

Committee-of-the-Whole Minutes

Tuesday, February 21, 2012

PRESENT: Mayor Don Welvaert (*Chair*)
Alderman John Knaack (*Ward 1*)
Alderman Rick Meredith (*Ward 2*)
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
Kim Hankins, Interim Public Safety Director
Scott Hinton, City Engineer
Kathy Carr, Finance Director
Jeff Anderson, City Planner
Nate Scott, IT Manager
Shawn Christ, Land Development Manager
Don Goff, Network & Database Administrator
Ted Smith, Fire Battalion Chief

OTHERS: Members of the Press

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

Agenda Items

- 1. Amendment to Chapter 3, “Advertising and Signs”, of the Moline Code of Ordinances – dynamic (electronic) signs.** Shawn Christ, Land Development Manager, explained that the existing sign code is inadequate given new display technologies. Dynamic signs can be obtrusive and findings show that driver distraction increases with digital signs; a two-second distraction doubles the risk of a crash or near-crash. After multiple public meetings and input from businesses and sign companies, a proposal is ready for consideration. A redlined draft of the sign code amendments and also a presentation summary are attached for your review. The proposal includes:
 - Controls on placement, size, and illumination of dynamic signs.
 - Limitations on display characteristics (no animation, scrolling, flashing, sequencing, etc.). Note for citywide consistency, these would also apply to existing electronic signs that are programmable.
 - More frequent message changes; reduced from once per day to once per 12 to 60 seconds, depending on

zoning district.

- No new 100% dynamic billboards, but allowance to convert existing billboards in certain commercial and industrial districts.

The Plan Commission reviewed the proposed amendments and voted to recommend approval (6-2) at its February 8, 2012, meeting. A motion was made by Alderman Turner to approve. Seconded by Alderman Raes. Motion passed with Alderman Knaack voting nay.

- 2. A Resolution authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to execute an Agreement with Quality Controlled Staffing, Inc. for temporary and seasonal staffing services beginning March 1, 2012 through February 28, 2015.** Alison Fleming, Human Resources Manager, stated that a request for proposals was published, and Quality Controlled Staffing, Inc. provided the proposal that was most advantageous to the City and in the City's best interest. The agreed upon and mutually beneficial agreement fulfills all temporary and seasonal staffing needs of City departments and also contains the insurance and liability coverage requested. The contract will be effective March 1, 2012 and run for three years with an option to extend at the end of the third year. A motion was made by Alderman Ronk to approve. Seconded by Alderman Knaack. Motion passed unanimously.
- 3. Replacement of Police Department's Arbitrator 360 Server.** Nate Scott, Information Technology Manager, indicated that Staff requests Council approval to use contingency funds to purchase an emergency replacement of the server that hosts the Arbitrator Kit 360 system, which manages all videos from the Panasonic Arbitrator in-car camera units from Hewlett-Packard. One of the hard drives in the current server failed in late 2011, compromising the reliability of the system. The videos have also required more space than originally planned for, making the current hardware setup obsolete. Recent legislation has passed that requires inclusion of any such video with officer testimony at trial, making the system even more critical. DUI funds, which were used for original procurement, are not available at this time. A motion was made by Alderman Liddell to approve. Seconded by Alderman Meredith. Motion passed unanimously.
- 4. Approval of a Pre-funding Agreement between the City of Moline, Illinois and Quad City Chamber of Commerce, Inc. concerning the proposed establishment of a redevelopment project area and adoption of tax increment financing in regards to SouthPark Mall.** Ray Forsythe, Planning & Development Director, explained that the Quad City Chamber of Commerce, Inc. is interested in assisting with the facilitation of the redevelopment of SouthPark Mall and the properties adjacent to SouthPark Mall. The property is generally located in an area fronting on and including the area south of 36th Avenue, north of North Shore Drive, east of the parcels fronting on 16th Street and west of the parcels fronting on 27th Street and those parcels located on property commonly described as SouthPark Mall. The Quad City Chamber of Commerce will pay \$35,000.00 to be deposited by the City into an account to be identified as the "SouthPark Mall TIF Account." These funds shall be drawn upon by the City for payment of all reasonable or necessary costs incurred by the City to complete the TIF process. A motion was made by Alderman Knaack to approve. Seconded by Alderman Meredith. Motion passed unanimously.
- 5. Approval of a Development Agreement between the City of Moline and Berglund Lofts, LLC for property located at 1317-1321 5th Avenue, Moline.** Ray Forsythe, Planning & Development Director, stated that the City wishes to enter into a development agreement with Berglund Lofts, LLC ("Developer") to facilitate in Developer's rehabilitation of property located at 1317-1321 5th Avenue, Moline. The project will include the Developer's purchase of the property's building and land and rehabilitation of the property to include commercial space and 28 loft apartments; it will be located in the TIF #1 District. The total project cost is approximately \$2,500,000. The Developer has requested a property tax rebate from the net incremental real estate taxes to make the project financially feasible. The City's total payment from the net increment shall not exceed 15% of the total project costs and shall not extend beyond the TIF district's expiration date of December 31, 2021. A motion was made by Alderman

