

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

Council Chambers, Peoria, Illinois, May 18, 2004, a Regular Meeting of the City Council and Board of the Town of the City of Peoria was held this date at 6:15 P.M., at City Hall, Council Chambers, 419 Fulton Street, Mayor Pro Tem Gale Thetford presiding.

ROLL CALL

Roll call showed the following Council Members present: Ardis, Grayeb, Gulley, Morris (Arrived at 6:17 P.M.), Nichting, Sandberg (Arrived at 6:17 P.M.), Spears, Teplitz, Turner, Mayor Pro Tem Thetford – 10; Absent: Mayor Ransburg - 1.

INVOCATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Pro Tem Thetford requested a moment of silent prayer and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Pro Tem Thetford thanked Council Member Spears for chairing the Policy Session last week in the absence of Mayor Ransburg and herself. She explained that she was attending the Sterling Merit Scholars Banquet with her son.

PROCLAMATIONS, COMMENDATIONS, ETC.

RECOGNITION AND INTRODUCTION: MR. ROBERT BLACK, DIRECTOR of the PEORIA PUBLIC LIBRARY

PROCLAMATION: DR. DONALD GORMAN

PROCLAMATION: AMERICAN LEGION POST #2: POPPY DAY – May 20, 2004

PROCLAMATION: MEMORIAL DAYS – May 27-31, 2004

PROCLAMATION: FOSTER PARENT APPRECIATION MONTH – May, 2004

MINUTES

Council Member Nichting moved to approve the minutes of the Regular City Council Meetings held on May 4 and 11, 2004, Executive Sessions held on April 27, May 4, and May 11, 2004, and the minutes of the Majority of the Quorum of the City Council who attended the Town Hall Meeting held on May 3, 2004, as printed, with a correction to the May 3, 2004, minutes in that on Page 4, reference should have been made to Fire Station #20 rather than #21; seconded by Council Member Turner.

Approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Ardis, Grayeb, Gulley, Morris, Nichting, Sandberg, Spears, Teplitz, Turner,
Mayor Pro Tem Thetford - 10;

Nays: None.

REQUEST TO MOVE AGENDA ITEM

Council Member Sandberg moved that Item Nos. G-1 and G-2 under the Consent Agenda be moved forward to be discussed at this time due to a major fire on the Northside of the City, and moving the item would allow the Fire Chief to leave and join his Firefighters; seconded by Council Member Morris.

Approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Ardis, Grayeb, Gulley, Morris, Nichting, Sandberg, Spears, Turner, Mayor Pro Tem Thetford - 9;

Nays: Teplitz - 1.

(04-210) Communications from the City Manager and Comptroller Finance Director Recommending Approval of the Following:

- A. Enter into a PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT with MATRIX CONSULTING GROUP to Conduct a MANAGEMENT AND OPERATIONS STUDY of the PEORIA FIRE DEPARTMENT and EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES at a Cost Not to Exceed \$79,000;**
- B. ORDINANCE Amending the BUDGET for Fiscal Year 2004 of the City of Peoria Relating to CONSULTING FEES for a COMPREHENSIVE MANAGEMENT and OPERATIONS STUDY OF FIRE AND EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES (EMS).**

Corporation Counsel Randy Ray distributed a communication with additional information to all members of the City Council.

Council Turner moved to defer this item for two weeks to allow additional information to come forward; seconded by Council Member Teplitz.

Discussion was held regarding the Council's schedule and several expressed their wish to be present to address this issue.

Council Member Teplitz moved for a substitute motion to defer this item until the June 15, 2004, Regular City Council Meeting, so all Council Members could be present because it was very important to have input from all; seconded by Council Member Morris.

Approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Ardis, Gulley, Morris, Spears, Teplitz, Turner, Mayor Pro Tem Thetford - 7;

Nays: Grayeb, Nichting, Sandberg - 3.

PETITIONS, REMONSTRANCES & COMMUNICATIONS – CITY OF PEORIA AND TOWN OF THE CITY OF PEORIA

(04-211) Communication from the City Manager and Corporation Council Recommending Adoption of an ORDINANCE Amending CHAPTER 2 of the Code of the City of Peoria Relating to IMPLEMENTATION of the Provisions of the STATE OFFICIALS and EMPLOYEES ETHICS ACT (5 ILCS 430/1-1^{et seq.}) and TOWN OF THE CITY OF PEORIA, CIVIC CENTER AUTHORITY, and PHA.

Council Member and Town Trustee Nichting moved to adopt the Ordinance amending Chapter 2 of the Code of the City of Peoria relating to implementation of the provisions of the State Officials and Employees Ethics Act (5ILCS 430/1-1 *et seq.*) and Town of the City of Peoria, Civic Center Authority, and PHA; seconded by Council Member and Town Trustee Turner.

ORDINANCE NO. 15,617 amending Chapter 2 of the Code of the City of Peoria was approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Ardis, Grayeb, Gulley, Morris, Nichting, Sandberg, Spears, Teplitz, Turner, Mayor Pro Tem Thetford - 10;

Nays: None.

PETITIONS, REMONSTRANCES & COMMUNICATIONS – CITY OF PEORIA

(04-212) PRESENTATION by Members of the PEORIA CIVIC CENTER AUTHORITY Regarding a FUNDING UPDATE on the PROPOSED PEORIA CIVIC CENTER REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT.

A letter from Chairman of the Peoria Area Convention and Visitors Bureau Board Frank Pedulla was distributed to all members of the City Council.

Council Member Nichting moved to grant Privilege of the Floor for anyone wishing to speak; seconded by Council Member Grayeb.

Ms. Rebekah Bourland, Commission Member, outlined some of the activities that drew people throughout the region and State to the downtown area. She stated that certain elements of the facility needed to be brought up to date and she gave a list of those areas which needed to be addressed. She stated there were 11 areas that need attention at a cost of \$55 to \$60 million. She said the Civic Center intended to use HRA funds and perhaps levy a user fee.

Mr. Dan Silverthorn, Commission Member, reported that Dr. Peter Couri had intended to give this report, but he was providing it, due to the illness of Dr. Couri. He said that in addition to Dr. Couri, Mr. Jim Despain also was on the Capital Committee. He added, after due consideration, they determined a construction management company should be hired and they had decided on Turner Construction Company for preconstruction, construction and post-construction. He said Turner Company would not bid, but would be the construction manager. He added the reason for choosing to have a construction manager rather than just a general manager was because of the complexity of the project.

In discussion with Council Member Sandberg, Mr. Silverthorn stated there would be negotiations, but he expected the fee to be 4% to 6%. Council Member Sandberg stated that would be about three to four times the normal amount and that Mayor Ransburg had forwarded an e-mail from China to the Council concerning this.

Council Member Teplitz stated that with smaller components being bid out, that would increase the opportunity for minority participation. Mr. Silverthorne agreed that opportunities should exist for all.

