

**CITY COUNCIL, CITY OF ROCKFORD
JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS
DECEMBER 31, 2012
COUNCIL CONVENED AT 3:25 P.M.**

1. The invocation was given by Chaplain Roy Whitmore and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Council Page Yesenia Centeno.
2. Roll Call:

Mayor Lawrence Morrissey

Aldermen: Mark, Wasco, Hervey, Jacobson, Thompson-Kelly, Johnson, Timm, Beach, Elyea, Beck, McNeely, Robertson -12-
Absent: Durkee, Curran -2-
3. Alderman Mark moved to accept the Journal of Proceedings of December 17, 2012 seconded by Alderman Jacobson. MOTION PREVAILED. (Ald. Durkee, Curran absent).

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

4. Rudy Valdez presented SWIFTT's 2013 plan to revitalize Southwest Rockford and, on behalf of the SWIFTT Board of Directors, neighborhoods and businesses, he thanked City Council for helping SWIFTT work more efficiently through the establishment of the EDEEN Initiative.
5. Melvin Brown thanked everyone that attended the December forum and announced another forum will be scheduled. He voiced his disappointment with the state of the city; high unemployment, crime and conflict within the ranks of the police department.
6. Antar Baker urged the community to stand together and join in requesting the Civil Rights Division of the Department of Justice to promptly investigate the Rockford Police Department for any violations of civil rights by use of unnecessary and excessive force.
7. Prophet Yusef wished everyone a happy new year and praised black families for all their accomplishments.
8. Rev. Earl Dotson again urged council members to reverse their decision and to transform Church School into a community learning center.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

9. Alderman Wasco submitted a Memorandum from Matt Vitner, P.E., City Engineer regarding Letter of Understanding: Illinois Route 251 Median Curb and Gutter. Referred to Finance and Personnel Committee.
10. Alderman Mark submitted a Memorandum from Marcy Leach, Engineering Operations Manager, regarding the Domino Avenue Vacation Request. Referred to Code and Regulation Committee.

11. Alderman Mark submitted a Memorandum from Thaddeus Mack, Planner/Building Plans Examiner, regarding the Replat of Riverside Marketplace #6. Referred to Code and Regulation Committee.
12. Alderman Mark submitted the Rockford Traffic Commission Agenda for the meeting to be held on January 9, 2013. Referred to Traffic Commission.
13. Alderman Mark submitted the Zoning Board of Appeals minutes from the meeting held on December 18, 2012. Referred to Code and Regulation Committee.
14. Alderman Mark submitted the Liquor and Tobacco Advisory Board minutes from the meeting held on December 18, 2012. Referred to Code and Regulation Committee.
15. Alderman Jacobson submitted a Memorandum from Vicki Manson, Development Programs Manager, regarding an Amendment to Gorman & Company, Inc. Option to Purchase the former Church School at 1419 Blaisdell Street. Referred to Planning and Development Committee.

NEW COMMITTEE REPORTS

16. Alderman Wasco read a Finance and Personnel Committee Report recommending the award for Ambulance Leasing be made to US Bancorp, of Denver, Colorado for their interest rate proposal of 1.125%. The purchase price of \$1,031,925 is for 4 ambulances. The funding source is Fire Department Capital Budget. LAID OVER.
17. Alderman Wasco read a Finance and Personnel Committee Report recommending approval of the Letter of Understanding: Illinois Route 2 – Additional Construction Items – North Main Street (Riverside Blvd. – Auburn St.) and South Main Street (Pond St. – Cedar St.). LAID OVER.

2012-460CR

18. Alderman Wasco read a Finance and Personnel Committee Report recommending the award for Business Intelligence Consulting Services be made to Skyline Technologies, of Appleton, Wisconsin for a not to exceed cost of \$100,000. The funding source is United States Department of Justice COPS Grant.

Alderman Wasco moved to suspend Rule 11, seconded by Alderman Mark. MOTION PREVAILED (Ald. Durkee, Curran absent). The Committee Report was placed on Passage. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Mark, Wasco, Hervey, Jacobson, Thompson-Kelly, Johnson, Timm, Beach, Elyea, Beck, McNeely, Robertson -12-
 Nays: -0-
 Absent: Durkee, Curran -2-

2012-461CR

19. Alderman Wasco read a Finance and Personnel Committee Report recommending the award for Change Order #1 Spring Brook Road Reconstruction be made to William

Charles Construction for corrections needed in the field to move and construct utilities for an additional cost of \$17,661.91 and total not to exceed cost of \$468,620.19. The funding for this project will come from Sales Tax funds.

