

: OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS :**: OF THE CITY OF PEORIA, ILLINOIS :**

Council Chambers, Peoria, Illinois, July 8, 2003, a Regular Meeting of the City Council was held this date at 6:18 P.M., at City Hall, Council Chambers, 419 Fulton Street, Mayor David P. Ransburg presiding.

ROLL CALL

Roll call showed the following Council Members present: Ardis, Grayeb, Gulley, Morris, Nichting, Sandberg, Spears, Teplitz, Thetford, Turner, Mayor Ransburg – 11; Absent: None.

INVOCATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Ransburg requested a moment of silent prayer, then he and members of Boy Scout Troops #140 and #88 led the Pledge of Allegiance.

WELCOME OF ILLINOIS MUNICIPAL LEAGUE OFFICIAL

Mayor Ransburg welcomed Mr. Larry Frank of the Illinois Municipal League who was in attendance at the Council Meeting.

PROCLAMATIONS, COMMENDATIONS, ETC.

PROCLAMATION: LUTHERAN HOUR MINISTRIES DAYS – JULY 17-20, 2003

MINUTES

Council Member Nichting moved to approve the minutes of the Executive Session on June 28, 2003, and the Joint City Council and Town Board Meeting held on July 1, 2003, as printed; seconded by Council Member Turner.

Approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Ardis, Grayeb, Gulley, Morris, Nichting, Sandberg, Spears, Teplitz, Thetford, Turner, Mayor Ransburg-11;

Nays: None.

PETITIONS, REMONSTRANCES & COMMUNICATIONS

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS BY OMNIBUS VOTE, for City of Peoria, with Recommendations as Outlined:

- (03-378) NOTICE OF LAWSUIT on Behalf of GLORIA J. ROSS Regarding an Incident on June 10, 2002, with Recommendation to Receive and File and Refer to the Legal Department.**
- (03-379) BID for PEST CONTROL, Recommending to Enter into a Three-Year Contract with the Low Bidder AMERICAN PEST CONTROL, in the Amount of \$4,500.00 for 2003 and 2004, with an Increase to \$4,740.00 for 2005.**
- (03-380) BID for SINR CONTRACT #22: Improvements on WISCONSIN, NEBRASKA, NEW YORK, and PENNSYLVANIA, Recommending the Low Bid of RAIL CITY CONSTRUCTION, in the Amount of \$102,051.57.**

- (03-381) * Communication from Director of Public Works Requesting Approval of Right-of-Way Usage for TWO BALCONIES along the West Edge of the Building at 114 N. STATE STREET to be Located above COMMERCIAL STREET.
- (03-382) Communication from Interim Planning and Growth Management Director Requesting Authorization to Enter into a CONTINUATION CONTRACT with the DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES-TITLE V-JUVENILE ACCOUNTABILITY INCENTIVE BLOCK GRANTS (JAIBG) PROGRAM in Partnership with The Children's Home from July 1, 2003, to June 30, 2004, for a Grant Amount of \$60,000.00. 0148
- (03-383) Communication from Interim Planning and Growth Management Director Requesting Authorization to Enter into a CONTRACT with the PEORIA HOUSING AUTHORITY Under the Current WEED AND SEED GRANT to Provide Additional Security Patrol Hours and a Youth Program, in the Amount of \$27,000.00.
- (03-384) ** Communication from Management and Labor Co-Chairs Regarding the 2002 POST-AUDIT YEAR-END HEALTHCARE REPORT with Recommendation to Receive and File this Report.
- (03-385) *** Communication from Management and Labor Co-Chairs Regarding the 2003 FIRST QUARTER HEALTHCARE REPORT with Recommendation to Receive and File this Report.
- (03-386) REPORTS, with Recommendation to Receive and File:
- A. CITY TREASURER'S REPORT – May, 2003.
 - B. REVISED PEORIA PUBLIC LIBRARY FINANCIAL REPORT – April, 2003.
 - C. PEORIA PUBLIC LIBRARY FINANCIAL REPORT – May, 2003.
 - D. PEORIA PUBLIC LIBRARY STATISTICAL REPORT – May, 2003.

Council Member Nichting moved to approve the Consent Agenda items as outlined in the Council communications; seconded by Council Member Turner

Council Member Thetford requested Item Nos. 03-384 and 03-385 be removed from the Consent Agenda for further discussion.

Council Member Sandberg requested Item No. 03-381 be removed from the Consent Agenda for further discussion.

Item Nos. 03-378 through 03-386 (excluding Item Nos. 03-381, 03-384 and 03-385, which were removed from the Consent Agenda for further discussion) were approved by roll call vote under the Omnibus Vote Designation.

Yeas: Ardis, Grayeb, Gulley, Morris, Nichting, Sandberg, Spears, Teplitz, Thetford, Turner, Mayor Ransburg – 11;

Nays: None.

(03-381) Communication from Director of Public Works Requesting Approval of Right-of-Way Usage for TWO BALCONIES along the West Edge of the Building at 114 N. STATE STREET to be Located above COMMERCIAL STREET.
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Council Member Sandberg stated he would be abstaining from the vote due to his professional work on this project.

Council Member Nichting moved to approve the right-of-way usage for two balconies along the West Edge of the building at 114 N. State Street to be located above Commercial Street; seconded by Council Member Turner.

Approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Ardis, Grayeb, Gulley, Morris, Nichting, Spears, Teplitz, Thetford, Turner, Mayor Ransburg – 10;

Nays: None;

Abstention: Sandberg - 1.

