

CITY OF ALTON  
ALTON CITY COUNCIL

OCTOBER 28, 2015

A Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of Alton, Illinois was held in the City Council Chambers, City Hall Building, Alton, Illinois at the hour of 7:30 p.m. on the above date.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Walker.

The Council Members present on call of the roll:

PRESENT: Ryan, MacAfee, Velloff, Martin, Brake, Fleming, Boulds – 7

ABSENT: None – 0

Mayor Walker called upon Alderman Ryan to lead the Pledge to the Flag.

PUBLIC HEARING

The Clerk read the following Notice of Public Hearing.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), the City Council of the City of Alton, Illinois, shall hold a public hearing on the proposed Transition Plan on October 28, 2015, at 7:30 P.M., in the City Council Chambers, 101 E. Third Street, Alton, Illinois 62002

The City Council is soliciting public comment from its citizens to ensure that the city does not discriminate against qualified individuals with disabilities in its services, programs/activities, or employment practices and that the city complies with all regulations required by ADA.

A copy of the proposed Transition Plan may be viewed during normal business hours at the City Clerk's Office located at 101 E. Third Street, Alton, Illinois, or on the City's website at <http://www.alton-il.com/ada>. Persons desiring copies of the proposed Transition Plan in alternative formats should contact Matthew H. Asselmeier, ADA Coordinator, at 618-463-3532 or [masselmeier@alton-il.com](mailto:masselmeier@alton-il.com).

If prospective attendees require an interpreter or other accommodations for the public hearing, please contact the Alton City Clerk's Office at 618-463-3522 no later than 48 hours prior to the commencement of the public hearing to arrange the accommodations.

The Council Members present on call of the roll to open the Public Hearing:

PRESENT: Ryan, MacAfee, Velloff, Martin, Brake, Fleming, Boulds – 7

ABSENT: None – 0

The Public Hearing opened at 7:34 P.M.

Mayor Walker asked if there were any questions or comments from the Aldermen.

There were no questions or comments from the Aldermen.

Mayor Walker asked if there were any questions or comments from the Public.

There were no questions or comments from the Public.

Mr. Ryan made a motion, seconded by Mr. Fleming, that the Public Hearing adjourn. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Ryan, MacAfee, Velloff, Martin, Brake, Fleming, Boulds – 7

NAYS: None – 0

The Public Hearing adjourned at 7:35 P.M.

### COUNCIL MINUTES, COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORT OF OFFICERS

The Clerk presented the following Council Meeting Minutes of October 14, 2015 and the following Communications: Republic Services, re: Solid Waste and Recycle Volumes for the month of September, 2015; Illinois State Police, re: Forfeiture check; Matthew H. Asselmeier, Deputy Director of Development and Housing, re: Public Access Counselor, Sarah Pratt informing her of the Deputy FOIA Officers and Open Meetings Act Officers for the City of Alton and the following Report of Officers: City Treasurer, re: Monthly Report for September, 2015. Mr. Ryan made a motion, seconded by Mr. Boulds, that said reports be placed on file. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Ryan, MacAfee, Velloff, Martin, Brake, Fleming, Boulds – 7

NAYS: None – 0

### COMMITTEE REPORT

Chairwoman Martin presented the following Committee of the Whole Meeting Report for October 26, 2015: Resolution, re: Discount and Special Bills paid; Resolution, re: Demolition of 600 Sheppard, 811 Chouteau; Resolution, re: Demolition of 615 E. 5<sup>th</sup>; Resolution, re: Establishing a No Parking Zone on the east side of Beall Avenue; Resolution, re: Demolition of 2142 Seminary; Resolution, re: Demolition of 614 Sheppard; Resolution, re: That the Fire Chief enter into an agreement with Madison County Emergency Management Agency for the sale of one 1992 Ford Rescue truck; Resolution, re: That the Fire Chief is authorized to negotiate the sale of one 1989 Mako breathing air compressor; Bid Report and Resolution, re: Bid #2015 -21 Rental of Uniforms and Building Misc for Various Departments of the City of Alton; Bid Report and Resolution, re: Bid #2015 – 22, Asbestos Abatement at 300 Jefferson, 816-818 E 6<sup>th</sup>, 922 E 6<sup>th</sup>, 519 Easton & 1808 Market for the Building and Zoning Department; Bid Report and Resolution, re: Bid #2015 – 23, Demolition of 619 East Broadway, 1218 Spaulding Street and 3446 Meridocia Street for the Building and Zoning Department. Mrs. Martin made a motion, seconded by Mr. Ryan, that said report be placed on file. The Chair so ordered.

