

**CITY COUNCIL, CITY OF ROCKFORD
JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS
JULY 13, 2009
COUNCIL CONVENED AT 6:07 P.M.**

1. The invocation was given by Pastor Bill Gerber, Gericho Project/Police Chaplain and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by City Council Page Shanice Smith.
2. Roll Call:

Mayor Lawrence J. Morrissey

Aldermen: Sosnowski, Curran, Mark, Wasco, Hervey, Thompson-Kelly, Johnson, Timm, Beach, Elyea, Beck, McNeely, Robertson -13-
Absent: Jacobson -1-
3. Alderman Mark moved to accept the Journal of Proceedings of July 6, 2009, seconded by Alderman Wasco. MOTION PREVAILED (Ald. Jacobson absent).

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

4. Daniel Nelson thanked Mayor Morrissey and Aldermen for supporting downtown venues.
5. Bruce Roberts again urged the Council to hire more police officers.
6. Gwen Lashock offered her support of the Metro Centre, again urging the council to insist on a detailed budget and to hold the Metro Centre accountable for monies spent specifically the last three (3) years.
7. Charles Whitmore spoke on behalf of Local 217 (IATSE) membership, implored the council to restore funding from the Redevelopment Fund that was intended to support the Metro Centre.
8. Kim Wheeler-Johnsen emphasized the positive impact the Metro Centre has on downtown businesses and that sufficient funding is available to support the Metro Centre and other venues.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

9. Alderman Sosnowski submitted a Memorandum from Richard M. May, Commercial Development Coordinator, regarding a Redevelopment Agreement with JMZ Properties, L.L.C. for TIF funding to rehabilitate three commercial storefronts and six residential apartments at 317-325 West Jefferson Street. Referred to Planning and Development Committee.
10. Alderman Wasco submitted a Memorandum from Patrick Zuroske, Capital Program Manager, regarding City-State Agreement: ARRA Riverside Blvd. Referred to Finance and Personnel Committee.

11. Alderman Wasco submitted a Memorandum from Patrick Zuroske, Capital Program Manager regarding City-State Agreement: ARRA-Alpine Rd, Morgan Street & Rockton Avenue. Referred to Finance and Personnel Committee.
12. Alderman Wasco opened a bid for Sale of Property at 1209 South Court St. from Fidencio Belmontes in the amount of \$300.00. Referred to Purchasing and Legal Departments.
13. Alderman Wasco opened a bid for Sale of Property at 2623 Mulberry from Doris Powell in the amount of \$401.00. Referred to Purchasing and Legal Departments.
14. Alderman Wasco submitted a Memorandum from Joanne Lewis, Director of Head Start, regarding Rockford Day Nursery Agreement. Referred to Finance and Personnel Committee.
15. Alderman Johnson submitted nine (9) Requests for Service. Referred to Community Development/Code Enforcement, Police Department and Public Works Department.
16. Alderman Johnson submitted an e-mail from Cindy Maschke concerning the City's budget crisis. Referred to the Finance Department.
17. Alderman Beach submitted the Traffic Commission Minutes from the meeting held on July 8, 2009. Referred to Code and Regulation Committee.
18. Alderman Mark submitted a Notice of Violation for tall grass/weeds for review. Referred to Community Development/Code Enforcement
- 18a. Alderman Mark submitted an e-mail from Dena Campoli requesting permission for a 25th Anniversary event at Pampered Pet Grooming & Do-It-Yourself Dog Wash "Rescue Awareness Day" on Saturday, August 1, 2009 from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm. Referred to Mayor's Office/Special Events – Julia Valdez.
- 18b. Alderman Mark submitted three (3) Requests for Service. Referred to Community Development/Code Enforcement and Police Department.
19. Alderman Mark submitted a request from Mark Thompson, in conjunction with Boulas Legacy Benefit, requesting permission for the benefit with an "S" license on Sunday, July 19, 2009 from 11:00 am to 11:00 pm. at Davis Park/North Lawn. Alderman Mark moved to grant the Prayer of the Petitioner, seconded by Alderman Curran. MOTION PREVAILED (Ald. Jacobson absent).
20. Alderman Hervey submitted two (2) Requests for Service. Referred to Community Development/Code Enforcement and Public Works Department.
21. Alderman Hervey submitted a request from Dan Kaworowski, Margaret Borowski and Robert Fatela, in conjunction with St. Stanislaus Polish Fest 2009, requesting barricades for detours and street closures of Magnolia from Buckbee to 15th Ave., Short Broadway

