

**CITY COUNCIL, CITY OF ROCKFORD
JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS
JULY 3, 2006
COUNCIL CONVENED AT 6:30 P.M.**

1. The invocation was given by Pastor Randy Young, Faith Center/Police Chaplain, and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Page Justin Francis.
2. Roll Call:
Mayor Lawrence J. Morrissey
Aldermen: Sosnowski, Curran, Mark, Wasco, Bell, Johnson, Timm, Beach, Holt,
McNeely, Conness –13-
Absent: Thompson –1-
3. Alderman Jacobson moved to accept the Journal of Proceedings of June 26, 2006, seconded by Alderman Beck. MOTION PREVAILED (Ald. Thompson absent).

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

4. Alderman Beach submitted a Memorandum from Ronald N. Schultz, City Attorney, regarding the Agreement to Allow Sidewalks on County Roads. Referred to Code and Regulation Committee.
5. Alderman Beach submitted revised minutes from the Zoning Board of Appeals meeting held on June 20, 2006. Referred to Code and Regulation Committee.
6. Alderman Beach submitted a Memorandum from Cynthia Powers Hall, Director Mayor's Office of Tourism, Culture and Special Events, regarding the River District "SP" request. Referred to Code and Regulation Committee.
7. Alderman Johnson submitted six (6) Requests for Service. Referred to Neighborhood Standards, the Police Department and the Public Works Department.
8. Alderman Johnson submitted a Memorandum from Larry Laursen, P.E., Senior Civil Engineer, regarding the Replacement of Harrison Avenue Bridges over the Union Pacific Railroad and the Chicago Central and Pacific Railroad. A public meeting will be held on July 11, 2006 from 4 pm to 7:00 pm at the St. Edwards Catholic Parish Center located at 3004 11th Street. Referred to Finance and Personnel Department.
9. Alderman Mark submitted two (2) Requests for Service. Referred to Neighborhood Standards and the Public Works Department.
10. Alderman Mark submitted a letter from Robbie Brown with concerns regarding health issues caused by poor living conditions at the Hershey Manor Apartments. Referred to Human Services, George Davis.

11. Alderman Mark submitted a letter from Andy Goldfine, encouraging the City Administration and Staff to support the 15th Annual Motorcycle and Scooter Ride to Work Day on Wednesday, July 19th. Placed on File.

NEW COMMITTEE REPORTS

12. Alderman Beach read a Code and Regulation Committee Report REVERSING the Zoning Board of Appeals, thereby recommending that City Council APPROVE the Special Use Permit for a Planned Mixed Use Development consisting of a gas station, convenience store and car wash; be REVERSED and AMENDED to APPROVE a Special Use Permit for the sale of liquor (beer and wine only; indoors) by the package; be SUSTAINED to APPROVE the Variation in the front yard setback along Broadway from thirty feet to fourteen feet; and be REVERSED to APPROVE a Variation in the rear yard setback and landscape buffer along the south property line to allow a setback and buffer of five feet for a car wash in a C-2, Commercial Community Zoning District at 3803, 3811 and 3819 Broadway. Approval is subject to the following conditions:

1. Submittal of a revised site plan for staff review and approval showing the removal of the parking space along Eastmoreland and the relocation of the dumpster enclosure.
2. Sidewalks will be required as part of the redevelopment.
3. Submittal of a detailed landscaping plan for staff review and approval, including the required interior landscaping in compliance with the Zoning Ordinance.
4. That a building elevation plan is submitted for staff review and approval which includes windows and/or an alternative false window to break up the blank wall on all elevations.
5. That the delivery of fuel to the store shall take place between the hours of 6:00 A.M and 6:00 P.M.

Approval is based on the Findings of Fact (LAD 7/17/06, ZBA #027-06). LAID OVER.

13. Alderman Beach read a Code and Regulation Committee Report recommending "No Action" be taken on the following item:
 - a) Request from Alderman Linda McNeely, 13th Ward, for a yield or stop sign control at the intersection of Berkley Street and Howard Avenue.

LAID OVER.

