

**CITY COUNCIL, CITY OF ROCKFORD  
JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS  
APRIL 30, 2007  
COUNCIL CONVENED AT 6:23 P.M.**

1. The invocation was given by Pastor Perry Bennett, Macedonia Baptist Church/Police Chaplain and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Page Karla Centeno.
2. Roll Call:

Mayor Lawrence J. Morrissey

Aldermen: Curran, Bell, Jacobson, Thompson-Kelly, Johnson, Timm, Beach, Holt, Conness –9-  
Absent: Sosnowski, Mark, Wasco, Beck, McNeely –5-
3. Alderman Timm moved to accept the Journal of Proceedings of April 23, 2007, seconded by Alderman Jacobson. MOTION PREVAILED (Ald. Sosnowski, Mark, Wasco, Beck, McNeely absent).

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

4. Samuel Schmitz announced a community invitation to an event sponsored by the ECOH.

**PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS**

5. Alderman Conness submitted an e-mail from Donna Rose voicing her concerns about vehicles speeding and drag racing on Charles Street. Referred to the Police Department.
6. Alderman Conness submitted an e-mail from Ron Schoepfer requesting an update on the progress of filling a sink hole that is directly in front of his home on Upland Drive. Referred to the Public Works Department.
7. Alderman Johnson submitted a letter from Georgene Callies requesting the brush and small trees in front of the railroad tracks on the east side between 19<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> Avenue be cut down. Referred to the Public Works Department.
8. Alderman Johnson submitted four (4) Requests for Service. Referred to Neighborhood Standards and the Public Works Department.
9. Alderman Johnson submitted a Memorandum from Patrick Zuroske, Capital Program Manager regarding City/State Agreement Amendment for Harrison Avenue Bridges. Referred to Finance and Personnel Committee.
10. Alderman Johnson submitted a Memorandum from Jessica Ellwanger, Planner II, regarding the re-submittal of the Tentative Plat of Redington Chase. Referred to Code and Regulation Committee.

11. Alderman Johnson submitted a Memorandum from Jessica Ellwanger, Planner II, regarding the Final Plat of Kinsey's Little Farm Plat #2. Referred to Code and Regulation Committee.
12. Alderman Johnson submitted a Memorandum from Jessica Ellwanger, Planner II, regarding the Final Plat of Hutchin's Subdivision Plat #2. Referred to Code and Regulation Committee.
13. Alderman Johnson submitted a Memorandum from Jessica Ellwanger, Planner II, regarding the Final Plat of Whipple's Subdivision Plat #2. Referred to Code and Regulation Committee.
14. Alderman Johnson submitted a Request from Mark Rose, Land Acquisition Officer, requesting to vacate the North-South alley in block bounded by North Court, North Church, John and Salem Streets. Referred to Code and Regulation Committee and the Public Works Department.
15. Alderman Johnson submitted a Request from Mike DuPre, in conjunction with the Rock River Raptors Tailgate Party, requesting permission for food and liquor outdoors within a confined space at Davis Park North Lawn on April 30<sup>th</sup> and May 19<sup>th</sup>, 2007. Charitable organization is Adrenaline Fast Pitch Softball. Alderman Johnson moved to grant the prayer of petitioner, seconded by Alderman Timm. MOTION PREVAILED (Ald. Sosnowski, Mark, Wasco, Beck, McNeely absent).
16. Alderman Johnson submitted a Request from Lori Schultz, On the Waterfront, Inc., in conjunction with the Groove Walk, requesting permission for stationary "glow vendors" on the mall in front of Krypto Lounge and on the sidewalk in front of the Office NiteClub from 9:30 pm to 12:30 pm. Alderman Johnson moved to grant the prayer of petitioner, seconded by Alderman Timm. MOTION PREVAILED (Ald. Sosnowski, Mark, Wasco, Beck, McNeely absent).
17. Alderman Johnson submitted a Request from Jeffrey Schroeder, in conjunction with the Veterans Awareness and Open House at Memorial Hall, requesting barricades and permission to use City Lot WW for activities, including the helicopter landing at Memorial Hall and City Lot WW on May 12, 2007 from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm. Alderman Johnson moved to grant the prayer of petitioner, seconded by Alderman Timm. MOTION PREVAILED (Ald. Sosnowski, Mark, Wasco, Beck, McNeely absent).
18. Alderman Johnson submitted a Request from Alberto Altamore, in conjunction with the Magnolia Festival, requesting barricades and police assistance and permission to use City Lot G (west side of 1200 block of North Main) on May 12, 2007 from noon to 11:30 pm. Alderman Johnson moved to grant the prayer of petitioner, seconded by Alderman Timm. MOTION PREVAILED (Ald. Sosnowski, Mark, Wasco, Beck, McNeely absent).
19. Alderman Thompson-Kelly held up a copy of the Neighborhood News Network Calendar and suggested individuals involved in their neighborhoods get a copy for upcoming events and meetings.

