



City Council Meeting Minutes
Monday, August 1, 2022 at 6:30 p.m.
In the library meeting room at Five Points, 360 N. Wilmor Road, Washington, Illinois

Call to Order	Mayor Manier called the regular meeting of Monday, August 1, 2022 to order at 6:30 p.m. with a quorum present.
Roll Call	Present: Alderpersons Brownfield, Butler, Dingledine, Stevens and Yoder Absent: Alderpersons Adams, Blundy and Schone
Also Present	Mayor Manier, City Administrator Jim Snider, City Engineer Dennis Carr, Public Works Director Brian Rittenhouse, Police Chief Mike McCoy, Deputy Clerk Lisa Anderson, City Treasurer Abbey Strubhar, City Attorney Derek Schryer and Press

Pledge of Allegiance	All stood for the Pledge of Allegiance led by Mayor Manier. Mayor Manier asked for a moment of silence to honor the passing of both City Clerk, Valeri Brod's mother and Alderperson, Kevin Schone's mother.
Citizens Wishing to be Heard	<p>Superintendent of Washington Community High School, Kyle Freeman commended the work of the Washington Police Department. He expressed how events around the nation have caused a lot of concern and shared that our local police department has worked very well with the superintendents, principals and schools through discussions about security. He noted that being a high school, they are a little more likely to get a threat periodically. He explained that the police department is always responsive and encouraged people to feel comfortable about the work the police department does for this community.</p> <p>Mayor Manier added that a resident at the grocery store reiterated the same message to him saying the police department has been working well to be prepared with their course of action.</p>
Review Agenda for Deletions or Additions	The agenda stood as presented.
Consent Agenda	<p>Mayor Manier presented the Consent Agenda for approval of the following items:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">A. Approve Minutes of July 18, 2022, Regular City Council MeetingB. Acceptance of Corrected Police Pension Fund Annual Report per 40 ILCS 5/3-141 (Unaudited)C. Hilldale Phase 2 Request #2 <p>Alderperson Stevens motioned to approve the Consent Agenda with the following changes to the July 18, 2022 minutes: 1) edit the agenda review to show it did not stand as presented, 2) add the vote to the removal of Item F, 3) Consent Agenda Item 6, show that Alderperson Brownfield motioned and Dingledine seconded. Alderperson Brownfield seconded the motion to accept the Consent Agenda with edits.</p> <p><u>Motion carried by roll call vote:</u> <u>Ayes: 5</u> Brownfield, Butler, Dingledine, Stevens, Yoder <u>Nays: 0</u></p>
Announcements and Proclamations	None at this time.
Finance & Personnel Committee	Finance and Personnel Committee Chairman Butler shared that there are no business items to bring forward at this time.
Public Safety Committee	Alderperson Yoder of the Public Safety Committee shared that there are no business items to bring forward at this time and introduced Chief McCoy to provide an update. Chief McCoy expressed appreciation for city staff who installed two air conditioners in the Evidence Building. He added that Alderperson Stevens reached out to him on behalf of a constituent who had questions concerning school safety, which he read and responded to individually. Chief McCoy shared that he and Deputy Chief Stevens met with the superintendents of all the area schools to discuss safety policies and expectations. He added that Washington is fortunate to have four officers on the Central Illinois Emergency Response Team, which is highly recognized by the State of Illinois.