Turner to approve. Seconded by Alderman Meredith. Motion passed with Alderman Schoonmaker abstaining due to employment.

- 6. Approval of a Contract with Peterson Parking Lot Striping for Project #1154, 2012 Joint Pavement Marking Program.** Scott Hinton, City Engineer, indicated that bids were opened and publicly read on February 14, 2012 for Project #1154 with the following results:

\$291,657.50	Peterson
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This is a joint project with East Moline and Rock Island. Moline's portion of the bid total is \$154,516.25.00. A motion was made by Alderman Knaack to approve. Seconded by Alderman Meredith. Motion passed unanimously.

- 7. Approval of a Contract with Centennial Contractors, Inc. for Project #1143, 2012 Residential Reconstruction Program.** Scott Hinton, City Engineer, explained that bids were opened and publicly read on February 14, 2012 for Project #1143 with the following results:

\$648,943.50	Centennial Contractors
\$720,244.00	Miller Trucking and Excavating
\$724,864.50	Valley Construction
\$732,199.50	McCarthy Improvement Company
\$757,475.75	Brandt Construction
Non-Responsive	Langman Construction
Non-Responsive	Walter D Laud

A motion was made by Alderman Meredith to approve. Seconded by Alderman Ronk. Motion passed unanimously.

- 8. Approval of a Contract with Miller Trucking and Excavating for Project #1157, 16th Street Watermain Replacement.** Scott Hinton, City Engineer, stated that bids were opened and publicly read on February 14, 2012 for Project #1157 with the following results:

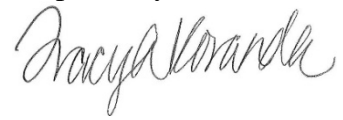
\$111,307.75	Miller Trucking and Excavating
\$131,581.00	Langman Construction
\$181,325.00	Valley Construction
\$219,335.75	KCM Corporation
\$285,491.00	Brandt Construction
\$360,000.00	Walter D Laud

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

- 9. Approval of a Memorandum of Understanding Related to the Cost Sharing of Aesthetic and Local Utility Improvements Included in the I-74 Bridge Replacement Project** (Scott Hinton, City Engineer) Several years ago, Council agreed in principle that a bike path with an overlook area, decorative lighting, and various other aesthetic improvements should be included in the new I-74 bridge corridor and that the City of Moline would participate in funding the additional cost of adding these improvements. Former Mayor Stan Leach served as Chairman of a committee of local leaders who worked with a consultant to recommend various aesthetic improvements which are now included as part of the corridor design. Design work has progressed to the point where the estimated construction cost for the aesthetic improvements are now known and the cost sharing can be formalized in a Memorandum of Understanding. Moline's portion of the estimated \$38,410,000 aesthetic improvements is \$2,082,000, or roughly 5.4% of the total. All of the above work will be included in the bridge replacement projects and Moline will be invoiced for the actual cost of the work after the work is complete. A motion was made by Alderman Turner to approve. Seconded by Alderman Meredith. Motion passed with Aldermen Liddell and Acri voting nay.

The meeting adjourned at 7:17 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Tracy A. Koranda". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name and title.

Tracy A. Koranda
City Clerk