

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
Monday, October 4, 2021

On Monday, October 4, 2021, the City Council of the City of Decatur, Illinois, met in Regular Meeting at 5:30 p.m., in the City Council Chambers, One Gary K. Anderson Plaza, Decatur, Illinois.

Mayor Julie Moore Wolfe presided, together with her being Council members Chuck Kuhle, Bill Faber, Ed Culp, Dennis Cooper, Lisa Gregory and David Horn. Mayor Moore Wolfe declared a quorum present.

City Manager Scot Wrighton attended the meeting as well.

Mayor Moore Wolfe led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Moore Wolfe called for Appearance of Citizens and the following citizens provided comments to the Council: Marc Girdler and Abeer Motan.

With no other Appearance of Citizens, Mayor Moore Wolfe called for Approval of the Minutes.

The minutes of the September 20, 2021, Regular City Council Meeting were presented. Councilwoman Gregory moved the minutes be approved as written; seconded by Councilman Kuhle and on call of the roll, Council members Chuck Kuhle, Bill Faber, Ed Culp, Dennis Cooper, Lisa Gregory, David Horn and Mayor Moore Wolfe voted aye. Mayor Moore Wolfe declared the motion carried.

With no Unfinished Business, Mayor Moore Wolfe called for New Business.

2021-49 Ordinance Dissolving the Special Tax Allocation Fund and Terminating the Southeast Plaza Redevelopment Project Area with the City of Decatur, Macon County, Illinois, was presented. Councilwoman Gregory moved the Ordinance do pass, seconded by Councilman Kuhle.

City Manager Wrighton gave a brief overview of the Ordinance.

Upon call of the roll, Council members Chuck Kuhle, Bill Faber, Ed Culp, Dennis Cooper, Lisa Gregory, David Horn and Mayor Moore Wolfe voted aye. Mayor Moore Wolfe declared the motion carried.

R2021-182 Resolution Approving an Amendment to the Decatur Macon County Enterprise Zone Intergovernmental Agreement, was presented. Councilwoman Gregory moved the Resolution do pass, seconded by Councilman Kuhle.

City Manager Wrighton gave a brief overview of the Resolution.

Upon call of the roll, Council members Chuck Kuhle, Bill Faber, Ed Culp, Dennis Cooper, Lisa Gregory, David Horn and Mayor Moore Wolfe voted aye. Mayor Moore Wolfe declared the motion carried.

R2021-183 Resolution Authorizing the Purchase of Eighteen (18) Opticom GPS Intersection Radio Units and Accessories from Traffic Control Corporation for Emergency Vehicle Preemption Systems, was presented. Councilwoman Gregory moved the Resolution do pass, seconded by Councilman Kuhle.

Fire Chief Jeff Abbott gave a brief overview of the Resolution.

Upon call of the roll, Council members Chuck Kuhle, Bill Faber, Ed Culp, Dennis Cooper, Lisa Gregory, David Horn and Mayor Moore Wolfe voted aye. Mayor Moore Wolfe declared the motion carried.

R2021-184 Resolution Accepting the Bid and Authorizing the Execution of a Contract with Culy Contracting LLC for 2021 Manhole Rehabilitation Project, City Project 2021-14, was presented. Councilwoman Gregory moved the Resolution do pass, seconded by Councilman Kuhle.

City Manager Wrighton gave a brief overview of the Resolution.

Upon call of the roll, Council members Chuck Kuhle, Bill Faber, Ed Culp, Dennis Cooper, Lisa Gregory, David Horn and Mayor Moore Wolfe voted aye. Mayor Moore Wolfe declared the motion carried.

R2021-185 Resolution Authorizing Acceptance of Grant Agreement HOME Investment Partnership-ARP, was presented. Councilwoman Gregory moved the Resolution do pass, seconded by Councilman Kuhle.

Ms. Richelle Dunbar, Assistant Director of Economic and Community Development gave an overview of the Resolution and answered questions from Council regarding use of the funds.

Upon call of the roll, Council members Chuck Kuhle, Bill Faber, Ed Culp, Dennis Cooper, Lisa Gregory, David Horn and Mayor Moore Wolfe voted aye. Mayor Moore Wolfe declared the motion carried.

R2021-186 Resolution Authorizing the Execution of an Agreement with Parkland Environmental Group, Inc. for the Demolition of Vacant Buildings at 826 E. Lawrence, 1062 W. Packard, 3550 E. Chestnut and 1652 N. Water, was presented. Councilwoman Gregory moved the Resolution do pass, seconded by Councilman Kuhle.

Mr. Cordaryl “Pat” Patrick, Director of Economic and Community Development gave an overview of the Resolution and answered questions from Council regarding demolition costs.

Upon call of the roll, Council members Chuck Kuhle, Bill Faber, Ed Culp, Dennis Cooper, Lisa Gregory, David Horn and Mayor Moore Wolfe voted aye. Mayor Moore Wolfe declared the motion carried.

R2021-187 Resolution Accepting Bodine Electric Change Order #2 related to the Original Bid for Underground Fiber Construction of Fiber Extensions, Resolution # R2021-73, to Provide City Fiber Extensions to various Decatur Public School Properties, 2021 Fiber Project Number ITFIBER-01, was presented. Councilwoman Gregory moved the Resolution do pass, seconded by Councilman Kuhle.

City Manager Wrighton gave a brief overview of the Resolution.

Upon call of the roll, Council members Chuck Kuhle, Bill Faber, Ed Culp, Dennis Cooper, Lisa Gregory, David Horn and Mayor Moore Wolfe voted aye. Mayor Moore Wolfe declared the motion carried.

Mayor Moore Wolfe called for Consent Calendar Items A. and B. and asked if any Council wished to remove an item from the Consent Agenda. No Council member wished to remove an item from the Consent Agenda. The Clerk read items A. and B.:

Item A. R2021-188 Resolution Approving Appointment - Historical and Architectural Sites Commission

Item B. R2021-189 Resolution Approving Appointment - Library Board of Trustees

Councilwoman Gregory moved Items A. and B. be approved by Omnibus Vote; seconded by Councilman Kuhle, and on call of the roll, Council members Chuck Kuhle, Bill Faber, Ed Culp, Dennis Cooper, Lisa Gregory, David Horn and Mayor Moore Wolfe voted aye. Mayor Moore Wolfe declared the motion carried.

With no other New Business, Mayor Moore Wolfe called for Other Business.

Council held a brief discussion regarding the lack of taxi, Uber and Lyft drivers in Decatur to transport passengers to and from the Decatur Airport.

Councilwoman Gregory moved the Council meeting be adjourned; seconded by Councilman Kuhle and on call of the roll, Council members Chuck Kuhle, Bill Faber, Ed Culp, Dennis Cooper, Lisa Gregory, David Horn and Mayor Moore Wolfe voted aye. Mayor Moore Wolfe declared the motion carried.

Mayor Moore Wolfe declared the regular Council meeting adjourned at 6:10 p.m.

Approved October 18, 2021
Kim Althoff
City Clerk