

**CITY COUNCIL, CITY OF ROCKFORD
JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS
JANUARY 9, 2006
COUNCIL CONVENED AT 6:02 P.M.**

1. The invocation was given by Orville Richardson, Jefferson Heights Baptist Church/ Police Chaplain and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Page Justin Francis.
2. Roll Call:

Mayor Lawrence J. Morrissey

Aldermen: Sosnowski, Curran, Mark, Wasco, Bell, Jacobson, Thompson, Johnson,
Timm, Beach, Holt, Beck, McNeely, Conness -14-
Absent: -0-
3. Alderman Mark moved to accept the Journal of Proceedings of January 3, 2006, seconded by Alderman Jacobson.

Alderman Beach made a motion to amend Item #48 of the Journal and Item #III B.1 of the Agenda to reflect that Alderman Beach, on behalf of the Code and Regulation Committee, read in a Resolution recommending **not to place on the ballot** the proposition that the City of Rockford, Winnebago County, Illinois to become a home rule unit at the General Primary Election to be held on March 21, 2006, motion was seconded by Alderman McNeely. MOTION PREVAILED.

The Journal and Agenda was placed on passage as amended. MOTION PREVAILED.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

4. Peter Provenzano spoke in support of Home Rule.
5. Mary McNamara Bernsten spoke in support of Home Rule.
6. Daniel Kelly spoke opposing Home Rule.
7. Mark Dahlgren spoke opposing Home Rule.
8. John Gile spoke regarding Rockford Leadership and the Pursuit of Excellence Debunking the Springfield Myth.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

9. Alderman Beck submitted a letter from Mr. and Mrs. High regarding a neighbor who needs assistance with repairing a heating problem. Referred to Neighborhood Standards.
10. Alderman Johnson submitted a Request for Service. Referred to Neighborhood Standards.

11. Alderman Johnson submitted a Memorandum from Mark Rose, Land Acquisition Officer, regarding the Morgan Street Bridge Project, Advance Acquisition & Relocation of 129 Morgran Street. Referred to Finance and Personnel Committee.
12. Alderman Johnson submitted a Memorandum from Patrick Hayes, Legal Director regarding Funding Alternatives for 2006 Budget. Referred to Finance and Personnel Committee.
13. Alderman Jacobson submitted a request from Ralph Tolan, Isaiah 58 Ministries, requesting permission for a banner on a building located at 3134 11th Street, Mattress Deals, from January 7th through 31st. Alderman Jacobson moved to grant the Prayer of the Petitioner, seconded by Alderman Mark. MOTION PREVAILED.
14. Alderman Bell submitted four (4) Requests for Service. Referred to Public Works Department and Neighborhood Standards.
15. Alderman Holt submitted a request from Amber Waters and John Jensen, Forge Films, requesting permission for use of city property, streets (with insurance with city listed as additional insured), road closures and police assistance for three (3) days within the next three (3) weeks at 23rd Street from 14th to 15th, Reed Chatwood, possible other local streets with staff and resident/business approval. Alderman Holt moved to grant the Prayer of the Petitioner, seconded by Alderman Mark. MOTION PREVAILED.
16. Alderman Mark submitted a letter from Herm Smith, St. Louis, Missouri, supporting the proposed whitewater park in Rockford. Referred to Mayor Morrissey.
17. Alderman Mark submitted a letter from Charmaine Schreiner requesting a yield sign be installed at the intersection of Post Avenue and Hancock Street. Referred to Traffic Department.
18. Alderman Mark submitted a request from New American Theater requesting a waiver of no parking restriction in the area of performances for the dates of 2/1, 2/2, 2/7-2/9, 2/14, 2/16, 2/21, 2/22, at 10:00 am and 2/15, 3/22 and 5/10 at 2:00 pm for Matinee performances at the New American Theater located at 118 North Main Street. Alderman Mark moved to grant the Prayer of the Petitioner, seconded by Alderman McNeely. MOTION PREVAILED.
19. Alderman Sosnowski submitted a Request for Service. Referred to the Police Department.
20. Alderman Timm submitted a letter from Adam Dach, Top Shelf Closets, Inc. inquiring about a building improvements program the city may have available. Referred to Mayor Morrissey and Community Development Director Vicki Manson.

