

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

Council Chambers, Peoria, Illinois, April 24, 2012, a Regular City Council Meeting was held this date at 6:18 P.M., at City Hall, Council Chambers, 419 Fulton Street, with Mayor Jim Ardis presiding, and with proper notice having been posted.

**ROLL CALL**

Roll Call showed the following Council Members were physically present: Akeson, Gulley (arrived at 6:26 P.M.), Irving, Riggensbach, Sandberg, Spain, Spears, Turner, Van Auken, Weaver, Mayor Ardis - 11. Absent: None.

**INVOCATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mayor Jim Ardis requested a moment of silent prayer or silent reflection, and then Boy Scout Troop #156 from St. Vincent de Paul led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**PROCLAMATIONS, COMMENDATIONS, ETC.**

**PROCLAMATION:** VIC & PAT BURNETT - 60th WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

**PROCLAMATION:** CORDNEY SPINKS - Recognition

**PROCLAMATION:** PEORIA PUSH DERBY DAMES - Recognition

**PROCLAMATION:** LAW DAY - MAY 2, 2012

**PROCLAMATION:** MEMORIAL DAYS - MAY 23 - 28, 2012

**MINUTES**

Council Member Spain moved to approve the minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting held on April 10, 2012, the Special City Council Meeting held on April 17, 2012, and the Annual Meeting of the Board of Town Trustees held on April 17, 2012, as printed; seconded by Council Member Turner.

Approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Akeson, Gulley, Irving, Riggensbach, Sandberg, Spain, Spears, Turner,  
Van Auken, Weaver, Mayor Ardis - 11;

Nays: None.

**PETITIONS, REMONSTRANCES & COMMUNICATIONS – CITY OF PEORIA**

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

- (12-164)      Communication from the City Manager and Fire Chief with Request to Accept a BID for the PURCHASE of TWO (2) TRIPLE COMBINATION FIRE ENGINES from PIERCE MANUFACTURING, in the Amount of \$864,144.00.**

- (12-165) Communication from the City Manager and Fire Chief Requesting Approval for a **SOLE SOURCE PURCHASE** of a **GPS BASED EMERGENCY VEHICLE TRAFFIC SIGNAL PREEMPTION SYSTEM** for **SEVEN INTERSECTIONS**, in the Amount of \$40,351.25, from **TRAFFIC CONTROL CORPORATION**.
- (12-166) Communication from the City Manager and Director of Human Resources Requesting Authorization to Execute a **CONTRACT** with **RESOURCE MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATES (RMA)**, in the Amount of \$47,916.00, to Administer the **FIRE CAPTAIN PROMOTIONAL EXAMINATION**.
- (12-167) Communication from the City Manager and Corporation Counsel Requesting Authorization to **SETTLE** the **CASE** of **CHUCKY WADE V. CITY OF PEORIA**, Central District Case No. 09-1219, in the Amount of \$19,900.00.
- (12-168) Communication from the City Manager and Director of Public Works Requesting Approval of Payment of \$35,000.00 to **STEPHEN AND KRISTINA MAJOR** for **RIGHT-OF-WAY ACQUISITION** of a **PORTION** of **PARCEL ID NOS. 13-03-276-027 and 13-03-276-028** Located at **5501 W. BROOKMERE STREET** for the Construction of **ORANGE PRAIRIE ROAD EXTENSION PROJECT**.
- (12-169) Communication from the City Manager and Director of Public Works Requesting Approval of a Payment of \$30,000.00 to **MATTHEW M. VIEN** for **RIGHT-OF-WAY ACQUISITION** of a **Portion** of **PARCEL ID NOS. 13-03-276-029** at **5503 W. BROOKMERE STREET** for the Construction of **ORANGE PRAIRIE ROAD EXTENSION PROJECT**.
- (12-170) Communication from the City Manager and Director of Public Works Requesting Approval to Authorize the City Manager to Execute an **ADDENDUM #3** to **PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT #10-187** with **FARNSWORTH GROUP, INC.**, in the Additional Amount of \$15,500.00, for **DESIGN SERVICES** on the **ORANGE PRAIRIE ROAD EXTENSION PROJECT**, from **US ROUTE 150 (War Memorial Drive)** to **IL 91/GRANGE HALL ROAD/ALTA ROAD**.
- (12-171) Communication from the City Manager and Director of Public Works Requesting Approval of a **MASTER PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT** with **AUSTIN ENGINEERING COMPANY, INC.**, in an Amount Not to Exceed \$90,000.00, to Provide **LAND SURVEY SERVICES** for the City of Peoria on Various Projects.
- (12-172) Communication from the City Manager and Director of Public Works Requesting Approval of a **MASTER PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT** with **FOTH INFRASTRUCTURE & ENVIRONMENT, LLC**, in an Amount Not to Exceed \$675,000.00, to Provide **DRAINAGE PROGRAM ENGINEERING SERVICES** for the City of Peoria on Various Projects.

