

**CITY COUNCIL, CITY OF ROCKFORD
JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS
OCTOBER 15, 2013
COUNCIL CONVENED AT 6:12 P.M.**

1. The invocation was given by Chaplain Lou Ness, Emmanuel Episcopal Church, and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by the City Council Page Beatrice Medrano.
2. Roll Call:

Mayor Lawrence Morrissey

Aldermen: Durkee, Getchius, McNamara, Frost, Hervey, Thompson-Kelly, Oddo,
Newburg, Beach, Beck, McNeely, Chiarelli -12-
Absent: Elyea -1-
3. Mayor Morrissey reported with passing of City Administrator Jim Ryan's father, William Ryan. He offered prayers and condolences to the Ryan family.
4. Alderman Beach moved to accept the Journal of Proceedings of October 7, 2013 seconded by Alderman Hervey. MOTION PREVAILED (Ald. Elyea absent).

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

5. Prophet Yusef spoke about the cycle of abuse and the complicated relationship between the abuser and victim.
6. John Brantley thanked several aldermen, Chief Epperson and State's Attorney Bruscato for supporting his work with the youth of Blackhawk and Fairgrounds.
7. Jim Buckingham asked for support from community members to help drive local Veteran's to the VA facilities in Madison and mentioned the Veteran's Stand Down event will be held on October 30, 2013 at 9:15 am at the Verde Club, 792 North Madison Street.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

8. Alderman Beck submitted a Memorandum from Legal Department regarding water annexation for 3402 Halsted Road. Referred to Code and Regulation Committee.
9. Alderman Frost submitted a Memorandum from Chris Black, Finance Director regarding 2013 Property Tax Levy and Street and Bridge Ordinance. Referred to Finance and Personnel Committee.
10. Legal Director Patrick Hayes submitted the Chicago Rockford International Airport Availability of Draft Noise Exposure Map Update Report which is available in the Legal Department for public review.

PROCLAMATIONS

11. Mayor Morrissey presented a Proclamation proclaiming the week of October 19, 2013 through October 25, 2013 to be "MEDICAL ASSISTANTS RECOGNITION WEEK" in Rockford, Illinois and urged all citizens to recognize the valuable service medical assistants provide on a daily basis.
12. Mayor Morrissey presented a Proclamation proclaiming the week of October 14, 2013 to be "ROCKFORD BARBERSHOP CHORUS WEEK" in Rockford, Illinois and encouraged all citizens to congratulate the Rockford Barbershop Chorus on their invitation to New York and thank them for the good work they do for our community.
13. Mayor Morrissey welcomed State's Attorney Joe Bruscato to announce the upcoming Distinguished Citizen's Leader Luncheon, recognizing individual and groups within the community that have successfully carried out the mission of the Boy Scouts of America. The event will be held October 16, 2013 at The Radisson from 12:00 (noon) – 1:30 pm.

NEW COMMITTEE REPORTS

14. Alderman Beck read a Code and Regulation Committee Report recommending the approval of the Final Plat of Woodhaven Plat #3. LAID OVER.
15. Alderman Beck read a Code and Regulation Committee Report recommending the approval of the sale of vacant lot at 1604 South 6th Street, PIN #11-35-229-001, for a minimum bid of \$450.00 with preference to the adjacent property owner. LAID OVER.
16. Alderman Beck read a Code and Regulation Committee Report REVERSING the Zoning Board of Appeals, thereby recommending that City Council DENY the Special Use Permit for body art services consisting of tattoo and piercing in a C-2, Limited Commercial Zoning District at 3809 East State Street. LAID OVER.
17. Alderman Frost read a Finance and Personnel Committee Report recommending the City Council of the City of Rockford approve the agreement between the Illinois Association of Community Action Agencies (IACAA) and the City of Rockford Human Services Department for the purposes of operating the Illinois Affordable Care Act In-Person Counselor Grant Program. LAID OVER.
18. Alderman Frost moved the adoption of a Finance and Personnel Committee Report recommending approval of the total vouchers for the week of October 15, 2013 in the amount of \$3,492,825.41. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Durkee, Getchius, McNamara, Frost, Hervey, Thompson-Kelly, Oddo, Newburg, Beach, Beck, McNeely, Chiarelli -12-
Nays: -0-
Absent: Elyea -1-