from Seminary to Christina and (2) alleys between Buckbee and Short Broadway and "S" license for outdoor liquor within a confined space on August 16, 2009 from 11:00 am to 8:30 pm. at 201 Buckbee Street. Alderman Hervey moved to grant the Prayer of the Petitioner, seconded by Alderman Mark. MOTION PREVAILED (Ald. Jacobson absent).

NEW COMMITTEE REPORTS

2009-306CR

22. Alderman Wasco read a Finance and Personnel Committee Report recommending the award for Day Avenue Reconstruction be made to the low bidder, Schlichting & Sons, of Rockford, Illinois for their total bid of \$323,700.00. The funding source is Sales Tax.

Alderman Wasco moved to suspend Rule 11, seconded by Alderman Beach. MOTION PREVAILED (Ald. Jacobson absent; Ald. McNeely voted no). The Committee Report was placed on passage. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

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

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Alderman Wasco moved to suspend Rule 11, seconded by Alderman Beach. MOTION PREVAILED (Ald. Jacobson absent; Ald. McNeely voted no).

Alderman Curran made a motion to lay the committee report over, seconded by Alderman McNeely.

2009-307CR

24. Alderman Wasco read a Finance and Personnel Committee Report recommending an Engineering Agreement: Biennial Bridge Inspection 2009 and award be made to Smith Engineering Consultants Group (SEC) for a total not to exceed cost of \$106,168.26. The funding for this project will come from the Motor Fuel Tax (MFT) Funds.

Alderman Wasco moved to suspend Rule 11, seconded by Alderman Beach. MOTION PREVAILED (Ald. Jacobson absent; Ald. McNeely voted no). The Committee Report was placed on passage. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

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

25. Alderman Wasco read a Finance and Personnel Committee Report recommending the approval of vouchers for the week of July 13, 2009 in the amount of \$3,446,374.07. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

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

26. Alderman Beach read a Code and Regulation Committee Report recommending that City Council APPROVE the sale of 925 Maple Street for a minimum bid of \$800.00 which includes advertising. The Legal Director shall prepare the appropriate Ordinance. LAID OVER.
27. Alderman Beach read a Code and Regulation Committee Report recommending that City Council APPROVE the sale of 914 Maple Street for a minimum bid of \$325.00, which includes advertising. The Legal Director shall prepare the appropriate Ordinance. LAID OVER.
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31. Alderman Beach read a Code and Regulation Committee Report recommending that the City Council take NO ACTION on the request to amend the Code of Ordinances relating to apiaries in the City of Rockford. LAID OVER.
32. Alderman Beach read a Code and Regulation Committee Report recommending the APPROVAL of the annexation of 1211 North Johnston Avenue. The Legal Director shall prepare the appropriate Ordinance. LAID OVER.

2009-308CR

33. Alderman Beach read a Code and Regulation Committee Report SUSTAINING the Zoning Board of Appeals, thereby recommending that City Council DENY the Variation to increase the total allowable floor area of a detached accessory building from 720 square feet to 1,100 square feet and to APPROVE a Variation to increase the total allowable floor area of a detached accessory building from 720 square feet to 968 square feet in an R-1, Single-

family Residential Zoning District at 3301 New England Drive. Approval is subject to the following conditions:

1. A building permit must be obtained prior to construction of the accessory addition.
2. The accessory addition must match the existing garage elevation.
3. The additional property shall be combined prior to issuance of building permit.