Alderman Wasco moved to suspend Rule 11, seconded by Alderman Mark. MOTION PREVAILED (Ald. Durkee, Curran absent). The Committee Report was placed on Passage. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Mark, Wasco, Hervey, Jacobson, Thompson-Kelly, Johnson, Timm, Beach, Elyea, Beck, McNeely, Robertson -12-
Nays: -0-
Absent: Durkee, Curran -2-

2012-462CR

20. Alderman Wasco read a Finance and Personnel Committee Report recommending the award for Change Order West State Street Demolition Package C be made to Swinson Materials, Inc. for additional demolition work for an additional cost of \$73,720.00 and total not to exceed cost of \$189,920.00. The funding for this project will come from Sales Tax funds.

Alderman Wasco moved to suspend Rule 11, seconded by Alderman Mark. MOTION PREVAILED (Ald. Durkee, Curran absent). The Committee Report was placed on Passage. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Mark, Wasco, Hervey, Jacobson, Thompson-Kelly, Johnson, Timm, Beach, Elyea, Beck, Robertson -11-
Nays: McNeely -1-
Absent: Durkee, Curran -2-

21. Alderman Wasco moved the adoption of a Finance and Personnel Committee Report recommending approval of the total vouchers for the week of December 31, 2012 in the amount of \$2,848,815.24. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Mark, Wasco, Hervey, Jacobson, Thompson-Kelly, Johnson, Timm, Beach, Elyea, Beck, McNeely, Robertson -12-
Nays: -0-
Absent: Durkee, Curran -2-

OFFICERS REPORTS

22. Mayor Morrissey hoped everyone had a very nice Christmas and thanked council members for meeting early for today's council meeting.
23. Mayor Morrissey presented a Proclamation proclaiming the month of January 2013 to be "NIU HUSKIE MONTH" in the Rockford, Illinois and asked the citizens of Rockford to join in congratulating the NIU Huskies for a magnificent season and best wishes at the Orange Bowl.

24. Mayor Morrissey presented a Proclamation proclaiming the month of January 2013 to be "FINANCIAL AID AWARENESS MONTH" in Rockford, Illinois and urged its students and parents to participate in the workshops and take full advantage of the information and available financial aid.
25. Mayor Morrissey mentioned a Memorandum from Chris Black, Finance Director, regarding the RAVE Monthly Financial Report - November 2012.
26. Mayor Morrissey wished everyone a safe and happy new year.
27. Alderman Timm thanked Tim Hanson, Public Works Director, city employees and contractors for a tremendous job with snow removal efforts.
28. Alderman Mark voiced his disappointment with the Legal Director's failure to immediately notify the aldermen of the receipt of the opinion from Attorney Bayer concerning the Mayoral Allotment. He read a portion of that opinion and requested to meet with Legal Director Hayes immediately after today's council meeting.
29. Alderman Wasco echoed Alderman Mark's concerns and urged council members to contact him with any questions or concerns regarding that opinion.
30. Alderman McNeely also wished everyone a happy new year.
31. Alderman McNeely thanked Aldermen Mark and Wasco for their efforts to resolve the issue concerning the Mayoral Allotment and appreciates the email she received today.
32. Alderman McNeely encouraged all citizens to sign up for public participation to voice their concerns.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

2012-463CR

33. Alderman Wasco moved the adoption of a Finance and Personnel Committee Report recommending the award for Printing be made to the low bidder, Meridian Print-Manage-Fulfill of Loves Park, Illinois for their estimated annual total of \$37,105.00. The funding source is Departmental Operating Budgets. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Mark, Wasco, Hervey, Jacobson, Thompson-Kelly, Johnson, Timm,
Beach, Elyea, Beck, McNeely, Robertson -12-

Nays: -0-

Absent: Durkee, Curran -2-

2012-464CR

34. Alderman Wasco moved the adoption of a Finance and Personnel Committee Report recommending the award for the Sale of Property at 903 Acorn Street be made to the sole bidder, Community Kitchen, Inc. of Rockford, Illinois for their bid of \$350.00. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Mark, Wasco, Hervey, Jacobson, Thompson-Kelly, Johnson, Timm, Beach, Elyea, Beck, McNeely, Robertson -12-
Nays: -0-
Absent: Durkee, Curran -2-

2012-465CR

35. Alderman Wasco moved the adoption of a Finance and Personnel Committee Report recommending approval of the Award of joint purchasing contract through the State of Illinois with Motorola for the purchase of Motorola Portable Radios to equip the ambulances that were ordered through the capital replacement program. The total cost of the equipment will be \$29,780.00. The funding source is Fire Department Capital Budget. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Mark, Wasco, Jacobson, Thompson-Kelly, Johnson, Timm, Beach, Elyea, Beck, McNeely, Robertson -11-
Nays: Hervey -1-
Absent: Durkee, Curran -2-

