

Committee-of-the-Whole Minutes

Tuesday, September 17, 2013

- PRESENT:** Mayor Scott Raes (*Chair*)
Alderman John Knaack (*Ward 1*)
Alderman David Parker, Jr. (*Ward 2*)
Alderman Janet Bender (*Ward 3*)
Alderman Dick Brown (*Ward 4*)
Alderman Kevin Schoonmaker (*Ward 6*)
Alderman Sean Liddell (*Ward 7*)
Alderman Stephanie Acri (*Alderman At-Large*)
- ABSENT:** Alderman Lori Turner (*Ward 5*)
- STAFF:** Lew Steinbrecher, City Administrator
Maureen Riggs, City Attorney
Tracy Koranda, City Clerk
Ray Forsythe, Planning & Development Director
Alison Fleming, Human Resources Manager
Nate Scott, IT Manager
Lee Ann Fisher, Library Director
Mike Hutton, Police Lieutenant
Ike Sederstrom, Deputy Fire Chief
Scott Hinton, City Engineer
Kathy Carr, Finance Director
Jeff Anderson, City Planner
Mike Waldron, Public Works Director
Shawn Christ, Land Development Manager
Chris Mathias, Property Management Coordinator
Keith Verbeke, Finance Manager
J.D. Schulte, Fleet Services Manager
Mike Bartels, Municipal Services Operations Manager
Doug House, Municipal Services General Manager
Jim VanVooren, Fire Engineer
- OTHERS:** Ron Miller, Resident
Larry Sandefur, Resident
Mel Piff, Resident
Connie McElyea, Board President, Moline School District
Dawn Neuses, Reporter, *The Dispatch*
Natalie Tolomeo, Reporter, WHBF News

Mayor Raes called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. in Council Chambers.

Proclamation

A Proclamation from the Illinois Municipal League to declare September 19, 2013, as “Drive 4 Pledges Day.”

A Proclamation from HAV Life to declare September 19, 2013, as “Preventing Lost Potential Day.”

Informational

Mike Waldron, Public Works Director, gave an overview of Leaf Collection Costing & Review.

Work Session

Keith Verbeke, Finance Manager, conducted the Fee Review with the following changes:

Increase lease fee for the Parking Lots of T, W & 4th Floor of Midtowne Parking Ramp from \$10.00 to \$20.00. A motion was made by Alderman Liddell to approve. Motion failed for lack of a second.

Remove language of “metered spaces” and increase fine for “non-metered spaces” from \$10.00 to \$20.00. A motion was made by Alderman Knaack to approve. Seconded by Alderman Bender. Motion passed unanimously.

Increase the following Transient Merchant License Fees:

Up to 1 month per site: From \$50.00 to \$100.00

Up to 3 months per site: From \$75.00 to \$125.00

Up to 6 months per site: From \$100.00 to \$150.00

7 to 12 months per site: From \$150.00 to \$200.00

A motion was made by Alderman Knaack to approve. Seconded by Alderman Brown. Motion passed unanimously.

Increase the following Multi-Family Rental Housing Units Inspection Fees:

2-4 units: From \$25.00 to \$100.00

5-10 Units: From \$50.00 to \$125.00

11-50 Units: From \$50.00 to \$150.00

51+ Units: From \$50.00 to \$200.00

A motion was made by Alderman Knaack to approve. Seconded by Alderman Brown. Alderman Schoonmaker made a motion to amend the fee increase to the following:

2-4 units: From \$25.00 to \$50.00

5-10 Units: From \$50.00 to \$75.00

Re-inspect Fee of \$100.00 for minor/single violations

Re-inspect Fee of \$200.00 for major/multiple violations

Seconded by Alderman Liddell. Motion to amend passed with Alderman Aciri voting nay. A motion to approve the amended motion was made by Alderman Schoonmaker. Seconded by Alderman Knaack. Motion passed unanimously.

