

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
Monday, April 5, 2021

On Monday, April 5, 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 Rodney Walker, Bill Faber, Lisa Gregory, David Horn, Chuck Kuhle, and Pat McDaniel. 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: Marc Girdler, Shemuel Sanders, John Phillips, and Rod Wilson.

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

The minutes of the March 15, 2021 City Council meeting were presented. Councilman McDaniel moved the minutes be approved as written; seconded by Councilwoman Gregory and on call of the roll, Council members Rodney Walker, Lisa Gregory, David Horn, Chuck Kuhle, Pat McDaniel and Mayor Moore Wolfe voted aye. Councilman Faber abstained from the vote. Mayor Moore Wolfe declared the motion carried.

Mayor Moore Wolfe called for New Business.

2021-17 Ordinance Amending City Code - Chapter 7 - Officers and Employees Generally, was presented. Councilman McDaniel moved the Ordinance do pass, seconded by Councilwoman Gregory.

City Manager Wrighton gave an overview of the proposed Ordinance.

Council held a discussion on the authority of the City Manager to change and update job titles.

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

R2021-45 Resolution Authorizing Legal Proceedings for Condemnation of Parcel 57a, Located at 3941 East Faries Parkway, for the Brush College Road over Faries Parkway Grade

Separation Project, was presented. Councilman McDaniel moved the Resolution do pass, seconded by Councilwoman Gregory.

City Manager Wrighton gave an overview of the following five proposed Resolutions as they related to the same project.

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

R2021-46 Resolution Authorizing Legal Proceedings for Condemnation of Parcel 57b, Located at 4147 East Faries Parkway and 4000 East Logan Street, for the Brush College Road over Faries Parkway Grade Separation Project, was presented. Councilman McDaniel moved the Resolution do pass, seconded by Councilwoman Gregory.

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

R2021-47 Resolution Requesting Quick Take Authority to Acquire Parcel 57a, Located at 3941 East Faries Parkway, for the Brush College Road over Faries Parkway Grade Separation Project, was presented. Councilman McDaniel moved the Resolution do pass, seconded by Councilwoman Gregory.

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

R2021-48 Resolution Requesting Quick Take Authority to Acquire Parcel 57b, Located at 4147 East Faries Parkway and 4000 East Logan Street, for the Brush College Road over Faries Parkway Grade Separation Project, was presented. Councilman McDaniel moved the Resolution do pass, seconded by Councilwoman Gregory.

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

R2021-49 Resolution Requesting Quick Take Authority to Acquire 1880 North Brush College Road for the Brush College Road over Faries Parkway Grade Separation Project, was presented. Councilman McDaniel moved the Resolution do pass, seconded by Councilwoman Gregory.

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

R2021-50 Resolution Concurring with the Illinois Department of Transportation in the Award of a Contract to Improve the Center Street Bridge over Stevens Creek, Structure Number: 058-3061 Section Number 19-00904-00-BR City Project 2019-04, was presented. Councilman McDaniel moved the Resolution do pass, seconded by Councilwoman Gregory.

City Manager Wrighton gave an overview of the proposed Resolution.

Public Works Director Matt Newell answered questions from Council regarding the cost of the project.

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

R2021-51 Resolution Accepting the Bid Price of Bob Ridings, Inc. for the Purchase of One (1) 2022 Ford F-250 Pickup Truck with a Lift Gate and Snow Plow, was presented. Councilman McDaniel moved the Resolution do pass, seconded by Councilwoman Gregory.

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

R2021-52 Resolution Authorizing a Support Services Agreement with Concentric Integration, LLC for South Water Treatment Plant SCADA System, was presented. Councilman McDaniel moved the Resolution do pass, seconded by Councilwoman Gregory.

City Manager Wrighton gave an overview of the proposed Resolution.

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

R2021-53 Resolution Authorizing Subrecipient Agreement Extension for Adult Education Training Program Project READ, was presented. Councilman McDaniel moved the Resolution do pass, seconded by Councilwoman Gregory.

City Manager Wrighton gave an overview of the proposed Resolution.

Neighborhood Services Manager Richelle Irons provided background information on the allocation of CDBG funds.

Ms. Alida Graham, Old Kings Orchard Community Center, gave a brief overview of the Project READ program.

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

R2021-54 Resolution Authorizing Subrecipient Agreement Extension for Adult Education Training Program Old Kings Orchard Community Center (OKOCC) , was presented. Councilman McDaniel moved the Resolution do pass, seconded by Councilwoman Gregory.