20. Alderman Bell submitted a Request for Service at 944 South 3<sup>rd</sup> Street. Referred to the Police Department.
21. Alderman Bell submitted a Request for Service at 619 South 3<sup>rd</sup> Street. Referred to the Building Department.
22. Alderman Bell submitted a Request for Service at 518 Catlin Street. Referred to the Building Department.
23. Alderman Bell submitted a handbook regarding the Community Development Block Grant Funding Proposal: Fountain of Life Improving the Community Academy. Referred to the Community Development Department and the Planning and Development Committee.
24. Alderman Bell submitted a Request from Gregg E. Wilson, in conjunction with the Rockford School District Bus Rodeo, requesting barricades and permission to close Christina from 18<sup>th</sup> Avenue to Blackhawk Park Avenue (2000 block of Christina) on May 19<sup>th</sup>. Alderman Bell moved to grant the prayer of petitioner, seconded by Alderman Jacobson. (Ald. Sosnowski, Mark, Wasco, Beck, McNeely absent).

Alderman Holt exited the meeting at 6:31 pm.

25. Alderman Curran submitted a Request from Ed Hendon, Manager Leath Furniture, in conjunction with the Outdoor Tent Sale, requesting permission to erect a tent and hold an outdoor tent sale from May 3, 2007 to May 14, 2007 in an area not zoned for outdoor sales. Alderman Curran moved to grant the prayer of petitioner, seconded by Alderman Jacobson. (Ald. Sosnowski, Mark, Wasco, Holt, Beck, McNeely absent).
26. Alderman Curran submitted a Request from Von Fox, President/Owner Von's Pool Tables and Spas, requesting permission to erect a tent and hold an outdoor tent sale from May 4, 2007 to May 14, 2007 in an area not zoned for outdoor sales. Alderman Curran moved to grant the prayer of petitioner, seconded by Alderman Jacobson. (Ald. Sosnowski, Mark, Wasco, Holt, Beck, McNeely absent).
27. Alderman Conness submitted a Request from John Donovan, in conjunction with the Kentucky Derby Event, requesting permission for liquor outdoors within a confined space at Trackside, 5011 E. State Street on May 5, 2007 from 10:00 am to 7:00 pm. Alderman Conness moved to grant the prayer of petitioner, seconded by Alderman Timm. (Ald. Sosnowski, Mark, Wasco, Holt, Beck, McNeely absent).
28. Alderman Timm submitted a Request for Service at 317 Hancock. Referred to the Building Department.
29. Alderman Timm submitted a Request for Service at 1809 Camp Avenue. Referred to Neighborhood Standards.
30. Alderman Timm submitted a letter from Joseph Morrissey with concerns about the Garrison Project. Referred to Mayor Morrissey's Office and the Police Department.

31. Alderman Timm submitted two (2) letters from Linda Castree, The Kilt & Clover, requesting assistance from the Police Department concerning the criminal activity in the area of 1414 North Main Street. Referred to Mayor Morrissey's Office and the Police Department.

