

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
Monday, August 2, 2021

On Monday, August 2, 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 David Horn, Chuck Kuhle, Bill Faber, Lisa Gregory and Ed Culp. Mayor Julie Moore Wolfe declared a quorum present.

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: Jeffrey Perkins, Kent Laundra, Bishop Tyrone Cooper, Sarah Butts, Pat West, Elisa Meyers, Reed Sutman, Sandra Lindberg, Jonathon Drake, Jamie Snoke, Claritza Conway, Sunshine Fegett, Alma Conway, Julie Bell and Kevin McCartan.

Interim Police Chief Shane Brandel gave an update on police staffing levels.

With no other Appearance of Citizens, Council responded to citizens' comments.

Councilman Faber exited the Council Chambers at 6:30 p.m. and returned at 6:33 p.m.

Mayor Julie Moore Wolfe called for Approval of the Minutes.

The minutes of the July 12, 2021, City Council Study Session were presented. Councilwoman Gregory moved the minutes be approved as written; seconded by Councilman Kuhle and on call of the roll, Council members David Horn, Chuck Kuhle, Bill Faber, Lisa Gregory, Ed Culp and Mayor Julie Moore Wolfe voted aye. Mayor Julie Moore Wolfe declared the motion carried.

The minutes of the July 19, 2021, 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 David Horn, Chuck Kuhle, Bill Faber, Lisa Gregory, Ed Culp and Mayor Julie Moore Wolfe voted aye. Mayor Julie Moore Wolfe declared the motion carried.

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

2021-43 Ordinance Amending Budget for Fiscal Year 2021, was presented. Councilwoman Gregory moved the Ordinance do pass, seconded by Councilman Kuhle.

City Manager Wrighton gave a brief overview of the Ordinance and answered questions from Council regarding ARP funds and CURE funds.

The following citizens provided comments regarding the use of ARP funds: Alan Dusterhaus, Michelle Earles and Helen Michelassi.

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

R2021-135 Resolution Authorizing Execution of a Grant Agreement with Dove, Inc. for the Distribution of Rent, Mortgage and Utility Assistance to Eligible Recipients, was presented. Councilwoman Gregory moved the Resolution do pass, seconded by Councilman Kuhle.

City Manager Wrighton gave a brief overview of the Resolution and answered questions from Council regarding CDBG-CV funds.

Ms. Tami Wilcox with Dove spoke about the process of administering the City's rent, mortgage and utility relief funds.

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

R2021-136 Resolution Authorizing Execution of Grant Agreement with Illinois Department of Transportation for FY 2022 Transit Operating Assistance (DOAP), 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 David Horn, Chuck Kuhle, Bill Faber, Lisa Gregory, Ed Culp and Mayor Julie Moore Wolfe voted aye. Mayor Julie Moore Wolfe declared the motion carried.

R2021-137 Resolution Authorizing the Purchase of Rifles for the Decatur Police Department Emergency Response Team, was presented. Councilwoman Gregory moved the Resolution do pass, seconded by Councilman Kuhle.

Interim Police Chief Brandel gave a brief overview of the Resolution.

Ms. Sandra Lindberg provided comments to the Council.

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

R2021-138 Resolution Authorizing the Execution of an Intergovernmental Agreement between the County of Macon and the City of Decatur for Distribution of 2020 Byrne Justice

Assistance Grant Program Funds, was presented. Councilwoman Gregory moved the Resolution do pass, seconded by Councilman Kuhle.

Interim Police Chief Brandel gave a brief overview of the Resolution.

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

R2021-139 Resolution Authorizing the Execution of an Intergovernmental Agreement between the County of Macon and the City of Decatur for Distribution of 2021 Byrne Justice Assistance Grant Program Funds, was presented. Councilwoman Gregory moved the Resolution do pass, seconded by Councilman Kuhle.

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

R2021-140 Resolution Accepting the Bid and Authorizing the Execution of a Contract with Dunn Company, A Division of Tyrolt, Inc. for Country Club and Airport Road Reconstruction, City Project 2021-33, City Project 2009-33 Section 09-00933-01-BR, was presented. Councilwoman Gregory moved the Resolution do pass, seconded by Councilman Kuhle.

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

R2021-141 Resolution Approving Reappointment - Construction and Housing Board of Appeals, was presented. Councilwoman Gregory moved the Resolution do pass, seconded by Councilman Kuhle.

City Manager Wrighton answered questions from Council regarding the function of the Construction and Housing Board of Appeals.

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

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

Councilman Faber encouraged tree planting and Councilman Kuhle was congratulated for his efforts with the Ursula Beck Pro Tennis Classic.

City Manager Wrighton announced that a Special City Council meeting to include Closed Executive Session will be held on August 9, 2021 at 5:30 p.m. to discuss applicants for the vacated Council position.

With no Other Business, Mayor Julie Moore Wolfe called for adjournment.

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

Mayor Moore Wolfe declared the regular Council meeting adjourned at 7:42 p.m.

Approved August 16, 2021
Kim Althoff
City Clerk