

**CITY COUNCIL, CITY OF ROCKFORD  
JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS  
JULY 30, 2007  
COUNCIL CONVENED AT 6:07 P.M.**

1. The invocation was given by Chaplain Orville Richardson, Jefferson Heights Baptist Church/Police Chaplain, and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Page Karla Centeno.

2. Roll Call:

Mayor Lawrence J. Morrissey

Aldermen: Sosnowski, Curran, Mark, Wasco, Bell, Jacobson, Timm, Holt, Beck, McNeely, Conness –11-

Absent: Thompson-Kelly, Johnson (joined by meeting later), Beach –3-

3. Alderman Mark moved to accept the Journal of Proceedings of July 23, 2007, seconded by Alderman Wasco. MOTION PREVAILED (Ald. Thompson-Kelly, Johnson, Beach absent).

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

4. John Weaver addressed Council regarding marches, crime and demographics.

5. Julio Salgado addressed Council concerning violence and seeking support from the City with regards to safety and social issues in the Hispanic Community.

**PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS**

6. Alderman Timm submitted a request from Mark Motsinger, Reformers Unanimous International, in conjunction with a car wash requesting permission to hold a car wash for not-for-profit – Pledges are secured in advance so that cars are washed for free of charge and no donations are accepted day of wash – Assembly line fashion, signage all hand held on August 11, 2007 (Rain date August 18, 2007) from 8:00 am – 5:00 pm at the Dollar Tree shopping center, 3818 W. Riverside Blvd. and Big K-Mart, 5909 E. State Street. Alderman Timm moved to grant the Prayer of the Petitioner, seconded by Alderman McNeely. MOTION PREVAILED (Ald. Thompson-Kelly, Johnson, Beach absent).

7. Alderman Timm submitted a request from Gary Maes, Furniture Row Companies, in conjunction with a tent sale requesting permission for a tent for two (2) weeks in a C-Zoning District at 5505 E. State Street from July 31, 2007 – August 13, 2007. Alderman Timm moved to grant the Prayer of the Petitioner, seconded by Alderman McNeely. MOTION PREVAILED (Ald. Thompson-Kelly, Johnson, Beach absent).

8. Alderman Wasco submitted a request from Steve LeFevre, Development Director Christian Life, in conjunction with Christian Life 35<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Shine on Festival requesting permission for outdoor bands (stage to be set up facing bleachers on south side of football field speakers to be facing away from Creekside subdivision) on August 5, 2007 from 1:00 pm – 5:00 pm. Alderman Wasco moved to grant the Prayer of the Petitioner, seconded by Alderman Timm. MOTION PREVAILED (Ald. Thompson-Kelly, Johnson, Beach absent).

9. Alderman Bell submitted a Memorandum from Richard May, Commercial Development Coordinator regarding the First and Second Quarter Reports of the River District Association activities and accomplishments. Referred to Planning and Development Committee.
10. Alderman Bell submitted a Memorandum from Richard M. May, Commercial Development Coordinator, regarding approval of Redevelopment Agreement for Captains Cabin Inc. to receive \$200,000 in State and Alpine TIF funds for rehabilitation of the Alpine Inn, 4406 East State Street. Referred to Planning and Development Committee.
11. Alderman Bell submitted a Memorandum from Patrick M. Zuroske, Capital Program Manager, regarding an Informational Memorandum: Request for Proposal (RFP) Process Kishwaukee Corridor Plan. Referred to Planning and Development Committee.
12. Alderman Bell submitted a Memorandum from Dwayne A. Collins, Grants Compliance Specialist, regarding the Healthy Neighborhoods Program. Referred to Planning and Development Committee.
13. Alderman Bell submitted a request from Pat and Steve Ostrowski, Daniel Kaworowski, Margaret Borowski, Robert Fateia and Adam Mazels, in conjunction with the St. Stanislaus Polish Fest requesting barricades for closures and detours and permission for outdoor liquor, tent and carnival, closures of Magnolia from Buckbee to 15<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Short Broadway from Seminary to Christina and two (2) alleys between Buckbee and Short Broadway at 201 Buckbee on August 19, 2007 from 11:00 am to dusk. Alderman Bell moved to grant the Prayer of the Petitioners, seconded by Alderman Jacobson. MOTION PREVAILED (Ald. Thompson-Kelly, Johnson, Beach absent).
14. Alderman Jacobson submitted an e-mail from Peter Taluc inquiring about circulating petitions to reduce motorcycle noise. Referred to the Legal Department
15. Alderman Jacobson submitted an e-mail from Jon Worthington requesting removal of the dead trees behind 18<sup>th</sup> Street and the old Woodruff Avenue. Referred to the Public Works Department.
16. Alderman Jacobson submitted eight (8) Requests for Service. Referred to Neighborhood Standards and the Public Works Department.
17. Alderman Holt submitted a request from Pastor Denver Bittner, Zion Lutheran Church, in conjunction with the block party requesting barricades and permission for closures of 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue from 5<sup>th</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> Streets on August 4, 2007 from 3:00 pm – 8:00 pm. Alderman Holt moved to grant the Prayer of the Petitioner, seconded by Alderman McNeely. MOTION PREVAILED (Ald. Thompson-Kelly, Johnson, Beach absent).
18. Alderman Conness submitted an e-mail from David Bond requesting repair to a storm sewer drain adjacent to 5046 Carol Court and a claim for damage to his vehicle from