Denial/Approval is based on the Findings of Fact. The Legal Director is hereby instructed to prepare the necessary Ordinance.

Alderman Beach moved to suspend Rule 11, seconded by Alderman Timm. MOTION PREVAILED (Ald. Jacobson absent; Ald. Mark voted no). The Committee Report was placed on passage. MOTION PREVAILED (Ald. Jacobson absent; Ald. Mark voted no).

2009-309CR

34. Alderman Beach read a Code and Regulation Committee Report recommending the APPROVAL of the annexation of 3301 New England Drive. The Legal Director shall prepare the appropriate Ordinance.

Alderman Beach moved to suspend Rule 11, seconded by Alderman Timm. MOTION PREVAILED (Ald. Jacobson absent; Ald. Mark voted no). The Committee Report was placed on passage. MOTION PREVAILED (Ald. Jacobson absent; Ald. Mark voted no).

35. Alderman Sosnowski read a Planning and Development Committee Report recommending approval of the proposal of William Charles Real Estate Investment LLC. of \$295,601.00 be accepted on the terms set forth in the proposal. The Legal Director shall prepare the appropriate documents to complete the transaction. LAID OVER.

OFFICERS REPORTS

36. Mayor Morrissey submitted an Appointment to the Mechanical Board, Mr. Domenic Alfano, to serve out Mr. Bob Hastings's term who resigned, term would expire June 2010. LAID OVER.
37. Mayor Morrissey submitted an Appointment to the Electrical Commission, Mr. Charles Laskonis, to a three (3) year term which would expire in 2012. He is replacing Todd Crull, whose term expired in 2009. LAID OVER.
38. Mayor Morrissey announced the Citizens Utility Board (CUB) and co-sponsor State Rep. Chuck Jefferson will host a Town Hall Meeting on Tuesday, July 14, 2009 at 7:00 pm at the Rockford Public Library/Main Branch, 215 South Wyman Street.
39. Mayor Morrissey announced he will be the keynote speaker at the Illinois Network of Charter Schools (INC) Luncheon on Tuesday, July 14, 2009 from 12:00 (noon) – 2:00 pm at the Joliet Historical Museum, 204 N. Ottawa, Joliet, Illinois.

40. Mayor Morrissey thanked Aldermen Wasco, Beach and all that participated for all their hard work to prepare an agreement for funding between the City of Rockford and Metro Centre Authority which will be up for passage tonight.
41. Mayor Morrissey thanked Governor Pat Quinn for signing a series of bills that make up the State Capital Plan and commended state leadership for their support of Rockford. A number of projects are contained in the State Capital Plan and City staff expects to meet with IDOT representatives in a few weeks.
42. Mayor Morrissey thanked Alderman Mark for attending the Press Conference last week regarding the rail initiative. He mentioned in the Capital Plan approximately 150 million dollars has been allocated for Amtrak expansion. He encouraged all to actively continue to prompt Rockford as a part of the Blackhawk route.
43. Mayor Morrissey expressed his condolences and prayers to the family of Reynato and Leticia Cardino, victims of a double-homicide that occurred in the City last week. He reported Leticia was a retired City employee, having worked in the Building Department for 15 years.
44. Mayor Morrissey thanked Council members for their proactive, positive ideas and recommendations about how to continue to improve public safety and thanked Chief Epperson and his staff for their efforts.
45. Mayor Morrissey invited a motion to go into closed session to discuss labor negotiations at the end of tonight's meeting.
46. Alderman Timm announced Huffman Blvd. was completed today with the addition of landscaping.
47. Alderman Timm commended the Public Works employees for an outstanding job replacing sidewalks, curbs and entries into driveways on Auburn Street.
48. Alderman Timm announced on July 26, 2009 is the Aldersgate Church Corn boil and thanked Dave Camacho, Public Works Department, for assuring him the street project on Rockton Ave. near Wesley Willows would be complete.
- 48a. Alderman Timm lauded Dave Camacho, Public Works Department, for an outstanding effort on all three of these street projects.
49. Alderman Mark thanked the several city and regional officials that attended the Press Conference announcing the return of the Blackhawk Express to Northern Illinois and displayed the Petition that was signed by those officials. He thanked Senator Durbin and Rep. Manzullo for their efforts to bring this to fruition. He passed around a petition and asked for support from council members and city staff and advised individuals wishing to support the rail effort can log onto www.ringrail.com and sign the petition.

