



MINUTES

MOLINE CITY COUNCIL MEETING

City Hall, 619 16th Street
Tuesday, March 24, 2020

Council Meeting: The City Council meeting came to order at 7:58 p.m. The Council met in regular session in the Council Chambers at City Hall.

Pledge: The Council and audience recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Invocation: Alderman Parker gave an Invocation.

Roll Call: Roll call was taken with Mayor Acri, Aldermen Williams, Parker, Wendt, Potter, Moyer, Schoonmaker, Waldron and Berg present. Absent: None.

Items on Consent:

Approval of Minutes

Committee-of-the-Whole and Council meeting minutes of March 17, 2020.

Resolutions

1. Council Bill/General Ordinance 1034-2020

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to execute and attest to an Agreement with Strand Associates, Inc. for professional engineering services required to model and analyze hydraulic data related to the River Drive sanitary sewer interceptor in an amount not to exceed \$67,800.

Omnibus Vote: Alderman Parker, seconded by Alderman Berg, moved to approve and adopt, by omnibus vote, these items. Motion carried on roll call with the following vote: ayes: Aldermen Williams, Parker, Wendt, Potter, Moyer, Schoonmaker, Waldron and Berg; nays: none.

Items Not on Consent:

Resolutions

2. Council Bill/Resolution 1035-2020

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to execute and attest to a contract with Davenport Electric Contract Company for Project #1339, Video Detection Systems Installation, in the amount of \$51,749.49.

Tabled: Alderman Parker, seconded by Alderman Berg, moved to approve Council Bill 1035-2020. Alderman Parker asked whether the detection loops were operational for vehicles. There was discussion. Alderman Parker suggested this non-critical expenditure might be delayed until we know the impact of the COVID-19 emergency. Alderman Wendt made a motion to table for two weeks. Seconded by Alderman Berg. Motion carried on roll call with the following vote: ayes: Aldermen Williams, Parker, Wendt, Potter, Moyer, Schoonmaker, Waldron and Berg; nays: none.

3. Council Bill/Resolution 1036-2020

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to execute and attest to an Agreement with MidAmerican Energy Company for installation of electric service to the water tank site located at the former Oak Glen Home property in an amount not to exceed \$73,807.69.

Tabled: Alderman Parker, seconded by Alderman Berg, moved to approve Council Bill 1036-2020. There was discussion. Alderman Parker asked whether the \$60,000 DCEO grant could be used if electric service is not provided to the tower right away. Schulte explained that funds are earmarked for tower renovation, so self-

performed maintenance and known/budgeted improvements could be done instead. There is no match required. Alderman Parker, seconded by Alderman Moyer, moved to table until the next meeting. Motion carried on roll call with the following vote: ayes: Aldermen Williams, Parker, Wendt, Potter, Moyer, Schoonmaker, Waldron and Berg; nays: none.

4. Council Bill/Resolution 1037-2020

A Resolution establishing certain practices and procedures for the City of Moline during the COVID-19 state of emergency.

Approved: Alderman Parker, seconded by Alderman Berg, moved to approve Council Bill 1037-2020. Motion carried on roll call with the following vote: ayes: Aldermen Williams, Parker, Wendt, Potter, Moyer, Schoonmaker, Waldron and Berg; nays: none.

5. Council Bill/Resolution 1038-2020

A Resolution rescinding the Intergovernmental Agreement entered into between the Department of Healthcare and Family Services and the City of Moline pursuant to Council Bill/Resolution No. 1133-2019; and authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to execute a revised Intergovernmental Agreement between the Illinois Department of Healthcare and Family Services and the City of Moline to allow the City to be eligible for supplemental payments for covered ambulance services pursuant to the terms of the Intergovernmental Agreement; and authorizing all appropriate City of Moline officers and staff to do all things necessary to complete each of the City's responsibilities pursuant to the Intergovernmental Agreement.

Approved: Alderman Parker, seconded by Alderman Berg, moved to approve Council Bill 1038-2020. Motion carried on roll call with the following vote: ayes: Aldermen Williams, Parker, Wendt, Potter, Moyer, Schoonmaker, Waldron and Berg; nays: none.

