

**CITY COUNCIL, CITY OF ROCKFORD
JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS
DECEMBER 26, 2006
COUNCIL CONVENED AT 6:04 P.M.**

1. The invocation was given by Father Ron Montanye, St. Stebastain Orthodox Catholic Church/Police Chaplain, the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Page Justin Francis.

2. Roll Call:

Mayor Lawrence J. Morrissey

Aldermen: Sosnowski, Curran, Mark, Bell, Jacobson, Johnson, Timm, Beach,
Holt, Beck, McNeely -11-

Absent: Wasco, Thompson, Conness -3-

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

3. Dr. Kris Tumilowicz addressed council regarding the Icehogs purchase by the Metro Centre.

JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS

4. Alderman Mark moved to accept the Journal of Proceedings of December 18, 2006, seconded by Alderman Jacobson. MOTION PREVAILED (Ald. Wasco, Thompson, Conness absent).

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

5. Craig Drecktrah addressed council opposing the Metro Centre Bonds Resolution.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

6. Alderman Beck submitted a Memorandum from William Keith, Property & Equipment Superintendent regarding an Emergency P.O. to B & J Excavating for demolition of the property at 1045 W. State St. in the amount of \$8,750. Placed on file.

7. Alderman Jacobson submitted a request from Jim Myzner, SM & SF Club, in conjunction with New Year's Eve Tailgate Party, requesting permission for food and liquor outdoors on private property within a confined space on December 31st from 11:00 am to 10:00 pm at 1000 Sandy Hollow Road. Alderman Jacobson moved to grant the Prayer of the Petitioner, seconded by Alderman Timm. MOTION PREVAILED (Ald. Wasco, Thompson, Conness absent).

8. Alderman Mark submitted a Memorandum from Ronald N. Schultz, City Attorney, regarding the Annexation of 7xx and 721 Horace Avenue. Referred to Code and Regulation Committee.

9. Alderman Mark submitted the Zoning Board of Appeals minutes from the meeting held on December 19, 2006. Referred to Code and Regulation Committee.

10. Alderman Mark submitted a Memorandum from Todd Cagnoni, Manager of Current Planning, regarding the Final Plat of Rockford Landing #3. Referred to Code and Regulation Committee.
11. Alderman Mark submitted a Memorandum from Todd Cagnoni, Manager of Current Planning, regarding the Final Plat of Wal-Mart Subdivision #5 (being a replat of Lots 1,2 & 3 of Wal-Mart #3). Referred to Code and Regulation Committee.

NEW COMMITTEE REPORTS

12. Alderman Beck read a Finance & Personnel Committee Report recommending the award for Automotive Parts be made to:

CarQuest,	Awarded chassis parts
Interstate Batteries	Awarded batteries
NAPA Auto Parts	Awarded belts, hoses, filters, shocks, ignitions, and spotlights
I.W.I. Motor Parts	Awarded exhaust, seals, brakes, & wiper blades

The funding source is Central Garage Operating Budget. LAID OVER.

13. Alderman Beck moved the adoption of a Finance and Personnel Committee Report recommending approval of the total vouchers for the week of December 26, 2006 in the amount of \$1,683,129.27. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Sosnowski, Curran, Mark, Bell, Jacobson, Johnson, Timm, Beach, Holt, Beck, McNeely-11-

Nays: -0-

Absent: Wasco, Thompson, Conness -3-

OFFICERS REPORTS

14. Mayor Morrissey acknowledged Julia Scott-Valdez and her family in the audience and announced she had accepted the position as the new Assistant City Administrator for the City of Rockford. Her role in the position will be as lead coordinator of the City's new *RockSTAT* Customer Relationship Management (CRM) System and performance measurement initiative. She will also serve as the City's public information officer, coordinator of internal and external communication initiatives, working the City Departments in carrying out annual strategic plan goals and objectives and several other administrative duties. Mayor Morrissey thanked her for accepting the position and for her continued dedication to the City of Rockford.
15. Mayor Morrissey announced Andres Sammul will be making a budget presentation after tonight's council meeting. He also indicated there are two budget meetings scheduled in January; January 13th from 12:00 (noon) to 5:00 pm and January 20th from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm at a location to be announced.

