

CITY OF WASHINGTON, ILLINOIS
CITY COUNCIL MEETING - MONDAY, JUNE 17, 2019
LIBRARY MEETING ROOM
380 N. WILMOR ROAD – 6:30 P.M.

Mayor Manier called the regular meeting of Monday, June 17, 2019 to order at 6:31 p.m. in the Library Meeting Room at Five Points Washington.	Call to Order
Present and answering roll call were Aldermen, Adams, Black, Brownfield, Butler, Cobb, Dingleline, and Stevens. Alderman Yoder was absent.	Roll Call
Also present was City Administrator Ray Forsythe, Controller Joanie Baxter, Public Works Director Ed Andrews, Public Works Manager Kevin Schone, P & D Director Jon Oliphant, Chief of Police Mike McCoy, Deputy Chief of Police Jeff Stevens, City Treasurer Ellen Dingleline, City Clerk Pat Brown, and Press.	
Mayor Manier asked for a moment of silence in honor of WCHS Coach Kevin Brown who recently passed away. All present stood for the Pledge of Allegiance which was led by Carter from Boy Scout Troop 165.	Pledge of Allegiance Moment of Silence
The Agenda was reviewed and stood as presented.	Agenda Review
Alderman Dingleline moved and Alderman Brownfield seconded to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Items included on the Consent Agenda were minutes of the June 3, 2019 regular City Council meeting; bills & payroll; property & liability insurance renewal, HCC; post-ratification: asphalt paving rental equipment, Altorfer; post-ratification: fire department access system, S & S Builders; contract authorization: sludge disposal, PDC; purchase authorization: 2008 F550 bucket truck, Drake-Scruggs Equipment; purchase authorization: ammunition, Stretchers; payment authorization: TIF pay request, Brecklin’s Service Center, 119 Walnut Street; payment authorization: TIF pay request, Lindy’s retaining wall repair, 110 Peoria Street; and hot-mix asphalt commodity bid modification . On roll call on the motion to approve the vote was: <u>Ayes: 7</u> Adams, Black, Brownfield, Butler, Cobb, Dingleline, Stevens <u>Nays: 0</u> <u>Motion declared carried.</u>	Approve Consent Agenda
Mayor Manier read a proclamation recognizing Emily Junker as a State of Illinois Top High School Innovator of the Year. Alderman Adams moved and Alderman Cobb seconded to accept the proclamation as read. Alderman Brownfield presented a sign to Emily that will be erected just across the street on High School property. On roll call the vote was: <u>Ayes: 7</u> Adams, Black, Brownfield, Butler, Cobb, Dingleline, Stevens <u>Nays: 0</u> <u>Motion declared carried.</u>	Proclamation: recognizing Emily Junker, Innovator of the Year
Ted Coffey, 507 Hillcrest Drive, addressed the Council regarding recent activity on the right-of-way along his property. He expressed his discontent with the City in making them trim back their landscaping within the right of way and that they feel they are being picked on as they see other properties with similar landscaping.	Audience Comments
John Amdall, 901 Wellington Drive, addressed the Council regarding their support of the proposed winery along the E. Cruger Road property that the City recently sold. His comments are attached and made a part of these minutes.	
Bob Montgomery, addressed the Council regarding their concerns of the proposed winery along the E. Cruger Road property that the City recently sold. His comments are attached and made a part of these minutes.	
Dan Wissel, addressed the Council regarding his concerns with the size of the sign for the proposed winery and does not want to see a large sign that is hoping to pull motorists from the Route 24 Bypass.	Standing Committees
Mayor Manier, Finance & Personnel Committee Chairman reported two items on the agenda (Consent Agenda (I & J). Alderman Butler, Public Safety Committee Chairman reported four items on the agenda (Consent Agenda H, Ordinances A, C, & D). Alderman Brownfield, Public Works Committee Chairman reported three items on the agenda (Staff Reports B, C, & D).	
None.	Mayor’s Comments
Eric Shangraw, 1724 Autumn Ridge, representing Peoria Disposal Company, addressed the Council to express publicly their interest in bidding for the City’s residential solid waste contract that will expire in March of 2020 with Waste Management.	Eric Shangraw, PDC
City Administrator Forsythe provided second reading of the following ordinance, by title and brief synopsis: an ordinance amending Chapter 112 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Washington, Tazewell County, Illinois, entitled “Alcoholic Beverages,” by adding meeting facilities as a public accommodation that may apply for a Public Accommodation Liquor License. Adoption of this ordinance would allow meeting facilities to apply for a Public Accommodation (PA) liquor license and allows for up to five (5) PA licenses in the City in force at any one time. Alderman Dingleline moved and Alderman Adams seconded to adopt the ordinance as read. On roll call the vote was: <u>Ayes: 7</u> Adams, Black, Brownfield, Butler, Cobb, Dingleline, Stevens <u>Nays: 0</u> <u>Motion declared carried.</u>	Adopt ord, amending Chapter 112 regarding public accommodation (PA) liquor license

