

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
Monday, September 29, 2014

On Monday, September 29, 2014, the City Council of the City of Decatur, Illinois, met in Regular Meeting and Study Session at 5:30 p.m., in the Council Chambers, One Gary K. Anderson Plaza, Decatur, Illinois. Mayor Michael T. McElroy presided; together with him being Councilmen Jerry J. Dawson, Pat McDaniel, Julie Moore-Wolfe and Dana M. Ray. Councilmen Patrick S. Laegeler and Larry W. Foster were absent. Five members were present. Mayor Michael T. McElroy declared a quorum present.

City Manager, Ryan P. McCrady, attended the meeting as well.

Mayor Michael T. McElroy led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

The minutes of the meeting of September 2, 2014, were presented. Councilman Pat McDaniel moved the minutes be approved as written; seconded by Councilman Jerry J. Dawson and upon call of the roll, Councilmen Jerry J. Dawson and Pat McDaniel, Julie Moore-Wolfe, and Mayor Michael T. McElroy voted aye. Councilman Dana M. Ray abstained. Mayor Michael T. McElroy declared the motion carried.

This being the time set aside for unfinished business and there being no unfinished business, Mayor Michael T. McElroy proceeded to New Business.

There were no proclamations or recognitions.

Sue Lawson, President, Coalition of Neighborhood Organizations, introduced Richelle Irons who addressed Council stating Consuela Cruz was the City's nominee and awarded the Stella Stewart award for her outstanding work in the Southside Improvement Association neighborhood. Sue Lawson introduced individuals who attended the Regional Neighborhood Network Conference (RNNC) in Richmond, Indiana. Verle Janes, Paul Rosenberger and Deborah Bonds provided information to Council with regard to their personal experience at the conference. Francie Johnson, DOVE, spoke with regard to the numerous murals in Richmond, Indiana. Sue Lawson provided a schedule of upcoming events in the City: October 13 and October 18 Next Kiln Pottery Class will be held from 1:00 – 2:30 p.m.; October 28 CONO's Annual Award Dinner will be held at 6:00 p.m. at First Presbyterian Church; October 7 GM Square will meet at the Decatur Public Library in the computer room on the 2nd floor for a class on electronics; October 25 GM Square will meet at Noon in Monroe Park for their Annual Fall Cookout; October 25 Galloway Park will host a Halloween party; October 25 Clokey Park will host a Chili Supper at 3:00 p.m. at Prairie Avenue Christian Church; October 31 Fansfield will host a Trunk or Treat event at the pavilion from 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.; and Park City will host a Trunk or Treat at 5:00 p.m. Sue Law thanked Council for their support and funding to attend the RNNC.

R2014-107 Resolution Authorizing the Execution of a Contract with Motorola Solutions, Inc., for the Radio System Replacement, City Project 2014-03, was presented.

Councilman Julie Moore-Wolfe moved the Resolution do pass; seconded by Councilman Jerry J. Dawson.

Sheri Pericone inquired why the City is spending money with the centralization of the system. She asked why the city would not stay with the present system and put

funds toward fixing roads. City Manager McCrady explained the current system is 25 years old, it is not easy to obtain replacement parts and the system is not reliable.

On call of the roll Councilmen Jerry J. Dawson, Pat McDaniel, Julie Moore-Wolfe, Dana M. Ray, and Mayor Michael T. McElroy voted aye. Mayor McElroy declared the motion carried.

R2014-108 Resolution to Appropriate Additional Motor Fuel Tax Funds for Traffic Signal Maintenance and Street Maintenance by Municipality under the Illinois Highway Code, was presented.

Councilman Pat McDaniel moved the Resolution do pass; seconded by Councilman Dana M. Ray.

On call of the roll Councilmen Jerry J. Dawson, Pat McDaniel, Julie Moore-Wolfe, Dana M. Ray, and Mayor Michael T. McElroy voted aye. Mayor McElroy declared the motion carried.

R2014-109 Resolution Authorizing Change Order #1 to the Agreement with Bainbridge, Gee, Milanski & Associates, Inc. for Construction Engineering Services for the Lake Shore Drive Sewer Rehabilitation Project City Project 2012-06, was presented.

Councilman Julie Moore-Wolfe moved the Resolution do pass; seconded by Councilman Jerry J. Dawson.

On call of the roll Councilmen Jerry J. Dawson, Pat McDaniel, Julie Moore-Wolfe, Dana M. Ray, and Mayor Michael T. McElroy voted aye. Mayor McElroy declared the motion carried.

2014-51 Ordinance Rezoning Property – 799 South 22nd Street, was presented.

Councilman Dana M. Ray moved the Ordinance do pass; seconded by Councilman Pat McDaniel.

On call of the roll Councilmen Jerry J. Dawson, Pat McDaniel, Julie Moore-Wolfe, Dana M. Ray, and Mayor Michael T. McElroy voted aye. Mayor McElroy declared the motion carried.

R2014-110 Resolution Authorizing Intergovernmental Agreement with the Illinois Department of Transportation of Midwest Inland Port Study, was presented.

Sheri Pericone inquired as to who is providing the funding for this item. City Manager McCrady stated funding is coming from an IDOT Grant and the Illinois Department of Commerce & Economic Opportunity.

Councilman Jerry J. Dawson moved the Resolution do pass; seconded by Councilman Dana M. Ray.

