

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
Monday, July 19, 2021

On Monday, July 19, 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 Pro Tempore Lisa Gregory presided, together with her being Council members Ed Culp, David Horn, Chuck Kuhle, Rodney Walker and Bill Faber. Mayor Julie Moore Wolfe was absent. Mayor Pro Tempore Gregory declared a quorum present.

Mayor Pro Tempore Gregory led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Pro Tempore Gregory called for Appearance of Citizens and the following citizens provided comments to the Council: Don Carmichael, Marty Watkins, Bruce Bullamore, Justin Phillips, Jamie Snoke, Shelley Kretsinger, Michele Earles, Holly Closen, Tara Daniels and Glen Schwass.

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

Mayor Pro Tempore Gregory called for Approval of the Minutes.

The minutes of the July 6, 2021, Regular City Council Meeting were presented. Councilman Kuhle moved the minutes be approved as written; seconded by Councilman Horn and on call of the roll, Council members Ed Culp, David Horn, Chuck Kuhle, Rodney Walker, Bill Faber and Mayor Pro Tempore Gregory voted aye. Mayor Pro Tempore Gregory declared the motion carried.

With no Unfinished Business, Mayor Pro Tempore Gregory called for New Business.

City Manager Scot Wrighton presented the Treasurer's Financial Report and answered questions from Council regarding staffing levels.

2021-40 Ordinance Annexing Territory Southwest Corner of Mound Road and Brush College Road, was presented. Councilman Kuhle moved the Ordinance do pass, seconded by Councilman Horn.

City Manager Wrighton gave a brief overview of the Ordinance.

Councilman Faber exited the Council Chambers at 6:23 p.m.

Upon call of the roll, Council members Ed Culp, David Horn, Chuck Kuhle, Rodney Walker and Mayor Pro Tempore Gregory voted aye. Councilman Faber was absent. Mayor Pro Tempore Gregory declared the motion carried.

2021-41 Ordinance Rezoning Property from R-1 Single Family Residence District to M-1 Intense Commercial/Light Industrial District – Property Located at the Southwest Corner of Mound Road and Brush College Road, was presented. Councilman Kuhle moved the Ordinance do pass, seconded by Councilman Horn.

Councilman Faber returned to the Council Chambers at 6:26 p.m.

Planning and Development Manager Greg Crowe answered questions from Council regarding zoning regulations for annexed properties.

City Manager Wrighton answered questions from Council regarding dual fire protection districts.

Upon call of the roll, Council members Ed Culp, David Horn, Chuck Kuhle, Rodney Walker, Bill Faber and Mayor Pro Tempore Gregory voted aye. Mayor Pro Tempore Gregory declared the motion carried.

2021-42 Ordinance Rezoning Property from R-6 Multiple Dwelling District to O-1 Office District - 271 East Grand Avenue, was presented. Councilman Kuhle moved the Ordinance do pass, seconded by Councilman Horn.

Planning and Development Manager Greg Crowe gave a brief overview of the Ordinance.

Upon call of the roll, Council members Ed Culp, David Horn, Chuck Kuhle, Rodney Walker, Bill Faber and Mayor Pro Tempore Gregory voted aye. Mayor Pro Tempore Gregory declared the motion carried.

R2021-124 Resolution to Appropriate Motor Fuel Tax Funds to Pay for an Authority to Work Agreement with AT&T to Improve the Brush College Over Faries Parkway Grade Separation by Municipality Under the Illinois Highway Code City Project 2009-33 Section 09-00933-01-BR, was presented. Councilman Kuhle moved the Resolution do pass, seconded by Councilman Horn.

Public Works Director Matt Newell gave a brief overview of the Resolution and answered questions from Council concerning project costs.

City Manager Wrighton answered questions from Council regarding Motor Fuel Tax allocations.

Upon call of the roll, Council members Ed Culp, David Horn, Chuck Kuhle, Rodney Walker, Bill Faber and Mayor Pro Tempore Gregory voted aye. Mayor Pro Tempore Gregory declared the motion carried.

R2021-125 Resolution Authorizing an Authority to Work Agreement With AT&T to Relocate a Terminal Box for the Brush College Road Grade Separation Project, City Project 2009-33 Section 09-00933-01-BR, was presented. Councilman Kuhle moved the Resolution do pass, seconded by Councilman Horn.

Upon call of the roll, Council members Ed Culp, David Horn, Chuck Kuhle, Rodney Walker, Bill Faber and Mayor Pro Tempore Gregory voted aye. Mayor Pro Tempore Gregory declared the motion carried.

R2021-126 Resolution to Appropriate Motor Fuel Tax Funds to Pay for a Construction Maintenance Agreement with the Illinois Central Railroad Company to Improve the Brush College over Faries Parkway Grade Separation by Municipality Under the Illinois Highway Code, City Project 2009-33 Section 09-00933-01-BR, was presented. Councilman Kuhle moved the Resolution do pass, seconded by Councilman Horn.

Upon call of the roll, Council members Ed Culp, David Horn, Chuck Kuhle, Rodney Walker, Bill Faber and Mayor Pro Tempore Gregory voted aye. Mayor Pro Tempore Gregory declared the motion carried.