NEW COMMITTEE REPORTS

21. Alderman Beach read a Code and Regulation Committee Report SUSTAINING the Zoning Board of Appeals recommending that the City Council APPROVE the Special Use Permit

for a Communication Antenna Support Structure eighty-one (81) feet in height, where the maximum allowable height is seventy (70) feet in a C-2, Limited Office Zoning District at 6449 East State Street. Approval is subject to the following conditions:

1. Meeting all applicable Building and Fire Codes.
2. A fence permit be issued prior to establishing the desired fence
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5. That the existing trees along the western boundary remain and a "Type A" landscape buffer along the western and northern property lines be maintained.
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30. Alderman Johnson moved the adoption of a Finance and Personnel Committee Report recommending approval of the total vouchers for the week of January 9, 2006 in the amount of \$1,376,411.24. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Sosnowski, Curran, Mark, Wasco, Bell, Jacobson, Thompson, Johnson, Timm, Beach, Holt, Beck, McNeely, Conness -14-
 Nays: -0-
 Absent: -0-

31. Alderman Mark read a Planning and Development Committee Report recommending approval of a Development Agreement with Midcor Supply Company providing a partial city sales tax rebate over five years on the terms outlined in the attached letter of the Mayor dated December 20, 2005. The Legal Director shall prepare the Development Agreement and appropriate ordinance. LAID OVER.
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OFFICERS REPORTS

34. Mayor Morrissey thanked all council members for participating in the budget retreat this past Saturday and mentioned the agenda provided to them for the follow-up meeting Saturday, January 14th from 8:30 am to noon to discuss any suggested changes, corrections or proposals from the previous meeting. Any additions or changes should be submitted to staff prior to the meeting.
35. Mayor Morrissey commented that the Governor will be in Rockford at Eigar Lab, tomorrow at 10:00 am, for a press conference to make an important announcement regarding approximately \$1.4 million dollars in funds that had previously been promised that will be released to Eigar Lab. During that press conference there will also be discussion regarding road projects and he encourages everyone to attend.
36. Mayor Morrissey announced that Former Mayor Charles Box has been nominated by the Governor for the chairmanship of the Interstate Commerce Commission and wished him the best of luck in the appointment process.
37. Mayor Morrissey called attention to a Memorandum from himself and Jim Ryan, City Administrator, regarding Conference Attendance Protocol effective January 1, 2006.
38. Mayor Morrissey reminded all that Monday, January 16th City Hall will be closed in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday and the next City Council meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 17, 2006 at 6:00 pm.
39. Mayor Morrissey added a few words on the Home Rule issue that he was appreciative of the participation from the community and council discussion on this important issue stating that no matter what the outcome of the vote is, we all need to be involved in the education on this topic and move forward as a community united.
40. Alderman Jacobson commented on the *Rockford Register Star* survey regarding home rule and each alderman's position on the topic. Alderman Jacobson thanked Ken DeCoster for his professionalism when speaking with and reporting his comments on Home Rule. He also requested Mayor Morrissey clarify the vote on Home Rule before it is voted on.
41. Alderman Mark communicated the questions and results of 414 Rockford citizens who responded to the survey in the *Rockford Register Star* regarding Home Rule.

42. Alderman Mark suggested the possibility of street sweeping services in Rockford, now that the weather is warmer and garbage has collected in the streets during the winter months. Referred to Public Works Department.
43. Alderman Bell mentioned a few weeks ago he submitted a request regarding Rocky Glen and the noise issue there. Alderman Bell received additional calls this past weekend and would like to sit down with the owner's of Rocky Glen to discuss a solution to this problem. Referred to Mayor's Office.
44. Alderman Bell expressed appreciation for the calls he received from several citizens regarding the Home Rule issue and was delighted with the number of young people involved with this debate.
45. Alderman Timm stated he has been working for the past two years with the Traffic Department trying to fix the intersection of Safford and Springfield. He thanked the staff and through their efforts, street lights and yellow flashing lights have been installed at this intersection.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

2006-11CR

46. Alderman Mark moved the adoption of a Planning and Development Committee Report recommending approval of the Award of contracts for Tax Increment Finance Consultant Services for the study and creation of Tax Increment Finance Districts as follows:
 - A. Teska Associates, Inc. (North Main/Auburn; East State/Alpine Study Areas)
 - B. Kane McKenna and Associates, Inc. (West State/Kilburn; West State/Central; Jackson School Study Areas)
 - C. S. B. Freidman & Company (West Side TIF #2 and Preston/Central Study Areas)