#### **NEW COMMITTEE REPORTS**

32. Alderman Bell read a Planning and Development Committee Report recommending that the City Council approve the Lease with Joseph James Partners, LLC. for office space for the Workforce Investment Board and related agencies at 303 North Main Street. Funding of the lease payments shall be solely from Workforce Investment funds and Intergovernmental payments. The Legal Director shall prepare the appropriate ordinance. LAID OVER.
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36. Alderman Johnson read a Code and Regulation Committee Report recommending the Legal Director be instructed to draw an Ordinance that all traffic be required to Stop prior to entering the intersection of West State Street and Kilburn Avenue. LAID OVER.
37. Alderman Johnson read a Code and Regulation Committee Report recommending the Legal Director be instructed to draw an Ordinance that traffic on 19<sup>th</sup> Avenue be required to Yield prior to entering the intersection of 23<sup>rd</sup> Street. LAID OVER.
38. Alderman Johnson read a Code and Regulation Committee Report recommending the Legal Director be instructed to draw an Ordinance that all traffic be required to Stop prior to entering the intersection of North 1<sup>st</sup> Street and Lafayette Avenue. LAID OVER.
39. Alderman Johnson read a Code and Regulation Committee Report recommending the Legal Director be instructed to draw an Ordinance that all traffic be required to Stop prior to entering the intersection of North 1<sup>st</sup> Street and Prairie Street. LAID OVER.

40. Alderman Johnson read a Code and Regulation Committee Report recommending "No Action" be taken on the following items:
  1. Request from Vicki Butt, for stop sign control at the intersection of Halsted Road and Hazel Street.
  2. Request from Virginia Oller, for stop sign control at the intersection of Brookview Road and Hawthorne Drive.
  3. Request from Alderman Johnson, 8<sup>th</sup> Ward, to repeal the existing "No Left Turn" restriction at the intersection of Broadway and Log Cabin Avenue.
  4. Request from Alderman Beach, 10<sup>th</sup> Ward, and Daniel Hartman, for stop sign control at the intersection of Jackson Street and Warren Avenue.

LAID OVER.

41. Alderman Jacobson read a Legislative Advisory and Lobbying Committee Report recommending that the Code and Regulation Committee amend Section 2-42, Rule 19(d) from "Legislative Advisory and Lobbying Committee" to "Legislative Lobbying Committee". The Legal Director shall prepare the appropriate ordinance. LAID OVER.

#### **OFFICERS REPORTS**

42. Mayor Morrissey presented a Proclamation proclaiming the week of May 6, 2007 to be "National Nurses Week" in Rockford, Illinois and urged all citizens to join in honoring the registered nurses who care for all of us.
43. Mayor Morrissey presented a Proclamation proclaiming the month of May, 2007 to be "Asthma Awareness Month" in Rockford, Illinois and urged all citizens to educate themselves about this disease and support efforts to create healthy environments for people of all ages who suffer from asthma.
44. Mayor Morrissey announced on May 15<sup>th</sup> through May 18<sup>th</sup> in conjunction with Kids Around the World and the Rockford Park District a new playground will be built and dedicated on May 25<sup>th</sup> in memory of Sandra L. Hopson at the Fairgrounds Head Start Site, located at 902 Acorn Street. Any interested volunteers please contact Kay Strand at 987-5482 or for additional information contact Mayor Morrissey's Office.
45. Mayor Morrissey mentioned the Junior League of Rockford along with Rockford School District representatives, Adam Smith, Director of Education and Life Long Learning, himself and others held a Press Conference today to announce a very exciting program to improve efforts in the education field. This program will provide college coaches in the high schools, designed to help individuals navigate the process of getting to college. He congratulated the Junior League and thanked them for their support.
46. Mayor Morrissey offered an update on lobbying in Springfield on our current effort to get our sales tax in place by July 1, 2007. He thanked the Legislative Lobbying Committee

for their help and support from the legislators in Springfield. He mentioned he would be traveling to Springfield this week and appreciates the support of the aldermen that would also be making the trip.

