

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

Monday, May 15, 2023

On Monday, May 15, 2023, the City Council of the City of Decatur, Illinois, met in Regular Meeting at 5:30 p.m., in the Council Chamber, One Gary K. Anderson Plaza, Decatur, Illinois.

Mayor Julie Moore Wolfe presided, together with her being Council members Pat McDaniel, Lisa Gregory, David Horn, Chuck Kuhle, Ed Culp and Dennis Cooper. Mayor Moore Wolfe declared a quorum present.

City Manager Scot Wrighton attended the meeting as well.

Mayor Moore Wolfe led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Ms. Yvonne Singley, President of Tri-County Links Incorporated, presented a proclamation for Links Day. Tri-County Links Incorporated presented Mayor Moore Wolfe with the Beacon award.

Mayor Moore Wolfe called for Appearance of Citizens and the following citizens provided comments to the Council: Ayn Owens, Abeer Motan and Georgetta Eubanks.

Mayor Moore Wolfe called for Approval of the Minutes.

The minutes of the May 1, 2023, City Council meeting were presented. Councilwoman Gregory moved the minutes be approved as written; seconded by Councilman Horn and on call of the roll, Council members Pat McDaniel, Lisa Gregory, David Horn, Ed Culp, Dennis Cooper and Mayor Moore Wolfe voted aye. Councilman Chuck Kuhle abstained from the vote. 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.

R2023-92 Resolution Authorizing Professional Service Agreement with CliftonLarsonAllen, LLP for Auditing Services and Non-Audit Advisory Services, was presented. Councilwoman Gregory moved the Resolution do pass, seconded by Councilman Kuhle.

City Manager Wrighton gave an overview of the Resolution.

Ms. Ruby James, Finance Director, responded to questions from Council members about the audit.

Upon call of the roll, Council members Pat McDaniel, Lisa Gregory, David Horn, Chuck Kuhle, Ed Culp, Dennis Cooper and Mayor Moore Wolfe voted aye. Mayor Moore Wolfe declared the motion carried.

R2023-93 Resolution Authorizing the Execution of a Service Agreement for the Electricity Supply for Residential and Small Commercial Retail Customers Under the Municipal Aggregation Program, was presented. Councilwoman Gregory moved the Resolution do pass, seconded by Councilman Kuhle.

City Manager Wrighton gave an overview of the Resolution.

Deputy City Manager Jon Kindseth responded to questions about the program.

Upon call of the roll, Council members Pat McDaniel, Lisa Gregory, David Horn, Chuck Kuhle, Ed Culp, Dennis Cooper and Mayor Moore Wolfe voted aye. Mayor Moore Wolfe declared the motion carried.

R2023-94 Resolution Authorizing an Intergovernmental Agreement Between the City of Decatur and Central Illinois Land Bank Authority for Acquisition of Certain Properties through Abandonment Proceedings, was presented. Councilwoman Gregory moved the Resolution do pass, seconded by Councilman Kuhle.

Deputy City Manager Kindseth gave an overview of the Resolution.

Upon call of the roll, Council members Pat McDaniel, Lisa Gregory, David Horn, Chuck Kuhle, Ed Culp, Dennis Cooper and Mayor Moore Wolfe voted aye. Mayor Moore Wolfe declared the motion carried.

R2023-95 Resolution Authorizing a Professional Engineering Services Agreement with Crawford, Murphy and Tilly, Inc. to Provide Final Design Engineering Services for the South Water Treatment Plant Electrical Improvements Project, City Project 2022-18, was presented. Councilwoman Gregory moved the Resolution do pass, seconded by Councilman Kuhle.

City Manager Wrighton gave an overview of the following six Resolutions as they all related to the Brush College Road project.

Mr. John Schwalbach, Vice-President of AECOM, provided history on the project.

Upon call of the roll, Council members Pat McDaniel, Lisa Gregory, David Horn, Chuck Kuhle, Ed Culp, Dennis Cooper and Mayor Moore Wolfe voted aye. Mayor Moore Wolfe declared the motion carried.

R2023-95A Resolution Rescinding a Local Public Agency Agreement for Federal Participation of Brush College Road/Faries Parkway Railroad Grade Separation, was presented. Councilwoman Gregory moved the Resolution do pass, seconded by Councilman Kuhle.

Upon call of the roll, Council members Pat McDaniel, Lisa Gregory, David Horn, Chuck Kuhle, Ed Culp, Dennis Cooper and Mayor Moore Wolfe voted aye. Mayor Moore Wolfe declared the motion carried.

R2023-96 Resolution Authorizing a Joint Funding Agreement for Construction of the Brush College Road Grade Separation of Faries Parkway, was presented. Councilwoman Gregory moved the Resolution do pass, seconded by Councilman Kuhle.

City Manager Wrighton gave an overview of the Resolution.

Upon call of the roll, Council members Pat McDaniel, Lisa Gregory, David Horn, Chuck Kuhle, Ed Culp, Dennis Cooper and Mayor Moore Wolfe voted aye. Mayor Moore Wolfe declared the motion carried.