Mrs. Martin presented the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Discount and Special Bills Paid; also all Expenditure Bills as listed in the Comptroller's report dated October 26, 2015 be allowed and payment be made for same. Mrs. Martin made a motion, seconded by Mr. Ryan, that said resolution be approved. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Ryan, MacAfee, Velloff, Martin, Brake, Fleming, Boulds – 7

NAYS: None – 0

Mrs. Martin presented the following resolution:

WHEREAS, it is necessary to effect the demolition of certain structures deemed unsafe under 65 ILCS 5/11-31-1, the owners of which have neglected or refuses to perform required demolition.

NOW, THEREFORE:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that its officials and agents are hereby authorized to pursue appropriate legal action against such properties in the Circuit Court as listed below:

600 Sheppard  
811 Chouteau

Mrs. Martin made a motion, seconded by Mrs. MacAfee, that said resolution be approved. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Ryan, MacAfee, Velloff, Martin, Brake, Fleming, Boulds – 7

NAYS: None – 0

Mrs. Martin presented the following resolution:

WHEREAS, it is necessary to effect the demolition of certain structures deemed unsafe under 65 ILCS 5/11-31-1, the owners of which have neglected or refuses to perform required demolition.

NOW, THEREFORE:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that its officials and agents are hereby authorized to pursue appropriate legal action against such properties in the Circuit Court as listed below:

615 E. 5<sup>th</sup>

Mrs. Martin made a motion, seconded by Mr. Velloff, that said resolution be approved. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Ryan, MacAfee, Velloff, Martin, Brake, Fleming, Boulds – 7

NAYS: None – 0

Mrs. Martin presented the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Alton, Illinois deems it advisable to establish “No Parking” zones on the east side of Beall Avenue, at its intersection with North and Franklin Avenue; and

WHEREAS, the Police Department of the City of Alton has conducted a traffic study and made recommendations with regard thereto.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that the attached Ordinance pertaining to establishing a No Parking Zone on the east side of Beall Avenue between east 20<sup>th</sup> Street and Franklin Avenue be considered. Mrs. Martin made a motion, seconded by Mr. Velloff, that said resolution be approved. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Ryan, MacAfee, Velloff, Martin, Brake, Fleming, Boulds – 7

NAYS: None – 0

Mrs. Martin presented the following resolution:

WHEREAS, it is necessary to effect the demolition of certain structures deemed unsafe under 65 ILCS 5/11-31-1, the owners of which have neglected or refuses to perform required demolition.

NOW, THEREFORE:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that its officials and agents are hereby authorized to pursue appropriate legal action against such properties in the Circuit Court as listed below:

2142 Seminary

Mrs. Martin made a motion, seconded by Mr. Fleming, that said resolution be approved. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Ryan, MacAfee, Velloff, Martin, Brake, Fleming, Boulds – 7

NAYS: None – 0

Mrs. Martin presented the following resolution:

WHEREAS, it is necessary to effect the demolition of certain structures deemed unsafe under 65 ILCS 5/11-31-1, the owners of which have neglected or refuses to perform required demolition.