(12-173)  
\* Communication from the City Manager and Director of Public Works  
Requesting Approval of the Following:

- A. MASTER PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT with CRAWFORD, MURPHY & TILLY, INC., in an Amount Not to Exceed \$555,000.00, to Provide DESIGN ENGINEERING SERVICES for the City of Peoria on the ARTERIAL STREET OVERLAY PROGRAM; and
- B. RESOLUTION Authorizing the CITY MANAGER to Execute the CONSTRUCTION ENGINEERING SERVICES AGREEMENT for the Use of MOTOR FUEL TAX FUNDS with the Illinois Department of Transportation.

(12-174) Communication from the City Manager and Director of Public Works  
Requesting Approval of the Following:

- A. MASTER PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT with HERMANN & ASSOCIATES, LLC, in an Amount Not to Exceed \$970,000.00, to Provide ENGINEERING SERVICES for the City of Peoria on Various Projects; and
- B. RESOLUTION NO. 12-174 Authorizing the CITY MANAGER to Execute the CONSTRUCTION ENGINEERING SERVICES AGREEMENT for Use of MOTOR FUEL TAX FUNDS with the Illinois Department of Transportation.

(12-175) Communication from the City Manager and Director of Public Works  
Requesting Approval of the Following:

- A. MASTER PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT with TERRA ENGINEERING, LTD, in an Amount Not to Exceed \$380,000.00, to Provide ENGINEERING SERVICES for the City of Peoria on Various Projects; and
- B. RESOLUTION NO. 12-175 Authorizing the CITY MANAGER to Execute the CONSTRUCTION ENGINEERING SERVICES AGREEMENT for Use of MOTOR FUEL TAX FUNDS with the Illinois Department of Transportation.

(12-176)  
\*\* Communication from the City Manager and Director of Public Works  
Requesting Approval of the Following:

- A. MASTER PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT with MIDWEST ENGINEERING ASSOCIATES, INC., in an Amount Not to Exceed \$802,500.00, to Provide CONSTRUCTION ENGINEERING SERVICES for the City of Peoria on Various Projects; and
- B. RESOLUTION Authorizing the CITY MANAGER to Execute the CONSTRUCTION ENGINEERING SERVICES AGREEMENT for Use of MOTOR FUEL TAX FUNDS with the Illinois Department of Transportation.

- (12-177) **Communication from the City Manager and Director of Public Works  
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Requesting Approval of the Following:**
- A. MASTER PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT with FARNSWORTH GROUP, INC., in an Amount Not to Exceed \$970,000.00, to Provide CONSTRUCTION ENGINEERING SERVICES for the City of Peoria on Various Projects; and**
  - B. RESOLUTION Authorizing the CITY MANAGER to Execute the CONSTRUCTION ENGINEERING SERVICES AGREEMENT for Use of MOTOR FUEL TAX FUNDS with the Illinois Department of Transportation.**
- (12-178) **Communication from the City Manager and Director of Public Works Requesting Approval of a COMMERCIAL LEASE AGREEMENT with R&R SERVICES OF ILLINOIS, INC., for a Period of ONE (1) YEAR Beginning MAY 15, 2012, for a Portion of the Property Located at 2201 S. DARST STREET, and Requesting Authorization for the City Manager to Execute the Documents.**
- (12-179) **Communication from the City Manager and Director of Public Works Requesting Approval of an AGREEMENT with COMMERCIAL GROUNDS MAINTENANCE OF ILLINOIS, INC., for LANDSCAPING SERVICES for the City of Peoria for the Year 2012, in an Amount Not to Exceed \$50,000.00.**
- (12-180) **Communication from the City Manager and Director of Public Works Requesting Approval of a SINGLE-YEAR ENGINEERING SERVICES AGREEMENT with MOHR & KERR ENGINEERING AND LAND SURVEYING P.C., in an Amount Not to Exceed \$150,000.00, to Provide SPECIAL ASSESSMENT and SEWER RELOCATION PROJECTS ENGINEERING for the City of Peoria.**
- (12-181) **Communication from the City Manager and ECC Manager Requesting Authorization for the City Manager to Execute a THREE-YEAR AGREEMENT for ELECTRONIC RADIO SERVICES from the LOWEST RESPONSIBLE BIDDER, SUPREME RADIO COMMUNICATIONS, in the Amount of \$100,771.00, for the First Year and \$129,846.00, for Each of the Next Two Years to Include Authorization to Sell Certain Electronic Components and Test Equipment to Supreme Radio for Consideration for a Reduced First Year Cost.**
- (12-182) **Communication from the City Manager and Interim Director of Information Services Requesting Approval to Enter into a CONTRACT with PEARL TECHNOLOGY for the PURCHASE and VIRTUALIZATION OF SERVERS, in the Amount of \$94,121.00.**
- (12-183) **ANNUAL REPORT of the CITY TREASURER PATRICK A. NICHTING for the Year 2011, with Request to Receive and File.**