1st read ords, zoning code text amendments; amending Chapter 112, adding Class N license; and amending Chapter 112, adding Class W license

City Administrator Forsythe provided first reading of the following ordinances, by title and brief synopsis: an ordinance amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of Washington, Illinois by amending Chapter 154.004 entitled “Definitions,” Chapter 154.037 entitled “Special Uses,” Chapter 154.153 entitled “Agricultural District Signs,” and Chapter 154.172 entitled “Off-Street Parking.” Adoption of this ordinance would establish a definition for breweries, distilleries, and wineries and allow those as a special use in the AG-1 district. This ordinance would also establish signage and off-street parking regulations for those uses; an ordinance amending Chapter 112 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Washington, Tazewell County, Illinois, entitled “Alcoholic Beverages,” by adding a Class N liquor license for the Washington Area Community Center. Adoption of this ordinance would add a liquor license classification to accommodate the specific conditions and intended use of the Washington Area Community Center, also known as Five Points; and an ordinance amending Chapter 112 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Washington, Tazewell County, Illinois, entitled “Alcoholic Beverages,” by adding a Class W liquor license to regulate wineries, distillers, & brew pubs. Adoption of this ordinance would add a liquor license classification to accommodate and regulate alcoholic liquor manufacturers and associated retail sales of alcoholic liquor. These ordinances will be listed on the next meeting agenda for action.

Purchase authrz, single axle plow truck

Public Works Manager Schone requested Council authorization to purchase one new 2020 International single axle plow truck in an amount not to exceed \$138,245.33 from Rush Truck Centers of Springfield, IL. He shared that a trade-in value for the existing 2007 International is pending and that a previous trade-in on a 2006 International brought \$18,000. Alderman Dingleline moved and Alderman Brownfield seconded to authorize the request as presented. There was no further discussion and on roll call the vote was:

Ayes: 7 Adams, Black, Brownfield, Butler, Cobb, Dingleline, Stevens

Nays: 0

Motion declared carried.

Contract authrz, WTP #1 flood levee design

Public Works Director Andrews requested Council authorization to enter into a contract with Crawford, Murphy, & Tilly in an amount not to exceed \$31,300 for design engineering services in the Water Treatment Plant No. 1 Flood Levee Protection Project. Alderman Brownfield moved and Alderman Black seconded to authorize the request as presented. There was no further discussion and on roll call the vote was:

Ayes: 7 Adams, Black, Brownfield, Butler, Cobb, Dingleline, Stevens

Nays: 0

Motion declared carried.

Contract authrz, Water Tower #3 design

Public Works Director Andrews requested Council authorization to enter into a contract with Crawford, Murphy, & Tilly under a time and materials basis in the amount of \$125,000 for design engineering services in the design of Water Tower No. 3. Alderman Dingleline moved and Alderman Adams seconded to authorize the request as presented. Alderman Stevens shared that the first time this came for a vote she voted no and with the explanation given she now supports it for continued growth of the City and to be in compliance with regulatory requirements. There was no further discussion and on roll call the vote was:

Ayes: 7 Adams, Black, Brownfield, Butler, Cobb, Dingleline, Stevens

Nays: 0

Motion declared carried.

W. Cruger Road Recreation Trail Phase 2, addtl ADA ramps & repairs

Public Works Director Andrews requested Council authorization to enter into a contract with Stark Excavating, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$29,300 to undertake both the recreation trail repairs and additional ADA ramps along the south side of Cruger at three identified intersections. Alderman Brownfield moved and Alderman Dingleline seconded to authorize the request as presented. It was noted that contact has been made to the party responsible for the damage but at that time a damage estimate was not available to share but the party will be held responsible for the damage repairs. There was no further discussion and on roll call the vote was:

Ayes: 7 Adams, Black, Brownfield, Butler, Cobb, Dingleline, Stevens

Nays: 0

Motion declared carried.