Council Member Spears determined in discussion that the Construction Manager would answer directly to the Civic Center Board, the Committee and the City of Peoria.

Council Member Nichting determined in discussion that a construction manager had not been hired, but one had been selected to negotiate with. He also determined that there would be errors and omissions insurance to cover any problems.

Council Member Morris expressed concern regarding the 4% to 6% fee. He indicated he felt this amount was too high.

Mr. Silverthorn stated there were three phases to the process. He explained first, the upfront costs, then bringing in equipment and then the on-sight management. Until negotiations were completed, he stated, he could not set a definite fee. He added the manager was responsible for putting the project in perspective and to negotiate with the subcontractors in order to justify their fees. The original building and the last phase was built with a construction manager, stated Mr. Silverthorne.

The Chair of the Convention and Visitors Bureau, Frank Pedulla was recognized.

Council Member Grayeb stated it was the intent of the Civic Center Authority to continue to brief the Council and he stated the Authority intended to have many open discussions regarding all aspects so that the Council could feel apprised of all the details and would be comfortable with the project, the handling of the project and the funding mechanism.

General Manager Debbie Ritschel stated she wanted to do what the Council preferred, but she thought they would prefer shorter, more frequent updates and briefings. She added, she looked forward to making the Civic Center a bigger and better place for Peoria. She mentioned the project may be somewhere between \$55 and \$80 million.

General Manager Ritschel introduced her staff for recognition.

Mayor Pro Tem Thetford thanked the Chair and members of the Board for their presentation.

Council Member Ardis remarked that the Civic Center needed the HRA funds, especially with the status of the State's budget and money from Springfield being tight. He stated he would advise having contingencies due to the difficult budget years every entity was facing. He recognized that the Civic Center brought many dollars to the community and stated the Council would have to do a balancing act. He added he would like more information rather than less.

Council Member Spears recognized SMG and the work they have done, bringing in excellent concerts.

Council Member Nichting moved to receive and file; seconded by Council Member Grayeb.

Approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Ardis, Grayeb, Gulley, Morris, Nichting, Sandberg, Spears, Teplitz, Turner,
Mayor Pro Tem Thetford - 10;

Nays: None.

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

(04-213) LAWSUIT on Behalf of TRACY BALLIN Regarding Injuries in a Bus Accident on May 17, 2003, Allegedly Due to the Lack of Street Maintenance.

**(04-214) Communication from the City Manager and Corporation Counsel
* Recommending Acceptance of the BUST of GEORGE WASHINGTON and Allowing the INSTALLATION and DISPLAY at the WESTERN PORTION OF FULTON PLAZA.**

- (04-215) Communication from the City Manager and Director of Public Works Requesting Approval to PURCHASE an EMERGENCY GENERATOR SET for POLICE HEADQUARTERS from SCHAEFER ELECTRIC, INC., in the Amount of \$178,170.00.
- (04-216) Communication from the City Manager and Director of Public Works Requesting Approval to Accept the LOW BID of OBERLANDER ALARM SYSTEMS for the SECURITY MONITORING AND PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE CONTRACT for FIRE AND INTRUSION DETECTION, for a 24-Month Period, in the Total Amount of \$7,704.00.
- (04-217) Communication from the City Manager and Corporation Counsel Requesting Authorization for the City Manager to Execute a CONTRACT with ENGINEERING CONSULTANT LARRY HUGHES Through MAURER-STUTZ, INC. to Assist in the WATER COMPANY APPRAISAL PROCESS, in an Amount Not to Exceed \$30,000.00.
- (04-218)
** Communications from the City Manager, Director of Public Works, and Comptroller/Finance Director Recommending Approval of the Following:
- A. JOINT AGREEMENT with ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION for the IMPROVEMENT of INTERSTATE 74 from MONROE AVENUE to .4KM WEST OF THE INDUSTRIAL SPUR, with an MFT RESOLUTION, in the Amount of \$50,000;
 - B. ORDINANCE Amending the BUDGET for Fiscal Year 2004 of the City of Peoria Relating to a JOINT AGREEMENT with IDOT for INTERSTATE I-74 RECONSTRUCTION from MONROE AVENUE to .4KM WEST OF THE INDUSTRIAL SPUR.
- (04-219) Communication from the City Manager and Director of Planning and Growth Management Requesting Concurrence with the Neighborhood Development Commission's Recommendation to Fund HOME: HOMELESS INITIATIVE PROGRAMS AND AMOUNTS as Follows: YWCA (GlenPerry Phase I - \$107,000; CENTER FOR THE PREVENTION OF ABUSE (Transitional Housing) - \$100,000; GOODWILL INDUSTRIES (Housing for Veterans) - \$93,000.
- (04-220)
*** Communication from the City Manager and Director of Planning and Growth Management Requesting Approval of OPTION 1 to EXPEND \$25,459.82 in UNALLOCATED EMERGENCY SHELTER GRANT FUNDS from 1994, 1996, 1997, and 1998 to the Following Programs: FAMILY EMERGENCY SHELTER, SAFETY NET, DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SHELTER, HOMELESS PREVENTION – LEGAL SERVICES, and HOMELESS PREVENTION – RENT ASSISTANCE.
- (04-221) Communication from the City Manager and Corporation Counsel Recommending Adoption of an ORDINANCE NO. 15,618 Amending CHAPTER 2 of the Code of the City of Peoria Relating to City Council Meetings Removing the Stipulation that Policy or Study Sessions Would be held in Room 404 of City Hall.

- (04-222) Communication from the City Manager and Comptroller/Finance Director Recommending Adoption of an ORDINANCE NO. 15,619 Amending the BUDGET for Fiscal Year 2004 of the City of Peoria Relating to DHS TITLE V BLOCK GRANT, POLICE TECH VI GRANT INTEREST, POLICE SLATE GRANT, POLICE JUVENILE ACCOUNTABILITY BLOCK GRANT, and POLICE SAFE NEIGHBORHOOD GRANT.
- (04-223) Communication from the City Manager and Director of Planning and Growth Management Recommending Adoption of an ORDINANCE NO. 15,620 Amending Ordinance No. 15,293, an EXISTING SPECIAL USE, in a Class C-2 (Large Scale Commercial) District for a SHOPPING CENTER to Include the EXPANSION of the GARDEN CENTER for Property Located at 8915 N. ALLEN ROAD, with Condition.
- (04-224) Communication from the City Manager and Director of Planning and Growth Management Recommending Adoption of an ORDINANCE Granting a SPECIAL PERMIT in a Class C-1 (General Commercial) District for a ROOF TOP SIGN Through the Special Use Process for Property Located at 4307 N. STERLING AVENUE.

