## CITY OF WASHINGTON, ILLINOIS CITY COUNCIL MEETING - MONDAY, AUGUST 15, 2016 LIBRARY MEETING ROOM 380 N. WILMOR ROAD - 6:30 P.M.

Mayor Manier called the regular meeting of Monday, August 15, 2016 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, Moss, Butler, Dingledine, J. Gee, and Moehle. Alderman T. Gee was absent.

Roll Call

Also present was City Administrator Jim Culotta, Controller Joanie Baxter, Director of Public Works Ed Andrews, P & D Director Jon Oliphant, City Treasurer Ellen Dingledine, Attorney Steve Buck, Assistant City Attorney Derek Schryer, 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 Brucks moved and Alderman Moss seconded to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Items included on the Consent Agenda were minutes of the August 1, 2016 regular & August 8, 2016 special Council meetings; bills & payroll; N. Main Street Parking Lot Paving Quotations; and purchase authorization: street roller, Public Works. On roll call on the motion to approve the vote was:

Approve Consent Agenda

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

Nays: 0

Motion declared carried.

P & D Director Oliphant shared that the City was recently named a 2015 Tree City USA by the Arbor Day Foundation in honor of its commitment to effective urban forest management. He shared the Tree City USA program was started in 1976 and is celebrating its 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary this year. He shared that Washington achieved its recognition by meeting four requirements: a tree board or department; a tree-care ordinance, an annual community forestry budget of at least \$2 per capita; and an Arbor Day observance and proclamation. He shared that various organizations assisted with the planting of hundreds of trees following the 2013 tornado as well and signs will be placed at two of our community entrances denoting our designation.

City approved as Tree City USA

Peoria Area Convention & Visitors Bureau (PACVB) President Don Welch introduced Cara Allen, Director of Marketing, Cory Hatfield, Director of Sales, and Sherrill West, Board of Directors. He shared a brief update as to what the PACVB has been doing the past 6-months to spur tourism and economic growth within the communities they represent. Cara Allen shared a presentation on the marketing team's role in getting the word out about the great things that are available in the Peoria area and Cory Hatfield shared a presentation on the sales team's role in how they showcase the Peoria area and all the amenities that are available. Sherrill West shared her appreciation in being the City's representative on the PACVB Board and how she is very excited about this new team of staff professionals who are working very well together to promote the Peoria area as a destination. Mayor Manier shared his appreciation and thanked them for being here this evening and presenting to the Council.

Peoria Area Convention and Visitors Bureau

None.

Audience Comments

Alderman Moss, Finance & Personnel Committee Chairman reported one item on the agenda (Resolution A). Alderman Butler, Public Safety Committee Chairman reported nothing on the agenda. Alderman J. Gee, Public Works Committee Chairman reported two items on the agenda (Staff Reports A & B).

Standing Committees

Mayor Manier asked Fire Department Director of Operations Roger Traver to step forward. Roger introduced two of the full-time Rescue Squad medics and asked each one to give a brief background. Bradd Vescogni shared that he has been with the Department for 12-years where he served as an EMT for 8-years, has served as a Medic for 4-years, and still volunteers as a firefighter, and enjoys serving the public. Marco Ricaldone shared that he has served as a Medic since December and served the prior 10-years as a Medic in Florida and Peoria and looks forward to serving the community. Mayor Manier thanked them for the lifesaving service to the residents of Washington.

Fire Department Medic Introductions

Mayor Manier asked Public Works Director Andrews, Alderman Butler, and Alderman J. Gee to step forward. Mr. Ron Rentsch, representing members of the Citizens Engaged in Public Safety Group, shared that they are all past members of the rescue squad and last year they were able to present nice rescue equipment to the Fire Department and this year they would like to present crosswalk signs to the City. He shared that they currently have five to present and are hoping as they receive more funds for additional signs. He shared that it is a good project to help with pedestrian safety in higher traffic areas. Steve Hullcranz shared that some could be kept at Five Points to use for events and that they would be of great use on the Square for events as well. He shared that they purchased the signs with heavy rubber bases that are wind resistant. Mayor Manier shared his thanks to the group and asked if the City could lend them out as well and Mr. Hullcranz replied that they could and can be used at the City's discretion. Alderman J. Gee shared that they will definitely help in our established crosswalk areas.

Pedestrian Crosswalk Signs Donation

City Administrator Culotta read a resolution, by title and brief synopsis, detailing the review process for Appeals of Adverse Benefit Determinations. Adoption of this resolution would detail how an appeal of an adverse benefit determination by a City health plan participant will

Adopt resl, detailing review process for Appeals of Adverse Benefit Determinations,

be addressed. Alderman Dingledine moved and Alderman Moehle seconded to adopt the resolution as read. On roll call the vote was:

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

Nays: 0

Motion declared carried.

