

**CITY COUNCIL, CITY OF ROCKFORD
(AMENDED) JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS
DECEMBER 30, 2013
COUNCIL CONVENED AT 6:18 P.M.**

1. The invocation was given by Pastor Bennett, Macedonia Baptist Church and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Council Page Beatrice Medrano.
2. Roll Call:

Mayor Lawrence Morrissey

Aldermen: Getchius, McNamara, Frost, Hill, Oddo, Newburg, Beach, Elyea, Chiarelli -9-
Absent: Durkee, Hervey, Thompson-Kelly, Beck, McNeely -5-
3. Alderman Beach moved to accept the Journal of Proceedings of December 16, 2013 seconded by Alderman Chiarelli. MOTION PREVAILED (Ald. Durkee, Hervey, Thompson-Kelly, Beck, McNeely absent).

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

4. Prophet Yusef spoke about the American journey and the important contributions by the generations of immigrants who have helped build our country.
5. Roland Poska invited everyone to attend the Martin Luther King Jr. birthday celebration on January 15, 2014 at 5:15 pm at City Hall.
6. John Brantley believes there is inequality in the justice system and that a diverse perspective needs to be heard for the Transform Rockford initiative to succeed.
7. Toby Haldeman voiced his frustration with decades of high crime in the area of Broadway and 7th Street. He urged the police department to choose the old Turner School building as one of the district sites for the geo-policing initiative.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

8. Alderman Beach submitted the Rockford Traffic Commission Agenda for the meeting to be held on January 8, 2014. Referred to Traffic Commission.
9. Alderman Beach submitted a Memorandum from the Legal Department, regarding Water Annexation for 2412 Whale Avenue. Referred to Code and Regulation Committee.
10. Alderman Beach submitted a Memorandum from the Legal Department, regarding the Renewal of Spring Leaf Financial Lease (formerly American General). Referred to Finance and Personnel Committee.
11. Alderman Beach submitted a Memorandum from Thaddeus Mack, Planner/Building Plans Examiner, regarding the Replat of Prial Subdivision. Referred to Code and Regulation Committee.

12. Alderman Beach submitted a Memorandum from Thaddeus Mack, Planner/Building Plans, regarding the Tentative Plat of Puri Meijer's Rockford. Referred to Code and Regulation Committee.
13. Alderman Beach submitted the Liquor and Tobacco Advisory Board minutes from the meeting held on December 17, 2013. Referred to Code and Regulation Committee.
14. Alderman Beach submitted the Zoning Board of Appeal minutes from the meeting held on December 17, 2013. Referred to Code and Regulation Committee.
15. Alderman Beach submitted a Memorandum from Mark Rose, Land Acquisition Officer, regarding the proposed sale of vacant lot 1604 South 6th Street. Referred to Code and Regulation Committee.
16. Alderman McNamara submitted a Memorandum from Patrick Hayes, regarding the RAVE, Rockford Area Venues and Entertainment, End of the Year Report. Referred to Planning and Development Committee.
17. Alderman McNamara submitted a Memorandum from Patrick Hayes, Legal Director, regarding the Ingersoll Building Status Report. Referred to Planning and Development Committee.
18. Alderman McNamara submitted a Memorandum from Jennifer Jaegar, Community Services Director, regarding Approval of 2013 Continuum of Care application demonstrating consistency with the City of Rockford Consolidated Plan as required by the federal Department of Housing and Urban Development. Referred to Planning and Development Committee.
19. Alderman McNamara submitted a Memorandum from Patrick Hayes, regarding the EDEEN Budget. Referred to Planning and Development Committee.
20. Alderman Frost submitted a Memorandum from Julia Valdez, Human Resource Director regarding Compensation for Non-Represented Employees. Referred to Finance and Personnel Committee.
21. Alderman Frost opened two (2) bids for Sale of Property located at 312 Penfield Place: one, from Avon Box-Gilmore in the amount of \$600.00 and one, from Margarito Mejia the amount of \$450.00. Referred to Purchasing and Legal Department.