Mayor Ardis questioned if the Council wished to have any of the Consent Agenda items removed for further discussion.

Council Member Weaver requested that item Nos. 12-173, 12-176, and 12-177 be removed from the Consent Agenda.

Council Member Van Auken moved to approve the Consent Agenda items as outlined in the Council Communications; seconded by Council Member Riggerbach.

Items No. 12-164 through 12-183 (excluding Item Nos. 12-173, 12-176, and 12-177, which were removed for further discussion) were approved by roll call vote under the Omnibus Vote Designation.

Yeas: Akeson, Gulley, Irving, Riggerbach, Spain, Spears, Turner, Van Auken, Weaver, Mayor Ardis - 10;

Nays: Sandberg - 1.

**(12-173)      Communication from the City Manager and Director of Public Works  
\*              Requesting Approval of the Following:**

**A.      MASTER PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT with  
CRAWFORD, MURPHY & TILLY, INC., in an Amount Not to Exceed  
\$555,000.00, to Provide DESIGN ENGINEERING SERVICES for the  
City of Peoria on the ARTERIAL STREET OVERLAY PROGRAM;**

Council Member Weaver said this item pertained to the overlays and he requested clarification regarding the amount of engineering necessary for blacktop overlays. He also requested information regarding the total amount budgeted for the overlays.

Director of Public Works Dave Barber said when the overlays were budgeted, it was anticipated that City Staff would be performing the work in the amount of \$1.2 million for the three years of the program. He explained, by using outside consultants, the City would be paying a higher fee based on actual hours. He said an artificially low number was used when the Capital Budget was compiled last year. He said he estimated engineering costs would be approximately 15% and design would be approximately 5%. He stated MFT funds would be used to assist with paying for the projects and the City would need to comply with their requirements for monitoring construction. He explained the inspection process and how the allocated costs were determined. He said there were three Civil Engineer II's on Staff, along with the City Engineer, who would be monitoring the construction projects and costs, and he added there would be monthly reports.

Council Member Weaver moved to approve the Master Professional Services Agreement with Crawford, Murphy & Tilly, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$555,000.00, to provide design engineering services for the City of Peoria on the Arterial Street Overlay Program; seconded by Council Member Van Auken.

Council Member Ryan said he would like to fully understand the policy change of reducing the City's in-house engineering services and using out-sourced engineering services. He said he would like to know the full costs, which would include payroll expenses, from how the work was performed prior to the end of last year and how it would be performed this year. He requested a report back.

Council Member Gulley questioned why the full costs were not included in the cost of the projects because several years ago the City's Budget was based on job cost analysis. He expressed concern that these numbers were not included in this situation.

Motion to approve the Master Professional Services Agreement with Crawford, Murphy & Tilly, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$555,000.00, to provide design engineering services for the City of Peoria on the Arterial Street Overlay Program was approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Akeson, Gulley, Irving, Riggerbach, Spain, Spears, Turner, Van Auken, Weaver, Mayor Ardis - 10;

Nays: Sandberg - 1.