1<sup>st</sup> reading ords, apprv rezoning request, Casey's General Stores, Inc., part of 900 Walnut St.; amending §112.20, increase number of Class A liquor licenses; amending Chapters 10, 30, 31, 32, & 33, reorganizing Police Dept City Administrator Culotta 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 part of 900 Walnut Street from I-1 to C-3. Adoption of this ordinance would rezone a part of 900 Walnut Street from I-1 (Light Industrial) to C-3 (Service Retail); an ordinance amending §112.20 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Washington, Tazewell County, Illinois, to increase the number of Class A liquor licenses. Adoption of this ordinance would increase the number of Class A liquor licenses from ten (10) to eleven (11). This will allow a recent request of Wine Time, 62 Cherry Tree Shopping Center, to be issued a Class A "alcoholic liquors for consumption on or off the premises" liquor license. The City's Liquor Commission has made a recommendation for approval; and an ordinance amending Chapters 10, 30, 31, 32, & 33 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Washington, Tazewell County, Illinois, for the purposes of reorganization and restructuring of the Washington Police Department. Adoption of this ordinance would restructure and reorganize the management of the Washington Police Department and the process by which supervisors are selected, appointed, and removed. These ordinances will be listed on the September 6<sup>th</sup> meeting agenda for action.

Viaduct Closure – Traffic Detour Update Police Chief Papis provided the following information as it pertains to the upcoming Viaduct closure and traffic detour: a meeting with High School Superintendent Kyle Freeman was held on ways to expedite school traffic in the area during the closure; an agreement was settled upon that student drop off and pick up will occur only on Bondurant and the circle drive off of W. Jefferson will be closed during the closure to keep traffic from backing up; new signage will be erected soon indicating that there will be no stopping, standing, or parking along W. Jefferson street; the School Resource Officer will be present to keep traffic moving east along Jefferson; and we ask for everyone to follow the rules and to be patient during this closure and hopefully everything will run smoothly. Mayor Manier asked if they were working with Roger Traver at the Fire Department in moving emergency vehicles in and out of their location and Papis shared that they are coordinating this is well. Alderman Dingledine asked how the buses will be directed that exit south of the school onto Bondurant to Peoria Street with it being a one way from south to north and Papis shared that the School Resource Officer will be coordinating it and that adjustments will be made as complications arise. Public Works Director Andrews shared that the temporary signals are up at both ends of W. Jefferson with Wilmor flashing yellow and Jefferson flashing red. He shared that N. Main Street should be running tomorrow and both will go from flashing to full signal use prior to the road closure. He shared that the signals at Wilmor and Jefferson will have a push button remote to help facilitate the moving of vehicles at the Fire Department. He shared that the signage for Jefferson is ordered but not in hand yet so cones will go out tomorrow along W. Jefferson until the signs can be erected.

Authrz progress payment #7, HD Supply, AMR Public Works Director Andrews requested Council authorization to make progress payment #7 to HD Supply Waterworks in the amount of \$172,849.10. Alderman J. Gee moved and Alderman Brucks seconded to authorize the request as presented. On roll call the vote was:

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

Nays: 0

Motion declared carried.

Staff Reports

None

Alderman's Comments

Alderman Brownfield asked for an update on the Boyd Parkway signage at Nofsinger from Public Works Director Andrews. Andrews shared that Nofsinger is not afforded the same type of larger signs that are at N. Main and N. Cummings but we can apply for a permit that would allow us to mount signs on the top of the existing stop signs in the islands. He shared that our current sign contract through Midwest Construction and we are moving our way through IDOT's system. Brownfield asked about the no parking signage on S. Cummings Lane and Andrews shared that they will be getting those erected as well.

**Executive Session** 

At 7:34 p.m. Alderman Dingledine moved and Alderman Brownfield seconded to move into Executive Session for the purchase or lease of real property for the use of the public body, including meetings held for the purpose of discussing whether a particular parcel should be acquired per 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(5) of the Illinois Open Meetings Act. On roll call the vote was:

 $\underline{Ayes:\ 7}\ \ J.$  Gee, Butler, Moss, Moehle, Brucks, Brownfield, Dingledine

Nays: 0

Motion declared carried.

Adjournment

At 8:18 p.m. the Council reconvened in regular session and Alderman Brownfield moved and Alderman Brucks seconded to adjourn. <u>Motion carried unanimously by voice vote</u>.

Patricia S. Brown, City Clerk	