

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
Monday, February 1, 2021

On Monday, February 1, 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 Bill Faber, Lisa Gregory, David Horn, and Pat McDaniel. Council member Chuck Kuhle participated through electronic attendance pursuant to the Open Meetings Act, 5 ILCS 120/7(e)(2) and a determination made by Mayor Moore Wolfe that an in-person meeting of all members of the City Council is not practical or prudent because of the COVID-19 pandemic. Councilman Rodney Walker was absent. 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, Deborah Carter, John Phillips Sr, John Phillips Jr., and Don Carmichael.

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

The minutes of the January 11th, 2021 Special 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 Lisa Gregory, David Horn, Chuck Kuhle, Pat McDaniel, Bill Faber and Mayor Moore Wolfe voted aye. Mayor Moore Wolfe declared the motion carried.

The minutes of the January 19th, 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 Lisa Gregory, David Horn, Chuck Kuhle, Pat McDaniel, Bill Faber and Mayor Moore Wolfe voted aye. Mayor Moore Wolfe declared the motion carried.

Mayor Moore Wolfe called for New Business.

R2021-09 Resolution Authorizing a Professional Engineering Services Agreement with Clark Dietz Inc. to Provide Final Design Services for the Brush College and Reas Bridge Lift Station and Forcemain City Project 2020-06, was presented. Councilman McDaniel moved the Resolution do pass, seconded by Councilwoman Gregory.

City Manager Wrighton gave an overview of the proposed Resolution and answered questions from Council.

Council held a discussion on expanding the scope of the InnovaFeed sewer project.

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

R2021-10 Resolution to Appropriate Motor Fuel Tax Funds to Pay the City's Portion to Improve the Center Street Bridge over Stevens Creek SN: 058-3061 City Project 2019-04, was presented. Councilman McDaniel moved the Resolution do pass, seconded by Councilwoman Gregory.

City Manager Wrighton gave an overview of Resolutions R2021-10 through R2021-13 as they related to the same project.

Public Works Director Matt Newell provided a timeline of the project.

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

R2021-11 Resolution to Appropriate Motor Fuel Tax Funds to Pay the Engineering Services Agreement to Improve the Center Street Bridge Over Stevens Creek, SN: 058-3061 City Project 2019-04, was presented. Councilman McDaniel moved the Resolution do pass, seconded by Councilwoman Gregory.

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

R2021-12 Resolution Authorizing a Local Public Agency Agreement for Federal Participation with the State of Illinois to Improve the Center Street Bridge over Stevens Creek SN: 058-3061 City Project 2019-04, was presented. Councilman McDaniel moved the Resolution do pass, seconded by Councilwoman Gregory.

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

R2021-13 Resolution Authorizing the Purchase of Property at the Northeast Corner of North Brush College Road and Faries Parkway for the Improvement of Brush College Road over Faries Parkway and the Norfolk Southern Railroad Tracks, City Project 2009-33 Section 09-00933-01-BR, 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 Lisa Gregory, David Horn, Chuck Kuhle, Pat McDaniel, Bill Faber and Mayor Moore Wolfe voted aye. Mayor Moore Wolfe declared the motion carried.

R2021-14 Resolution Authorizing a Professional Engineering Services Agreement with AECOM Technical Services, Inc. to provide design services for the Ellen and Division Inflow and Infiltration Reduction Program – Phase 2, City Project 2018-01, 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 Lisa Gregory, David Horn, Chuck Kuhle, Pat McDaniel, Bill Faber and Mayor Moore Wolfe voted aye. Mayor Moore Wolfe declared the motion carried.

Motion Adopting City Council Policy Overhead Sewer Program, was presented. Councilman McDaniel moved the Motion do pass, seconded by Councilwoman Gregory.

City Manager Wrighton gave an overview of the proposed Motion.

Public Works Director Matt Newell answered questions from Council regarding the overhead sewer program.

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

R2021-15 Resolution Authorizing Acceptance and Approval of a Strong Community Grant Agreement with Illinois Housing Development Authority (IHDA), 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 Lisa Gregory, David Horn, Chuck Kuhle, Pat McDaniel, Bill Faber and Mayor Moore Wolfe voted aye. Mayor Moore Wolfe declared the motion carried.

2021-08 Ordinance Authorizing Acceptance of Certain Properties of Macon County Trustee for Public Purpose, was presented. Councilman McDaniel moved the Ordinance do pass, seconded by Councilwoman Gregory.

City Manager Wrighton gave an overview of the proposed Ordinance.

Community Development Director Cordaryl “Pat” Patrick answered questions from Council regarding the city’s demolition list.

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

Councilman Faber exited the Council Chamber at 6:43 p.m.

With no other New Business, Mayor Moore Wolfe called for Consent Calendar Items A. through D. and asked if any Council member wished to have an item removed from the Consent Calendar. No Council member wished to remove an item from the Consent Calendar. The Clerk read items A. through D.:

Item A. 2021-09 Ordinance Authorizing the Installation of Stop Signs at the Intersection of Summit Avenue at Harrison Avenue Facing Harrison Avenue

Item B. 2021-10 Ordinance Authorizing the Installation of Stop Signs at the Intersection of North Warren Street and East Orchard Street Facing East Orchard Street with the Removal of Stop Signs Facing North Warren Street

Item C. R2021-16 Resolution Approving Appointment - Decatur Area Convention and Visitors Bureau

Item D. R2021-17 Resolution Approving Reappointments - Decatur Area Convention and Visitors Bureau

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

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

With no Other Business, Mayor Moore Wolfe called for Adjournment.

Councilman McDaniel moved the City Council meeting be adjourned; seconded by Councilwoman Gregory and upon call of the roll, Council members Lisa Gregory, David Horn, Chuck Kuhle, Pat McDaniel, and Mayor Moore Wolfe voted aye. Councilman Faber was absent. Mayor Moore Wolfe declared the motion carried.

Mayor Moore Wolfe declared the City Council meeting adjourned at 6:47 p.m.

Approved February 17, 2021
Kim Althoff
City Clerk