eklund, Interim Finance Director regarding the Vehicle Leasing Policy. Referred to Finance and Personnel Committee.
10. Alderman Beck submitted a Memorandum from Patrick Zuroske, Capital Program Manager regarding Economic Development Program/TARP Agreement Falcon Drive, New Milford School Rd., and Airport Dr. Referred to Finance and Personnel Committee

11. Alderman Beck opened a bid for Sale of Property located at 829 Miriam from Daniel Rose in the amount of \$100.00. Referred to Purchasing and Legal Dept.
12. Alderman Beach submitted the Zoning Board of Appeals minutes from the meeting held on December 20, 2011. Referred to Code and Regulations Committee.
13. Alderman Beach submitted the Liquor Advisory Board minutes from the meeting held on December 20, 2011. Referred to Code and Regulations Committee.
14. Alderman Beach submitted the Rockford Traffic Commission agenda for the meeting to be held on January 11, 2012. Referred to Traffic Commission.
15. Alderman Johnson submitted six (6) requests for service. Referred to Police Department, Community Development/Code Enforcement.

NEW COMMITTEE REPORTS

16. Alderman Beck read a Finance and Personnel Committee Report recommending the award for Street Sweeping be made to Elgin Sweeping Services, of Chicago, Illinois for their total bid of \$295,652.00. The funding source is Sanitation Fund. LAID OVER.
17. Alderman Beck read a Finance and Personnel Committee Report recommending the award for NFPA 1582 Compliant Medical Physical be made to Physicians Immediate Care, of Loves Park, Illinois for a total of \$70,100. The funding source is 80% Federal Grant & 20% Fire Department Operating Budget. LAID OVER.
18. Alderman Beck read a Finance and Personnel Committee Report recommending an Amendment to the Professional Services Contract with Fehr-Graham & Associates for the Ingersoll site cleanup in an amount not to exceed \$40,000. LAID OVER.
19. Alderman Beck read a Finance and Personnel Committee Report recommending the Engineering Agreement: Rockton Ave. & Halsted Ave. Intersection Improvements be made to McClure Engineering Associates, Inc. to perform design and construction engineering for a total not to exceed cost of \$71,000. The funding for this project will come from HSIP funds. LAID OVER.
20. Alderman Beck read a Finance and Personnel Committee Report recommending the Change Order for Whitman Interchange Repairs be made to Rock Road Companies for an additional \$76,721.11 for a total not to exceed cost of \$906,013.22. The project will be funding using Sales Tax funds. LAID OVER.
21. Alderman Beck read a Finance and Personnel Committee Report recommending the award for Window Washing Services be made to the sole bidder, Squeegee Squad, of Brooklyn Park, MN for an estimated cost of \$17,107.00 annually. The funding source is Property Fund. LAID OVER.

Alderman Beck moved to suspend Rule 11, seconded by Alderman Beach. MOTION FAILED by a roll call vote of:

Ayes: Curran, Mark, Hervey, Jacobson, Johnson, Timm, Beach, Beck, Robertson -9-
Nays: Wasco, Thompson-Kelly, Elyea, McNeely -4-
Absent: Durkee -1-

22. Alderman Beck read a Finance and Personnel Committee Report recommending the award for a Sole Source contract for Work Stations for the Payment Center be made to Mid-City Office Products, of Loves Park, IL for an estimated total of \$25,200 for the installation. The funding source is Finance Department Operating Budget. LAID OVER.

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Nays: Mark, Wasco, Hervey, Thompson-Kelly, Elyea, McNeely -6-
Absent: Durkee -1-

23. Alderman Beck moved the adoption of a Finance and Personnel Committee Report recommending approval of the total vouchers for the week of January 3, 2012 in the amount of \$3,089,572.49. MOTION PREVAILED by a roll call vote of:

Ayes: Curran, Mark, Wasco, Hervey, Jacobson, Thompson-Kelly, Johnson, Timm, Beach, Elyea, Beck, McNeely, Robertson -13-
Nays: -0-
Absent: Durkee -1-

OFFICERS REPORTS

24. Mayor Morrissey wished everyone a happy new year and mentioned he attended the Rockford Police Department Promotion and Swearing in Ceremony today at Heartland Church. Eleven new police officers were sworn in, four investigators were promoted to the rank of sergeant and Father Ken Stachyra was appointed Police and Fire Head Chaplain.
25. Mayor Morrissey called attention to a Memorandum from Kerry Partridge, City Attorney, regarding the new state law, House Bill 1670, requiring all elected and appointed members to public body to take the electronic Open Meeting Act training by January 1, 2013.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

2012-001-O

26. Alderman Beach moved the adoption of an Ordinance amending Chapter 16, Section 186(b) of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Rockford by repealing and establishing the following:

The existing "Two Hour Parking" restriction on the south side of Mulberry Street from Winnebago Street to 110 feet east of Winnebago Street and replace with a "Handicapped Parking Only" restriction.

