

**CITY COUNCIL, CITY OF ROCKFORD
JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS
FEBRUARY 26, 2007
COUNCIL CONVENED AT 6:31 P.M.**

1. The invocation was given by Chaplain Louis Malone, St. Luke's Missionary Baptist Church /Police Chaplain, the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Girl Scout Troop #237 from Luther Academy at Gloria Dei.
2. Roll Call:

Mayor Lawrence J. Morrissey

Aldermen: Sosnowski, Curran, Wasco, Bell, Johnson, Timm, Beach, Holt, Beck, McNeely, Conness –11-
Absent: Mark, Jacobson, Thompson-Kelly –3-

Alderman Jacobson joined the meeting 6:32
3. Alderman Jacobson moved to accept the Journal of Proceedings of February 20, 2007, seconded by Alderman Wasco. MOTION PREVAILED (Ald. Mark, Thompson-Kelly absent).

PUBLIC HEARING

4. Mayor Morrissey called upon Alderman Beck to conduct a public hearing. Alderman Beck called the hearing to order at 6:33 and stated that pursuant to the Bond Issue Notification Act of the State of Illinois, a public hearing must be conducted by the City Council concerning the City Council's intent to sell bonds. Notice of this hearing was given by publication in the Rockford Register Star on February 17, 2007. That notice informed citizens of Rockford the purpose of the hearing was to receive public comments on the proposal to sell bonds of the City in the amount of \$23,000,000 for the purpose of defraying the cost of a hockey franchise acquisition and Rockford Metro Centre improvements. He asked for questions or comments from the Council members, and then from the public, and closed the public hearing at 6:34 pm.

The Meeting returned to the regular Order of Business at 6:34 pm.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

5. Alderman Bell submitted four (4) Requests for Service. Referred to Neighborhood Standards and the Police Department.
6. Alderman Bell submitted a Memorandum from Reid Montgomery, Director of Community and Economic Development, regarding a Referral for Proposal for Renewal of the Contract between RLDC and City of Rockford. Referred to Planning and Development Committee.
7. Alderman Bell submitted a request from Tuffy Quinonez and Julio Salgado, Rockford Area Mexican Business Association in conjunction with Cinco de Mayo Parade requesting

permission for street closures, police assistance and barricades on May 5, 2007 from Broadway to Blackhawk Park. Alderman Bell moved to grant the prayer of petitioner, seconded by Alderman Jacobson. MOTION PREVAILED (Ald. Mark, Thompson-Kelly absent).

8. Alderman Timm submitted a letter from RaMario Simmons concerning incomplete lawn replacement efforts from the road project on Rockton Avenue last year. Referred to the Public Works Department/Brad Moberg.
9. Alderman Timm submitted a letter from Carolyn Ekstrom, Fridh Corporation, requesting repairs on the access control gates and elevators in the Wyman and Elm Parking Deck. Referred to the Traffic Division/Steve Ernst.
10. Alderman Timm submitted a Request for Service in the 900 block of North Church regarding water main repairs. Referred to the Public Works Department.
11. Alderman Johnson submitted two (2) Requests for Service relating to snow removal concerns and a sub-contractor verbally abusing a constituent. Referred to the Public Works Department.
12. Alderman Johnson submitted a Memorandum from Jessica Ellwanger, Planner II, regarding County Zoning Item #Z-08-07; Zoning Map Amendment from the AG, Agricultural Priority District to the R4, Multiple-family Residential District. Referred to Code and Regulation Committee.
13. Alderman Johnson submitted a Memorandum from Jessica Ellwanger, Planner II, regarding the Tentative Plat of Arbor Heights. Referred to Code and Regulation Committee.
14. Alderman Johnson submitted a Memorandum from Jessica Ellwanger, Planner II, regarding 1818 Morgan Street Annexation. Referred to Code and Regulation Committee.
15. Alderman Johnson submitted the Zoning Board of Appeals Minutes for the meeting held on February 21, 2007. Referred to Code and Regulation Committee.
16. Alderman Johnson submitted a Memorandum from Ginny Gregory, Planner II, advising a joint meeting has been scheduled regarding the Envision North Main project with the Code and Regulation Committee and the Finance and Personnel Committee for Monday, March 12, 2007 at 4:00 pm in Council Chambers, 2nd floor, City Hall.
17. Alderman Johnson submitted a request from Rebecca Kopf for the River District, requesting permission for an announcement banner for an upcoming mural (banner will be replaced by mural, pending City Council approval) for fifty-six (56) days (February 27, 2007 – April 24, 2007) located at 508 E. State Street; west wall (Cru Building). No City support requested. Alderman Johnson moved to grant the prayer of petitioner, seconded by Alderman Wasco. MOTION PREVAILED (Ald. Mark, Thompson-Kelly absent).