NOW, THEREFORE:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that its officials and agents are hereby authorized to pursue appropriate legal action against such properties in the Circuit Court as listed below:

614 Sheppard

Mrs. Martin made a motion, seconded by Mr. Fleming, that said resolution be approved. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Ryan, MacAfee, Velloff, Martin, Brake, Fleming, Boulds – 7  
NAYS: None – 0

Mrs. Martin presented the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Alton Fire Chief has determined that one (1) 1992 Ford Rescue truck VIN# 1FDY590L8NVA11538 now owned by the City of Alton is no longer necessary, appropriate, or required for the performance of the duties of the Alton Fire Department; and

WHEREAS, Madison County Emergency Management Agency made an Offer to Purchase the above listed truck for a purchase price of \$35,000.00.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that the Fire Chief, is hereby authorized to enter into an agreement with Madison County Emergency Management Agency for the sale of one 1992 Ford Rescue truck VIN# 1FDY590L8NVA11538 in the amount of \$35,000.00 payable to the City of Alton.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the net funds procured in the sale of the aforesaid truck shall be available for the purchase of extrication equipment. Mrs. Martin made a motion, seconded by Mr. Boulds that said resolution be approved. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Ryan, MacAfee, Velloff, Martin, Brake, Fleming, Boulds – 7  
NAYS: None – 0

Mrs. Martin presented the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Fire Chief desires to sell one (1) 1989 Mako breathing air compressor; and

WHEREAS, the Fire Chief desires to list the property for sale with GovDeals.com a government auction website.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that the Fire Chief is authorized to negotiate the sale of one (1) 1989 Mako breathing air compressor with the proceeds from the sale being deposited in the vehicle replacement line 9534 of the Fire Department budget. Mrs. Martin made a motion, seconded by Mr. Boulds, that said resolution be approved. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Ryan, MacAfee, Velloff, Martin, Brake, Fleming, Boulds – 7  
NAYS: None – 0

Mrs. Martin presented the following Resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED, By the City Council of the City of Alton, Illinois, that the best bid of The Clean Uniform Company is accepted for Bid #2015 – 21, Contract for Rental of Uniforms and Building Misc for Various Departments of the City of Alton. Mrs. Martin made a motion, seconded by Mr. Boulds, that said resolution be approved. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Ryan, MacAfee, Velloff, Martin, Brake, Fleming, Boulds – 7  
NAYS: None – 0

Mrs. Martin presented the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, IL, that the best bid of Universal Abatement for Asbestos Abatement at 300 Jefferson Street in the amount of \$1,438.00, at 816-818 E 6<sup>th</sup> Street in the amount of \$2,710.00 and at 922 E. 6<sup>th</sup> Street in the amount of \$6,224.00 be awarded for Bid #2015 – 22 for the Building & Zoning Department. And of CENPRO Services, Inc. for Asbestos Abatement at 519 Easton Street in the amount of \$9,600.00 and at 1808 Market Street in the amount of \$4,200.00, be awarded for Bid #2015 – 22 for the Building & Zoning Department. Mrs. Martin made a motion, seconded by Mr. Ryan, that said resolution be approved. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Ryan, MacAfee, Velloff, Martin, Brake, Fleming, Boulds – 7  
NAYS: None – 0

Mrs. Martin presented the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, IL, that the best bid of GLC, Inc. for Demolition of 1218 Spaulding Street in the amount of \$5,325.00 and 3446 Meridocia Street in the amount of \$5,100.00 be awarded for Bid #2015 – 23 for the Building & Zoning Department. Mrs. Martin made a motion, seconded by Mr. Velloff, that said resolution be approved. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Ryan, MacAfee, Velloff, Martin, Brake, Fleming, Boulds – 7  
NAYS: None – 0

#### FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES

Mayor Pro Tem Ryan presented the following ordinance for first reading.

Ordinance No. 7482. An Ordinance amending Ordinance No. 3378, being the Traffic Code of the City of Alton, by reducing the speed limit to 25 miles per hour on Glenn Drive and that appropriate signs be placed. Mr. Ryan made a motion, seconded by Mr. Fleming, that said ordinance be LAID OVER. The Chair so Ordered.

#### SECOND READING OF ORDINANCES

Mayor Pro Tem Ryan presented the following ordinance for second reading.