- (04-225) Communication from the City Manager and Director of Planning and Growth Management Recommending Adoption of an ORDINANCE NO. 15,621 Amending APPENDIX B of the Code of the City of Peoria Relating to Zoning for Various Text Adjustments Pertaining to VOTING REQUIREMENTS for the Zoning Commission, Planning Commission and Zoning Board of Appeals.
- (04-226) STREET LIGHT REQUEST – INTERSECTION of N. ALLEN ROAD and BENTON COURT, in the Amount of \$210.00 Per Year, with Recommendation to Approve.
- (04-227) Communication from the City Manager and Corporation Counsel Requesting Approval for a CLASS “H” TEMPORARY OUTDOOR LIQUOR LICENSE for FREEDOM VALLEY A.B.A.T.E. for Saturday, June 12, 2004.
- (04-228) REAPPOINTMENTS by Mayor David P. Ransburg to the PEORIA CIVIC CENTER AUTHORITY, with Recommendation to Concur:

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| Daniel P. Daly (Voting) | Term Expires 7/1/09 |
| Rebekah T. Bourland (Voting) | Term Expires 7/1/09 |
| Keith Arnold | Term Expires 7/1/06 |
| Jane Converse | Term Expires 7/1/06 |
- (04-229) REAPPOINTMENTS by Mayor David P. Ransburg to the FIRE AND POLICE COMMISSION, with Recommendation to Concur:

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| Michael L. McCabe (Voting) | Term Expires 6/30/07 |
| Dr. D. Paul Mehta (Voting) | Term Expires 6/30/07 |
| James A. Wright (Voting) | Term Expires 6/30/07 |

(04-230) REAPPOINTMENT by Mayor David P. Ransburg to the GREATER PEORIA
***** AIRPORT AUTHORITY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS, with
** Recommendation to Concur:

Gerald S. Flaherty, Sr. (Voting) Term Expires 6/13/09

(04-231) APPOINTMENT by Mayor David P. Ransburg to the GREATER PEORIA
***** MASS TRANSIT DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES, with Recommendation
*** to Concur:

Fred D. Grafton (Voting) Term Expires 6/30/05

(04-232) APPOINTMENT and REAPPOINTMENT by Mayor David P. Ransburg to the
***** HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION, with Recommendation to
**** Concur:

APPOINTMENT:

Robert Bullock (Voting) Term Expires 6/30/07

REAPPOINTMENT:

Paul Masick (Voting) Term Expires 6/30/07

(04-233) REAPPOINTMENTS by Mayor David P. Ransburg to the LIQUOR
***** COMMISSION, with Recommendation to Concur:

Frank R. McCabe (Voting) Term Expires 6/30/07
Andrew D. Cassidy (Voting) Term Expires 6/30/07

(04-234) APPOINTMENT and REAPPOINTMENTS by Mayor David P. Ransburg to the
***** PEORIA MEDICAL AND TECHNOLOGY DISTRICT ADVISORY COUNCIL,
***** with Recommendation to Concur:
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APPOINTMENT

Lisa Slane (Voting) Term Expires 6/30/05

REAPPOINTMENTS

Rosemary Bannon (Voting) Term Expires 6/30/05
Lynne M. Binkele (Voting) Term Expires 6/30/05
Robert Bullock (Voting) Term Expires 6/30/05
V. R. Mitchell (Voting) Term Expires 6/30/05
Bernadine M. Nolan (Voting) Term Expires 6/30/05
Leslie J. Paulson (Voting) Term Expires 6/30/05
Honorable Alexandria Scott Pearson
(Voting) Term Expires 6/30/05
Dr. Tim Vega (Voting) Term Expires 6/30/05

(04-235) REAPPOINTMENT by Mayor David P. Ransburg to the PEORIA MEDICAL
***** AND TECHNOLOGY DISTRICT COMMISSION, with Recommendation to
***** Concur:
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Karla Dennhardt (Voting) Term Expires 6/30/09

(04-236) REAPPOINTMENTS by Mayor David P. Ransburg to the NEIGHBORHOOD DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION, with Recommendation to Concur:

David Koehler (Voting)	Term Expires 6/30/07
Carroll E. Besing (Voting)	Term Expires 6/30/07
Karla Dennhardt (Voting)	Term Expires 6/30/07
Robert McQuirter (Voting)	Term Expires 6/30/07
Martha Ross (Voting)	Term Expires 6/30/07
Rosilee Walker (Voting)	Term Expires 6/30/07

(04-237) REAPPOINTMENTS by Mayor David P. Ransburg to the PERSONNEL APPEALS BOARD, with Recommendation to Concur:

Laraine E. Bryson (Voting)	Term Expires 6/30/07
Richard Helmer (Voting)	Term Expires 6/30/07

(04-238) APPOINTMENT by Mayor David P. Ransburg to the Position of CHAIRPERSON of the SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL COMMITTEE, with Recommendation to Concur:

Lester Bergsten (Voting)	Effective 6/29/04
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(04-239) REAPPOINTMENTS by Mayor David P. Ransburg to the TRAFFIC COMMISSION, with Recommendation to Concur:

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John Haverhals (Voting)	Term Expires 6/30/07
Mary Jane Crowell (Voting)	Term Expires 6/30/07
W. Joe Hudson (Voting)	Term Expires 6/30/07

(04-240) APPOINTMENTS and REAPPOINTMENTS by Mayor David P. Ransburg to the PEORIA URBAN FORESTRY ADVISORY BOARD, with Recommendation to Concur:

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APPOINTMENTS

Amy Benecke McLaren (Voting)	Term Expires 6/30/07
Michael Gary Wilkins (Voting)	Term Expires 6/30/05

REAPPOINTMENTS

James Alwill (Voting)	Term Expires 6/30/07
Glenn E. Herold (Voting)	Term Expires 6/30/07
Merle L. Krause, Jr. (Voting)	Term Expires 6/30/06
Dr. Joseph F. Pula (Voting)	Term Expires 6/30/07

(04-241) REAPPOINTMENTS by Mayor David P. Ransburg to the ZONING COMMISSION, with Recommendation to Concur:

Rev. Joyce K. Banks (Voting)	Term Expires 6/30/07
George P. Shadid, Jr. (Voting)	Term Expires 6/30/07
Keith Weinstein (Voting)	Term Expires 6/30/07

(04-242) ADOPTION of the COMMITTEE REPORT Regarding the GATEWAY BUILDING OPERATIONS and PRIORITIZATION of FUTURE POLICY ISSUES.

REPORT BACKS, with Recommendation to Receive and File:

- (04-201)** **Communication from the City Manager and Director of Planning and Growth Management Regarding a REPORT BACK on the CITY'S CONTRIBUTIONS TO SEND NEIGHBORHOOD ADVOCATES to the REGIONAL NEIGHBORHOOD NETWORK CONFERENCE.**

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

Council Member Turner requested that Item No. 04-201 be removed from the Consent Agenda for further discussion.

Council Member Ardis requested that Item No. 04-231 be removed from the Consent Agenda for further discussion.

Council Member Nichting requested that Item No. 04-218 be removed from the Consent Agenda for further discussion.

Council Member Spears requested that Item Nos. 04-224 and 04-228 through 04-241 be removed from the Consent Agenda for further discussion.