50. Alderman Johnson reminded her constituents the Rolling Green Neighborhood Association quarterly meeting will be held on Tuesday, July 14, 2009 at 6:20 pm at Broadway Covenant Church on Broadway, 3523 Broadway.
51. Alderman Johnson congratulated the organizers of the Rockford Pro Am for another successful event, the longest free-standing Pro Am in history. She commented she would like to see the "Rockford Pro Am" in Rockford.
52. Alderman Johnson offered prayers and condolences to the family of Reynato and Leticia Cardino, victim's of a double-homicide who lived in her ward. She thanked the Rockford Police and Fire Departments and State's Attorney's Office for the time and attention spent on this investigation. She announced she will be meeting with neighbors on Wednesday, July 15th at 6:30 pm at Heartland Church.
53. Alderman Thompson-Kelly requested Jim Ryan, City Administrator, contact her concerning the Memorandum from Patrick Zuroske, regarding the West State Street Corridor project going out for consultants. Referred to Mayor Morrissey's Office/Jim Ryan.
54. Alderman Sosnowski announced he will be participating in the Burprey Art Museum's fundraiser (Dancing with the Diva's Dance-off) this Saturday, July 18th at 6:00 pm. He encouraged those who are unable to attend the event to vote "on-line" at the *Rockford Register Star* website.
55. Alderman McNeely offered prayers to the family of Reynato and Leticia Cardino's for their loss.
56. Alderman McNeely thanked Channel 17 reporter Alex Shabad for an excellent news story reporting her concerns with several vacant lots, weeds and abandoned buildings in her ward. She requested Legal Director, Patrick Hayes, contact her regarding the County or its agent's responsibility to maintaining that property.
57. Alderman McNeely made a reminder the 13th Ward monthly meeting will be held this week at Ellis School at 6:00 pm. She encouraged her constituents to attend.
58. Alderman McNeely requested information regarding the cost of police support at the Wing Ding event and asked if the City of Rockford was reimbursed by Maverick Media.
- 58a. Mayor Morrissey advised Maverick Media was billed for those services and the City was reimbursed. A break down of City services and costs will be available at the next council meeting.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

2009-310CR

59. Alderman Beach moved the adoption of a Code and Regulation Committee Report SUSTAINING the Zoning Board of Appeals, thereby recommending that City Council

APPROVE a Variation to increase the number of allowable wall signage from two (2) to four (4) in a C-3, General Commercial Zoning District at 7651 Walton Street.

Approval is based on the Findings of Fact. The Legal Director shall prepare the appropriate Ordinance. MOTION PREVAILED (Ald. Jacobson absent).

2009-311CR

60. Alderman Beach moved the adoption of a Code and Regulation Committee Report SUSTAINING the Zoning Board of Appeals, thereby recommending that City Council APPROVE the Zoning Map Amendment from R-1, Single-Family Residential District to C-3, General Commercial District and APPROVE the Variation to reduce the required parking spaces from four (4) to three (3) parking spaces for a Child Care Facility in a C-3, General Commercial District at 119 South Central Avenue. Approval is subject to the following conditions:

1. Meeting all applicable Building and Fire Codes.

Approval is based on the Findings of Fact. The Legal Director shall prepare the appropriate Ordinance. MOTION PREVAILED (Ald. Jacobson absent).

