

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

Council Chambers, Peoria, Illinois, January 6, 2004, a Regular Meeting of the City Council was held this date at 6:15 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.

Honorary Council Member Brian Cramer, a representative of Easter Seals, was present.

INVOCATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Ransburg requested a moment of silent prayer and then he led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PROCLAMATIONS, COMMENDATIONS, ETC.

PROCLAMATION: HARLEM GLOBETROTTER CURLEY “BOO” JOHNSON

MINUTES

Council Member Nichting moved to approve the minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting held on December 16, 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

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

- (04-001) NOTICE of LAWSUIT on Behalf of MEISTER PLUMBING, INC., Against C & G Concrete Construction and the City of Peoria Regarding Sewer Line Damage at 212 STONEGATE ROAD, with Recommendation to Receive and File and Refer to the Legal Department.
- (04-002) NOTICE of LAWSUIT on Behalf of JAMES and DEBORAH KAMMUELLER Against the Zoning Board of Appeals and the City of Peoria Regarding Denial of the Plaintiff's Application for a One -Foot Setback Variance to Construct a Garage Addition, with Recommendation to Receive and File and Refer to the Legal Department.
- (04-003) Communication from Chairman of the Springdale Cemetery Management Authority Requesting Approval of the 2004 SUMMARY BUDGET for SPRINGDALE CEMETERY.
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*Clerk's Note: See further discussion on Page 26405.

- (04-004) Communication from the City Manager and Director of Public Works Requesting Approval of the INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT for KICKAPOO INTERCEPTOR EXTENSION PLANNING STUDY Between the County of Peoria, City of Peoria, and The Greater Peoria Sanitary and Sewage Disposal District.
- (04-005) Communication from City Manager and Interim Director of Planning and Growth Management Recommending Adoption of an ORDINANCE NO. 15,568 Approving the FINAL PLAT of TRAILS EDGE VILLAS SECTION 1, a Duplex Development Located North of Alta Road and South of Wilhelm Road Off of Allen Road.
- (04-006) STREET LIGHT REQUEST Between 1013 and 1021 W. CORDELL AVENUE, in the Annual Amount of \$170.00, with Recommendation to Approve.
- (04-007) SITE APPROVAL for a SUBCLASS 1A (2:00 a.m.) LIQUOR LICENSE for 4908 N. RENWOOD, with Recommendation of the Liquor Commission to Approve.
- (04-008) BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS and SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION Regarding Independent Auditors Report dated August 31, 2003 and 2002 for the PEORIA CIVIC CENTER AUTHORITY (On File in the City Clerk's Office), with Recommendation to Receive and File.
- (04-009) REPORTS, with Recommendation to Receive and File:
1. REPORT of the CITY TREASURER, REGINALD A. WILLIS – November, 2003.
 2. PEORIA PUBLIC LIBRARY FINANCIAL REPORT – November 30, 2003.
 3. PEORIA PUBLIC LIBRARY STATISTICAL REPORT – November 30, 2003.

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

Item Nos. 04-001 through 04-009 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.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- (03-555) Communication from Interim Director of Planning and Growth Management with Recommendation from the Historic Preservation Commission to DENY and Recommendation from the City Staff to ADOPT an ORDINANCE Amending CHAPTER 16 of the Code of the City of Peoria Relating to the INCREASE of APPLICATION FEES.

Council Member Teplitz moved to defer this item for one week until the January 13, 2004, Regular City Council Meeting; seconded by Council Member Turner.

Motion to defer this item until January 13, 2004, was approved by roll call vote.

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

Nays: None.

**(03-690) Communication from the City Manager and Corporation Counsel with
ORDINANCE CREATING the HEART OF PEORIA COMMISSION AND a
Request for a DEFERRAL Until JANUARY 13, 2004.**

Council Member Teplitz moved to defer this item for one week until the January 13, 2004, Regular City Council Meeting; seconded by Council Member Thetford.

Motion to defer this item until January 13, 2004, was approved by roll call vote.

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

Nays: None.

NEW BUSINESS

**ANNOUNCEMENT Regarding ALL-STAR HOCKEY GAME and SKILLS COMPETITION on
January 20 and 21, 2004**

Council Member Teplitz announced that the East Coast Hockey League would host a first ever All-Star Hockey Game and Skills Competition, which would be televised, on January 20 and 21, 2004, at the Peoria Civic Center. She urged everyone to attend.

WELCOME TO HONORARY COUNCIL MEMBER BRIAN CRAMER

Council Member Nichting welcomed Honorary Council Member Brian Cramer, who had represented Easter Seals in the Peoria Community for several years. He said that Brian was an avid listener to the City Council Meetings and the Program "Around the Horseshoe," and he was pleased to be in attendance at the City Council Meeting.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

(03-276) REQUEST to Remove from the Table the ORDINANCE Granting a SPECIAL PERMIT for a ROOFTOP SIGN through the SPECIAL USE PROCESS in a Class I-2 (Railroad/Warehouse Industrial) District for Property Located at 120 EATON STREET, and Place this Item on the JANUARY 20, 2004, CITY COUNCIL AGENDA.

Council Member Gulley moved to remove from the Table the Ordinance granting a Special Permit for a Rooftop Sign through the Special Use Process in a Class I-2 (Railroad/Warehouse Industrial) District for property located at 120 Eaton Street and place this item on the January 20, 2004, City Council Agenda; seconded by Council Member Sandberg.

Motion to remove this item from the Table and place it on the January 20, 2004, City Council Agenda was 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

**(04-003) 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.

Mr. Jim Baldwin, 5740 N. University, Chairman of the Springdale Cemetery Management Authority thanked the Council for approving the Springdale Cemetery Budget. He said the cemetery was making tremendous progress and there would be a grand opening of the mausoleum on Memorial Day, 2004, along with several other events that would be occurring on that weekend. He said the support of the City Council, the Peoria County Board, and the Park District was really appreciated. He added without their support, many of the grants that had been obtained would not have been received. He urged everyone in the community to visit the cemetery and see the improvements. He said the budget was balanced, but an increase in the sale of lots was needed to keep the cemetery solvent so a subsidy from the foundation was not needed. He said he felt the budget would break even by the time the foundation funding was completed.

Mayor Ransburg thanked Chairman Baldwin and the Management Authority for their dedication to the project. He added it was a tremendous asset and heritage to the City.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

It was determined that an Executive Session was not needed.

ADJOURNMENT

Council Member Turner moved to adjourn the Council Meeting; seconded by Council Member Thetford.

Approved by viva voce vote.

The Council Meeting adjourned at 6:34 P.M.

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Mary L. Haynes, MMC
City Clerk, Peoria, IL