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2006-224CR

20. Alderman Beach read a Code and Regulation Committee Report SUSTAINING the Zoning Board of Appeals, thereby recommending that City Council DENY the Zoning Map Amendment from R-1, Single-Family Residential (with a Special Use Permit for a Private School) to C-1, Limited Office Zoning District and APPROVE a Modification of Special Use Permit per the submitted site plan at 1401 North Bell School Road. Approval is subject to the following conditions:
 1. The existing landscaping along the north property be maintained as it currently exists, with the exception that modification may take place only to the existing landscaping to accommodate drainage requirements.
 2. That the property be in compliance with lighting, landscaping and parking ordinance.

Approval is subject to the Findings of Fact (LAD 8/21/06; ZBA #037-06).

Alderman Beach moved to suspend Rule 11, seconded by Alderman Jacobson. MOTION PREVAILED (Ald. Thompson absent). The Committee Report was placed on passage. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Sosnowski, Curran, Mark, Wasco, Bell, Jacobson, Johnson, Timm,
Beach, Holt, Beck, McNeely, Conness –13-

Nays: -0-

Absent: Thompson –1-

2006-225CR

21. Alderman Beach read a Code and Regulation Committee Report recommending approval of The settlement of Daniel Shoudy v. City of Rockford in the amount of \$3,400.00.

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Ayes: Sosnowski, Curran, Mark, Wasco, Bell, Jacobson, Johnson, Timm,
Beach, Holt, Beck, McNeely, Conness –13-
Nays: -0-
Absent: Thompson –1-

22. Alderman Johnson read a Finance and Personnel Committee Report recommending participation in the National Citizen Survey and membership to the ICMA Center for Performance Management (International City/County Management Association) for a combined estimated cost of \$20,600. LAID OVER.
23. Alderman Johnson read a Finance and Personnel Committee Report recommending the contract for Radiological Testing Services be made to Environmental, Inc. for one year for an estimated annual amount of \$48,000. Funding source Water Division Operating Budget. LAID OVER.
24. Alderman Johnson read a Finance and Personnel Committee Report recommending an agreement extension for Auburn Street Reconstruction for a not-to-exceed amount of \$29,859.50 for construction inspection services. The funding for this project will come from General Obligation Bonds. LAID OVER.
25. Alderman Johnson read a Finance and Personnel Committee Report on the matter of compensation for employees who are not represented by any Union or Association, for a period of January 1, 2006 to December 31, 2006, recommends that the City Council approve the Draft Ordinance. LAID OVER.

Alderman McNeely exited the meeting 6:49 pm.

2006-226CR

26. Alderman Johnson read a Finance and Personnel Committee Report recommending approval of the Modification to Intergovernmental Agreement by and between the City of Rockford and the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency to establish a long term Household Hazardous Waste Collection Facility. The Legal Director shall prepare the appropriate ordinance.

Alderman Johnson moved to suspend Rule 11, seconded by Alderman Timm. MOTION PREVAILED (Ald. Thompson absent). The Committee Report was placed on passage. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Sosnowski, Curran, Mark, Wasco, Bell, Jacobson, Johnson, Timm,
Beach, Beck, Conness –11-
Nays: Holt –1-
Absent: Thompson, McNeely –2-

2006-227CR

27. Alderman Johnson read a Finance and Personnel Committee Report recommending the award for Base Well Rehabilitation, Phase 1 be made to the low bidder Layne-Western Company, of Aurora, IL for their total bid of \$493,815.00. The funding source is CIP-Water Improvement Program.

Alderman Johnson moved to suspend Rule 11, seconded by Alderman Timm. MOTION PREVAILED (Ald. Thompson absent). The Committee Report was placed on passage. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Sosnowski, Curran, Mark, Wasco, Bell, Jacobson, Johnson, Timm,
Beach, Beck, Conness –11-
Nays: Holt –1-
Absent: Thompson, McNeely –2-

2006-228CR

28. Alderman Johnson read a Finance and Personnel Committee Report recommending an agreement extension for Auburn Street Reconstruction for a not-to-exceed amount of \$29,859.50 for construction inspection services. The funding for this project will come from General Obligation Bond.

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Ayes: Sosnowski, Curran, Mark, Wasco, Bell, Jacobson, Johnson, Timm,
Beach, Beck, Conness –11-
Nays: Holt –1-
Absent: Thompson, McNeely –2-

29. Alderman Johnson moved the adoption of a Finance and Personnel Committee Report recommending approval of the total vouchers for the week of July 3, 2006 in the amount of \$1,791,824.99. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Sosnowski, Curran, Mark, Wasco, Bell, Jacobson, Johnson, Timm,
Beach, Beck, Conness –11-
Nays: Holt –1-
Absent: Thompson, McNeely –2-

Alderman McNeely returned to the meeting 6:50 pm.

