

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

Monday, March 5, 2018

On Monday, March 5, 2018, 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 Julie Moore Wolfe presided, together with her being Council members David Horn, Charles Kuhle, Pat McDaniel, Dana Ray and Lisa Gregory. Councilman Bill Faber was absent. Six members present and one member absent. Mayor Julie Moore Wolfe declared a quorum present.

City Manager Tim Gleason attended the meeting as well.

Mayor Julie Moore Wolfe led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Mayor Julie Moore Wolfe called for Appearance of Citizens. No citizens came forward to share their comments. Mayor Julie Moore Wolfe called for approval of the minutes.

The minutes of the February 20, 2018, Council meeting were presented. Councilman Pat McDaniel moved the minutes be approved as written; seconded by Councilwoman Dana Ray, and on call of the roll, Council members David Horn, Charles Kuhle, Pat McDaniel, Dana Ray, Lisa Gregory and Mayor Julie Moore Wolfe voted aye. Mayor Julie Moore Wolfe declared the motion carried.

This being the time set aside for Unfinished Business and there being none, Mayor Julie Moore Wolfe called for New Business.

City Manager Tim Gleason provided a Power Point presentation regarding the City's budget update. City Manager Tim Gleason shared information regarding the City's deficit breakdown, the approach to FY 18 budget, preparing for FY 19 budget and solutions. City Manager Tim Gleason responded to Council members' questions and Council shared their comments regarding the deficit budget.

Mayor Julie Moore Wolfe called for the Public Hearing on the Annual Appropriation Ordinance for Fiscal Year 2018 and declared the Public Hearing open. There were no comments from the public or Council members. Mayor Julie Moore Wolfe declared the Public Hearing closed.

2018-07 Ordinance Appropriating Monies for the Purpose of Defraying the Expenses of Several Departments and Funds of the City of Decatur, Illinois for the Fiscal Year Beginning January 1, 2018 and Ending December 31, 2018, Including All Outstanding Claims and Fixing a Time When the Same Shall Take Effect, was presented. Councilman Pat McDaniel moved the Resolution do pass; seconded by Councilwoman Dana Ray.

Councilman David Horn stated he would be voting no on the Appropriation Ordinance and he shared his concerns with Council members. Council members' discussed the impact of passing the Appropriation Ordinance and funding organizations in 2019.

Upon call of the roll, Council members Charles Kuhle, Pat McDaniel, Dana Ray, Lisa Gregory and Mayor Julie Moore Wolfe voted aye. Councilman David Horn voted nay. Five ayes and one nay. Mayor Julie Moore Wolfe declared the motion carried.

R2018-20 Resolution Authorizing an Agreement with the Agricultural Watershed Institute, was presented. Councilwoman Dana Ray moved the Resolution do pass; seconded by Councilman Pat McDaniel.

Upon call of the roll, Council members David Horn, Charles Kuhle, Pat McDaniel, Dana Ray, Lisa Gregory and Mayor Julie Moore Wolfe voted aye. Mayor Julie Moore Wolfe declared the motion carried.

R2018-21 Resolution Authorizing City Manager to Execute Agreement with Dewberry Architects, Inc. for Architectural and Engineering Services to Design a New Fire Station No. 5, was presented. Councilman Pat McDaniel moved the Resolution do pass; seconded by Councilwoman Dana Ray.

Councilman Charles Kuhle asked if Dewberry was the only company in the area that designs fire stations. City Manager Tim Gleason stated there were other companies that could provide the work, but it was staff opinion given the relationship that we have with Dewberry and positive comments from other communities that the City use Dewberry. They are the recommended firm by staff.

Upon call of the roll, Council members David Horn, Charles Kuhle, Pat McDaniel, Dana Ray, Lisa Gregory and Mayor Julie Moore Wolfe voted aye. Mayor Julie Moore Wolfe declared the motion carried.

Mayor Julie Moore Wolfe called for other business. Mayor Julie Moore Wolfe announced that on Wednesday, March 7th, the City will hold their annual Minority Business Forum at the Decatur Club from 1:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. and everyone is welcome to attend.

Councilmen Pat McDaniel and Charles Kuhle commented on the number of pot holes on East Prairie from Martin Luther King Jr. Dr. on out to Rt. 36 and South Shores Drive.

With no other business, Mayor Julie Moore Wolfe called for Recess to Closed Executive Session under Section 2 Open Meetings Act (c) (1) for the Appointment, Employment, Compensation, Discipline, Performance, or Dismissal of Specific Employees of the Public Body. and (c) (2) Collective Negotiating Matters Between the Public Body and its Employees or Their Representatives, or Deliberation Concerning Salary Schedules for One or More Classes of Employees. Councilman Pat McDaniel motioned to Recess to Closed Executive Session; seconded by Councilwoman Dana Ray.

Upon call of the roll, Council members David Horn, Charles Kuhle, Pat McDaniel, Dana Ray, Lisa Gregory and Mayor Julie Moore Wolfe voted aye. Mayor Julie Moore Wolfe declared the motion carried.

Council returned to the regular Council meeting following Closed Executive Session.

Councilman Pat McDaniel moved the regular Council meeting be adjourned; seconded by Councilwoman Lisa Gregory. All were in favor by voicing no objections. Mayor Julie Moore Wolfe declared the Council meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

Approved March 19, 2018
Debra G. Bright
City Clerk