



# MOLINE COW/COUNCIL MINUTES

Tuesday, January 24, 2023

6:00 PM

City Hall

Council Chambers - 2nd Floor

619 16th Street, Moline, IL 61265

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## Committee-of-the-Whole Call to Order

- PRESENT:** Mayor Sangeetha Rayapati (*Chair*)  
Aldersperson Scott Williams (*Ward 1*)  
Aldersperson Alvaro Macias (*Ward 2*)  
Aldersperson Mike Wendt (*Ward 3*)  
Aldersperson Matt Timion (*Ward 4*)  
Aldersperson Sam Moyer (*Ward 5*)  
Aldersperson Pat O'Brien (*Ward 6*)  
Aldersperson Mike Waldron (*Ward 7*)  
Aldersperson James Patrick Schmidt (*Aldersperson At-Large*)
- ABSENT:** None.
- STAFF:** Bob Vitas, City Administrator  
Janine Hollembaek Parr, City Clerk  
Brandi Russell, Deputy City Clerk  
Carol Barnes, Finance Director  
Mike Doi, Director of Public Works  
David Dryer, Director of Engineering~*electronically*  
Barry Dykhuizen, Assistant City Administrator  
Darren Gault, Chief of Police  
Eric Griffith, Parks Recreation Director  
Ryan Hvitlök, Director of Community and Economic Development  
Bryon Lear, Library Director~*electronically*  
Tony Loete, Director of Utilities~*electronically*  
Leah Miller, Human Resources Director  
Steve Regenwether, Fire Chief  
David Rowatt, Information Technology Manager  
K.J. Whitley, Community Development Program Manager~*electronically*  
Alexandra Morris, Environmental Health Specialist  
Kara Larson, Police Officer
- OTHERS:** Margaret Kostopulos & David Silverman, Corporation Counsel  
Grace Kinnecutt, Dispatch/Argus  
Nicole Sodawasser, CYFS (Center for Youth and Family Solutions)  
Peter McDermott, Resident  
Alexander Fireman, Resident  
Katie Neary & K.J. Loerop, Lakeshore Recycling Systems  
Marty O'Fallon, Project Manager for Aptim  
Mike Weber, PGAV Planners, LLC~*electronically*  
Alexandra Elias, Renew Moline President/CEO

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

### **Presentation**

Introduction of Therapy K9 Pepper with Handlers Officer Kara Larson and Nicole Sodawasser (CYFS).

### **Public Comment**

Alexander Fireman expressed concerns with scheduling rides with MetroLINK for people with disabilities. He explained that it is difficult to get to work on time because you have to schedule two weeks in advance, which doesn't allow for flexibility in emergency situations. Riders must pay in cash because electronic payments not are accepted. These issues create barriers for people with disabilities.

Peter McDermott, Downtown Resident, expressed concerns about late-night activity near his home. He asked Council to consider more supervision and policing, and recommends the formation of a commission for the downtown area.

### **Questions on the Agenda**

None.

### **Agenda Items**

**6.1 Proposed Amendment to Chapter 14, "FOOD AND FOOD HANDLERS," of the Moline Code of Ordinances - Housekeeping.** Margaret Kostopulos, Corporation Counsel, explained that Alexandra Morris, Environmental Health Specialist, has revised the ordinance and has answered questions received from members of Council. A motion was made by Alderperson Wendt to approve. Seconded by Alderperson Waldron. Discussion had. Alderperson Wendt, seconded by Alderperson Williams, moved to amend and strike the fee schedule for all schools, both public and private. Alderperson Schmidt stated that he would not support exempting private schools. Motion passed on roll call with the following vote: ayes: Alderperson Moyer, O'Brien, Williams, Macias, Wendt; nays: Waldron, Schmidt, and Timion. The amended motion passed on roll call with the following vote: ayes: Alderpersons Moyer, O'Brien, Waldron, Williams, Macias, Wendt, and Timion; nays: Schmidt.

