

**CITY OF WASHINGTON, ILLINOIS**  
**CITY COUNCIL MEETING - MONDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2015**  
**LIBRARY MEETING ROOM**  
**380 N. WILMOR ROAD – 6:30 P.M.**

Mayor Manier called the regular meeting of Monday, November 2, 2015 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 Brownfield, T. Gee, Moss, Dingledine, J. Gee, and Maxwell. Aldermen Brucks and Butler were absent.	Roll Call
Also present was Controller Joanie Baxter, Director of Public Works Ed Andrews, P & D Director Jon Oliphant, Police Chief Don Volk, City Treasurer Ellen Dingledine, Attorney Keith Braskich, City Clerk Pat Brown, and members of the press.	
All present stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.	Pledge of Allegiance
The Agenda was reviewed and stood as presented.	Agenda Review
Alderman T. Gee moved and Alderman J. Gee seconded to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Items included on the Consent Agenda were minutes of the October 19, 2015 regular Council meeting and October 27, 2015 special Council meeting; approval of TIF Joint Review Board report; insurance claim reimbursable expenditures: Public Works John Deere mower; Public Works radio repeater; and Police Department 2010 Ford police interceptor canine vehicle; five-year periodic water towner inspection(s); and approve and authorize AED maintenance agreement, Police Department. On roll call on the motion to approve the vote was: <u>Ayes: 6</u> Brownfield, Moss, Dingledine, Maxwell, J. Gee, T. Gee <u>Nays: 0</u> <u>Motion declared carried.</u>	Approve Consent Agenda
Mr. Bob Montgomery, 1322 N. Main Street, expressed his concern with the rezoning ordinance that is on the agenda for action this evening. He shared that his concern is not against the rezoning itself but he does have concerns about allowing a billboard sign on the property and would rather not see a row of billboard signs along US Route 24. He asked the Council take into consideration the long term beautification of the roadway and would appreciate the discussion and debate on this issue when it comes up on the agenda.	Audience Comments
Mayor Manier, Finance & Personnel Committee reported nothing on the agenda. 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.	Standing Committees
Mayor Manier congratulated the Washington Marching Panthers as they took home almost all of the first place awards in their class during their U of I competition in Champaign. He also recognized all of the parent volunteers for their efforts throughout the year. He also shared that he will be representing the City of Washington in a fundraiser for CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocates for Children) on Saturday evening and that he will take part in the evening of dancing with the local stars competition.	Mayor’s Comments
Mayor Manier requested Council approval to appoint James Culotta as City Administrator. Alderman T. Gee moved and Alderman Moss seconded to concur with the appointment as presented. On roll call the vote was: <u>Ayes: 6</u> Maxwell, Dingledine, J. Gee, Brownfield, Moss, T. Gee <u>Nays: 0</u> <u>Motion declared carried.</u>	Appointment: City Administrator
Attorney Keith Braskich (Davis & Campbell, LLC) read a resolution, by title only and brief synopsis, authorizing the execution of an Employment Agreement between the City of Washington and James Culotta. Alderman J. Gee moved and Alderman Maxwell seconded to adopt the resolution as read. Alderman J. Gee shared his congratulations to Mr. Culotta and appreciated the process the Council went through in working the contract out. Alderman Dingledine shared that he is excited to have Mr. Culotta on board and is looking forward to the community having the opportunity to get to know him as well. On roll call the vote was: <u>Ayes: 6</u> Moss, Dingledine, T. Gee, Brownfield, Maxwell, J. Gee <u>Nays: 0</u> <u>Motion declared carried.</u>	Adopt resl, City Administrator Employment Agreement
City Clerk Brown provided second reading of the following ordinance, 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. Alderman Brownfield moved and Alderman T. Gee seconded to adopt the ordinance as read. Alderman Brownfield expressed that he shares Mr. Montgomery’s concerns on the possible billboard. He shared that the City has no intent to own or participate in a billboard and if one were to locate on the property a contract and lease would be in place. He shared that although there are no definite plans for the 223 acres at this time it was always going to be targeted as commercial zoning. He shared that if a billboard were placed it would have to be 500’ from any residential properties as well. Mr. Montgomery asked if the billboard sign would be lighted and Alderman Brownfield replied that it is unsure of at this time. Alderman J. Gee expressed his appreciation for both Alderman Brownfield’s and Mr. Montgomery’s comments and his hope is that if the sign moves forward it would come before the Council for a vote as it would be placed on a city-owned parcel.	Adopt ord, rezoning northeastern intersection US Route 24 & Nofsinger Rd from R-1A to C-3