**B. RESOLUTION Authorizing the CITY MANAGER to Execute the CONSTRUCTION ENGINEERING SERVICES AGREEMENT for the Use of MOTOR FUEL TAX FUNDS with the Illinois Department of Transportation.**

Council Member Weaver moved to approve a Resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute the Construction Engineering Services Agreement for the use of Motor Fuel Tax Funds with the Illinois Department of Transportation; seconded by Council Member Van Auken.

RESOLUTION NO. 12-173 was approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Akeson, Gulley, Irving, Riggerbach, Spain, Spears, Turner, Van Auken, Weaver, Mayor Ardis - 10;

Nays: Sandberg - 1.

**(12-176) Communication from the City Manager and Director of Public Works  
\*\* Requesting Approval of the Following:**

**A. MASTER PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT with MIDWEST ENGINEERING ASSOCIATES, INC., in an Amount Not to Exceed \$802,500.00, to Provide CONSTRUCTION ENGINEERING SERVICES for the City of Peoria on Various Projects;**

Following a brief comment, Council Member Weaver moved to approve the Master Professional Services Agreement with Midwest Engineering Associates, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$802,500.00, to provide construction engineering services for the City of Peoria on various projects; seconded by Council Member Van Auken.

Approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Akeson, Gulley, Irving, Riggerbach, Spain, Spears, Turner, Van Auken, Weaver, Mayor Ardis - 10;

Nays: Sandberg - 1.

**B. RESOLUTION Authorizing the CITY MANAGER to Execute the CONSTRUCTION ENGINEERING SERVICES AGREEMENT for Use of MOTOR FUEL TAX FUNDS with the Illinois Department of Transportation.**

Council Member Weaver moved to approve a Resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute the Construction Engineering Services Agreement for the use of Motor Fuel Tax Funds with the Illinois Department of Transportation; seconded by Council Member Van Auken.

RESOLUTION NO. 12-176 was approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Akeson, Gulley, Irving, Riggerbach, Spain, Spears, Turner, Van Auken, Weaver, Mayor Ardis - 10;

Nays: Sandberg - 1.

**(12-177) Communication from the City Manager and Director of Public Works  
\*\*\* Requesting Approval of the Following:**

- A. MASTER PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT with FARNSWORTH GROUP, INC., in an Amount Not to Exceed \$970,000.00, to Provide CONSTRUCTION ENGINEERING SERVICES for the City of Peoria on Various Projects; and**

Following a brief comment, Council Member Weaver moved to approve the Master Professional Services Agreement with Farnsworth Group, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$970,000.00, to provide construction engineering services for the City of Peoria on various projects; seconded by Council Member Van Auken.

Approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Akeson, Gulley, Irving, Riggerbach, Spain, Spears, Turner, Van Auken, Weaver, Mayor Ardis - 10;

Nays: Sandberg - 1.

- B. RESOLUTION Authorizing the CITY MANAGER to Execute the CONSTRUCTION ENGINEERING SERVICES AGREEMENT for Use of MOTOR FUEL TAX FUNDS with the Illinois Department of Transportation.**

Council Member Weaver moved to approve a Resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute the Construction Engineering Services Agreement for the use of Motor Fuel Tax Funds with the Illinois Department of Transportation; seconded by Council Member Van Auken.

RESOLUTION NO. 12-177 was approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Akeson, Gulley, Irving, Riggerbach, Spain, Spears, Turner, Van Auken, Weaver, Mayor Ardis - 10;

Nays: Sandberg - 1.

**(12-184) Communication from the City Manager Requesting Authorization for Staff to CREATE a REQUEST for PROPOSALS to SOLICIT ONE OR MORE CONSULTANTS to STUDY the CREATION of SEPARATE TAX INCREMENT FINANCING (TIF) DISTRICTS Along the ILLINOIS RIVER and on PEORIA'S SOUTHSIDE. (Refer to Item No. 12-154)**

Council Member Gulley moved to authorize Staff to create a Request for Proposals to solicit one or more consultants to study the creation of separate Tax Increment Financing (TIF) Districts along the Illinois River and on Peoria's Southside; seconded by Council Member Van Auken.

Council Member Spain said he would support a motion to approve, but he expressed concern that a TIF would be created without understanding how the increment would be generated, so he stated he felt this was a good reason to conduct a study. He discussed the two ways to generate increment within a TIF and he expressed concern there was no big project to begin with, so he said he felt the study was important. He commended Council Member Gulley for his work on this project.

