

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

Monday, June 15, 2015

On Monday, June 15, 2015, the City Council of the City of Decatur, Illinois, met in Regular Meeting at 5:30 p.m., in the Council Chambers, One Gary K. Anderson Plaza, Decatur, Illinois.

Mayor Michael McElroy presided; together with him being Councilmen Pat McDaniel, Julie Moore-Wolfe, Dana Ray, Bill Faber, and Lisa Gregory; Jerry Dawson was absent from the meeting. Six members were present and one member was absent. Mayor Michael McElroy declared a quorum present.

City Manager Tim Gleason, attended the meeting as well.

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

The minutes of the meeting of June 1, 2015, were presented. Councilman Julie Moore-Wolfe moved the minutes be approved as written; seconded by Councilman Dana Ray, and on call of the roll, Councilmen Pat McDaniel, Julie Moore-Wolfe, Dana Ray, Bill Faber, Lisa Gregory, and Mayor Michael McElroy voted aye. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

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

This being the time for Proclamations and Recognitions and there being none Mayor Michael McElroy introduced Francie Johnson with Coalition of Neighborhood Organization. Ms. Johnson shared that the Annual CONO Picnic will be held at Monroe Park, on Tuesday, June 23, 2015, at 6:00 p.m. The Decatur Area Arts Council is having Community Art Classes for kids and adults on June 24, June 29, July 15, and July 20. National Night Out is Tuesday, August 4, 2015, at 5:00 p.m.; there will be a caravan from the Decatur Civic Center to four local parks. The next CONO meeting is August 25, 2015, 5:30 p.m., at the Decatur Public Library. Destination for the Regional Neighborhood Conference is Boiling Green, Kentucky, October 1, 2, and 3, 2015.

R2015-73 Resolution Authorizing Submission of Justice Administration Grant Application and Memorandum of Understanding – Bureau of Justice Assistance.

Councilman Julie Moore-Wolfe moved the Resolution do pass; seconded by Councilman Dana Ray. On call of the roll, Councilmen Pat McDaniel, Julie Moore-Wolfe, Dana Ray, Bill Faber, Lisa Gregory, and Mayor Michael McElroy voted aye. Mayor Michael McElroy declared the motion carried.

R2015-74 Resolution Authorizing the Execution of an Intergovernmental Cooperative Agreement Between the City of Decatur and the County of Macon for Dispatching Services for Calendar Year 2015.

Councilman Pat McDaniel moved the Resolution do pass; seconded by Councilman Lisa Gregory. On call of the roll, Councilmen Pat McDaniel, Julie Moore-Wolfe, Dana Ray, Bill Faber, Lisa Gregory, and Mayor Michael McElroy voted aye. Mayor Michael McElroy declared the motion carried.

R2015-75 Resolution Authorizing the Execution of an Intergovernmental Cooperative Agreement Between the City of Decatur and the County of Macon for Dispatching Services for Calendar Years 2016-2019.

Councilman Julie Moore-Wolfe moved the Resolution do pass; seconded by Councilman Pat McDaniel. On call of the roll, Councilmen Pat McDaniel, Julie Moore-Wolfe, Dana Ray, Bill Faber, Lisa Gregory, and Mayor Michael McElroy voted aye. Mayor Michael McElroy declared the motion carried.

2015-28 Ordinance Amending Zoning Ordinance Section XVI. M-1 Intense Commercial/Light Industrial District and Section XXIV. Off-Street Parking and Loading Requirements.

Councilman Dana Ray moved the Ordinance do pass; seconded by Councilman Julie Moore-Wolfe. On call of the roll, Councilmen Pat McDaniel, Julie Moore-Wolfe, Dana Ray, Bill Faber, Lisa Gregory, and Mayor Michael McElroy voted aye. Mayor Michael McElroy declared the motion carried.

2015-29 Ordinance Granting Conditional Use Permit Daycare Home, Large 1680 North 30th Street

Councilman Pat McDaniel moved the Ordinance do pass; seconded by Councilman Dana Ray. On call of the roll, Councilmen Pat McDaniel, Julie Moore-Wolfe, Dana Ray, Bill Faber, Lisa Gregory, and Mayor Michael McElroy voted aye. Mayor Michael McElroy declared the motion carried.

R2015-76 Resolution Accepting the Bid and Authorizing the Execution of a Contract with Petersburg Plumbing & Excavating, LLC for Sunset Levee In-Line Check Valve Installation City Project 2015-13.

Councilman Julie Moore-Wolfe moved the Resolution do pass; seconded by Councilman Dana Ray. On call of the roll, Councilmen Pat McDaniel, Julie Moore-Wolfe, Dana Ray, Bill Faber, Lisa Gregory, and Mayor Michael McElroy voted aye. Mayor Michael McElroy declared the motion carried.

R2015-77 Resolution Accepting the Bid of Jackson Ford, Decatur, IL, for the Purchase of Ten (10) Ford 2016, Police Interceptor Mid Size Utility Vehicles.

