

**CITY COUNCIL, CITY OF ROCKFORD
JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS
FEBRUARY 6, 2012
COUNCIL CONVENED AT 6:15 P.M.**

1. The invocation was given by Father Ron Montanye, St. Sebastian Orthodox Catholic Church/Rockford Police Chaplain and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Council Page Yesenia Centeno.
2. Roll Call:

Mayor Lawrence Morrissey

Aldermen: Durkee, Curran, Mark, Wasco, Hervey, Jacobson, Thompson-Kelly,
Johnson, Timm, Beach, Elyea, Beck, McNeely -13-
Absent: Robertson -1-
3. Alderman Mark moved to accept the Journal of Proceedings of January 30, 2012, seconded by Alderman Wasco. MOTION PREVAILED (Ald. Robertson absent).

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

4. Bruce Roberts spoke about the *Rockford Register Star* article concerning the recent officer involved shooting and the list of prior officer involved shootings.
5. Prophet Yusef noted some discrepancies in African American history.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

6. Alderman Beach submitted a Memorandum from Julia Valdez, Deputy City Administrator/ Director of Human Resources, regarding upcoming events:
 - a. Rockford Marathon – 5/20/12
 - b. MELD Run – 7/4/12Referred to Code and Regulation Committee.
7. Alderman Johnson submitted four (4) requests for service. Referred to Public Works Department and Community Development/Code Enforcement.
8. Alderman Johnson submitted a letter from Jon Welch concerning the snow emergency parking ordinance. Referred to Public Works Department.
9. Alderman Elyea read an email from John Groh inviting the aldermen and the city's neighborhood based marketing/development groups to participate in a two day networking retreat on February 8, 2012 and February 10, 2012 from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm at Katie's Cup, 502 7th Street.
10. Alderman Thompson-Kelly requested the Signal Hill Neighborhood Group be invited to participate in the two day retreat.

11. Alderman Beck opened 2 bids for Sale of Property located at 819 Seminary from Mary Stout in the amount of \$ 95.00 and Pedro Valdez in the amount of \$100.00. Referred to Purchasing and Legal Department.

NEW COMMITTEE REPORTS

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2012-035CR

19. Alderman Beck read a Finance and Personnel Committee Report recommending the Human Services Department enter into a contract with the Illinois Department of Human

Services in order to participate in the Maternal, Infant and Early Childhood Home Visiting Program in the amount of \$173,378 annually for three years. The funding source is Illinois Department of Human Services.

Alderman Beck moved to suspend Rule 11, seconded by Alderman Mark. MOTION PREVAILED (Ald. Robertson absent). The Committee Report was placed on Passage. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

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

20. Alderman Beck moved the adoption of a Finance and Personnel Committee Report recommending approval of the total vouchers for the week of February 6, 2012 in the amount of \$2,804,111.01. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

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

OFFICERS REPORTS

21. Mayor Morrissey mentioned a Memorandum from Carrie Eklund, Interim Finance Director, regarding financial discussion and December 2011 monthly report for the General Fund, CIP sales tax, MFT tax, sanitation expense, redevelopment and tourism taxes, material TIF district items, pensions, cash and investments.
22. Mayor Morrissey reported Governor Quinn gave his State of the State Address last week highlighting goals for this year's legislative session and the many budget challenges the State is facing which could negatively impact local government.
23. Mayor Morrissey mentioned a Memorandum from Jim Ryan, City Administrator, regarding Residential Collection Service Disruption in Alleys. He apologized to the community members affected by the disruption of service and for the lack of notification.
24. Mayor Morrissey commented on the article in *Forbes'* February edition which rates Rockford #9 on the America's Most Miserable Cities list, in light of their recent rating of Rockford's Discovery Center as one of the top 12 children's museums in the country. He thanked the community for their continued support and positive comments about the city they call home.
25. Alderman Thompson-Kelly mentioned February is Black History Month and she thanked the community for supporting the activities and events that will take place this month.

26. Alderman Jacobson announced a Redistricting Ward Map meeting will be held Monday, February 13, 2011 at 5:45 pm at City Hall, first floor.
27. Alderman Beach submitted an email from Susan Janson commending the Rockford Police Department for their quick response to an attempted home invasion at her residence, resulting in the apprehension and arrest of the individual.
28. Alderman Beach reported this past Friday an eviction took place at 2903 State Street causing confusion, chaos and traffic problems in that area. He requested City Staff and the Winnebago County Sheriff's Department coordinate a process to inform the City when an eviction is to occur.
29. Alderman Beach announced the 10th Ward meeting will be held February 7, 2012 at 7:00 pm at the Salvation Army, 500 South Rockford Avenue and thanked the City for the reverse 911 and sending notice of the meeting to his constituents.
- 29a. Mayor Morrissey mentioned speaking with Reid Montgomery, Director of Community Development, concerning the breakdown in communication regarding the eviction at 2903 State Street and advised Reid is addressing that issue.
30. Alderman Mark announced the Signal Hill meeting will be held on February 9, 2012 at 7:00 pm at St. Peter's Church, North Church Street.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