NEW COMMITTEE REPORTS

22. Alderman read a Code and Regulation Committee Report recommending the approval of the settlement agreement in the matter of Cash, et al. v. City of Rockford, et al. in the amount of \$2.5 million payable in three (3) equal installments over a span of fifteen (15) months. First payment of the settlement agreement is due on December 31, 2013, the second and third payments are due on February 15, 2014 and February 15, 2015. LAID OVER.

23. Alderman Frost read a Finance and Personnel Committee Report recommending approval of an Intergovernmental Agreement among the City of Rockford, Rockford Mass Transit, and JPMorgan Chase Bank, Rockford, Illinois for the Guarantee of a \$1.5 million line of credit to fund district operations. LAID OVER.
24. Alderman Frost read a Finance and Personnel Committee Report recommending approval of the request to submit applications for Head Start and Early Head Start funding. LAID OVER.
25. Alderman Frost read a Finance and Personnel Committee Report recommending approval of the Intergovernmental Agreement between the Rockford Park District and City of Rockford for the lease of the Fairgrounds Park Center for Head Start services. The current lease expires December 31, 2013. LAID OVER.
26. Alderman Frost moved the adoption of a Finance and Personnel Committee Report recommending approval of the total vouchers for the week of December 30, 2013 in the amount of \$4,109,201.03. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes:	Getchius, McNamara, Frost, Hill, Oddo, Newburg, Beach, Elyea, Chiarelli -9-
Nays:	-0-
Absent:	Durkee, Hervey, Thompson-Kelly, Beck, McNeely -5-
27. Alderman Frost read a Legislative Lobbying Committee Report, recommending the City Council support the legislation authorizing extend the Contract for Lobbying for 2014 to McGuire Woods Consulting, LLC for the amount of Ten Thousand (\$10,000.00) Dollars per month consistent with the existing terms of the parties' agreement, and further authorize the Mayor and City Legal Director execute an agreement to that affect. LAID OVER.

OFFICERS REPORTS

28. Mayor Morrissey wished everyone a very merry Christmas and a happy new year.
29. Mayor Morrissey spoke about the new Violent Crime Task Force, a collaboration of local and federal law enforcement agencies, the State's Attorney's Office and Department of Corrections. The mission is to share intelligence, coordinate and collaborate investigation efforts and prosecute the most violent offenders in Winnebago County. The task force will hold public review meetings; a January date will be forthcoming.

Mayor Morrissey spoke about the continued success of the Parolee Call-In Program.
30. Mayor Morrissey reported another tragic hit-n-run incident this past weekend on Charles Street and he commended the Rockford Police Department for their outstanding efforts to make an arrest in the fatal hit-n-run on East State Street incident a few weeks ago. He reminded motorist to be mindful and responsible when driving.

31. Mayor Morrissey lauded the partnerships realized with the newly formed Violent Crime Task Force and is hopeful to see the same success with health and wellness programs.
32. Mayor Morrissey mentioned a Memorandum from Jim Ryan, City Administrator, has been distributed for review which provides an overview of the December RockStat Executive Summary.
33. Mayor Morrissey also mentioned a Memorandum from Glenn Trommels, IT Director, has been distributed for review which provides an update on the Rental Registry.
34. Mayor Morrissey wished everyone a very happy new year and mentioned City Hall will be closed on Wednesday, January 1, 2014 in observance of New Year's Day.
36. Alderman Newburg thanked Tim Hanson, Public Works Director, and his staff for their outstanding ice and snow removal efforts and appreciates him taking the time to answer all her questions and concerns.

Mayor Morrissey mentioned a Memorandum from Mark Stockman, Street and Transportation Superintendent, has been distributed for review which provides a synopsis of supplies and resources expended for snow and ice operations from December 19 2013 thru December 25, 2013.

38. Alderman McNamara echoed Mayor Morrissey's comments about the Violent Crime Task Force and applauded the holistic approach of the Parolee Call-In Program.

