

**CITY COUNCIL, CITY OF ROCKFORD
JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS
AUGUST 13, 2007
COUNCIL CONVENED AT 6:14 P.M.**

1. The Clerk called the meeting to order in the absence of the Mayor, and recognized Alderman Curran who moved that Alderman Jacobson serve as Mayor Pro Tem for the meeting. Said motion was seconded by Alderman Mark. MOTION PREVAILED (Ald. McNeely absent).
2. The invocation was given by Alderman Frank Beach, and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Eagle Scout Mark Perez and Scout Leader Chuck Jensen.
3. Alderman Beach recognized Mark Perez for achieving the rank of Eagle Scout.
4. Roll Call:
Alderman Jacobson, Mayor Pro Tem
Aldermen: Sosnowski, Curran Mark, Wasco, Bell, (Jacobson), Thompson-Kelly,
Johnson, Timm, Beach, Holt, Beck, Conness -13-
Absent: McNeely -1-
5. Alderman Mark moved to accept the Journal of Proceedings of August 6, 2007, seconded by Alderman Wasco. MOTION PREVAILED (Ald. McNeely absent).

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

6. Clayton Balmes announced Police, Fire and Emergency Response Family Appreciation Day on August 26, 2007 at the Historic Auto Attractions Museum in Roscoe, Illinois from 12:00 (noon) to 6:00 pm with family picnic time from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm.
7. John Weaver addressed Council regarding leadership and marches in the City of Rockford.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

8. Alderman Johnson submitted five (5) Requests for Service. Referred to Neighborhood Standards, the Police Department and Public Works Department.
9. Alderman Johnson submitted a request from Eagles #392, in conjunction with a Cookout for Cancer requesting permission for outdoor liquor in a confined space for a club at 3829 11th Street on August 18, 2007 from 4:00 pm to midnight. Alderman Johnson moved to grant the Prayer of the Petitioner, seconded by Alderman Timm. (Ald. McNeely absent).
10. Alderman Jacobson mentioned several clubs in Rockford have sponsored events raising money for area hospitals and cancer victims.
11. Alderman Beck submitted a letter from a constituent concerning suspicious activity at a neighboring property. Referred to the Police Department.

12. Alderman Bell submitted eight (8) Requests for Service. Referred to Neighborhood Standards, Community Development Department, the Public Works Department and Mayor Morrissey's Office/Julia Valdez.
13. Alderman Conness submitted an e-mail from Don Ewaldz concerning flood damage. Referred to Mayor Morrissey's Office and the Public Works Department.
14. Alderman Conness submitted an e-mail from Dan Young concerning flood damage to his business. Referred to Mayor Morrissey's Office and the Public Works Department.
15. Alderman Conness submitted an e-mail from a constituent concerning suspicious activity at a home in the neighborhood. Referred to the Police Department.
16. Alderman Mark submitted a request from Melvin and Shelia Brown, in conjunction with House of Grace Tent Revival requesting permission to erect a tent and have an outdoor revival with outside sound system for three (3) days. Alderman Mark moved to grant the Prayer of the Petitioner, seconded by Alderman Timm. (Ald. McNeely absent).
17. Alderman Mark submitted a letter from Vernon and Cynthia Furney concerning flood damage to their building on E. State Street. Referred to the Community Development Department and Mayor Morrissey's Office.
18. Alderman Mark submitted a letter from Jim Rever concerning the closure of Water Street on Saturday afternoon and evening and future closure on August 24, 2007. Referred to Mayor Morrissey's Office/Cynthia Hall.
19. Alderman Mark submitted a Memorandum from Ronald Schultz, City Attorney, regarding Groundwater Protection Ordinance – 3335 Eleventh Street. Referred to Code and Regulation Committee.
20. Alderman Mark submitted a Memorandum from Jessica Ellwanger, Planner II, regarding the Final Plat #2 of Harrison Park North Subdivision. Referred to Code and Regulation Committee.
21. Alderman Mark submitted a Memorandum from Jessica Ellwanger, Planner II, regarding the General Service Administration Subdivision Final Plat. Referred to Code and Regulation Committee.
22. Alderman Mark submitted a Memorandum from Jessica Ellwanger, Planner II, regarding the Final Plat of Alpine Crossings. Referred to Code and Regulation Committee.
23. Alderman Mark submitted a Memorandum from Jessica Ellwanger, Planner II, regarding the Final Plat of Logistics Park. Referred to Code and Regulation Committee.
24. Alderman Mark submitted a Memorandum from Marcy Leach, ESD Project Manager, regarding the right-of-way Vacation along the south side of Linden Road at 4502 35th Street. Referred to Code and Regulation Committee.

