

# Committee-of-the-Whole Minutes

Tuesday, January 19, 2021

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- PRESENT:** Mayor Stephanie Acri (*Chair*)  
Alderman Scott Williams (*Ward 1*) ~electronically  
Alderman David Parker, Jr. (*Ward 2*) ~electronically  
Alderman Mike Wendt (*Ward 3*) ~electronically  
Alderman Richard “Dick” Potter (*Ward 4*) ~electronically  
Alderman Sam Moyer (*Ward 5*)  
Alderman Kevin Schoonmaker (*Ward 6*) ~electronically  
Alderman Mike Waldron (*Ward 7*)  
Alderman Sonia Berg (*Alderman At-Large*) ~electronically
- ABSENT:** None.
- STAFF:** Marty Vanags, Interim City Administrator  
Janine Hollembaek Parr, City Clerk  
J.D. Schulte, Public Works Director  
Alison Fleming, Human Resources Manager ~electronically  
Eric Griffith, Parks Recreation Director ~electronically  
Todd Green, GIS Administrator  
Bryon Lear, Library Director ~electronically  
Darren Gault, Chief of Police  
Jeff Snyder, Fire Chief  
Carol Barnes, Finance Director ~electronically  
Chris Mathias, Property Management Coordinator ~electronically  
Tony Loete, Utilities General Manager ~electronically  
Joe Kuhlenbeck, Building Official ~electronically
- OTHERS:** Derke Price, Ancel Glink

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

## Approval of Remote Electronic Attendance

Alderman Moyer, seconded by Alderman Waldron, moved to approve the remote electronic attendance of Aldermen Williams, Parker, Wendt, Potter, Moyer, Schoonmaker, Waldron and Berg. Motion passed on roll call with the following vote: ayes: Aldermen Berg, Williams, Parker, Wendt, Potter, Moyer, Schoonmaker and Waldron; nays: none.

## Oaths of Office

Mayor Acri administered an oath of office for probationary appointment as Police Officer to each Scott E. Meyer, Travis W. Leedom and Logan C. Frederick, effective January 18, 2021.

## Presentation

Darren Gault, Chief of Police, has earned certification from the Illinois Association of Chiefs of Police. Chief Dean Stiegemeier (remotely) joined Mayor Acri in presenting a plaque in recognition of this honor.

### **Questions on the Agenda**

There were no questions on the agenda.

### **Agenda Items**

**1. A Resolution authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to execute and attest to a Licensing Agreement with Endeca Estates Condos HOA to install a line of trees and a fence on the 53<sup>rd</sup> Street right-of-way at 3728 53<sup>rd</sup> Street.** Chris Mathias, Interim Land Development Manager, explained that the applicant, Endeca Estates Condos HOA, is requesting to install a line of trees and a fence on the 53<sup>rd</sup> Street right-of-way to serve as a barrier from John Deere Road, 53<sup>rd</sup> Street and Coal Town Road traffic. A row of trees existed in this location in the past, and served as a visual and sound barrier for the Condos. These trees were removed for the John Deere Road reconstruction project, and the applicant desires a return of this barrier to lessen the noise of traffic around the property. The trees and fence would also block the view of the surrounding commercial development. The applicant also believes the trees and fence will improve the aesthetic quality of the development. Staff recommends approval of the request. Alderman Waldron, seconded by Alderman Moyer, moved to approve. There was discussion. Alderman Wendt, seconded by Alderman Waldron, moved to amend to omit the fence on the south side. Motion passed on roll call with the following vote: ayes: Aldermen Berg, Parker, Wendt, Moyer, and Waldron; nays: Aldermen Williams, Potter and Schoonmaker. Discussion had. Alderman Wendt moved to amend and omit the fence on the northern side as well. Motion passed on roll call with the following vote: ayes: Aldermen Berg, Parker, Wendt, Potter, Moyer, and Waldron; nays: Aldermen Williams and Schoonmaker. The amended motion, for the installation of trees, but no fence, carried on roll call with the following vote: ayes: Aldermen Waldron, Berg, Parker, Wendt, Potter, Moyer and Schoonmaker; nays: Alderman Williams.