Mayor Morrissey commended Police Chief Epperson for his efforts to launch the monthly program in March of this year.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

2013-397CR

39. Alderman Beach moved the adoption of a Code and Regulation Committee Report recommending the approval of the sale of property located at 731-733 North Winnebago Street for a minimum bid of \$1.00 with preference to not-for-profit organizations, and must be rehabilitated and brought up to City codes within eight (8) months of receiving title. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes:	Getchius, McNamara, Frost, Hill, Oddo, Newburg, Beach, Elyea, Chiarelli -9-
Nays:	-0-
Absent:	Durkee, Hervey, Thompson-Kelly, Beck, McNeely -5-

2013-398CR

40. Alderman Beach moved the adoption of a Code and Regulation Committee Report recommending the approval of the amendment to the Noise Ordinance relating to Licensed Guard Dogs. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Getchius, McNamara, Frost, Hill, Oddo, Newburg, Beach, Elyea, Chiarelli -9-
Nays: -0-
Absent: Durkee, Hervey, Thompson-Kelly, Beck, McNeely -5-

2013-196-O

41. Alderman Beach moved the adoption of an Ordinance for the sale of property, vacant lot located at 325 Salter Avenue at a minimum bid of \$350.00. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Getchius, McNamara, Frost, Hill, Oddo, Newburg, Beach, Elyea, Chiarelli -9-
Nays: -0-
Absent: Durkee, Hervey, Thompson-Kelly, Beck, McNeely -5-

2013- 197-O

42. Alderman Beach moved the adoption of an Ordinance amending Chapter 16, Schedule 291 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Rockford to add the following:

That traffic on 12th Avenue be required to stop prior to entering the intersection of 19th Street and 12th Avenue, thus repealing 19th Street stopping for 12th Avenue, thus overturning the Traffic Commission recommendation.

MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Getchius, McNamara, Frost, Hill, Oddo, Newburg, Beach, Elyea, Chiarelli -9-
Nays: -0-
Absent: Durkee, Hervey, Thompson-Kelly, Beck, McNeely -5-

2013-399CR

43. Alderman Frost moved the adoption of a Finance and Personnel Committee Report regarding the matter of the 2013 year supplemental appropriations and recommending that the 2013 Budget be amended and a supplemental appropriation ordinance be prepared by the Budget Officer in accordance with the attached schedule. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Getchius, McNamara, Frost, Hill, Oddo, Newburg, Beach, Elyea, Chiarelli -9-
Nays: -0-
Absent: Durkee, Hervey, Thompson-Kelly, Beck, McNeely -5-

2013-226R

44. Alderman Frost moved the adoption of a Resolution approving the agreement for selection of wellness clinic vendor with Marathon Health for Life, of 20 Winooski Falls Way, VT in the amount of \$818,746.00 plus \$70,000 for implementation, with annual increases of a maximum of 5%. The term of the contract is 3 years. The funding source is Health fund. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Getchius, McNamara, Frost, Hill, Oddo, Newburg, Beach, Elyea, Chiarelli -9-
Nays: -0-
Absent: Durkee, Hervey, Thompson-Kelly, Beck, McNeely -5-

45. Alderman Frost moved the adoption of a Resolution for the submission to voters of the City of Rockford of the public question of, if Illinois interest arbitrators should be prohibited from issuing awards of economic matters in public employee bargaining units that will result in a municipality having to raise taxes in order to pay for the economic item at the general primary election to be held on March 18, 2014. MOTION FAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Getchius, Frost, Hill, Beach -4-
Nays: McNamara, Oddo, Newburg, Elyea, Chiarelli -5-
Absent: Durkee, Hervey, Thompson-Kelly, Beck, McNeely -5-

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS

2013-227R

46. Alderman Frost moved the adoption of a Resolution, by the City Council of the City of Rockford, Illinois that the Mayor execute an agreement with Uniform Den East, of Loves Park, Illinois in the amount of \$67,611.50 for Fire Uniform Shoes. The term is one (1) year. The funding source is Fire Department Operating Budget. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Getchius, McNamara, Frost, Hill, Oddo, Newburg, Beach, Elyea, Chiarelli -9-
Nays: -0-
Absent: Durkee, Hervey, Thompson-Kelly, Beck, McNeely -5-

2013-228R

47. Alderman Frost moved the adoption of a Resolution, by the City Council of the City of Rockford, Illinois that the Mayor execute an agreement with Safety National for Excess Coverage for Worker's Compensation 2014 for an estimated annual premium of \$143,793. The funding source is Worker's Compensation Fund. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Getchius, McNamara, Frost, Hill, Oddo, Newburg, Beach, Elyea, Chiarelli -9-
Nays: -0-
Absent: Durkee, Hervey, Thompson-Kelly, Beck, McNeely -5-