Increase the Bulky Solid Waste Pick-Up (Special Pick-Up) from no charge to \$30.00. A motion was made by Alderman Knaack to approve. Seconded by Alderman Liddell. Motion passed with Alderman Schoonmaker and Parker voting nay.

Increase the fee for an additional garbage cart from \$45.00 to \$50.00 annually. A motion was made by Alderman Parker to approve. Seconded by Alderman Knaack. Motion passed unanimously.

Increase the Lawn/Yard Waste Sticker fee from \$2.00 to \$3.00. A motion was made by Alderman Liddell to approve. Seconded by Alderman Aciri. Motion failed on the following roll call vote: Ayes: Aldermen Parker, Lidell and Aciri. Nays: Aldermen Bender, Brown, Schoonmaker and Knaack.

Increase the water turn on fee from \$40.00 to \$50.00. A motion was made by Alderman Parker to approve. Seconded by Alderman Bender. Motion passed unanimously.

Increase the water turn off fee from \$40.00 to \$50.00. A motion was made by Alderman Knaack to approve. Seconded by Alderman Liddell. Motion passed unanimously.

Add an annual 16" Sprinkler Fee of \$4,640.05 for 2013 and \$6,240.57 for 2014. A motion was made by Alderman Knaack to approve. Seconded by Alderman Acri. Motion passed unanimously.

Increase the General Sanitary Sewer Pre-Treatment 5 Year Permit Renewal from \$200.00 to \$350.00. A motion was made by Alderman Knaack to approve. Seconded by Alderman Liddell. Motion passed unanimously.

Creating a Hauled Wastewater Disposal Fee for wastewater of Non-Moline origin of \$.07/gallon of Septic Waste and \$.20/gallon of Grease Trap Waste. A motion was made by Alderman Knaack to approve. Seconded by Alderman Liddell. Motion passed unanimously.

Increase the Environmental Remediation Wastewater Discharge Fee from \$0.0125/gallon to \$0.0175. A motion was made by Alderman Knaack to approve. Seconded by Alderman Parker. Motion passed unanimously.

Changes to the Development Review Fees:

Remove PUD (zoning & subdivision) - \$1260.00

Remove PUD (zoning only) - \$1010.00

Decrease Rezoning from \$660.00 to \$650.00

Increase Sidewalk Variance/Appeal – Application from \$250.00 to \$400.00

Decrease Special Use from \$660.00 to \$650.00

Decrease Subdivision (major) from \$910.00 to \$900.00

Remove Zoning Variance (Single Family Residence) - \$250.00

Increase Zoning Variance from \$600.00 to \$650.00 and remove reference to non-single family residence so all Zoning Variance Fees are \$650.00

Add Comprehensive Plan Amendment Fee of \$500.00

Add PUD – Preliminary Fee of \$1000.00

Add PUD – Final Fee of \$400.00

Add Subdivision (major) Final Plat if greater than 1 year from preliminary of \$400.00

A motion was made by Alderman Knaack to approve. Seconded by Alderman Parker. Motion passed unanimously.

Agenda Items

1. Recommendation to Increase Sanitation User Fee. Kathy Carr, Finance Director, explained that the City of Moline has been tracking the cost to provide sanitation/curbside recycling services in a separate Sanitation Fund for several years now. The fund does have various funding sources, however, no longer receives property tax funding and has had to rely on a subsidy from the General Fund. The Sanitation Fund faces a \$763,220 budget deficit for 2014 that the General Fund can't completely subsidize. It is recommended that the City continue to move toward developing the Sanitation Fund as an enterprise fund (provide goods or services to the public for a fee and operate in a full cost recovery manner similar to private business) and increase the monthly sanitation fee by \$1.00 effective 1/1/2014 and thereby reduce the 2014 deficit by \$180,000. This will increase the fee from \$8.61 to \$9.61 compared to the \$12.85 fee to make the Sanitation Fund a fully self-sustaining enterprise fund. A motion was made by Alderman Parker to approve. Seconded by Alderman Bender. Alderman Liddell made a motion to amend by increasing the fee to \$12.85 and using the additional funding to supplement the public safety pension unfunded liability.