City Manager Wrighton gave an overview of the proposed Resolution.

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

R2021-55 Resolution Authorizing Action Regarding Unsafe Structures, was presented. Councilman McDaniel moved the Resolution do pass, seconded by Councilwoman Gregory.

City Manager Wrighton gave an overview of the proposed Resolution.

Economic and Community Development Director Cordaryl “Pat” Patrick explained the demolition process and provided a status update on certain houses on the demolition list.

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

R2021-56 Resolution Authorizing the Execution of an Agreement with Premier Demolition for the Demolition of Vacant Commercial Apartment Building at 704 West Wood Street, was presented. Councilman McDaniel moved the Resolution do pass, seconded by Councilwoman Gregory.

City Manager Wrighton gave an overview of the proposed Resolution.

Economic and Community Development Director Cordaryl “Pat” Patrick explained the bidding process for 704 West Wood Street and 722 Wood Street.

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

R2021-57 Resolution Authorizing the Execution of an Agreement with Parkland Environmental Group, Inc. for the Demolition of Vacant Commercial Apartment Building at 722 West Wood Street, was presented. Councilman McDaniel moved the Resolution do pass, seconded by Councilwoman Gregory.

City Manager Wrighton gave an overview of the proposed Resolution.

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

R2021-58 Resolution Authorizing Extension of Weed Removal Contract Azuish Enterprise LLC, was presented. Councilman McDaniel moved the Resolution do pass, seconded by Councilwoman Gregory.

City Manager Wrighton gave an overview of the following four proposed Resolutions as they related to the extension of mowing contracts and answered questions from Council regarding alternative methods of performing weed removal.

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

R2021-59 Resolution Authorizing Extension of Weed Removal Contract Brad Franzen, was presented. Councilman McDaniel moved the Resolution do pass, seconded by Councilwoman Gregory.

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

R2021-60 Resolution Authorizing Extension of Weed Removal Contract Jandi Services, was presented. Councilman McDaniel moved the Resolution do pass, seconded by Councilwoman Gregory.

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

R2021-61 Resolution Authorizing Extension of Weed Removal Contract Phillip Turner, was presented. Councilman McDaniel moved the Resolution do pass, seconded by Councilwoman Gregory.

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

R2021-62 Resolution Approving Five-Year Licensing and Support with Presidio Networked Solutions Group for the City Phone System, was presented. Councilman McDaniel moved the Resolution do pass, seconded by Councilwoman Gregory.

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

R2021-63 Resolution Authorizing the Execution of a Grant Agreement Amendment with the Federal Transit Administration for Remaining Cares Act Funds Award, was presented. Councilman McDaniel moved the Resolution do pass, seconded by Councilwoman Gregory.

City Manager Wrighton gave an overview of the proposed Resolution.

Deputy City Manager Jon Kindseth answered questions from Council concerning low ridership on the trolleys.

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

R2021-64 Resolution Authorizing Execution of Purchase Order Between City of Decatur And Gillig, LLC, Authorizing the Purchase Of (2) Low-Floor Hybrid Trolleys in An Amount Not to Exceed \$785,000 Per Trolley, was presented. Councilman McDaniel moved the Resolution do pass, seconded by Councilwoman Gregory.

City Manager Wrighton gave an overview of the proposed Resolution.

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

Receiving and Filing of Minutes of Boards and Commissions, was presented. Councilman McDaniel moved the motion do pass, seconded by Councilwoman Gregory.

Upon call of the roll, Council members Rodney Walker, Bill Faber, Lisa Gregory, David Horn, Chuck Kuhle, Pat McDaniel 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.

Councilman Faber exited the Civic Center Theater at 7:14 pm.

Mayor Moore Wolfe urged citizens to vote in the Consolidated Election on April 6, 2021.

Councilman Faber returned at 7:18 pm.

With no Other Business, Mayor Moore Wolfe called for Recess to Closed Executive Session at 7:19 pm under Open Meetings Act Section 2(c)(5) for the purpose of discussing the purchase or lease of real property for the use of the public body.

Councilman McDaniel moved to Recess to Closed Executive session, seconded by Councilwoman Lisa Gregory.

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

Council returned to the regular City Council meeting at 7:53 pm following Closed Executive Session. Councilman McDaniel moved the regular meeting be adjourned; seconded by Councilwoman Gregory. All were in favor by voicing no objections.

Mayor Julie Moore Wolfe declared the regular Council meeting adjourned at 7:53 pm.

Approved April 19, 2021
Kim Althoff
City Clerk