Council Member Sandberg requested that Item Nos. 04-214 be removed from the Consent Agenda for further discussion.

Council Member Gulley requested that Item Nos. 04-220 be removed from the Consent Agenda for further discussion.

Item Nos. 04-213 through 04-242 (excluding Item Nos. 04-214, 04-218, 04-220, 04-224, 04-228 through 04-241, and 04-201 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, Turner, Mayor
Pro Tem Thetford - 10;
Nays: None.

- (04-214)** **Communication from the City Manager and Corporation Counsel**
* **Recommending Acceptance of the BUST of GEORGE WASHINGTON and Allowing the INSTALLATION and DISPLAY at the WESTERN PORTION OF FULTON PLAZA.**

Councilman Sandberg requested confirmation of the Administration's position regarding the placement of the bust along this location that it would or would not have any impact in the future as traffic configurations were considered and the orientation of one-way and two-way streets. He said he did not want anyone to use an argument of status quo regarding the location.

Assistant City Manager Alan Pennington said the decision whether to open Fulton Street up to two-way traffic would not hinge on the location of the bust of George Washington. He explained that, at the present time, Fulton Plaza seemed to be a good public location, but the bust could be easily moved to a new location if traffic patterns changed.

Council Member Sandberg moved to approve the recommendation to accept the bust of George Washington and allow the installation and display at the Western portion of Fulton Plaza with the stipulation that the location would not hinder a return to one-way or two-way streets if traffic patterns changed; seconded by Council Member Teplitz.

Council Member Teplitz commended Council Member Morris for securing the bust of George Washington for the City of Peoria at no cost.

Motion to approve the recommendation to accept the bust of George Washington and allow the installation and display at the Western portion of Fulton Plaza with the stipulation that the location would not hinder a return to one-way or two way streets if traffic patterns changed was approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Ardis, Grayeb, Gulley, Morris, Nichting, Sandberg, Spears, Teplitz, Turner,
Mayor Pro Tem Thetford - 10;

Nays: None.

(04-218)
**** Communications from the City Manager, Director of Public Works, and
Comptroller/Finance Director Recommending Approval of the Following:**

- A. JOINT AGREEMENT with ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF
TRANSPORTATION for the IMPROVEMENT of INTERSTATE 74 from
MONROE AVENUE to .4KM WEST OF THE INDUSTRIAL SPUR, with
an MFT RESOLUTION, in the Amount of \$50,000;**
- B. ORDINANCE Amending the BUDGET for Fiscal Year 2004 of the City
of Peoria Relating to a JOINT AGREEMENT with IDOT for
INTERSTATE I-74 RECONSTRUCTION from MONROE AVENUE to
.4KM WEST OF THE INDUSTRIAL SPUR.**

Council Member Nichting pointed out that the reference to the Industrial Spur was not a reference to the Industrial Spur in East Peoria. He said the improvements were all located in the City of Peoria.

Council Member Nichting moved to approve the Joint Agreement with Illinois Department of Transportation for the improvement of Interstate 74 from Monroe Avenue to .4KM West of the Industrial Spur, and approve the MFT Resolution, in the amount of \$50,000; seconded by Council Member Turner.

Motion to approve the Joint Agreement with Illinois Department of Transportation for the improvement of Interstate 74 from Monroe Avenue to .4KM West of the Industrial Spur, and approve the MFT RESOLUTION NO. 04-218, in the amount of \$50,000 was approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Ardis, Grayeb, Gulley, Morris, Nichting, Sandberg, Spears, Teplitz, Turner,
Mayor Pro Tem Thetford - 10;

Nays: None.

Council Member Nichting moved to adopt the Ordinance amending the Budget for fiscal year 2004 of the City of Peoria relating to a joint agreement with IDOT for Interstate I-74 reconstruction from Monroe Avenue to .4KM West of the Industrial Spur; seconded by Council Member Turner.

ORDINANCE NO. 15,622 was approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Ardis, Grayeb, Gulley, Morris, Nichting, Sandberg, Spears, Teplitz, Turner,
Mayor Pro Tem Thetford - 10;

Nays: None.

**(04-220) Communication from the City Manager and Director of Planning and
*** Growth Management Requesting Approval of OPTION #2* to EXPEND
\$25,459.82 in UNALLOCATED EMERGENCY SHELTER GRANT FUNDS from
1994, 1996, 1997, and 1998 to the Following Programs: FAMILY
EMERGENCY SHELTER, SAFETY NET, DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SHELTER,
HOMELESS PREVENTION – LEGAL SERVICES, HOMELESS PREVENTION
– RENT ASSISTANCE, OVERNIGHT SHELTER, and Y-HOUSE.**

*Council Member Gulley said if this would have been voted on under the Consent Agenda, Option #1, adding \$5,091.96 to existing programs, would have been approved. He said he recalled some of the other programs which had requested assistance but had not scored as well as others. He reiterated that he did not want to lose the opportunity to fund overnight shelters.

*Council Member Gulley moved to approve Option #2 to expend \$25,459.82 in unallocated Emergency Shelter Grant Funds from 1994, 1996, 1997, and 1998 to the following programs: Family Emergency Shelter, Safety Net, Domestic Violence Shelter, Homeless Prevention – Legal Services, Homeless Prevention – Rent Assistance, Overnight Shelter and Y-House; seconded by Council Member Teplitz.

Director of Planning and Growth Management Patricia Landes explained the Council needed to vote at this meeting or the funds would have to go back to HUD, if the funds were not spent by June 15, 2004. She indicated the Commission thought this was the most efficient process, since the programs had already been scored. She explained, because of the limited time frame, they did not go out for a new RFP nor had they done a reassessment of the programs because the last one was conducted in December, 2003. She said this was just a reallocation of additional funds and they reviewed the same scoring criteria.

In answer to a question from Council Member Ardis regarding Overnight Shelter and the Y-House in Option #2, Director of Planning and Growth Management Pat Landes explained that most agencies were faced with dwindling resources so any dollar amount provided would be significant. She said the funds would add to any agency's services.

Hearing no objections, Mayor Pro Tem Thetford granted Privilege of the Floor to those who wished to address this issue.

Ms. Sandra Birdsall, 124 S.W. Adams, and representing the YWCA, stated the YWCA had operated their emergency shelter for over twenty years and had received funds from the City for every year except for this past year. She said there was a technical error in the application. She added the Y had continued to operate the shelter and they were trying to find money. She said the extra money would be put to good use, and she added that if the City didn't fund the emergency shelter, the City could not use the numbers for their total emergency funding for HUD.

Council Member Grayeb questioned why a policy issue had been placed on the Consent Agenda. He expressed concern that several items had been placed on the Consent Agenda that should not have been. Director Landes stated she would pass this information to City Manager Oliver upon his return.

Assistant City Manager Pennington explained the Council had approved the funding of this initially, and the Administration felt they were following the previous decisions of the Council. He said it was not viewed as an overriding policy issue or it would not have been on the Consent Agenda.

