

**CITY COUNCIL, CITY OF ROCKFORD
JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS
JUNE 15, 2009
COUNCIL CONVENEED AT 6:33 P.M.**

1. The Clerk called the meeting to order in the absence of the Mayor, and recognized Alderman Mark who moved that Alderman Beck serve as Mayor Pro Tem for the meeting. Said motion was seconded by Alderman Jacobson. MOTION PREVAILED.
- 1a. The invocation was given by Father Ron Montanye, Police Chaplain and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by City Council Clerk Karla Centeno.
2. Roll Call:

Alderman Beck, Mayor Pro Tem

Aldermen: Sosnowski, Curran, Mark, Wasco, Hervey, Jacobson, Thompson-Kelly, Johnson, Timm, Beach, Elyea, (Beck), McNeely, Robertson -14-
Absent: -0-
3. Alderman Mark moved to accept the Journal of Proceedings of June 8, 2009, seconded by Alderman Jacobson. MOTION PREVAILED.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

4. Nancy Gdowski suggested Council insist on a detailed plan, financial, job audits and a mission statement from the Metro Centre before providing more funding for operations.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

5. Alderman Timm submitted a letter from Kay Viet, concerning repairs to the streets and alleys at the end of the North End Square. Referred to the Public Works Department.
6. Alderman Beach submitted the Rockford Traffic Commission minutes from the meeting held on June 10, 2009. Referred to Code and Regulation Committee.
7. Alderman Beach submitted a Memorandum from Jessica Roberts, Planner II, regarding the annexation of 524 South Pierpont. Referred to Code and Regulation Committee.
8. Alderman Mark submitted a request from Randall Larson, in conjunction with Swedish American Historical Society's Midsommer Fest, 70th Anniversary, requesting permission for two (2) tents in the City street and street closures, Grove Street and South 3rd Street, event at The Erlander Home, 404 South 3rd Street on June 20, 2009 from 8:30 am to 4:00 pm. Alderman Mark moved to grant the Prayer of the Petitioner, seconded by Alderman Wasco. MOTION PREVAILED.
9. Alderman Johnson submitted four (4) Requests for Service. Referred to the Public Works Department and Community Development/Code Enforcement.

10. Alderman Johnson submitted an e-mail from a constituent requesting service at 3312 Seward. Referred to Community Development/Code Enforcement.
11. Alderman Hervey submitted a request from Pat Wilkins, in conjunction with the National Black Family Reunion Parade, requesting permission for street closures for the parade and police assistance (1) officer as lead and (1) officer on motorcycle starting at Booker Washington Center, south on Court, west on Morgan, south on Winnebago, Weston Montague to Johnston ending at Levings Lake on August 15, 2009 from 9:00 am to 11:00 am. Alderman Hervey moved to grant the Prayer of the Petitioner, seconded by Alderman Jacobson. MOTION PRAVAILED.
12. Alderman Hervey submitted three (3) Requests for Service. Referred to the Public Works Department and Community Development/Code Enforcement.
13. Alderman Robertson submitted a request from Whitey Marnelli, in conjunction with Festa Italiana, requesting barricades and permission for food and liquor outdoors within a confined space and carnival at Boylan Catholic High School, 4000 St. Francis Drive on July 31, 2009 and August 1, 2009 from 11:00 am to 11:00 pm and August 2, 2009 from 11:00 am to 10:00 pm. Alderman Robertson moved to grant the Prayer of the Petitioner, seconded by Alderman Mark. MOTION PREVAILED.
14. Alderman Wasco submitted a Memorandum from Patrick Zuroske, Capital Program Manager, regarding an intergovernmental agreement with the Rock River Water Reclamation District for Hecker Avenue Reconstruction. Referred to Finance and Personnel Committee.
15. Alderman Wasco submitted a Memorandum from Patrick Zuroske, Capital Program Manager, regarding an intergovernmental agreement with the Rock River Water Reclamation District for Sinnissippi-Centennial Path Park. Referred to Finance and Personnel Committee.
16. Alderman Sosnowski submitted a request for information on CDBG Funded Organizations. Referred to Planning and Development Committee.

