## **CITY OF WASHINGTON, ILLINOIS**

City Council Meeting

Tuesday, July 6, 2021 at 6:30 p.m.

Library in Five Points, Washington

Call to Order Mayor Manier called the regular meeting of Monday, July 6, 2021 to order at 6:30

p.m. the library at Five Points, Washington, 360 N. Wilmore Road, Washington, Illinois.

Roll Call Present and answering roll call were Alderpersons Adams, Blundy, Brownfield, Butler,

Cobb, Dingledine, Stevens and Yoder.

Also Present City Engineer Dennis Carr, Planning and Zoning Director Jon Oliphant, Public Works

Director Kevin Schone, Finance Director Joanie Baxter, City Clerk Valeri Brod, and City

Attorney Derek Schryer.

Present Remotely none

Agenda Review The agenda was reviewed and stood as presented.

Approve Consent Agenda Mayor Manier presented the Consent Agenda for approval of the following items:

- a) Approval of minutes of June 21, 2021 City Council Meeting
- b) Financial Reports through 5-31-21
- c) Hilldale Pay Request #2
- d) Lawndale Pay Request #9
- e) Lawndale Private Utility Pay Request #3
- f) 2021 MFT D&D Sweeping Pay Request #1
- g) Belaire Project Pay Request C&G Concrete
- h) Catherine Driveway Pay Request C&G Concrete

Alderperson Brownfield moved and Alderperson Yoder seconded.

Clerk Brod shared that she received a request from a citizen to make changes to the June 21, 2021 minutes. She stated that she reviewed a recording of the last meeting and most of the requests were not supported in the recording. She mentioned that she could change one word which may change the meaning of a sentence slightly. Alderperson Butler provided the State Statute regarding the content of minutes and stated that our minutes are too detailed. City Attorney Schryer agreed with his concern, stated minutes are not to the public to edit and we should avoid direct quotations in the minutes. Alderperson Stevens shared her disagreement. It was agreed that the intents of a vote should be expressed in the minutes.

Alderperson Cobb moved and Alderperson Adams seconded to approve the minutes and Consent Agenda as presented in the agenda packet.

On roll call on the motion to approve was:

Ayes: 7 Adams, Blundy, Brownfield, Butler, Cobb, Dingledine, Yoder

Nays: 1 Stevens

Motion declared carried.

Announcements and Proclamations

None provided.

**Audience Comments** 

Tom Brecklin came forward regarding the need for the proposed stop light at Eagle Avenue and Illinois Business Route 24. Mayor Manier stated that a newer traffic study was completed when the nearby school was in full session and new counts were provided. A brief discussion took place regarding maintenance of the lights.

Standing Committee-Finance & Personnel Committee Chairman Daniel Cobb, Finance & Personnel Committee, shared no items at this time.

Standing Committee-Public Safety Committee Chairman Brian Butler, Public Safety Committee, shared that Chief McCoy provided an activities report and stated that the Police Department has solved two home burglaries that involved five juveniles.

Standing Committee-Public Works Committee Chairman Mike Brownfield, Public Works Committee, introduce Kevin to share details about the Backhoe Purchase Consideration and the need for the new piece of equipment. Mr. Schone stated that three bids were received and noted that Mark Equipment was the lowest bidder at \$7,430

Alderperson Brownfield moved and Alderperson Adams seconded.

On roll call on the motion to approve was:

Ayes: 8 Adams, Blundy, Brownfield, Butler, Cobb, Dingledine, Stevens, Yoder

Nays: 0

Motion declared carried.

Mayor

Mayor Manier shared that they are talking to someone about the City Administrator position and they may consider using a hiring firm to move forward. He also thanked city staff for doing a great job in the interim and asked Alderperson Brownfield to provide updates. Alderperson Brownfield shared that he addressed an email about a spray patch from a resident and noted that this is just a temporary fix. He also shared that Public Works has done a lot of curb work in the Sunnyland area and sometimes residents feel that they aren't getting the needed attention while they work in other areas of town. He asked for patience and stated that no one is overlooked. He also thanked the Police Officers who were visiting neighborhoods and interacting with local kids.

Adopt Resolution: Approving the Maintenance of Traffic Control

Devices

Mayor Manier provided the following resolution, by title and brief synopsis: A Resolution Approving an intergovernmental agreement for the maintenance of traffic control devices with the Illinois Department of Transportation.

Alderperson Dingledine moved and Alderperson Brownfield seconded.

Alderperson Stevens asked for an explanation in regular terms and asked if there is a map to show the exact area. Mr. Oliphant shared that the final map was signed last Thursday and that it can be shared. Mayor Manier explained that this is only for the right of way near the intersection. A brief discussion took place regarding which maps the Alderperson Stevens would like to see.

On roll call on the motion to approve was:

Ayes: 8 Adams, Blundy, Brownfield, Butler, Cobb, Dingledine, Stevens, Yoder

Nays: 0

Motion declared carried.

2nd Reading Ordinance: *Mobile Vendor Regulations Amendment*  Mayor Manier provided the first reading of the following ordinance, by title and brief synopsis: An Ordinance Amending the Mobile Vendor Requirements to include the Submittal of IDOR Sales Tax Documentation to Allow for Verification of Sales Tax Collection.

Alderperson Cobb moved and Alderperson Stevens seconded.

On roll call on the motion to approve was:

Ayes: 8 Adams, Blundy, Brownfield, Butler, Cobb, Dingledine, Stevens, Yoder

Nays: 0

Motion declared carried.

Alderperson's Comments

Alderperson Stevens complimented the Public Works Department for their painting of Cruger Road and Main Street. She also stated that she wanted to vote no for the minutes but yes for everything else on the Consent Agenda. Attorney Schryer stated that a motion could be made to push an agenda item to later in the agenda and explained how it should be done. He noted that the Consent Agenda should not be broken up. Mayor Manier shared that an amendment to the motion can also be made, to make a proposed change.

**Executive Session** 

At 6:56 Alderperson Dingledine moved and Alderperson Cobb seconded to go into Executive Session.

On roll call on the motion to approve was:

Ayes: 8 Adams, Blundy, Brownfield, Butler, Cobb, Dingledine, Stevens, Yoder

Nays: 0

Motion declared carried.

Adjournment

At 7:08 p.m. Alderperson Adams moved and Alderperson Butler seconded to move.

Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

Valeri Brod, City Clerk