Mayor Pro Tem Thetford welcomed former Council Member Christopher Duncan, who joined the audience.

Ms. Shelley Weinstein, representing the YWCA, stated they had consolidated shelter programs with the transitional housing programs. She said they had moved from their downtown location at 301 N. E. Jefferson and were now located in the YMCA facility at 411 Hamilton Boulevard due to the I-74 construction and to consolidate their funding under one roof. In answer to Council Member Nichting's question, she said that both programs were at the same site and represented 55 beds combined. She explained approximately 475 people were served per year.

In discussion with Council Member Nichting regarding what financial implication the numbers for HUD had to the City, Director Landes stated there was no direct financial implication, but at year end a report was sent to HUD regarding what money had been invested in programs and what the return was on that money. She said the City's funding was capped at \$87,000.

In discussion with Council Member Sandberg regarding Staff time and costs involved to amend the Action Plan to HUD, Director Landes indicated it would take about four hours staff time at the cost of approximately \$240.00, and the cost of an ad in the newspaper regardless of which option was chosen because there would be a need to amend the contracts for the agencies.

Council Member Sandberg questioned why the monies haven't been spent since 1994, and why the Council had learned about this outside the normal budget process. He asked whether or not there was a monitoring of the status of the funds. He questioned which agencies hadn't used their money during these years and why.

Director Landes said she would be glad to report back within two weeks.

Council Member Teplitz pointed out this was found money and she added there had been long term staffing and budgetary problems in the Planning and Growth Management Department due to budget and staffing reductions. She said these problems had been well known to her prior to being elected to the Council. She said she felt it was fortunate that the Planning Department was at a point that the department had a good handle on these monies and the responsibilities now. She added HUD had streamlined the process recently as well. She said this situation had been going on for a long time and was a known problem. She said she would support the motion to get that money into the community to provide services to those who needed them.

Motion to approve Option #2 to expend \$25,459.82 in unallocated Emergency Shelter Grant Funds from 1994, 1996, 1997, and 1998 to the following programs: Family Emergency Shelter, Safety Net, Domestic Violence Shelter, Homeless Prevention – Legal Services, Homeless Prevention – Rent Assistance, Overnight Shelter and Y-House was approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Ardis, Grayeb, Gulley, Morris, Nichting, Spears, Teplitz, Turner, Mayor Pro Tem Thetford - 9;

Nays: Sandberg - 1.

(04-224)

Communication from the City Manager and Director of Planning and Growth Management Recommending Adoption of an ORDINANCE Granting a SPECIAL PERMIT in a Class C-1 (General Commercial) District for a ROOF TOP SIGN Through the Special Use Process for Property Located at 4307 N. STERLING AVENUE.

Council Member Spears moved to adopt the Ordinance granting a Special Permit in a Class C-1 (General Commercial) District for a roof top sign through the Special Use Process for property located at 4307 N. Sterling Avenue; seconded by Council Member Nichting.

Council Member Spears said that the construction on I-74 in the Sterling Avenue areas had impacted the businesses in that area in a negative manner. He also expressed concern that this business had to spend \$500.00 for the special use permit for the sign.

Motion to adopt ORDINANCE NO. 15,623 granting a Special Permit in a Class C-1 (General Commercial) District for a roof top sign through the Special Use Process for property located at 4307 N. Sterling Avenue was approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Ardis, Grayeb, Gulley, Morris, Nichting, Sandberg, Spears, Teplitz, Turner,
Mayor Pro Tem Thetford - 10;

Nays: None.

**(04-228) REAPPOINTMENTS by Mayor David P. Ransburg to the PEORIA CIVIC
***** CENTER AUTHORITY, with Recommendation to Concur:**

Daniel P. Daly (Voting)	Term Expires 7/1/09
Rebekah T. Bourland (Voting)	Term Expires 7/1/09
Keith Arnold	Term Expires 7/1/06
Jane Converse	Term Expires 7/1/06

Council Member Spears explained the reason he removed Item Nos. 04-228, 04-230, 04-232, 04-233, and 04-234 through 04-241 from the Consent Agenda. He said the Council had received a packet regarding Commission appointments and a request for recommendations for appointments. He said he was encouraged that there would be new people with new ideas infused into the process. He said he personally made over 100 phone calls recruiting new commissioners which comprised many hours of work. He expressed concern that he had received no additional comments from the Mayor in spite of the fact that he had submitted many names. He expressed his disappointment to learn that all former commissioners were being re-appointed and he indicated he felt the process of re-appointments was problematic.

Council Member Turner pointed out there were many complex and complicated issues at the Commission levels and there was a certain level of expertise of the people on some of the Commissions that needed to remain.

Council Member Spears moved to concur with the re-appointments by Mayor Ransburg of Daniel P. Daly, Rebekah T. Bourland, Keith Arnold and Jane Converse to the Peoria Civic Center Authority; seconded by Council Member Teplitz.

Approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Ardis, Grayeb, Gulley, Morris, Nichting, Sandberg, Spears, Teplitz, Turner,
Mayor Pro Tem Thetford - 10;

Nays: None.

**(04-229) REAPPOINTMENTS by Mayor David P. Ransburg to the FIRE AND POLICE
***** COMMISSION, with Recommendation to Concur:**

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Michael L. McCabe (Voting)	Term Expires 6/30/07
Dr. D. Paul Mehta (Voting)	Term Expires 6/30/07
James A. Wright (Voting)	Term Expires 6/30/07

Council Member Spears pointed out there was a law that at least three members of this Commission should be from the opposite political party. He said all but one person on this Commission was from one political party. He said he felt this was critical and the Council, in the past, had considered it to be an important issue also. He said this Commission set policies which determined who was hired by the City of Peoria on the Police and Fire Departments.

Council Member Spears moved to defer this item for two weeks until the June 1, 2004, Regular City Council Meeting so the Mayor could review this situation; seconded by Council Member Morris.

Motion to defer this item until June 1, 2004, was approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Ardis, Grayeb, Gulley, Morris, Nichting, Sandberg, Spears, Teplitz, Turner,
Mayor Pro Tem Thetford - 10;

Nays: None.

(04-230) **REAPPOINTMENT by Mayor David P. Ransburg to the GREATER PEORIA**

** **AIRPORT AUTHORITY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS, with**
 Recommendation to Concur:

Gerald S. Flaherty, Sr. (Voting) Term Expires 6/13/09

After referring to his comments under Item No. 04-228, Council Member Spears moved to concur with the re-appointment by Mayor Ransburg of Gerald S. Flaherty, Sr. to the Greater Peoria Airport Authority Board of Commissioners; seconded by Council Member Teplitz.

Approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Ardis, Grayeb, Gulley, Morris, Nichting, Sandberg, Spears, Teplitz, Turner,
Mayor Pro Tem Thetford - 10;

Nays: None.