Council Member Sandberg expressed concern the proposed TIF was located across the street from an area that had been in a TIF for 35 years. He stated he could not justify paralyzing local taxing bodies another 20 years. He added, in his opinion, if the TIF had been successful and had created stimulus, then the proposed TIF would not be needed. He said he would not support a motion to approve.

In discussion with Council Member Weaver regarding a possible phasing of the TIF rather than studying the entire area at one time to save costs, City Manager Ulrich stated adding an economic feasibility portion of the RFP would be within the scope of crafting a proposal for a consultant to review.

In discussion with Council Member Riggerbach regarding the balance in the Southtown TIF at this time, City Manager Ulrich stated the balance was approximately \$3 million currently available with anticipation of another \$3 million increment being generated this year, and another \$3 million generated the following year.

Motion to authorize Staff to create a Request for Proposals to solicit one or more consultants to study the creation of separate Tax Increment Financing (TIF) Districts along the Illinois River and on Peoria's Southside was approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Akeson, Gulley, Irving, Riggerbach, Spain, Spears, Turner, Van Auken, Weaver, Mayor Ardis - 10;

Nays: Sandberg - 1.

**(12-185) Communication from the City Manager and Director of Public Works Requesting Direction Regarding the CITY'S PARTICIPATION in an AGREEMENT with the ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION for IMPROVEMENTS to ALLEN ROAD from TOWNLINE ROAD to WILHELM ROAD, Including the Old Route 174 Intersection.**

Letters from the Trails Edge Condominium Association Board of Directors and TrailsEdge Homeowners Association Board Member Christopher Manders were distributed to the City Council for their review. Both letters expressed concern regarding the construction of roundabouts in the area.

City Manager Patrick Ulrich discussed information that was outlined in the Council communication and he provided a brief history of the project. He said there were several policy questions that needed to be answered by the City Council. He said the City had an opportunity to include construction at the Townline Road intersection in an agreement with IDOT and the City could also add construction for the section from just south of Alta Road to Kaylie Court. He stated there had been previous discussions with IDOT based on a plan to have IDOT pay all the costs for the project and delay any City expense through a plan for transferring jurisdiction of Alta Road (old 174) west to the intersection of IL Route 91. He said there would be a funding gap of \$2.2 million. He suggested the City find the cash to pay this difference or accept responsibility for additional IDOT roadway segments to cover the funding gap. It was stated the City could fund this project without any jurisdictional transfers by budgeting sufficient funds to pay their share, which was estimated at \$6.7 million in 2014.

City Manager Ulrich stated there was the larger issue to consider of how to finance any of the other additional improvements, if the City did not take jurisdictional transfer of the road. He said IDOT's section of the project would be from north of Townline Road improving all the interchange and the deck across Route #6 and moving to the intersection of Allen and Alta Roads, which would cost approximately \$13.3 million. He explained further costs for the improvement to Townline intersection and the improvement to the Allen – Alta Road piece moving north, which would include some improvements to the Rock Island Trail as well. He added the Townline intersection would cost approximately \$300,000.00, but could be deferred to a later time.



City Manager Ulrich discussed the possibility of a Jurisdictional Transfer as outlined in the Council Communication. He said the improvements for Allen Road were estimated at \$6.7 million. He stated, if the City took jurisdiction of Alta Road from Van Winkle Way to State Route 91, which was a rural cross section, IDOT offered to give the City \$4.5 million of credit. He said IDOT had identified eleven different roadways throughout the City they would be willing to offer for which the City would assume maintenance. He discussed future development and the potential to require developers to improve the roads. He added, if this road was left with the State, the City would always need to work with them on access and control issues and development. He said the City did not have \$6.4 million to apply to the Allen Road improvements to begin construction, so this would be another advantage of a jurisdictional transfer. He requested direction from the City Council regarding these issues.

Council Member Akeson expressed concern that no maps were provided for better understanding. She requested that Google maps be provided for the next presentation with a design of the proposed intersection super-imposed on the Google map, so the specifics of the area could be viewed by the Council. She said she felt better displays would be more appropriate for a project this size.