NEW COMMITTEE REPORTS

17. Alderman Beach read a Code and Regulation Committee Report recommending approval to vacate part of Carlson Road from Brooke Road to River Blvd. to the Rock River Water Reclamation District to retaining utility easements. The Legal Director shall prepare the appropriate ordinance. LAID OVER.
18. Alderman Beach read a Code and Regulation Committee Report SUSTAINING the Zoning Board of Appeals, thereby recommending that City Council DENY the variation to increase the maximum square footage for an accessory building from 720 square feet to 1276 square feet and to DENY a variation to increase the maximum height for an accessory building from 18 feet to 21½ feet in an R-1, Single-family Residential District at 803 Starview Court.

Denial is based on the Findings of Fact. LAID OVER.

19. Alderman Wasco read a Finance and Personnel Committee Report recommending that an award be made for Powered Ambulance Cots to the lowest responsible bidder, Stryker Sales Corp of Portage, WI for a total of \$70,854. LAID OVER.
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21. Alderman Wasco read a Finance and Personnel Committee Report recommending approval of an Early Head Start grant application. LAID OVER.
22. Alderman Wasco read a Finance and Personnel Committee Report recommending that the City Council seek authorization of up to \$8.1 million in Alternate Revenue Bonds for the refunding of the Metro Centre bonds issued in 2007. The Legal Director shall prepare the appropriate ordinance. LAID OVER.

2009-263CR

23. Alderman Wasco read a Finance and Personnel Committee Report recommending that an award be made for the Energy Efficiency Project to Siemens Building Technologies of Bloomington, Illinois for a portion of total savings generated.

Alderman Wasco moved to suspend Rule 11, seconded by Alderman Mark. MOTION PREVAILED (Ald. McNeely voted "no"). The Committee Report was placed on passage. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

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

2009-264CR

24. Alderman Wasco read a Finance and Personnel Committee Report recommending that an award be made to low bidder for Water Division Vehicles to Anderson Rock River Ford of Rockford, Illinois for their total bid of \$176,767.

Alderman Wasco moved to suspend Rule 11, seconded by Alderman Mark. MOTION PREVAILED (Ald. McNeely voted "no"). The Committee Report was placed on passage. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

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

2009-265CR

25. Alderman Wasco read a Finance and Personnel Committee Report recommending that an award be made for an engineering agreement for Searles Avenue Bridge to Smith Engineering Consultants Group for a total not-to-exceed cost of \$36,253.30.

Alderman Wasco moved to suspend Rule 11, seconded by Alderman Mark. MOTION PREVAILED. The Committee Report was placed on passage. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Sosnowski, Curran, Mark, Wasco, Hervey, Jacobson, Thompson-Kelly, Johnson, Timm. Beach, Elyea, Beck, McNeely, Robertson -14-
Nays: -0-
Absent: -0-

2009-266CR

26. Alderman Wasco read a Finance and Personnel Committee Report recommending that all bids received for Wyman Street Two-Way be rejected and new bids be taken as soon as possible.

Alderman Wasco moved to suspend Rule 11, seconded by Alderman Mark. MOTION PREVAILED. The Committee Report was placed on passage. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Sosnowski, Curran, Mark, Wasco, Hervey, Jacobson, Thompson-Kelly, Johnson, Timm. Beach, Elyea, Beck, McNeely, Robertson -14-
Nays: -0-
Absent: -0-

2009-267CR

27. Alderman Wasco read a Finance and Personnel Committee Report recommending approval of a long term lease with the University of Illinois. The Legal Director shall prepare the appropriate ordinance.

Alderman Wasco moved to suspend Rule 11, seconded by Alderman Mark. MOTION PREVAILED. The Committee Report was placed on passage. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Sosnowski, Curran, Mark, Wasco, Hervey, Jacobson, Thompson-Kelly, Johnson, Timm. Beach, Elyea, Beck, McNeely, Robertson -14-
Nays: -0-
Absent: -0-

2009-268CR

28. Alderman Wasco read a Finance and Personnel Committee Report recommending that the final \$80,000 of the \$600,000 loan to the Metro Authority (previously approved) be disbursed.

