

CITY OF ALTON
ALTON CITY COUNCIL

DECEMBER 16, 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 City Treasurer Cindy Roth to lead the Pledge to the Flag.

COUNCIL MINUTES, COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORT OF OFFICERS

The Clerk presented the following Council Meeting Minutes of December 9, 2015 and the Communications: Republic Services, re: Solid Waste and Recycle Volumes for the month of November, 2015 and the following Report of Officers: City Treasurer, re: Monthly Report for November, 2015; Comptroller, re: Overtime Analysis for November, 2015; Alton Fire Department, re: Monthly Fire Damage Report to Assessor's Office for November, 2015; Alton Fire Department, re: Estimated Fire Loss for November, 2015; Alton Fire Department, re: Largest Single Fire Loss for November, 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

Chairman Brake presented the following Committee of the Whole Meeting Report for December 14, 2015; Resolution, re: discount and Special Bills paid; Resolution, re: Mayor is authorized to execute the attached redevelopment agreement with GC Properties, LLC pursuant to the terms of the Alton Tax Increment Finance Grant Program; Resolution, re: Mayor is authorized to execute the attached redevelopment agreement with GC Properties, LLC pursuant to the terms of the Alton Residential Tax Increment Finance Grant Program; Resolution, re: Officials and agents are authorized to pursue appropriate legal action against such properties in the Circuit Court 1124 Putnam; Resolution, re: City of Alton acquired certain real estate in connection with the improvements to College Avenue and said real estate shall be devoted to use as right-of-way and that an ordinance be considered dedicating the real estate for right-of-way purposes; Resolution, re: That the Public Works Director be authorized to accept the proposal from S.N.I.P. Alliance to hold spay-neuter clinics; Resolution, re: City of Alton acquired certain real estate in connection with the improvements to North Rodgers Bridge and said real estate be devoted to use as right-of-way and that an ordinance be considered dedicating the real estate for right-of-way purposes; Resolution, re: Officials and agents are hereby authorized to pursue

appropriate legal action against such properties in the Circuit Court 3516 Hoover. Mr. Brake made a motion, seconded by Mr. Ryan, that said report be placed on file. The Chair so ordered.

Mr. Brake 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 December 14, 2015 be allowed and payment be made for same. Mr. Brake 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

Mr. Brake presented the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that the Mayor is hereby authorized and directed to execute the attached redevelopment agreement with GC Properties, LLC pursuant to the terms of the Alton Tax Increment Finance Grant Program. Mr. Brake 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

Mr. Brake presented the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that the Mayor is hereby authorized and directed to execute the attached redevelopment agreement with GC Properties, LLC pursuant to the terms of the Alton Residential Tax Increment Finance Grant Program. Mr. Brake 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

Mr. Brake 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:

1124 Putnam

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

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

Mr. Brake presented the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the City of Alton acquired certain real estate in connection with the improvements to College Avenue and said real estate shall be devoted to use as right-of-way in connection with said project; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS that an ordinance be considered dedicating the real estate on the attached exhibit for right-of-way purposes. Mr. Brake 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

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that the Public Works Director be authorized to accept the proposal from S.N.I.P. Alliance to hold spay-neuter clinics at the Alton Public Works Facility on the terms as attached. The 2016 dates are Saturday, January 9, 2016; Sunday, January 10, 2016; Friday, February 5, 2016; Sunday, February 7, 2016; Friday, February 12, 2016; Saturday, February 13, 2016; Saturday, March 5, 2016; Sunday, March 6, 2016; Saturday, March 12, 2016; Sunday, March 13, 2016. Mr. Brake made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Martin, that said resolution be approved. The motion passed by the following vote:

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

Mr. Brake presented the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the City of Alton acquired certain real estate in connection with the improvements to North Rodgers Bridge and said real estate shall be devoted to use as right-of-way in connection with said project; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS that an ordinance be considered dedicating the real estate on the attached exhibit for right-of-way purposes. Mr. Brake 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

Mr. Brake 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:

3516 Hoover

Mr. Brake 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

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES

Mayor Pro Tem Ryan requested first and seconded reading of Ordinance No. 7492, Ordinance No. 7493, Ordinance No. 7494, Ordinance No. 7495, Ordinance No. 7496, Ordinance No. 7497, Ordinance No. 7498, Ordinance No. 7499, Ordinance No. 7500, Ordinance No. 7501, Ordinance No. 7502, Ordinance No. 7503. Mr. Ryan made a motion, seconded by Mrs. MacAfee, that the Rules of the Council be Suspended in order to act upon said Ordinances. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Ryan, MacAfee, Velloff, Martin, Brake, Fleming, Boulds, Mayor Walker – 8

NAYS: None – 0

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

Ordinance No. 7492. An Ordinance amending Section 8 of Chapter 2 of Title 5 of the City Code pertaining to billings for trash or refuse services.