Public Safety & Works Updates

Public Safety: Fire Chief Traver provided a brief report for the month of June noting that 189 calls were received, which bring the total to 747 calls to date. He shared they are hosting a class that will be taught by state agencies for departments in the tri-county area to learn about regulations for fireworks displays. He shared that 593 smoke detectors have been installed as part of their program as well. Police Chief McCoy shared that negotiations with the bargaining unit continue.

Public Works: Public Works Manager Schone shared that the street sweeper has been down and is due back today and we did get report on Thursday that the state bid may come out so we could get the new single axle truck for less money, but we don’t have a number yet. Public Works Director Andrews shared that IDOT’s bid letting on Friday had two of our items that included the pavement patching on Business Route 24 maintenance contract where one bidder came in higher than engineer’s estimate and Safe Routes to School crossing at Bondurant and the High School as well as further down Business 24 towards Legion Road for press button flashes and median refuge. He reported that S. Main Street bridge is pushed back 1-week and Straiford bridge is out for bid with an opening scheduled for June 27th.

Aldermen’s Comments

Alderman Stevens asked for the City’s timeline since there has been quite a bit of interest in the proposed winery, noting that the sale of the land occurred on June 3rd, a Planning & Zoning Commission (PZC) meeting was held on June 5th on text amendments, and a 1st reading of an ordinance creating a Class W liquor license was read tonight. P & D Director Oliphant shared the following: the next step would be to annex the property and zone it AG-1 which requires

public hearing in front of the PZC at their July meeting where they would make recommendation to City Council (Ordinance 1st and 2nd reading July 15th & August 5th); a public hearing would then be held the next month (August) at the PZC meeting for a special use consideration to allow a winery in AG-1 zoning where they would make recommendation to City Council (Ordinance 1st and 2nd reading August 19th and September 3rd).

Executive Session

At 7:19 p.m. Alderman Butler moved and Alderman Stevens seconded to move into Executive Session for collective negotiating matters between the public body and its employees or their representatives, or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees and for the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body or legal counsel for the public body per 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1 & 2) of the Illinois Open Meetings Act. On roll call the vote was:

Ayes: 7

Nays: 0

Motion declared carried.

At 8:14 p.m. Council reconvened in regular session and Alderman Brownfield moved and Alderman Adams seconded to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

Adjournment



Patricia S. Brown, City Clerk

Comments

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We are John & Sharon Amdall. We live at 901 Wellington.

We are here to offer our support for the proposed winery because of the direct financial benefits to our schools, library, park district, and others, as well as the City.

The winery is fundamentally an agricultural business that will create positive economic growth.

There are over 100 wineries in Illinois. We have enjoyed our visits to several of these wineries. Most of these wineries are located in rural, agricultural areas. We have experienced peaceful, restful visits and have enjoyed experiencing unique wines that are not widely available. We have also visited nearby towns and spent money in these towns that never would have been spent there if the winery was not nearby.

As we have been watching this process over the past several months, we expect that this winery will become an excellent example of how the City of Washington is easy to do business with. We deeply appreciate the “can do” attitude that we have seen displayed by the city staff and city officials.

Although we do enjoy wine, we are always focused on the finances. As city property, this land currently does not provide any property tax to the schools, library, park district or other taxing bodies.

By moving the property back onto the tax rolls, each of these taxing districts will receive immediate economic benefits. As the winery is developed, the benefits to these taxing bodies will also increase.

The region will also experience the benefit of visitors who will come to the winery and then spend time and money at other businesses in Washington.

Our perspective is that this is an agricultural business that will be located in an agricultural region and will provide excellent economic benefits.

We are looking forward to our first visit to the winery to enjoy a glass of wine in a peaceful, quiet, relaxed, agricultural setting.

John & Sharon Amdall

Safety on E. Cruger road, for all farmers and existing residents, is our #1 concern.

- The proposed winery will bring
 - o Increased Traffic
 - o Increased risk of impaired drivers
 - o Drivers unfamiliar with rises in road
 - o Drivers unfamiliar with sharing the road with large farm machines

Cruger does not have a posted speed – making it legal to travel 55 mph.
This is the same speed as the Rt. 24 bypass

Cruger does not have “no parking” signs posted
Overflow parking along Cruger road is a safety concern
due to large farm implements and ditches

Cruger road rises and falls in the area of the winery
The current driveway to RC fliers is low and risky.
This needs to be addressed for the safety of all.

We want to ensure that all existing Ag businesses remain safe and successful.
I end by stating we want Bob and Lisa Barry’s Winery to be successful, and wish it
were located within the existing City Limits where increased traffic would benefit
existing retailers and businesses.