(04-231) **APPOINTMENT by Mayor David P. Ransburg to the GREATER PEORIA**

*** **MASS TRANSIT DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES, with Recommendation**
 to Concur:

Fred D. Grafton (Voting) Term Expires 6/30/05

Council Member Ardis moved to defer this item for four weeks until the June 15, 2004, Regular City Council Meeting; seconded by Council Member Turner.

Approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Ardis, Grayeb, Gulley, Morris, Nichting, Sandberg, Spears, Teplitz, Turner,
Mayor Pro Tem Thetford - 10;

Nays: None.

(04-232) **APPOINTMENT and REAPPOINTMENT by Mayor David P. Ransburg to the**

**** **HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION, with Recommendation to**
 Concur:

APPOINTMENT:

Robert Bullock (Voting)

Term Expires 6/30/07

REAPPOINTMENT:

Paul Masick (Voting)

Term Expires 6/30/07

After referring to his comments under Item No. 04-228, Council Member Spears moved to concur with the appointment by Mayor Ransburg of Robert Bullock and the re-appointment of Paul Masick to the Historic Preservation Commission; seconded by Council Member Teplitz.

Approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Ardis, Grayeb, Gulley, Morris, Nichting, Sandberg, Spears, Teplitz, Turner,
Mayor Pro Tem Thetford - 10;

Nays: None.

**(04-233) REAPPOINTMENTS by Mayor David P. Ransburg to the LIQUOR
***** COMMISSION, with Recommendation to Concur:

**Frank R. McCabe (Voting)
Andrew D. Cassidy (Voting)**

**Term Expires 6/30/07
Term Expires 6/30/07**

After referring to his comments under Item No. 04-228, Council Member Spears moved to concur with the re-appointment by Mayor Ransburg of Frank R. McCabe and Andrew D. Cassidy to the Liquor Commission; seconded by Council Member Teplitz.

Approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Ardis, Grayeb, Gulley, Morris, Nichting, Sandberg, Spears, Teplitz, Turner,
Mayor Pro Tem Thetford - 10;

Nays: None.

**(04-234) APPOINTMENT and REAPPOINTMENTS by Mayor David P. Ransburg to the
***** PEORIA MEDICAL AND TECHNOLOGY DISTRICT ADVISORY COUNCIL,
***** with Recommendation to Concur:

APPOINTMENT

Lisa Slane (Voting)

Term Expires 6/30/05

REAPPOINTMENTS

Rosemary Bannon (Voting)

Term Expires 6/30/05

Lynne M. Binkele (Voting)

Term Expires 6/30/05

Robert Bullock (Voting)

Term Expires 6/30/05

V. R. Mitchell (Voting)

Term Expires 6/30/05

Bernadine M. Nolan (Voting)

Term Expires 6/30/05

Leslie J. Paulson (Voting)

Term Expires 6/30/05

**Honorable Alexandria Scott Pearson
(Voting)**

Term Expires 6/30/05

Dr. Tim Vega (Voting)

Term Expires 6/30/05

After referring to his comments under Item No. 04-228, Council Member Spears moved to concur with the appointment by Mayor Ransburg of Lisa Slane and the re-appointments of Rosemary Bannon, Lynne M. Binkele, Robert Bullock, V. R. Mitchell, Bernadine M. Nolan, Leslie J. Paulson, Honorable Alexandria Scott Pearson, and Dr. Tim Vega to the Peoria Medical and Technology District Advisory Council; seconded by Council Member Teplitz.

Approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Ardis, Grayeb, Gulley, Morris, Nichting, Sandberg, Spears, Teplitz, Turner,
Mayor Pro Tem Thetford - 10;

Nays: None.

(04-235) REAPPOINTMENT by Mayor David P. Ransburg to the PEORIA MEDICAL AND TECHNOLOGY DISTRICT COMMISSION, with Recommendation to Concur:

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Karla Dennhardt (Voting)

Term Expires 6/30/09

After referring to his comments under Item No. 04-228, Council Member Spears moved to concur with the re-appointment by Mayor Ransburg of Karla Dennhardt to the Peoria Medical and Technology District Commission; seconded by Council Member Teplitz.

Approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Ardis, Grayeb, Gulley, Morris, Nichting, Sandberg, Spears, Teplitz, Turner,
Mayor Pro Tem Thetford - 10;

Nays: None.

(04-236) REAPPOINTMENTS by Mayor David P. Ransburg to the NEIGHBORHOOD DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION, with Recommendation to Concur:

David Koehler (Voting)

Term Expires 6/30/07

Carroll E. Besing (Voting)

Term Expires 6/30/07

Karla Dennhardt (Voting)

Term Expires 6/30/07

Robert McQuirter (Voting)

Term Expires 6/30/07

Martha Ross (Voting)

Term Expires 6/30/07

Rosilee Walker (Voting)

Term Expires 6/30/07

After referring to his comments under Item No. 04-228, Council Member Spears moved to concur with the re-appointments by Mayor Ransburg of David Koehler, Carroll E. Besing, Karla Dennhardt, Robert McQuirter, Martha Ross, and Rosilee Walker to the Neighborhood Development Commission; seconded by Council Member Teplitz.

Approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Ardis, Grayeb, Gulley, Morris, Nichting, Sandberg, Spears, Teplitz, Turner,
Mayor Pro Tem Thetford - 10;

Nays: None.

(04-237) REAPPOINTMENTS by Mayor David P. Ransburg to the PERSONNEL APPEALS BOARD, with Recommendation to Concur:

Laraine E. Bryson (Voting)

Term Expires 6/30/07

Richard Helmer (Voting)

Term Expires 6/30/07

After referring to his comments under Item No. 04-228, Council Member Spears moved to concur with the re-appointments by Mayor Ransburg of Laraine E. Bryson and Richard Helmer to the Personnel Appeals Board; seconded by Council Member Teplitz.

Approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Ardis, Grayeb, Gulley, Morris, Nichting, Sandberg, Spears, Teplitz, Turner,
Mayor Pro Tem Thetford - 10;

Nays: None.

- (04-238) **APPOINTMENT by Mayor David P. Ransburg to the Position of
CHAIRPERSON of the SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL COMMITTEE, with
Recommendation to Concur:**

Lester Bergsten (Voting)

Effective 6/29/04

After referring to his comments under Item No. 04-228, Council Member Spears moved to concur with the appointment by Mayor Ransburg of Lester Bergsten as the Chairperson of the Solid Waste Disposal Committee; seconded by Council Member Teplitz.

Approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Ardis, Grayeb, Gulley, Morris, Nichting, Sandberg, Spears, Teplitz, Turner,
Mayor Pro Tem Thetford - 10;

Nays: None.