R2021-127 Resolution Authorizing a Construction Maintenance Agreement with the Illinois Central Railroad Company for Construction Work for the Brush College Road Grade Separation Project, City Project 2009-33 Section 09-00933-01-BR, was presented. Councilman Kuhle moved the Resolution do pass, seconded by Councilman Horn.

Upon call of the roll, Council members Ed Culp, David Horn, Chuck Kuhle, Rodney Walker, Bill Faber and Mayor Pro Tempore Gregory voted aye. Mayor Pro Tempore Gregory declared the motion carried.

R2021-128 Resolution Accepting the Bid and Authorizing the Execution of a Contract with Entler Excavating Co., Inc. for the 2021 Storm Drainage Improvement Project City Project 2021-30, was presented. Councilman Kuhle moved the Resolution do pass, seconded by Councilman Horn.

City Manager Wrighton gave a brief overview of the Resolution.

Upon call of the roll, Council members Ed Culp, David Horn, Chuck Kuhle, Rodney Walker, Bill Faber and Mayor Pro Tempore Gregory voted aye. Mayor Pro Tempore Gregory declared the motion carried.

R2021-129 Resolution Accepting Bodine Electric Change Order #1 related to the Original Bid for Underground Fiber Construction of Fiber Extensions, Resolution # R2021-73, to Provide a City Fiber Extension into the Millikin Heights Neighborhood, 2021 Fiber Project Number ITFIBER-01, was presented. Councilman Kuhle moved the Resolution do pass, seconded by Councilman Horn.

City Manager Wrighton gave a brief overview of the Resolution and answered questions from Council regarding the application process for those interested in connecting to the city fiber system.

Upon call of the roll, Council members Ed Culp, David Horn, Chuck Kuhle, Rodney Walker, Bill Faber and Mayor Pro Tempore Gregory voted aye. Mayor Pro Tempore Gregory declared the motion carried.

R2021-130 Resolution Authorizing the Execution of a Grant Agreement with the Federal Transit Administration for Federal Share of Annual Transit Operating Funds, was presented. Councilman Kuhle moved the Resolution do pass, seconded by Councilman Horn.

City Manager Wrighton gave a brief overview of the Resolution.

Upon call of the roll, Council members Ed Culp, David Horn, Chuck Kuhle, Rodney Walker, Bill Faber and Mayor Pro Tempore Gregory voted aye. Mayor Pro Tempore Gregory declared the motion carried.

R2021-131 Resolution Authorizing the Purchase of Four Paratransit Vehicles from Midwest Transit Equipment Inc. from State Contract, was presented. Councilman Kuhle moved the Resolution do pass, seconded by Councilman Horn.

Deputy City Manager Jon Kindseth gave a brief overview of the Resolution.

Upon call of the roll, Council members Ed Culp, David Horn, Chuck Kuhle, Rodney Walker, Bill Faber and Mayor Pro Tempore Gregory voted aye. Mayor Pro Tempore Gregory declared the motion carried.

With no other New Business, Mayor Pro Tempore Gregory called for Consent Calendar Items A. through C. and asked if any Council member wished to remove an item from the Consent Calendar. No Council member wished to remove an item from the Consent Calendar. The Clerk read items A. through C.:

Item A. R2021-132 Resolution Accepting the State of Illinois Joint Purchasing Contract Holder Bid Price of Rush Truck Centers for the Purchase of Two (2) 2022 International Single Axle Dump Trucks

Item B. R2021-133 Resolution Accepting the State of Illinois Joint Purchasing Contract Holder Bid Price of Rush Truck Centers for the Purchase of One (1) 2022 International Tandem Axle Dump Truck with Plow and Spreader

Item C. R2021-134 Resolution Accepting the State of Illinois Joint Purchasing Contract Holder Bid Price of Rush Truck Centers for the Purchase of One (1) 2022 International Tandem Axle Dump Truck

Councilman Kuhle moved Items A. through C. be approved by Omnibus Vote; seconded by Councilman Horn, and on call of the roll, Council members Ed Culp, David Horn, Chuck

Kuhle, Rodney Walker, Bill Faber and Mayor Pro Tempore Gregory voted aye. Mayor Pro Tempore Gregory declared the motion carried.

With no other New Business, Mayor Pro Tempore Gregory called for Other Business.

Councilman Rodney Walker announced his resignation from the City Council effective July 20, 2021.

City Manger Wrighton discussed the process for filling the vacant City Council seat.

With no Other Business, Mayor Pro Tempore Gregory called for adjournment.

Councilman Faber moved the Council meeting be adjourned; seconded by Councilman Kuhle and on call of the roll, Council members Ed Culp, David Horn, Chuck Kuhle, Rodney Walker, Bill Faber and Mayor Pro Tempore Gregory voted aye. Mayor Pro Tempore Gregory declared the motion carried.

Mayor Pro Tempore Gregory declared the regular Council meeting adjourned at 7:05 p.m.

Approved August 2, 2021
Kim Althoff
City Clerk