25. Alderman Mark submitted a Memorandum from Jessica Ellwanger, Planner II, regarding 2040 Hawthorne Drive Pre-Annexation. Referred to Code and Regulation Committee.
26. Alderman Mark submitted a Memorandum from Mark Rose, Land Acquisition Officer, regarding a request to the City to Quit Claim its interest (if any) in the alley adjacent to the north of 201 W. State Street to the adjoining property owners. Referred to Code and Regulation Committee.
27. Alderman Mark submitted a Memorandum from Ronald Schultz, City Attorney, regarding the Agreement with Metro Centre on Encroaching Structure. Referred to Code and Regulation Committee.
28. Alderman Mark submitted a Memorandum from Jessica Ellwanger, Planner II, regarding the annexation of 34xx and 37xx Samuelson Road. Referred to Code and Regulation Committee.
29. Alderman Mark submitted a Memorandum from Mark Rose, Land Acquisition Officer, regarding the Opinion of Value – Alley Vacation – North-South Alley lying East of 514 E. State Street. Referred to Code and Regulation Committee.
30. Council Clerk submitted a letter from Insight Communications regarding the franchise agreement and fee payment for the 2nd Quarter of 2007. Placed on File.
31. Alderman Beach mentioned a letter from a resident on Northview Road expressing her concern about the annexation of Bradley Heights Subdivision. Referred to Mayor Morrissey's Office.
32. Alderman Sosnowski submitted a request from Anton Beck, German Society of Rockford, in conjunction with Oktoberfest requesting permission for tents for five (5) days, outdoor liquor and entertainment in a confined space for a not-for-profit at Forest Plaza, E. State and Trainer Road on September 14th from 5:00 pm to midnight; September 15th from noon to midnight and September 16th from noon to 9:00 pm. Alderman Sosnowski moved to grant the Prayer of the Petitioner, seconded by Alderman Mark. (Ald. McNeely absent).
33. Alderman Sosnowski submitted a request from Paul Washa and Dani Kelly, Old Chicago, in conjunction with Rockin for a Reason, "Rocktoberfest" requesting permission for liquor and entertainment outdoors from Old Chicago within a confined space and tents at 6280 E. State Street on September 29th from 11:30 am to 10:00 pm. Alderman Sosnowski moved to grant the Prayer of the Petitioner, seconded by Alderman Mark. (Ald. McNeely absent).

NEW COMMITTEE REPORTS

34. Alderman Curran moved the adoption of a Finance and Personnel Committee Report recommending approval of the total vouchers for the week of August 13, 2007 in the

amount of \$3,135,704.09. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

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

35. Alderman Mark read a Code and Regulation Committee Report recommending the approval of the vacation request for the alley to the east of the property located at 1810 Chestnut Street. LAID OVER.
36. Alderman Mark read a Code and Regulation Committee Report recommending the approval of the sale of 2608 18th Street for five hundred dollars (\$500.00), which includes advertising costs with preference to adjoining property owners. LAID OVER.
37. Alderman Bell read a Planning and Development Committee Report recommending that \$25,000 be allocated annually to the Minority and Women Construction Management Training Program. Funding Source Community Development Block Grant. LAID OVER.

OFFICERS REPORTS

38. Alderman Jacobson submitted a Re-appointment to the Board of Fire & Police Commission, Ms. Henrietta Dotson-Williams, to a three year-term, which would expire June 2010. LAID OVER.
39. Alderman Jacobson submitted an Appointment to the Metro Authority Board, Mr. Jay Graham, to a five year-term, which would expire June 2012. LAID OVER.
40. Alderman Jacobson mentioned this past weekend was the 2007 Salvation Army Paint-A-Thon. With thirty-two (32) volunteers to help paint, repair, trim bushes and do basic lawn repair, the property at 514 Foster looks like new! Tim Hanson, Team Leader for the City, extends a thank you to Chief Robertson and Rockford Fire Fighters Local Union 413, along with Public Works, Legal Department, Building Department, Human Services Department, Mayor's Office and Alderman McNeely for their productive teamwork effort.
41. Alderman Jacobson, on behalf of Mayor Morrissey, presented a Proclamation proclaiming the week of August 20, 2007 to be "Battle of the Badges Blood Drive Week" in Rockford, Illinois and urged all citizens to pay tribute to those among us who donate for others. He also urged all civic and service organizations and businesses if they have not already done so, to form blood donor groups to provide blood to others.
42. Alderman Jacobson called upon James Ryan, City Administrator, who commented on the response to the flood and action plan which was published by the Mayor in the Sunday Editorial of the Rockford Register Star.
43. Alderman Thompson-Kelly extended her prayers and concerns to the flood victims in this community.