Ordinance No. 7481. An Ordinance establishing a handicapped parking space in front of 2404 Sanford, Alton, Illinois. Mr. Ryan made a motion, seconded by Mrs. MacAfee, that said ordinance be adopted. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Ryan, MacAfee, Velloff, Martin, Brake, Fleming, Boulds – 7

NAYS: None – 0

#### REPORTS AND/OR RESOLUTIONS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES

The Clerk presented the following Civil Service Commission, re: Minutes of October 7, 2015; Park and Recreation Commissions, re: Minutes of September 15, 2015; Alton Amphitheater Commission, re: Minutes of September 21, 2015; Alton Plan Commission, re: Minutes of October 20, 2015. Mr. Ryan made a motion, seconded by Mr. Boulds, that said minutes be placed on file. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Ryan, MacAfee, Velloff, Martin, Brake, Fleming, Boulds – 7

NAYS: None – 0

Mayor Pro Tem Ryan presented the following three (3) requests for the floor from Scott and Melissa Kelley, Stan Gula and Steve & Dee Gehrs. Mr. Ryan made a motion, seconded by Mr. Boulds, that said three (3) requests be approved.

Mr. Scott and Melissa Kelley took the floor and spoke, re: Amendment on Section 3 D of Chapter 5 of Title 11 by adding Limited Service Restaurants & Caterers to list of Special Uses within R-2 Zoning.

Mr. Stan Gula took the floor and spoke, re: 1801 State St. – Zoning.

Mr. Steve & Dee Gehrs took the floor and spoke, re: To rezone 1801 State St. to open Limited Service Restaurant & Catering.

The Clerk presented the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, for a text amendment to amend Section 3 D of Chapter 5 of Title 11 by adding Limited Service Restaurants (a use within NAICS Code 722513) and Caterers (a use within NAICS Code 722320) to the list of special uses within the R-2 Single-Family Residential Zoning District, BE AND HEREBY IS APPROVED. Mr. Ryan made a motion, seconded by Mr. Boulds, that said resolution be approved. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Ryan, MacAfee, Martin, Brake, Fleming, Boulds, Mayor Walker – 7

NAYS: None – 0

ABSTAIN – Velloff – 1

#### APPOINTMENTS

Mayor Walker presented the following appointment of Gregory A. Caffey to the Alton Housing Authority. Mr. Ryan made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Martin, that said appointment be approved. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Ryan, MacAfee, Velloff, Martin, Brake, Fleming, Boulds – 7  
NAYS: None – 0

PUBLIC FORUM ADDRESSING CITY BUSINESS

Mayor Pro Tem Ryan presented the following request for the floor from Amy Foster. Mr. Ryan made a motion, seconded by Mr. Boulds, that said request be approved.

Ms. Foster took the floor and spoke, re: Has a proposal that she would like the City Council to consider.

OTHER BUSINESS

The Clerk presented the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the State of Illinois has limited the abilities of municipalities to address chronic nuisance properties as have been previously defined by various city ordinances with the passage of Illinois P.A. 99-441; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the City Council of the City of Alton, Illinois to comply with the provision of P.A. 99-441.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that the attached ordinance be considered. Mr. Ryan made a motion, seconded by Mr. Boulds, that said resolution be Laid Over. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Ryan, MacAfee, Velloff, Martin, Brake, Fleming, Boulds – 7  
NAYS: None – 0

COMMENTS OR RESOLUTIONS FROM THE CITY COUNCIL

Mr. Ryan presented the following two (2) resolutions and one (1) petition.

1. WHEREAS, the Director of the Department of Development and Housing has recommended that the City abate the tax levies for certain bond issues in the same manner as is customarily done each year.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that ordinances be considered to abate the current tax levies with regard to the following bond issue ordinances:

\$3,550,000 General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2014 (Ordinance No. 7393, Adopted February 26, 2014);

\$2,750,000 General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2010 (Ordinances No. 7202, Adopted May 26, 2010);

\$5,675,000 General Obligation Bonds, Series 2006B (Ordinance No. 6943, Adopted March 22, 2006).

2. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that the Mayor and appropriate officials are authorized and directed to sign on behalf of the City the attached engagement agreement with Bernardi Securities, Inc. to refinance the General Obligation Bonds, Series 2006A and Series 2006B.