2013-229R

48. Alderman Frost moved the adoption of a Resolution, that although the following equipment has no appreciable market value it is suitable for donation to a worth charitable cause. Therefore, the Chief of the Fire Department is hereby authorized to donate the following equipment to the Freeport Church of Christ for the use of doctors and nurses in their humanitarian aid in the nation of Haiti: (6) HP Codemaster 100 with

pacing, SPO2, and Sync, (1) HP 2 bay charger, (20) HP batteries, (3) LP 10 with Pacing, Sync and paddles, (2) Zoll 4 bay battery chargers, and (2) Zoll 1 bay chargers. Recipients shall execute a waiver of liability. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Getchius, McNamara, Frost, Hill, Oddo, Newburg, Beach, Elyea, Chiarelli -9-
Nays: -0-
Absent: Durkee, Hervey, Thompson-Kelly, Beck, McNeely -5-

NEW BUSINESS

49. Alderman Beach introduced and read an Ordinance for the sale of city owned property located at 731-733 North Winnebago Street , PIN #11-23-102-005 at a minimum bid of \$1.00 with preference to not-for-profit organizations, must be rehabilitated and brought up to City code within eight (8) months of receiving title. LAID OVER.
50. Alderman Beach introduced and read an Ordinance amending Section 4-59 and Section 17-34; Noise Ordinance relating to Barking Dogs/Licensed Guard Dogs. LAID OVER.
51. Alderman Frost introduced and read an Ordinance for the 2013 year supplemental appropriations and recommending that the 2013 Budget be amended and a supplemental appropriation ordinance be prepared by the Budget Officer in accordance with the attached schedule. LAID OVER.
52. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the meeting was adjourned at 7:11 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 13, 2014
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 Hearing
- Petitions and Communications
- Proclamations
- Committee Reports
- Officers Reports

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

I. COMMITTEE REPORTS LAID OVER DECEMBER 30, 2013

1. Beck – Code and Regulation - Settlement agreement in the matter of Cash, et al. v. City of Rockford, et al. in the amount of \$2.5 million payable in three (3) equal installments over a span of fifteen (15) months. First payment of the settlement agreement is due on December 31, 2013, the second and third payments are due on February 15, 2014 and February 15, 2015.
2. Hervey - Finance and Personnel - Intergovernmental Agreement among the City of Rockford, Winnebago County and Ogle County, Rockford Mass Transit, and JPMorgan Chase Bank, Rockford, Illinois for the Guarantee of a \$1.5 million line of credit to fund district operations.
3. Hervey - Finance and Personnel - Request to submit applications for Head Start and Early Head Start funding.

4. Hervey - Finance and Personnel - Intergovernmental Agreement between the Rockford Park District and City of Rockford for the lease of the Fairgrounds Park Center for Head Start services. The current lease expires December 31, 2013.
5. Frost - Legislative Lobbying - City Council support the legislation authorizing the extension of the Contract for Lobbying for 2014 to McGuire Woods Consulting, LLC for the amount of Ten Thousand (\$10,000.00) Dollars per month consistent with the existing terms of the parties' agreement, and further authorize the Mayor and City Legal Director execute an agreement to that affect.

II. ORDINANCES LAID OVER DECEMBER 30, 2013

1. Beck – Ordinance - Sale of city owned property located at 731-733 North Winnebago Street , PIN #11-23-102-005 at a minimum bid of \$1.00 with preference to not-for-profit organizations, must be rehabilitated and brought up to City code within eight (8) months of receiving title.
2. Beck - Ordinance - Amending Section 4-59 and Section 17-34; Noise Ordinance relating to Barking Dogs/Licensed Guard Dogs.
3. Hervey - Ordinance - 2013 year supplemental appropriations and recommending that the 2013 Budget be amended and a supplemental appropriation ordinance be prepared by the Budget Officer in accordance with the attached schedule.