(Funding Source: Various TIF Districts). MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Sosnowski, Curran, Mark, Wasco, Bell, Jacobson, Thompson, Johnson, Timm, Beach, Holt, Beck, McNeely, Conness -14-
 Nays: -0-
 Absent: -0-

2006-6-O

47. Alderman Johnson moved the adoption of an Ordinance amending Chapter 31, Water, Article VI, Revenue and Rates, Section 31-74, of the Code of Ordinances. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Sosnowski, Curran, Mark, Wasco, Bell, Jacobson, Thompson, Johnson, Timm, Beach, Beck, McNeely, Conness -13-
 Nays: Holt -1-
 Absent: -0-

2006-7-0

48. Alderman Johnson moved the adoption of an Ordinance authorizing the issuance of Waterworks Revenue Bonds of the City of Rockford, Winnebago County, Illinois, in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$75,000,000, for the purpose of defraying the cost of improving and extending the waterworks system of the City. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Sosnowski, Curran, Mark, Wasco, Bell, Jacobson, Thompson, Johnson, Timm, Beach, Holt, Beck, McNeely, Conness –14-
Nays: -0-
Absent: -0-

2006-8-0

49. Alderman Johnson moved the adoption of an Ordinance authorizing the issuance of General Obligation Bonds (Waterworks System Alternate Revenue Source) of the City of Rockford, Winnebago County, Illinois, in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$75,000,000, for the purpose of defraying the cost of improving and extending the waterworks system of the City. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Sosnowski, Curran, Mark, Wasco, Bell, Jacobson, Thompson, Johnson, Timm, Beach, Holt, Beck, McNeely, Conness –14-
Nays: -0-
Absent: -0-

2006-9-0

50. Alderman Johnson moved the adoption of an Ordinance providing for submission to the voters of the City of Rockford, Winnebago County, IL, of the question of issuing \$8,900,000 General Obligation Street Improvement Bonds at the General Primary Election to be held on March 21, 2006. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Sosnowski, Curran, Mark, Wasco, Bell, Jacobson, Thompson, Johnson, Timm, Beach, Holt, Beck, McNeely, Conness –14-
Nays: -0-
Absent: -0-

2006-10-0

51. Alderman Johnson moved the adoption of an Ordinance authorizing the issuance of General Obligation Bonds (Sales and Incremental Property Taxes Alternate Revenue Sources) of the City of Rockford, Winnebago County, IL, in the aggregate principal amount of not to exceed \$2,500,000, for the purpose of defraying the costs of certain redevelopment in the Hope VI Redevelopment Project Area. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Sosnowski, Curran, Mark, Wasco, Bell, Jacobson, Thompson, Johnson, Timm, Beach, Holt, Beck, McNeely, Conness –14-
Nays: -0-
Absent: -0-

2006-12CR

52. Alderman Beach moved the adoption of a Code and Regulation recommending the approval of the Final Plat of Aspling Subdivision. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Sosnowski, Curran, Mark, Wasco, Bell, Jacobson, Thompson, Johnson, Timm, Beach, Holt, Beck, McNeely, Conness –14-
Nays: -0-
Absent: -0-

2006-13CR

53. Alderman Beach moved the adoption of a Code and Regulation Committee Report recommending the approval of the Tentative Plat of Riverwalk Subdivision. Approval is subject to the following conditions:

1. Thatcher Lane shall be renamed since Thatcher Drive already exists within the City of Rockford.
2. There shall be one street name for the east-west street (southern entrance) and one street name for the north-south (northern entrance).
3. The north-south Thatcher Lane right-of-way shall continue south of the southern property line.
4. Thatcher Lane must slope away from Main Street at both intersections.
5. The watermain between buildings 6 & 7 shall extend to the proposed 16" watermain in Main Street.

MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Sosnowski, Curran, Mark, Wasco, Bell, Jacobson, Thompson, Johnson, Timm, Beach, Holt, Beck, McNeely, Conness –14-
Nays: -0-
Absent: -0-

54. Alderman Beach moved the adoption of a Code and Regulation Committee Report, that if due to the referendum submitted to the qualified electors of the City on March 21, 2006, the City of Rockford becomes a home rule unit, the City Council shall abide by the property tax limitations as set forth in the Property Tax Extension Limitation Law (35 ILCS 200/18-185 et seq.), as per the proposed Ordinance. Amendment or repeal may occur only upon a vote of 2/3 of the elected aldermen.