**2. A Special Ordinance removing Special Ordinance 4001-2018 from the table; and designating the Prospect Park Pavilion, located at 1580 34th Avenue, Moline, Illinois, as a locally designated landmark.** Chris Mathias, Property Management Coordinator, explained that in 2017, the City of Moline received an application requesting designation of the Pavilion as a historic landmark, and on December 11, 2017, the Moline Historic Preservation Commission held a public hearing and acted on the application recommending to City Council designation of the property as a Landmark. The City Council, at that time, tabled the application wishing to wait until all repairs were completed. The repairs and painting have now been completed, and the Park Board and Historic Preservation Commission have reaffirmed their support for the designation. Corporate Council has determined the original public hearing is sufficient, and staff requests Council's approval of the designation. A motion was made by Alderman Potter to approve. Seconded by Alderman Parker. There was discussion. Alderman Waldron stated that the Park Board did support this designation. Alderman Potter stated that landmarking will serve to preserve the structure. Motion passed on roll call with the following vote: ayes: Aldermen Waldron, Berg, Williams, Parker, Wendt, Potter, Moyer and Schoonmaker; nays: none.

**3. A Resolution authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to approve and attest to an exception to the moratorium on hiring pursuant to Resolution 1051-2020 to hire a Temporary Municipal Services Crew Leader – Streets.** The Municipal Services Crew Leader – Streets position is vacant. J.D. Schulte, Public Works Director, stated that this position is a critical component of the Municipal Services Management Team. The Crew Leader ensures that the mission is being executed by providing logistical support and communications between front-line staff, management, customers and residents. The Crew Leader's role in assuring good customer service quickly became apparent during the position's vacancy. Upon City Council approval, the local Union leadership has agreed to support this temporary modification to the current applicable articles of the collective bargaining agreement to allow the City some flexibility in re-staffing in 2021, from COVID-19 related vacancies. A motion was made by Alderman Waldron to approve. Seconded by Alderman Moyer. Motion passed on roll call with the following vote: ayes: Aldermen Waldron, Berg, Williams, Parker, Wendt, Potter, Moyer and Schoonmaker; nays: none.

**4. A Resolution authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to approve and attest to an exception to the moratorium on hiring pursuant to Resolution 1051-2020 to hire a Temporary Municipal Services Crew Leader – Parks.** The Municipal Services Crew Leader – Parks position is vacant. J.D. Schulte, Public Works Director, indicated that this position is a critical component of the Municipal Services Management Team. The Crew Leader ensures that the mission is being executed by providing logistical support and communications between front-line staff, management, customers and residents. The Crew Leader’s role in assuring good customer service quickly became apparent during the position’s vacancy. Upon City Council approval, the local Union leadership has agreed to support this temporary modification to the current applicable articles of the collective bargaining agreement to allow the City some flexibility in re-staffing in 2021, from COVID-19 related vacancies. A motion was made by Alderman Waldron to approve. Seconded by Alderman Moyer. Motion passed on roll call with the following vote: ayes: Aldermen Waldron, Berg, Williams, Parker, Wendt, Potter, Moyer and Schoonmaker; nays: none.

**5. A Resolution authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to execute and attest to a Certified Water System Operator Contract for Arrowhead Ranch Water System (For Contractual Operation of Public Water Supply) with the Village of Coal Valley.** Tony Loete, Utilities General Manager, shared that at the Committee-of-the-Whole Meeting held on January 5, 2021, Council authorized staff to proceed with development of an agreement for water operator services for the Arrowhead Ranch Water System. Coal Valley has a duty to do this work, but does not currently have staff certified to do so. The Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IL EPA) is enforcing small systems like Arrowhead and requiring them to have a contractual agreement with their non-employee operators. Staff recommends approval. A motion was made by Alderman Waldron to approve. Seconded by Alderman Moyer. Motion passed on roll call with the following vote: ayes: Aldermen Waldron, Berg, Williams, Parker, Wendt, Potter, Moyer and Schoonmaker; nays: none.

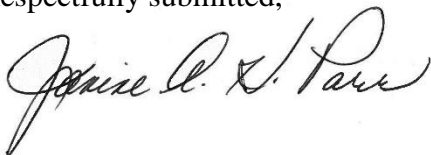
**6. A Resolution authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to execute and attest to an Intergovernmental Agreement for Water System Operation and Maintenance Services with the Village of Coal Valley.** Tony Loete, Utilities General Manager, explained that staff seeks approval from City Council to enter into an intergovernmental agreement with the Village of Coal Valley that authorizes staff to perform water system operations for the Arrowhead Ranch Water System. A motion was made by Alderman Waldron to approve. Seconded by Alderman Moyer. Motion passed on roll call with the following vote: ayes: Aldermen Waldron, Berg, Williams, Parker, Wendt, Potter, Moyer and Schoonmaker; nays: none.

**Public Comment**

There was no public comment. View recorded meetings at <http://www.moline.il.us/CivicMedia?CID=9>

The meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Janine A. H. Parr  
City Clerk