Public Works Committee	<p>Public Works Committee Chairman Brownfield shared that there are no business items on the agenda. He introduced City Engineer Dennis Carr who shared that smoke testing is 87% complete with 755 defects discovered, the area remaining is east of Lawndale. In Hilldale, crews are working on switching over water services and upon completion they will switch over to storm sewer. Cullinan has finished chip sealing and will be sweeping this week with fog coating to follow. Engineer Carr noted that due to weather, pressure paving was moved back a week and we can expect it to be done the week of August 22. He updated that Aupperle has finished forming and pouring sidewalk ramps at the intersection of Eagle and U.S. Route 24.</p> <p>Public Works Committee Chairman Brownfield then introduced Public Works Director Brian Rittenhouse who shared that the street department is finishing up on North Cummings and roads should open to traffic after Friday. He added that the distribution and collections department is finishing the Kern stormwater pipe and moving onto hydrant painting. They are coming up with a list of main hydrant valves needing maintenance. Mr. Rittenhouse shared that Western Star will be coming out with truck prices this month. He's also working on the demo bid packet for phase two of the Wastewater Treatment Plant 1 demo. He expects that bids will be in by mid-month and brought forward to Public Works in September.</p>
Mayor	Mayor Manier wished Chief McCoy and his team well as they begin their St. Jude event. It has been 41 years since founded the Memphis to Peoria Run. Chief McCoy thanked Mayor and added that they've been lucky enough to have raised over 71 million dollars since 1982.
City Administrator	
Adopt Resolution: <i>Temporary Closure of a State-Maintained Roadway for a Public Event</i>	<p>City Administrator Jim Snider provided the following resolution, by title and brief synopsis: The following resolution would authorize the partial closure of the Washington Square / Illinois Business Route 24 on Saturday, September 24, 2022 for the "Washington Autumn Fest".</p> <p>Aldersperson Dingleline made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Aldersperson Yoder.</p> <p><u>Motion carried by roll call vote:</u> <u>Ayes: 5</u> Brownfield, Butler, Dingleline, Stevens and Yoder <u>Nays: 0</u></p>
2nd Reading Ordinance: <i>140 Washington Square First Amendment to Redevelopment Agreement</i>	<p>City Administrator Jim Snider provided the following ordinance: An ordinance amending the redevelopment agreement with CL Real Estate Group, LLC (CLREG), Grist Mill Ventures, LLC (Grist Mill), Jeffrey Pohl, Kelly Pohl, Peter Limberger, and Inga Carus for the redevelopment of the 140 Washington Square and 112 Walnut Street parcels. The existing agreement was approved on December 20, 2021. Ongoing global economic and supply chain issues had forced a reexamination of the project scope and its financial impact shortly after agreement approval. Fortunately, the developer continues to express a strong desire to move forward with the restaurant/brewpub project to be called The Grist Mill.</p> <p>Aldersperson Stevens made a motion to approve the ordinance, seconded by Aldersperson Yoder.</p> <p>Aldersperson Stevens asked for clarification regarding the schedule for the \$75,000 payment and expressed that she feels the project chart is misleading. Attorney Schryer clarified that the line item is a timing mechanism that Council approved back in December. Aldersperson Stevens explained that Mr. Oliphant had questioned it and that she will keep explaining to people that it really means the payment is at the completion of the project. Attorney Schryer clarified the schedule of project payments. Aldersperson Stevens asked for clarification regarding existing building demolition and the meaning of ancillary building. Developer Nathan Watson explained an example could be an enclosure around trash facility. Aldersperson Stevens asks if beer will be brewed at this site. Developer Nathan Watson responds yes. Aldersperson Stevens stated that is why we are improving the water and sewer because beer will be brewed at that site.</p> <p><u>Motion carried by roll call vote:</u> <u>Ayes: 5</u> Brownfield, Butler, Dingleline, Stevens and Yoder <u>Nays: 0</u></p>
Aldersperson's Comments	Aldersperson Dingleline shared a compliment about Washington he received at the Tazewell County Board of Health Meeting from a gentleman on the board. While in town for a funeral procession, the gentleman complimented how respectful people were. He wanted to express his gratitude to community members who stopped and placed their hands over their heart as the procession passed. Aldersperson Dingleline reinforced that good things are happening in the community of Washington.
Executive Session	At 6:50 p.m. Mayor Manier presented the option of moving into executive session for the discussion of minutes of meetings lawfully closed under this Act, whether for purposes of 5 ILCS 120/2(c) (5) – The purchase or lease of real property for the use of the public body,

including meetings held for the setting of a price for sale or lease of property owned by the public body, including meetings held for the purpose of discussing whether a particular parcel should be acquired.

Alderson Brownfield made a motion to move into executive session, seconded by Alderson Butler.

Motion carried by roll call vote:

Ayes: 5 Brownfield, Butler, Dingledine, Stevens and Yoder

Nays: 0

Regular Session At 7:05 p.m. the meeting was reconvened in regular session.

Adjournment At 7:06 p.m. Alderson Butler moved, and Alderson Brownfield seconded to adjourn.

Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

Valeri Brod, City Clerk

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