## CITY OF WASHINGTON, ILLINOIS CITY COUNCIL MEETING - MONDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2015 LIBRARY MEETING ROOM 380 N. WILMOR ROAD – 6:30 P.M.

Call to Order Mayor Manier called the regular meeting of Monday, October 19, 2015 to order at 6:30 p.m. in

the Library Meeting Room at Five Points Washington.

Roll Call Present and answering roll call were Aldermen Brownfield, Brucks, T. Gee, Moss, Butler,

Dingledine, J. Gee, and Maxwell.

Also present was Controller Joanie Baxter, Director of Public Works Ed Andrews, P & D Director Jon Oliphant, Deputy Police Chief Jeff Stevens, City Treasurer Ellen Dingledine, City

Clerk Pat Brown, and members of the press.

Pledge of Allegiance All present stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Agenda Review The Agenda was reviewed and stood as presented.

Approve Consent Agenda Alderman J. Gee moved and Alderman Maxwell seconded to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Items included on the Consent Agenda were minutes of the October 5, 2015 regular Council meeting and minutes of the October 12, 2015 special Council meeting; bills & payroll; MSI maintenance support agreement; Hidden Acres, sanitary sewer crossing upgrade; STP #2 automatic gate controller; and renewal of Police Department copier lease agreement. On roll call on the motion to approve the vote was:

Ayes: 8 Dingledine, Moss, Brucks, Butler, T. Gee, Brownfield, Maxwell, J. Gee

Nays: 0

Motion declared carried.

Mr. Aaron Phillips: Financial Statements

Mr. Aaron Phillips of Phillips, Salmi & Associates, LLC, presented the audited financial statements for FY ended April 30, 2015. He provided a brief review of the audit and communication letter that was submitted. He shared that the audit process went very well and Controller Baxter and Treasurer Dingledine are very diligent in their work and have excellent monitoring controls in place. He shared that the audit produced so few findings which is a good indication that the monthly information Council receives from accounting is very good. Following his review he thanked city management for their time in preparing for the audit and thanked the Council as well for the opportunity to present this evening and asked for questions. Treasurer Dingledine shared her appreciation for the work that Mr. Phillips and his auditing firm have done and shared a special thank you to Controller Baxter and Jeanette Glueck for all their work in preparation for the audit. Mayor Manier thanked Mr. Phillips for all the time spent on this year's audit and complimented Controller Baxter and her staff as well as Treasurer Dingledine for all their hard work in the auditing process.

Audited Financial Statements, Year Ending April 30, 2015 Mayor Manier thanked Mr. Phillips for his report and asked for a motion to accept and place on file the Audited Financial Statements, Year Ending April 30, 2015. Alderman Dingledine moved and Alderman Brucks seconded to accept the report as presented. On roll call the vote was:

Ayes: 8 T. Gee, Maxwell, Butler, Brownfield, Moss, J. Gee, Brucks, Dingledine

Nays: 0

Motion declared carried.

Audience Comments

None.

**Standing Committees** 

Alderman Brucks, Finance & Personnel Committee Chairman reported two items on the agenda (Ordinance C & D). Alderman T. Gee, Public Safety Committee Chairman reported one item on the agenda (Ordinance B). Alderman Brownfield, Public Works Committee Chairman reported nothing on the agenda. Alderman Brownfield reported that RA Cullinan and their crews are doing an excellent job with the repaving efforts and although some resident frustrations exist with access inconveniences the end product is fantastic. He shared with residents that when the notice comes to get your car moved to another area where it is accessible and if you come upon issues with this to call City Hall so they can help in the matter. He also shared that there are approximately 10 manholes that will need adjustment and will be taken care of.

Mayor's Comments

None.

1<sup>st</sup> read ords, rezoning northeastern intersection US Route 24 & Nofsinger Rd from R-1A to C-3; amending Chapter 136 reducing by 50% video gaming est fee for Class E liq lic holders City Clerk Brown provided first reading of the following ordinances, by title and brief synopsis: an ordinance amending the zoning ordinance of the City of Washington, Tazewell County, Illinois, by rezoning a parcel at the northeastern intersection of US Route 24 and Nofsinger Road from R-1A to C-3. Adoption of this ordinance would rezone a City-owned parcel at the northeastern intersection of US Route 24 and Nofsinger Road from R-1A to C-3; and an ordinance amending Chapter 136 "Gambling Offences" of the City of Washington Code of Ordinances by reducing the Annual Video Gaming Establishment Fee for Class E Liquor License holders. Adoption of this ordinance would reduce the annual video gaming establishment license fee by 50% for Class E liquor license holders. A Class E liquor license is defined as a corporation organized under the laws of this state, not for pecuniary profits, solely for the promotion of some common object other than the sale and consumption of alcoholic liquors which conforms to a definition of a club, as provided by state law. The City's current Class E liquor license holders are the VFW and Knights of Columbus. These ordinances will be listed on the November 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting agenda for action.

