

**CITY COUNCIL, CITY OF ROCKFORD
JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS
MARCH 3, 2014
COUNCIL CONVENED AT 6:24 P.M.**

1. The invocation was given by Chaplain Kevin Clark, The Net Church and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Council Clerk Diane Reed.
2. Roll Call:
Mayor Lawrence Morrissey
Aldermen: Durkee, Getchius, McNamara, Frost, Hervey, Oddo, Newburg, Beach,
Elyea, Beck, Chiarelli -11-
Absent: Hill, Thompson-Kelly, McNeely -3-
3. Alderman Hervey moved to accept the Journal of Proceedings of February 24, 2014 seconded by Alderman Newburg. MOTION PREVAILED (Ald. Hill, Thompson-Kelly, McNeely absent).

Alderman Elyea exited the meeting at 6:26 pm.

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

Ayes: Durkee, Getchius, McNamara, Frost, Hervey, Oddo, Newburg,
Beach, Beck, Chiarelli -10-
Nays: -0-
Absent: Thompson-Kelly, Hill, Elyea, McNeely -4-

The meeting went into closed session at 6:27 pm.

The meeting returned into open session at 7:29 pm and found the following aldermen present:

Durkee, Getchius, McNamara, Frost, Hervey, Oddo, Newburg, Beach, Elyea, Beck, Chiarelli -11-

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

5. Prophet Yusef spoke about hypocrisy and the real meaning of Dr. Martin Luther's dream.
6. Steve Giuliano spoke about the transformation of Indianapolis from slums of 1960 to a thriving city today. He urged City leaders to repair the deteriorated streets leading into Rockford and provided pictures of those streets to the Public Works Department.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

7. Alderman Durkee submitted a Memorandum from Todd Cagnoni, Director Community Development and Economic Development Department, regarding Development Agreement for Amerock Building (Ziock Building), 416 South Main Street. Referred to Planning and Development Committee.
8. Alderman Hervey submitted a Memorandum from Carrie Eklund, Central Services Manager, regarding municipal electric aggregation contract expiration. Referred to Finance and Personnel Committee.
9. Alderman Beck submitted a Memorandum from Kelly Nokes, Assistant Operations Manager, regarding upcoming special events:
 1. Red Shoe Run for Donor Awareness – 4/12/14
 2. MELD Classic Run – 7/4/14
 3. Unitarian Universalist Church Annual Rummage Sale – 3/28-3/29/14
 4. Harvest Bible Church Easter Service at Coronado – Request to reduced parking rate in relation to a special event – 4/20/14

Referred to Code and Regulation Committee.

10. Alderman Beck submitted the Rockford Traffic Commission Agenda for the meeting to be held on March 12, 2014. Referred to Traffic Commission.

PROCLAMATIONS

11. Mayor Morrissey presented a Proclamation proclaiming the month of March, 2014 to be "RED CROSS MONTH" in Rockford, Illinois and urged all citizens to be a hero by making a financial or blood donation, taking a Red Cross class in First Aid and CPR or volunteering.

NEW COMMITTEE REPORTS

12. Alderman Hervey read a Finance and Personnel Committee Report recommending the award for Sale of Property at 731-33 North Winnebago be made to the sole bidder, Jeremiah Development, of Rockford, Illinois for their bid of \$551.00. LAID OVER.
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agreement for recovery of Environmental Clean Up Costs and Nuisance Violations with the Sims Law Firm and Keller Rohrbach, LLP. LAID OVER.

16. Alderman Hervey moved the adoption of a Finance and Personnel Committee Report recommending approval of the total vouchers for the week of March 3, 2014 in the amount of \$2,863,277.19. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Durkee, Getchius, McNamara, Frost, Hervey, Oddo, Newburg,
Beach, Elyea, Beck, Chiarelli -11-
Nays: -0-
Absent: Hill, Thompson-Kelly, McNeely -3-

17. Alderman Beck read a Code and Regulation Committee Report recommending the approval of Plat #6 Spring Creek Crossing Subdivision. Approval is subject to the following conditions:

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LAID OVER.

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Amendment from C-4, Urban Mixed-Use Zoning District and R-2, Two-Family Zoning District to I-1, Light Industrial Zoning District and DENY a Special Use Permit for hand sorting or metal and indoor storage at 815 Broadway. LAID OVER.

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 3. In the event final offers are rejected or generate no response, the Legal Director is hereby directed to file eminent domain proceedings to acquire the properties.

The Legal Director is hereby instructed to prepare the necessary Ordinance. LAID OVER.