47. Mayor Morrissey commented on the two homicides this past weekend in the Public Housing Developments and indicated the Police Department is working with Rockford Housing Authority (RHA) to implement effective strategies with regards to security issues.
48. Alderman Bell mentioned Vicki Manson, Community Development Department, has provided a response to his request for service at 518 Catlin Street which he read in earlier in the meeting, and thanked her for her promptness.
49. Alderman Bell commented at the 5<sup>th</sup> Ward monthly meeting this past week four individuals gave positive, enthusiastic presentations about their respective organizations and thanked them for their motivation and leadership.
50. Alderman Bell announced a new park in southwest Rockford named the "Gateway Park" in the area of North Main Street and Clifton Avenue.
51. Alderman Jacobson mentioned he will be traveling to Springfield tomorrow morning with a busload of educators to bring the voice of Rockford to legislators in Springfield. Alderman Jacobson indicated there are still available seats on the bus for anyone who would like to make the trip.
52. Alderman Jacobson voiced his concern that all businesses should be held to the same compliance of the banner/sign ordinance and mentioned the City is looking to revise the zoning ordinance with regards to this issue.
53. Alderman Thompson-Kelly thanked Senator Syverson and Representative Jefferson for their assistance to pass a bill that would move the ability to collect road referendum taxes to July 1, 2007.
54. Alderman Thompson-Kelly voiced the concerns of her constituents who are fearful of random shootings in their neighborhoods after experiencing two homicides and numerous shootings this past weekend. She indicated she had a lengthy conversation with Chief Epperson and felt comfortable with the efforts he is making to ensure safety and reduce the criminal activity in those areas.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

#### **2007-162CR**

55. Alderman Johnson moved the adoption of a Code and Regulation Committee Report recommending the approval of the Final Plat of Central Park Realty Company Plat #6 Subdivision. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Curran, Bell, Jacobson, Thompson-Kelly, Johnson, Timm, Beach,  
Conness -8-

Nays: -0-  
Absent: Sosnowski, Mark, Wasco, Holt, Beck, McNeely -6-

**2007-87-O**

56. Alderman Johnson moved the adoption of an Ordinance amending Chapter 37, Section 1603, of the City of Rockford Code of Ordinances for a modification of a Special Use Permit Ordinance #2001-42-O for a Planned Mixed-Use Development consisting of an adolescent residential and outpatient addiction treatment center and school, with all associated activities, including (but not limited to) food service, schooling, recreation, job training, and occupational counseling approved on February 19, 2001 to allow for expansion of activities and services for a new building that will house fourteen (14) people and consist of a great room, dining room, kitchen, bedrooms, bathrooms, office, laundry and garage in an RE, Rural Estate District at 8031 Rote Road/1601 University Drive. Approval is subject to the following conditions:

1. Submittal of a site plan for staff review and approval.
2. Submittal of a landscaping plan for staff review and approval.
3. Connecting to existing water and sewer lines.
4. Widening the proposed driveway to City standards.
5. Meeting all applicable building and fire codes.
6. Submittal of a building elevation plan for staff review and approval.

Approval is based on the Findings of Fact (LAD 5/21/07, ZBA #012-07). MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Curran, Bell, Jacobson, Thompson-Kelly, Johnson, Timm, Beach, Conness -8-  
Nays: -0-  
Absent: Sosnowski, Mark, Wasco, Holt, Beck, McNeely -6-

**2007-88-O**

57. Alderman Johnson moved the adoption of an Ordinance amending Chapter 37, Section 1604, of the City of Rockford Code of Ordinances for a Variation to increase the maximum height of a freestanding sign from eight (8) feet to eleven (11) feet and a Variation to increase the maximum square footage for a freestanding sign from sixty-four (64) square feet to one hundred forty-one (141) square feet in a C-1, Limited Office Zoning District at 711 North Main Street.

Approval is based on the Findings of Fact (LAD 5/21/07, ZBA #013-07). MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Curran, Bell, Jacobson, Johnson, Timm, Beach, Conness, Mayor Morrissey -8-  
Nays: Thompson-Kelly -1-  
Absent: Sosnowski, Mark, Wasco, Holt, Beck, McNeely -6-

**2007-89-O**

58. Alderman Johnson moved the adoption of an Ordinance amending Chapter 37, Section 1604, of the City of Rockford Code of Ordinances for a Variation to eliminate the required perimeter landscape strip along the alley and a Variation to eliminate the four (4) foot open green space on the north and south sides in a C-4, Commercial Oldtown Zoning District at 206 North Church Street.