18. Alderman Johnson submitted a request from Maureen McGrain, Big Brothers/Big Sisters, in conjunction with the OSF Heritage Run requesting permission for street closures, police assistance and barricades on April 22, 2007 from downtown, Harlem Boulevard, and Madison Street. Alderman Johnson moved to grant the prayer of petitioner, seconded by Alderman Timm. MOTION PREVAILED (Ald. Mark, Thompson-Kelly absent).
19. Alderman Johnson submitted a request from Flossie Hoarde in conjunction with Women With a Vision March and Prayer Service requesting permission for police assistance on April 6, 2007 on the sidewalks from State Street and Central to Ellis. Alderman Thompson-Kelly moved to grant the prayer of petitioner, seconded by Alderman Jacobson. MOTION PREVAILED (Ald. Mark, Thompson-Kelly absent).
20. Alderman Beach submitted a request from Dr. Mayberry in conjunction with the Tabernacle of the Israelites Banner (for ½ scale model of Temple of Israel to be on display) requesting permission to hang two (2) freestanding banners for thirty-three (33) days (March 7, 2007 – April 9, 2007) located at 325 North Alpine Road – in front of church and school. Alderman Beach moved to grant the prayer of petitioner, seconded by Alderman McNeely. MOTION PREVAILED (Ald. Mark, Thompson-Kelly absent).
21. Alderman McNeely submitted a Memorandum from the Cunningham Street Block Club requesting assistance to address the chronic graffiti problems in this area. Referred to Mayor Morrissey's Office and the Police Department.
22. Alderman McNeely submitted a Request for Service regarding graffiti problems in the area of 1130 Sanford. Referred to the Police Department.
23. Alderman Conness submitted an e-mail from John Hudzinski concerning snow removal problems in his neighborhood. Referred to Mayor Morrissey's Office and the Public Works Department.
24. Alderman Conness submitted an e-mail from Judy Carrigan concerning snow removal efforts at Gregory School. Referred to Mayor Morrissey's Office and the Public Works Department.
25. Alderman Wasco submitted several e-mails concerning the inadequate snow removal efforts by Rockford's sub-contracted snowplowing services. Referred to the Public Works Department and Julia Valdez/Assistant City Administrator.
26. Alderman Waco submitted an e-mail from Eric Ericson, Treasurer Parkland Homeowners Association, with an attached letter from a concerned neighbor who is requesting assistance to resolve a problem with Rock River Disposal concerning lawn damage from garbage trucks on her property. Referred to the Public Works Department/Andrew Jarrett.
27. Alderman Beck submitted a Memorandum from Patrick Hayes, Legal Director, regarding hiring of an Office Assistant for the Legal Department. Referred to Finance and Personnel Committee.

NEW COMMITTEE REPORTS

28. Alderman Johnson read a Code and Regulation Committee Report recommending the approval of the Final Plat of University Centre #13. LAID OVER.
29. Alderman Beck read a Finance and Personnel Committee Report recommending ratification of the contracts with MidAmerican Energy for the period March, 2007 through December, 2008 at the rates quoted therein. The funding source is Departmental Operating Budgets. LAID OVER.