that deteriorated drain. Referred to the Legal Department and the Public Works Department.

19. Alderman Mark submitted a request from Bob Sharp, in conjunction with the State Street Mile requesting barricades and police assistance and permission for the annual event beginning on State Street from Summit to Wyman on August 11, 2007 from 5:00 pm – 7:00 pm. Alderman Mark moved to grant the Prayer of the Petitioner, seconded by Alderman Wasco. MOTION PREVAILED (Ald. Thompson-Kelly, Johnson and Beach absent).
20. Alderman Mark submitted a Memorandum from Cynthia Powers Hall, Director of Tourism, Culture and Special Events, regarding On The Waterfront "SP" Request. Referred to Code and Regulation Committee.

### **NEW COMMITTEE REPORTS**

21. Alderman Curran read a Finance and Personnel Committee Report recommending the award for Fueling System be made to Kelley-Williamson Mobil, of Rockford, Illinois for their estimated annual cost of \$900,000. Each renewal of the contract will be approved by the Finance and Personnel Committee. The funding source is Departmental Operating Budgets. LAID OVER.
22. Alderman Curran read a Finance and Personnel Committee Report recommending the contract for Chestnut Street Curb & Gutter be awarded to Rockford Blacktop Construction of Loves Park, Illinois in the amount of \$30,450.00. The funding source is Sales Tax. LAID OVER.
23. Alderman Curran read a Finance and Personnel Committee Report recommending the Engineering Agreement: Logistics Parkway-Phase II be awarded to Willett, Hoffman & Associates at a not-to-exceed cost of \$205,600.00 for design engineering and project management services, and construction engineering and management. The funding for this project will come from Tax Increment Financing District, and Water Utility Revenue Bonds. LAID OVER.
24. Alderman Curran read a Finance and Personnel Committee Report regarding the Wesley Willows Project for industrial revenue bond financing for the purpose of financing the construction and furnish a 37,000 square foot Town Center facility and also to construct the first phase of apartments containing approximately 36 new apartment units for housing for the elderly in an amount not to exceed \$22,000,000. LAID OVER.
25. Alderman Curran moved the adoption of a Finance and Personnel Committee Report recommending approval of the total vouchers for the week of July 30, 2007 in the amount of \$2,123,122.42. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

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

26. Alderman Mark read a Code and Regulation Committee Report recommending the approval of the road dedication plat for South Second Street, Section 36-44-2. LAID OVER.
27. Alderman Mark read a Code and Regulation Committee Report recommending the approval of the annexation of 41xx Owen Center Road. LAID OVER.
28. Alderman Mark read a Code and Regulation Committee Report recommending the approval of the Star Street Vacation in the amount of \$6,000 plus the proposed improvements and the closure of the northern most access of Kishwaukee Street. LAID OVER.
29. Alderman Mark read a Code and Regulation Committee Report recommending the approval of the annexation agreement for 41xx Owen Center Road. LAID OVER.