Alderman Wasco moved to suspend Rule 11, seconded by Alderman Mark. MOTION PREVAILED. The Committee Report was placed on passage. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

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

29. Alderman Wasco read a Finance and Personnel Committee Report recommending the approval of vouchers for the week of June 15, 2009 in the amount of \$2,605,518.88. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Sosnowski, Curran, Mark, Wasco, Hervey, Jacobson, Thompson-Kelly, Johnson, Timm. Beach, Elyea, Beck, McNeely, Robertson -14-
Nays: -0-
Absent: -0-

30. Alderman Sosnowski read a Planning and Development Committee Report recommending City Council approve the attached request for funding for Southwest Ideas for Today and Tomorrow (SWIFTT) in the amount of \$50,000 - Funding Year 2009, with a 15% reduction in funding for a total of \$41,052.00. LAID OVER.

31. Alderman Sosnowski read a Planning and Development Committee Report recommending approval of the attached Year Two Work Plan and Operational Budget for The Element. LAID OVER.

OFFICERS REPORTS

32. Alderman Beck, on behalf of Mayor Morrissey, presented a Proclamation proclaiming Sunday, June 21, 2009 to be "NATIONAL ASK DAY" in Rockford, Illinois and called upon all citizens to join the Rockford ASK Campaign and ASK if there is a gun where their children play. ASKING SAVES KIDS.
33. Alderman Beck, on behalf of Mayor Morrissey, presented a Proclamation proclaiming the week of June 15, 2009 to be "CEASEFIRE WEEK" in Rockford, Illinois and urged citizens to participate in the march and support this effort to raise awareness of the violence in our neighborhoods.
34. Alderman Wasco recognized State Representative Chuck Jefferson in the audience.
35. James Ryan, City Administrator made a presentation to Council of the financial history of the Metro Centre and made recommendations for future funding.
- 35a. Alderman Thompson-Kelly expressed her concern with the SWIFTT organization's funding being eliminated.

- 35b. Alderman Thompson-Kelly expressed disappointment with previous promises from the Metro Centre to provide financial reports and is skeptical of their intentions to now provide financial reports.
- 35b. Alderman Wasco assured the Council the ad hoc committee is working on accountability issues, recommending monthly balance statements and appointing one alderman from each caucus as a voting member of the Board. He thanked Alderman Beach, City staff and Metro Centre staff for the numerous hours spent gathering information for the report.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

- 36. Alderman Mark submitted three (3) Requests for Service. Referred to Community Development/Code Enforcement.

OFFICERS REPORTS

- 37. Alderman Mark mentioned this coming Saturday, June 20th is the Midsommer Festival at The Erlander Home, 404 South 3rd Street in Haight Village from 8:00 am to 4:30 pm. He encouraged all to attend the event.
- 38. Alderman Mark also mentioned the Red Cross Rockin' for the Red Festival will be held at Davis Park on Saturday, June 20th.
- 39. Alderman Jacobson thanked all the volunteers for moving the plants and trees from the downtown mall and relocating and planting them.
- 40. Alderman Robertson thanked the ad hoc committee for all their time and energy put into gathering the information for the Metro Centre report.
- 41. Alderman Robertson expressed his frustration with legislators in Springfield pointing fingers and playing the "blame game" as it relates to the State's budget crisis. He mentioned attending an emergency meeting for the Youth Services Network and was appalled at the State's proposed list of human services to be eliminated from the budget.
- 42. George Davis, Director of Human Services, offered a list of services provided by his department, local organizations and local state services on the list to be eliminated from the State's budget.
- 43. Alderman McNeely announced this Thursday, June 18, 2009 will be a 13th Ward meeting held at Ellis School beginning at 6:00 pm, and that the meetings will be held on a monthly basis.
- 43a. Alderman McNeely commended staff for having the 50/50 contract rebid.
- 44. Alderman McNeely expressed disapproval with a Streetscape contractor subcontracting work to a company located outside of Rockford.