**6.2 A Resolution authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to execute and attest to a contract with AGM Environmental, LLC, for the 2022 Waste Removal Project for City-owned properties that include the former McKinley School and former Manual Arts Building, in the amount of \$66,577.10; and approving an additional contingency, up to 10 percent of the contract amount.** A motion was made by Alderperson O'Brien to approve. Seconded by Alderperson Moyer. Motion passed unanimously.

### **Informational**

**7.1 Restroom at Bass Street Landing Update.** Eric Griffith, Director of Parks & Recreation, stated that he has researched various restroom possibilities for Bass Street Landing, and it came down to what the SSA #5 board suggested. A playground was discussed, but is a low priority at this time. There was discussion. It was suggested that it may be a good investment to go with the nicer option, although it would be more expensive. The planned restroom should be sufficient for 85 percent of the Landing's events; occasionally there might be a need to bring in porta potties for larger events. Water, sewer, and utilities costs were considered. Bob Vitas, City Administrator, explained that the more expensive option would move from \$138,000 to \$297,000. The TIF would still be flush.

### **Adjournment of the Committee-of-the-Whole and Council Call to Order**

### **Pledge of Allegiance**

**Invocation**

None.

**Roll Call**

Roll call was taken with Mayor Rayapati, Alderpersons Williams, Macias, Wendt, Timion, Moyer, O'Brien, Waldron and Schmidt present. Absent: None.

**Consent Agenda**

**Approval of Minutes**

Committee-of-the-Whole and Council meeting minutes of January 17, 2023.

**Resolutions**

**13.1 1013-2023 A Resolution amending the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Childcare/Workforce Infrastructure Forgivable Loan Program to exempt not-for-profit childcare centers from the personal guaranty requirement.**

**13.2 1014-2023 A Resolution approving a sole-source agreement with Hive Consulting for Moline 151 Celebration consulting services for an amount not to exceed \$50,000.**

**13.3 1015-2023 A Resolution authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to execute an agreement with Express Services, Inc., doing business as Express Employment Professionals, for temporary and seasonal staffing services beginning March 1, 2023 through February 28, 2025.**

**13.4 1016-2023 A Resolution authorizing corporation counsel to execute a Contract with Kymbyl Komplete Kare, Inc., for vegetation and nuisance abatement services for the period of January 1, 2023, through December 31, 2024.**

**Omnibus Vote**

Aldersperson O'Brien, seconded by Aldersperson Timion, moved to approve and adopt, by omnibus vote, these items. Motion passed on roll call with the following vote: ayes: Alderspersons Moyer, O'Brien, Waldron, Schmidt, Williams, Macias, Wendt, and Timion; nays: none.

**Non-Consent Agenda**

**Second Reading Ordinances**

**15.1 3002-2023 An Ordinance amending Chapter 15, "GARBAGE AND TRASH," of the Moline Code of Ordinances, by enacting one new Article V, "POLLUTION CONTROL FACILITY SITING."**

**Adopted.** Aldersperson Waldron, seconded by Aldersperson Moyer, moved to approve Council Bill 3002-2023. Discussion had. David Silverman, Corporation Counsel, addressed Council to say they may prohibit certain waste if it they so choose. Hazardous waste and incineration was discussed. Aldersperson Wendt moved to strike any statement regarding incineration or hazardous waste from the ordinance. Seconded by Aldersperson Schmidt. Discussion had. Motion passed on roll call with the following vote: ayes: Alderspersons Moyer, O'Brien, Waldron, Schmidt, Williams, Macias, Wendt, and Timion; nays: none. The amended motion passed on roll call with the following vote: ayes: Alderspersons Moyer, O'Brien, Waldron, Schmidt, Williams, Macias, Wendt, and Timion; nays: none.