- 29a. Alderman Mark commented the CAP Funding Committee Report did not come out of committee from the meeting this evening but will be on the agenda for next week's meeting for a vote. Any questions regarding the CAP funding process or sources may contact Dwayne Collins, Community Development Grant Compliance Specialist II, at 967-6761.

OFFICERS REPORTS

30. Mayor Morrissey read a Proclamation proclaiming the month of July 2006 to be "Rockford Community In Bloom Month" in Rockford, and reminded all citizens and businesses that company is coming and encouraged the community to work together, not only in July but throughout the year, to keep Rockford clean and green.
31. Mayor Morrissey called attention to a Memorandum from Larry Laursen, P.E. Senior Civil Engineer, regarding a public meeting to be held regarding the Replacement of Harrison Avenue bridges over the Union Pacific Railroad and the Chicago Central and Pacific Railroad on July 11, 2006 from 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm at the St. Edwards Catholic Church Parish Center located at 3004 11th Street. Anyone with questions may contact Larry Laursen, Public Works Department, at 987-5570.
32. Mayor Morrissey mentioned a News Release regarding "Discolored Water Alert" beginning July 3rd through July 21st. The Fire Department will be flow testing fire hydrants, Monday through Friday in several boundaries in the area of Engine Company #1 and #11. For further information contact Nadine Miller at 987-5713 or Larry Pierce at 987-5736.
33. Mayor Morrissey commented on the Memorandum circulated by Tim Holderman and Nadine Miller, regarding the 2006 Consumer Confidence Water Report.
34. Mayor Morrissey called attention to a Memorandum from Glenn Trommels, Information Services Director, regarding the Broadband Analysis Presentation which will be held on July 6th at 5:00 pm in Council Chambers, City Hall 2nd floor at which time NIU will be presenting their findings.
35. Mayor Morrissey submitted the following appointments to City Council committees and various boards, which will be effective beginning the week of July 10, 2006. He thanked the chairmen and committee members for their dedication and efforts over the past year and looks forward to another year of working together.

Finance & Personnel

John Beck, Chair
Lenny Jacobson, Vice-Chair
Linda McNeely
Joe Sosnowski
Bill Timm

Code & Regulation

Doug Mark, Chair
Nancy Johnson, Vice-Chair
Carl Wasco
Pat Curran
Ann Thompson

Planning & Development

Victory Bell, Chair
Frank Beach, Vice-Chair
Dan Conness
Jeff Holt

<u>RAEDC</u>	Joe Sosnowski, Carl Wasco
<u>Liquor Commission</u>	Frank Beach, Lenny Jacobson, Dan Conness
<u>Historic Preservation Commission</u>	Doug Mark
<u>RACVB</u>	Nancy Johnson
<u>Metro Centre</u>	John Beck
<u>Human Services (CAB)</u>	Jeff Holt
<u>RLDC</u>	Victory Bell, Linda McNeely
<u>Arts Council</u>	Pat Curran
<u>Coronado Performing Arts Center</u>	Doug Mark

36. Mayor Morrissey called attention to the Memorandum from himself and City staff, summarizing information regarding projects and development activity in the Thirteenth Ward.
37. Mayor Morrissey reported that Chestnut Street will be closing for watermain improvements beginning July 10th.
38. Mayor Morrissey made a reminder of the retreat scheduled on July 18th between the County Board, City Council and Staff to be held at Cliffbreakers. The main focus of this retreat and business meeting is to discuss a "vision" for city and county planning initiatives and regional growth initiatives.
39. Alderman Conness mentioned he received several calls, Friday and Saturday, from constituents with regards to members from an organization collecting money in buckets at two intersections in Rockford. He called the police department twice and commended them for their quick response on investigating this situation which revealed the organization was a church located in Detroit, Michigan with a Charitable Solicitation Permit Application. Alderman Conness stated he spoke with Patrick Hayes, Legal Director, regarding this issue and will be working with that department to present some form action to Council at a later time. Referred to the Legal Department.
40. Alderman Jacobson commented that Mayor Morrissey, Aldermen Beach, Holt, Bell and himself, along with several regional mayors, county officials and county board members had attended a regional meeting with Senator Durbin and Congressman Manzullo regarding Amtrak/Metro and our interest to move these projects forward. Alderman Jacobson requested Mayor Morrissey elaborate on the discussion.