OFFICERS REPORTS

19. Mayor Morrissey advised the IML Annual Meeting will be held later this week in Chicago.
20. Mayor Morrissey mentioned the RAVE monthly report has been distributed to council members for review.
21. Mayor Morrissey announced The Rockford Regional Vital Signs Initiative will be hosting a series of open houses to allow the public to review and comment on work that has been done in our community at the Regional Center for Planning/Design, 315 North Main Street on October 16, 2013 from 1:00pm-5:00pm; October 17, 2013 from 4:30 pm-7:30 pm; October 18, 2013 from 10:00 am-5:00 pm. Revealed will be the goals and strategies for Sustainable Development, Regional Governance Model, Fair Housing Equity Assessment, Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Study and De-concentration Study. More information can be found at www.ourvitalsigns.com.
22. Mayor Morrissey congratulated the first graduating class of Rockford Housing Authority's Shop Owner, Craft Entrepreneurship program, a four week session designed to teach interested residents of Rockford Housing Authority basic skills towards self-sufficiency. He thanked all the local partners and Etsy for supporting this program.
23. Alderman Durkee advised the Functional Classification Systems Modification, reclassifying roads in Rockford, was laid over in committee and will appear on next week's agenda as will the Consolidated Plan and HUD Supportive Housing Program Agreements. He mentioned reclassification road maps will be available for review from Jeremy Carter, Traffic Engineer or Nora Doyle, Legal Department and the link to HUD will be resent to the council members.
24. Alderman McNeely announced the Booker Washington Community Center will be hosting a black-tie event with guest speaker Judy Smith on November 14, 2013.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

2013-355CR

25. Alderman Beck 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 allow reduced landscape frontage due to Illinois Department of Transportation project from ten (10) feet to three (3) feet in a C-2, Limited Commercial Zoning District at 3101 North Main Street. Approval is subject to the following conditions:
 1. If landscape units can be preserved, that they are relocated along the south side of the property.
 2. That a final site plan is submitted for Staff review and approval upon final determination of right-of-way takings from IDOT.
 3. Existing signage is to come into conformance with the current sign ordinance.

Approval is based on the Findings of Fact. The Legal Director is hereby instructed to prepare the necessary ordinance. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Durkee, Getchius, McNamara, Frost, Hervey, Thompson-Kelly, Oddo, Newburg, Beach, Beck, McNeely, Chiarelli -12-
Nays: -0-
Absent: Elyea -1-

2013-156-O

26. Alderman Beck moved the adoption of an Ordinance for the sale of city owned property, vacant lot located at 617 North Greenview Avenue, PIN #11-16-377-001 at a minimum bid of \$450.00 with preference to the adjacent property owner. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Durkee, Getchius, McNamara, Frost, Hervey, Thompson-Kelly, Oddo, Newburg, Beach, Beck, Chiarelli -11-
Nays: McNeely -1-
Absent: Elyea -1-

2013-157-O

27. Alderman Beck moved the adoption of an Ordinance for the sale of city owned property, vacant lot located at 312 Penfield Place, PIN #11-26-159-016 at a minimum bid of \$450.00 with preference to the adjacent property owner. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Durkee, Getchius, McNamara, Frost, Hervey, Thompson-Kelly, Oddo, Newburg, Beach, Beck, Chiarelli -11-
Nays: McNeely -1-
Absent: Elyea -1-

OFFICERS REPORTS

28. Alderman Thompson-Kelly thanked the council members and department heads that have donated for the Senior Luncheon gift cards and reminded the others she is still collecting money.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

2013-158-O

29. Alderman Frost moved the adoption of an Ordinance for a Lease between the City of Rockford and Jodi's Inc. for the property located at 211 Elm St., Section A, commonly known as Kiwi Café. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Durkee, Getchius, McNamara, Frost, Hervey, Thompson-Kelly, Oddo, Newburg, Beach, Beck, McNeely, Chiarelli -12-
Nays: -0-
Absent: Elyea -1-