- 45. Alderman Curran agreed with Alderman Robertson's comments concerning State Legislator's blaming each other for the State's financial problems.
- 46. Alderman Thompson-Kelly also agreed with Alderman Robertson's comments and encouraged the continued efforts of the Aldermen and citizens to make the Legislators in Springfield aware of our priorities in Rockford.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

2009-269CR

- 47. Alderman Wasco moved the adoption of a Finance and Personnel Committee Report regarding the Keith Creek Flood Mitigation project recommends approving the following:
 - 1. Extension of the agreement for one year with RLDC or its subsidiary corporation for acquisition and maintenance of damaged homes.
 - 2. Conversion of the existing note with Associated Bank to a revolving line of credit in the amount of \$10 million due June 1, 2010.

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, McNeely, Robertson -13-
 Nays: Sosnowski -1-
 Absent: -0-

2009-270CR

- 48. Alderman Wasco moved the adoption of a Finance and Personnel Committee Report recommending the award for City-Wide Sidewalk, Curb and Gutter and ADA Ramps-2009 be awarded to the low bidder, A.A. Construction Company, of Rockford, Illinois, for their total bid of \$166,530.50. Funding source is Sales Tax.

Alderman Wasco made a motion to amend the committee report to read: Alderman Wasco moved the adoption of a Finance and Personnel Committee Report recommending from staff that all bids received be rejected and new bids taken as soon as possible, seconded by McNeely. MOTION PREVAILED (Ald. Sosnowski, Mark voted "no").

The committee report as amended was placed on passage. MOTION PREVAILED (Ald. Mark voted "no").

2009-104-O

- 49. Alderman Wasco moved the adoption of an Ordinance approving the Office Lease between the City of Rockford Human Services Department and Commercial Mortgage and Finance Company. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

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

2009-105-O

50. Alderman Wasco moved the adoption of an Ordinance approving the Agreement with Rockford Township and the Human Services Department for emergency assistance in the amount of \$10,000.00. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Sosnowski, Curran, Mark, Wasco, Hervey, Jacobson, Thompson-Kelly, Johnson, Timm. Beach, Elyea, Beck, McNeely, Robertson -14-
Nays: -0-
Absent: -0-

2009-271CR

51. Alderman Beach moved the adoption of a Code and Regulation Committee Report SUSTAINING the Liquor Advisory Board, thereby recommending that City Council APPROVE the sale of beer and wine by the drink in conjunction with a sit-down restaurant with an outdoor seating area in the name of **Rick White d/b/a Bandana's Bar-B-Q** in a C-2, Limited Commercial District at 5494 East State Street. Approval is subject to the following conditions:

1. Meeting all applicable Building and Fire Codes.
2. Compliance with all City of Rockford Liquor Codes.
3. The hours of operation will be limited to 11:00 am to 9:00 pm Sunday through Thursday.
4. The hours of operation will be limited to 11:00 am to 10:00 pm Friday through Saturday.
5. Submittal of Building Permits for Staff review and approval.
6. Submittal of a detailed site plan for Staff's review and approval.
7. The sale of alcohol shall be limited to the interior site and outdoor seating areas that were submitted.

The Legal Director is hereby instructed to prepare the necessary Ordinance. MOTION PREVAILED.

52. Alderman Beach moved the adoption of a Code and Regulation Committee Report SUSTAINING the Liquor Advisory Board, thereby recommending that City Council APPROVE the sale of liquor by the drink in conjunction with a nightclub in the names of **James W. Funk and John M. Kennedy d/b/a Tabu Nightclub and Lounge** in a C-2, Limited Commercial District at 3780 East State Street. Approval is subject to the following conditions:

1. Hours of operation shall be limited to 8:00 pm to 2:00 am Wednesday through Saturday and Sunday 12:00 pm to Midnight.
2. Security shall be provided at a minimum of 1 per 50 patrons.
3. The business shall operate according to the submitted business and security plan.

