

Regular City Council Meeting January 23, 2018 (Tuesday, January 23, 2018)

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City Council Members present

Councilwoman Jessica Bradshaw, Councilman Jeff Doherty, Councilman Tom Grant, Councilwoman Carolin Harvey, Councilman Navreet Kang, Councilman Adam Loos, and Mayor John M Henry

Meeting called to order at 7:00 PM

1. Preliminaries to the City Council Meeting

Procedural: 1.1 Roll Call

Procedural: 1.2 Council Comments, General Announcements, and Proclamations

Councilwoman Harvey announced that the African American Museum of Southern Illinois will show the movie "Tell Them We Are Coming" on February 1, the Zeta Amicae will hold a Mardi Gras celebration at the Elks Club on February 3, and the Women's Center will hold their annual Taste of Chocolate on February 9.

City Manager Williams announced that the Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring a Democratic gubernatorial candidate forum at SIU on January 30.

Councilwoman Bradshaw announced a Fair Tax for Illinois informational session at 213 North Washington on January 25, a public discussion about the future of SIU occurring this evening at the Varsity Center for the Arts, and encouraged the public to review the Chancellor's plan on his website, and to offer feedback on the community-wide survey available through the *Daily Egyptian*.

Councilman Kang noted that when exiting the Evolve parking lot, there is no signage indicating one-way traffic, resulting in improper turns onto a one-way street.

Procedural: 1.3 Citizens' Comments and Questions

None

2. Public Hearings and Special Reports

Discussion: 2.1 Presentation on Guaranteed Energy Savings Contracts and Services

David Wrightsman from Energy Systems Group provided a presentation which offered background information on Guaranteed Energy Savings contracts and outlined possible projects for the City which could be included in a Guaranteed Energy Savings Contract. City Council inquired about the specific services which are provided by and through the consultant, how the projects are financed, how benchmarks are measured, what benefits could be expected in utilizing the consultant's services, details about identified and other potential projects, savings projections and guarantees provided by the consultant, and specifics about the presenter's company and their experience.

Donald Monty raised concerns about the guarantee period and obsolescence or failure of equipment. He also remarked on new tariffs on solar panels.

Public Hearing: 2.2 A Public Hearing on Southern Illinois Healthcare's Request to Vacate a North/South Alley and a Portion of an East/West Alley Adjacent to Properties Located in the 300 Block of North University Avenue

The public hearing was declared open at 7:44 p.m.

Southern Illinois Healthcare is requesting the vacation of a north/south and a portion of an east/west alley adjacent to properties located in the 300 block of North University Avenue in order to facilitate the future construction of the SIH Family Medical Clinic and the SIU School of Medicine teaching facility. A notice of public hearing was published in the Southern Illinoisan on January 7, 2018.

There were no public comments on this matter.

The public hearing was declared closed at 7:45 p.m.

3. Consent Agenda of the City Council

Action (Consent): 3.1 Minutes from the Regular City Council Meeting of January 9, 2018

Resolution: Approve the minutes from the City Council meeting of January 9, 2018

Action (Consent): 3.2 Approval of Warrant for the Period Ending: 01/01/2018 FY 2018 Warrant 1320 in the Amount of \$835,972.49

Resolution: Accept the following report of payments made for the period ended: 01/01/2018 totaling \$835,972.49 (*Exhibit A –01-23-2018*)

Action (Consent): 3.3 Resolution Approving Dr. Ahmed Tariq's Request for a Special Use Permit to Build a Group Home II in the 1100 Block of East Rendleman Street in an R-2, Medium Density Residential, District

Resolution: Adopt a Resolution approving the Special Use Permit for a Group Home II for property zoned as an R-2, Medium Density Residential, District located in the 1100 block of East Rendleman Street (*Resolution 2018-R-1; Exhibit B –01-23-2018*)

Action: 3.4 Approve a Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Carbondale and RIDES Mass Transit District to Provide Break Route Bus Services

Pulled by T. Grant

Action (Consent): 3.5 Approval of Consent Agenda Items

Resolution: Approve all Consent Agenda items not pulled for separate consideration

MOTION: Approve all Consent Agenda items not pulled for separate consideration which includes 3.1 - 3.3.