Mayor Morrissey indicated that this area should be pursuing both Amtrak and the Metro echoing Senator Durbin's comments that these "rails" are not in conflict and both could provide a service to Rockford. Secretary Martin, from the State of Illinois was present

and announced he will continue to work with us and his staff has been great to work with our staff in our transportation planning area. He thanked the entire region for coming together to show support for this project.

41. Alderman Bell received a call in the early morning hours regarding a disturbance at the intersection of Rose and Island Avenue. Alderman Bell requested the Police Department provide extra patrol in that area. Referred to the Police Department.
42. Alderman Bell mentioned the 5th Ward had a meeting at the Booker Washington Center for neighborhood groups last week with several speakers to address the questions and concerns of those in attendance. Oliver Emerson also submitted plans for the area. Referred to Community Development.
43. Alderman McNeely thanked the Mayor for addressing her concerns regarding Resolutions she had submitted last week and added that some corrections and additions need to be made. Alderman McNeely will be meeting with Jim Ryan.
44. Alderman McNeely received a call regarding drug activity in the Haskell area and requested an increase in patrols. Referred to the Police Department.
45. Alderman Conness thanked the Police and Fire Departments for their quick response to a matter regarding people collecting money in the street.
46. Mayor Morrissey mentioned this Fall there may be a capital plan in the works which the City will be lobbying State delegates to let them know we want Amtrak services as well as other capital development opportunities. The Mayor has asked staff to outline priority investments.
47. Alderman Jacobson asked what the status is regarding street vendors. Mayor Morrissey stated a report will be presented next week.
48. Alderman Mark noted this issue falls under itinerant vendor or merchant permit applications and that he has been meeting with John Giliberti, City Attorney, to address permitting issues.
49. Alderman Holt noted there are vendors in his ward, which push ice cream carts on foot. There was an incident where young boys were pushing a cart, made a homemade bomb out of dry ice and a 2-liter pop bottle, and threw it in the street. A child picked up the device, it exploded and severed his thumb. Alderman Holt expressed his concerns regarding this type of vendor.
50. Alderman Mark noted that ice cream vendors are illegal.
52. Alderman Holt requested appropriate staff contact him regarding these ice cream vendors which are rampant in his ward. Referred to the Police Department and Neighborhood Standards.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

2006-229CR

52. Alderman Johnson moved the adoption of a Finance and Personnel Committee Report regarding amendments to Chapter 21, Police, Section 21-6, recommending that the City Council approve the amendments as per the attached ordinance. MOTION PREVAILED (Ald. Thompson absent).

2006-230CR

53. Alderman Beach moved the adoption of a Code and Regulation Committee Report recommending the Legal Director file an application to amend the zoning of the properties along Madison Street south of Whitman Street and north of Market Street currently zoned I-1, Light Industrial Zoning District to C-4, "Commercial Oldtown" Zoning District. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Sosnowski, Curran, Mark, Wasco, Bell, Jacobson, Johnson, Timm,
Beach, Holt, Beck, McNeely, Conness –13-
Nays: -0-
Absent: Thompson –1-

2006-231CR

54. Alderman Beach moved the adoption of a Code and Regulation Committee Report recommending the approval of the attached City of Rockford Honorary Street Name Change Policy. MOTION PREVAILED (Ald. Thompson absent).
55. Alderman Beach moved the adoption of a Code and Regulation Committee Report recommending approval of the sidewalk waiver for lots 32, 33, 42, 69 and 70 on Kelley Road until such time as Kelley Road is improved. The developer would pay the cost of construction of the sidewalks to the City. The City would hold the funds until the sidewalks are installed. The City will cover any difference in price.

Alderman Beach made a motion to hold the committee report out, seconded by Alderman McNeely. HELD OUT.

2006-232CR

56. Alderman Beach moved the adoption of a Code and Regulation Committee Report recommending that amendments to Subdivision Ordinance Section 27-9 is hereby amended to add the following:

Section 27-9. Required improvements.

- A. Street and utility improvements.
1. All subdivisions shall be served with City of Rockford water and public sanitary sewer.
 2. No improvements in a subdivision shall be accepted for public maintenance until all improvements to be dedicated to the city are complete and two (2) sets of record drawings are approved by the Department of Public Works. The

requirements for the record drawings shall be those contained in the current Department of Public Works Engineering Design Manual.