OFFICERS REPORTS

24. Mayor Morrissey mentioned today he attended the YWCA Women of Achievement Luncheon, commended Julia Valdez on her nomination in the business category and congratulated all the award winners.
25. Mayor Morrissey called attention to a memorandum from Carrie Eklund regarding the City's options for the municipal electrical aggregation contract has been distributed for review.
26. Mayor Morrissey advised the Illinois Public Policy Institute issued a press release on the status of Illinois Municipal Pensions and the headline does not match with the report. When compared to other large municipalities throughout the State, Rockford's funding level is much better. There is however a pension crises throughout the State and we need to continue working towards solutions.
27. Mayor Morrissey announced this Wednesday, Patrick Hayes, Legal Director, will be traveling to Springfield for a hearing related to issues concerning municipal fire departments.
28. Mayor Morrissey called attention to a Memorandum from Glen Trommels, IT Director, and Todd Cagnoni, Community and Economic Development Director, regarding the Final Rental Registry Update.

29. Mayor Morrissey mentioned last Friday he attended a Domestic Violence seminar hosted by Fire/Police Chaplain Lou Ness and Rockford Police Sgt. Eric Bruno. He appreciates the commitment from local church leaders to continue working together as a community to save lives. A map identifying several churches and places of worship showing an overlay of domestic violence calls for service will be discussed at the next RockStat meeting.
30. Mayor Morrissey mentioned the *Rockford Register Star* published a very extensive and informative "Transform Rockford" section in Sunday's paper, giving insight to several local businesses and organizations.
31. Alderman Newburg announced the 9th Ward and 12th Ward will be hosting a joint neighborhood meeting on March 13, 2014 at Cliffbreakers from 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm.
32. Alderman McNamara, on behalf of a constituent, commended the police department for their professionalism and quick response in apprehending the suspect in a residential burglary and recovering the stolen property.
33. Alderman Beach announced several neighborhood groups will be hosting a question/answer session for candidates running for Sheriff on Thursday, March 6, 2014 at 7:00 pm at the First Evangelical Covenant Church at 316 Wood Road.
34. Alderman Getchius urged residents in his ward to contract the police department with any information regarding the recent spree of tire slashing and he thanked the police department for their efforts.
35. Alderman Getchius informed residents that today early voting started for the primary and he encouraged everyone to research the candidates and get out and vote.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

2014-054CR

36. Alderman Beck moved the adoption of a Code and Regulation Committee Report recommending the approval of the sale of vacant lot at 326 Bremer Street for a minimum bid of \$450.00 with preference to the adjacent property owner and includes advertising. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes:	Durkee, Getchius, McNamara, Frost, Hervey, Oddo, Newburg, Beach, Elyea, Beck, Chiarelli -11-
Nays:	-0-
Absent:	Hill, Thompson-Kelly, McNeely -3-

2014-055CR

37. Alderman Beck moved the adoption of a Code and Regulation Committee Report recommending that the Legal Director be instructed to prepare an Ordinance establishing a "No Parking Anytime" restriction on the east side of Willard Avenue from 170 feet north of School Street to 200 feet north of School Street.

MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Durkee, Getchius, McNamara, Frost, Hervey, Oddo, Newburg,
Beach, Elyea, Beck, Chiarelli -11-
Nays: -0-
Absent: Hill, Thompson-Kelly, McNeely -3-

2014-056CR

38. Alderman Beck moved the adoption of a Code and Regulation Committee Report recommending that the Legal Director be instructed to prepare an Ordinance establishing

“No Parking Anytime except Para-Transit” on the west side of Parmele Street from 410 feet north of Broadway to 440 feet north of Broadway Street.

MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Durkee, Getchius, McNamara, Frost, Hervey, Oddo, Newburg,
Beach, Elyea, Beck, Chiarelli -11-
Nays: -0-
Absent: Hill, Thompson-Kelly, McNeely -3-

2014-057CR

39. Alderman Beck moved the adoption of a Code and Regulation Committee Report recommending that the Legal Director be instructed to prepare an Ordinance for a

“Handicapped Parking” zone on the north side of Elm Street from 70 feet east of Winnebago Street to 90 feet east of Winnebago Street, thus repealing the existing two hour parking.

MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Durkee, Getchius, McNamara, Frost, Hervey, Oddo, Newburg,
Beach, Elyea, Beck, Chiarelli -11-
Nays: -0-
Absent: Hill, Thompson-Kelly, McNeely -3-

2014-058CR

40. Alderman Beck moved the adoption of a Code and Regulation Committee Report recommending that the Legal Director be instructed to prepare an Ordinance for a “35 MPH Speed Limit” on Auburn Street from North Springfield Avenue to South Pierpont Avenue, thus modifying the existing speed limit ordinance of a 45 MPH Speed Limit on Auburn Street from North Meridian Road to South Pierpont Avenue. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Durkee, Getchius, McNamara, Frost, Hervey, Oddo, Newburg,
Beach, Elyea, Beck, Chiarelli -11-
Nays: -0-
Absent: Hill, Thompson-Kelly, McNeely -3-

2014-059CR

41. Alderman Beck moved the adoption of a Code and Regulation Committee Report recommending that the Legal Director be instructed to prepare an Ordinance repealing a mid-block pedestrian crossing on Auburn Street, in front of Auburn High School, 630 feet west of North Pierpont Avenue. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Durkee, Getchius, McNamara, Frost, Hervey, Oddo, Newburg, Beach, Elyea, Beck, Chiarelli -11-
Nays: -0-
Absent: Hill, Thompson-Kelly, McNeely -3-

2014-060CR

42. Alderman Beck moved the adoption of a Code and Regulation Committee Report recommending that "No Action" be taken on the following items:

1. Request to establish all-way stop control at the intersection of South 2nd Street and Grove Street, thus repealing the existing Grove Street stopping for South 2nd Street.
2. Request to establish all-way stop control at the intersection of South 2nd Street and Oak Street, thus repealing the existing Oak Street stopping for South 2nd Street

MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Durkee, McNamara, Frost, Hervey, Oddo, Newburg, Beach, Elyea, Beck, Chiarelli -10-
Nays: -0-
Abstain: Getchius -1-
Absent: Hill, Thompson-Kelly, McNeely -3-

2014-061CR

43. Alderman Hervey moved the adoption of a Finance and Personnel Committee Report recommending approval of a reduction in the outstanding code hearing fines and penalties for 1120 Woodlawn Avenue in Rockford, Illinois to \$1,000.00. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Durkee, Getchius, McNamara, Frost, Hervey, Oddo, Newburg, Beach, Elyea, Beck, Chiarelli -11-
Nays: -0-
Absent: Hill, Thompson-Kelly, McNeely -3-

2014-062CR

44. Alderman Hervey moved the adoption of a Finance and Personnel Committee Report recommending approval of a reduction in the outstanding code hearing fines and penalties for 1118 N. Winnebago Street in Rockford, Illinois to \$1,000.00 upon compliance with original order to repair. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Durkee, Getchius, McNamara, Frost, Hervey, Oddo, Newburg, Beach, Elyea, Beck, Chiarelli -11-
Nays: -0-

Absent: Hill, Thompson-Kelly, McNeely -3-

2014-063CR

45. Alderman Hervey moved the adoption of a Finance and Personnel Committee Report recommending approval of waiving the \$6,000.00 in outstanding code hearing fines and penalties for 3405 Gilbert Avenue, in Rockford, Illinois as long as Rockford Area Habitat for Humanity takes ownership and demolishes the existing structure(s). The outstanding water and mowing liens must be paid. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Durkee, Getchius, McNamara, Frost, Hervey, Oddo, Newburg, Beach, Elyea, Beck, Chiarelli -11-

Nays: -0-

Absent: Hill, Thompson-Kelly, McNeely -3-

2014-064CR

46. Alderman Hervey moved the adoption of a Finance and Personnel Committee Report recommending approval of a reduction in the outstanding code hearing fines and penalties for 1620 13th Avenue in Rockford, Illinois to \$500 upon demolition, this offer shall expire in 60 days from the date of final council approval. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Durkee, Getchius, McNamara, Frost, Hervey, Oddo, Newburg, Beach, Elyea, Beck, Chiarelli -11-

Nays: -0-

Absent: Hill, Thompson-Kelly, McNeely -3-

2014-065CR

47. Alderman Hervey moved the adoption of a Finance and Personnel Committee Report recommending approval of a reduction in the outstanding code hearing fines and penalties for 927 Woodlawn Avenue in Rockford, Illinois to \$1,000 upon compliance with original order to repair. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Durkee, Getchius, McNamara, Frost, Hervey, Oddo, Newburg, Beach, Elyea, Beck, Chiarelli -11-

Nays: -0-

Absent: Hill, Thompson-Kelly, McNeely -3-

48. Alderman Hervey moved the adoption of a Finance and Personnel Committee Report recommending approval of the proposed Intergovernmental Agreement for Property Acquisition of the Former Administration Building between District 205 and the City of Rockford. The Legal Director shall prepare the appropriate ordinance. LAID OVER.