**2007-301CR**

30. Alderman Mark read a Code and Regulation Committee Report SUSTAINING the Zoning Board of Appeals, thereby recommending that City Council APPROVE the Special Use Permit for a mural painted on panels to be mounted on the west exterior wall in a C-4, Commercial Oldtown District at 509 East State Street. Approval is subject to the following conditions:
  1. Submittal of a Maintenance Plan prior to mounting of mural panels.
  2. Mounting of mural panels must be according to Exhibit D. Any modifications to materials and/or image or mural will require a Modification of Special Use Permit.
  3. A sign permit shall be required including an illustration of proposed painting shall be submitted with the permit application.
  4. The mural panels may not consist of a vinyl banner material within a frame.

Approval is based on the Findings of Fact (LAD 8/20/07, ZBA #041-07).

Alderman Mark moved to suspend Rule 11, seconded by Alderman Timm. MOTION PREVAILED (Ald. Thompson-Kelly, Johnson, Beach absent). The Committee Report was placed on passage. MOTION PREVAILED (Ald. Thompson-Kelly, Johnson, Beach absent).

**OFFICERS REPORTS**

31. Mayor Morrissey recognized Chaplain Orville Richardson and thanked him for his service to the Rockford Police Department and Winnebago County Sheriff's Department Chaplain's Division for the past 13 years. Chaplain Richardson reflected fondly on his 13 years of service to this community and thanked everyone for their visits, prayers, cards and phone calls wishing him well after his stroke.
32. Mayor Morrissey thanked members of the Hispanic community for joining the Council meeting and appropriately expressing their outrage concerning the recent homicide of Mr. Duran "the ice cream man". He emphasized their activism and energy needs to be channeled towards the entire community, parents, youth groups and any organization or individual that has a vested interest in a healthy neighborhood and prosperous future in Rockford. Mayor Morrissey reiterated we must work together towards a healthier

neighborhood throughout the City regardless of race or ethnic background and stop the cycle of the social ills that afflict our community that increase the probability of creating violence.

33. Mayor Morrissey announced Friday a lawsuit was filed against the Rockford Housing Authority (RHA) and the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to block a long-planned demolition of the Jane Addams component of the site. In 2006 the Rockford Housing Authority, with the support of the City, submitted a request to the Housing and Urban Development, to demolish eight-four (84) units of public housing at that location which was granted. With that approval efforts were made to relocate the residents of the eighty-four (84) units, only four (4) units are still occupied as of today. Mayor Morrissey thanked City staff for working together over the weekend concerning the lawsuit and displayed a poster board with a picture of the inside of an apartment with an enormous hole between apartments. He emphasized the City will continue to exercise its independent police powers to ensure the safety of all the members in that community.
34. Mayor Morrissey announced the University of Illinois Board of Directors and Trustees approved a financial plan that will allow them to move forward with the development of the National Center for Rural Health Professions in Rockford which will help to establish a new two hundred (200) student Regional College of Pharmacy. Local Architects Larson and Darby will be involved in the 30 million-dollar, 58,000 square foot project.
35. Mayor Morrissey announced the 19<sup>th</sup> Annual Metro Paint-A-Thon sponsored by the Salvation Army of Winnebago County and Valspar Corporation will be on Saturday, August 11, 2007. Tim Hanson, Director of Public Works, will be serving as team captain and looking for volunteers. Please contact him at 987-5637.
36. Alderman Timm mentioned he distributed a booklet explaining the 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Illinois Renewable Energy and Sustainable Lifestyle Fair to be held at the Ogle County Fairgrounds, 1440 N. Limekiln Road, Oregon, Illinois on August 11th and 12th, 2007. He encouraged all to attend.
37. Alderman Timm thanked the Police Department, Building Department, Neighborhood Standards, Public Works and Zoning Departments for their part in revitalizing the North Central Avenue area. This area once seen as an eye sore is now thriving with new business and cleaned-up. He mentioned Mark's Tree Service had moved into his ward and the improvements made on the corner of Kilburn and Auburn.