2012-466CR

36. Alderman Wasco moved the adoption of a Finance and Personnel Committee Report recommending approval of the Award of joint purchasing contract through the State of Illinois with CDS, of Itasca, Illinois for the purchase of Panasonic Toughbooks and docking stations to equip the ambulances that were ordered through the capital replacement program. The total cost of the equipment will be \$31,229.70. The funding source is Fire Department Capital Budget. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Mark, Wasco, Jacobson, Thompson-Kelly, Johnson, Timm, Beach, Elyea, Beck, McNeely, Robertson -11-
Nays: Hervey -1-
Absent: Durkee, Curran -2-

37. Alderman Wasco moved the adoption of a Finance and Personnel Committee Report recommending that the 2013 budget be adopted as presented at meetings on September 8th and September 15th and amended in the attached memorandum and the Budget Officer be directed to prepare the necessary Appropriation Ordinance.

Alderman Mark made a motion to lay the committee report over, seconded by Alderman McNeely. LAID OVER.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS

2012-172R

38. Alderman Wasco, on behalf of the Finance and Personnel Committee, moved the adoption of a Resolution authorizing the Central Services Manager to take Bids/Proposals for the following:

- A. RFP: Investment Brokerage Services, funding source: N/A
- B. Bid: Upholstery Services, funding source: Garage Operating Budget

MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Mark, Wasco, Jacobson, Thompson-Kelly, Johnson, Timm, Beach,
Elyea, Beck, McNeely, Robertson -11-
Nays: Hervey -1-
Absent: Durkee, Curran -2-

2012-173R

39. Alderman Wasco, on behalf of the Finance and Personnel Committee, moved the adoption of a Preliminary Bond Resolution of the City of Rockford, Winnebago County, Illinois (Rockford Supportive Living Center LLC Project).

MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Mark, Wasco, Hervey, Jacobson, Thompson-Kelly, Johnson, Timm,
Beach, Elyea, Beck, McNeely, Robertson -12-
Nays: -0-
Absent: Durkee, Curran -2-

40. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the meeting was adjourned at 4:11 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Reed
City Council Clerk

[The meeting was taped in its entirety, and the tape is on file in the Legal Department]

CITY COUNCIL, CITY OF ROCKFORD, ILLINOIS
City Council Chambers, 2ND floor City Hall
425 E. State Street, Rockford
January 7, 2013
6:00 P.M.
AGENDA

The following represents, in general, the chronological order of proceedings at the City Council meeting:

- Call to Order by the Mayor
- Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance
- Roll Call and determination of quorum
- Acceptance of Journal of Proceedings
- Public Participation
- Petitions and Communications
- Committee Reports
- Officers Reports

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

I. COMMITTEE REPORTS LAID OVER DECEMBER 31, 2012

1. Wasco - Finance and Personnel - Recommending the award for Ambulance Leasing be made to US Bancorp, of Denver, Colorado for their interest rate proposal of 1.125%. The purchase price of \$1,031,925 is for 4 ambulances. The funding source is Fire Department Capital Budget.
2. Wasco - Finance and Personnel - Recommending approval of the Letter of Understanding: Illinois Route 2 – Additional Construction Items – North Main Street (Riverside Blvd. – Auburn St.) and South Main Street (Pond St. – Cedar St.).
3. Wasco - Finance and Personnel - Recommending that the 2013 budget be adopted as presented at meetings on September 8th and September 15th and amended in the attached memorandum and the Budget Officer be directed to prepare the necessary Appropriation Ordinance.

II. APPOINTMENTS HELD OUT DECEMBER 31, 2012

- 1.* Mayor Morrissey – Appointment - Community Action Advisory Board; Alderman Ann Thompson-Kelly, term expiring December 2013. (Pursuant to Rule 18, this item is up for passage on January 21, 2013).
- 2.* Mayor Morrissey – Appointment - Community Action Advisory Board; Alderman Frank Beach, term expiring December 2013. (Pursuant to Rule 18, this item is up for passage on January 21, 2013).

3.* Mayor Morrissey - Appointment - Community Action Advisory Board, Ms. Martha Moore, for a three year term ending January 2015. (Pursuant to Rule 18, this item is up for passage on January 7, 2013).

- Motions and Resolutions

V. NEW BUSINESS (note: Ordinances may be read in under New Business and Rule 11 suspended and final vote taken. Committee Reports would have previously been voted on).

1. Wasco – Ordinance - 2013 budget be adopted as presented at meetings on September 8th and September 15th and amended in the attached memorandum.