44. Alderman Thompson-Kelly thanked Alderman Holt for notifying State Representative Jefferson of the flood destruction and conveyed that Representative Jefferson has already begun working on matters with regards to the situation.
45. Alderman Thompson-Kelly commented that after last year's flood she requested repairs or replacement of downed railings and broken reflectors at Kent Creek and stated as of Saturday those repairs have still not been addressed. Referred to the Public Works Department.
46. Alderman Curran reported some residents in the Guilford/Chelsea area had flood damage and expressed his appreciation for their positive attitudes.
47. Alderman Curran recalled a few weeks ago requesting the removal of vegetation in the Keith Creek drainage basin and was informed a clean-up plan would begin in two weeks, but with the recent flood, those efforts have changed.
48. Alderman Curran thanked the Public Works Department and the contractor responsible for resurfacing Arden Court for their quick response to repair the street from the flood water damage and thanked the street sweepers for cleaning up the gravel washed away along Chelsea.
49. Alderman Jacobson reiterated Alderman Curran's comments expressing appreciation for the positive attitudes from some of the residents who have been devastated by the flood.
50. Alderman Holt mentioned there will be garbage collection everyday this week, pick-up will be from the curb.
51. Alderman Holt requested the Human Services Department consider hiring temporary employees to handle phone calls coming into that department.
52. Alderman Holt recommended when speaking with representatives from FEMA, IEMA and other assistance programs, that they be advised that most of the flood victims have experienced this devastation for a second time and should be given some consideration.
53. Alderman Holt expressed his heartfelt sympathy and concerns for those who have directly experienced the devastation of the storm, even though he could not adequately understand the depths of their loss. He stressed his commitment to work with the administration in every capacity possible to bring assistance and comfort to those victims.
54. Alderman Holt announced the International Association of Fire Fighters, Rockford Fire Department Local 413 Union, will be hosting a flood victim fundraiser on Sunday, August 19, 2007 at the Rockford River Hawks game at Road Ranger Stadium. The event will begin at 5:00 pm with donations of non-perishable food items and back to school supplies being collected, drawings, raffles and a spectacular fireworks display at the end of the game provided by Dave Carlson. He announced the Salvation Army has begun to hand out free passes to those citizens in the flood areas, with transportation available

from RMTD buses at the Holmstrom Center, 1300 17th Street, at 5:00 pm to take those to and from the ball park. He thanked the Fire Department employees for all their efforts both on and off the job.

55. Alderman Johnson thanked City employees, Aldermen, family and friends for their concern and support.
56. Alderman Johnson announced she will be continuing to work with the Mayor's Office to identify homes within her ward that the City needs to possibly buy out. She will provide a list to Jim Ryan, City Administrator, and suggested the Mayor's Office set criteria to determine the eligibility of buying those homes.
57. Alderman Johnson is encouraged by the new revenue source to complete the Harmon Stormwater issues.
58. Alderman Johnson requested the Mayor's Office expedite the Harmon project to the City Council before ninety (90) days, the engineering study be placed on fast track and construction begin before 2009.
59. Alderman Johnson read a Memo from Local Union 413, announcing assistance to those flood victims to remove debris and move contents to the curb. Fire fighters will be meeting at Holmstrom Center, 1300 17th Street, at 9:00 am on August 16, 2007. Lowe's will also have a team working with the Fire fighters installing smoke detectors and carbon monoxide detectors. She encouraged anyone interested in volunteering to meet at Holmstrom Center on August 16th at 9:00 am.
60. Alderman Johnson announced she will be an honorary co-chairman for the committee to build the softball diamond at East High School. She presented Alderman Beach with a T-shirt making him an honorary Lady E-rab.
61. Alderman Johnson wished Alderman Jacobson a Happy Birthday. She also wished her mother a Happy 89th Birthday on Wednesday and her dad a Happy 93rd Birthday on Thursday.
62. Alderman Beach expressed his sympathy and concern to those effected by the storm, most for a second time.
- 62a. Alderman Beach raised concerns and questions about why the City neglected to act, in light of past experiences, on studies and the ability to prevent such tragedies brought on by the storm, emphasizing a course of action needs to be taken now. He thanked the Red Cross, Salvation Army and Human Resources for their efforts.
63. Alderman Jacobson reiterated Alderman Holt's sentiments with respect to fully understanding the depths of their loss because he had not personally experienced the devastation.
64. Alderman Bell thanked all that supported National Night Out choosing to move forward with the event, recognizing its value, even in light of the difficulties of the storm.