Waive second read ord, TIF Redevelopment Agreement, Jeffrey City Clerk Brown provided first reading of the following ordinance, by title and brief synopsis: an ordinance authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to enter into an Agreement for Private Development with Jeffrey W. Woods for the redevelopment of a portion of the Downtown Tax

Increment Redevelopment Project Area. Adoption of this ordinance would approve a TIF Redevelopment Agreement with Jeffrey W. Woods for the redevelopment of 108-110 N. Main Street. Alderman Brucks moved and Alderman Moss seconded to waive second reading and proceed with adoption of the ordinance as read. On roll call the vote was:

Woods, 108-110 N. Main St.

 $\underline{\text{Ayes: 8}}$ Butler, J. Gee, Brownfield, T. Gee, Dingledine, Maxwell, Moss, Brucks  $\underline{\text{Nays: 0}}$ 

Motion declared carried.

Alderman T. Gee moved and Alderman Brownfield seconded to adopt the ordinance authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to enter into an Agreement for Private Development with Jeffrey W. Woods for the redevelopment of a portion of the Downtown Tax Increment Redevelopment Project Area. There was no further discussion and on roll call the vote was:

<u>Ayes: 8</u> J. Gee, Butler, Moss, Maxwell, Brucks, Dingledine, Brownfield, T. Gee

<u>Nays: 0</u>

Adopt ord, TIF Redevelopment Agreement, Jeffrey Woods, 108-110 N. Main St.

Motion declared carried.

City Clerk Brown provided first reading of the following ordinance, by title and brief synopsis: an ordinance authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to enter into an Agreement for Private Development with Nieukap Properties for the redevelopment of a portion of the Downtown Tax Increment Redevelopment Project Area. Adoption of this ordinance would approve a TIF Redevelopment Agreement with Nieukap Properties for the redevelopment of 112-118 Washington Square and the adjacent property to the east also owned by Nieukap Properties. Alderman Brownfield moved and Alderman T. Gee seconded to waive second reading and proceed with adoption of the ordinance as read. On roll call the vote was:

Waive second read ord, TIF Redevelopment Agreement, Nieukap Properties, 112-118 Washington Square

Ayes: 8 Moss, Dingledine, J. Gee, Brownfield, T. Gee, Butler, Maxwell, Brucks Nays: 0

Motion declared carried.

Alderman Brucks moved and Alderman Maxwell seconded to adopt the ordinance authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to enter into an Agreement for Private Development with Nieukap Properties for the redevelopment of a portion of the Downtown Tax Increment Redevelopment Project Area. Alderman Butler shared his excitement about the concept of development and how the funding is being used exactly for what it is provided for and how it will improve the appearance of the south side of the Square. Alderman Brucks shared the same excitement. Mayor Manier shared that the request to waive second reading was to get started on the concrete work before the weather changes. There was no further discussion and on roll call the vote was:

Adopt ord, TIF Redevelopment Agreement, Nieukap Properties, 112-118 Washington Square

Ayes: 8 Moss, Dingledine, J. Ge, Brownfield, T. Ge, Butler, Maxwell, Brucks Nays: 0

Motion declared carried.

Public Works Director Andrews requested Council authorization to make payment to RA Cullinan & Son, a division of United Contractors Midwest, for progress payment request #7 of the Roadway Restoration Project in the amount of \$583,056.10 for work completed from September 28 through October 11, 2015. Alderman Dingledine moved and Alderman J. Gee seconded to authorize the progress payment request as presented. On roll call the vote was:

<u>Ayes: 8</u> Brownfield, T. Gee, Butler, Maxwell, Moss, Brucks, J. Gee, Dingledine

<u>Nays: 0</u>

Roadway Restoration progress payment #7

Motion declared carried.

Controller Baxter invited the Council to the 2<sup>nd</sup> annual employee health benefits fair to be held on Friday, October 23<sup>rd</sup> from 6:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. at Five Points Washington in Banquet Rooms A, B, & C. She shared that flu shots and blood tests are available and to contact her if you are interested.

Aldermen's Comments

Deputy Police Chief Stevens shared that the Police Department is an official Toys for Tots drop off location this year. He shared that they were also a stop for the Amazing Race event that took place this past Saturday in Washington and will be taking part in several upcoming events including a child safety event to be held at Big R, Dax Fest, and Halloween Hobble. He shared that additional patrol coverage will be taking place on Halloween in residential areas to keep children safe.

Alderman Brucks shared a follow-up to the roadwork and resident concerns and encouraged residents to have their cars out of their driveways in a timely fashion, mentioning that there is ample parking on the already paved streets.

At 7:09 p.m. Alderman Butler moved and Alderman T. Gee seconded to move to Executive Session for the purpose of discussing the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body per 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1) of the Illinois Open Meetings Act. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

**Executive Session** 

At 8:06 p.m. the Council returned to regular session and Alderman Brucks moved and Alderman Moss seconded to adjourn. <u>Motion carried unanimously by voice vote</u>.

Adjournment

Patricia S.	Brown,	City	Clerk
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