

**CITY COUNCIL, CITY OF ROCKFORD
JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS
FEBRUARY 28, 2011
COUNCIL CONVENED AT 6:08P.M.**

1. The invocation was given by Chaplain Robert Jones, St. Luke's Missionary Baptist Church/Police Chaplain and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Council Page Yesenia Centeno.
2. Roll Call:

Mayor Lawrence J. Morrissey

Aldermen: Durkee, Curran, Mark, Wasco, Hervey, Jacobson, Thompson-Kelly,
Johnson, Timm, Beach, Elyea, Beck, McNeely, Robertson -14-
Absent: -0-
3. Alderman Mark moved to accept the Journal of Proceedings of February 22, 2011, seconded by Alderman Wasco. MOTION PREVAILED.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

4. Prophet Yusef urged men to take responsibility and participate in raising their children.

Alderman Thompson-Kelly exited the meeting at 6:11 pm.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

5. Alderman Beck submitted a Memorandum from Jeremy Carter, City Traffic Engineer, regarding the City of Rockford/Winnebago County Fiber Optic Agreement Addendum. Referred to Code and Regulation Committee.
6. Alderman Beck submitted the Rockford Traffic Commission Agenda for the meeting to be held on March 9, 2011. Referred to Traffic Commission.
7. Alderman Beck submitted a Memorandum from Jessica Roberts, Planner II, regarding the Final Plat 4 Riverside Marketplace. Referred to Code and Regulation Committee.
8. Alderman Jacobson submitted a Memorandum from Patrick Zuroske, Capital Program Manager, regarding a Grant Agreement – Renaissance Corners Economic Development Initiative Grant. Referred to Planning and Development Committee.

NEW COMMITTEE REPORTS

2011-051CR

9. Alderman Hervey read a Finance and Personnel Committee Report recommending the award for Demolition of 715 & 815 South Main St. be made to the low bidder, Northern Illinois Service Co., of Rockford, Illinois for their bid of \$203,260.00. The funding source is \$193,260 Site Specific USEPA Brownfield Assessment Grant and \$10,000 CDBG/CDBG-R.

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

Ayes: Durkee, Curran, Mark, Wasco, Hervey, Jacobson, Johnson, Beach, Timm, Elyea, Beck, McNeely, Robertson -13-
Nays: -0-
Absent: Thompson-Kelly -1-

2011-052CR

10. Alderman Hervey read a Finance and Personnel Committee Report recommending the award of contract: Morgan Street Bridge Utility Relocation be made to Watson Electric Co. to perform utility reconnection services. The contract provides a not to exceed cost of \$17,869.00. The funding source is Sales Tax funds.

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

Ayes: Durkee, Curran, Mark, Wasco, Hervey, Jacobson, Johnson, Beach, Timm, Elyea, Beck, McNeely, Robertson -13-
Nays: -0-
Absent: Thompson-Kelly -1-

2011-053CR

11. Alderman Hervey read a Finance and Personnel Committee Report recommending the award for Fire Department Station Wear be made to Uniform Den East, of Loves Park, Illinois (estimated total of \$146,892.50) and C & E Specialties, of Rockford, Illinois (estimated total of \$14,140.00) for their prices as shown on tabulation. The funding source is Fire Department Operating Budget.

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

Ayes: Durkee, Curran, Mark, Wasco, Hervey, Jacobson, Johnson, Beach, Timm, Elyea, Beck, McNeely, Robertson -13-
Nays: -0-
Absent: Thompson-Kelly -1-

12. Alderman Hervey moved the adoption of a Finance and Personnel Committee Report recommending approval of the total vouchers for the week of February 28, 2011 in the amount of \$1,956,201.66. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Durkee, Curran, Mark, Wasco, Hervey, Jacobson, Johnson, Timm, Beach, Elyea, Beck, McNeely, Robertson -13-
Nays: -0-
Absent: Thompson-Kelly -1-

13. Alderman Hervey read a Finance and Personnel Committee Report recommending the award for EMS Billing be made to MED3000, of Miamisburg, Ohio. The funding source is Fire Department Operating Budget. LAID OVER.
14. Alderman Hervey read a Finance and Personnel Committee Report recommending the award for Engineering Agreement: Springbrook Road Reconstruction be made to Municipal Design and Environmental Services, Inc. to perform design and construction engineering for a total not to exceed cost of \$38,200.00. The funding for this project will come from Sales Tax funds. LAID OVER.
15. Alderman Hervey read a Finance and Personnel Committee Report recommending approval of Intergovernmental Agreement with Rockford Mass Transit District providing a written guarantee securing a revolving line of credit at an amount not to exceed \$1,500,000 with J.P. Morgan Chase Bank, N.A., of Rockford, Illinois, this guarantee shall be reviewed annually. The Legal Department be instructed to prepare the appropriate ordinance. LAID OVER.
16. Alderman Jacobson read a Planning and Development Committee Report recommending approval of the Rockford Area Convention and Visitor's Bureau (RACVB) Operating & Lease Agreement. The Legal Director shall prepare the appropriate ordinance. LAID OVER.
17. Alderman Beck read a Code and Regulation Committee Report SUSTAINING the Liquor Advisory Board, thereby recommending that City Council APPROVE the request for sale of liquor by the drink in conjunction with a sit down restaurant in a C-2, Limited Commercial District in the name of **Mayra Gisela Fernandez d/b/a Isla Del Mar Restaurant** located at 623 Kishwaukee Street. The Legal Director is hereby instructed to prepare the necessary Ordinance. LAID OVER.
18. Alderman Beck read a Code and Regulation Committee Report SUSTAINING the Zoning Board of Appeals, thereby recommending that City Council APPROVE the Zoning Map Amendment from C-1, Limited Office District to C-2, Limited Commercial District at 1215 Parkside Drive. The Legal Director is hereby instructed to prepare the necessary Ordinance. LAID OVER.