Approval is based on the Findings of Fact (LAD 5/21/07, ZBA #014-07). MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Curran, Bell, Jacobson, Thompson-Kelly, Johnson, Timm, Beach,  
Conness –8-  
Nays: -0-  
Absent: Sosnowski, Mark, Wasco, Holt, Beck, McNeely –6-

**2007-163CR**

59. Alderman Johnson moved the adoption of a Finance and Personnel Committee Report recommending the joint Governmental Purchasing bid on Office Supplies (bids received, evaluated and approved by Winnebago County) be made to the low bidder, Mid-City Office products, of Loves Park, Illinois for an estimated annual cost of \$150,000. The funding source is Departmental Operating Budgets. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Curran, Bell, Jacobson, Thompson-Kelly, Johnson, Timm, Beach,  
Conness -8-  
Nays: -0-  
Absent: Sosnowski, Mark, Wasco, Holt, Beck, McNeely –6-

**2007-164CR**

60. Alderman Johnson moved the adoption of a Finance and Personnel Committee Report recommending the contract for Bacteriological Testing be made to the Winnebago County Health Department for three years for an estimated annual amount of \$27,600. The funding source is Water Division Operating Budget. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Curran, Bell, Jacobson, Thompson-Kelly, Johnson, Timm, Beach,  
Conness -8-  
Nays: -0-  
Absent: Sosnowski, Mark, Wasco, Holt, Beck, McNeely –6-

**2007-90-O**

61. Alderman Bell moved the adoption of an Ordinance recommending approval of the attached Agreement for funding Southwest Ideas for Today and Tomorrow (SWIFTT) in the amount of \$50,000 – Funding Year 2007. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Curran, Bell, Jacobson, Thompson-Kelly, Johnson, Timm, Beach,  
Conness -8-  
Nays: -0-

Absent: Sosnowski, Mark, Wasco, Holt, Beck, McNeely –6-

**2007-91-O**

62. Alderman Bell moved the adoption of an Ordinance recommending approval of the attached Agreement for funding Rockford Area Affordable Housing Coalition (RAAHC) in the amount of \$20,000 – Funding Year 2007. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Curran, Bell, Jacobson, Thompson-Kelly, Johnson, Timm, Beach,  
Conness -8-

Nays: -0-

Absent: Sosnowski, Mark, Wasco, Holt, Beck, McNeely –6-

**2007-92-O**

63. Alderman Bell moved the adoption of an Ordinance recommending approval of the attached Agreement for funding for the Regional Access Mobilization Project (RAMP) in the amount of \$30,000 – Funding Year 2007. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Curran, Bell, Jacobson, Thompson-Kelly, Johnson, Timm, Beach,  
Conness -8-

Nays: -0-

Absent: Sosnowski, Mark, Wasco, Holt, Beck, McNeely –6-

**MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS**

**2007-50R**

64. Alderman Bell, on behalf of the City Council, moved the adoption of a Resolution that the City Council of the City of Rockford hereby objects to the Village of Pecatonica, Illinois taking any action to annex property within Boone County, Illinois without the consent to the majority of the Boone County Board. The Legal Department is instructed to file this resolution with the Village Clerk of Pecatonica, Illinois and otherwise as required by law. MOTION PREVAILED (Ald. Sosnowski, Mark, Wasco, Holt, Beck, McNeely absent).

**2007-51R**

65. Alderman Johnson, on behalf of the Code and Regulation Committee, moved the adoption of a Resolution requesting approval for a liquor permit for consumption of liquor outdoors on public property ("SP license) in conjunction with the Magnolia Fest on May 12, 2007. MOTION PREVAILED (Ald. Sosnowski, Mark, Wasco, Holt, Beck, McNeely absent).

