

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

Council Chambers, Peoria, Illinois, March 18, 2008, a Special City Council Meeting was held this date at 5:20 P.M., at City Hall, 419 Fulton Street, with proper notice having been given for the purpose of discussing City Council business items, with Mayor Jim Ardis presiding.

**ROLL CALL**

Roll call showed the following Council Members were physically present: Gulley, Jacob, Montelongo, Nichting, Spain, Spears, Turner, Mayor Ardis – 8; Absent: Manning, Sandberg, Van Auken - 3.

**INVOCATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mayor Ardis requested a moment of silent prayer or silent reflection, and he then led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**PROCLAMATIONS, COMMENDATIONS, ETC.**

**PROCLAMATION:** ARYN KYLE DAYS IN PEORIA - March 18 and 19, 2008

**MINUTES**

Council Member Nichting moved to approve the minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting and Executive Sessions held on March 11, 2008, as printed; seconded by Council Member Turner.

Approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Gulley, Jacob, Montelongo, Nichting, Spain, Spears, Turner, Mayor Ardis – 8;

Nays: None.

**PETITIONS, REMONSTRANCES & COMMUNICATIONS****UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**(08-095) Consideration of a MOTION to RESCIND Prior Action Authorizing the HIRING of PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION ASSOCIATES LLC and EXECUTIVE SEARCH, INC. AND Consideration of CITY MANAGER SEARCH FIRMS' PROPOSALS from FRONTIER PARTNERS, INC. and THE MERCER GROUP, with the Possibility of Taking Action to HIRE ONE OF THESE FIRMS, and Authorize the Interim City Manager or Mayor to Execute a CONTRACT with that Firm.**

Council Member Turner moved to rescind prior City Council action authorizing the hiring of Public Administration Associates LLC and Executive Search, Inc. to conduct a search to hire a new City Manager for the City of Peoria; seconded by Council Member Nichting.

Approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Gulley, Jacob, Montelongo, Nichting, Spain, Spears, Turner, Mayor Ardis – 8;

Nays: None.

Council Member Turner moved to accept the proposal of The Mercer Group to conduct a search to hire a new City Manager for the City of Peoria; seconded by Council Member Nichting.

Approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Gulley, Jacob, Montelongo, Nichting, Spain, Spears, Turner, Mayor Ardis – 8;

Nays: None.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

It was determined that an Executive Session was not needed

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Council Member Spain moved to adjourn the Special City Council Meeting; seconded by Council Member Montelongo.

Approved by viva voce vote.

The City Council Meeting adjourned at 5:35 P. M.

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

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