III. APPOINTMENTS HELD OUT DECEMBER 30, 2013

- 1.* Mayor Morrissey - Appointment - Library Board, Mr. James O'Hagen, who will replace Dan Ross. Mr. O'Hagen's term will end June 2015. (Pursuant to Rule 18, this item is up for passage on January 21, 2014).
- 2.* Mayor Morrissey - Appointment - Rockford Housing Board, Ms. Karen Hoffman, who will fill a vacant position. Ms. Hoffman's term will end January 2019. (Pursuant to Rule 18, this item is up for passage on January 21, 2014).

IV. MOTIONS/RESOLUTIONS

1. Urging Illinois Prisoner Review Board to Deny the Request for Parole for Robert Lower

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. Hervey – Ordinance - Intergovernmental Agreement among the City of Rockford, Winnebago County and Ogle County, Rockford Mass Transit, and JPMorgan Chase Bank, Rockford, Illinois for the Guarantee of a \$1.5 million line of credit to fund district operations.

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- * 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 13, 2014, 4:45 p.m.
Conference Room A, City Hall 2nd floor (north room)
AMENDED AGENDA

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| 1. | C & R 13-214 | 2412 Whale Avenue Water Annexation |
| 2. | C & R 14-01 | Final Plat of Prial Subdivision |
| 3. | C & R 14-02 | Tentative Plat of Puri Meijer’s Rockford |
| 4. | C & R 14-03 | Proposed Sale of Vacant Lot of 1604 South 6 th Street |
| 5. | C & R 13-204 | Amendment to Chapter 29, Article 5 of the Code of Ordinances/Lighting Requirements for Towing Signs |
| 6. | C & R 13-205 | Resolution from Ald. Beach: Establishing a Snow Removal Ordinance Pertaining to Residential Sidewalks |
| 7. | C & R 13-166 | Change in City Council and Standing Committee Meeting Times |
| 8. | C & R 13-206 ZBA#040 | Variation to increase the maximum number of business |

identification wall signs from two (2) to three (3) in a C-3, General Commercial Zoning District at 2500 and 2542 South Alpine Road

9. C & R 13-208 ZBA#042 Special Use Permit for a Planned Unit Development consisting of a medical clinic with a methadone facility and a temporary crisis shelter for women and children in an R-4, Multi-Family Residential Zoning District at 5011 East State Street
10. C & R13-209 LTAB#045 Request for the Sale of Tobacco Products in conjunction with a gas station and grocery store; Request for the Sale of Packaged Liquor in conjunction with a gas station and grocery store in a C-2, Limited Commercial Zoning District at 3121 North Rockton Avenue
11. C & R 13-210 LTAB#046 Request for the Sale of Liquor by the Drink in conjunction with a restaurant, bar and banquet hall (venue) in a C-4, Urban Mixed Use Zoning District at 1516 8th Street, 1201 and 1219 Broadway
12. C & R 13-213 LTAB#049 Request for the Sale of Beer & Wine in conjunction with a restaurant and gaming facility in a C-2, Limited Commercial Zoning District at 275 Deanne Drive
13. C & R 14-04 Closed Session for Purposes of Pending and/or Threatened Litigation

FINANCE AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

Monday, January 13, 2014, 5:15 p.m.

Conference Room B, City Hall 2nd floor (south room)

AGENDA

1. Purchasing and Vouchers
 - A. Award of Sale of Real Estate: 312 Penfield Place
 - B. Award of Bid: West State Street Demolitions, Pkg. D – 2014
 - C. Award of Bid: PCC Patching
 - D. Award of RFP: Utility Bill Printing
 - E. Vouchers
2. Compensation for Non-Represented Employees
3. Renewal of Spring Leaf Financial Lease (formerly American General)

4. Grant Agreement Amendment: River Edge Re-Development Zone
5. Informational Memo: Relocation of Overhead Utilities – ComEd Rider LGC
6. 2014-2018 Capital Improvement Plan
7. Financial Discussion – November 2013 Financial Report

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Monday, January 13, 2014, _____ p.m.

CD Conference Rm., City Hall 2nd floor

AGENDA

No Meeting Scheduled.

LEGISLATIVE LOBBYING COMMITTEE

Monday, January 13, 2013, _____ p.m.

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

AGENDA

No Meeting Scheduled.