**NEW BUSINESS**

66. Alderman Bell introduced and read an Ordinance recommending approval of the attached Development Agreement between the Abilities Center and the City of Rockford providing assistance in the amount of \$2,500.00 per job for up to 10 full-time permanent jobs to be created, at least 51% of which will be filled by low-to-moderate income persons. LAID OVER.

67. Alderman Bell introduced and read an Ordinance recommending approval of the attached Development Agreement between the City of Rockford and Community Collaboration, Inc. Funding source the General Fund. LAID OVER.
68. Alderman Johnson introduced and read an Ordinance amending Chapter 37, Section 1604, of the City of Rockford Code of Ordinances for a Variation to increase the height of a freestanding sign from the allowable eight (8) feet to thirteen (13) feet in a C-1, Commercial Limited Office Zoning District at 921 West State Street.  
  
Approval is based on the Findings of Fact (LAD 5/21/07, ZBA #010-07). LAID OVER.
69. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the meeting was adjourned at 7:08 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, 2<sup>ND</sup> floor City Hall**  
**425 E. State Street, Rockford**  
**May 7, 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 APRIL 30, 2007**

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## **II. ORDINANCES LAID OVER APRIL 30, 2007**

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**III. MISCELLANEOUS HELD OUT APRIL 30, 2007**

- 1.\* Mayor Morrissey – Re-appointment – Rockford Mass Transit District Board, Venita Hervey, to a four (4) year term, which would expire February 2011. (Pursuant to Rule 18, this appointment will be up for passage on May 21, 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, May 7, 2007, 4:45 p.m.  
CD Conference Room, City Hall 2<sup>nd</sup> floor  
AGENDA**

1. C & R 07-81 Kinsey’s Little Farm Plat #2
2. C & R 07-82 Re-Submittal of this Tentative Plat of Redington Chase
3. C & R 07-86 Whipple’s Subdivision Plat #2
4. C & R 07-87 Hutchin’s Subdivision Plat #2
5. C & R 07-84 Claim of Al Bell in the amount of \$154.39
6. C & R 06-243 On The Waterfront Open Seal Ordinance Renewal

7. C & R 07-85 Resolution from Ald. Curran for City Council to revisit the ordinance governing layovers of committee reports by two (2) aldermen

**FINANCE AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE**

**Monday, May 7, 2007, 5:00 p.m.**

**Conference Room B, City Hall 2<sup>nd</sup> floor (south room)**

**AGENDA**

1. Purchasing and Vouchers
  - A. Rejection of Proposals: FMLA Management
  - B. Award of Bid: Geotechnical Services (Laid over 4/23) – Suspend rules
  - C. Award of Bid: Radiological Testing Services (Laid over 4/23)
  - D. Award of Bid: Rental of Traffic Control Devices – Suspend rules
  - E. Award of Bid: Symbols Building Wall – Suspend rules
  - F. Award of Bid: Auctioneering Services
  - G. Engineering Agreement for Water System Rehabilitation Project: Task Orders 1, 6, 8, 9, 13 & 14
  - H. Resolution for Improvement Under Illinois Highway Code – Harrison Avenue Bridges over UPRR & CNIC
  - I. Resolution to take Bids/Proposals
  - J. Emergency P.O. Backhoe Repairs
  - K. Vouchers
    - √ Training/Travel for Human Services Department
2. City/State Agreement Amendment: Harrison Avenue Bridges
3. CIP Project Update

**PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE**

**Monday, May 7, 2007, 5:00 p.m.**

**Conference Room A, City Hall 2<sup>nd</sup> floor (north room)**

**AGENDA**

1. City of Rockford 2007 Community Development Block Grant Funding Proposal: Fountain of Life Improving the Community Academy Job Ready Program.

**LEGISLATIVE ADVISORY AND LOBBYING COMMITTEE**

**Tuesday, May 22, 2007, 7:30 a.m.**

**Conference Room A, City Hall 2<sup>nd</sup> floor (north room)**

**AGENDA**

Next meeting scheduled for Tuesday, May 22, 2007.