65. Alderman Bell was moved by the support from City staff at the Press Conference held at the Fire Department and the professionalism of City staff to communicate to the citizens the efforts of the City and available resources to assist them. He commented he didn't think it was necessary for Mayor Morrissey to leave his honeymoon and return to Rockford, commending Jim Ryan, City Administrator, for his leadership in Mayor Morrissey's absence.
66. Alderman Bell thanked Chairman Christiansen and Representative Manzullo for offering their support to the City.
67. Alderman Jacobson concurred with Alderman Bell's comments in recognizing the capable leadership of staff who surround Mayor Morrissey and our Department Heads.
68. Alderman Thompson-Kelly commended Alderman Holt for his leadership and suggested a meeting with the administration and aldermen to look at funds available to assist the flood victims.
69. Alderman Thompson-Kelly commented she volunteered her services at a Shelter last week and was impressed with the organization in addressing the needs of the community.
70. Alderman Mark commented he attended a meeting with constituents in the area of Spring Creek who expressed their concerns with the flooding problem.
71. Alderman Mark mentioned he attended National Night Out and revealed he has the names of those who attempted to dunk him in the dunk tank.
72. Alderman Mark mentioned the Heart of Rockford Awards was this past week, which is an annual gathering to acknowledge businesses and people in the downtown who are committed to making a difference there. He also mentioned Hot Fest for Hospice at Davis Park this past weekend.
73. Alderman Mark announced the Rockford Fire Department, Local 413 will have their annual "Fill The Boot" Campaign for Muscular Dystrophy on Saturday, August 25th at the intersection of North Main and Riverside Boulevard from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm, and also Saturday, September 4th at the intersection of Perryville and E. State Street from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm.
- 73a. Alderman Jacobson thanked Tim Hanson, Director of Public Works, for his leadership with the Paint-A-Thon last Saturday.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

2007-326CR

74. Alderman Mark moved the adoption of a Code and Regulation Committee Report SUSTAINING the Zoning Board of Appeals, thereby recommending that City Council APPROVE the Special Use Permit for an expansion of outdoor liquor sales by the drink in

the area to the west of the building; and APPROVE the Variation to allow a deck in the front yard as a permitted obstruction in a C-3, Commercial General District at 4414 Charles Street. Approval is subject to the following conditions:

1. Meeting applicable liquor codes.
2. Approval of a building permit prior to occupying the deck area.

Approval is based on the Findings of Fact (LAD 9/17/07, ZBA #046-07). MOTION PREVAILED (Ald. McNeely absent). The Committee Report was placed on passage. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

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

2007-327CR

75. Alderman Mark moved the adoption of a Code and Regulation Committee Report SUSTAINING the Zoning Board of Appeals, thereby recommending that City Council APPROVE the Special Use Permit to allow a tree house as a permitted obstruction in a rear yard; and APPROVE a Variation to increase the maximum allowable height of an accessory building (tree house) from eighteen (18) feet to twenty (20) feet in an R-1, Single-Family Zoning District at 407 N. Gardiner Avenue.

Approval is based on the Findings of Fact (LAD 9/17/07, ZBA #047-07). MOTION PREVAILED (Ald. McNeely absent). The Committee Report was placed on passage. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

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

2007-328CR

76. Alderman Mark moved the adoption of a Code and Regulation Committee Report SUSTAINING the Zoning Board of Appeals, thereby recommending that City Council APPROVE the Special Use Permit for the sale of package liquor in conjunction with a convenience store and gas station; and APPROVE the Modification of Special Use Permit #08-98 to extend business hours from 10:00 pm to 11:00 pm in an R-1, Single-Family Residential District at 3307 Charles Street. Approval is subject to the following conditions:

1. The Special Use Permit for the sale of packaged liquor shall expire in two (2) years from date of approval by City Council.

Approval is based on the Findings of Fact (LAD 9/17/07, ZBA #049-07). MOTION PREVAILED (Ald. McNeely absent). The Committee Report was placed on passage. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

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

2007-329CR

77. Alderman Mark moved the adoption of a Code and Regulation Committee Report SUSTAINING the Zoning Board of Appeals, thereby recommending that City Council DENY the Special Use Permit for a limited repair shop and towing facility with outside storage that does not satisfy the Performance Criteria of 600 feet away from a residential district; and DENY a Variation to allow parking on gravel; and DENY a Variation to allow existing fence to replace required landscaping in a C-3, Commercial General Zoning District at 3115 Auburn Street.

Denial is based on the Findings of Fact (LAD 9/17/07, ZBA #051-07). MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

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

2007-330CR

78. Alderman Mark moved the adoption of a Code and Regulation Committee Report SUSTAINING the Zoning Board of Appeals, thereby recommending that City Council APPROVE the Special Use Permit for the sale of liquor by the drink (indoors) in conjunction with a sit down restaurant in a C-2, Commercial Community Zoning District at 631 Highgrove Place.