OFFICERS REPORTS

19. Mayor Morrissey thanked all the members of the community for participating in the Sustainability Summit at Northern Illinois University Center this past weekend.
20. Mayor Morrissey reported Governor Quinn has requested federal support for local communities eligible for reimbursement in response to the blizzard earlier this month.
21. Mayor Morrissey invited everyone to attend the State of the City Address to be held on Wednesday, March 10, 2011 at 6:00 pm at the Coronado Performing Arts Theatre.

22. Mayor Morrissey mentioned he will be in Springfield on Wednesday meeting with the Governor and legislative leaders from Springfield to discuss initiatives the City is working on right now.
23. Alderman Timm thanked the Police, Legal and Community Development Departments for their assistance to resolve the on-going problems at 1819 Auburn Street.
24. Alderman Hervey announced Joseph Behr and Sons was recently awarded the prestigious Vendor of the Year Award by John Deere and recognized as one of the top fifteen recycling business in the nation.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

2011-054CR

25. Alderman Hervey moved the adoption of a Finance and Personnel Committee Report recommending the award of Sole Source Contract to the Center for Sight & Hearing, of Rockford, Illinois for a period of 3 years at an estimated annual cost of \$6,000, and a total estimated cost of \$18,000. The funding source is Police Dept. Operating Budget. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Durkee, Curran, Mark, Wasco, Hervey, Jacobson, Johnson, Beach, Timm, Elyea, Beck, McNeely, Robertson -13-
 Nays: -0-
 Absent: Thompson-Kelly -1-

2011-055CR

26. Alderman Hervey moved the adoption of a Finance and Personnel Committee Report recommending the award for Engineering Agreement: 2011 HSIP Intersection Improvement Projects be made to McClure Engineering Associates, Inc. to perform design and construction engineering for a total not to exceed cost of \$103,319. The funding for this project will come from Sales Tax funds. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Durkee, Curran, Mark, Wasco, Hervey, Jacobson, Johnson, Beach, Timm, Elyea, Beck, McNeely, Robertson -13-
 Nays: -0-
 Absent: Thompson-Kelly -1-

27. Alderman Hervey moved the adoption of an Appointment to the Mechanical Board; Mr. Joseph Reister, for a three (3) year term, which would expire in February, 2014. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Durkee, Curran, Mark, Wasco, Hervey, Jacobson, Johnson, Beach, Timm, Elyea, Beck, Robertson -12-
 Nays: McNeely -1-
 Absent: Thompson-Kelly -1-

28. Alderman Hervey moved the adoption of an Appointment to the Historic Preservation Commission; Ms. Vicki Kreuger, for a three (3) year term, which would expire in February, 2014. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Durkee, Curran, Mark, Wasco, Hervey, Jacobson, Johnson, Beach, Timm, Elyea, Beck, Robertson -12-

Nays: McNeely -1-

Absent: Thompson-Kelly -1-

29. Alderman Hervey moved the adoption of an Appointment to the Community Action Board; Ms. Sandra L. Mulligan, for a three (3) year term, which would expire in February, 2014. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Durkee, Curran, Mark, Wasco, Hervey, Jacobson, Johnson, Beach, Timm, Elyea, Beck, Robertson -12-

Nays: McNeely -1-

Absent: Thompson-Kelly -1-

30. Alderman Hervey moved the adoption of an Appointment to the Community Action Board; Ms. Darcy Bucholz, for a three (3) year term, which would expire in February, 2014. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Durkee, Curran, Mark, Wasco, Hervey, Jacobson, Johnson, Beach, Timm, Elyea, Beck, Robertson -12-

Nays: McNeely -1-

Absent: Thompson-Kelly -1-

31. Alderman Hervey moved the adoption of an Appointment to the Community Action Board; Mr. John Cressman, for a three (3) year term, which would expire in February, 2014. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Durkee, Curran, Mark, Wasco, Hervey, Jacobson, Johnson, Beach, Timm, Elyea, Beck, Robertson -12-

Nays: McNeely -1-

Absent: Thompson-Kelly -1-

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS

2011-017R

32. Alderman Jacobson, on behalf of the Planning and Development Committee moved the adoption of a Resolution that the City of Rockford Requests the assistance and participation of the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency and Resolves to assist them in any manner that will provide for the timely and comprehensive environmental investigation of the properties in order the seek Brownfield assistance for the redevelopment of the properties. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Durkee, Curran, Mark, Wasco, Hervey, Jacobson, Johnson, Beach, Timm, Elyea, Beck, McNeely, Robertson -13-

Nays: -0-

Absent: Thompson-Kelly -1-

2011-018R

33. Alderman Beck, on behalf of the Code and Regulation Committee, moved the adoption of a Resolution for a Special Event Permit for the Irish Marching Society, in conjunction with the St. Patrick's Day Parade taking place on Saturday, March 12, 2011 beginning at 1:00 pm – 4:30 pm. MOTION PREVAILED (Ald. Thompson-Kelly absent).