Alderman Nancy Johnson joined the meeting at 6:45 pm

38. Alderman Bell welcomed the participation of the Hispanic community to any arena in the City of Rockford. He reported at the 5<sup>th</sup> ward monthly meeting, it was mentioned that the Police Department needs to employ a certain percentage of Spanish speaking officers. He requested a meeting with Mayor Morrissey, Chief Epperson, Hispanic and African American police officers to have discussion about what is going on in the streets.

39. Alderman Bell mentioned the lawsuit filed Friday regarding the Jane Addams site and indicated that Alderman Mark and himself had been appointed by Mayor Morrissey to be part of the task force for the creation of the focus area and action for the Orchid 3<sup>rd</sup> Union College Neighborhood. He commended the Orchid 3<sup>rd</sup> Union College Neighborhood Association for their efforts and effectiveness in the community and keeping citizens and himself informed.
40. Alderman Bell mentioned he was in Memphis this past weekend and was impressed with their system of dividing the Memphis Metropolitan area into quadrants, offering a Community Center and police sub-station within each quadrant. Alderman Bell suggested we take their example and look into implementing it into our community.
41. Alderman Bell announced he supports the position of the Rockford Housing Authority and commended them on their efforts to ensure those residents found affordable housing and encouraged them to continue to working with those residents.
42. Alderman Mark agreed with Alderman Bell that the Orchid 3<sup>rd</sup> Union College Neighborhood Association has been very instrumental to changes in that area and he continues to support the demolition of the Jane Addams site.
43. Alderman Mark mentioned a successful demolition this past week, the Inn Town Motel.  
  
Alderman Timm exited the meeting 6:50 pm
44. Alderman Mark lauded the announcement of the University of Illinois College of Medicine establishing a site for Pharmacy curriculum in the City of Rockford.
45. Alderman Mark mentioned he received an e-mail from Congressman Manzullo's Office regarding the 58 million dollars for the Rockford Courthouse and is still hopeful for groundbreaking yet this year. He thanked Congressman Manzullo and Senator Durbin for their support of Rockford.
46. Alderman Wasco thanked the Public Works Department for trimming the trees and cutting back the growth along Spring Brook Road.
47. Alderman Wasco thanked Charlie Schaefer, Neighborhood Standards, for the report regarding complaints and liens with mowing. Alderman Wasco referred the item to committee for discussion. Referred to Code and Regulation Committee (Report not submitted).
48. Alderman Wasco encouraged the Aldermen to support the Mayor and City staff on their efforts to move forward the demolition of the Jane Addams site and continue our efforts to ensure good and affordable housing for everyone.
48. Alderman Beck announced at the last meeting of the Metro Center Board of Directors, a report was submitted from the new hockey franchise which was extremely encouraging and indicates the fans are embracing the change, citing the number of tickets sold for next season and an interest in the suites.

49. Alderman Beck reminded everyone that Festa Italiana is this weekend with good food, musical acts and fun for the family.
50. Alderman Beck mentioned the Edgewater neighborhood has a new addition to their area, foxes. He understands the safety concerns by many citizens, reiterating these are not pets and should not be fed.
51. Alderman McNeely commented a friend's home was selected for painting in the 19<sup>th</sup> Annual Paint-A-Thon and mentioned she was hoping to participate in that event on August 11, 2007.
52. Alderman McNeely thanked Pat Zuroske and staff in the Public Works Department for the demolition of several houses along parts of West State Street.
53. Alderman McNeely thanked Tim Hanson, Director of Public Works, for resolving several issues within her ward.
54. Alderman McNeely mentioned this Saturday she will be passing out certificates for the "Best Lawn" awards to six (6) homeowners in her ward.
55. Alderman McNeely requested from the Mayor's Office a report from business that buy copper and the names of the individuals who are selling it to them. Referred to Mayor Morrissey's Office.
56. Alderman McNeely agreed with Alderman Bell's comments regarding the Memphis Metropolitan area quadrant structure and believes the City should look into this.
57. Alderman McNeely advised she would begin having monthly ward meetings, encouraging all her constituents to attend.
58. Alderman Curran requested the Public Works Department and Park District coordinate efforts to remove vegetation that has grown along Keith Creek. Referred to the Public Works Department.
59. Alderman Jacobson requested the Public Works Department remove trees and vegetation in the drainage path through the southeast quadrant of the City.
60. Alderman Jacobson requested an up-date on a proposed development at South Alpine Road, Linden Road, 35<sup>th</sup> Street and Samuelson. Referred to the Community Development Department.
61. Alderman McNeely requested from the Mayor's Office information regarding the RHA/HUD lawsuit. Referred to Mayor Morrissey's Office.