Motion by Carolin Harvey, second by Navreet Kang.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Jessica Bradshaw, Jeff Doherty, Tom Grant, Carolin Harvey, Navreet Kang, Adam Loos, John M Henry

Action: 3.4 Approve a Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Carbondale and RIDES Mass Transit District to Provide Break Route Bus Services

The item was pulled to inform the public that the buses will continue to run and the break route stops will be serviced. Council questions addressed who will receive the payment and whether Jackson County Mass Transit had been considered.

MOTION: Approve the Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Carbondale and RIDES Mass Transit District to provide break route bus services

Motion by Tom Grant, second by Carolin Harvey.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Jessica Bradshaw, Jeff Doherty, Tom Grant, Carolin Harvey, Navreet Kang, Adam Loos, John M Henry

4. General Business of the City Council

Action: 4.1 An Ordinance Approving and a Resolution Denying Southern Illinois Healthcare's Request to Vacate a North/South Alley and a Portion of an East/West Alley Adjacent to Properties Located in the 300 Block of North University Avenue

Councilman Loos renewed his opposition based on the designs of the building.

MOTION: Adopt an Ordinance Approving the Request to Vacate a North/South Alley and a Portion of an East/West Alley Adjacent to Properties Located in the 300 Block of North University Avenue.

Motion by Jeff Doherty, second by Carolin Harvey.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Jessica Bradshaw, Jeff Doherty, Tom Grant, Carolin Harvey, Navreet Kang, John M Henry

Nay: Adam Loos

Discussion: 4.2 Council Discussion Regarding Possible Changes to Title 2, Chapter 2 of the Carbondale Revised Code

The Council discussed options of streamlining the processing of applications for liquor licenses and each indicated a preference regarding the composition of the Liquor Commission, their thoughts on a Deputy Commissioner, a need for close scrutiny of applications, if the Open Meetings Act would still be required, and a desire to have this matter be discussed by the Liquor Advisory Board.

Donald Monty, 418 South Giant City Road, noted that the L.A.B. has not received notice about this proposal, finds the title of the item misleading, shared his perspective about the creation of the L.A.B. and its purpose, why it is necessary to consider the applications thoroughly, alternatives to cutting the Liquor Advisory Board from the application process, and the importance of public transparency.

Anne Gaylord, 418 South Giant City Road, indicated that she does not believe meetings have exceeded two hours and noted that applicants do not complete their applications fully.

Councilwoman Harvey asked the community to pray for the residents of Benton, Kentucky, and the first responders to the shooting at Marshall County High School.

5. Executive Session

Action: 5.1 Vote to enter into Executive Session

MOTION: The City Council is asked to hold an Executive Session to discuss the setting of price for the sale or lease of property owned by the public body as permitted under the Illinois Open Meetings Act 5 ILCS 120/2 (c)(6).

Motion by Jeff Doherty, second by Carolin Harvey.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Jessica Bradshaw, Jeff Doherty, Tom Grant, Carolin Harvey, Navreet Kang, John M Henry

Nay: Adam Loos *Open Session recessed at 8:40 p.m.*

Action: 5.2 Motion to reenter into Open Session

MOTION: Return to Open Session.

Motion by Jeff Doherty, second by Navreet Kang.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Jessica Bradshaw, Jeff Doherty, Tom Grant, Carolin Harvey, Navreet Kang, Adam Loos, John M

Henry *Open session resumed at 9:37 p.m.*

6. Adjournment of the City Council Meeting

6.1 Adjourn meeting

There being no further business to come before the public body, the meeting was declared adjourned at 9:37 p.m.

Jennifer R. Sorrell, City Clerk

Date