CITY OF WASHINGTON, ILLINOIS CITY COUNCIL MEETING - MONDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2017 LIBRARY MEETING ROOM 380 N. WILMOR ROAD – 6:30 P.M.

Mayor Manier called the regular meeting of Monday, December 4, 2017 to order at 6:30 p.m. in Call to Order the Library Meeting Room at Five Points Washington.

Present and answering roll call were Aldermen, Brownfield, Brucks, Adams, Moss, Butler, Dingledine, Gee, and Cobb.

Roll Call

Also present was City Administrator Jim Culotta, Controller Baxter, Public Works Director Ed Andrews, P & D Director Jon Oliphant, Police Chief Mike McCoy, Master Sergeant Jeff Stevens, Attorney Jay Scholl, City Treasurer Ellen Dingledine, and City Clerk Pat Brown.

Mayor Manier asked for a moment of silence in memory of Bob Gordon who served the City as its Treasurer for 28 years. All present stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Pledge of Allegiance Moment of Silence

The Agenda was reviewed and stood as presented.

Agenda Review

Alderman Gee moved and Alderman Moss seconded to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Items included on the Consent Agenda were minutes of the November 20, 2017 regular City Council meeting; payment authorization: Downtown Square Sign (US Route 24 Bypass), Martin Sign Service; Cruger Road phase 2 multi-use path - TAP grant supplement for preliminary environmental site assessment; approval of 2018 annual schedule of regular meetings; and accept & place on file: monthly financial report for period ending October 31, 2017. On roll call on the motion to approve the vote was:

Approve Consent Agenda

Ayes: 8 Dingledine, Brucks, Adams, Cobb, Butler, Brownfield, Moss, Gee

Nays: 0

Motion declared carried.

Police Chief McCoy, Master Sergeant Stevens, and Alderman Butler presented Ray Torry with a plaque that recognized his years of service on the Board of Police Commissioners an shared their appreciation for his service. Mayor Manier read the plaque and thanked Ray for his years of service. Ray was appointed to the Commission on May 6, 2002, serving 15 years.

Plaque Presentation: Ray Torry, Police Commission

Police Chief McCoy asked all recent Citizen Police Academy graduates (Lili Stevens, Amanda Millard, Becky Holmes, Maureen Roberts, Patricia Rossman, & Jessica Bochart) to step forward, thanked them for their participation and time spent in the program, and presented them with a certification of recognition. He shared that the next class will be held in the spring. Manier Manier shared that it is good to see this program active again.

Citizen Police Academy Recognitions

None. **Audience Comments**

Alderman Brucks, Finance & Personnel Committee Chairman reported nothing on the agenda. Alderman Butler, Public Safety Committee Chairman reported two items on the agenda (Staff Reports A & B). Alderman Brownfield, Public Works Committee Chairman reported nothing on the agenda.

Standing Committees

Mayor Manier shared that the Illinois Bicentennial flag ceremony was held on the Square today and was well attended. He shared that Washington's Bicentennial is coming in 2025 and looks forward to learning from the events that Illinois has planned.

Mayor's Comments

City Administrator Culotta read a resolution, by title and brief synopsis, declaring certain personal property to be "Surplus Property." Adoption of this resolution would declare four (4) Police Department hand held radar units that are not currently serviceable as surplus property. Alderman Dingledine moved and Alderman Adams seconded to adopt the resolution as read. On roll call the vote was:

Adopt resl, surplus property

Ayes: 8 Gee, Brownfield, Butler, Cobb, Moss, Brucks, Adams, Dingledine Nays: 0

Motion declared carried.

City Administrator Culotta provided first reading of the following ordinances, by title and brief synopsis: an authorizing the disposal and/or sale of various items and property owned and used by the Washington Police Department as surplus property. Adoption of this ordinance would allow for the sale of four (4) hand held radar units that have been designated as surplus property; and an ordinance levying the annual 2017 Municipal property tax for the City of Washington, County of Tazewell, State of Illinois. Adoption of this ordinance would set the City's property tax levy for 2017, taxes payable in 2018, in the total amount of \$1,532,579. These ordinances will be listed on the December 18th meeting agenda for action.

