

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
Monday, May 17, 2021

On Monday, May 17, 2021, the City Council of the City of Decatur, Illinois, met in Regular Meeting at 5:30 p.m., in the Decatur Civic Center Theater, One Gary K. Anderson Plaza, Decatur, Illinois.

Mayor Julie Moore Wolfe presided, together with her being Council members David Horn, Chuck Kuhle, Rodney Walker, Bill Faber, Ed Culp and Lisa Gregory. Mayor Moore Wolfe declared a quorum present.

City Manager Scot Wrighton attended the meeting as well.

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: Seth Stedman, Abby Koester and Marc Girdler.

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

The minutes of the May 3, 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 David Horn, Chuck Kuhle, Rodney Walker, Bill Faber, Ed Culp, Lisa Gregory 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 Scot Wrighton presented the Treasurer's Financial Report.

Finance Director Gregg Zientara answered questions from Council regarding the city's cash position.

R2021-89 Resolution Accepting the Bid and Authorizing the Execution of a Contract with Entler Excavating Co., Inc. for 2021 Miscellaneous Sanitary and Storm Sewer Improvement Project City Project 2021-09, was presented. Councilwoman Gregory moved the Resolution do pass, seconded by Councilman Kuhle.

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

R2021-90 Resolution Authorizing the Execution of an Agreement with Parkland Environmental for the Demolition of Vacant Residential Dwellings at 115 North Illinois and

1617 North Main, was presented. Councilwoman Gregory moved the Resolution do pass, seconded by Councilman Kuhle.

City Manager Wrighton gave an overview of the proposed Resolution.

Economic and Community Development Director Cordaryl “Pat” Patrick answered questions from Council concerning demolition costs.

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

R2021-91 Resolution Authorizing the Execution of an Agreement with JRH Services, Inc. for the Demolition of Vacant Residential Dwelling at 1004 South Illinois, was presented. Councilwoman Gregory moved the Resolution do pass, seconded by Councilman Kuhle.

City Manager Wrighton gave an overview of the proposed Resolution.

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

2021-31 Ordinance Rezoning Property from R-3 Single Family Residence District and O-1 Office District to B-1 Neighborhood Shopping District - Properties Located at 1170 East Riverside Avenue, was presented. Councilwoman Gregory moved the Ordinance do pass, seconded by Councilman Kuhle.

City Manager Wrighton gave an overview of the proposed Ordinance.

Planning and Development Manager Greg Crowe answered questions from Council regarding the location of the food trailer on the property.

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

R2021-92 Resolution Authorizing the City Manager and Economic and Community Development Director to Negotiate Terms and Execute an Agreement for Cleanup and Debris Removal Activities in Johns Hill with Shemilah Outreach Center, was presented. Councilwoman Gregory moved the Resolution do pass, seconded by Councilman Kuhle.

City Manager Wrighton gave an overview of the proposed Resolution.

Economic and Community Development Director Cordaryl “Pat” Patrick spoke on the details of the agreement and collaboration initiatives between the city and several not-for-profit neighborhood organizations.

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

R2021-93 Resolution Authorizing a Contract Between the City of Decatur and Midwest Fiber, Inc. of Decatur for Processing Single Stream Recyclables, was presented. Councilwoman Gregory moved the Resolution do pass, seconded by Councilman Kuhle.

City Manager Wrighton gave an overview of the proposed Resolution.

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

R2021-94 Resolution Authorizing Proposal with Hotel & Leisure Advisors, LLC for Highest and Best Use Study of the Decatur Civic Center, was presented. Councilwoman Gregory moved the Resolution do pass, seconded by Councilman Kuhle.

City Manager Wrighton gave an overview of the proposed Resolution.

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

R2021-95 Resolution Accepting the State of Illinois Joint Purchasing Contract Holder Bid Price of Morrow Brothers Ford Inc. for the Purchase of Six (6) 2021 Ford Interceptor Utility Vehicles, was presented. Councilwoman Gregory moved the Resolution do pass, seconded by Councilman Kuhle.