Ordinance No. 7493. An Ordinance amending Subsection 5 of Section 4 of Chapter 10 of Title 6 of the City Code pertaining to billings for sewage services.

Ordinance No. 7494. An Ordinance repealing Chapter 7 of Title 9 of the City Code of the City of Alton, Illinois establishing chronic nuisance properties.

Ordinance No. 7495. An Ordinance regarding taxes imposed upon the City of Alton.

Ordinance No. 7496. An Ordinance regarding taxes imposed upon the City of Alton in Section 9 of Chapter 3 of Title 4 of the City Code of the City of Alton.

Ordinance No. 7497. An Ordinance establishing a handicapped parking space in front of 1203 Diamond, Alton, Illinois.

Ordinance No. 7498. An Ordinance updating the property maintenance code.

Ordinance No. 7499. An Ordinance dedicating real estate on College Avenue as a right-of-way.

Ordinance No. 7500. An Ordinance dedicating real estate on North Rodgers as a right-of-way.

Ordinance No. 7501. An Ordinance granting a Special Use Permit to allow a catering business and limited service restaurant at 1801 State Street, Alton, Illinois.

Ordinance No. 7502. An Ordinance granting a Special Use Permit to allow the operation of a retail business for the sale and trade of used vehicles at the property located at 46 E. Elm Street, Alton, Illinois.

Ordinance No. 7503. An Ordinance granting a Special Use Permit to allow the operation of a nursing home and assisted living facility at the property located at 823 Danforth, 845 Danforth, 300 McInerney, Alton, Illinois.

Mayor Pro Tem presented the following ordinances for second reading.

Ordinance No. 7492. An Ordinance amending Section 8 of Chapter 2 of Title 5 of the City Code pertaining to billings for trash or refuse services.

Ordinance No. 7493. An Ordinance amending Subsection 5 of Section 4 of Chapter 10 of title 6 of the City Code pertaining to billings for sewage services.

Ordinance No. 7494. An Ordinance repealing Chapter 7 of Title 9 of the City Code of the City of Alton, Illinois establishing chronic nuisance properties.

Ordinance No. 7495. An Ordinance regarding taxes imposed upon the City of Alton.

Ordinance No. 7496. An Ordinance regarding taxes imposed upon the City of Alton in Section 9 of Chapter 3 of Title 4 of the City Code of the City of Alton.

Ordinance No. 7497. An Ordinance establishing a handicapped parking space in front of 1203 Diamond, Alton, Illinois.

Ordinance No. 7498. An Ordinance updating the property maintenance code.

Ordinance No. 7499. An Ordinance dedicating real estate on College Avenue as a right-of-way.

Ordinance No. 7500. An Ordinance dedicating real estate on North Rodgers as a right-of-way.

Ordinance No. 7501. An Ordinance granting a Special Use Permit to allow a catering business and limited service restaurant at 1801 State Street, Alton, Illinois.

Ordinance No. 7502. An Ordinance granting a Special Use Permit to allow the operation of a retail business for the sale and trade of used vehicles at the property located at 46 E. Elm Street, Alton, Illinois.

Ordinance No. 7503. An Ordinance granting a Special Use Permit to allow the operation of a nursing home and assisted living facility at the property located at 823 Danforth, 845 Danforth, 300 McInerney, Alton, Illinois.

Mr. Ryan made a motion, seconded by Mr. Boulds, that said Ordinance No. 7492, Ordinance No. 7493, Ordinance No. 7494, Ordinance No. 7495, Ordinance No. 7496, Ordinance No. 7497, Ordinance No. 7498, Ordinance No. 7499, Ordinance No. 7500, Ordinance No. 7502, Ordinance No. 7503 be adopted. The motion passed by the following vote:

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

NAYS: None – 0

Mr. Ryan made a motion, seconded by Mr. Boulds, that said Ordinance No. 7501 be adopted. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Ryan, MacAfee, Martin, Brake, Fleming, Boulds – 6

NAYS: None – 0

ABSTAIN – Velloff – 1

SECOND READING OF ORDINANCES

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

Ordinance No. 7490. Ordinance authorizing the execution of the IMLRMA minimum/maximum contribution agreement. Mr. Ryan made a motion, seconded by Mr. Boulds, that said ordinance be adopted. The motion passed by the following vote:

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

NAYS: None – 0

APPROVAL OF ACTIONS TAKEN UNDER SUSPENSION OF RULES AT PRIOR MEETING

The Clerk presented the following two (2) resolutions and ordinance:

1. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that the Mayor is hereby authorized and directed to execute the attached redevelopment agreement with the Laura Lofts Homeowner's Association, pursuant to the terms of the Alton Tax Increment Finance Grant Program.