2012-036CR

31. Alderman Beck moved the adoption of a Finance and Personnel Committee Report recommending the award for Engineering Agreement: Preliminary Design of Chlorine Rooms in Secondary Wells with Strand Associates, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$28,500. Funding for the project will come from the Water Replacement and Improvement Account (WRIA). MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Durkee, Curran, Mark, Wasco, Hervey, Jacobson, Thompson-Kelly,
Johnson, Timm, Beach, Elyea, Beck, McNeely -13-

Nays: -0-

Absent: Robertson -1-

2012-037CR

32. Alderman Beach moved the adoption of a Code and Regulation Committee Report SUSTAINING the Zoning Board of Appeals, thereby recommending that City Council APPROVE the Special Use Permit for business related murals in an I-1, Light Industrial Zoning District at 814 Chestnut Street. Approval is subject to the following conditions:
 1. Mounting of mural must be according to Exhibit D. Any modifications to material and/or image of mural will require a Modification of Special Use Permit.
 2. A sign permit shall be required including an illustration of proposed painting shall be submitted with the permit application.
 3. The mural panels may not consist of a vinyl banner material within a frame.

The Legal Director is hereby instructed to prepare the necessary Ordinance. MOTION PREVAILED (Ald. Robertson absent).

2012-038CR

33. Alderman Beach moved the adoption of a Code and Regulation Committee Report SUSTAINING the Zoning Board of Appeals, thereby recommending that City Council APPROVE the Variation to reduce the front yard setback along Rockwell Street from the required 25 feet to 12 feet in an R-1, Single-Family Residential Zoning District at 2001 Rockwell Street. Approval is subject to the following conditions:

1. Must be developed in accordance to Exhibit D.
2. Must remove driveway access off of Rockwell.

The Legal Director is hereby instructed to prepare the necessary Ordinance. MOTION PREVAILED (Ald. Robertson absent).

2012-039CR

34. Alderman Beach moved the adoption of a Code and Regulation Committee Report SUSTAINING the Liquor Advisory Board, thereby recommending that City Council APPROVE the request of the sale of package liquor in conjunction with a grocery store in a C-3, Commercial General Zoning District in the name of **Kassem Nasser Kassem Ahmed d/b/a Kishwaukee Market** located at 3002 Kishwaukee Street. Approval is subject to the following conditions:

1. Meeting all Building and Fire Codes.
2. Compliance with all City of Rockford Liquor Codes.
3. The hours of operation will be limited to 7:00 am to midnight Monday through Thursday.
4. The hours of operation will be limited to 7:00 am to midnight Friday through Saturday.
5. The hours of operation will be limited to 7:00 am to 11:00 pm Sunday.
6. Staff feels that the gross interior floor square footage for alcoholic sales display area should not exceed 10% (ten percent).
7. The amount of alcoholic sales can be no more than 35% of gross annual sales of the business.
8. Submittal of an interior floor plan that indicates the interior sales display area for Staff review and approval.
9. Window display signage is limited to 30% of window area.
10. The sale of rose tubes, airplane-sized bottles and any other produces that can be deemed to be easily manufactured into crack pipes is prohibited.

The Legal Director is hereby instructed to prepare the necessary Ordinance. MOTION PREVAILED (Ald. Hervey, Beach, Elyea voted no; Ald. Robertson absent).

2012-040CR

35. Alderman Beach moved the adoption of a Code and Regulation Committee Report SUSTAINING the Liquor Advisory Board, thereby recommending that City Council APPROVE

the request of the sale of liquor in conjunction with a full catering services business including off-premises sales in a C-3, Commercial General Zoning District in the name of **Larry Metzger d/b/a ABC Catering** located at 1355 South Alpine Road. Approval is subject to the following conditions:

1. There shall be no liquor sales at 1355 South Alpine Road.

The Legal Director is hereby instructed to prepare the necessary Ordinance. MOTION PREVAILED (Ald. Robertson absent).

2012-041CR

36. Alderman Elyea moved the adoption of a Planning and Development Committee Report recommending that the South Main Revitalization Strategy be adopted as an amendment to the City's 2020 Land Use Plan Map. The Legal Director shall prepare the appropriate ordinance. MOTION PREVAILED (Ald. Robertson absent).