On call of the roll Councilmen Jerry J. Dawson, Pat McDaniel, Julie Moore-Wolfe, Dana M. Ray, and Mayor Michael T. McElroy voted aye. Mayor McElroy declared the motion carried.

R2014-111 Resolution Authorizing Purchase of Globe G-Xtreme Turnout Gear – Municipal Emergency Services (EMS), was presented.

Councilman Pat McDaniel moved the Resolution do pass; seconded by Councilman Jerry J. Dawson.

On call of the roll Councilmen Jerry J. Dawson, Pat McDaniel, Julie Moore-Wolfe, Dana M. Ray, and Mayor Michael T. McElroy voted aye. Mayor McElroy declared the motion carried.

R2014-112 Resolution Authorizing Binder Coverage with Arthur J. Gallagher and Accepting Proposals from Munich RE, Liberty Mutual and Travelers Indemnity Company, was presented.

Councilman Julie Moore-Wolfe moved the Resolution do pass; seconded by Councilman Jerry J. Dawson.

On call of the roll Councilmen Jerry J. Dawson, Pat McDaniel, Julie Moore-Wolfe, Dana M. Ray, and Mayor Michael T. McElroy voted aye. Mayor McElroy declared the motion carried.

R2014-113 Resolution Authorizing Agreement with Gallagher Bassett Services, Inc. for Property/Casualty Self-Insurance Program Administration, was presented.

Councilman Pat McDaniel moved the Resolution do pass; seconded by Councilman Jerry J. Dawson.

On call of the roll Councilmen Jerry J. Dawson, Pat McDaniel, Julie Moore-Wolfe, Dana M. Ray, and Mayor Michael T. McElroy voted aye. Mayor McElroy declared the motion carried.

R2014-114 Resolution Accepting the Bid and Authorizing a Contract with Lancer Insurance Co. and Admiral Insurance Co. for Transit Liability Insurance, was presented.

Councilman Jerry J. Dawson moved the Resolution do pass; seconded by Councilman Julie Moore-Wolfe.

On call of the roll Councilmen Jerry J. Dawson, Pat McDaniel, Julie Moore-Wolfe, Dana M. Ray, and Mayor Michael T. McElroy voted aye. Mayor McElroy declared the motion carried.

Mayor Michael T. McElroy called for Consent Calendar Items A through G and asked if any Council member wished to have an item removed from Consent Calendar. Items A through G were approved by Omnibus Vote.

Councilman Jerry J. Dawson moved that Consent Calendar Items A through G be approved by Omnibus Vote and seconded by Councilman Pat McDaniel and on call of the roll Councilmen Jerry J. Dawson, Pat McDaniel, Julie Moore-Wolfe, Dana M. Ray, and Mayor Michael T. McElroy voted aye. Mayor McElroy declared the motion carried.

Receiving and Filing of Minutes of Boards and Commissions

R2014-115 Resolution Authorizing Action Regarding Unsafe Structures

2014-52 Ordinance to Appropriate \$100,000 in DCDF Fund #82 for the Purpose of Defraying the Expenses of Demolition of Abandoned and Blighted Properties within the City Limits

R2014-116 Resolution Authorizing Execution of a Public Transportation Capital Assistance Grant Agreement under the Illinois Department of Transportation's General Authority to Make Such Grants

R2014-117 Resolution Accepting Bid of Anderson Backhoe Service, Inc. for Demolition of Property Located at 1533 North Church Street

R2014-118 Resolution Accepting Bid of Don Roderick, Inc. for Demolition of Property located at 1015 South Maffit Street

R2014-119 Resolution Authorizing an Agreement with Soules Bird Repellent Company for Downtown Bird Control

This being the time for Appearance of Citizens Sheri Procarione expressed concern with regard to tax payers outside our community funding the Intermodal and asked why tax payers were paying for business propositions. She would like to see the funding kept locally and businesses provide funding for the Intermodal.

This being the time for Other Business, Councilman Dana M. Ray requested a Study Session on the City's noise ordinance specifically the penalty. The Council members present supported a study session on this issue. It was agreed there would be a study session, however, the City Manager advised he would like to have the study session when all Council members are present. City Manager McCrady advised the Park District and the City released an RFP for the marina operations. Two firms responded and the City and Park District are entering into more detailed discussions with Lake Springfield Marina operator Bob Gordon. Mr. Gordon is preparing a Marina concept for Nelson Park Basin. Also, moving forward is the Core of Engineering permitting for the dock system study. If it is decided to go forward with the Marina, a joint meeting with the Council and Park District will be scheduled. Any agreements will require Council's approval.

Councilman Dana M. Ray moved the Council recess to study session for the Treasurer's Financial Report; seconded by Councilman Jerry J. Dawson, and on call of the roll Councilmen Jerry J. Dawson, Pat McDaniel, Julie Moore-Wolfe, Dana M. Ray, and Mayor Michael T. McElroy voted aye. Mayor McElroy declared the motion carried.

Gregg Zientara, Director of Finance, provided a financial report to Council.

There being no further business, Councilman Pat McDaniel moved the meeting be adjourned; seconded by Councilman Dana M. Ray, and on call of the roll Councilmen Jerry J. Dawson, Pat McDaniel, Julie Moore-Wolfe, Dana M. Ray, and Mayor Michael T. McElroy voted aye. Mayor Michael T. McElroy declared the Council meeting adjourned at 6:33 p.m.

Approved October 6, 2014
Linda M. Swartz
City Clerk