4. The business shall maintain a parking agreement with the adjacent property for a minimum of 50 parking spaces or modification of Special Use Permit approved by City Council.
5. The property shall maintain a maximum capacity of 450 people unless reduced as determined by the Fire Department.
6. The interior layout of the business shall be consistent with the submitted site plan, Exhibit K.
7. All applicable Building and Liquor Codes shall apply.
8. The business shall operate in conformance with the submitted dress code.
9. The use of the property shall not detrimentally effect the surrounding neighborhood and business or unduly burden the City of Rockford Police Department.
10. The business shall provide parking lot patrol and security during hours of operation and until the parking lot is cleared of all patrons.

Alderman Beach advised he would not be able to support this business, reporting the last four (4) establishments located at 3780 East State Street have had serious problems and within the last two years (one year being closed) there were 113 police calls to the establishment.

The Legal Director is hereby instructed to prepare the necessary Ordinance. MOTION FAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Jacobson, Thompson-Kelly, Johnson, Elyea, McNeely -5-
 Nays: Sosnowski, Curran, Mark, Wasco, Hervey, Timm. Beach, Beck, Robertson -9-
 Absent: -0-

53. 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 a nightclub in a C-2, Limited Commercial District at 3780 East State Street. Approval is subject to the following conditions:

1. Hours of operation shall be limited to 8:00 pm to 2:00 am Wednesday through Saturday and Sunday 12:00 pm to Midnight.
2. Security shall be provided at a minimum of 1 per 50 patrons.
3. The business shall operate according to the submitted business and security plan.
4. The business shall maintain a parking agreement with the adjacent property for a minimum of 50 parking spaces or modification of a Special Use Permit approved by City Council.
5. The property shall maintain a maximum capacity of 450 people unless as determined by the Fire Department.
6. The interior layout of the business shall be consistent with the submitted site plan, Exhibit K.
7. All applicable Building and Fire Codes shall apply.
8. The business shall operate in conformance with the submitted dress code.
9. The use of the property shall not detrimentally effect the surrounding neighborhood and businesses or unduly burden the City of Rockford Police Department.

10. The business shall provide parking lot patrol and security during hours of operation and until the parking lot is cleared of all patrons.

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

Ayes: Jacobson, Thompson-Kelly, Johnson, Elyea, McNeely -5-
Nays: Sosnowski, Curran, Mark, Wasco, Hervey, Timm. Beach, Beck,
Robertson -9-
Absent: -0-

2009-272CR

54. Alderman Beach moved the adoption of a Code and Regulation Committee Report REVERSING the Zoning Board of Appeals, thereby recommending that City Council APPROVE the Variation to increase the number of allowable wall signage from four (4) to five (5) in a C-2, Commercial Community Zoning District at 6838 East State Street.

Approval is based on the Findings of Fact. The Legal Director is hereby instructed to prepare the necessary Ordinance. MOTION PREVAILED.

2009-273CR

55. Alderman Beach moved the adoption of a Code and Regulation Committee Report recommending the approval of the amendment to Section 16-131 of the City of Rockford Code of Ordinances reducing the fine from one hundred dollars (\$100.00) to fifty dollars (\$50.00) on zoning ordinance parking violations. MOTION PREVAILED.

2009-274CR

56. Alderman Beach moved the adoption of a Code and Regulation Committee Report recommending that the City Council approve the amendments to Section 3-15, Chapter 3 of the City of Rockford Code of Ordinances (Block Five Event). MOTION PREVAILED.

57. Alderman Beach moved the adoption of a Code and Regulation Committee Report recommending the approval of the amendments to Rules 7, 17 and 19 and the temporary repeal of Rule 20 contained within Chapter 2, Section 2-31 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Rockford, Rule 20 shall be immediately reinstated upon passage of the ordinance amending Rules 7, 17 and 19 of the aforementioned Code section. HELD OUT.

58. Alderman Beach moved the adoption of an Ordinance for the sale of City owned vacant lot located at 702 South 3rd Street at a minimum bid of \$1,500.00 with preference to the adjoining property owner. REFERRED BACK TO COMMITTEE.

2009-275CR

59. Alderman Sosnowski moved the adoption of a Planning and Development Committee Report recommending approval of the Redevelopment Agreement with FMS Investment Corporation for a grant in the amount of \$350,000 to develop a new call center at 4021 Morsay Drive in the Miracle Mile Business district. The source of the grant is the Community

Development Block Grant-Recovery (CDBG-R) Program. The Legal Director shall prepare the appropriate Ordinance. MOTION PREVAILED (Ald. McNeely voted "no").