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS

2012-008R

37. Alderman Beck, on behalf of the Finance and Personnel Committee, moved the adoption of a Resolution authorizing the Central Services Manager to take bids/proposals for the following:
 - A. Bid: Tires and Tire Repairs, funding source: Equipment Fund
 - B. Bid: Rental of Cherry Valley Farm Site, funding source: N/A
 - C. RFP: Rockford Regional Multi-Modal Transportation Center, funding source: State Funds, Sales Tax & MFT
 - D. RFP: Traffic Sign Management System, funding source: Sales Tax

MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

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

2012-009R

38. Alderman Beck, on behalf of the Finance and Personnel Committee, moved the adoption of a Resolution authorizing the submittal of a Grant Application between the City of Rockford and the Economic Development Administration (EDA) for funding improvements to Airport Dr. and Falcon Rd. in the City of Rockford, Winnebago County, Illinois. These improvements are known as the Chicago-Rockford International Airport Area Infrastructure Improvement Project. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

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

2012-010R

39. Alderman Beck, on behalf of the Finance and Personnel Committee, moved the adoption of a Resolution authorizing the execution and delivery of a Master Equipment Lease-Purchase Agreement with PNC EQUIPMENT FINANCE, LLC, as lessor, and separate Lease Schedules thereto for acquisition, purchase, financing and leasing of certain equipment within the terms provided; authorizing the execution and delivery of other documents required in connection therewith; and authorizing all other actions necessary to the consummation of the transactions contemplated by this Resolution. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

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

NEW BUSINESS

2012-016-O

40. Alderman Beck introduced and read an Ordinance authorizing and providing for the purchase of four vehicles with emergency equipment package described in the attached lease schedule No. 157021000 and financed under the Master Lease Agreement with PNC Bank approved by the City Council on February 6, 2012.

Alderman Beck moved to suspend Rule 11, seconded by Alderman Mark. MOTION PREVAILED (Ald. Robertson absent). The Ordinance was placed on Passage. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

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

2012-017-O

41. Alderman Beck introduced and read an Ordinance authorizing the Mayor and Legal Director to execute and attest the attached Intergovernmental Agreement for City Police Service by and between City of Rockford Police Department and Rockford School District No. 205.

Alderman Beck moved to suspend Rule 11, seconded by Alderman Mark. MOTION PREVAILED (Ald. Hervey abstained; Ald. Robertson absent). The Ordinance was placed on Passage. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Durkee, Curran, Mark, Wasco, Jacobson, Thompson-Kelly, Johnson, Timm, Beach, Elyea, Beck, McNeely -12-
Nays: -0-
Abstain: Hervey -1-
Absent: Robertson -1-

42. Alderman Elyea introduced and read an Ordinance for the amendments to The Year 2020 Plan to include the South Main Revitalization Study as a text amendment to said plan as an appendix. LAID OVER.

2012-018-O

43. Alderman Beach introduced and read an Ordinance amending Article 63 of the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Rockford for a Special Use Permit for business related murals in an I-1, Light Industrial Zoning District located at 814 Chestnut Street. Approval is subject to the following conditions:

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Nays: -0-

Absent: Robertson -1-

44. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the meeting was adjourned at 7:09 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
February 13, 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

I. PUBLIC HEARING

1. South Main Revitalization Strategy / Proposed Amendments to the City's 2020 Land Use Plan Map

- 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)

II. NEW COMMITTEE REPORTS TO BE READ IN FEBRUARY 13, 2012

A. REDISTRICTING COMMITTEE

1. Jacobson – Approval of the City of Rockford Ward Map

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

III. COMMITTEE REPORTS LAID OVER FEBRUARY 6, 2012

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IV. ORDINANCES LAID OVER FEBRUARY 6, 2012

1. Elyea - Ordinance - For the amendments to The Year 2020 Plan to include the South Main Revitalization Study as a text amendment to said plan as an appendix.

V. MISCELLANEOUS/APPOINTMENTS HELD OUT OVER FEBRUARY 6, 2012

1. Mayor Morrissey – Appointment - Rockford Housing Authority Board, Mr. Jerry Lumpkins. This appointment fills the position previously vacated by David Sidney and will expire March 1, 2017. (Pursuant to Rule 18 this appointment is up for passage on March 5, 2012)

- Motions and Resolutions

VI. RESOLUTIONS TO BE READ IN FEBRUARY 13, 2012

1. Beach - Rockford Marathon – 5/20/12
2. Beach - MELD Run – 7/4/12

VII. 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).

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- * 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, February 13, 2012, 5:15 p.m.
Conference Room A, City Hall 2nd floor (north room)
AGENDA**

1. C & R 12-19 Special Events: Rockford Marathon 5/20/12 – MELD Run 7/4/12
2. C & R 12-18 Closed Session for Purposes of Pending and/or Threatened Litigation

FINANCE AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

**Monday, February 13, 2012, 5:15 p.m.
Conference Room B, City Hall 2nd floor (south room)
AGENDA**

1. Purchasing and Vouchers
 - A. Award of Bid: PCC Patching – Water 2012
 - B. Award of Bid: Police Tactical Armor

- C. Award of Sale of Real Estate: 819 Seminary Street
 - D. Resolution to take Bids/Proposals
 - E. Vouchers
 - √ Training/Travel for Human Services Department
- 2. 2011 Property Tax Abatements
 - 3. Station 3 Update – **Info only**

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

**Monday, February 13, 2012, 5:45 p.m.
CD Conference Room, City Hall 2nd floor
AGENDA**

No Meeting Scheduled.

LEGISLATIVE LOBBYING COMMITTEE

**Monday, February 13, 2012, __ p.m.
Conference Room A, City Hall 2nd floor (north room)
AGENDA**

No Meeting Scheduled.