**15.2 3003-2023 An Ordinance approving a Community Host Agreement by and between the City of Moline and Lakeshore Recycling Systems, LLC.**

**Adopted.** Alderperson Moyer, seconded by Alderperson Waldron, moved to approve Council Bill 3003-2023. There was discussion. David Silverman, Corporation Counsel, reviewed changes to the Host Agreement, based on the Council’s discussion in Committee-of-the-Whole last week. Alderperson Wendt, seconded by Alderperson Schmidt, moved to amend that the agreement is contingent upon a subsequent agreement for minimum property tax no more than 45 calendar days later. Motion passed on roll call with the following votes: ayes: Alderpersons Moyer, O’Brien, Waldron, Schmidt, Williams, Macias, Wendt, and Timion; nays: none. Margaret Kostopulos, Corporation Counsel, explained that the amendment that just passed will not impede the Council from approving the agreement before them this evening. Alderperson Schmidt, seconded by Alderperson Timion, moved to amend to add the following: “Union Neutrality: The Company shall maintain a neutral position in any organizing or election campaign undertaken by a union. No owners, supervisors, managers, or agendas of the Company will take a position in opposition to representation by a union or engage in any conduct designed to oppose or undermine a union’s efforts”. There was discussion. Margaret Kostopulos noted that Alderperson Schmidt’s amendment is already required by law. Motion passed on roll call with the following votes: ayes: Alderpersons Moyer, O’Brien, Waldron, Schmidt, Macias, Wendt, and Timion; nays: Williams. Bob Vitas, City Administrator, explained that the City has agreements with Millennium Waste Inc. and Upper Rock Island County Landfill through 2025 and with Midland Davis for recycling through 2028. Staff will conduct a cost-benefit analysis. The amended motion passed on roll call with the following vote: ayes: Alderpersons Moyer, O’Brien, Waldron, Schmidt, Williams, Macias, Wendt, and Timion; nays: none.

**Resolutions**

**16.1 1017-2023 A Resolution providing for a feasibility study on the designation of a portion of the City of Moline, known as the IL 92 corridor, as a redevelopment project area and to induce development interests within such area; and authorizing expenditures in the course of planning and redevelopment, prior to the redevelopment project area being established, that may be reimbursable from future TIF proceeds.**

**Approved.** Alderperson O’Brien, seconded by Alderperson Williams, moved to approve Council Bill 1017-2023. Discussion had. Mike Weber, PGAV Planners, LLC, addressed the Council, said his recommendation is to focus on the opportunity at hand. The proposed TIF includes Parr Instrument and other property along IL-92 corridor, and the boundary was set with flood mitigation in mind. There was discussion on TIF boundaries and site specific development. Motion passed on roll call with the following vote: ayes: Alderpersons Moyer, O’Brien, Waldron, Schmidt, Williams, Macias, Wendt, and Timion; nays: none.

**16.2 1018-2023 A Resolution authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to execute and attest to an agreement with PGAV Planners, LLC for professional services to undertake an eligibility study and redevelopment plan for the establishment of a potential TIF district along the IL-92 East Corridor.**

**Approved.** Alderperson Moyer, seconded by Alderperson O’Brien, moved to approve Council Bill 1018-2023. Discussion had. Carol Barnes, Director of Finance, stated that shortfalls in the TIF would be covered by cash flows in the general fund, as has been done with other TIFs. Motion passed on roll call with the following vote: ayes: Alderpersons Moyer, O’Brien, Waldron, Schmidt, Williams, Macias, Wendt, and Timion; nays: none.

**Miscellaneous Business**

Mayor Rayapati shared that she and City staff had met with the owners of O’Keefe’s after recent disturbances, and a team of staff will look at solutions. The Mayor ensured that the Human Rights Commission would examine the transportation and access issues reported and work to remove barriers. Margaret Kostopulos added that the Human Rights Commission has already begun work on this. Mayor Rayapati also noted that she attended the Mayors Innovation Project in Washington D.C. and will share this information with staff and Council.

Aldersperson Williams stated the MetroLINK ride scheduling issue is a hindrance for disabled persons rather than a service.

Bob Vitas, City Administrator, thanked Council for support of the new TIF development and LRS project.

**Public Comment**

There was no additional public comment.

**Adjournment of City Council**

Upon motion of Aldersperson Wendt, seconded by Aldersperson O’Brien, the Council meeting adjourned at 7:39 p.m.

The next regularly scheduled City Council meeting is on February 7, 2023. View recorded meetings at <http://www.moline.il.us/CivicMedia?CID=9>

Respectfully submitted,



Brandi J. Russell, Deputy City Clerk