Approval is based on the Findings of Fact (LAD 9/17/07, ZBA #052-07). MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

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

2007-331CR

79. Alderman Mark moved the adoption of a Code and Regulation Committee Report SUSTAINING the Zoning Board of Appeals, thereby recommending that City Council DENY the Variation from the required sixty-five (65) parking spaces to fifty-two (52) parking spaces in a C-2, Commercial Community Zoning District at 1710 Rural Street.

Denial is based on the Findings of Fact (LAD 9/17/07, ZBA #054-07). MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

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

Nays: -0-
Absent: McNeely -1-

2007-332CR

80. Alderman Mark moved the adoption of a Code and Regulation Committee Report SUSTAINING the Zoning Board of Appeals, thereby recommending that City Council APPROVE the Special Use Permit for off-site business advertising sign in a C-3, Commercial General Zoning District at 4xx North Mulford Road. Approval is subject to the following conditions:

1. Must obtain a sign permit including a site plan indicating the location of the sign and proposed landscaping prior to installation of sign.
2. Installation of sign must be in accordance to Exhibit D.

Approval is based on the Findings of Fact (LAD 9/17/07, ZBA #053-07). MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

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

2007-333CR

81. Alderman Mark moved the adoption of a Code and Regulation Committee Report SUSTAINING the Zoning Board of Appeals, thereby recommending that City Council APPROVE the Zoning Map Amendment from R-1, Single-Family and R-3, Multi-Family Districts to R-2, Two-Family Residential Zoning District; and APPROVE the Special Use Permit for a Planned Residential Development consisting of twenty-three (23), two-family residences in an R-2, Two-Family Residential Zoning District at 1819 and 1827 East Riverside Boulevard and 6970 Hiatt Drive. Approval is subject to the following conditions:

1. Meeting all applicable building and fire codes.
2. The most northerly two-family buildings that exceed the 500 foot requirement shall have a fire suppression system installed as they are effected by the over length cul-de-sac.
3. Substantial conformance with the two-family building elevations identified as Exhibit D, dated June 14, 2007.
4. Substantial conformance with the two-family layout identified as Exhibit E, dated June 14, 2007, as revised July 17, 2007.
5. Substantial conformance with landscaping plans for the site development identified as Exhibit F, dated June 14, 2007 as revised July 17, 2007. Additional foundation landscaping for each building shall be reviewed and approved by staff prior to building permitting.
6. Substantial conformance with the tentative plat submitted by the applicant identified as Exhibit G, by Arc Design, dated June 15, 2007 as revised July 17, 2007.
7. For buildings ten, eleven and twelve as indicated on the landscaping plan identified as Exhibit F, a minimum of ten (10) feet between the two-family residences and

any stormwater detention easements must be maintained to allow for a minimum of a ten (10) foot deck or patio to be placed at the rear of the residential units.

8. That a Tentative Plat and Final Plat is approved for the property in accordance with the City's Subdivision regulation inclusive of required public improvements prior to issuance of building permit and development of site.

Approval is based on the Findings of Fact (LAD 9/17/07, ZBA #055-07). MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

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

2007-334CR

82. Alderman Mark moved the adoption of a Code and Regulation Committee Report SUSTAINING the Zoning Board of Appeals, thereby recommending that City Council DENY the Special Use Permit for a Planned Mixed-Use Development consisting of a teen club/banquet hall (night club) in a C-4, Commercial Oldtown District at 1510 9th Street.

Denial is based on the Findings of Fact (LAD 9/17/07, ZBA #056-07). MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

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

2007-335CR

83. Alderman Mark moved the adoption of a Code and Regulation Committee Report recommending the approval of the Tentative Plat of Steven's Ridge Subdivision. Approval is subject to the following conditions:

1. The streetlights shall be revised and conform to the attached drawing. Utility easements shall be placed between lots at these locations as indicated on the attachments.
2. Additional utility easements may be required due to the change in the configuration of the development near Rockton Road.
3. A stage-discharge or outlet rating curves, and design hydrographic of inflow and outflow for the 2, 10 100-year, 24-hour storm events under existing and developed conditions shall be submitted. This is a requirement per the approved storm water ordinance passed September 5, 2006. The modification rational method is not acceptable to size a detention pond.
4. A maintenance plan for the ongoing maintenance of all stormwater management system components be submitted.
5. Winnebago County has stated that they are reviewing the updated traffic study provided to them at this time. Future or further requirements may be made based on their review.

MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

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

2007-336CR

84. Alderman Mark moved the adoption of a Code and Regulation Committee Report recommending the approval of the Tentative Plat of Highview Ridge Subdivision. Approval is subject to the following conditions:

1. A utility easement shall be shown within the ten (10) foot setback from the detention area on Lot 1 per the request of ComEd.
2. Final detention shall be approved by Public Works.

MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

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

85. Alderman Mark moved the adoption of a Code and Regulation Committee Report recommending that the City of Rockford decline the offer brought by a real estate agent, Ed Hornbeck, for the purchase of 3101 11th Street and recommend that an RFP be issued for the property's sale. LAID OVER.

2007-337CR

86. Alderman Mark moved the adoption of a Code and Regulation Committee Report recommending the approval of the transfer from the present franchise, Insight Communications Midwest LLC, to Illinois/Indiana Systems Group, LLC, which is to be owned, through subsidiary corporations, by Comcast Corporation. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

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

2007-338CR

87. Alderman Mark moved the adoption of a Code and Regulation Committee Report recommending the approval of the annexation of Bradley Heights/Larchmont Subdivision. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

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

Nays: -0-
Absent: McNeely -1-

2007-339CR

88. Alderman Mark moved the adoption of a Code and Regulation Committee Report recommending the approval of the annexation agreement of Stevens Ridge Subdivision. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

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

2007-340CR

89. Alderman Mark moved the adoption of a Code and Regulation Committee Report recommending the approval of the annexation of Stevens Ridge Subdivision. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

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

2007-341CR

90. Alderman Mark moved the adoption of a Code and Regulation Committee Report recommending the approval of the annexation of 2909 Kilburn Avenue. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

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

2007-342CR

91. Alderman Mark moved the adoption of a Code and Regulation Committee Report recommending the Legal Director be instructed to draw an Ordinance restricting parking to "Passenger Loading Zone" on the south side of Preston Street from 45 feet to 85 feet west of Concord Avenue. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

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

2007-343CR

92. Alderman Mark moved the adoption of a Code and Regulation Committee Report recommending the Legal Director be instructed to draw an Ordinance for "No Parking Anytime" on both sides of Chestnut Street from West State Street to Rockton Avenue.

MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

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

2007-344CR

93. Alderman Mark moved the adoption of a Code and Regulation Committee Report recommending that "No Action" be taken on the following items:

1. Request from Alderman Beach, 10th Ward, to repeal the existing 2-way stop sign control at the intersection of Abbottsford Road and Sterling Drive and change to a 4-way stop sign control.
2. Request from Gary Soper, to reduce the existing 45 mph speed limit on North Mulford Road between Guilford Road and Spring Creek Road.
3. Request from Mark Lawrence for a stop sign control at the intersection of South 3rd Street and Grove Street.

MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

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

2007-153-O

94. Alderman Mark moved the adoption of an Ordinance recommending the approval of the annexation of XXXX Mulford Road and XXXX Sandy Hollow Road. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

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

2007-154-O

95. Alderman Mark moved the adoption of an Ordinance 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, Thompson, Johnson,
Timm, Beach, Holt, Beck, Conness -13-
Nays: -0-
Absent: McNeely -1-

2007-155-O

96. Alderman Mark moved the adoption of an Ordinance 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, Thompson, Johnson, Timm, Beach, Holt, Beck, Conness -13-
Nays: -0-
Absent: McNeely -1-

2007-156-O

97. Alderman Mark moved the adoption of an Ordinance 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, Thompson, Johnson, Timm, Beach, Holt, Beck, Conness -13-
Nays: -0-
Absent: McNeely -1-

2007-157-O

98. Alderman Mark moved the adoption of an Ordinance recommending the approval of the annexation of 1555 New Milford School Road. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

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

2007-158-O

99. Alderman Mark moved the adoption of an Ordinance amending Chapter 17, Section 17-3.1, Radios, Phonographs, etc. on the Public Way, of the City of Rockford Code of Ordinances 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, Thompson, Johnson, Timm, Beach, Holt, Beck, Conness -13-
Nays: -0-
Absent: McNeely -1-

2007-159-O

100. Alderman Mark moved the adoption of an Ordinance recommending the approval of the annexation of XXXX 18th Street. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

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

2007-160-O

101. Alderman Mark moved the adoption of an Ordinance recommending the approval of the annexation of 1211 Brooke Road. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

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

2007-161-O

102. Alderman Mark moved the adoption of an Ordinance recommending the approval of the annexation of 2830 17th Street. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

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

Alderman Beach exited the meeting at 7:30 pm

2007-345CR

103. Alderman Curran moved the adoption of a Finance and Personnel Committee Report recommending the award for Washing and Detailing of City Vehicles be made to the low bidder for each category as follows:

Octopus Car Wash	Cars	\$7.99/wash
Rockford, IL	Estimated total award	15,340.80
SuperSuds	Pick-Up Trucks	\$11.99/wash
Rockford, IL	Vans	\$20.00/wash
	Estimated total award	\$12,955.20

The funding source is Departmental Operating Budgets. MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Sosnowski, Curran, Mark, Wasco, Bell, Jacobson, Thompson, Johnson, Timm, Holt, Beck, Conness -12-
Nays: -0-
Absent: Beach, McNeely -2-