2013-159-O

30. Alderman Durkee moved the adoption of an Ordinance approving the 2013 and 2014 Funding Agreement with Rockford Area Economic Development Council (RAEDC) for contract for service. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Durkee, Getchius, McNamara, Frost, Hervey, Thompson-Kelly, Oddo, Beach, Beck, Chiarelli -10-
Nays: Newburg, McNeely -2-
Absent: Elyea -1-

2013-160-O

31. Alderman Durkee moved the adoption of an Ordinance approving the Development Agreement with Metropolitan Hall Lofts, LLC regarding 324-330 East State Street. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Durkee, Getchius, McNamara, Frost, Hervey, Thompson-Kelly, Oddo, Newburg, Beach, Beck, Chiarelli -11-
Nays: McNeely -1-
Absent: Elyea -1-

2013-161-O

32. Alderman Durkee moved the adoption of an Ordinance approving the Development Agreement with Metropolitan Hall Lofts, LLC regarding 408-414 East State Street. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Durkee, Getchius, McNamara, Frost, Hervey, Thompson-Kelly, Oddo, Newburg, Beach, Beck, Chiarelli -11-
Nays: McNeely -1-
Absent: Elyea -1-

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS

2013-176R

33. Alderman Frost, on behalf of Finance and Personnel Committee, moved the adoption of a Resolution, by the City Council of the City of Rockford, Illinois that the Mayor execute an agreement for Package A Water Main Extension Project with Fischer excavating, Inc., of Freeport, Illinois in the amount of \$77,240.02. The funding source is Water Replacement and Improvement Account (WRIA) and Private Development Funds. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Durkee, Getchius, McNamara, Frost, Hervey, Thompson-Kelly, Oddo, Newburg, Beach, Beck, McNeely, Chiarelli -12-
Nays: -0-
Absent: Elyea -1-

2013-177R

34. Alderman Frost, on behalf of the Finance and Personnel Committee, moved the adoption of a Resolution, by the City Council of the City of Rockford, Illinois that the Mayor execute an agreement for Harrison Avenue Ditch Repair with AA Construction in the amount of \$49,999.99. The funding source is City-Wide Drainage Fund. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Durkee, Getchius, McNamara, Frost, Hervey, Thompson-Kelly, Oddo, Newburg, Beach, Beck, McNeely, Chiarelli -12-
Nays: -0-
Absent: Elyea -1-

2013-178R

35. Alderman Frost, on behalf of the Finance and Personnel Committee, moved the adoption of a Resolution, by the City Council of the City of Rockford, Illinois that the Mayor execute an agreement for Document Scanning for the Police Department with Information Controls, of Rockford, Illinois in the amount of \$116,000. The funding source is Police Department 2013 JAG Grant. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Durkee, Getchius, McNamara, Frost, Hervey, Thompson-Kelly, Oddo, Newburg, Beach, Beck, McNeely, Chiarelli -12-
Nays: -0-
Absent: Elyea -1-

NEW BUSINESS

36. Alderman Beck introduced and read an Ordinance amending Article 64, of the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Rockford for a Variation to allow reduced landscape frontage due to Illinois Department of Transportation project from 10 feet to 3 feet in a C-2, Limited Commercial Zoning District at 3101 North Main Street. Approval is based on the following conditions:

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37. Alderman Frost made a motion to convene into closed session in order to discuss litigation and potential litigation matters, seconded by Alderman Hervey. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Durkee, Getchius, McNamara, Frost, Hervey, Thompson-Kelly, Oddo, Newburg, Beach, Beck, McNeely, Chiarelli -12-
Nays: -0-
Absent: Elyea -1-

The meeting went into closed session at 7:08 pm.