16. Mayor Morrissey made a reminder there will be a CIP Joint Meeting (Finance and Personnel Committee and Planning and Development Committee) on January 4th at 5:00 pm in Conference Room B, City Hall, 2nd floor.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

2006-451CR

17. Alderman Bell moved the adoption of a Planning and Development Committee Report recommending that the City Council approve 2007/2008 Contract Proposal Agreement between the City of Rockford and the Rockford Area Economic Development Council. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Sosnowski, Curran, Mark, Bell, Jacobson, Johnson, Timm, Beach, Holt, Beck-10-
Nays: McNeely -1-
Absent: Wasco, Thompson, Conness -3-

2006-452CR

18. Alderman Bell moved the adoption of a Planning and Development Committee Report recommending that the attached draft ordinance be adopted, thereby removing the properties listed therein from the Westside Redevelopment Area. This removal is done in anticipation of the creation of a new tax increment financing district being created. The Legal Director shall prepare the appropriate Ordinance. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Sosnowski, Curran, Mark, Bell, Jacobson, Johnson, Timm, Beach, Holt, Beck, McNeely -11-
Nays: -0-
Absent: Wasco, Thompson, Conness -3-

2006-453CR

19. Alderman Bell moved the adoption of a Planning and Development Committee Report recommending that the City Council seek authorization of up to \$23 million in Alternate Revenue Bonds for the financing of the Metro Centre. The Legal Director shall prepare the appropriate ordinance.

Alderman Beach made a motion to amend the committee report to read:

Alderman Bell moved the adoption of a Planning and Development Committee Report recommending that the City Council seek authorization of up to **\$20 million** in Alternate Revenue Bonds for the financing of the Metro Centre. The Legal Director shall prepare the appropriate ordinance.

Motion seconded by Alderman McNeely. MOTION FAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Beach, Holt, McNeely -3-
Nays: Sosnowski, Curran, Mark, Bell, Jacobson, Johnson, Timm, Beck -8-
Absent: Wasco, Thompson, Conness -3-

The Original Committee Report was placed on passage. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Sosnowski, Curran, Mark, Bell, Jacobson, Johnson, Timm, Holt,
Beck –9-
Nays: Beach, McNeely –2-
Absent: Wasco, Thompson, Conness –3-

2006-454CR

20. Alderman Bell moved the adoption of a Planning and Development Committee Report recommending approval of the attached Intergovernmental Agreement providing for the improvement of the MetroCentre with Winnebago County and the Metro Authority. The Legal Director shall prepare the appropriate ordinance. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Sosnowski, Curran, Mark, Bell, Jacobson, Johnson, Timm, Beach, Holt,
Beck –10-
Nays: McNeely –1-
Absent: Wasco, Thompson, Conness –3-

2006-455CR

21. Alderman Beck moved the adoption of a Finance and Personnel Committee Report recommending the award of contract for Email Professional Services be made to Postini, Inc. of San Carlos, CA for their total price of \$11,920.00 for the fiscal year 2007. The cost is \$1.28/mailbox/month. The funding source is Information Technology Budget. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Sosnowski, Curran, Mark, Bell, Jacobson, Johnson, Timm, Beach, Holt,
Beck –10-
Nays: McNeely –1-
Absent: Wasco, Thompson, Conness –3-

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS

2006-124R

22. Alderman Beck, on behalf of the Finance and Personnel Committee, moved the adoption of a Resolution for use of Motor Fuel Tax funds for Demolition for West State Street Crossover in the amount of \$15,075.00. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Sosnowski, Curran, Mark, Bell, Jacobson, Johnson, Timm, Beach, Holt,
Beck, McNeely –11-
Nays: -0-
Absent: Wasco, Thompson, Conness –3-

2006-125R

23. Alderman Beck, on behalf of the Finance and Personnel Committee, moved the adoption of a Resolution to take bids for the following: Bid: Scanner/Printer for the Engineering Division, funding source: Engineering Division Capital Outlay Budget. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Sosnowski, Curran, Mark, Bell, Jacobson, Johnson, Timm, Beach, Holt, Beck, McNeely –11-
Nays: -0-
Absent: Wasco, Thompson, Conness –3-

NEW BUSINESS

24. Alderman Bell introduced and read an Ordinance authorizing the issuance of General Obligation Bonds (Sales Tax Alternate Revenue Source) of the City of Rockford, Winnebago County, Illinois in the aggregate principal amount of not to exceed \$23,000,000, for the purpose of defraying the costs of a hockey franchise acquisition and Rockford MetroCentre improvements.