2009-276CR

60. Alderman Sosnowski moved the adoption of a Planning and Development Committee Report recommending approval of the Development Agreement with Harrison Industrial, LLC to rehabilitate an existing industrial building located at 2020 Harrison Avenue. The funding source is the Kishwaukee - Harrison (KH) Tax Increment Financing (TIF) District #2. The Legal Director shall prepare the appropriate Ordinance. MOTION PREVAILED (Ald. McNeely voted "no").

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS

2009-066R

61. Alderman Sosnowski, on behalf of the Planning and Development Committee, moved for the adoption of a Resolution authorizing the Community Development Department to solicit Requests for Proposals for the City-owned property near Charles and Ninth Streets. MOTION PREVAILED.

2009-067R

62. Alderman Wasco moved the adoption of a Resolution authorizing the Central Services Manager to take bids for the following:

Bid: Fusion Splicer, funding source: Traffic Division Operating Budget

Bid: Demolition of 430 Knowlton Street, funding source: Neighborhood Stabilization Funds

Bid: Demolition of 416 North Avon Street, funding source: Community Development

Bid: Demolition of 206 Lane Street, funding source: Neighborhood Stabilization Funds

MOTION PREVAILED.

2009-068R

63. Alderman Wasco moved the adoption of a Resolution giving notice of City of Rockford ownership of real property to Winnebago County Clerk, Collector and Supervisor of Assessments. MOTION PREVAILED.

NEW BUSINESS

2009-106-O

64. Alderman Wasco introduced and read an Ordinance approving the Lease between the City of Rockford and the University of Illinois for Well 5 Expansion.

Alderman Wasco moved to suspend Rule 11, seconded by Alderman Mark. MOTION PREVAILED. The Ordinance was placed on passage. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Sosnowski, Curran, Mark, Wasco, Hervey, Jacobson, Thompson-Kelly, Johnson, Timm. Beach, Elyea, Beck, McNeely, Robertson -14-

Nays: -0-
Absent: -0-

2009-107-O

65. Alderman Wasco introduced and read an Ordinance approving Extension of the agreement with the Rockford Local Development Corporation or its subsidiary, to June 1, 2010, including the guarantee of a revolving bank line of credit up to \$10 million for land acquisition for flood control, and related activities.

Alderman Wasco moved to suspend Rule 11, seconded by Alderman Mark. MOTION PREVAILED. The Ordinance was placed on passage. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Sosnowski, Curran, Mark, Wasco, Hervey, Jacobson, Thompson-Kelly, Johnson, Timm. Beach, Elyea, Beck, McNeely, Robertson -14-
Nays: -0-
Absent: -0-

66. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the meeting was adjourned at 8:34 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
June 22, 2009
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)
- Officers Reports
- Unfinished Business of previous meeting

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

I. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. LAID OVER JUNE 15, 2009

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B. HELD OUT JUNE 15, 2009

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II. MISCELLANEOUS HELD OUT JUNE 15, 2009

- 1.* Mayor Morrissey - Re-appointment - Library Board, Mr. Jeffrey Glass to a three (3) year term ending June 2012. (Pursuant to Rule 18 this appointment is up for passage on July 6, 2009).
- 2.* Mayor Morrissey – Re-appointment – Library Board, Mr. John Brien to a three (3) year term ending June 2010. (Pursuant to Rule 18 this appointment is up for passage on July 6, 2009).
- 3.* Mayor Morrissey – Re-appointment – Library Board, Mr. Paul Logli to a three (3) year term ending June 2010. (Pursuant to Rule 18 this appointment is up for passage on July 6, 2009).
- 4.* Mayor Morrissey – Appointment - Library Board, Mr. Don Thayer to a three (3) year term ending June 2012. (Pursuant to Rule 18 this appointment is up for passage on July 6, 2009).
- 5.* Mayor Morrissey – Appointment – Library Board, Mr. Ovester Armstrong to a three (3) year term ending June 2010. (Pursuant to Rule 18 this appointment is up for passage on July 6, 2009).
- 6.* Mayor Morrissey - Appointment - Zoning Board of Appeals, Mr. Marvin Brown, Sr. to a five (5) year term ending June 2014. Mr. Brown is replacing Ms. Alice Howard who

resigned in July 2008. (Pursuant to Rule 18 this appointment is up for passage on July 6, 2009).