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30. Alderman Beck read a Finance and Personnel Committee Report recommending the award for Water Treatment Chemicals be made to the low bidder for each chemical as follows:

Liquefied Chlorine Gas – Viking Chemical, Rockford, IL	\$80,600
Fluosilicic Acid – Alexander Chemical, of Lisle, IL	\$89,017.37

Both bids are estimates. The funding source is Water Division Operating Budget.

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

Ayes: Sosnowski, Curran, Wasco, Bell, Jacobson, Johnson, Timm, Beach, Holt, Beck, McNeely, Conness -12-
Nays: -0-
Absent: Mark, Thompson-Kelly -2-

2007-69CR

31. Alderman Beck read a Finance and Personnel Committee Report recommending the award for City-Wide Bituminous Patching 2007 be made to the low bidder, Stenstrom Excavation, of Rockford, IL for their total bid of \$280,020. The funding source is Divisional Operating Budgets (Water & Street Division).

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

Ayes: Sosnowski, Curran, Wasco, Bell, Jacobson, Johnson, Timm, Beach, Holt, Beck, McNeely, Conness -12-
Nays: -0-
Absent: Mark, Thompson-Kelly -2-

2007-70CR

32. Alderman Beck read a Finance and Personnel Committee Report recommending the award for Pressure Zone Boundary, Phase 4 be made to the low bidder, Rockford Blacktop Construction, of Loves Park, IL for their total bid of \$216,202.26. The funding source is Water Alternate Revenue Bonds.

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

Ayes: Sosnowski, Curran, Wasco, Bell, Jacobson, Johnson, Timm, Beach, Holt, Beck, McNeely, Conness -12-
Nays: -0-
Absent: Mark, Thompson-Kelly -2-

2007-71CR

33. Alderman Beck read a Finance and Personnel Committee Report recommending the approval of a City-State Agreement: for Harrison Avenue bridges with the Illinois Department of Transportation at a cost of \$11,000,000. The State will provide funding in the amount of \$3,907,000 and \$5,000,000 will come from Grade Crossing Protection Funds. The city's portion will be \$2,093,000. Motor Fuel Taxes will be utilized for payment of the City's share.

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

Ayes: Sosnowski, Curran, Wasco, Bell, Jacobson, Johnson, Timm, Beach, Holt, Beck, McNeely, Conness -12-
Nays: -0-
Absent: Mark, Thompson-Kelly -2-

2007-72CR

34. Alderman Beck read a Finance and Personnel Committee Report recommending the approval of a City-State Agreement: for Kishwaukee Bridge Project with the Illinois Department of Transportation at a cost of \$3,480,000. The State will provide funding in the amount of \$756,000 in Bridge Replacement Program funds, and \$1,900,000 in State funds. The City's portion will be \$824,000. Motor Fuel Taxes will be utilized for payment of the City's share.

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

Ayes: Sosnowski, Curran, Wasco, Bell, Jacobson, Johnson, Timm, Beach, Holt, Beck, McNeely, Conness -12-
Nays: -0-
Absent: Mark, Thompson-Kelly -2-

35. Alderman Beck moved the adoption of a Finance and Personnel Committee Report recommending approval of the total vouchers for the week of February 26, 2007 in the amount of \$1,345,185.51. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Sosnowski, Curran, Wasco, Bell, Jacobson, Johnson, Timm, Beach,
Holt, Beck, McNeely, Conness -12-
Nays: -0-
Absent: Mark, Thompson-Kelly -2-