City Manager Wrighton gave an overview of the proposed Resolution.

Police Chief Jim Getz answered questions from Council regarding the timeframe on the new vehicles and recruitment efforts due to the nationwide police shortage.

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

Resolution Accepting the Bid of Felmley-Dickerson Company for the Replacement of Two (2) Overhead Garage Doors at Fire Station No. 2, was presented. Councilwoman Gregory moved the Resolution do pass, seconded by Councilman Kuhle.

City Manager Wrighton gave an overview of the proposed Resolution.

Fire Chief Jeff Abbott explained how raising the garage doors will accommodate fire trucks from different fire stations.

Council held a discussion on the bidding process and compliancy of the bidders.

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

R2021-96 Resolution Accepting the Bid of MES for the Purchase of 50 Air Pak Pro SCBA and AV300 HT Facepieces, was presented. Councilwoman Gregory moved the Resolution do pass, seconded by Councilman Kuhle.

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

R2021-97 Resolution Authorizing an Agreement with the State of Illinois for Improvements of Eldorado Street (IL 105) at its Intersection with 24th Street by Municipality Under the Illinois Highway Code City Project 2021-07 Section No. 21-00107-00-TL, was presented. Councilwoman Gregory moved the Resolution do pass, seconded by Councilman Kuhle.

City Manager Wrighton gave an overview of the proposed Resolution.

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

R2021-98 Resolution Authorizing Real Estate Purchase Agreement - David B. Brown and Angela M. Brown - City of Decatur, Illinois- 3550 East Chestnut Avenue, Decatur, Illinois, was presented. Councilwoman Gregory moved the Resolution do pass, seconded by Councilman Kuhle.

City Manager Wrighton gave an overview of the proposed Resolution.

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

With no other New Business, Mayor Moore Wolfe called for Consent Calendar Items A. through E. and asked if any Council member wished to have an item removed from the Consent

Agenda Calendar. Councilman Horn requested removing Item A. from the Consent Agenda Calendar. The Clerk read items B. through G.

Item B. R2021-99 Resolution Approving Reappointments - Construction and Housing Board of Appeals

Item C. R2021-100 Resolution Approving Reappointments - Historical and Architectural Sites Commission

Item D. R2021-101 Resolution Approving Reappointments - City Plan Commission

Item E. R2021-102 Resolution Regarding Temporary Closing of State Rights-of-Way - Community Events - Shoreline Classic

Item F. Receiving and Filing of Minutes of Boards and Commissions

Item G. 2021-33 Ordinance Authorizing the Installation of Stop Signs at the Intersection of East Wallace Avenue at North 31st Street Facing North 31st Street

Councilwoman Gregory moved Items B. through G. be approved by Omnibus Vote; seconded by Councilman Kuhle and on call of the roll, Council members David Horn, Chuck Kuhle, Rodney Walker, Bill Faber, Ed Culp, Lisa Gregory and Mayor Moore Wolfe voted aye. Mayor Moore Wolfe declared the motion carried.

2021-32 Ordinance Amending Chapter 06 - City Council, Decatur, Illinois, was presented. Councilwoman Gregory moved the Ordinance do pass, seconded by Councilman Kuhle.

Councilman Horn noted his support of the amendment to Chapter 6 and suggested moving the Treasurer's Financial Report back on the agenda since it is a non-voting agenda item.

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

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

Council held a discussion on procedures for filling vacancies on Boards and Commissions, Governor Pritzker's mask mandate, license plate reader cameras in the Johns Hill neighborhood and high-speed pursuit chases.

With no Other Business, Mayor 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, Rodney Walker, Bill Faber, Ed Culp, Lisa Gregory and Mayor Moore Wolfe voted aye. Mayor Moore Wolfe declared the motion carried.

Mayor Moore Wolfe declared the regular City Council meeting adjourned at 7:05 p.m.

Approved: June 7, 2021
Kim Althoff
City Clerk