R2023-97 Resolution Rescinding a Local Public Agency Engineering Services Agreement with AECOM Technical Services for Construction Engineering Services for Brush College Road/Faries Parkway, was presented. Councilwoman Gregory moved the Resolution do pass, seconded by Councilman Kuhle.

City Manager Wrighton gave an overview of the Resolution.

Upon call of the roll, Council members Pat McDaniel, Lisa Gregory, David Horn, Chuck Kuhle, Ed Culp, Dennis Cooper and Mayor Moore Wolfe voted aye. Mayor Moore Wolfe declared the motion carried.

R2023-98 Resolution Authorizing a Local Public Agency Engineering Services Agreement with AECOM Technical Services, Inc. for Construction Engineering Services for Brush College Road/Faries Parkway Grade Separation Project City Project 2009-33 Section 09-00933-01-BR, was presented. Councilwoman Gregory moved the Resolution do pass, seconded by Councilman Kuhle.

City Manager Wrighton gave an overview of the Resolution.

Upon call of the roll, Council members Pat McDaniel, Lisa Gregory, David Horn, Chuck Kuhle, Ed Culp, Dennis Cooper and Mayor Moore Wolfe voted aye. Mayor Moore Wolfe declared the motion carried.

R2023-99 Resolution Authorizing Supplement #2 to the Professional Engineering Services Agreement with AECOM for Design Services for the Brush College Road Grade Separation over Faries Parkway and the Norfolk Southern Railroad City Project 2009-33 Section 09-00933-01-BR, was presented. Councilwoman Gregory moved the Resolution do pass, seconded by Councilman Kuhle.

City Manager Wrighton gave an overview of the Resolution.

Upon call of the roll, Council members Pat McDaniel, Lisa Gregory, David Horn, Chuck Kuhle, Ed Culp, Dennis Cooper and Mayor Moore Wolfe voted aye. Mayor Moore Wolfe declared the motion carried.

R2023-100 Resolution Authorizing Supplement #2 to the Local Public Agency Engineering Services Agreement with AECOM Technical Services, Inc. Section 09-00933-01-BR, was presented. Councilwoman Gregory moved the Resolution do pass, seconded by Councilman Kuhle.

City Manager Wrighton gave an overview of the Resolution.

Upon call of the roll, Council members Pat McDaniel, Lisa Gregory, David Horn, Chuck Kuhle, Ed Culp, Dennis Cooper and Mayor Moore Wolfe voted aye. Mayor Moore Wolfe declared the motion carried.

R2023-101 Resolution Accepting the Bid and Authorizing the Execution of a Contract with Entler Excavating Co., Inc. for 2023 Miscellaneous Sanitary & Storm Sewer Improvement Project, City Project 2023-09, was presented. Councilwoman Gregory moved the Resolution do pass, seconded by Councilman Kuhle.

City Manager Wrighton gave an overview of the Resolution.

Upon call of the roll, Council members Pat McDaniel, Lisa Gregory, David Horn, Chuck Kuhle, Ed Culp, Dennis Cooper and Mayor Moore Wolfe voted aye. Mayor Moore Wolfe declared the motion carried.

R2023-102 Resolution Accepting Woody's Municipal Supply Co. to Upfit Eight (8) Dump Trucks, was presented. Councilwoman Gregory moved the Resolution do pass, seconded by Councilman Kuhle.

City Manager Wrighton gave an overview of the Resolution.

Upon call of the roll, Council members Pat McDaniel, Lisa Gregory, David Horn, Chuck Kuhle, Ed Culp, Dennis Cooper and Mayor Moore Wolfe voted aye. Mayor Moore Wolfe declared the motion carried.

R2023-103 Resolution Accepting the Sourcewell Bid of Key Equipment & Supply Co. for the Purchase of One (1) 2023 Elgin Pelican Street Sweeper, was presented. Councilwoman Gregory moved the Resolution do pass, seconded by Councilman Kuhle.

City Manager Wrighton gave an overview of the Resolution.

Upon call of the roll, Council members Pat McDaniel, Lisa Gregory, David Horn, Chuck Kuhle, Ed Culp, Dennis Cooper and Mayor Moore Wolfe voted aye. Mayor Moore Wolfe declared the motion carried.

R2023-104 Resolution Authorizing a Stipulated Agreement Concerning Safety Improvements at the At-Grade Crossing with Decatur and Eastern Illinois Railroad at Airport Road, was presented. Councilwoman Gregory moved the Resolution do pass, seconded by Councilman Kuhle.

City Manager Wrighton gave an overview of the Resolution.

Upon call of the roll, Council members Pat McDaniel, Lisa Gregory, David Horn, Chuck Kuhle, Ed Culp, Dennis Cooper and Mayor Moore Wolfe voted aye. Mayor Moore Wolfe declared the motion carried.

R2023-105 Resolution Authorizing Expenditure of Funds to Purchase an Expansion for the Lenel Security Access System and Add Secure ID Badge Security to Four Doors within the Civic Center Building, was presented. Councilwoman Gregory moved the Resolution do pass, seconded by Councilman Kuhle.

City Manager Wrighton gave an overview of the Resolution.