OFFICERS REPORTS

36. Mayor Morrissey presented a Proclamation proclaiming the month of February, 2007 to be "Purchasing Month" in Rockford, Illinois in honor of purchasing agents everywhere.
37. Mayor Morrissey presented a Proclamation proclaiming the week of February 26, 2007 to be "Ambucs Visibility Week" in Rockford, Illinois and urged all citizens to become more aware of and involved in the service they render to our community.
38. Mayor Morrissey presented a Proclamation proclaiming the month of February, 2007 to be "National Athletic Training Month" in Rockford, Illinois and urged all citizens to learn more about the importance of athletic training.
39. Mayor Morrissey presented a Proclamation proclaiming the week of February 26, 2007 to be "Kevin Lindenberg Week" in Rockford, Illinois for his heroism, leadership and service to the City of Rockford and hold him up as a true role model for youth in our community for years to come.
40. Mayor Morrissey submitted a re-appointment to the CAA Board, Lisa Brown for a two (2) year term to expire January, 2009. LAID OVER.
41. Mayor Morrissey made a reminder that the Northern Illinois Commuter Transportation Initiative (NICTI) Executive Committee will be holding a public information meeting on Tuesday, February 27th from 5:00pm-7:30pm at the Burpee Museum of Natural History Auditorium, 737 N. Main Street.
42. Mayor Morrissey called attention to the Snow and Ice Report for the Week of February 19, 2007 to February 25, 2007. Copies have been provided to the Aldermen for review.
43. Alderman Jacobson thanked Bob Parvin, Jim Columbi and all that attended the Police Department fundraiser held at the 3L Club on Sunday, for donating their time and monies to the "Shop with a Cop" program.
44. Alderman Jacobson acknowledged two friends in attendance, Scott Mishmash and Mark Lewis, and expressed his appreciation for all their hard work and commitment to Milestone and their charitable work throughout the community.
45. Alderman Bell welcomed Alderman Linda McNeely back from her absence these past few weeks.
46. Alderman Bell commented on the 5th ward monthly meeting last Thursday with guest speakers from the Rock River Water Reclamation District, Rockford Housing Authority (RHA), Rockford Police Department and the Park District. He thanked them for their

updates on current projects and for providing information on future goals and objectives for the community.

47. Alderman Bell thanked Mayor Morrissey for accepting an invitation to speak at the next 5th ward monthly meeting to be held the last Thursday of the month. He encouraged City staff to join Mayor Morrissey in making a presentation regarding the 1% Sales Tax Referendum and engage in open discussion about that issue.
48. Alderman McNeely expressed appreciation to those that sent cards and called to extend sympathy to her and her family.
49. Alderman McNeely encouraged the council members to support Senator Syverson's proposal to the Illinois Commerce Commission (ICC) to split the 815 area code into two area codes and return to dialing the regular number.
50. Alderman Jacobson also thanked Senator Syverson, Jim Hughes and Alderman Johnson for attending the Police Department fundraiser on Sunday.
51. Alderman Jacobson thanked Alderman McNeely for her comments on the 815 area code issue and mentioned Alderman Johnson would be reading in a Resolution with regards to that later in the meeting.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

2007-73CR

52. Alderman Johnson moved the adoption of a Code and Regulation Committee Report recommending the approval of the attached Ordinance as it relates to Registration of the Sellers of Scrap Copper in the City of Rockford. The Legal Director shall prepare the appropriate Ordinance. MOTION PREVAILED (Ald. Mark, Thompson-Kelly absent; Ald. McNeely voted no).

2007-40-O

53. Alderman Johnson moved the adoption of an Ordinance amending Chapter 37, Section 1604, of the City of Rockford Code of Ordinances to APPROVE the Variation to allow a modification of the existing driveway to install a parking place and turn around area as per the modified site plan in the required front yard in an R-3, Multi-family Residential District at 4336 Pepper Drive. Approval is subject to the following conditions:
 1. That a revised site plan be submitted for staff review and approval in general consistency with the modified site plan approved by the Code and Regulation Committee on January 29, 2007.
 2. That landscaping screening the turn around area from the public right-of-way is installed and approved by staff.