## UNFINISHED BUSINESS

### 2007-302CR

62. Alderman Curran moved the adoption of a Finance and Personnel Committee Report recommending the award for Mobile Radios for the Police Department be made to the sole bidder, Kwik Kall Communications, of Rockford, IL for their total bid of \$10,564.82. The funding source is Police Department Operating Budget. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

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

### 2007-303CR

63. Alderman Curran moved the adoption of a Finance and Personnel Committee Report recommending the award for City Hall 2<sup>nd</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> Floor Roof Replacement be made to the low bidder McDermaid Roofing, of Rockford, IL for their total bid of \$129,898.00. The funding source is Building Fund. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

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

### 2007-304CR

64. Alderman Curran moved the adoption of a Finance and Personnel Committee Report recommending the award for Central Garage Men's Bathroom Upgrade be made to the low bidder, Bennett Construction, of Pecatonica, IL for their total bid of \$44,100.00. The funding source is Building Fund. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

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

### 2007-305CR

65. Alderman Curran moved the adoption of a Finance and Personnel Committee Report recommending the award for Network Appliance Storage Device and Support be made to the sole bidder, Datalink Corporation of Downers Grove, IL for their total bid of \$71,295.23. The funding source is Information Technology Fund. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

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

**2007-140-O**

66. Alderman Curran moved the adoption of an Ordinance recommending approval of the amendment to Ordinance No. 2007-86-O, Section 7 changing the date from December 31, 2012 to June 30, 2012. All other terms of said Ordinance shall remain in full force and effect. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

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

67. Alderman Curran moved the re-appointment to the Human Services CAA Board, Ms. Karen Hoffman to a three (3) year term, which would expire June 2010. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

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

**2007-306CR**

68. Alderman Mark moved the adoption of a Code and Regulation Committee Report recommending the approval of the Noise Violation/Vehicle Impoundment Ordinance. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

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

**2007-307CR**

69. Alderman Mark moved the adoption of a Code and Regulation Committee Report recommending the approval of the annexation of xxxx South Mulford Road and xxxx Sandy Hollow Road. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

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

**2007-308CR**

70. Alderman Mark moved the adoption of a Code and Regulation Committee Report recommending the approval of the annexation of 1123 North Alpine Road. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Sosnowski, Curran, Mark, Wasco, Bell, Jacobson, Johnson, Holt, Beck, McNeely, Conness -11-

Nays: -0-  
Absent: Thompson-Kelly, Timm, Beach -3-

**2007-309CR**

71. Alderman Mark moved the adoption of a Code and Regulation Committee Report recommending the approval of the annexation of 1133 North Alpine Road. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

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

**2007-310CR**

72. Alderman Mark moved the adoption of a Code and Regulation Committee Report recommending the approval of the annexation of 5902 Sandy Hollow Road. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

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

**2007-311CR**

73. Alderman Mark moved the adoption of a Code and Regulation Committee Report recommending the approval of the annexation of 1555 New Milford Road. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

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

**2007-141-O**

74. Alderman Mark moved the adoption of an Ordinance amending Chapter 37, Section 1604, of the City of Rockford Code of Ordinances for a Variation to increase the number of allowable free-standing signs from one (1) to two (2) on the same street frontage in a C-2, Commercial Community Zoning District at 326 North Alpine Road. Approval is subject to the following conditions:

1. Submittal of an agreement for staff review and approval that in 2010 there will be no new lease agreement for the billboard, and the billboard and billboard structure will be removed.