2007-346CR

104. Alderman Curran moved the adoption of a Finance and Personnel Committee Report recommending a need for confidentiality still exists for the following closed session minutes, as the cases and matters are still pending:

1/20/04	8/8/05	2/6/06
6/5/06	9/25/06	10/24/05
2/21/06	6/12/06	10/23/06

2/7/05	10/31/05	4/10/06
6/19/06	2/5/07	11/14/05
5/1/06	7/3/06	2/26/07
6/6/05	12/5/05	5/15/06
8/21/06	3/5/07	12/12/05
5/22/06	8/28/06	4/9/07
5/24/04	2/28/05	7/11/05

MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

Ayes: Sosnowski, Curran, Mark, Wasco, Bell, Jacobson, Thompson, Johnson, Timm, Holt, Beck, Conness -12-
 Nays: -0-
 Absent: Beach, McNeely -2-

Alderman Thompson-Kelly exited the meeting at 7:33 pm.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS

2007-86R

105. 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, Park Avenue and Main Street), from Cedar Street to Fisher Avenue; Business US 20 (Chestnut Street), from South Main to First Street; Business US 20 (Jefferson Street), from First Street to North Church Street for the southernmost lane (curb) from 5:30 pm on Wednesday, August 29, 2007 to 6:00 am on Monday, September 3, 2007 for the On The Waterfront Festival. MOTION PREVAILED (Ald. Thompson-Kelly, Beach, McNeely absent).

2007-87R

106. Alderman Bell read in a Resolution that the property at 1011 Bishop Washington Avenue has numerous code violations that cause blight and unsafe conditions for the residents in the immediate area and whereas: owner of property has failed to correct violations in a timely manner and be is resolved that a full trade inspection be conducted with the intent to condemn this property. Inspection should be done ASAP. Referred to the Building Department.

2007-88R

107. Alderman Curran, on behalf of the Finance and Personnel Department, moved the adoption of a resolution to take bids for the following:

Human Services Roof Replacement, funding source: Human Services Fund
 Refrigerator Replacement Program, funding source: Human Services Fund
 Water Department Vans & Trucks, funding source: Water Fund
 City-Wide PCC Patching – 2007, funding source: Sales Tax
 Kishwaukee Street Demolitions, funding source: Motor Fuel Tax
 Waterworks Supplies & Materials, funding source: Water Division Operating Budget
 Ready-Mix Concrete, funding source: Public Works Divisional Operating Budgets
 Demolition of City Yards Buildings, funding source: Preston/Central TIF.

MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

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

2007-89R

108. Alderman Curran moved the adoption of a resolution authorizing use of Motor Fuel Tax funds for:

Original Chestnut Street Sidewalk
Section Number 07-00548-00-SW
\$60,000.00

1. The project consists of replacing deteriorated sidewalk.
2. There is appropriated the amount, as stated above, for the improvement of said section from the municipality's allotment of Motor Fuel Tax funds.
3. The work shall be done by contract.

MOTION PREVAILED by a Roll Call vote of:

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

NEW BUSINESS

109. Alderman Bell introduced and read an Ordinance recommending approval of the Amended Development Agreement for Zion Development Corporation to receive \$50,000 in 7th Street TIF funds for interior remodeling of the former Pickerman's Deli space at 528 7th Street. LAID OVER.
110. Alderman Bell introduced and read an Ordinance recommending approval of the Redevelopment Agreement for Captain's Cabin Inc. to receive \$200,000 in State and Alpine TIF funds for rehabilitation of the Alpine Inn, 4406 East State Street. LAID OVER.
111. Alderman Mark introduced and read an Ordinance recommending approval that the following property be vacated and closed inasmuch as the property is no longer required for public use and public interest will be best served by such vacation (Star Street). As a condition to and upon passage of this ordinance, six thousand dollars (\$6,000.00) plus the proposed improvements and the closure of the northern most access of Kishwaukee Street. Approval is subject to the following conditions:
1. Seal and re-strip front parking lot.
 2. Stripe rear parking lot

3. Install an inhibitor to prevent public from entering the front parking lot after business hours.
4. Improve lighting in front parking lot
5. Improve lighting in rear parking lot (if Star Street is acquired from the City of Rockford).

LAID OVER.

112. Alderman Mark introduced and read an Ordinance recommending the approval of the annexation of 41xx Owen Center Road. LAID OVER.

2007-162-O

113. Alderman Mark introduced and read an Ordinance approving the transfer of Cable Television Franchise from Insight Communications Midwest, LLC to Comcast Corporation.