Approval is based on the Findings of Fact (LAD 2/12/07, ZBA #075-06). MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Sosnowski, Curran, Wasco, Bell, Jacobson, Johnson, Timm, Beach,
Holt, Beck, McNeely, Conness -12-
Nays: -0-
Absent: Mark, Thompson-Kelly -2-

2007-41-O

54. Alderman Johnson moved the adoption of an Ordinance amending Chapter 37, Section 1603, of the City of Rockford Code of Ordinances to APPROVE the Special Use Permit for alcohol sales within a sit-down restaurant in a C-3, Commercial General Zoning District at 7240 Walton Street. Approval is subject to the following conditions:

1. Compliance with all City Rockford Liquor Codes.
2. The freestanding sign must be low profile and not more than eight feet (8') tall.
3. The sale of liquor by the drink is in conjunction with the restaurant.
4. A revised elevation plan to be submitted for Staff review and approval.

Approval is based on the Findings of Fact (LAD 2/12/07, ZBA #081-06). MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Sosnowski, Curran, Wasco, Bell, Jacobson, Johnson, Timm, Holt,
Beck, McNeely, Conness -11-
Nays: Beach -1-
Absent: Mark, Thompson-Kelly -2-

2007-74CR

55. Alderman Bell moved the adoption of a Planning and Development Committee Report recommending approval of the West State-Central Redevelopment Project Planning Area. The Legal Director shall prepare the appropriate Ordinance. MOTION PREVAILED (Ald. Mark, Thompson-Kelly absent).

2007-75CR

56. Alderman Bell moved the adoption of a Planning and Development Committee Report recommending approval of the West State-Central Redevelopment Plan and Project. The Legal Director shall prepare the appropriate Ordinance. MOTION PREVAILED (Ald. Mark, Thompson-Kelly absent).

2007-76CR

57. Alderman Bell moved the adoption of a Planning and Development Committee Report recommending that the County Clerk be instructed to implement tax increment financing per statute within the West State-Central Redevelopment Area. The Legal Director shall prepare the appropriate Ordinance. MOTION PREVAILED (Ald. Mark, Thompson-Kelly absent).

2007-77CR

58. Alderman Beck moved the adoption of a Finance and Personnel Committee Report recommending the award for Demolition of 120, 124 & 128 N. Central Avenue be made to the low bidder for each property as follows:

120 N. Central J.E. Mark, \$6,900
124 N. Central J.E. Mark, \$6,275
128 N. Central Swinson Material \$7,000

The funding source is CDBG. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Sosnowski, Curran, Wasco, Bell, Jacobson, Johnson, Timm, Beach,
Holt, Beck, McNeely, Conness -12-
Nays: -0-
Absent: Mark, Thompson-Kelly -2-

2007-78CR

59. Alderman Beck moved the adoption of a Finance and Personnel Committee Report recommending the award for Photograph Processing Services be made to the sole bidder, Lundgrens, Inc., of Rockford, IL for their bid as shown on tabulation. The funding source is Departmental Operating Budgets. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Sosnowski, Curran, Wasco, Bell, Jacobson, Johnson, Timm, Beach,
Holt, Beck, McNeely, Conness -12-
Nays: -0-
Absent: Mark, Thompson-Kelly -2-

2007-79CR

60. Alderman Beck moved the adoption of a Finance and Personnel Committee Report recommending approval of the request from Rockford Mass Transit District for written guarantee securing a revolving line of credit at an amount not to exceed \$1,500,000 with AMCORE BANK, N.A. of Rockford, IL, this guarantee shall be reviewed annually, and that the Legal Department be instructed to prepare the appropriate ordinance. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Sosnowski, Curran, Wasco, Bell, Jacobson, Johnson, Timm, Beach,
Holt, Beck, McNeely, Conness -12-
Nays: -0-
Absent: Mark, Thompson-Kelly -2-

61. Alderman Beck moved the adoption of an appointment to the Metro Authority Board, Michael Hakanson, for a term to expire June 2012. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Sosnowski, Curran, Wasco, Bell, Jacobson, Johnson, Timm, Beach,
Holt, Beck, Conness -11-
Nays: McNeely -1-
Absent: Mark, Thompson-Kelly -2-

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS

2007-29R

62. Alderman Johnson suggested the adoption of a Resolution that the undersigned Alderman, of the Rockford City Council on this the date of February 26, 2007, request that the Legislative Advisory and Lobbying Committee consider placing on their agenda the issue of "1-815" imposed upon our constituents by the Illinois Commerce Commission. We strongly encourage the Committee to act on our behalf by petitioning our state legislators to pressure the I.C.C. into overturning their decision. Referred to the Legislative Advisory and Lobbying Committee.