2011-019R

34. Alderman Beck, on behalf of the Code and Regulation Committee, read a Resolution requesting permission from IDOT for temporary street closures of Illinois Route 2 (Main Street) from Park Avenue to Whitman Street for the St. Patrick's Day Parade on Saturday, March 13, 2011 from 1:00 pm to 5:00 pm. MOTION PREVAILED (Ald. Thompson-Kelly absent).

2011-020R

35. Alderman Hervey, on behalf of the Finance and Personnel Committee, moved the adoption of a Resolution authorizing the Central Services Manager to take bids for the following:

A. Bid: Rockford Junction Improvement Project, funding source: ICC funds.

MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Durkee, Curran, Mark, Wasco, Hervey, Jacobson, Johnson, Beach,
Timm, Elyea, Beck, McNeely, Robertson -13-
Nays: -0-
Absent: Thompson-Kelly -1-

36. Alderman Curran read a Resolution that the Rockford City Council consider adopting an Ordinance whereby during the course of any routine traffic stop by Rockford Police Officers, an individual who is unable to show proof of vehicle insurance will, in addition to receiving a citation for not having insurance on their vehicle, also have their vehicle impounded and towed to a city lot. And further, before the vehicle can be reclaimed, the driver/owner must show proof of insurance and pay a fine of \$250 plus any towing and impound fees relating to the towing of the uninsured vehicle. Referred to Code and Regulation Committee.
37. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the meeting was adjourned at 6:39 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
March 7, 2011
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
- Public Participation
- Petitions and Communications
- New Committee Reports (Reports of Standing Committees – Code and Regulation, Finance and Personnel, Planning and Development - and other select committees)

I. NEW COMMITTEE REPORTS TO BE READ IN MARCH 7, 2011

A. CODE AND REGULATIONS

1. Beck - Final Plat 4 Riverside Marketplace
2. Beck - City of Rockford/Winnebago County Fiber Optic Agreement Addendum
3. Beck - Special Events Review
4. Beck - Ordinance Modifications, Chapters 5 & 26; Outdoor Dining Design Guidelines
5. Beck - Comprehensive Zoning Map Update with multiple zoning amendments for City Wide Zoning Map
6. Beck - Zoning Text Amendment to Section 20-1 Use Classification Table & Section 51-002 Signs Not Permitted

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

II. COMMITTEE REPORTS LAID OVER FEBRUARY 28, 2011

1. Hervey - Finance and Personnel - Recommending the award for EMS Billing be made to MED3000, of Miamisburg, Ohio. The funding source is Finance Department Operating Budget.

2. Hervey - Finance and Personnel - Recommending the award for Engineering Agreement: Springbrook Road Reconstruction be made to Municipal Design and Environmental Services, Inc. to perform design and construction engineering for a total not to exceed cost of \$38,200.00. The funding for this project will come from Sales Tax funds.
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- Motions and Resolutions

III. 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).

- * 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, March 7, 2011, 5:15 p.m.

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

AGENDA

1. C & R 11-17 Final Plat 4 Riverside Marketplace
2. C & R 11-18 City of Rockford/Winnebago County Fiber Optic Agreement Addendum
3. C & R 11-10 Special Events Review
4. C & R 11-16 Ordinance Modifications, Chapters 5 & 26; Outdoor Dining Design Guidelines
5. C & R 10-134 ZBA#023-10 Comprehensive Zoning Map Update with multiple zoning amendments for City Wide Zoning Map
6. C & R 10-178 ZBA#038-10 Zoning Text Amendment to Section 20-1 Use Classification Table & Section 51-002 Signs Not Permitted

FINANCE AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

Monday, March 7, 2011, 5:15 p.m.

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

AGENDA

1. Purchasing and Vouchers
 - A. Award of Contract: Weatherization
 - B. Well 37 VOC Treatment Design Evaluation Update – **Info only**
 - C. Vouchers

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Monday, March 7, 2011, 5:30 p.m.

CD Conference Room, City Hall 2nd floor

AGENDA

1. Memorandum from Reid Montgomery, Director of Community & Economic Development, regarding Pre Development Agreement with Belmont Sayre LLC, about Barber Colman.
2. Memorandum from Patrick Zuroske, Capital Program Manager, regarding Grant Agreement – Renaissance Corners Economic Development Initiative Grant.

LEGISLATIVE LOBBYING COMMITTEE

Monday, March 7, 2011, _____ p.m.

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

AGENDA

No Meeting Scheduled.