1st reading ords, authz sale of surplus property; and 2017 tax levy

City Administrator Culotta requested Council authorization to enter into an agreement with OnSolve to implement a CodeRED reverse 911 system at an annual cost of \$6,000. He shared that this would be a subscription service and will allow us to communicate both on a broad scale in emergency situations and on less urgent notifications. Police Chief McCoy shared that after evaluation of both potential systems it was the consensus that CodeRED's ability to better target specific areas for sending notifications was the best in meeting our needs. A brief discussion ensued on its capabilities. Alderman Gee moved and Alderman Cobb seconded to authorize the request as presented. On roll call the vote was:

Authrz agreement w/CodeRED, reverse 911 system

Ayes: 8 Brownfield, Adams, Butler, Brucks, Moss, Dingledine, Cobb, Gee

Nays: 0

Motion declared carried.

Authrz purchase of Police Department tasers, Axon, Inc.

Police Chief McCoy requested Council authorization to enter into a five-year agreement with Axon, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$31,889.96 for the purchase, warranty, and maintenance of twenty-six (26) model X26P conducted energy weapons (CEW's/tasers). He shared that the first-year cost of the five-year agreement is \$4,264.00 (which reflects a trade in amount of \$2,776.49 for the 26 currently owned X26 CEW's) with four (4) subsequent annual payments of \$6,864.00. Included as part of the \$31,889.96 is a shipping and handling fee of \$169.96 as well. Alderman Dingledine moved and Alderman Brucks seconded to authorize the request as presented. On roll call the vote was:

Ayes: 8 Moss, Brownfield, Cobb, Butler, Gee, Adams, Brucks, Dingledine

Nays: 0

Motion declared carried.

Authrz progress payment #3, Stark Excavating, Inc., salt storage structure foundation Public Works Director Andrews requested Council authorization to make progress payment #3 to Stark Excavating, Inc. in the amount of \$12,885.00 for foundation work completed through November 29, 2017 on the salt storage structure. Alderman Brownfield moved and Alderman Moss seconded to authorize the request as presented. On roll call the vote was:

Ayes: 8 Butler, Cobb, Brucks, Adams, Dingledine, Gee, Moss, Brownfield

Nays: 0

Motion declared carried.

Authrz progress payment #1, Greenfield Contractors, LLC, salt storage structure Public Works Director Andrews requested Council authorization to make progress payment #1 to Greenfield Contractors, LLC in the amount of \$43,725.01 which is essentially a material allowance of 75% of the overall project cost. He noted that the lien waiver he referenced in his communication memo was received this morning so there is no need to include it as part of the authorization this evening. Alderman Moss moved and Alderman Brucks seconded to authorize the request as presented. On roll call the vote was:

Ayes: 8 Cobb, Dingledine, Adams, Brownfield, Gee, Butler, Brucks, Moss

Nays: 0

Motion declared carried.

Aldermen's/Staff Comments Alderman Moss provided a brief update on the Wreaths Across America ceremony that will take place on Saturday, December 16th at 11:00 a.m. at Glendale Cemetery. She noted that this is the 10th year from the program and our goal was to have a wreath for every veteran in the cemetery and that goal has been reached with 768 sponsored wreaths. She shared that several American Heritage troops from the area will be helping in placing the wreaths and that 7 local veterans will be placing the ceremonial wreaths as part of the ceremony. She encouraged everyone to come out and be a part of the ceremony and for anyone who has a veteran in the cemetery to come out and place a wreath on their grave as well.

Executive Session

At 6:57 p.m. Alderman Gee moved and Alderman Brucks seconded to move into Executive Session for litigation, when an action against, affecting or on behalf of the particular public body has been filed and is pending before a court or administrative tribunal, or when the public body finds that an action is probable or imminent per 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(11) of the Illinois Open Meetings Act. On roll call the vote was:

Ayes: 8 Brownfield, Adams, Moss, Butler, Dingledine, Cobb, Brucks, Gee

Nays: 0

Motion declared carried.

Adjournment

At 7:22 p.m. Council reconvened in regular session and Alderman Brownfield moved and Alderman Moss seconded to adjourn. <u>Motion carried unanimously by voice vote</u>.

Patricia S. Brown, City Clerk