

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
Monday, June 21, 2021

On Monday, June 21, 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 Rodney Walker, Bill Faber, Ed Culp, Lisa Gregory, David Horn and Chuck Kuhle. Mayor Moore Wolfe declared a quorum present.

Mayor Moore Wolfe led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Moore Wolfe announced that the Resolution Approving Appointment, Police Pension Fund Board of Trustees was pulled from the City Council agenda.

Mayor Moore Wolfe called for Appearance of Citizens and the following citizens provided comments to the Council: Shelley Kretsinger, Carman Brooks, Amber Girard, Tara Daniels, Glenn Schloss, and Alan Duesterhaus.

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

The minutes of the June 7, 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 Rodney Walker, Bill Faber, Ed Culp, Lisa Gregory, David Horn, Chuck Kuhle and Mayor Moore Wolfe voted aye. Mayor Moore Wolfe declared the motion carried.

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

City Manager Wrighton presented the Treasurer's Financial Report.

Councilman Faber exited the Council Chamber at 6:06 p.m. and returned at 6:09 p.m.

R2021-112 Resolution Authorizing City Manager to Execute an Agreement with Arthur J. Gallagher, Risk Management Services, Inc. for Risk Management Advisory Services, 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 Rodney Walker, Bill Faber, Ed Culp, Lisa Gregory, David Horn, Chuck Kuhle and Mayor Moore Wolfe voted aye. Mayor Moore Wolfe declared the motion carried.

R2021-113 Resolution Authorizing an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Illinois Department of Transportation for Maintenance of Traffic Control Devices, 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 Rodney Walker, Bill Faber, Ed Culp, Lisa Gregory, David Horn, Chuck Kuhle and Mayor Moore Wolfe voted aye. Mayor Moore Wolfe declared the motion carried.

R2021-114 Resolution Authorizing a Professional Engineering Services Agreement with AECOM Technical Services, Inc. to Provide Preliminary Design Services for the Oakland and Grand Area Sewer Separation Study, City Project 2021-01, was presented. Councilwoman Gregory moved the Resolution do pass, seconded by Councilman Kuhle.

Public Works Director Matt Newell gave a brief overview of the Resolution and answered questions from Council regarding funding sources for the project.

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

Council held a lengthy discussion on Relief Fund allocations. The consensus of Council indicated that they were in favor of spending \$9 million on three high priority water and sewer projects; \$4 million for revenue replacement to the General and Motor Fuel Tax funds; \$1 million on broadband expansion; \$2 million for housing under the city's neighborhood revitalization initiative and \$500,000 for other COVID responses.

Councilman Faber exited the Council Chambers at 7:06 p.m. and returned at 7:10 p.m.

Council held a discussion concerning the revenue loss at the Children's Museum of Illinois resulting from being closed during COVID.

Councilman Faber exited the Council Chamber at 7:33 p.m. and returned at 7:36 p.m.

The consensus of Council indicated that they were comfortable using a portion of Relief Fund allocations to assist with the deficit at the Children's Museum of Illinois.

With the conclusion of the Relief Fund allocations discussion, Mayor Moore Wolfe called for Other Business.

Council thanked Juneteenth Celebration organizers and volunteers. Councilwoman Gregory was thanked for her efforts in bringing the fireworks back to Decatur.

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

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

Mayor Moore Wolfe declared the regular Council meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Approved July 6, 2021
Kim Althoff
City Clerk