(03-384) Communication from Management and Labor Co-Chairs Regarding the 2002 POST-AUDIT YEAR-END HEALTHCARE REPORT with Recommendation to Receive and File this Report.
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Council Member Thetford pointed out the Plan came in \$844,502 under Budget for 2002, and costs were also down for prescription drugs.

Council Member Thetford moved to receive and file the 2002 Post-Audit Year-End Healthcare Report; seconded by Council Member Morris.

Approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Ardis, Grayeb, Gulley, Morris, Nichting, Sandberg, Spears, Teplitz, Thetford, Turner, Mayor Ransburg – 11;

Nays: None.

(03-385) Communication from Management and Labor Co-Chairs Regarding the 2003 FIRST QUARTER HEALTHCARE REPORT with Recommendation to Receive and File this Report.

Council Member Thetford pointed out the First Quarter Report also reflected a decrease and was under Budget.

Council Member Thetford moved to receive and file the 2003 First Quarter Healthcare Report; seconded by Council Member Turner.

Approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Ardis, Grayeb, Gulley, Morris, Nichting, Sandberg, Spears, Teplitz, Thetford, Turner, Mayor Ransburg – 11;

Nays: None.

(03-387) Communication from Interim Planning and Growth Management Director with ORDINANCE Approving the FINAL PLAN of FAIRWAY VILLAS PHASE TWO, a Multi-Family Development Located at 7323 N. VILLA LAKE DRIVE.

Council Member Nichting moved to adopt the Ordinance approving the Final Plan of Fairway Villas Phase Two, a Multi-Family Development located at 7323 N. Villa Lake Drive; seconded by Council Member Turner.

Motion to adopt ORDINANCE NO. 15,494 approving the Final Plan of Fairway Villas Phase Two, a Multi-Family Development located at 7323 N. Villa Lake Drive Approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Ardis, Grayeb, Gulley, Morris, Nichting, Sandberg, Spears, Teplitz, Thetford, Turner, Mayor Ransburg – 11;

Nays: None.

(03-388) Communication from Interim Planning and Growth Management Director Requesting the Council to CANCEL the Tuesday, August 5, 2003, City Council Meeting in Honor of NATIONAL NIGHT OUT to Allow Council Participation.

Council Member Nichting moved to cancel the Tuesday, August 5, 2003, Regular City Council Meeting in honor of National Night Out to allow Council participation; seconded by Council Member Morris.

Approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Ardis, Grayeb, Gulley, Morris, Nichting, Sandberg, Spears, Teplitz, Thetford, Turner, Mayor Ransburg – 11;

Nays: None.

CITIZEN REQUESTS TO ADDRESS THE COUNCIL

(03-389) REQUEST from CITIZENS to Address the CITY COUNCIL Regarding VARIOUS ISSUES.

Hearing no objections, Mayor Ransburg granted Privilege of the Floor to those who wished to address the Council.

Ms. Sandra E. Fritz, 2449 W. Imperial Drive, distributed a letter to all members of the City Council and she discussed the formation of a Chapter of Citizens for Community Values of Peoria whose purpose was to address the regulation of sexually oriented businesses and employees, escorts and escort services, and massage establishments and practitioners. She said she supported the Council's passage of three Ordinances which tightened the regulations of these types of businesses, but she said their group felt it was not enough. She discussed the anger felt by businesses and residents in the area of North University where a new strip club was being considered, and urged the City to deny the request. She said Ordinances should be passed by the City to further regulate these types of businesses.

Mr. Tom Edwards, 2702 N. Peoria, distributed a copy of a memo to all members of the City Council. He spoke in support of the City Council holding a meeting with a representative from Madison, Wisconsin, regarding recycling and waste disposal. He said a new contract would be considered toward the end of 2003 and he felt there were ways to save money on waste and recycling. He said the City could attract new industry if a good recycling program was in place. He said the City of Madison had cut their landfill usage by half, and he felt Peoria could also. He said better ways to handling waste and handling recycling should be explored.

Mr. Walter Felder, 1019 N. Garfield Avenue, said the safety and security of the citizens and their neighborhoods and the Police and Fire Departments should not be used as extortion pawns in the Budget process.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

(03-390) Request to Approve a MOTION that the City Council go into EXECUTIVE SESSION to Discuss 2(c)(11) Litigation, when an action against, affecting, or on behalf of the particular public body has been filed and is pending before a court or administrative tribunal, or when the public body finds that such an action is probable or imminent (a vote on a motion to call an Executive Session for the purpose of discussing 2(c)(16) Self evaluation, practices and procedures or professional ethics, when meeting with a representative of a Statewide association of which the Public Body is a member was taken on July 1, 2003).

Council Member Nichting moved that the City Council go into Executive Session to Discuss 2(c)(11) Litigation, when an action against, affecting, or on behalf of the particular public body has been filed and is pending before a court or administrative tribunal, or when the public body finds that such an action is probable or imminent (a vote on a motion to call an Executive Session for the purpose of discussing 2(c)(16) Self evaluation, practices and procedures or professional ethics, when meeting with a representative of a Statewide association of which the Public Body is a member was taken on July 1, 2003); seconded by Council Member Grayeb.

Approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Ardis, Grayeb, Gulley, Morris, Nichting, Sandberg, Spears, Teplitz, Thetford, Turner, Mayor Ransburg – 11;

Nays: None.

ADJOURNMENT

Council Member Nichting moved to adjourn the Council Meeting; seconded by Council Member Grayeb.

Approved by viva voce vote.

The Council Meeting adjourned at 6:40 P.M.

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Mary L. Haynes, MMC
City Clerk of Peoria, Illinois