NEW BUSINESS

63. Alderman Beck introduced and read an Ordinance confirming sale of an aggregate principal amount of \$_____ General Obligation Bonds, Series 2007, of the City of Rockford, Winnebago County, IL, consisting of \$6,635,000 General Obligation Bonds, Series 2007A (Sales Tax Alternate Revenue Source), \$16,365,000 Taxable General Obligation Bonds, Series 2007B (Sales Tax Alternate Revenue Source), and \$_____ General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2007C (Sales Tax Alternate Revenue Source). LAID OVER.
64. Alderman Beck introduced and read an Ordinance authorizing and providing for the issue of \$6,635,000 General Obligation Bonds, Series 2007A (Sales Tax Alternate Revenue Source), of the City of Rockford, Winnebago County, IL, for the purpose of defraying the costs of certain Rockford Metro Centre improvements within the City, prescribing the details of said bonds and providing for the imposition of taxes to pay the same, and for the collection, segregation and application of certain sales tax receipts to pay said bonds. LAID OVER.
65. Alderman Beck introduced and read an Ordinance authorizing and providing for the issue of \$16,365,000 taxable General Obligation Bonds, Series 2007B (Sales Tax Alternate Revenue Source), of the City of Rockford, Winnebago County, IL, for the purpose of defraying the costs of purchasing an American Hockey League franchise and the costs of certain Rockford Metro Centre improvements within the City, prescribing the details of said bonds and providing for the imposition of taxes to pay the same, and for the collection, segregation and application of certain sales tax receipts to pay said bonds. LAID OVER.
66. Alderman Beck introduced and read an Ordinance authorizing and providing for the issue of \$_____ General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2007C (Sales Tax Alternate Revenue Source), of the City of Rockford, Winnebago County, IL, for the purpose of refunding certain previously issued and outstanding general obligation bond of the City, prescribing the details of said bonds, providing for the imposition of taxes to pay the same, and for the collection, segregation and application of certain sales tax receipts to pay said bonds, and further providing for the execution of an escrow agreement in connection with such issuance. LAID OVER.

2007-42-O

67. Alderman Bell introduced and read an Ordinance recommending approval of the Development Agreement with the Anderson Packaging, Inc. in the Rockford Global Tradepark Tax Increment Financing District Number One.

Alderman Bell moved to suspend Rule 11, seconded by Alderman Jacobson. MOTION PREVAILED (Ald. Mark, Thompson-Kelly absent). The Ordinance was placed on passage. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Sosnowski, Curran, Wasco, Bell, Jacobson, Johnson, Timm, Beach,
Holt, Beck, McNeely, Conness -12-
Nays: -0-
Absent: Mark, Thompson-Kelly -2-

68. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the meeting was adjourned at 7:37 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 5, 2007
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)
- Officers Reports
- Unfinished Business of previous meeting

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

I. COMMITTEE REPORTS LAID OVER FEBRUARY 26, 2007

1. Johnson - Code and Regulation - Recommending the approval of the Final Plat of University Centre #13.
2. Beck - Finance and Personnel - Recommending ratification of the contracts with MidAmerican Energy for the period March, 2007 through December, 2008 at the rates quoted therein. The funding source is Departmental Operating Budgets.