Alderman Bell moved to suspend Rule 11, seconded by Alderman Mark. MOTION FAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Sosnowski, Curran, Mark, Bell, Jacobson, Johnson, Timm, Beck -8-
Nays: Beach, Holt, McNeely –3-
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26. Alderman Mark introduced and read an Ordinance amending Chapter 37, Section 1604 of the City of Rockford Code of Ordinances for a Variation to install a six foot high architecturally significant extension to an existing fence along 6th Street in a C-4, Commercial Old Towne Zoning District at 615 South 6th Street. Approval is subject to the following conditions:

1. That the proposed fence is constructed and installed as depicted in the application submittal matching the existing necessary Ordinance.

Approval is based on the Findings of Fact (LAD 1/22/07, ZBA #071-06). LAID OVER.

27. Alderman Mark introduced and read an Ordinance amending Chapter 37, Section 1603 of the City of Rockford Code of Ordinances for a Modification of Special Use Permit #069-90 for an expansion of a church consisting of a new ministry center in an R-1, Single-Family Residential Zoning District at 3621 Samuelson Road. Approval is subject to the following conditions:

1. Meeting all applicable Building and Fire Codes.
2. Submittal of a detailed landscaping plan and illumination plan for staff's review and approval.
3. Submittal of a final plat including all public improvements for review and approval by City Council.

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OFFICERS REPORTS

28. Alderman Beach commented on the article in the *Rockford Register Star* regarding the Rockford Mass Transit District providing bus service from Rockford to the Cherry Vale Mall. His concern is which entity will be funding this service and requested this matter be looked into.

PRESENTATION

29. Andres Sammul made a presentation of the 2007 budget.
30. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the meeting was adjourned at 7:26 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Reed
City Council Clerk

[The meeting was taped in its entirety, and the tape is on file in the Legal Department]

CITY COUNCIL, CITY OF ROCKFORD, ILLINOIS
City Council Chambers, 2ND floor City Hall
425 E. State Street, Rockford
JANUARY 2, 2007
6:00 P.M.
AGENDA

The following represents, in general, the chronological order of proceedings at the City Council meeting:

- Call to Order by the Mayor
- Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance
- Roll Call and determination of quorum
- Acceptance of Journal of Proceedings
- Public Hearing
- Public Participation
- Petitions and Communications
- New Committee Reports (Reports of Standing Committees – Code and Regulation, Finance and Personnel, Planning and Development - and other select committees)
- Officers Reports
- Unfinished Business of previous meeting

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

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II. ORDINANCES LAID OVER DECEMBER 26, 2006

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III. MISCELLANEOUS HELD OUT DECEMBER 26, 2006

- 1.* Mayor Morrissey – Re-appointment to the Fair Housing Board, Alice Howard, term ending May 2007 (Pursuant to Rule 18, this re-appointment will be up for passage on January 8, 2007).
- 2.* Mayor Morrissey – Re-appointment to the Fair Housing Board, Joseph Dailing, term ending May 2007 (Pursuant to Rule 18, this re-appointment will be up for passage on January 8, 2007).
- 3.* Mayor Morrissey – Appointment to the Fair Housing Board, Raymond Matlock, term ending May 2007 (Pursuant to Rule 18, this appointment will be up for passage on January 8, 2007).
- 4.* Mayor Morrissey - Appointment to the Fair Housing Board, Steven Anderson, term ending May 2009 (Pursuant to Rule 18, this appointment will be up for passage on January 8, 2007).
- 5.* Mayor Morrissey – Appointment to the Fair Housing Board, Lori Gustafson, term ending May 2008 (Pursuant to Rule 18, this appointment will be up for passage on January 8, 2007).