2009-312CR

61. Alderman Beach moved the adoption of a Code and Regulation Committee Report SUSTAINING the Zoning Board of Appeals, thereby recommending that City Council APPROVE the Special Use Permit for a Planned Unit Development to consist of manufacturing and grinding of machine parts, storage, and to allow the installation of up to one (1) wind turbine on the south side of the building as a permitted obstruction in an I-1, Light Industrial Zoning District at 2400 11th Street. Approval is subject to the following conditions:

1. Meeting all applicable Building and Fire Codes.
2. Final building elevations for Staff's review and approval.

Approval is based on the Findings of Fact. The Legal Director shall prepare the appropriate Ordinance. MOTION PREVAILED (Ald. Jacobson absent)

62. Alderman Beach moved the adoption of a Code and Regulation Committee Report recommending the approval of the amendments to Rules 7, 17 and 19 and the temporary repeal of Rule 20 contained within Chapter 2, Section 2-31 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Rockford, Rule 20 shall be immediately reinstated upon passage of the ordinance amending Rules 7, 17 and 19 of the aforementioned Code section. REFERRED BACK TO COMMITTEE.

Alderman Hervey made a motion to refer the item back to the Code and Regulation Committee, seconded by Alderman McNeely.

2009-313CR

63. Alderman Wasco moved the adoption of a Finance and Personnel Committee Report regarding the Rockford Metro Centre Financial and Operational Performance of the City

Metro Ad Hoc Committee recommending approval of the recommendations contained in the Report. The Legal Director shall prepare an Amended Funding Agreement for the next three fiscal years of the Authority in accordance with the recommendations and an appropriate ordinance.

Alderman Sosnowski made a motion to amend item 1.4 in the agreement within the committee report to add "existing overhead expenses within 120 days at the term of this agreement to reach a minimum of \$200,000 in additional revenue enhancement", motion failed for lack of a second.

The Committee Report was placed on passage. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Curran, Wasco, Hervey, Johnson, Elyea, Beck, Robertson -7-
Nays: Sosnowski, Thompson-Kelly, Timm, Beach, McNeely -5-
Abstain: Mark -1-
Absent: Jacobson -1-

64. Alderman Wasco moved for the adoption of a Re-appointment to the Library Board, Mr. Jeffrey Glass to a three (3) year term ending June 2012. MOTION PREVAILED (Ald. Jacobson absent, Ald. McNeely voted no).
65. Alderman Wasco moved for the adoption of a Re-appointment to the Library Board, Mr. John Brien to a three (3) year term ending June 2010. MOTION PREVAILED (Ald. Jacobson absent, Ald. McNeely voted no).
66. Alderman Wasco moved for the adoption of a Re-appointment to the Library Board, Mr. Paul Logli to a three (3) year term ending June 2010. MOTION PREVAILED (Ald. Jacobson absent, Ald. McNeely voted no).
67. Alderman Wasco moved for the adoption of an Appointment to the Library Board, Mr. Don Thayer to a three (3) year term ending June 2012. MOTION PREVAILED (Ald. Jacobson absent, Ald. McNeely voted no).
68. Alderman Wasco moved for the adoption of an Appointment to the Library Board, Mr. Ovester Armstrong to a three (3) year term ending June 2010. HELD OUT.
69. Alderman Wasco moved for the adoption of an Appointment to the Zoning Board of Appeals, Mr. Marvin Brown, Sr. to a five (5) year term ending June 2014. Mr. Brown is replacing Ms. Alice Howard who resigned in July 2008. HELD OUT.
70. Alderman Wasco moved for the adoption of an Appointment to the Fair Housing Board, Ms. Bevlyn Weston to a three (3) year term ending May 2012. MOTION PREVAILED (Ald. Jacobson absent, Ald. McNeely voted no).
71. Alderman Wasco moved for the adoption of an Appointment to the Rockford Housing Authority, Ms. Alice Jenkins to a five (5) year term ending July 2013. MOTION PREVAILED (Ald. Jacobson absent, Ald. McNeely voted no).