Motion failed for lack of a second. Motion to approve a \$1.00 monthly increase was approved with Alderman Schoonmaker voting nay.

2. **Request from City of Moline to Vacate Right-of-Way for Future North Slope Improvements.** Chris Mathias, Property Management Coordinator, stated that the City of Moline requests to vacate right-of-way near the North Slope Treatment plant at 007 1st Avenue. The City is planning major improvements to the North Slope plant and vacation of unused right-of-way will provide more land to accommodate the improvements. This proposal would vacate Canal Street right-of-way, Mechanic's Street right-of-way and alley right-of-way. None of the right-of-ways to be vacated have been developed as City Streets or alleys. They are not used for access by any property owner other than the City of Moline. A motion was made by Alderman Knaack to approve. Seconded by Alderman Schoonmaker. Motion passed unanimously.
3. **Reallocation of program year 2012 CDBG funding.** Jeff Anderson, City Planner, indicated that reallocated 2012 CDBG funds in an amount up to \$53,060.43 would be used with \$94,366.60 of recently reallocated current entitlement funding to plan for, construct, and conduct activities related to the installation of utilities and improvement for a proposed development site located west of 8th Street, east of 6th Street and south of 5th Avenue. As previously discussed with the City Council, a Request for Proposals would be issued to secure the services of a qualified developer and the development plan would ultimately result in the construction of approximately ten (10) new housing units. The Citizens Advisory Council on Urban Policy (CACUP) recommended approval at its September 9, 2013 meeting with the understanding that said funds would be reallocated to the City's Community Housing Program if not utilized for the above purpose within one year. A motion was made by Alderman Schoonmaker to approve. Seconded by Alderman Bender. Motion passed unanimously.
4. **Approval of a Contract with Valley Construction for Project #1180, 21st Avenue Ravine Sanitary Sewer Replacement.** Scott Hinton, City Engineer, stated that bids were opened and publicly read on September 10, 2013 for Project #1180 with the following results:

\$187,650.00	Valley Construction
\$189,631.01	Fischer Excavating
\$217,467.00	Langman Construction
\$223,058.00	Miller Trucing and Excavating
\$228,278.00	Brandt Construction

Project #1180 includes the replacement of a sanitary sewer in a ravine north of 21st Avenue and east of 46th Street. A motion was made by Alderman Brown to approve. Seconded by Alderman Schoonmaker. Motion passed unanimously.
5. **Request for Six Street Lights on 38th Avenue between 12th Street and 15th Street C.** Scott Hinton, City Engineer, explained that staff received a request for additional street lights on 38th Avenue (Black Hawk Road) between 12th Street and 15th Street C. The Residential Street Light Policy states that street lights shall be installed approximately every 230', but that new lights will not be installed unless the distance between existing lights exceeds 460'. An investigation revealed a distance of approximately 1,600' between existing lights resulting in the justification of six new street lights under the Residential Street Light Policy. A motion was made by Alderman Knaack to approve. Seconded by Alderman Bender. Motion passed unanimously.
6. **Request by the Moline School District to participate in a Community Survey and Study for Ericsson School.** Ray Forsythe, Planning & Development Director, indicated that the Moline School District is partnering with Northern Illinois University to complete a study that will assist with the repurposing of the school. The study will assess the functional feasibility of a comprehensive community center complex that will plan and provide localized, comprehensive programs and services to community members living

within Moline. The School District will provide 50% of the cost of the Study and the City of Moline is being asked to provide the other 50%. A motion was made by Alderman Bender to approve. Seconded by Alderman Parker. Motion passed with Aldermen Knaack & Schoonmaker voting nay.

The meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Tracy A. Koranda
City Clerk