Adopt ord, rezoning Cont.)	<p>On roll call the vote was: <u>Ayes: 6</u> J. Gee, Moss, Dingledine, Maxwell, T. Gee, Brownfield <u>Nays: 0</u> <u>Motion declared carried.</u></p>
Adopt ord, amending Chapter 136 reducing by 50% video gaming est fee for Class E liq lic holders	<p>City Clerk Brown provided second reading of the following ordinance, by title and brief synopsis: 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. Alderman Dingledine moved and Alderman T. Gee seconded to adopt the ordinance as read. On roll call the vote was: <u>Ayes: 6</u> Maxwell, Moss, J. Gee, Brownfield, T. Gee, Dingledine <u>Nays: 0</u> <u>Motion declared carried.</u></p>
1 <sup>st</sup> read ords, authrz intergovernmental agreement w/Tazewell County for animal control services	<p>City Clerk Brown provided first reading of the following ordinance, by title and brief synopsis: an ordinance authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk of the City of Washington, Tazewell County, Illinois to enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement between the City of Washington and County of Tazewell for animal and rabies controls services. Adoption of this ordinance would authorize the approval and execution of an Intergovernmental Agreement with Tazewell County, Illinois pertaining to animal and rabies control services. Among other things, the Agreement will authorize the annual payment of \$13,360 to Tazewell County for animal and rabies control services. This ordinance will be listed on the November 16<sup>th</sup> meeting agenda for action.</p>
Roadway Restoration progress payment #8	<p>Public Works Director Andrews requested Council authorization to make payment to RA Cullinan &amp; Son, a division of United Contractors Midwest, for progress payment request #8 of the Roadway Restoration Project in the amount of \$1,260,303.67 for work completed from October 12, 2015 through October 25, 2015. Alderman Brownfield moved and Alderman Dingledine seconded to authorize the progress payment request as presented. On roll call the vote was: <u>Ayes: 6</u> T. Gee, Maxwell, Moss, J. Gee, Dingledine, Brownfield <u>Nays: 0</u> <u>Motion declared carried.</u></p>
Aldermen’s Comments	<p>Alderman Brownfield asked about the striping issues on Freedom Parkway and Public Works Director Andrews shared that it was touched up today and will be looked at again in the morning to assess the need for any additional work.</p> <p>Public Works Director Andrews shared that the new Street Sweeper is in operation and its operational feedback from staff has been good.</p> <p>Police Chief Volk reminded residents of the City’s burning regulations with the fall season in full swing. He noted that burning should not occur within 20’ of any structure, a water source needs to be available, fires must be attended by someone, only the burning of landscape waste is permitted, no burning is allowed on the streets, burning on a holiday is not permitted, burning is only allowed during daytime hours, and he encouraged residents to not burn wet material as it will smoke for hours. He shared that the Police Department is participating in ‘no shave November’ and anyone participating is being asked to make a donation to the National Parkinson’s Foundation in honor of his sister who continues to battle this disease.</p> <p>City Treasurer Dingledine asked if raking or blowing leaves into the street is a violation of the City’s ordinances and Police Chief Volk replied that it is a violation and causes a great deal of problems with the City’s storm sewers.</p> <p>Mayor Manier recognized Assistant City Attorney Derek Schryer who is in attendance this evening to meet newly appointed City Administrator James Culotta.</p>
Adjournment	<p>At 7:04 p.m. Alderman Brownfield moved and Alderman Maxwell seconded to adjourn. <u>Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.</u></p>

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Patricia S. Brown, City Clerk