Councilman Pat McDaniel moved the Resolution do pass; seconded by Councilman Dana Ray. On call of the roll, Councilmen Pat McDaniel, Julie Moore-Wolfe, Dana Ray, Bill Faber, Lisa Gregory, and Mayor Michael McElroy voted aye. Mayor Michael McElroy declared the motion carried.

R2015-78 Resolution to Appropriate Motor Fuel Tax Funds for Restoration of Streets and Highways by Municipality under the Illinois Highway Code.

Councilman Pat McDaniel moved the Resolution do pass; seconded by Councilman Dana Ray. On call of the roll, Councilmen Pat McDaniel, Julie Moore-Wolfe, Dana Ray, Bill Faber, Lisa Gregory, and Mayor Michael McElroy voted aye. Mayor Michael McElroy declared the motion carried.

R2015-79 Resolution to Appropriate Motor Fuel Tax Funds for Micro Surfacing of Streets and Highways by Municipality under the Illinois Highway Code City Project 2015-24.

Councilman Dana Ray moved the Resolution do pass; seconded by Councilman Pat McDaniel. On call of the roll, Councilmen Pat McDaniel, Julie Moore-Wolfe, Dana Ray, Bill Faber, Lisa Gregory, and Mayor Michael McElroy voted aye. Mayor Michael McElroy declared the motion carried.

Mayor Michael McElroy called for Consent Calendar Items A through D and asked if any Council member wished to have an item removed from Consent Calendar. The Clerk read Items A – D:

- A. R2015-80 Resolution Approving Appointment to Boards and Commissions,
- B. Receiving and Filing of Minutes of Boards
- C. R2015-81 Resolution of Support for the Guard and Reserve
- D. R2015-82 Resolution Accepting the Bid – Clean Sweep Tree Service – City Project 2015-03

Councilman Dana Ray moved that Consent Calendar Items A through D be approved by Omnibus Vote; seconded by Councilman Julie Moore-Wolfe, and on call of the roll, Councilmen Lisa Gregory, Pat McDaniel, Julie Moore-Wolfe, Dana Ray, Bill Faber, and Mayor Michael McElroy voted aye. Mayor Michael McElroy declared the motion carried.

This being the time for Appearance of Citizens, the following appeared:

Lloyd Holman and Jim Taylor asked the Council to consider a resolution and proposal for City employees' residency requirements.

Sherry Procaroine requested Council to remember citizens who can't pay excessive fines before directing policy concerning Administrative Court and Community Service. Ms. Procaroine encouraged Council to stop taking Grant money to pay for City projects because that is taking other people's money to pay for City project.

Michael Grossman read a Resolution of Support for the Guard and Reserve.

Russell Shulke said there is a large sink hole on California Avenue, at the end of his driveway, that has not been taken care of.

Jim Taylor said that he and Mr. Holman are not anti-union. Their concern is the infrastructure is going to go broke. Mr. Taylor and Mr. Holman are willing to meet and discuss their concerns with Council.

John Phillips would like the podium moved so citizens don't have their backs to the audience when they address the Council.

This being the time for Other Business, City Manager Tim Mr. Gleason shared his Administrative Court – Operational Change memorandum. Four changes that will be implemented in the near future are: 1) Database that is accessible on the City's website, 2) Voluntary Registration Form, 3) First Offense Alternative, and 4) Four (4) business day courtesy notification for "nuisance" violations.

Councilman Pat McDaniel said that four (4) business days is better, but he thinks it should be five (5) to seven (7) days. Councilman McDaniel inquired about the alternative for first time offenders. City Manager Tim Gleason explained that there will be an educational component offered at different times of the day and evening. Councilman McDaniel thought it might be better to give a person a copy of the code.

Councilman Bill Faber reminded Council he suggested a Task Force be formed and requested his suggestion be given serious consideration.

Mayor Mike McElroy applauded what the Council was saying and he would like to see what comes from the changes being made.

Councilman Julie Moore-Wolfe thought some reasonable adjustments were being made and Administrative Court should be re-evaluated before next spring.

Councilman Bill Faber said that his suggestion of a Task Force would in no way impede Administrative Court.

Councilman Dana Ray explained there has been numerous Study Sessions and a Task Force isn't going to give the Council any additional information. Councilman Ray requested some signage be put up so people understand the Administrative Court process beforehand.

Councilman Pat McDaniel would like to utilize the newsletter and Channel 19 more.

Councilman Julie Moore-Wolfe moved to recess to study session for the Treasurer's financial report; seconded by Councilman Dana Ray and all were in favor by voicing no objections. Mayor Michael T. McElroy declared the motion carried. Gregg Zientara, Director of Financial Management, provided an overview of the financial report.

There being no further business, Councilman Pat McDaniel moved the regular Council meeting be adjourned; seconded by Councilman Julie Moore-Wolfe, and on call of the roll Councilmen Lisa Gregory, Pat McDaniel, Julie Moore-Wolfe, Dana Ray, Bill Faber, and Mayor McElroy voted aye. The Mayor declared the Council meeting adjourned at 7:02 p.m.

Approved July 6, 2015
Debra G. Bright
City Clerk