3. Street lights shall be provided by the developer as provided in the Department of Public Works' current "Engineering Design Criteria for Public Improvements" as part of the required public improvements to the subdivision. The Department of Public Works may require as a condition of the building permit on any lot which has an easement for underground cable for the purpose of street lighting that said cable has been installed or that a signed customer work agreement with Commonwealth Edison be submitted to the City.
4. Streetlights shall be installed by the developer within each phase of a platted subdivision prior to the issuance of any temporary occupancy permits.

MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Sosnowski, Curran, Mark, Wasco, Bell, Jacobson, Johnson, Timm,
Beach, Holt, Beck, McNeely, Conness –13-
Nays: -0-
Absent: Thompson –1-

2006-233CR

57. Alderman Beach moved the adoption of a Code and Regulation Committee Report recommending approval of the sale of 1202 Blaisdell for three hundred fifty dollars (\$350.00) which includes advertising with preference to the adjoining property owner. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Sosnowski, Curran, Mark, Wasco, Bell, Jacobson, Johnson, Timm,
Beach, Holt, Beck, McNeely, Conness –13-
Nays: -0-
Absent: Thompson –1-

2006-234CR

58. Alderman Beach moved the adoption of a Code and Regulation Committee Report recommending approval of the Tentative Plat of Rubloff Lyford Subdivision. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Sosnowski, Curran, Mark, Wasco, Bell, Jacobson, Johnson, Timm,
Beach, Holt, Beck, McNeely, Conness –13-
Nays: -0-
Absent: Thompson –1-

OFFICERS REPORTS

59. Alderman Beach thanked the Code and Regulation Committee members for all their hard work this past year.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS

2006-48R

60. Alderman Johnson moved the adoption of a Resolution for Improvement under the Illinois Highway Code for General Maintenance 2006 in the amount of \$1,100,000.00. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call Vote of:

Ayes: Sosnowski, Curran, Mark, Wasco, Bell, Jacobson, Johnson, Timm, Beach, Holt, Beck, McNeely, Conness –13-
Nays: -0-
Absent: Thompson –1-

2006-49R

61. Alderman Johnson moved the adoption of a Resolution to take bids on the following: Demolition of 210 Tay Street, funding source: CDBG; Demolition of 1056 W. Jefferson, funding source: CDBG; Cargo Van for Police Dept., funding source: Police Dept. Capital Outlay Budget; Shredder for Police Dept., funding source: Police Dept. Operating Budget. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call Vote of:

Ayes: Sosnowski, Curran, Mark, Wasco, Bell, Jacobson, Johnson, Timm, Beach, Holt, Beck, McNeely, Conness –13-
Nays: -0-
Absent: Thompson –1-

2006-50R

62. Alderman Bell suggested the adoption of a Resolution that no loitering signs be placed at the intersection of Rose Avenue and Island Avenue. Also signs be placed: between Island and Central to the West; between Island and Clifton Avenue to the east; signs 150 feet from Rose to Bishop Washington to the south; and Rose to Lincoln Avenue to the North. Referred to Code and Regulation Committee.

2006-51R

63. Alderman Conness suggested the adoption of a Resolution to change Rule #2, Section 2-42 of Rules of Procedures, such that officer's reports shall be presented following New Business. Referred to Code and Regulation Committee.

NEW BUSINESS

64. Alderman Mark introduced and read an Ordinance that the Rockford Public Library be provided a maximum of sixty spaces in the Pioneer Parking Deck (Lot Y), at a rate of \$20.00 per space for parking of it's employees. LAID OVER.
65. Alderman Beach introduced and read an Ordinance recommending approval of the annexation of 1127, 1229 Alpine Road and 4627, 4669, 4707 and 4921 Guilford Road. LAID OVER.
66. Alderman Beach introduced and read an Ordinance that pursuant to the Zoning Code of the City of Rockford, adopted April 19, 1993, Annexation Agreements are hereby approved to provide the following zoning from County R-1, to City C-2, Commercial Community District

for Parcel I; to City C-1, Limited Office District for Parcel II; and to City-2, Two-Family Residential District for Parcel III at 1007 & 1127 North Alpine Road; 4591, 4627, 4669, 4689, 4707 and 4921 Guilford Road. LAID OVER.