Council Member Akeson requested information regarding who designed the intersection at Townline Road and, in discussion, City Treasurer Patrick Nichting, former Council Member for the Fifth District, explained the east side of the intersection was the original design and the west side was Medina Plains, which was an agreement worked out between the City of Peoria, Walmart, and the developers. He stated construction was completed in 2002 to 2003 and Allen Road was completely under the jurisdiction of the State of Illinois at that time. He said IDOT designed the west side of the intersection to last twenty years. He added the east side of the intersection was designed in the late 1960's or 1970's.

Council Member Spain requested another green arrow at this intersection so there would be two turn lanes going north on Allen Road coming from Townline Road. He said it would seem reasonable to accommodate two left hand turns coming to the north, which would assist with traffic congestion in the area. He stated he was concerned about interrupting an existing business.

Council Member Sandberg agreed that more information was needed so a full policy discussion could be held. He expressed concern that Map #10 was not attached to the Council Communication.

In discussion with Council Member Weaver regarding proposed future maintenance costs on the pieces of roadway that would be given to the City by IDOT, Director Barber said he would request the information from IDOT and bring the information back to Council.

In discussion with Council Member Van Auken regarding the true costs of the City's maintenance of State Roads, Director Barber stated the City received approximately \$160,000 to \$170,000 per year for all the roads plus some resurfacing costs, if weather was severe during the year. He said the State funded major reconstruction of their roadways.

Council Member Irving referred to the Townline Road intersection and he said he felt no consideration had been given to the impact on existing businesses in the area. He said there were traffic delays on the east side of Allen Road, but they were only between 4:00 P.M. and 5:00 P.M.

Council Member Irving moved to not make any roadway improvements to the intersection of Townline Road and Allen Road to save \$300,000.00; seconded by Council Member Turner.

Council Member Weaver stated he had received complaints regarding the overall condition of Townline Road, so he said he would support Council Member Irving on the timing, but additional improvements needed to be discussed for Townline Road overall and where Townline meets University Street.

Motion to not make any roadway improvements to the intersection of Townline Road and Allen Road to save \$300,000.00 was approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Akeson, Gulley, Irving, Riggerbach, Sandberg, Spears, Turner, Van Auken, Weaver, Mayor Ardis - 10;

Nays: Spain - 1.

Following several clarifications requested by Council Member Irving, Council Member Akeson requested information regarding costs per year once the City was responsible for maintenance. Director Barber said he could provide some rough estimates. Council Member Akeson said she felt the Council should have more information so they could make a decision.

City Manager Ulrich stated IDOT was preparing to host a public meeting regarding the proposed plans on May 29<sup>th</sup> and IDOT needed to know if the City planned to participate before they moved to the next steps in the process. He said the Administration could provide more information prior to the May 29<sup>th</sup> IDOT meeting.

Council Member Sandberg pointed out that 45% of the proposed area was not located in the City of Peoria. He expressed concern that the City would be maintaining roadway for land in the County when he felt they needed to do a better job of street maintenance for the citizens located in the City.

Council Member Irving stated he supported a jurisdictional transfer for the Willow Knolls frontage road located directly behind Swan Lake Cemetery. He said there was a desire for other Council Members to have more information regarding a jurisdictional transfer so he would agree to a deferral. He questioned if a transfer was a good deal for the citizens.

Following further discussion, Council Member Irving moved to defer the decision on the jurisdictional transfer for one month until the May 22, 2012, Regular City Council Meeting; seconded by Council Member Weaver.

Motion to defer the jurisdictional transfer until May 22, 2012, was approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Akeson, Gulley, Irving, Riggerbach, Sandberg, Spain, Spears, Turner, Van Auken, Weaver, Mayor Ardis - 11;

Nays: None.

Mayor Ardis stated, depending on a Council decision on the jurisdictional transfer, there might not be enough money to perform the work on Alta Road. He suggested discussing alternative methods of payment for this project.

In discussion with Council Member Irving regarding the proposed roundabout at Alta Road and how the decision was made for a roundabout to be developed, Director Barber explained the Council action in April 2011 to direct Staff to explore roundabouts and he said, as the Administration worked with IDOT, this was one location the City requested for consideration for a roundabout rather than a signalized intersection. He said IDOT determined the roundabout design worked better for traffic flow for this intersection. He added the Administration was looking at roundabouts for other locations as directed by the Council.

Following further discussion, Council Member Irving stated he felt Alta Road was not a good location for a roundabout. He added he did not feel the City had performed due diligence on this matter and the two letters distributed to the Council indicated the citizens in the area were not in favor of a roundabout in this location.