6. Council Bill/Resolution 1039-2020

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to execute and attest to a Memorandum of Understanding between Quad Cities Running Club, Inc. and the City of Moline setting forth the terms for annual funding for the Quad Cities Marathon and designating Centre Station, 1200 River Drive, Moline, as the Marathon's start and finish line location, with said Memorandum of Understanding to be in effect for a period of fifteen years.

Approved: Alderman Parker, seconded by Alderman Berg, moved to approve Council Bill 1039-2020. Motion carried on roll call with the following vote: ayes: Aldermen Williams, Parker, Wendt, Potter, Moyer, Schoonmaker, Waldron and Berg; nays: none.

7. Council Bill/Resolution 1040-2020

A Resolution approving a City of Moline policy entitled Telework Policy and Procedure.

Approved: Alderman Parker, seconded by Alderman Moyer, moved to approve Council Bill 1040-2020. Motion carried on roll call with the following vote: ayes: Aldermen Williams, Parker, Wendt, Potter, Moyer, Schoonmaker, Waldron and Berg; nays: none.

Council, Staff and Citizen Comments:

Mayor Acri asked Council to consider a loan program for Moline businesses impacted by COVID-19. The program would be structured much like the I-74 loan program offering a 5-year balloon at 1% interest. The maximum principal per loan is \$5,000 with a total of \$50,000 allocated from the Revolving Loan Fund for the program. Alderman Wendt suggested that zero interest be charged for the duration of the COVID emergency. Corporation Counsel Derke Price explained that under the terms of the loan, borrowers would pay \$50 at the end of each year, with the balance due at the end of the 5-year term. Price asked Mayor Acri to explain the

criteria to be used in qualifying applicants; she indicated that the criteria be set loosely with a focus on small locally-owned non-essential or restricted businesses that are critical to our community, so that they would be able to reopen when the COVID restrictions are lifted. Mayor proposed the application be reviewed by an ad-hoc committee, rather than by the Revolving Loan Board, because of the short turn-around. That committee would include Moline Centre Main Street Manager Geoff Manis to identify businesses most in need, with guidance and direction from Aldermen Schoonmaker and Parker and legal review by Price. The Mayor is looking to get the money in the hands of business owners by the end of this week or early next week, which will not accommodate making sure that everyone knows about this opportunity. Video gaming establishments (Class K liquor licenses) will be prohibited. Alderman Parker made a motion to move forward with this loan program as described. Seconded by Alderman Berg. This action will be ratified at the next meeting.

Alderman Schoonmaker stated there is a possibility that Two Bridge Investments will have a loan paid off early. It is part of a large pool of money that they had that would become available for a program as previously discussed. There are four years left on the loan, so the estimated pay-off is \$800,000. This is very preliminary but has the potential to make about \$500,000 available for loans in the \$10,000 - 30,000 range at 2.875% interest, which is the existing note rate. The Cities of Moline and Rock Island would partner on this project, and get the money out in a very, very quick fashion. There are still hoops to jump to reallocate, but to do this the Council would have to fund a loan loss reserve of approximately \$40,000. Said money would be at risk if there were losses. Consensus of Council is in support of pursuing the loan program to support Moline businesses.

Executive Session:

Alderman Berg, seconded by Alderman Schoonmaker, moved for Executive Session, for the purpose of discussion of Deliberations Concerning salary Schedules for One or More Classes of Employees-5 ILCS 120/2 (C)(2), and Appointment, Employment, Compensation, Discipline, Performance, or Dismissal of Specific Employees- 5 ILCS 120/2 (C)(1). Motion carried on roll call with the following vote: ayes: Aldermen Williams, Parker, Wendt, Potter, Moyer, Schoonmaker, Waldron and Berg; nays: none.

City Council convened in Executive Session at 8:49 p.m.

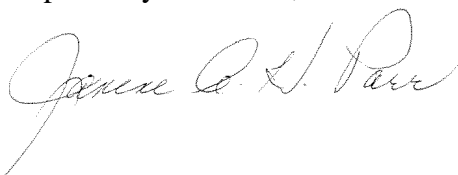
Council reconvened in open session at 9:58 p.m.

Mayor Acri noted that Alderman Wendt is Mayor Pro Tem this month, and Alderman Potter next month.

Mayor Acri adjourned the Council meeting at 9:59 p.m.

The next regularly scheduled City Council meeting is on April 7, 2020.

Respectfully submitted,



Janine A. H. Parr
City Clerk