## CITY OF WASHINGTON, ILLINOIS CITY COUNCIL MEETING - MONDAY, MAY 4, 2015 LIBRARY MEETING ROOM 380 N. WILMOR ROAD – 6:30 P.M.

Mayor Gary W. Manier called the regular meeting of Monday, May 4, 2015 to order at 6:32 p.m. in the Library Meeting Room at Five Points Washington.

Call to Order

Present and answering roll call were Aldermen Brownfield, Brucks, T. Gee, Moss, Butler, Dingledine, and J. Gee.

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, 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 Dingledine moved and Alderman Brucks seconded to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Items included on the Consent Agenda were minutes of the April 27, 2015, March 24 and April 9, 2014 regular Council meetings and accept & place on file the Police Pension Fund Report. On roll call on the motion to approve the vote was:

Approve Consent Agenda

Ayes: 7 T. Gee, Butler, Brownfield, Moss, J. Gee, Brucks, Dingledine

Nays: 0

Motion declared carried.

Mayor Manier introduced Mr. Jim Coffey and Mr. Joe Russell and asked them to bring forward their presentation. Mr. Coffey shared that he is here this evening representing the League of Illinois Bicyclists and how they are reaching out to community's to participate in their first annual Mayor's Bicycle Safety Challenge. He shared that they have developed an education tool that offers quiz options for adults, children, and motorists that educates bicyclists and motorists in bicycle safety by giving scenarios that teach the right way to handle different situations. He shared that Mr. Ed Barsotti, Executive Director of League of Illinois Bicyclists, wanted education to go further where communities could become certified as a bike friendly community, noting that Normal, Elgin, and Champaign are on the path to be recognized this way as bike friendly communities. Following a brief discussion on how the City is positioned to become a certified bike friendly community Mayor Manier shared that a committee will be formed to work together in gathering more information and will report back to Council for action. Mr. Joe Russell shared that Mr. Coffey has joined their staff and brought forward this new way to bring bicycle safety within the community to another level creating new opportunities to make our city not only better, but to also put us on the map as a family friendly cycling town. Mayor Manier shared that the Council will be reporting back to them on moving forward and thanked them for their presentation.

Mr. Jim Coffey, Bike Safety Presentation

Ms. Allison Montgomery, N. Main Street, made the following comments: she would like to see more citizen friendly minutes where abbreviations are spelled out and shared the example of STP No. 1 shooting range; better website links as she could not find a recreation trail map; the R/C Flyers lease payment of \$540 was interesting and would like to see others; reminded the elected officials of their comments from previous minutes when the W223 property was purchased the abuts their farm property; and that she is looking forward to hearing a plan for the development of the property. Mayor Manier thanked Ms. Montgomery for her comments sharing that the W223 property is a work in progress and the Council's intent for the property when purchased was to keep it from being developed as a residential which would create a tax burden for the schools.

**Audience Comments** 

Alderman Brucks, Finance & Personnel Committee Chairman reported nothing on the agenda. Alderman T. Gee, Public Safety Committee Chairman reported nothing on the agenda. Alderman Brownfield, Public Works Committee Chairman reported one item on the agenda (Staff Reports A).

Standing Committees

Mayor Manier thanked the Historical Society for hosting the Coffee with the Mayor this past Saturday and thanked the Chamber and Rotary for sponsoring the Take Pride in Washington event as well. He shared that this year's event was in honor and memory of Rita Fischbach who had chaired the event the past 7-years and it was a great day to have in the city with lots of orange bags at the end of the day.

Mayor's Comments

City Clerk Brown read a resolution, by title only and brief synopsis, approving a Geographic Information System (GIS) Technical Services Contract with Scott Bradbury dba/As-Built Mapping, Inc. Adoption of this resolution would formally approve a technical services contract with Scott Bradbury dba/As-Built Mapping, Inc. for the City's Geographic Information System for a one-year term beginning May 1, 2015 in an amount of not-to-exceed \$58,500. This amount represents additional services in support of streets, water and sewer to be tracked and invoiced by task. Alderman T. Gee moved and Alderman J. Gee seconded to adopt the resolution as read. Alderman Butler noted a correction to be made in the written dollar amount on page 2 of the agreement. P & D Director Oliphant shared the primary difference in the agreement this year is the survey work under the confines of the agreement which includes streets, water, and sewer work. Public Works Director Andrews shared that items (e), (f), and (g) in the agreement reflect this additional work and moving forward they will track and demonstrate the charges appropriated.

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On roll call the vote was:

Ayes: 7 Moss, Brownfield, Butler, Brucks, Dingledine, J. Gee, T. Gee

Nays: 0

Motion declared carried.

**Engineering Services:** Nofsinger/US Rte 24 intersection design

Public Works Director Andrews requested Council approval to enter into an agreement with Terra Engineering, Ltd. to provide the engineering services for the study and preparation of construction plans for the realignment and signalization of the Nofsinger Road and U.S. Route 24 Intersection in an amount of \$257,218.29 under a time and materials – not to exceed basis. He shared in early April, a revised scope of work was requested of Terra which included an optional add provision for a right-in/right-out turn lane and is included in this amount as well. Alderman J. Gee moved and Alderman Brucks seconded to approve the request as presented. On

roll call the vote was: Ayes: 7 Dingledine, T. Gee, Butler, Brownfield, Moss, Brucks, J. Gee

Nays: 0

Motion declared carried.

Adjournment At 7:00 p.m. Alderman Brownfield moved and Alderman Brucks seconded to adjourn. Motion

carried unanimously by voice vote.

Swearing in Public

Officials

City Clerk Brown swore in the following newly re-elected officials: Ward I Alderman Bob Brucks; Ward II Alderman Carol Moss; Ward III Alderman Dave Dingledine; and Ward IV

Alderman Jim Gee.

Seating of the New Council - Call to Order Mayor Gary W. Manier called the regular meeting of the newly re-elected Council to order at

7:05 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, and J. Gee.

**Annual Appointments** Prior to the appointments Mayor Manier shared that the National Day of Prayer is scheduled for

this coming Thursday on the Square at Noon. Mayor Manier requested Council approval of the

following appointments: Budget Officer, Interim Budget Officer will be acting City

Administrator Mayor Gary Manier; City Collector, Pat Brown; and Mayor Pro Tem, Alderman Jim Gee. Alderman Dingledine moved and Alderman Brownfield seconded to concur with the

appointments as presented. On roll call the vote was:

Ayes: 7 Brucks, Moss, J. Gee, Butler, T. Gee, Brownfield, Dingledine

Nays: 0

Motion declared carried.

Reappointment: Police Pension Board, Mike

Hillary

Mayor Manier requested Council approval of the reappointment of Mr. Mike Hillary to the Police Pension Board. Alderman Moss moved and Alderman Brucks seconded to concur with the reappointment as presented. On roll call the vote was:

Ayes: 7 Butler, J. Gee, Brownfield, T. Gee, Dingledine, Brucks, Moss

Nays: 0

Motion declared carried.

Aldermen's Comments

At 7:07 p.m. Alderman Brucks moved and Alderman Moss seconded to adjourn. Motion carried Adjournment

unanimously by voice vote.

Patricia S. Brown, City Clerk