2006-110-0

67. Alderman Beach 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 pre the submitted site plan at 1401 North Bell School Road. Approval is subject to the following conditions:

1. The existing landscaping along the north property be maintained as it currently exists, with the exception that modification may take place only to the existing landscaping to accommodate drainage requirements.
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Nays: -0-
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68. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the meeting was adjourned at 7:45 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
July 10, 2006
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

I. PUBLIC HEARING

1. Public Hearing scheduled for the annexation agreement at 1127 & 1129 North Alpine Road and 4627, 4669, 4707 & 4921 Guilford Road.

II. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. LAID OVER JULY 3, 2006

1. Beach - Code and Regulation - REVERSING the Zoning Board of Appeals, thereby recommending that City Council APPROVE the Special Use Permit for a Planned Mixed Use Development consisting of a gas station, convenience store and car wash; be REVERSED and AMENDED to APPROVE a Special Use Permit for the sale of liquor (beer and wine only; indoors) by the package; be SUSTAINED to APPROVE the Variation in the front yard setback along Broadway from thirty feet to fourteen feet; and be REVERSED to APPROVE a Variation in the rear yard setback and landscape buffer along the south property line to allow a setback and buffer of five feet for a car wash in a C-2, Commercial Community Zoning District at 3803, 3811 and 3819 Broadway. Approval is subject to the following conditions:
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III. ORDINANCES LAID OVER JULY 3, 2006

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IV. MISCELLANEOUS HELD OUT JULY 3, 2006

- 1.* Mayor Morrissey - Appointment to the Metro Authority Board, Virgil M. Woods, for a term to end June, 2009. (Pursuant to Rule 18, this appointment will be up for passage July 17, 2006).
- 2.* Mayor Morrissey - Appointment to the Board of Fire and Police Commission, Gary Caruana, for a term to end June, 2009. (Pursuant to Rule 18, this appointment will be up for passage July 17, 2006).

3.* Mayor Morrissey – Re-appointment to the Library Board of Joe Capone. (Pursuant to Rule 18, this appointment will be up for passage July 10, 2006).

4.* Mayor Morrissey – Re-appointment to the Library Board of Jane Heimer. (Pursuant to Rule 18, this appointment will be up for passage July 10, 2006).

* 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
Monday, July 10, 2006, 4:45 p.m.
CD Conference Room, City Hall 2nd floor
AGENDA

1. C & R 06-124 Proposed sale of city-owned strip of land adjacent to the south of 801 Trenton
2. C & R 06-125 Proposed sale of city-owned vacant lot of 2623 Mulberry Street
3. C & R 06-128 Claim of Jane Nihan in the amount of \$750.00
4. C & R 06-135 River District "SP" Request
5. C & R 06-136 Resolution from Ald. Victory Bell re: Loitering Signage
6. C & R 06-137 Resolution from Ald. Daniel Conness re: Officer's Reports
7. C & R 06-65 ZBA#022-06 (A) Special Use Permit for a used passenger vehicle sales lot in an I-1, Light Industrial District
(B) Variation to allow existing conditions to remain as-is as per the submitted site plan in an I-1, Light Industrial District at 623 North Madison Street

8. C & R 06-116 ZBA#038-06 Special Use Permit for the sale of liquor by the drink outdoors in conjunction with a restaurant in a Commercial Zoning District at 510 South Perryville Road
9. C & R 06-138 Agreement to allow sidewalks on county roads

FINANCE AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

Monday, July 10, 2006, 5:15 p.m.

Conference Room B, City Hall 2nd floor (south room)

AGENDA

1. Purchasing and Vouchers
 - A. Award of Bid: Pressure Zone Boundary, Phase 5A – Suspend rules
 - B. City/State Agreement Illinois Commerce Commission Safety Improvements at Rail Crossings
 - C. City/State Agreement: First Lady's Wildflower Program
 - D. State Notification of 2007 HSIP Program – Improvements to Rockton Avenue and Custer Intersection
 - E. Change Order: Pressure Zone Boundary, Phase I
 - F. Vouchers
2. Union Negotiation Update – Closed Session

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Monday, July 10, 2006, 5:00 p.m.

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

AGENDA

1. Memorandum from Dwayne A. Collins, Grants Compliance Specialist II, regarding 2006 Community Assistance Program (CAP) Funding Recommendations.