Alderman Hervey laid the committee report over.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS

49. Alderman Durkee, on behalf of the Planning and Development Committee, moved for the adoption of a Resolution approving the 2014 Demolition Ranking Criteria and Selection Process. LAID OVER.

2014-025R

50. Alderman Hervey, on behalf of the Finance and Personnel Committee, moved the adoption of a Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute an agreement for Pesticide Application – 2014 with JJ Paris, of Rockford, Illinois for an estimated annual value of \$30,000. The funding source is Street Division Operating Budget. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Durkee, Getchius, McNamara, Frost, Hervey, Oddo, Newburg, Beach, Elyea, Beck, Chiarelli -11-
Nays: -0-
Absent: Hill, Thompson-Kelly, McNeely -3-

2014-026R

51. Alderman Hervey, on behalf of the Finance and Personnel Committee, moved the adoption of a Resolution authorizing the Mayor and Legal Director to execute an agreement for Electrical Parts and Supplies for the Traffic Division – 2014 with Crescent Electric Supply, Springfield Electric Supply, and Steiner Electric. The funding source is Traffic Division Operating Budget. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Durkee, Getchius, McNamara, Frost, Hervey, Oddo, Newburg, Beach, Elyea, Beck, Chiarelli -11-
Nays: -0-
Absent: Hill, Thompson-Kelly, McNeely -3-

2014-027R

52. Alderman Hervey, on behalf of the Finance and Personnel Committee, moved the adoption of a Resolution authorizing the Mayor and Legal Director to execute an agreement for City-Wide Street Repairs Group #7 – 2013 with William Charles Construction, of Loves Park, Illinois in the amount of \$100,000. The funding source is Sales Tax. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Durkee, Getchius, McNamara, Frost, Hervey, Oddo, Newburg, Beach, Elyea, Beck, Chiarelli -11-
Nays: -0-
Absent: Hill, Thompson-Kelly, McNeely -3-

2014-028R

53. Alderman Hervey, on behalf of the Finance and Personnel Committee, moved the adoption of a Resolution authorizing the Central Services Manager to sell (1) 2005 International tandem axle vehicle to Burritt Township in the amount of \$27,000.00. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Durkee, Getchius, McNamara, Frost, Hervey, Oddo, Newburg, Beach, Elyea, Beck, Chiarelli -11-

Nays: -0-
Absent: Hill, Thompson-Kelly, McNeely -3-

2014-029R

54. Alderman Hervey, on behalf of the Finance and Personnel Committee, moved the adoption of a Resolution approving an Agreement between the City of Rockford and the Illinois Association of Community Action Agencies (IACCA) to provide application services for the ComEd Hardship Program which provides arrearage assistance for electric bills for persons below 250% of poverty level. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Durkee, McNamara, Frost, Hervey, Oddo, Newburg, Beach, Elyea, Beck, Chiarelli -10-
Nays: -0-
Abstain: Getchius -1-
Absent: Hill, Thompson-Kelly, McNeely -3-

NEW BUSINESS

55. Alderman Beck introduced and read an Ordinance for the sale of property at 326 Bremer Street, PIN #11-26-158-009 at a minimum bid of \$450.00 with preference to the adjacent property owner and includes advertising. LAID OVER.

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LAID OVER.

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LAID OVER.

60. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the meeting was adjourned at 8:11 pm.

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
March 10, 2014
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

I. PUBLIC HEARING – Pre-annexation Agreement for 8101 Spring Creek Road

- Petitions and Communications
- Proclamations
- Committee Reports
- Officers Reports

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

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"That a 35 MPH Speed Limit on Auburn Street from North Springfield Avenue to South Pierpont Avenue, thus modifying the existing speed limit ordinance of a 45 MPH Speed Limit on Auburn Street from North Meridian Road to South Pierpont Avenue.
4. Beck - Ordinance - Amending Chapter 16, Schedule Section 280 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Rockford to add the following, to-wit:

"No Parking Anytime" on the east side of Willard Avenue from 170 feet north of School Street to 200 feet north of School Street.

"No Parking Anytime except Para-Transit" on the west side of Parmele Street from 410 feet north of Broadway Street to 440 feet north of Broadway Street.
5. Beck - Ordinance - Amending Chapter 16, Section 186(b) of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Rockford to add the following, to-wit:

That a "Handicapped Parking" zone be established on the north side of Elm Street from 70 feet east of Winnebago Street to 90 feet east of Winnebago Street, thus repealing the existing 2 hour parking.