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

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

114. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the meeting was adjourned at 7:41 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, 2ND floor City Hall
425 E. State Street, Rockford
AUGUST 20, 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

I. COMMITTEE REPORTS LAID OVER AUGUST 6 & 13, 2007

1. Mark - Code and Regulation - Recommending the approval of the vacation request for the alley to the east of the property located at 1810 Chestnut Street.
2. Mark - Code and Regulation - Recommending the approval of the sale of 2608 18th Street for five hundred dollars (\$500.00), which includes advertising costs with preference to adjoining property owners.
3. Mark - Code and Regulation - Recommending that the City of Rockford decline the offer brought by a real estate agent, Ed Hornbeck, for the purchase of 3101 11th Street and recommend that an RFP be issued for the property's sale.
4. Bell - Planning and Development - Recommending that \$25,000 be allocated annually to the Minority and Women Construction Management Training Program. Funding Source Community Development Block Grant.
5. Bell - Planning and Development - Recommending approval of the 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. The Legal Director shall prepare the appropriate ordinance.

6. Bell - Planning and Development - Recommending approval of the creation of the Tax Incentive Program for qualified residential housing assistance in TIF redevelopment areas as presented.
7. Bell - Planning and Development - Recommending approval of the Amended Development Agreement for Zion Development Corporation to receive \$50,000 in 7th Street TIF funds for interior remodeling of the former Pickerman's Deli space at 528 7th Street. The Legal Director shall prepare the appropriate ordinance.

II. ORDINANCES LAID OVER AUGUST 13, 2007

1. Bell - Ordinance - Recommending approval of the Amended Development Agreement for Zion Development Corporation to receive \$50,000 in 7th Street TIF funds for interior remodeling of the former Pickerman's Deli space at 528 7th Street.
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4. Mark - Ordinance - Recommending the approval of the annexation of 41xx Owen Center Road.

III. MISCELLANEOUS

A. LAID OVER AUGUST 13, 2007

1. Jacobson – Re-appointment – Board of Fire and Police Commission, Ms. Henrietta Dotson-Williams, to a three year-term which would expire 2010. (Pursuant to Rule 18, this re-appointment will be up for passage on September 17, 2007).
2. Jacobson – Appointment – Metro Authority Board, Mr. Jay Graham, to a five year-term, which would expire June 2012. (Pursuant to Rule 18, this re-appointment will be up for passage on September 17, 2007).

B. HELD OUT AUGUST 13, 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.

* 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 20, 2007, 4:45 p.m.
CD Conference Room, City Hall 2nd floor
AGENDA

- 1. C & R 07-90 Request from Lamar Outdoor Advertising
- 2. C & R 07-185 Claim of Stanley Greenberg in the amount of \$757.44
- 3. C & R 07-218 Claim of Tim Sharp in the amount of \$1,325.62
- 4. C & R 07-212 Quit Claim Deed for the alley adjacent to the North of 201 West State Street
- 5. C & R 07-216 Proposed Sale of 1105 Broadway
- 6. C & R 07-215 Alley Vacation – North-South Alley lying East of 514 East State Street
- 7. C & R 07-213 Agreement with Metro Centre on Encroaching Structure

8. C & R 07-205 Groundwater Protection Ordinance – 3335 11th Street
9. C & R 07-206 Final Plat #2 of Harrison Park North
10. C & R 07-207 General Services Administration Subdivision Final Plat
11. C & R 07-208 Final Plat of Alpine Crossings
12. C & R 07-209 Final Plat of Logistics Park
13. C & R 07-210 Pre-Annexation of 2040 Hawthorne Drive
14. C & R 07-211 Right-of-Way Vacation along the south side of Linden Road at 4502 35th Street
15. C & R 07-217 Closed Session for Purposes of Pending Litigation – Attorney Angela Hammer

FINANCE AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

Monday, August 20, 2007, 5:15 p.m.

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

AGENDA

1. Purchasing and Vouchers
 - A. Award of Bid: PCC Patching – 2007 – Suspend rules
 - B. Resolution to take Proposals
 - C. Informational Memorandum: Centrex Telephone Agreement Renewal
 - D. Vouchers
 - √ Training/Travel Expense for Public Works Department
2. Financial Discussion
3. Informational Memorandum: Stormwater Management Master Plan RFP
4. CIP Project Update

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

**Monday, August 20, 2007, 5:15 p.m.
Conference Room A, City Hall 2nd floor (north room)
AGENDA**

1. Memorandum from Dwayne A. Collins, Grants Compliance Specialist II regarding the Healthy Neighborhoods Program.

LEGISLATIVE LOBBYING COMMITTEE

**Tuesday, August 28, 2007, 7:30 a.m.
Conference Room A, City Hall 2nd floor (north room)
AGENDA**

Next meeting scheduled for August 28, 2007.