- (04-239) **REAPPOINTMENTS by Mayor David P. Ransburg to the TRAFFIC
COMMISSION, with Recommendation to Concur:**

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John Haverhals (Voting)

Term Expires 6/30/07

Mary Jane Crowell (Voting)

Term Expires 6/30/07

W. Joe Hudson (Voting)

Term Expires 6/30/07

After referring to his comments under Item No. 04-228, Council Member Spears moved to concur with the re-appointments by Mayor Ransburg of John Haverhals, Mary Jane Crowell, and W. Joe Hudson to the Traffic Commission; seconded by Council Member Teplitz.

Approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Ardis, Grayeb, Gulley, Morris, Nichting, Sandberg, Spears, Teplitz, Turner,
Mayor Pro Tem Thetford - 10;

Nays: None.

- (04-240) **APPOINTMENTS and REAPPOINTMENTS by Mayor David P. Ransburg to
the PEORIA URBAN FORESTRY ADVISORY BOARD, with Recommendation
to Concur:**

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APPOINTMENTS

Amy Benecke McLaren (Voting)

Term Expires 6/30/07

Michael Gary Wilkins (Voting)

Term Expires 6/30/05

REAPPOINTMENTS

James Alwill (Voting)

Term Expires 6/30/07

Glenn E. Herold (Voting)

Term Expires 6/30/07

Merle L. Krause, Jr. (Voting)

Term Expires 6/30/06

Dr. Joseph F. Pula (Voting)

Term Expires 6/30/07

After referring to his comments under Item No. 04-228, Council Member Spears moved to concur with the appointments by Mayor Ransburg of Amy Benecke McLaren and Michael Gary Wilkins and the re-appointments of James Alwill, Glenn E. Herold, Merle L. Krause, Jr. and Dr. Joseph F. Pula to the Peoria Urban Forestry Advisory Board; seconded by Council Member Teplitz.

Approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Ardis, Grayeb, Gulley, Morris, Nichting, Sandberg, Spears, Teplitz, Turner,
Mayor Pro Tem Thetford - 10;

Nays: None.

(04-241) REAPPOINTMENTS by Mayor David P. Ransburg to the ZONING COMMISSION, with Recommendation to Concur:

Rev. Joyce K. Banks (Voting)
George P. Shadid, Jr. (Voting)
Keith Weinstein (Voting)

Term Expires 6/30/07
Term Expires 6/30/07
Term Expires 6/30/07

After referring to his comments under Item No. 04-228, Council Member Spears moved to concur with the re-appointments by Mayor Ransburg of Rev. Joyce K. Banks, George P. Shadid, Jr., and Keith Weinstein to the Zoning Commission; seconded by Council Member Teplitz.

Approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Ardis, Grayeb, Gulley, Morris, Nichting, Sandberg, Spears, Teplitz, Turner,
Mayor Pro Tem Thetford - 10;

Nays: None.

REPORT BACKS, with Recommendation to Receive and File:

(04-201) Communication from the City Manager and Director of Planning and Growth Management Regarding a REPORT BACK on the CITY'S CONTRIBUTIONS TO SEND NEIGHBORHOOD ADVOCATES to the REGIONAL NEIGHBORHOOD NETWORK CONFERENCE.

Council Member Turner moved to grant Privilege of the Floor to Ms. Carol Holford and Ms. June Moore; seconded by Council Member Ardis.

Hearing no objections, Mayor Pro Tem Thetford granted Privilege of the Floor to Ms. Carol Holford and Ms. June Moore.

Neighborhood Specialist for the City of Peoria, Leslie McKnight, spoke in support of having an initiative that was independent from the City so the neighborhoods could work with the business community to obtain their support and to share some of their neighborhood development strategies. She said there was a level of synergy that was currently building in the business community and in the neighborhood associations. She said that Peoria would be used as a model for other cities in this endeavor. She urged the Council to support the initiative.

Ms. June Moore, Neighborhood Development Commission Member and member of the Ad Hoc Committee, distributed copies of letters of support to all members of the City Council. She read from the letters and she said there was enthusiasm for what they were doing.

Ms. Carol Holford, 1800 N. Gale, gave a report on which cities provided scholarships to citizens to attend the neighborhood conference. She urged the Council to support the project.

Council Member Turner said if the City was planning to contribute toward this project, he suggested that for every \$2.00 raised from the businesses, the City would commit to providing \$1.00, to help form these partnerships.

Council Member Sandberg questioned how this initiative would be funded.

Council Member Teplitz stated there had been generous contributions from the businesses and she stated she felt there would be a wonderful partnership formed between businesses and neighborhoods. She expressed confidence there would be enough funding for those who needed to attend the conference.

Council Member Grayeb stated if there were any neighborhood representatives that would be left behind due to lack of funding, he felt there should be some City participation in funding under these circumstances. He added the Council was committed to the Neighborhoods.

Director of Planning and Growth Management Pat Landes stated the contributions were tax deductible. She stated that other cities had begun to ask Peoria how to form partnerships such as this and she proposed that in 2005 the neighborhood leaders would be conducting presentations for other cities. She added the Heartland Partnership would be accepting the donations and there would be a report in October.

Council Member Turner stated this is a big event for Peoria and he said he would like to give more people an opportunity to attend the conference in Columbus, Ohio. He suggested two people from each neighborhood association should attend the conference the first year, as funds would allow.

Director Landes stated the recommendation was for two from each neighborhood organization to attend and those attending would be rotated each year so that the same people would not go every year.

Council Member Turner moved to receive and file the report back on the City's contributions to send neighborhood advocates to the Regional Neighborhood Network Conference; seconded by Council Member Teplitz.

Approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Ardis, Grayeb, Gulley, Morris, Nichting, Sandberg, Spears, Teplitz, Turner,
Mayor Pro Tem Thetford - 10;

Nays: None.

(04-243) Communication from the City Manager and Director of Planning and Growth Management Recommending Adoption of an ORDINANCE Amending Ordinance No. 13,394, an EXISTING USE WITH APPROVAL, in a Class C-1 (General Commercial) District for an EXISTING GAS STATION to Include RETAIL SALES of GASOLINE, GROCERIES and ALCOHOL on the Same Zoning Lot for Property Located at 3712 N. UNIVERSITY STREET, with Conditions.

Council Member Spears moved to Table this item; seconded by Council Member Teplitz.

Council Member Spears said there were concerns in the neighborhood about this location and he said if those concerns were resolved, then this item would be removed from the Table.

Council Member Nichting spoke on the theme of Item Nos. 04-243 through 04-247 regarding the retail sale of gasoline and alcohol at the same location. He said he felt it had been made very clear that the liquor issue and the special use were married and should be presented to the Council together rather than two independent issues. He said, in the future, he would support a deferral on those requests that came before the Council from his District in the same manner.

Council Member Turner said the special use process did not work for these kinds of issues. He said the special use was rubber-stamped by the Zoning Commission and it was left to the Liquor Commission to make decisions that impacted the surrounding neighborhoods. He said at the Liquor Commission meeting on May 17, 2004, two of the requests were denied because there were enough citizens that came forward to support that the use did not fit in their neighborhood.