Approval is based on the Findings of Fact (LAD 8/20/07, ZBA #044-07). MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

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

**2007-142-O**

75. Alderman Mark moved the adoption of an Ordinance amending Chapter 37, Section 1604, of the City of Rockford Code of Ordinances for a Variation to allow a pool and deck in the front yard as a permitted obstruction in an R-1, Single-Family Residential District at 4804 Crescent Drive. Approval is subject to the following conditions:

1. This Variation applies to the existing pool and deck only. Any future pool and/or deck needs to conform to City of Rockford Ordinance.

Approval is based on the Findings of Fact (LAD 8/20/07, ZBA #021-07). MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

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

**2007-143-O**

76. Alderman Bell moved the adoption of an Ordinance recommending that the boundary of Rockford Enterprise Zone #1 be amended to exclude that area to be included in the River Edge Redevelopment Zone. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

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

**2007-144-O**

77. Alderman Bell moved the adoption of an Ordinance recommending that the River Edge Redevelopment Zone be created in accordance with the attached draft ordinance and application. The staff shall submit this material to the State of Illinois. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

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

**MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS**

**2007-77R**

78. Alderman Mark, on behalf of the Code and Regulation Committee, moved the adoption of a Resolution for temporary closures of Illinois Route 2 (Wyman Street), a State Highway in

the City of Rockford, from Chestnut Street to Park, and Illinois Route 2 (Park Avenue) from Wyman Street to Main Street and Illinois Route 2 (Main Street) from Park Avenue to Fisher Avenue for the Labor Day Parade on September 3, 2007. MOTION PREVAILED. (Ald. Thompson-Kelly, Timm, Beach absent).

**2007-78R**

79. Alderman Mark, on behalf of the Code and Regulation Committee, moved the adoption of a Resolution for temporary closures of U.S. business 20 (westbound), a US Highway in the City of Rockford, from Summit Street to Jefferson Street for the Rockford Road Runners State Street Mile Run on August 11, 2007. MOTION PREVAILED (Ald. Thompson-Kelly, Timm, Beach absent).

**2007-79R**

80. Alderman Mark, on behalf of the Code and Regulation Committee, moved the adoption of a Resolution for a temporary lane closure on Illinois Route 2 (Main Street), a State Highway in the City of Rockford, from Dickerman to 300 feet north, and permission to erect a temporary lane closure of the easternmost lane only of Illinois Route 2 (Main Street) from Dickerman to 900 feet north for Greenwich Village Art Fair between September 15, 2007 and September 16, 2007. MOTION PREVAILED (Ald. Thompson-Kelly, Timm, Beach absent).

**2007-80R**

81. Alderman Mark, on behalf of the Code and Regulation Committee, moved the adoption of a Resolution for temporary closure of Illinois Route 2 (Main Street), a State Highway in the City of Rockford, from Cedar to Chestnut Street for Concerts for Charity – Hot Fest For Hospice on August 10, 2007 to August 12, 2007 from 3:00 pm to 2:00 am. MOTION PREVAILED (Ald. Thompson-Kelly, Timm, Beach absent).

**2007-81R**

82. Alderman Curran, on behalf of the Finance and Personnel Committee, moved the adoption of a Resolution for Improvement under the IL Highway Code for:

Original            Kishwaukee Street Demolitions  
                          Section Number 07-00480-01-BD  
                          \$150,000,00

The project consists of building demolitions. There is appropriated the amount, as stated above, for the improvement of said section from the Municipality's allotment of Motor Fuel Tax Funds. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

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

**2007-82R**

83. Alderman Curran, on behalf of the Finance and Personnel Committee, moved the adoption of a Resolution to take bids for the following:

Bid: Fire Department Pumper Apparatus, funding source Fire Department Capital Budget  
Bid: Coronado Roof Repair, funding source: Building Fund  
Bid: LED Traffic Modules, funding source: Illinois Clean Energy Community Foundation Grant.

MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

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

**2007-83R**

84. Alderman Curran, on behalf of the Finance and Personnel Committee, moved the adoption of a Resolution authorizing the Legal Director to prepare and deliver certified copies of this Resolution to the Supervisor of Assessments, the County Clerk, and the County Collector and the Treasurer of Winnebago County. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

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

**NEW BUSINESS**

85. Alderman Mark introduced and read an Ordinance amending Chapter 37, Section 1604, of the City of Rockford Code of Ordinances for a Variation to allow a pool in the front yard as a permitted obstruction in an R-1, Single-family residential district at 602 Garfield Avenue.

Approval is based on the Findings of Fact (LAD 8/20/07, ZBA #033-07). LAID OVER.

86. Alderman Mark introduced and read an Ordinance recommending the approval of the annexation of xxxx 18<sup>th</sup> Street. LAID OVER.
87. Alderman Mark introduced and read an Ordinance recommending the approval of the annexation of 1211 Brooke Road. LAID OVER.
88. Alderman Mark introduced and read an Ordinance recommending the approval of the annexation of 2830 17<sup>th</sup> Street. LAID OVER.

**2007-145-O**

89. Alderman Mark introduced and read an Ordinance amending Chapter 37, Section 1603, of the City of Rockford Code of Ordinances for a Special Use Permit for a mural painted on panels to be mounted on the west exterior wall in a C-4, Commercial Oldtown District at 509 East State Street.

1. Submittal of a Maintenance Plan prior to mounting or mural panels
2. Mounting of mural panels must be according to Exhibit D. Any modifications to materials and/or image or mural will require a Modification of Special Use Permit.
3. A sign permit shall be required including an illustration of proposed painting shall be submitted with the permit application.
4. The mural panels may not consist of a vinyl banner material within a frame.

Approval is based on the Findings of Fact (LAD 8/20/07, ZBA #041-07).

Alderman Mark moved to suspend Rule 11, seconded by Alderman McNeely. MOTION PREVAILED (Ald. Thompson-Kelly, Timm, Beach absent). The Ordinance was placed on passage. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

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

90. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the meeting was adjourned at 7:31 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane M. 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, 2<sup>ND</sup> floor City Hall**  
**425 E. State Street, Rockford**  
**AUGUST 6, 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

**I. PUBLIC HEARINGS**

1. Public Hearing – Annexation of xxxx 18<sup>th</sup> Street
2. Public Hearing – Annexation of 2830 17<sup>th</sup> Street
3. Public Hearing – Annexation of 1211 Brooke Road

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**II. COMMITTEE REPORTS LAID OVER JULY 30, 2007**

1. Curran - Finance and Personnel - Recommending the award for Fueling System be made to Kelley-Williamson Mobil, of Rockford, Illinois for their estimated annual cost of \$900,000. The funding source is Departmental Operating Budgets.
2. Curran - Finance and Personnel - Recommending the contract for Chestnut Street Curb & Gutter be awarded to Rockford Blacktop Construction of Loves Park, Illinois in the amount of \$30,450.00. The funding source is Sales Tax.
3. Curran - Finance and Personnel - Recommending the Engineering Agreement: Logistics Parkway-Phase II be awarded to Willett, Hoffman & Associates at a not-to-exceed cost of \$205,600.00 for design engineering and project management services, and construction engineering and management. The funding for this project will come from Tax Increment Financing District, and Water Utility Revenue Bonds.

4. Curran - Finance and Personnel - Regarding the Wesley Willows Project for industrial revenue bond financing for the purpose of financing the construction and furnish a 37,000 square foot Town Center facility and also to construct the first phase of apartments containing approximately 36 new apartment units for housing for the elderly in an amount not to exceed \$22,000,000.
5. Mark - Code and Regulation - Recommending the approval of the road dedication plat for South Second Street, Section 36-44-2.
6. Mark - Code and Regulation - Recommending the approval of the annexation of 41xx Owen Center Road.
7. Mark - Code and Regulation - Recommending the approval of the Star Street Vacation in the amount of \$6,000 plus the proposed improvements and the closure of the northern most access of Kishwaukee Street.
8. Mark - Code and Regulation - Recommending the approval of the annexation agreement for 41xx Owen Center Road.