- 6.* Mayor Morrissey – Appointment to the Fair Housing Board, Monica DeLeon, term ending May 2009 (Pursuant to Rule 18, this appointment will be up for passage on January 8, 2007).
- 7.* Mayor Morrissey – Appointment to the Fair Housing Board, Patricia A. Kiddell, term ending May 2009 (Pursuant to Rule 18, this appointment will be up for passage on January 8, 2007).
- 8.* Mayor Morrissey – Appointment to the Fair Housing Board, Don Bunjes, term ending May 2008 (Pursuant to Rule 18, this appointment will be up for passage on January 8, 2007).
- 9.* Mayor Morrissey – Appointment to the Fair Housing Board, Sylvia Ramos, term ending May 2008 (Pursuant to Rule 18, this appointment will be up for passage on January 8, 2007).
- 10.* Mayor Morrissey - Re-appointment to the Police Pension Board, Scott K. Laue, term ending June 2008 (Pursuant to Rule 18, this re-appointment will be up for passage on January 8, 2007).
- 11.* Mayor Morrissey – Re-appointment to the Police Pension Board, Marcia L. Mueller, term ending June 2007 (Pursuant to Rule 18, this re-appointment will be up for passage on January 8, 2007).
- 12.* Mayor Morrissey - Re-appointment to the Traffic Commission, Leland J. Carlson, term ending June 2011 (Pursuant to Rule 18, this re-appointment will be up for passage on January 8, 2007).
- 13.* Mayor Morrissey - Appointment to the Citizen Participation Committee, Shenitra Hyatt, term ending June 2007 (Pursuant to Rule 18, this appointment will be up for passage on January 8, 2007).
- 14.* Mayor Morrissey - Appointment to the Zoning Board of Appeals, David P. Peterson, for a five (5) year term ending June 2011. (Pursuant to Rule 18, this appointment will be up for passage on January 15, 2007).
- 15.* Mayor Morrissey - Appointment to the Historic Preservation Commission, David Hagney, for a three (3) year term ending December 2009. (Pursuant to Rule 18, this appointment will be up for passage on January 15, 2007).
- 16.* Mayor Morrissey – Appointment to the Historic Preservation Commission, Mark McInnis, for a three (3) year term ending December 2009. (Pursuant to Rule 18, this appointment will be up for passage on January 15, 2007).

* same action taken before

- Motions and Resolutions

- New Business (note: Ordinances may be read in under New Business and Rule 11 suspended and final vote taken. Committee Reports would have previously been voted on).
- Adjournment

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POSSIBLE ADDITIONAL ITEMS:

The following items appear on the City Council Standing Committee Agendas as noted. Items may receive a vote at committee and come before the first City Council meeting held after the committee meeting. Rule 11 can be suspended and final vote taken on said items at the City Council meeting (no rule suspension is necessary to take a vote on vouchers).

CODE AND REGULATION COMMITTEE

Tuesday, January 2, 2007, 5:15 p.m.

Conference Room A, City Hall 2nd floor (north room)

AGENDA

1. C & R 06-250 7xx South Horace Avenue & 721 South Horace Avenue
2. C & R 06-251 Final Plat of Rockford Landing #3
3. C & R 06-252 Final Plat of Wal-Mart Subdivision #5 (being a replat of Lots 1, 2 & 3 of Wal-Mart #3)
4. C & R 06-238 ZBA#076-06 Zoning Map Amendment from an I-1, Light Industrial Zoning District, to a C-3, Commercial General Zoning District at 3224-3250 Alpine Road
5. C & R 06-239 ZBA#077-06 (A) Special Use Permit for the sale of beer and wine by the drink for both indoor and outdoor
(B) Special Use Permit for retail sale of package liquor in a C-2, Commercial Community District at 2636 McFarland Road
6. C & R 06-240 ZBA#078-06 Modification of Special Use Permit #075-93 for a 5,286 square foot addition (2 stores, 2,643 sq. ft. per floor) consisting of a fitness center on the 1st floor and additional beds for patients on the 2nd floor, and a 1,050 square foot addition consisting of a new entrance and waiting room in an R-4, Multifamily Residential District at 3815 Harrison Avenue

FINANCE AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

**Tuesday, January 2, 2007, 5:15 p.m.
Conference Room B, City Hall 2nd floor (south room)
AGENDA**

1. Purchasing and Vouchers
 - A. Award of Bid: Harrison Avenue Watermain – Suspend rules
 - B. Supplemental Resolution Under the Illinois Highway Code for Harrison Avenue Rehabilitation Phase I & II
 - C. Change Order: Household Hazardous Waste Site Labor Contract Amendment
 - D. Vouchers
 - √ Training/Travel Expense for Human Services
 - √ Training/Travel Expense for Police Department

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

**Tuesday, January 2, 2007, 5:00 p.m.
Conference Room A, City Hall 2nd floor (north room)
AGENDA**

1. Memorandum from Richard May, Development Specialist, regarding the State and Kilburn TIF District and Jackson School TIF District.
2. Preston and Central TIF District and West Side #2 TIF District.