2. WHEREAS, it is necessary to adopt a tax levy ordinance for the fiscal year commencing on the first day of April 2015 and ending on the 31st day of March 2016; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that a tax levy ordinance be considered for the fiscal year commencing on

the first day of April 2015 and ending on the 31st day of March 2016 in an amount recommended by the City Comptroller as shown in the ordinance attached hereto.

3. Ordinance No. 7491. An Ordinance providing for the Annual Tax Levy upon the real estate situated within the corporate limits of the City of Alton, in the County of Madison, State of Illinois, subject to taxation for the fiscal year commencing on the 1st day of April, 2015, and ending on the 31st day of March, 2016.

Mr. Boulds made a motion, seconded by Mr. Ryan, that the above and foregoing resolutions and ordinance be approved. 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. Velloff presented the following two (2) resolutions:

1. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that officials of the Dept. of Development & Housing are hereby authorized to solicit bids for the Alton Regional Multi-modal Transportation Center/Passenger Station, Work Package #2 which shall include construction of the station, platform, bus terminal, parking lot, access road and related roadway improvements.

2. 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:

1318 E. 4th

Mr. Velloff made a motion, seconded by Mr. Ryan, that said resolutions be referred to the Committee of the Whole. The Chair so ordered.

Mrs. Martin presented the following five (5) resolutions:

1. WHEREAS, the City of Alton has been granted federal TAP funds for the reconstruction of sidewalks along College Avenue from Holman Street to Rock Springs Drive known as Section 15-00231-01-SW; and

WHEREAS, the city must enter into an agreement with the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) in order to use the funds for construction of the project;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that upon receipt of the final version from IDOT, the Mayor is hereby

authorized to execute the “Local Agency Agreement for Federal Participation” between the Illinois Department of Transportation and the City of Alton for the above described project, a draft copy of which is attached hereto.

2. WHEREAS, the City of Alton has been granted federal TAP funds for the reconstruction of sidewalks along College Avenue from Holman Street to Rock Springs Drive known as Section 15-00231-01-SW; and

WHEREAS, the city must provide engineering supervision during construction of the project; and

WHEREAS, the cost of the construction engineering services are eligible for reimbursement with the federal funds;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that the “Construction Engineering Services Agreement for Federal Participation” between Sheppard, Morgan and Schwaab, Inc. and the City of Alton, a copy of which is attached hereto, be and is hereby approved, and the Mayor and City Clerk are hereby authorized to sign said agreement.

3. 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:

2105 Locust

4. WHEREAS Dave Godar of Sheppard Morgan and Schwaab has prepared a temporary construction easement which he finds to be necessary and appropriate for construction related to the College Avenue sidewalk improvements soon to be underway; and,

WHEREAS the Corporation Counselor of the City of Alton has reviewed the temporary construction easement as presented and finds it to be in proper form and recommends approval by the City Council.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON ILLINOIS that the Mayor and appropriate officials are hereby authorized and directed to execute on behalf of the City of Alton the attached temporary construction easement and deliver same to engineer Dave Godar.

5. WHEREAS, the City of Alton is an Illinois Municipal Corporation and is the owner of certain real estate more particularly described herein; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Alton, Illinois has determined that it is necessary, appropriate, and convenient to dedicate certain city owned property to become public right-of-way for the purposes of the reconstruction of sidewalks on the north side of College Avenue from Holman Street to Rock Springs Drive;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS that an ordinance be considered dedicating the real estate on the attached exhibit for right-of-way purposes.

Mrs. Martin made a motion, seconded by Mr. Brake, that said resolutions be referred to the Committee of the Whole. The Chair so ordered.

Mr. Boulds presented the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Alton Convention and Visitors Bureau has requested, that the City parking lot between Frontier Furnishings and Lauschke's and the City Parking lot on Sugar Alley west of Catdaddy's be closed on January 1, 2016 from 4:00 p.m. until January 2, 2016 at 3:00 p.m., to facilitate a event sponsored by the Alton CVB; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has considered the request, which was submitted in a timely manner, and does hereby approve said request.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that the Public Works Department, Police Department and Fire Department are hereby authorized and directed to restrict the parking on the parking lot between Frontier Furnishings and Lauschke's and the City Parking lot on Sugar Alley west of Catdaddy's on January 1, 2016 from 4:00 p.m. until January 2, 2016 at 3:00 p.m. for use of the guests of the Alton Convention and Visitors Bureau on the condition that the Alton Convention and Visitors Bureau will be responsible for any extra labor costs incurred by the City as it relates to this event. Mr. Boulds made a motion, seconded by Mr. Ryan, that the Rules of the 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. Ryan, 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

Mary T. Boulds MMC
City Clerk

(Seal of the City of Alton, Illinois)