

Committee-of-the-Whole Minutes

Tuesday, September 25, 2012

PRESENT: Mayor Don Welvaert (*Chair*)
Alderman John Knaack (*Ward 1*)
Alderman Scott Raes (*Ward 3*)
Alderman Ted Ronk (*Ward 4*)
Alderman Lori Turner (*Ward 5*)
Alderman Kevin Schoonmaker (*Ward 6*)
Alderman Sean Liddell (*Ward 7*)
Alderman Stephanie Acri (*Alderman At-Large*)

STAFF: Lew Steinbrecher, City Administrator
Maureen Riggs, City Attorney
Tracy Koranda, City Clerk
Ray Forsythe, Planning & Development Director
Alison Fleming, Human Resources Manager
Laura Duran, Parks Recreation Director
Nate Scott, IT Manager
Bryon Lear, Library Coordinator
Kim Hankins, Interim Public Safety Director
Scott Hinton, City Engineer
Kathy Carr, Finance Director
Jeff Anderson, City Planner
Pat Burke, Economic Development Manager

OTHERS: Members of the Moline Historic Preservation Commission
Members of the Press

Mayor Welvaert called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. in Council Chambers.

Proclamations

- Request from QC DollarWi\$e Coalition to declare September 24-28, 2012, as QC DollarWi\$e Week.
- Request from Moline Public Library to declare September 30-October 6, 2012, as Banned Book Week.

Reappointment to Commission

Mayor's reappointment of Janet Zam to the Moline Youth Commission for a full four year term to expire August 31, 2016. A motion was made by Alderman Raes to approve. Seconded by Alderman Knaack. Motion passed unanimously.

Electronic Attendance Request

A Request from 3rd Ward Alderman, Scott Raes, and 6th Ward Alderman, Kevin Schoonmaker, to attend the October 2, 2012, Committee-of-the-Whole and City Council meetings by electronic means due to being out of town on City business attending the Fire & Police Pension Conference. A motion was made by Alderman Ronk to approve. Seconded by Alderman Knaack. Motion passed unanimously.

Informational

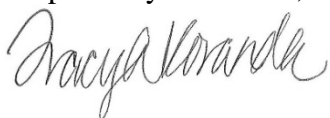
Ray Forsythe, Planning & Development Director and Ken Croken, Genesis, gave an overview of the attached presentation by Genesis Health System on the proposed Genesis 41st Street Wellness Campus project.

Agenda Items

- 1. Approval of the Terms of a Development Agreement with Genesis Health System for the proposed Genesis 41st Street Wellness Campus project.** Ray Forsythe, Planning & Development Director, stated that staff has negotiated a performance based rebate with Genesis Health System for the proposed Phase I of the Genesis 41st Street Wellness Campus project. Phase I includes public amenities, infrastructure improvements and a 50,000 square foot medical office building and parking. The rebate will reimburse the developer for increased costs of developing on the site as well as public infrastructure improvements and amenities. A motion was made by Alderman Ronk to approve. Seconded by Alderman Turner. Motion passed with Aldermen Schoonmaker, Liddell and Acri voting nay.
- 2. Relocation of Railroad Depot.** Lew Steinbrecher, City Administrator, explained that included in the Draft Environmental Impact Study, the Illinois Department of Transportation originally recommended the demolition of the railroad depot after acquiring the property from the City of Moline for right-of-way for the new I-74 Bridge. Members of the Moline Historic Preservation Advisory Commission asked the City Council to petition the Illinois DOT to save and relocate this depot. A site was located on the Western Illinois University Quad Cities Riverfront Campus to move this structure. On May 8, 2012, an estimated cost to move this building was presented to the Committee-of-the-Whole, in the amount of \$1.29 million with an identified cost of \$289,663 to the City of Moline. The City Council expressed no interest in contributing City funds toward these relocation costs, but did offer the Historic Preservation Advisory Commission with time and opportunity to raise funds from the community by August 31, 2012, to cover all costs assigned as the City's responsibility. The City Council was presented with information on railroad depots in the Quad Cities and a revised cost estimate on August 28, 2012, in the amount of \$154,776, but no mention was made regarding efforts to raise funds for this project. The question before the City Council is whether or not to relocate the depot using some, all, or none of the \$140,000 in sale proceeds, or sell the depot along with the property to the State of Illinois where it would be expected that the Illinois DOT would demolish the depot. Barbara Sandberg, Historic Preservation Advisory Commission Chair, stated that the Commission has secured pledges in the amount of \$15,000 and she encouraged the Council to follow through with the promise to Western Illinois University to give them the building. A motion was made by Alderman Raes to use the \$140,000 from the sale of the depot for relocation. Seconded by Alderman Turner. Motion failed with Aldermen Knaack, Ronk, Schoonmaker, Liddell and Acri voting nay.

The meeting adjourned at 7:14 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Tracy A. Koranda
City Clerk