Council Member Nichting also suggested that citizens would have to attend two different Council Meetings to make their objections known if the process continued in this manner.

Council Member Turner agreed and he said he felt the process should be changed rather than tabling the issues.

Mayor Pro Tem Thetford stated she agreed with Council Member Nichting in that the process was confusing to the neighbors. She said a special use could be approved at one meeting but the site could be denied when the liquor issue came forward at a separate meeting. She said this made no sense to her. She stated she was surprised that the two issues didn't come together.

Council Member Teplitz agreed and she requested that the Administration review the possibility that these items should be brought to the Council together at the same meeting.

Council Member Ardis moved that all of these issues be deferred for two weeks and request that the Administration bring these items back as a package. No second was heard.

Council Member Spears said he needed to hear from the neighborhood regarding this particular site. He pointed out there had been some problems with this particular business and he wished to have those issues resolved. He explained that was why he wished to table this item. He urged this business owner to communicate with the neighborhood regarding this issue.

Motion to Table this item was approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Ardis, Grayeb, Gulley, Morris, Nichting, Sandberg, Spears, Teplitz, Turner,
Mayor Pro Tem Thetford - 10;

Nays: None.

(04-244) Communication from the City Manager and Director of Planning and Growth Management Recommending Adoption of an ORDINANCE Granting a SPECIAL USE in a Class C-1 (General Commercial) District for a NEW GAS STATION to Include RETAIL SALES of GASOLINE, GROCERIES and ALCOHOL on the Same Zoning Lot for Property Located at 2509 W. WAR MEMORIAL DRIVE, with Conditions.

Council Member Ardis moved to defer this item for two weeks until the June 1, 2004, Regular City Council Meeting; seconded by Council Member Morris.

Motion to defer this item until June 1, 2004, was approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Ardis, Grayeb, Gulley, Morris, Nichting, Sandberg, Spears, Teplitz, Turner,
Mayor Pro Tem Thetford - 10;

Nays: None.

(04-245) Communication from the City Manager and Director of Planning and Growth Management Recommending Adoption of an ORDINANCE Granting a SPECIAL USE in a Class C-2 (Large Scale Commercial) District for RETAIL SALES of GASOLINE, GROCERIES and ALCOHOL on the Same Zoning Lot and for an EXISTING CAR WASH for Property Located at 7815 N. UNIVERSITY STREET, with Conditions.

Council Member Ardis moved to defer this item for two weeks until the June 1, 2004, Regular City Council Meeting; seconded by Council Member Morris.

Motion to defer this item until June 1, 2004, was approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Ardis, Grayeb, Gulley, Morris, Nichting, Sandberg, Spears, Teplitz, Turner,
Mayor Pro Tem Thetford - 10;

Nays: None.

- (04-246) Communication from the City Manager and Director of Planning and Growth Management Recommending Adoption of an ORDINANCE Granting a SPECIAL USE in a Class C-1 (General Commercial) District for an EXISTING GAS STATION to Include RETAIL SALES of GASOLINE, GROCERIES and ALCOHOL on the Same Zoning Lot and for VEHICLE RENTAL for TRUCKS for Property Located at 5831 N. KNOXVILLE AVENUE, with Conditions.**

Council Member Ardis moved to defer this item for two weeks until the June 1, 2004, Regular City Council Meeting; seconded by Council Member Morris.

Motion to defer this item until June 1, 2004, was approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Ardis, Grayeb, Gulley, Morris, Nichting, Sandberg, Spears, Teplitz, Turner, Mayor Pro Tem Thetford - 10;

Nays: None.

- (04-247) Communication from the City Manager and Director of Planning and Growth Management Recommending Adoption of an ORDINANCE Amending Ordinance No. 15,424, an EXISTING SPECIAL USE in a Class C-1 (General Commercial) District for an EXISTING GAS STATION to Include RETAIL SALES of GASOLINE, GROCERIES and ALCOHOL on the Same Zoning Lot for Property Located at 3124 N. PROSPECT AVENUE, with Conditions.**

Council Member Ardis moved to defer this item for two weeks until the June 1, 2004, Regular City Council Meeting; seconded by Council Member Morris.

Council Member Turner moved to grant Privilege of the Floor to Mr. John White; seconded by Council Member Grayeb.

It was determined that Mr. White would only be allowed to speak to the issue of deferring the item so he said he would make his comments later in the meeting under Citizens to Address the Council.

Motion to defer this item until June 1, 2004, was approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Ardis, Grayeb, Gulley, Morris, Nichting, Sandberg, Spears, Teplitz, Turner, Mayor Pro Tem Thetford - 10;

Nays: None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- (04-168) Communication from the City Manager and Director of Planning and Growth Management Recommending Adoption of an ORDINANCE Amending Ordinance No. 15,347, an EXISTING SPECIAL USE in a Class R-7 (Multi-Family Residential) District for CHURCH FACILITIES to Include a CHILD CARE FACILITY for Property Located at 135 N. E. RANDOLPH.**

Council Member Teplitz moved to adopt the Ordinance amending Ordinance No. 15,347, an Existing Special Use in a Class R-7 (Multi-Family Residential) District for Church Facilities to include a Child Care Facility for property located at 135 N. E. Randolph; seconded by Council Member Sandberg.

ORDINANCE NO. 15,624 was approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Ardis, Grayeb, Gulley, Morris, Nichting, Sandberg, Spears, Teplitz, Turner, Mayor Pro Tem Thetford - 10;

Nays: None.

NEW BUSINESS**REQUEST for INSTALLATION of an AMERICAN FLAG**

Council Member Thetford requested that Assistant City Manager Alan Pennington and Director of Public Works Steve Van Winkle contact Sara Partridge. She said Ms. Partridge would like to install an American Flag at the Civil War Monument at the corner of Prospect and East Arcadia by Memorial Day.

CITIZEN REQUESTS TO ADDRESS THE COUNCIL**(04-248) 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. John White, 1309 E. Elmhurst, said he attended the Zoning Commission meeting regarding the 3124 N. Prospect site that had applied to sell liquor and gasoline at the same location. He said his property was 41 feet away from that location and there were good businesses in the area and they wanted to keep them. He thanked the City for their assistance in solving some of the parking problems in the area. He presented pictures of his property and the gas station to the Council.

Mr. Will Harris, Jr. IV, 2107 N. Lehman Road, discussed an incident that resulted in injury to his father during an assault and robbery. He expressed concern that the Police reports were not filled out accurately.

Mayor Pro Tem Thetford requested that Interim Police Chief Poynter and Assistant City Manager Alan Pennington discuss this issue with Mr. Harris following the meeting.

Ms. June Moore and Ms. Levetta Ricca returned the Litter Trophy to the City so someone else could be awarded the trophy. They encouraged all citizens to participate in picking up litter in their neighborhoods.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

It was determined that an Executive Session was not needed.

ADJOURNMENT

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

Approved by viva voce vote.

The Council Meeting adjourned at 9:23 P.M.

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