II. ORDINANCES LAID OVER FEBRUARY 26, 2007

1. Beck - Ordinance - Confirming sale of an aggregate principal amount of \$_____ General Obligation Bonds, Series 2007, of the City of Rockford, Winnebago County, IL, consisting of \$6,635,000 General Obligation Bonds, Series 2007A (Sales Tax Alternate Revenue Source), \$16,365,000 Taxable General Obligation Bonds, Series 2007B (Sales Tax Alternate Revenue Source), and \$_____ General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2007C (Sales Tax Alternate Revenue Source).
2. Beck - Ordinance - Authorizing and providing for the issue of \$6,635,000 General Obligation Bonds, Series 2007A (Sales Tax Alternate Revenue Source), of the City of Rockford, Winnebago County, IL, for the purpose of defraying the costs of certain Rockford Metro Centre improvements within the City, prescribing the details of said

bonds and providing for the imposition of taxes to pay the same, and for the collection, segregation and application of certain sales tax receipts to pay said bonds.

3. Beck - Ordinance - Authorizing and providing for the issue of \$16,365,000 taxable General Obligation Bonds, Series 2007B (Sales Tax Alternate Revenue Source), of the City of Rockford, Winnebago County, IL, for the purpose of defraying the costs of purchasing an American Hockey League franchise and the costs of certain Rockford Metro Centre improvements within the City, prescribing the details of said bonds and providing for the imposition of taxes to pay the same, and for the collection, segregation and application of certain sales tax receipts to pay said bonds.
4. Beck - Ordinance - Authorizing and providing for the issue of \$_____ General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2007C (Sales Tax Alternate Revenue Source), of the City of Rockford, Winnebago County, IL, for the purpose of refunding certain previously issued and outstanding general obligation bond of the City, prescribing the details of said bonds, providing for the imposition of taxes to pay the same, and for the collection, segregation and application of certain sales tax receipts to pay said bonds, and further providing for the execution of an escrow agreement in connection with such issuance.

III. MISCELLANEOUS LAID OVER FEBRUARY 26, 2007

1. Mayor Morrissey - Re-appointment - CAA Board, Lisa Brown, for a two (2) year term to expire January 2009. (Pursuant to Rule 18, this re-appointment will be up for passage on April 2, 2007).

IV. MISCELLANEOUS HELD OUT FEBRUARY 26, 2007

- 1.* Mayor Morrissey - Appointment - Homestead Board, Robert King, for a term to expire June 2010. (Pursuant to Rule 18, this appointment will be up for passage on March 12, 2007).
- 2.* Mayor Morrissey - Appointment - Mechanical Board, Brad Glidden, to replace Mark Glidden, for a term to expire October 2009. (Pursuant to Rule 18, this appointment will be up for passage on March 12, 2007).

* same action taken before

- Motions and Resolutions
- 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).
- 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 5, 2007, 4:30 p.m.

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

AGENDA

1. C & R 07-45 County Zoning Item #Z-08-07: Zoning Map Amendment from the AG, Agricultural Priority District to the R4, Multiple-Family Residential District
2. C & R 07-46 1818 Morgan Street Annexation
3. C & R 07-47 Tentative Plat of Arbor Heights
4. C & R 07-40 Proposed sale of 1009 Kishwaukee Street (vacant lot)
5. C & R 07-48 Claim of Cyndi Furney
6. C & R 07-09 ZBA#079-06 Zoning Map Amendment from C-2, Commercial Community District to C-3, Commercial General District and C-1, Limited Office District to C-3, Commercial General District
Special Use Permit for Planned Mixed Use Development for a Bus Terminal, Transfer Center, including joint development of retail spaces and parking at 7xx North Lyford Road
7. C & R 07-29 ZBA#001-07 Zoning Map Amendment from I-1, Light Industrial to R-2, Two-Family Residential District and R-1, Single-Family Residential District to R-2, Two-Family Residential District for Tract I
Special Use Permit for a Planned Residential Development for existing two, two-family residences for Tract II in an R-2, Two-Family Residential District at 2901, 2915, 2919, 2923, 2927, 2931 24th Street
8. C & R 07-30 ZBA#002-07 Variation to increase the maximum square footage for an accessory building from 720 square feet to 864 square feet and to increase the width of driveway off an alley from 24 feet to 32 feet in an R-1, Single-Family Residential Zoning District at 615 North London Avenue
9. C & R 07-31 ZBA#003-07 Variation to reduce the front yard setback from 30 feet to 17 feet along South Mulford Road in a C-2,