Council Member Akeson requested that when this topic came back before the Council a Google map super-imposed with the roundabout design be displayed so the Council would have a better idea of the design so a decision could be made. She expressed concern that some of the trees would be removed.

Director Barber was not sure a Google map could be produced for this situation, but he said he would bring some kind of map with more information.

Council Member Irving moved to defer the decision on the work for the section from just south of Alta Road to Kaylie Court for one month until the May 22, 2012, Regular City Council Meeting; seconded by Council Member Akeson.

Motion to defer the decision on the work for the section from just south of Alta Road to Kaylie Court until May 22, 2012, was approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Akeson, Gulley, Irving, Riggerbach, Sandberg, Spain, Spears, Turner,  
Van Auken, Weaver, Mayor Ardis - 11;

Nays: None.

**(12-186) Communication from the City Manager Requesting Approval of an INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT with PEORIA COUNTY Regarding BRIDGE INSPECTION.**

Council Member Spain moved to approve an intergovernmental agreement with Peoria County regarding bridge inspection; seconded by Council Member Riggerbach.

In discussion with Council Member Sandberg, Director Barber stated there were ten bridges and he would provide a listing of the locations.

Approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Akeson, Gulley, Irving, Riggerbach, Sandberg, Spain, Spears, Turner,  
Van Auken, Weaver, Mayor Ardis - 11;

Nays: None.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**(INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO MOTIONS TO RECONSIDER ITEMS, IF ANY, FROM THE PREVIOUS REGULAR MEETING)**

**(12-143) Communication from the City Manager and Interim Director of Planning and Growth Management with Recommendation from Staff to Adopt an ORDINANCE RENAMING SUD PARKWAY to VAN WINKLE WAY.**

A letter from the President and CEO of Methodist Medical Center indicating they had no objections to renaming the street was distributed to all members of the City Council. A letter from Gian Sud of the Sud Family Limited Partnership voicing his opposition to the renaming of the street was distributed to all members of the City Council.

Council Member Irving moved to adopt the Ordinance renaming Sud Parkway to Van Winkle Way; seconded by Council Member Van Auken.

Council Member Sandberg stated he could not support the motion and that Van Winkle Way was not located in the City.

Council Member Gulley suggested another street be named Van Winkle Way. He suggested going back and reviewing the history of the naming of the street and to defer this item.

In discussion with Council Member Riggerbach regarding who was responsible for the cost of a road, such as Sud Parkway, City Manager Ulrich confirmed the developer was typically responsible for the costs and naming roads as part of discussions with the City.

Corporation Counsel Randy Ray explained a developer did not have a property interest in the continued use of a street name.

Council Member Riggerbach said he would support the proposed name change to support the businesses located in the City of Peoria.

Council Member Spears said he could not support the renaming of Sud Parkway. He said he supported the philosophy of only changing street names for honorary purposes.

ORDINANCE NO. 16,816 renaming Sud Parkway to Van Winkle Way was approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Irving, Riggerbach, Spain, Turner, Van Auken, Weaver, Mayor Ardis - 7;

Nays: Akesson, Gulley, Sandberg, Spears - 4.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

**(12-187) REQUEST for a REPORT BACK from the LITTER COMMITTEE Regarding TIRE DISPOSAL and Suggestions Regarding FINES for TIRE DUMPING.**

Council Member Turner stated on Saturday, April 21, 2012, Peoria City Beautiful held a clean-up day and he stated he attended several locations such as Manual High School and Glen Oak School. He said there were over 900 tires collected from the neighborhoods, which had been dumped by commercial entities. He expressed concern this was happening all over the Southside of Peoria. He said he felt the punishment should fit the crime for these kinds of violations and he suggested severe fines and penalties be assessed against these businesses. He requested the Administration look at imposing a \$1,000.00 or \$1,500.00 fine for every violation.

Council Member Spain also expressed concern regarding tire dumping and he said, if it was difficult for businesses to find places for old tires, then it resulted in tire dumping in neighborhoods. He said he felt the Council needed to discuss penalties, but there was still a big problem. He suggested the City attract a business to the community who could use the tires for recycling.

Council Member Sandberg pointed out State law required a charge of \$5.00 per tire from owners for disposal. He said each tire should be considered as a violation. He suggested working with the State of Illinois for legislation to assist with this problem in some manner.