- Motions and Resolutions

IV. MOTION/RESOLUTIONS

A. LAID OVER MARCH 3, 2014

1. Durkee - Planning and Development Committee - Approving the 2014 Demolition Ranking Criteria and Selection Process.

B. TO BE READ IN MARCH 3, 2014

1. Beck - Red Shoe Run for Donor Awareness – 4/12/14
2. Beck - MELD Classic Run – 7/4/14
3. Beck - Unitarian Universalist Church Annual Rummage Sale – 3/28-3/29/14
4. Beck - Harvest Bible Church Easter Service at Coronado – Request to reduced parking rate in relation to a special event – 4/20/14

V. MISCELLANEOUS/APPOINMENTS HELD OUT MARCH 3, 2014

1. Mayor Morrissey - Appointment - CAA Rockford Human Services Board, Ms. Jennifer *Garcia to fill the vacant client sector position. Ms. Garcia will serve a three-year term. (Pursuant to Rule 18, this item is up for passage on March 17, 2014).

VI. 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. Hervey – Ordinance - Development Agreement for Demolition Services, between the City of Rockford and Rockford Corridor Improvement, Inc.
2. Hervey - Ordinance - Contingency fee agreement for recovery of Environmental Clean Up Costs and Nuisance Violations with the Sims Law Firm and Keller Rohrbach, LLP.
3. Hervey – Ordinance - Intergovernmental Agreement for Property Acquisition of the Former Administration Building between District 205 and the City of Rockford.
4. Beck – Ordinance - APPROVE the Variation to allow a reduction for street frontage landscape strip from ten (10) feet to two (2) feet along North Main Street and one (1) foot along Halsted Road due to Illinois Department of Transportation road expansion and APPROVE the Variation to reduce required setback for a corner free-standing sign to one (1) foot in a C-2, Limited Commercial District at 3325 North Main Street. Approval is subject to the following conditions:
 1. If landscape units can be preserved, that they are relocated somewhere on the property.
 2. That a detailed landscape plan with plant species is submitted for Staff’s review and approval.
 3. That the corner freestanding sign shall conform with the requirements of a landmark monument sign, not to exceed eight (8) feet in height and sixty-four (64) square feet in size inclusive of any electronic reader board up to thirty-six (36) square feet in size.

Approval is based on the Findings of Facts.

5. Beck - Code and Regulation - Recommending that the City Council approve the acquisition of real properties pertaining to the Harrison Avenue Project , to-wit:
 1. It is hereby determined that it is necessary and desirable that the City of Rockford shall acquire the real properties described in Exhibit A attached hereto, which said properties are necessary, useful, advantageous and desirable to the Harrison Avenue Project.
 2. City Staff shall make final offers to acquire the parcels identified in Exhibit A.
 3. In the event final offers are rejected or generate no response, the Legal Director is hereby directed to file eminent domain proceedings to acquire the properties.
- * 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, March 10, 2014, 5:15 p.m.
Conference Room A, City Hall 2nd floor (north room)
AGENDA

1. C & R 14-42 Special Events:
 - a) Red Shoe Run for Donor Awareness 04/12/14
 - b) MELD Classic Run 07/04/14
 - c) Unitarian Universalist Church Annual Rummage Sale 03/28 – 03/29/14
 - d) Request for reduced parking rate in relation to special event; Harvest Bible Church Easter Service at Coronado 04/20/14

2. C & R 13-204 Amendment to Snow Emergency Ordinance authorizing the declaration of a Snow Emergency when ice storms or other than 2 inches of snowfall threaten the safety of our residents

3. C & R 13-166 Change in City Council and Standing Committee Meeting Times

FINANCE AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE
Monday, March 10, 2014, 5:15 p.m.
Conference Room B, City Hall 2nd floor (south room)
AGENDA

1. Purchasing and Vouchers
 - A. Award of RFP: Code Violation Hearing Officer
 - B. Emergency Purchase Order: Frozen Water Service Repairs - **Info only**
 - C. Change Order: S. Main Street Overhead Utility Relocation (Comcast)
 - D. Vouchers
2. Municipal Electric Aggregation Contract Expiration
3. Fine Reduction request
 - 1000 9th Street
4. Harrison Avenue Land Acquisition (Laid over 3/3) – **Closed Session**

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
Monday, March 10, 2014, 5:00 p.m.
CD Conference Rm., City Hall 2nd floor
AGENDA

1. Memorandum from Todd Cagnoni, Community and Economic Development Department, regarding the Development Agreement for Amerock Building (Ziock Building).

LEGISLATIVE LOBBYING COMMITTEE
Monday, March 10, 2014, 4:30 p.m.
Conference Room A, City Hall 2nd floor (north room)
AGENDA

1. Alzheimer's Research Signed into Law
2. Report on Bill Summaries
3. New Business