

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

Monday, April 17, 2023

On Monday, April 17, 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 Pro Tempore Lisa Gregory presided, together with her being Council members David Horn, Chuck Kuhle, Ed Culp, Dennis Cooper and Dana Ray. Mayor Julie Moore Wolfe was absent. Mayor Pro Tempore Gregory declared a quorum present.

City Manager Scot Wrighton attended the meeting as well.

Mayor Pro Tempore Gregory led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Pro Tempore Gregory introduced Mr. Rob VanHootegem who read a Proclamation declaring May 2023, “National Tennis Month”.

Mayor Pro Tempore Gregory called for Appearance of Citizens and the following citizen provided comments to the Council: Abeer Motan.

Mayor Pro Tempore Gregory called for Approval of the Minutes.

The minutes of the April 3, 2023, 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 David Horn, Chuck Kuhle, Ed Culp, Dennis Cooper, Dana Ray 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 Wrighton presented the Treasurer’s Financial Report.

2023-24 Ordinance Amending City Code Chapter 51.5 Hotel Use Tax, was presented. Councilman Kuhle moved the Ordinance do pass, seconded by Councilman Horn.

City Manager Wrighton gave an overview of the Ordinance and answered questions from Council members regarding short-term residential units.

Upon call of the roll, Council members David Horn, Chuck Kuhle, Ed Culp, Dennis Cooper, Dana Ray and Mayor Pro Tempore Gregory voted aye. Mayor Pro Tempore Gregory declared the motion carried.

R2023-69 Sub-Recipient Agreement Between the City of Decatur, Illinois and DOVE, Inc. for Purchase and Renovation of 805 E. Johns for Transitional and Permanent Housing

Utilizing Home Investment Partnerships American Rescue Plan (Home-ARP) Funds, was presented. Councilman Kuhle moved the Resolution do pass, seconded by Councilman Horn.

City Manager Wrighton gave an overview of the Resolution.

Council members applauded the efforts to provide transitional and permanent housing for the homeless.

Upon call of the roll, Council members David Horn, Chuck Kuhle, Ed Culp, Dennis Cooper, Dana Ray and Mayor Pro Tempore Gregory voted aye. Mayor Pro Tempore Gregory declared the motion carried.

R2023-70 Sub-Recipient Agreement between the City of Decatur, Illinois and DOVE, Inc. for Supportive Services of 805 E. Johns Utilizing Home Investment Partnerships American Rescue Plan (HOME-ARP) Funds, was presented. Councilman Kuhle moved the Resolution do pass, seconded by Councilman Horn.

Upon call of the roll, Council members David Horn, Chuck Kuhle, Ed Culp, Dennis Cooper, Dana Ray and Mayor Pro Tempore Gregory voted aye. Mayor Pro Tempore Gregory declared the motion carried.

R2023-71 Resolution Approving an Agreement with Strand Associates, Inc. for Professional Engineering Services for the Northeast Quadrant Water System Modeling Study, City Project 2023-04, was presented. Councilman Kuhle moved the Resolution do pass, seconded by Councilman Horn.

City Manager Wrighton gave an overview of the Resolution.

Upon call of the roll, Council members David Horn, Chuck Kuhle, Ed Culp, Dennis Cooper, Dana Ray and Mayor Pro Tempore Gregory voted aye. Mayor Pro Tempore Gregory declared the motion carried.

R2023-72 Resolution Authorizing a Stipulated Agreement Concerning Voluntary Vacation and Permanent Closure of the William Street At-Grade Crossing with the Decatur and Eastern Illinois Railroad, was presented. Councilman Kuhle moved the Resolution do pass, seconded by Councilman Horn.

City Manager Wrighton gave an overview of the Resolution.

Upon call of the roll, Council members David Horn, Chuck Kuhle, Ed Culp, Dennis Cooper, Dana Ray and Mayor Pro Tempore Gregory voted aye. Mayor Pro Tempore Gregory declared the motion carried.

R2023-73 Resolution Authorizing Approval to Renew Annual License and Support Agreement from Tyler Technologies, Inc for the MUNIS Enterprise Financial Software Suite,

was presented. Councilman Kuhle moved the Resolution do pass, seconded by Councilman Horn.

City Manager Wrighton gave an overview of the Resolution.

Upon call of the roll, Council members David Horn, Chuck Kuhle, Ed Culp, Dennis Cooper, Dana Ray and Mayor Pro Tempore Gregory voted aye. Mayor Pro Tempore Gregory declared the motion carried.

R2023-74 Resolution Authorizing an Intergovernmental Agreement between Richland Community College and the City of Decatur Regarding Student Use and Transit Fares, was presented. Councilman Kuhle moved the Resolution do pass, seconded by Councilman Horn.

Ms. Lacie Elzy, Director of Transportation Services, gave an overview of the Resolution and answered questions from Council members regarding the agreement.

Upon call of the roll, Council members David Horn, Chuck Kuhle, Ed Culp, Dennis Cooper, Dana Ray and Mayor Pro Tempore Gregory voted aye. Mayor Pro Tempore Gregory declared the motion carried.

Mayor Pro Tempore Gregory called for Consent Agenda Calendar Items A. through E. and asked if any Council member wished to remove an item from the Consent Agenda Calendar. No Council member requested to remove an item from the Consent Agenda Calendar. The Clerk read items A. through E.:

Item A. Receiving and Filing of Minutes of Board and Commissions

Item B. 2023-25 Ordinance Annexing Territory 1825 Danceland Road

Item C. R2023-75 Resolution Authorizing Action Regarding Unsafe Structures

Item D. R2023-76 Resolution Approving the Expenditure of City Funds to Purchase and Install Two (2) Emergency Warning Sirens

Item E. R2023-77 Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Execute Modifications to the Collective Bargaining Agreement Regarding Pay, Benefits, and Work Conditions Between the Decatur Police Benevolent and Protective Association Labor Committee and the City of Decatur

Councilman Kuhle moved Items A. through E. be approved by Omnibus Vote; seconded by Councilman Horn, and on call of the roll, Council members David Horn, Chuck Kuhle, Ed Culp, Dennis Cooper, Dana Ray and Mayor Pro Tempore Gregory voted aye. Mayor Pro Tempore Lisa Gregory declared the motion carried.

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

With no Other Business, Mayor Pro Tempore Gregory called for adjournment. Councilman Kuhle moved the City Council meeting be adjourned, seconded by Councilman Horn and upon call of the roll, Council members David Horn, Chuck Kuhle, Ed Culp, Dennis Cooper, Dana Ray and Mayor Pro Tempore Gregory voted aye. Mayor Pro Tempore Gregory declared the motion carried.

Mayor Pro Tempore Gregory declared the City Council meeting adjourned at 5:59 p.m.

Approved May 1, 2023

Kim Althoff

City Clerk