Alderman Beck made a motion to amend the committee report deleting the language, "Amendment or repeal may occur only upon a vote of 2/3 of the elected aldermen" and "due to the referendum submitted to the qualified electors of the City on March 21, 2006, seconded by Alderman Mark. The Amendment reads as follows:

Alderman Beach moved the adoption of a Code and Regulation Committee Report begs leave to report that if, the City of Rockford becomes a home rule unit, the City Council

shall abide by the property tax limitations as set forth in the Property Tax Extension Limitation Law (35 ILCS 200/18-185 et seq.), as per the proposed Ordinance.

The amended Committee Report was placed on passage. MOTION FAILED with a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Sosnowski, Mark, Timm, Beach, Beck –5-
Nays: Curran, Wasco, Bell, Jacobson, Thompson, Johnson, Holt, McNeely, Conness –9-
Absent: -0-

There was some confusion as to what the vote was for. The language of the amended Committee Report was placed on passage. The Mayor asked for a Voice vote and then asked for a Roll Call vote when it was unclear. MOTION FAILED with a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Sosnowski, Curran, Mark, Timm, Beach, Beck –6-
Nays: Wasco, Bell, Jacobson, Thompson, Johnson, Holt, McNeely, Conness –8-
Absent: -0-

The Committee Report as submitted was placed on passage. MOTION FAILED with a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Sosnowski, Mark, Timm, Beach, Beck –5-
Nays: Curran, Wasco, Bell, Jacobson, Thompson, Johnson, Holt, McNeely, Conness –9-
Absent: -0-

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS

2006-1R

55. Alderman Beach, on behalf of the Code and Regulation Committee, moved the adoption of a Resolution recommending not to place on the ballot the proposition that the City of Rockford, Winnebago County, Illinois to become a home rule unit at the General Primary Election to be held on March 21, 2006. MOTION PREVAILED with a Roll Call vote of:

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Nays: Sosnowski, Mark, Timm, Beach, Beck –5-
Absent: -0-

56. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Reed
Administrative Assistant

[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 17, 2006
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 Participation
- Petitions and Communications
- New Committee Reports (Reports of Standing Committees – Code and Regulation, Finance and Personnel, Planning and Development - and other select committees)
- Officers Reports
- Unfinished Business of previous meeting

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. COMMITTEE REPORTS LAID OVER JANUARY 9, 2006

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B. MISCELLANEOUS HELD OUT JANUARY 9, 2006

- 1.* Mayor Morrissey - Appointment – Sandi Kohn to the Downtown Design Review Committee, to replace Anna O'Halla. (Pursuant to Rule 18, this appointment will be up for passage on January 23, 2006).
- 2.* Mayor Morrissey – Appointment - Frank Turbyville to the Downtown Design Review Committee, to replace Joanne Schleicher. (Pursuant to Rule 18, this appointment will be up for passage on January 23, 2006).
- 3.* Mayor Morrissey – Appointment – Robert King to the Homestead Board, to replace William Rogers, to a one (1) year term beginning on January 9, 2006 and ending on January 9, 2007. (Pursuant to Rule 18, this appointment will be up for passage on January 17, 2006).

* same action taken before

- Motions and Resolutions
- 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).
- 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

Tuesday, January 17, 2006, 4:45 p.m.
CD Conference Room, City Hall 2nd floor
AGENDA

1. C & R 05-288 Smoke Free Community Ordinance Proposal
2. C & R 05-328 Request from Ald. Sosnowski re: assigning street addresses along major four lane roads
3. C & R 05-320 ZBA#112-50 **(B) Variation** to increase the maximum sign height from thirty (30) feet above grade to thirty (30) feet above road height of Bypass 20 in a C-3, Commercial General District at **588 Simpson Road**

FINANCE AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

Tuesday, January 17, 2006, 5:15 p.m.
Conference Room B, City Hall 2nd floor (south room)
AGENDA

1. Purchasing and Vouchers
 - A. Resolution to take Proposals
 - B. Change Order for Highview Avenue
 - C. Vouchers
2. Morgan Street Bridge Project
3. Funding Alternatives for 2006 Budget
4. Union Negotiation Update - Closed Session

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
Tuesday, January 17, 2006, 5:15 p.m.
Conference Room A, City Hall 2nd floor (north room)
AGENDA

No Agenda.