3. Petition of Grand Development, LLC and Lindsay D. Barth for a special use permit to operate a nursing home and assisted living facility (a use within NAICS Code 63110) at the property identified by Parcel ID Numbers 23-2-07-10-08-201-026 and 23-2-07-10-08-201-033 more commonly known as 823 Danforth Street, Alton, IL be referred to the Plan Commission. Mr. Ryan made a motion, seconded by Mr. Velloff, that the above and foregoing two (2) resolutions be referred to the Committee of the Whole and said Petition be referred to the Plan Commission. The Chair so ordered.

Mrs. MacAfee presented the following Petition:

Petition of Joseph Jenkins for a special use permit to operate a used car lot (a use within NAICS Code 44112) at the property identified by Parcel ID Number 23-2-07-02-07-201-031 more commonly known as 46 E. Elm Street, Alton, IL. Mrs. MacAfee made a motion, seconded by Mr. Ryan, that said petition be referred to the Plan Commission. The Chair so ordered.

Mr. Velloff presented the following resolution:

WHEREAS, there is no longer a need for a handicapped parking place previously established at 701 Oakwood, Alton, Illinois.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that an Ordinance be considered repealing Ordinance No. 6753 which established a handicapped parking place at 701 Oakwood, Alton, Illinois. Mr. Velloff made a motion, seconded by Mr. Ryan, that said resolution be referred to the Committee of the Whole. The Chair so ordered.

Mr. Brake presented the following two (2) resolutions:

1. WHEREAS, it is necessary to effect the demolition of certain structures deemed unsafe under 65 ILCS 5/11-31-1, the owners of which have neglected or refuses to perform required demolition:

NOW, THEREFORE:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that its officials and agents are hereby authorized to pursue appropriate legal action against such properties in the Circuit Court as listed below:

3 Signal Drive

2. WHEREAS, the City of Alton is required by law to incorporate a American with Disabilities Act Transition Plan; and

WHEREAS, two open houses have been held regarding said plan; and

WHEREAS, a 30 day comment period was made available for suggestions to the plan; and

WHEREAS, City officials have drafted and recommended a Americans with Disabilities Act Transition Plan;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that the Americans with Disabilities Act Transition Plan in the form attached hereto be approved.

Mr. Brake made a motion, seconded by Mr. Fleming, that the above and foregoing two (2) resolutions be referred to the Committee of the Whole. The Chair so ordered.

Mr. Boulds presented the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Alton has previously authorized the Public Works Director to get estimates and choose a vendor to remove sedimentation in approximately 1600 feet of sewer line in the downtown area of Piasa and Landmarks Boulevard; and

WHEREAS, after investigation and review, it appears that the cost for outside contractors to remove the sedimentation necessary to be removed will approach \$200,000.00.

WHEREAS, Ace Pipe Cleaning, Inc. has been serving the City of Alton as a qualified contractor on similar projects and is familiar with the work to be performed on the sewer line in question; and

WHEREAS, there is an immediate need to perform the work on the sewer line in question and Ace Pipe Cleaning, Inc. is prepared to proceed immediately.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that the Public Works Director is authorized to retain Ace Pipe Cleaning, Inc. to proceed with the necessary removal of sedimentation in the sewer line in the downtown area of Piasa and Landmarks Boulevard at a cost not to exceed \$200,000.00 to be paid from the Sanitary Sewer Fund and that formal bidding be waived due to the urgent nature of the work to be performed. Mr. Boulds made a motion, seconded by Mr. Ryan, that the Rules of the City Council be Suspended in order to act upon said resolution. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Ryan, MacAfee, Velloff, Martin, Brake, Fleming, Boulds, Mayor Walker – 8  
NAYS: None – 0

Mr. Boulds made a motion, seconded by Mr. Brake, that the above and foregoing resolution be approved. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Ryan, MacAfee, Velloff, Martin, Brake, Fleming, Boulds – 7  
NAYS: None – 0

There being no further business to come before the Council at this time, Mr. Boulds made a motion, seconded by Mr. Fleming, that the meeting adjourn. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Ryan, MacAfee, Velloff, Martin, Brake, Fleming, Boulds – 7  
NAYS: None – 0

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Mary T. Boulds MMC  
City Clerk

(Seal of the City of Alton, Illinois)