The meeting returned into open session at 7:58 pm and found the following aldermen present:

Durkee, Getchius, McNamara, Frost, Hervey, Thompson-Kelly, Oddo, Newburg, Beach, McNeely, Chiarelli -11-

38. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the meeting was adjourned at 7:59 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
October 21, 2013
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
- Petitions and Communications
- Proclamations
- Committee Reports
- Officers Reports

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

I. COMMITTEE REPORTS LAID OVER OCTOBER 15, 2013

1. Beck - Code and Regulation - Recommending the approval of the Final Plat of Woodhaven Plat #3.
2. Beck - Code and Regulation - Recommending the approval of the sale of vacant lot at 1604 South 6th Street, PIN #11-35-229-001, for a minimum bid of \$450.00 with preference to the adjacent property owner.
3. Beck – Code and Regulation - REVERSING the Zoning Board of Appeals, thereby recommending that City Council DENY the Special Use Permit for body art services consisting of tattoo and piercing in a C-2, Limited Commercial Zoning District at 3809 East State Street.
4. Frost - Finance and Personnel - Recommending the City Council of the City of Rockford approve the agreement between the Illinois Association of Community Action Agencies (IACAA) and the City of Rockford Human Services Department for the purposes of operating the Illinois Affordable Care Act In-Person Counselor Grant Program.

II. ORDINANCES LAID OVER OCTOBER 15, 2013

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III. MISCELLANEOUS (APPOINTMENTS) HELD OUT OCTOBER 15, 2013

- 1.* Mayor Morrissey - Re-Appointments to the Library Board:

Mr. Paul Logli	Term ending: 11/2016
Mr. Jeffrey Glass	Term ending: 11/2015
Mr. Dan Ross	Term ending: 11/2015
Mr. Edward Geeser	Term ending: 11/2014
Mr. Brad Long	Term ending: 11/2014

Appointments to the Library Board:

Ms. Jessica Koltz	Term ending: 11/2015
Ms. Monica Primm	Term ending: 11/2016
Ms. Dawn Durkin	Term ending: 11/2016

(Pursuant to Rule 18, this item is up for passage on November 12, 2013).

- 2.* Mayor Morrissey - Appointment - Community Action Agency Board, Mr. Fred Hoople, for a three-year term ending November 2016. (Pursuant to Rule 18, this item is up for passage on October 28, 2013).

- Motions and Resolutions

IV. 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. Frost – Ordinance - Agreement between the Illinois Association of Community Action Agencies (IACAA) and the City of Rockford Human Services Department for the purposes of operating the Illinois Affordable Care Act In-Person Counselor Grant Program.
2. Beck – Ordinance - Sale of vacant lot at 1604 South 6th Street, PIN #11-35-229-001, for a minimum bid of \$450.00 with preference to the adjacent property owner.

* 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, October 21, 2013, 5:00 p.m.

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

AGENDA

1. C & R 13-184 Water Annexation for 3402 Halsted Road
2. C & R 13-111 Public Safety Committee
3. C & R 13-185 Closed Session

FINANCE AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

Monday, October 21, 2013, 5:15 p.m.

Conference Room B, City Hall 2nd floor (south room)

AGENDA

1. Purchasing and Vouchers
 - A. Award of Bid: Secondary Well Sites Chemical Rooms
 - B. Change Order (Final): N. Main & Auburn Street Utility Relocation – **Info only**
 - C. Electricity Contract – **Info only**
 - D. Resolution for Improvement Under the Illinois Highway Code for City-Wide Streetlights General Maintenance
 - E. Vouchers
2. 2014 Budget Discussion

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Monday, October 21, 2013, 5:00 p.m.

CD Conference Rm., City Hall 2nd floor

AGENDA

1. Memorandum from Dwayne Collins, Grants Compliance Specialist, regarding 2014 Draft Action Plan Community Development Block Grant; HOME Investment Partnership; Emergency Solutions Grants Program.
2. Memorandum from Jennifer Jaeger, Community Services Director, regarding Sponsor Agreements for HUD Supportive Housing Programs.
3. Memorandum from Jeremy Carter, Traffic Engineer, regarding a Presentation of proposed Functional Classification System Modifications.
4. Memorandum from Mark Williams, Economic Development Manager, regarding Logistics Parkway Development and solicitation of proposals for the development of City-owned property at 5775 Logistics Parkway.
5. Process of the Review of the 2020 Plan.
6. Memorandum from George Davis, Director of Human Services, regarding the Allocation of Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) Funding for Boone and Winnebago Counties.

LEGISLATIVE LOBBYING COMMITTEE
Monday, October 21, 2013, _____ p.m.
Conference Room A, City Hall 2nd floor (north room)
AGENDA

No Meeting Scheduled.