MOTION PREVAILED by a roll call vote of:

Ayes: Curran, Mark, Wasco, Hervey, Jacobson, Thompson-Kelly,
Johnson, Timm, Beach, Elyea, Beck, Robertson -12-
Nays: McNeely -1-
Absent: Durkee -1-

2012-002-O

27. Alderman Beach moved the adoption of an Ordinance amending Chapter 16, Section 280 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Rockford by repealing and establishing the following:

The existing "No Parking Anytime" restriction on the west side of Leslie Avenue from Fairview Avenue to Ashland Avenue.

MOTION PREVAILED by a roll call vote of:

Ayes: Curran, Mark, Wasco, Hervey, Jacobson, Thompson-Kelly,
Johnson, Timm, Beach, Elyea, Beck, Robertson -12-
Nays: McNeely -1-
Absent: Durkee -1-

2012-003-O

28. Alderman Beach moved the adoption of an Ordinance amending Chapter 16, Schedule Section 295 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Rockford by repealing and establishing the following:

The existing "No Parking Anytime" restriction on both sides of Green Street from South Pierpont Avenue to 680 feet east of South Pierpont Avenue.

MOTION PREVAILED by a roll call vote of:

Ayes: Curran, Mark, Wasco, Hervey, Jacobson, Thompson-Kelly,
Johnson, Timm, Beach, Elyea, Beck, Robertson -12-
Nays: McNeely -1-
Absent: Durkee -1-

2012-004-O

29. Alderman Beach moved the adoption of an Ordinance amending Chapter 16, Section 290 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Rockford by repealing and establishing the following:

The existing stop control of Loomis Street stopping for Rock Street and establish a stop control of Rock Street stopping at Loomis.

MOTION PREVAILED by a roll call vote of:

Ayes: Curran, Mark, Wasco, Hervey, Jacobson, Thompson-Kelly,
Johnson, Timm, Beach, Elyea, Beck, Robertson -12-
Nays: McNeely -1-
Absent: Durkee -1-

2012-001CR

30. Alderman Beck moved the adoption of a Finance and Personnel Committee Report recommending the City Council adopt an Ordinance approving an Intergovernmental Agreement providing for the Improvement, Sale and Lease of Certain Municipal Public Parking facilities. The legal director shall prepare the appropriate ordinance. MOTION PREVAILED by a roll call vote of:

Ayes: Curran, Mark, Wasco, Hervey, Jacobson, Thompson-Kelly,
Johnson, Timm, Beach, Elyea, Beck, Robertson -12-
Nays: McNeely -1-
Absent: Durkee -1-

2012-002CR

31. Alderman Beck moved the adoption of a Finance and Personnel Committee Report recommending approval of an Intergovernmental Agreement with Rockford Mass Transit District providing a written guarantee securing a revolving line of credit at an amount not to exceed \$1,500,000 with J.P. Morgan Chase Bank, N.A. of Rockford, Illinois, this guarantee shall be reviewed annually, and the Legal Department be instructed to prepare the appropriate ordinance. MOTION PREVAILED by a roll call vote of:

Ayes: Curran, Mark, Wasco, Hervey, Jacobson, Thompson-Kelly,
Johnson, Timm, Beach, Elyea, Beck, McNeely, Robertson -13-
Nays: -0-
Absent: Durkee -1-

NEW BUSINESS

32. Alderman Beck introduced and read an Ordinance authorizing the Mayor, Finance Director and Legal Director be authorized to execute an Intergovernmental Agreement and related bond documents for the guarantee of the Rockford Mass Transit District revolving line of credit at an amount not to exceed \$1,500,000 with J.P. Morgan Chase Bank, N.A. of Rockford, Illinois. LAID OVER.
33. Alderman Beach introduced and read an Ordinance for the annexation of property commonly known as 7200 West State Street. LAID OVER.

34. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the meeting was adjourned at 6:59 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Reed
City Council Clerk

[The meeting was taped in its entirety, and the tape is on file in the Legal Department]

CITY COUNCIL, CITY OF ROCKFORD, ILLINOIS
City Council Chambers, 2ND floor City Hall
425 E. State Street, Rockford
January 9, 2012
6:00 P.M.
AGENDA

The following represents, in general, the chronological order of proceedings at the City Council meeting:

- Call to Order by the Mayor
- Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance
- Roll Call and determination of quorum
- Acceptance of Journal of Proceedings
- Public Hearing
- Public Participation
- Petitions and Communications
- New Committee Reports (Reports of Standing Committees – Code and Regulation, Finance and Personnel, Planning and Development - and other select committees)

I. NEW COMMITTEE REPORTS TO BE READ IN JANUARY 9, 2011

A. CODE AND REGULATIONS

1. Beach – ZBA - Modification of Special Use Permit #011-98 for expansion of a community center inclusive of charger school in an R-3, Multi-Family 817 5th Avenue Residential District at 613, 619, 623, 627 South 5th Street; 812, 818, 822 6th Avenue; 620, 622 4th Street; 813 5th Avenue; 612, 628 South 4th Street; 808 6th Avenue
2. Beach – LAB - Request for the Sale of Liquor by the drink in conjunction with a restaurant in a C-4, Urban Mixed-Use Zoning District at 1523 Broadway
3. Beach – LAB - Request for the Sale of Packaged Beer & Wine in conjunction with a grocery store in a C-3, Commercial General District at 3512 East State Street
4. Beach – LAB - Request for the Sale of Package Liquor in conjunction with a gas station with food mart in a C-3, Commercial General District at 320 North Mulford Road

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

II. COMMITTEE REPORTS LAID OVER JANUARY 3, 2012

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III. ORDINANCES LAID OVER JANUARY 3, 2012

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- Motions and Resolutions

IV. MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS

1. Review of City Council Closed Session Minutes.

- V. NEW BUSINESS** (note: Ordinances may be read in under New Business and Rule 11 suspended and final vote taken. Committee Reports would have previously been voted on).

1. Beck – Ordinance - Approving an Intergovernmental Agreement providing for the Improvement, Sale and Lease of Certain Municipal Public Parking facilities.
- * same action taken before
- Adjournment

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POSSIBLE ADDITIONAL ITEMS:

The following items appear on the City Council Standing Committee Agendas as noted. Items may receive a vote at committee and come before the first City Council meeting held after the committee meeting. Rule 11 can be suspended and final vote taken on said items at the City Council meeting (no rule suspension is necessary to take a vote on vouchers).

CODE AND REGULATION COMMITTEE

Monday, January 9, 2012, 4:45 p.m.

Conference Room A, City Hall 2nd floor (north room)

AGENDA

1. C & R 11-210 **ZBA#-49-11** **Modification of Special Use Permit #011-98** for expansion of a community center inclusive of charger school in an R-3, Multi-Family 817 5th Avenue Residential District at **613, 619, 623, 627 South 5th Street; 812, 818, 822 6th Avenue; 620, 622 4th Street; 813 5th Avenue; 612, 628 South 4th Street; 808 6th Avenue**
2. C & R 11-212 **011-LAB-034** **Request for the Sale of Liquor by the drink** in conjunction with a restaurant in a C-4, Urban Mixed-Use Zoning District at **1523 Broadway**
3. C & R 11-213 **011-LAB-035** **Request for the Sale of Packaged Beer & Wine** in conjunction with a grocery store in a C-3, Commercial General District at **3512 East State Street**
4. C & R 11-214 **011-LAB-036** **Request for the Sale of Package Liquor** in conjunction with a gas station with food mart in a C-3, Commercial General District at **320 North Mulford Road**
5. C & R 12-02 Closed Session for Purposes of Pending and/or Threatened Litigation

FINANCE AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

Monday, January 9, 2012, 5:15 p.m.
Conference Room B, City Hall 2nd floor (south room)
AGENDA

1. Purchasing and Vouchers
 - A. Award of Bid: Uniform Rental
 - B. Award of RFP: VoIP Consultant
 - C. Vouchers
2. Vehicle Leasing Policy
3. Economic Development Program Agreement: Seminary Street/Blackhawk Park Avenue
4. Economic Development/TARP Agreement: Falcon Drive/New Milford School Road/Airport Drive
5. Sublease of Solar Farm Property to Wanxiang

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Monday, January 9, 2012, 5:30 p.m.
CD Conference Room, City Hall 2nd floor
AGENDA

1. Memorandum from Reid Montgomery, Director of Community & Economic Development, regarding Submittal of Work Plan Results for 2011 and Budget by Riverfront Development Group for the Element.
2. Memorandum from Patrick Hayes, Legal Director, regarding Renewal of RLDC Contract.

LEGISLATIVE LOBBYING COMMITTEE

Monday, January 9, 2012, 4:00 p.m.
Conference Room A, City Hall 2nd floor (north room)
AGENDA

1. Legislation for 2012 (IML, Council and Staff)
2. Review of Memo on Legislative Matters.
3. Lobbyist Contract Extension 2012
4. Consideration of support for concealed-carry legislation
5. New Business