72. Alderman Wasco moved for the adoption of a Re-appointment to the Fair Housing Board; Monica DeLeon, to a three year term ending May 2012. MOTION PREVAILED (Ald. Jacobson absent, Ald. McNeely voted no).

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS

2009-077R

73. Alderman Beach, on behalf of the Code and Regulation Committee, moved for the adoption of a Resolution to approve the request for a liquor permit for consumption of liquor outdoors on public property ("SP" license) in conjunction with the On The Waterfront Festival on September 3-6, 2009. MOTION PREVAILED (Ald. Jacobson absent).

2009-078R

74. Alderman Wasco, on behalf of the Finance and Personnel Committee, moved the adoption of a Resolution requesting Council authorization for use of Motor Fuel Tax funds: Biennial Bridge Inspection in the amount of \$115,000.00. MOTION PREVAILED (Ald. Jacobson absent).

2009-079R

75. Alderman Wasco, 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: Water Treatment Chemicals, funding source: Water Division Operating Budget
 - B. RFP: Homeless Prevention & Rapid Re-housing Program (HPRP), funding source: HUD Grant Funding
 - C. RFQ: Biennial Request for Qualifications, no funding source needed

MOTION PREVAILED (Ald. Jacobson absent).

OFFICERS REPORTS

76. Alderman Wasco announced the Democratic Caucus will be meeting at the Capri Restaurant after tonight's meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

77. Alderman Beach introduced and read an Ordinance amending Chapter 16, Section 292, of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Rockford, Illinois to add the following:

All westbound traffic from Fisher Avenue be required to Stop prior to entering the intersection with Haskell Avenue.

L Aid Over.

78. Alderman Beach introduced and read an Ordinance amending Chapter 16, Section 285, of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Rockford, Illinois to add the following:

"Two Hour Parking" on the south side of Cedar Street from Church Street to Winnebago Street.

LAID OVER.

79. Alderman Beach introduced and read an Ordinance amending Chapter 16, Section 280, of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Rockford, Illinois to add the following:

The previous time limit of Monday through Saturday, 8:00 am to 5:00 pm on the "Commercial Loading Zone" on the north side of Elm Street from Main Street to 30 feet west of Wyman Street, to Monday through Friday, 8:00 am to 3:00 pm, thus repealing the previous time limit.

LAID OVER.

80. Alderman Beach introduced and read an Ordinance amending Chapter 16, Section 291, of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Rockford, Illinois to add the following:

That traffic on 8th Avenue be required to Stop prior to entering the intersection of 15th Street.

LAID OVER.

81. Alderman Beach introduced and read an Ordinance amending Chapter 16, Section 294, of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Rockford, Illinois to add the following:

"One-Way" traffic operation for west bound traffic on Fisher Avenue from 320 feet to 450 feet west of Court Street.

LAID OVER.

82. Alderman Beach introduced and read an Ordinance amending Chapter 16, Section 280, of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Rockford, Illinois to repeal the following:

"No Parking Anytime" restrictions on the west side of 9th Street from 33 feet to 66 feet north of Broadway.

LAID OVER.

83. Alderman Beach introduced and read an Ordinance for the annexation of property commonly known as **524 South Pierpont**. LAID OVER.

2009-120-O

84. Alderman Beach introduced and read an Ordinance pursuant to Article 64 of the Zoning Ordinances of the City of Rockford for a Variation to increase the total allowable floor area of a detached accessory building from 720 square feet to 968 square feet in an R-1, Single-

Family Residential Zoning District at 3301 New England Drive. Approval is subject to the following conditions:

1. A building permit must be obtained prior to construction of the accessory addition.
2. The accessory addition must match the existing garage elevation.
3. The additional property shall be combined prior to issuance of a building permit.