Mayor Ardis requested that Council Member Turner hold a discussion with the Litter Committee and provide more information to the Council regarding these tire problems.

**(12-188) REQUEST for REPORTS on ONE SOLUTION TECHNOLOGY PROGRESS and on a CITY OF PEORIA APP for Citizens to Communicate with the City Staff Regarding REPAIRS or PROBLEMS in the Community.**

Council Member Spain said he spoke to Interim Director of Information Systems Mike King prior to the meeting to discuss the status of the paperless agenda process, which seemed to be moving along. He requested a progress report on the One Solution technology and the tasks that would be generated differently. He also said there was a need to become more efficient and he requested that City Manager Ulrich review the creation of a City of Peoria app for cell phones so citizens could alert City employees about repairs in the community.

Council Member Akeson reported that Tri-County Planning had started research on the apps for code enforcement, so she suggested some collaboration between the two entities.

**ANNOUNCEMENT Regarding the 6<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL MONEYSMART WEEK ACTIVITIES**

Council Member Riggensbach reported it was the 6<sup>th</sup> Annual MoneySmart Week in Central Illinois and he urged citizens to attend the many seminars and classes that would be held for education and information covering a wide variety of topics. He said this was a collaboration between local banks, government, and many non-profit organizations in the area.

**ANNOUNCEMENT Regarding REDISCOVERING CITY HALL EXHIBITS**

City Clerk Mary Haynes referred to the Rediscovering City Hall exhibits and she reported that Robert Van Dan Arend brought in items for an exhibit. She explained that Mr. Van Dan Arend was the grandson of E. A. Furry, who was elected as an Alderman in 1894 and is listed on the cornerstone of the current City Hall, which was built in 1897. She stated Mr. Van Dan Arend brought in a Council rules booklet dated 1896 and other materials, which was very interesting, and she said that exhibit would be displayed in the near future.

City Clerk Mary Haynes urged family members of previous Mayors or City elected officials to consider displaying items of interest to tell the story about their service to the community.

**ANNOUNCEMENT Regarding LEADERSHIP CONNECTIONS EVENT**

City Clerk Mary Haynes announced a Leadership Connection would be held with School District #323 and School District #150 Board Members, the Park District Board Members, County Board Members, and Members of the City Council on May 31, 2012. She said more information would be forthcoming in the near future.

**CITIZENS' OPPORTUNITY TO ADDRESS THE CITY COUNCIL/TOWN BOARD**

**(12-189) REQUEST from CITIZENS to Address the CITY COUNCIL/TOWN BOARD Regarding Various Items.**

Hearing no objections, Mayor Ardis granted Privilege of the Floor to those citizens wishing to address the City Council.

Ken Kiley, a Peoria resident, thanked the Council for adopting a bicycle map. He urged citizens to attend a safe biking seminar in Normal, Illinois, that was coming soon. He commended the development of the Rock Island Trail and he said he was pleased that so many people used it. He said he looked forward to further development of the trail from the Peoria Heights Library to the Journal Star building in 2013.

Denise Moore, a Peoria resident, thanked the Council for approving a consultant to review the proposed Southside TIF and to examine the area. She said the First District was not like any other District in the City because there were issues and concerns in the First District that were unique from any other District in the City. She said the TIF should be driven forward with projects and any TIF should be closed early if possible. She said TIF funds generated inside a TIF area should be used for projects inside the same TIF area. She said 80% of her tax bill was designated to fund the Southside TIF and there were roads in her area that needed repair.

Jim Wickert, a Peoria resident, referred to the Allen Road project and he said his house was located near the roundabout. He spoke in opposition to the roundabout and the expense of \$6.2 million for the road. He said the road was already in good shape and should not be destroyed to install a new road. He added he did not feel the City would have funding in the future for this project and the State did not have the funding now. He also expressed concern regarding the removal of trees.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

It was determined an Executive Session was not needed.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Council Member Van Auken moved to adjourn the Regular City Council Meeting; seconded by Council Member Spain.

Approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Akeson, Gulley, Irving, Riggerbach, Sandberg, Spain, Spears, Turner,  
Van Auken, Weaver, Mayor Ardis - 11;

Nays: None.

The Regular City Council Meeting adjourned at 8:50 P.M.

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