Upon call of the roll, Council members Pat McDaniel, Lisa Gregory, David Horn, Chuck Kuhle, Ed Culp, Dennis Cooper and Mayor Moore Wolfe voted aye. Mayor Moore Wolfe declared the motion carried.

R2023-106 Resolution Authorizing Expenditure of Funds to Replace a Data Storage Array at End of Support from Presidio Networked Solutions Group, LLC, was presented. Councilwoman Gregory moved the Resolution do pass, seconded by Councilman Kuhle.

City Manager Wrighton gave an overview of the Resolution.

Upon call of the roll, Council members Pat McDaniel, Lisa Gregory, David Horn, Chuck Kuhle, Ed Culp, Dennis Cooper and Mayor Moore Wolfe voted aye. Mayor Moore Wolfe declared the motion carried.

R2023-107 Resolution Authorizing Expenditure of Funds to Replace a Data Storage Array at End of Support from Presidio Networked Solutions Group, LLC, was presented. Councilwoman Gregory moved the Resolution do pass, seconded by Councilman Kuhle.

City Manager Wrighton gave an overview of the Resolution.

Upon call of the roll, Council members Pat McDaniel, Lisa Gregory, David Horn, Chuck Kuhle, Ed Culp, Dennis Cooper and Mayor Moore Wolfe voted aye. Mayor Moore Wolfe declared the motion carried.

R2023-108 Resolution Authorizing Technology Upgrades to be Installed on the 2nd Floor of the Decatur Public Library in Support of Workforce Development, and Training Space, was presented. Councilwoman Gregory moved the Resolution do pass, seconded by Councilman Kuhle.

City Manager Wrighton gave an overview of the Resolution.

Upon call of the roll, Council members Pat McDaniel, Lisa Gregory, David Horn, Chuck Kuhle, Ed Culp, Dennis Cooper and Mayor Moore Wolfe voted aye. Mayor Moore Wolfe declared the motion carried.

R2023-109 Resolution Authorizing Application Submittal and Execution of the Technical Assistance Grant with IDOT Office of Intermodal Project Implementation, was presented. Councilwoman Gregory moved the Resolution do pass, seconded by Councilman Kuhle.

City Manager Wrighton gave an overview of the Resolution.

Upon call of the roll, Council members Pat McDaniel, Lisa Gregory, David Horn, Chuck Kuhle, Ed Culp, Dennis Cooper and Mayor Moore Wolfe voted aye. Mayor Moore Wolfe declared the motion carried.

Motion Amending City Council Policies Concerning Placing Items on the City Council Agenda, was presented.

Council members discussed options for placing items on agendas.

Councilman McDaniel made a motion to keep the policy for placing items on Council agendas the same, seconded by Councilman Kuhle.

Upon call of the roll, Council members Pat McDaniel, Lisa Gregory, Chuck Kuhle, Ed Culp and Mayor Moore Wolfe voted aye. Council members David Horn and Dennis Cooper voted nay. Mayor Moore Wolfe declared the motion carried.

Mayor Moore Wolfe called for Consent Agenda Calendar Items A. through D. and asked if any Council member wished to remove an item from the Consent Agenda Calendar. Councilman Horn requested to remove Item D. from the Consent Agenda Calendar. The Clerk read items A. through C.:

Item A. 2023-30 Ordinance Annexing Territory 2264 Mesa Drive

Item B. R2023-110 Resolution Authorizing the Execution of Payment to Steve's Trucking for the Emergency Demolition of Vacant Building at 712 W. Packard St.

Item C. R2023-111 Resolution Approving Appointments – City Plan Commission

Councilwoman Gregory moved Items A. through C. be approved by Omnibus Vote; seconded by Councilman Gregory, and on call of the roll, Council members Pat McDaniel, Lisa Gregory, David Horn, Chuck Kuhle, Ed Culp, Dennis Cooper and Mayor Moore Wolfe voted aye. Mayor Moore Wolfe declared the motion carried.

R2023-112 Resolution Authorizing Additional Fund Distribution to Crossing Healthcare and Heritage Behavioral Health Center for Use of Opioid Settlement Funds, was presented.

Upon call of the roll, Council members Pat McDaniel, Lisa Gregory, Chuck Kuhle, Ed Culp, Dennis Cooper and Mayor Moore Wolfe voted aye. Councilman David Horn abstained from the vote. Mayor Moore Wolfe declared the motion carried.

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

Councilman Culp recognized Peace Officers' Memorial Day and National Police Week. The second meeting in June of the Decatur City Council will be held on Tuesday, June 20, 2023, due to the Juneteenth holiday falling on Monday, June 19, 2023. Councilman Cooper raised concerns about service issues with local garbage haulers and asked about the fire contract.

There being no further business, Mayor Moore Wolfe called for adjournment. Councilwoman Gregory moved the City Council meeting be adjourned, seconded by Councilman Kuhle and upon call of the roll, Council members Pat McDaniel, Lisa Gregory, David Horn, Chuck Kuhle, Ed Culp, Dennis Cooper and Mayor Moore Wolfe voted aye. Mayor Moore Wolfe declared the motion carried.

Mayor Moore Wolfe declared the City Council meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Approved June 5, 2023
Kim Althoff
City Clerk