Commercial Community Zoning District at 252
South Mulford Road

10. C & R 07-32 ZBA#004-07 Special Use Permit for Planned Mixed Use Development consisting of an existing church and parking lot
Variation to allow landscaping as shown on the submitted plan in an R-2, Two-family Residential District at 940 & 950 North Rockton
11. C & R 07-33 ZBA#005-07 Special Use Permit for a self-service gas station and car wash
Special Use Permit for package liquor sales that does not satisfy all Performance Criteria
Variation to reduce the rear setback from ten feet to three feet for Lots 20, 21 and 22 in an I-1, Light Industrial Zoning District at 2501 North Main Street
12. C & R 07-34 ZBA#006-07 Annexation Agreement from County AG to City C-3, Commercial General District
Zoning Map Amendment
Special Use Permit for a performance use of an outdoor theatre with retail sales for food and non-alcoholic beverages that cannot meet the performance criteria of 600 feet from a residential district
Variation from the parking requirements to improve all driveways and open off-street parking areas with a bituminous or Portland cement concrete surface to allow for gravel in the side aisles and grass for the parking spaces in an C-3, Commercial General District at 1801 Samuelson Road
13. C & R 07-35 ZBA#007-07 Modification of Special Use Permit Ordinance #2001-274-O for the brewing of beer, sale of liquor by the drink and the sale of packaged liquor approved on December 10, 2001 for Parcel 1 to allow expansion onto Parcel II
Special Use Permit for outdoor sale of liquor by the drink for Parcel I and II in an C-4, Commercial Oldtown District at 213-215 & 217 East State Street
14. C & R 07-36 ZBA#008-07 Annexation Agreement from County AG to City R-2, Two-Family Residential District for Tract I and from County AG to City I-1, Light Industrial District for Tract II
Zoning Map Amendment

Special Use Permit for Planned Residential
Development in an R-2, Two-Family Residential
District for Tract I at 6178 11th Street, 24xx
Blackhawk Road and 61xx 11th Street

15. C & R 07-49 Closed Session for Purposes of Pending Litigation
Kerry Partridge

FINANCE AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

Monday, February 26, 2007, 5:00 p.m.
Conference Room B, City Hall 2nd floor (south room)
AGENDA

1. Bond Sale Results – Report from Financial Advisor
2. Purchasing and Vouchers
 - A. Resolution to take Bids
 - B. Change Order: Phase I Well Rehabilitation
 - C. Change Order: City-Wide Alleys Phase III -2006
 - D. Vouchers
 - √ Training/Travel Expense for Community Development
 - √ Training/Travel Expense for Public Works
3. Hiring Requests (Laid over 2/26)
4. 2007 Budget (Laid over 2/26)
5. Sales Tax Policy (Laid over 2/26)
6. City Vehicle Policy (Laid over 2/26)
7. CIP Project Update
8. Morgan Street Bridge Land Acquisition – Closed Session (Laid over 2/26)
9. Potential Litigation on Taxation Issues – Closed Session

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Monday, March 5, 2007, 5:00 p.m.
CD Conference Room, City Hall 2nd floor
AGENDA

1. Memorandum from Patrick W. Hayes, Legal Director regarding Modification of Metro Centre Intergovernmental Agreement.
2. Request from Doug Mark regarding a letter from Terry Dyer, On-Site Manager/Curator, Memorial Hall, regarding monthly parking passes for Memorial Hall Board of Trustees and volunteers.
3. Resolution from Alderman Jeff Holt regarding development of a separate CDBG CIP Program to submit to federal government to amend the City CDBG Plan.
4. Memorandum from Reid Montgomery, Director of Community & Economic Development regarding a Proposal for Renewal of the Contract between RLDC & City of Rockford.