Alderman Beach moved to suspend Rule 11, seconded by Alderman McNeely. MOTION PREVAILED (Ald. Jacobson absent; Ald. McNeely voted no). The Ordinance was placed on passage. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

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

2009-121-O

85. Alderman Beach introduced and read an Ordinance for the annexation of property commonly known as **3301 New England Drive**.

Alderman Beach moved to suspend Rule 11, seconded by Alderman McNeely. MOTION PREVAILED (Ald. Jacobson absent; Ald. McNeely voted no). The Ordinance was placed on passage. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

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

2009-122-O

86. Alderman Wasco introduced and read an Ordinance authorizing the Mayor and Legal Director to execute and attest the attached Agreement for Funding of the Metro Authority (2009-2012) by and between the City of Rockford and the Rockford Metropolitan Exposition Auditorium and Office Building Authority, a unit of local government.

Alderman Wasco moved to suspend Rule 11, seconded by Alderman Beck. MOTION PREVAILED (Ald. Jacobson absent; Ald. McNeely voted no). MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Curran, Wasco, Hervey, Thompson-Kelly, Johnson, Elyea, Beck, Robertson -8-
Nays: Sosnowski, Timm, Beach, McNeely -4-
Abstain: Mark -1-
Absent: Jacobson -1-

87. Alderman Wasco made a motion to go into closed session to discuss labor negotiations and review of closed session minutes, seconded by Alderman Mark. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

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

The meeting went into closed session at 7:47 pm.

The meeting returned to open session at 8:28 pm and found the following aldermen present:

Aldermen Curran, Mark, Wasco, Hervey, Thompson-Kelly, Johnson, Timm, Beach, Elyea, Robertson -10-

88. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the meeting was adjourned at 8:28 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
July 20, 2009
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 JULY 13, 2009

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II. ORDINANCES LAID OVER JULY 13, 2009

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6. Beach - Ordinance - Amending Chapter 16, Section 280, of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Rockford, Illinois to repeal the following:

“No Parking Anytime” restrictions on the west side of 9th Street from 33 feet to 66 feet north of Broadway.

7. Beach - Ordinance - For the annexation of property commonly known as **524 South Pierpont**.

III. MISCELLANEOUS

A. LAID OVER APPOINTMENTS JULY 13, 2009

1. Mayor Morrissey - Appointment - Mechanical Board, Mr. Domenic Alfano, to serve out Mr. Bob Hastings’s term who resigned, term would expire June 2010. (Pursuant to Rule 18, this appointment is up for passage on August 17, 2009).
2. Mayor Morrissey - Appointment - Electrical Commission, Mr. Charles Laskonis, to a three (3) year term which would expire in 2012. He is replacing Todd Crull, whose term expired in 2009. (Pursuant to Rule 18, this appointment is up for passage on August 17, 2009).

B. HELD OUT APPOINTMENTS JULY 13, 2009

- 1.* Mayor Morrissey - Re-appointment - Board of Fire and Police Commission, Mr. Gary Caruana for a three (3) year term which would expire June 2012. (Pursuant to Rule 18, this appointment is up for passage on July 27, 2009)
- 2.* Mayor Morrissey - Re-appointment - Electrical Commission; Mr. Michael Bonavia to a three (3) year term which would expire June 2012. (Pursuant to Rule 18, this appointment is up for passage on July 27, 2009)
- 3.* Mayor Morrissey – Re-appointment – Electrical Commission, Mr. Lowell Larson to a three (3) year term which would expire June 2012. (Pursuant to Rule 18, this appointment is up for passage on July 27, 2009)
- 4.* Mayor Morrissey – Re-appointment - Electrical Commission, Mr. Todd Crull to a three (3) year term which would expire June 2012. (Pursuant to Rule 18, this appointment is up for passage on July 27, 2009)
- 5.* Mayor Morrissey – Re-appointment – Electrical Commission, Mr. Frank Schmitt to a three (3) year term which would expire June 2012. (Pursuant to Rule 18, this appointment is up for passage on July 27, 2009)
- 6.* Mayor Morrissey submitted a Re-appointment to the Fair Housing Board, Ms. Patricia Kiddell to a three (3) year term which would expire June 2012. (Pursuant to Rule 18, this appointment is up for passage on July 27, 2009)