* same action taken before

- Adjournment

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POSSIBLE ADDITIONAL ITEMS:

The following items appear on the City Council Standing Committee Agendas as noted. Items may receive a vote at committee and come before the first City Council meeting held after the committee meeting. Rule 11 can be suspended and final vote taken on said items at the City Council meeting (no rule suspension is necessary to take a vote on vouchers).

CODE AND REGULATION COMMITTEE

Monday, January 7, 2013, 4:45 p.m.

Conference Room A, City Hall 2nd floor (north room)

AGENDA

1. C & R 12-196 Multi-Family Registration & Chronic Nuisance Ordinance
2. C & R 12-212 Tentative Plat of Bellwood Acres
3. C & R 12-213 Final Plat of Williams Manny Plat 2
4. C & R 13-01 Replat of Riverside Marketplace #6
5. C & R 13-02 Domino Avenue Vacation Request
6. C & R 12-199 ZBA#043-12 **Variation** to increase the maximum permitted wall signs from two (2) to four (4) in a C-2, Limited Commercial Zoning District at **1441 Kishwaukee Street**

7. C & R 12-200 ZBA#044-12 **Special Use Permit** for a church in an R-3, Multi-Family Residential District and R-2, Two-Family Residential District at **2101 Auburn Street & 2029 Auburn Street**
8. C & R 12-201 ZBA#045-12 **Special Use Permit** for a drive-thru in conjunction with a fast food restaurant
Variation to reduce the required parking from 723 parking spaces to 544 parking spaces
Variation to allow building lighting wall sconces and trash enclosure lighting to have a 75 degree cutoff or greater when lighting with less than 75 degree cutoff is required
Variation to allow for a free-standing pylon sign when a free-standing landmark style sign is required in a C-2, Limited Commercial Zoning District at **7130 East State Street**
9. C & R 12-214 ZBA#046-12 **Special Use Permit for a Planned Unit Development** consisting of a bed and breakfast with event venues in an R-1, Single-Family Residential Zoning District at **939 North 2nd Street**
10. C & R 12-204 ZBA#048-12 **Zoning Text Amendments as follows:**
Article 20 Residential Districts

20-004 Uses:

Table 20-1 Use Classification Table: Add Wildlife Rehabbers "S," in the RE, R-1, R1-U, R-2, R-3 and R-4 Districts

Article 91 General Terms

Add Definition of drop box in Article 91, General Terms as follow:

Wildlife Rehabber – an individual licensed by the Illinois Department of Natural Resources under Section 5/3.22, Chapter 520 of the Illinois Compiled Statutes
11. C & R 12-205 ZBA#049-12 **Variation** to allow a 4' chain link fence in a front yard in an R-1, Single-Family Residential District at **2311 Green Street**
12. C & R 12-206 012-LAB-030 **Request for the Sale of Packaged Liquor** in conjunction with a convenience store in a C-2, Limited Commercial District at **1312 7th Street**

13. C & R 12-207 012-LAB-031 **Request for the Sale of Packaged Liquor**
in conjunction with a gas station and convenience store in a
C-3, Commercial General District and R-4, Multi-Family Residential
District at **3299 South Alpine Road**
14. C & R 12-208 012-LAB-032 **Request for the Sale of Liquor by the**
Drink with a wine bar and liquor store in a C-3,
Commercial General District at **1603 North Alpine Road**
15. C & R 12-210 012-LAB-034 **Request for the Sale of liquor by the drink** in
conjunction with a bowling alley, bar and snack bar in an
I-1, Light Industrial Zoning District at **2335 & 2407**
North Central Avenue

FINANCE AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

Monday, January 7, 2013, 5:15 p.m.
Conference Room B, City Hall 2nd floor (south room)
AGENDA

1. Purchasing and Vouchers
 - A. Award of Bid: Waterworks Contractual Services – Suspend rules
 - B. Engineering Agreement: 1111 Cedar Street Renovations
 - C. Engineering Agreement Amendment: Cessna Road Water Main
 - D. Change Order #2: N. Main & Auburn Demolition Package A – 2012 – **Info only**
 - E. Resolution to take Bids/Proposals
 - F. Vouchers
2. Letter of Understanding: IL Route 251 Median Curb & Gutter
3. Authorization to Issue Bonds for Indoor Sports Facility
4. 2013-2017 Capital Improvement Program – Laid over 12/31

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Monday, January 7, 2013, 5:30 p.m.
CD Conference Room, City Hall 2nd floor
AGENDA

1. Memorandum from Vicki Manson, Development Programs Manager, regarding an Amendment to the Gorman and Company, Inc. Option to Purchase the former Church School at 1419 Blaisdell Street.

LEGISLATIVE LOBBYING COMMITTEE

Monday, January 7, 2013, ____ p.m.

Conference Room A, City Hall 2nd floor (north room)

AGENDA

No Meeting Scheduled.