- 7.* Mayor Morrissey - Appointment - Fair Housing Board, Ms. Bevlyn Weston to a three (3) year term ending May 2012. (Pursuant to Rule 18 this appointment is up for passage on July 6, 2009).
- 8.* Mayor Morrissey - Appointment - Rockford Housing Authority, Ms. Alice Jenkins to a five (5) year term ending July 2013. (Pursuant to Rule 18 this appointment is up for passage on July 6, 2009).
- 9.* Mayor Morrissey - Re-appointment - Fair Housing Board; Monica DeLeon, to a three year term ending May 2012. (Pursuant to Rule 18 this appointment is up for passage on June 29, 2009).

- Motions and Resolutions

III. 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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4. Beach – Ordinance - Recommending that the City Council approve the amendments to Section 3-15, Chapter 3 of the City of Rockford Code of Ordinances (Block Five Event).
5. Sosnowski – Ordinance - Recommending approval of the Redevelopment Agreement with FMS Investment Corporation for a grant in the amount of \$350,000 to develop a new call center at 4021 Morsay Drive in the Miracle Mile Business district. The source of the grant is the Community Development Block Grant-Recovery (CDBG-R) Program.
6. Sosnowski – Ordinance - Recommending approval of the Development Agreement with Harrison Industrial, LLC to rehabilitate an existing industrial building located at 2020 Harrison Avenue. The funding source is the Kishwaukee - Harrison (KH) Tax Increment Financing (TIF) District #2.
7. Wasco – Ordinance – Metro Centre Authorizing Funding

- * 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, June 22, 2009, 5:15 p.m.

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

AGENDA

1. C & R 09-78 Amendment to the Code of Ordinance relating to apiaries in the City of Rockford
2. C & R 09-90 June Traffic Commission Minutes
3. C & R 09-92 1st Ward/Request for a yield or stop sign control at the intersection of Hedge Cliff Drive and Stone Cottage Road
4. C & R 09-91 Water Annexation of 524 South Pierpont
5. C & R 09-76 Proposed Sale of City Owned Vacant Lot: 702 South 3rd Street

FINANCE AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

Monday, June 22, 2009, 5:00 p.m.

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

AGENDA

1. Purchasing and Vouchers
 - A. Rejection of Bids: Backhoe and Hydraulic Hammer – Suspend rules
 - B. Award of Bid: 13 Residential Demolitions – Suspend rules
 - C. Award of Bid: Williams Avenue Reconstruction – Suspend rules
 - D. Award of RFP: Data Storage, Backup, & Archive Services
 - E. Award of RFP: West State Street Relocation Plan – Suspend rules

- F. Resolution for Improvement Under the Illinois Highway Code – West State Street Relocation Plan
 - G. Resolution to take Bids
 - H. Change Order: 20th Street Reconstruction
 - I. Vouchers
 - √ Training/Travel Human Services Department
2. Intergovernmental Agreement: Hecker Avenue Reconstruction – Suspend rules
 3. Intergovernmental Agreement: Rock River East Interceptor Sewer/Sinnissippi Gardens Drainage Improvement – Suspend rules
 4. Metro Centre Ad Hoc Committee Report
 5. Financial Discussion
 6. Sales Tax Overview & CIP Project Status

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

**Monday, June 22, 2009, 5:15 p.m.
CD Conference Room, City Hall 2nd floor
AGENDA**

1. Memorandum from Alderman Joe Sosnowski regarding a CDBG funded organizations.

LEGISLATIVE LOBBYING COMMITTEE

**Monday, July 6, 2009, 4:00 p.m.
Conference Room A, City Hall 2nd floor (north room)
AGENDA**

No Agenda Provided.