- 7.* Mayor Morrissey - Re-appointment - Mechanical Board, Mr. Dave Hendrix (Refrigeration) to a three (3) year term which would expire June 2012. (Pursuant to Rule 18, this appointment is up for passage on July 27, 2009)
- 8.* Mayor Morrissey – Re-appointment – Mechanical Board, Mr. Brad Glidden (Mechanical Rep.) to a two (2) year term which would expire June 2011. (Pursuant to Rule 18, this appointment is up for passage on July 27, 2009)
- 9.* Mayor Morrissey - Re-appointment - Police Pension Board, Ms. Marcia L. Mueller to a two (2) year term which would expire June 2011. (Pursuant to Rule 18, this appointment is up for passage on July 27, 2009)

IV. MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS

- 1. Closed Session Minutes of the City Council of Rockford be open to the public, pursuant to Section 2.06 of the Open Meetings Act.

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. Beach – Ordinance – APPROVE a Variation at 7651 Walton Street.
- 2. Beach – Ordinance – APPROVE a Zoning Map Amendment and APPROVE a Variation at 119 South Central Avenue.
- 3. Beach – Ordinance - APPROVE a Special Use Permit at 2400 11th Street.

* 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, July 20, 2009, 5:00 p.m.

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

AGENDA

- 1. C & R 09-102 Final Plat of Trainer Hills #6

2. C & R 09-103 July Traffic Commission Minutes
3. C & R 09-83 Rewrite City Ordinances to allow City of Rockford caucuses to appoint membership and Chairs of Committees
4. C & R 09-105 Review of Closed Session Minutes
5. C & R 09-106 Closed Session for Purposes of Pending Litigation

FINANCE AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

Monday, July 20, 2009, 5:00 p.m.

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

AGENDA

1. Purchasing and Vouchers
 - A. No Bid Award: Wyman Street 2-Way – Suspend rules
 - B. Award of Bid: Fire Hydrant Painting – Suspend rules
 - C. Award of Bid: (2) Ford Escape Hybrids for Human Services – Suspend rules
 - D. Award of Bid: Backhoe – Suspend rules
 - E. Award of Bid: Bird, Curtis & Holland Street Reconstruction – Suspend rules
 - F. Award of Bid: Curb & Gutter 2009 (Maintenance) – Suspend rules
 - G. Award of Bid: Sale of Property – 1209 S. Court Street
 - H. Award of Bid: Sale of Property – 26223 Mulberry Street
 - I. Rejection of Bids: Hydraulic Hammer
 - J. Change Order #6: Water System Rehabilitation Project Group 1B (Info only)
 - K. Resolution to take Bids/Proposals
 - L. Vouchers
2. City-State Agreement: ARRA Riverside Boulevard – Suspend rules
3. City-State Agreement: ARRA Alpine Road, Morgan Street & Rockton Avenue – Suspend rules
4. Rockford Day Nursery Agreement

5. Review of Closed Session Minutes
6. Financial Discussion
7. 2nd Quarter Investment Report

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

**Monday, July 20, 2009, 5:30 p.m.
CD Conference Room, City Hall 2nd floor
AGENDA**

1. Memorandum from Richard M. May, Commercial Development Coordinator, regarding a Redevelopment Agreement with JMZ Properties, L.L.C. for TIF funding to rehabilitate three commercial storefronts and six residential apartments at 317-325 West Jefferson Street.

LEGISLATIVE LOBBYING COMMITTEE

**Monday, August 3, 2009, 4:00 p.m.
Conference Room A, City Hall 2nd floor (north room)
AGENDA**

Next meeting scheduled for August 3, 2009