**III. ORDINANCES LAID OVER JULY 30, 2007**

1. Mark - Ordinance - Amending Chapter 37, Section 1604, of the City of Rockford Code of Ordinances for a Variation to allow a pool in the front yard as a permitted obstruction in an R-1, Single-family residential district at 602 Garfield Avenue.

Approval is based on the Findings of Fact (LAD 8/20/07, ZBA #033-07).

2. Mark - Ordinance - Recommending the approval of the annexation of xxxx 18<sup>th</sup> Street.
3. Mark - Ordinance - Recommending the approval of the annexation of 1211 Brooke Road.
4. Mark - Ordinance - Recommending the approval of the annexation of 2830 17<sup>th</sup> Street.

**IV. MISCELLANEOUS LAID OVER JULY 30, 2007**

1. Mayor Morrissey – Re-appointment – Housing Authority Board, Mr. Chandler Anderson, to a five-year term, which would expire July 2012. (Pursuant to Rule 18, this re-appointment will be up for passage on August 27, 2007).
- 2.\* Mayor Morrissey - Re-appointments - Directors of their Municipal Departments in the City of Rockford.

**V. REVIEW CITY COUNCIL CLOSED SESSION MINUTES**

\* 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, August 6, 2007, 4:45 p.m.  
CD Conference Room, City Hall 2<sup>nd</sup> floor  
AGENDA**

1. C & R 07-182 On The Waterfront SP Request
2. C & R 07-176 Request to buy City-owned vacant lot at 2608 18<sup>th</sup> Street
3. C & R 07-177 Request to vacate alley next to 1810 Chestnut Street
4. C & R 07-159 Municipal Code Re-Codification Project
5. C & R 07-124 ZBA#038-07 (A) Special Use Permit for the sale of alcohol by the drink within the indoor restaurant  
(B) Special Use Permit for the sale of alcohol by the drink with the outdoor seating area in a C-1, Limited Office District at 6957 Olde Creek Road, Suite 100

**FINANCE AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE**

**Monday, August 6, 2007, 5:15 p.m.  
Conference Room B, City Hall 2<sup>nd</sup> floor (south room)  
AGENDA**

1. Purchasing and Vouchers
  - A. Award of Bid: Washing & Detailing of City Vehicles
  - B. Vouchers
    - √Training/Travel Expense for Police Department
2. Review of Closed Session Minutes

**PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE**

**Monday, August 6, 2007, 4:30 p.m.**

**Conference Room A, City Hall 2<sup>nd</sup> floor (north room)**

**AGENDA**

1. Memorandum from Vicki Manson, Neighborhood Development Administrator, regarding the Tax Incentive Program (TIP).
2. RACVB Quarterly Report.
3. RAEDC Quarterly Report.
4. Memorandum from Richard M. May, Commercial Development Coordinator, regarding Approval of Amended Development Agreement for Zion Development Corporation to receive \$50,000 in 7<sup>th</sup> Street TIF funds for interior remodeling of the former Pickerman's Deli space at 528 7<sup>th</sup> Street.
5. Memorandum from Richard M. May, Commercial Development Coordinator, regarding Community Development Block Grant [CDBG] Funding (\$58,392.45) for Zion Development Corporation to relocate utility poles, lines and cables along 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue between 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> Streets.
6. Memorandum from Richard M. May, Commercial Development Coordinator, regarding First and Second Quarter Reports of the River District Association's activities and accomplishments.
7. Memorandum from Richard M. May, Commercial Development Coordinator, regarding Approval of Redevelopment Agreement for Captains Cabin Inc. to receive \$200,000 in State and Alpine TIF funds for rehabilitation of the Alpine Inn, 4406 East State Street.
8. Memorandum from Dwayne A. Collins, Grants Compliance Specialist II regarding the Healthy Neighborhoods Program.
9. Memorandum from Patrick M. Zuroske, Capital Program Manager, regarding an Informational Memorandum: Request for Proposal (RFP) Process Kishwaukee Corridor Plan.

**LEGISLATIVE LOBBYING COMMITTEE**

**Tuesday, August 28, 2007, 7:30 a.m.**

**Conference Room A, City Hall 2<sup>nd</sup> floor (north room)**

**AGENDA**

Next meeting scheduled for August 28, 2007.