

**CITY OF ROCK ISLAND
CITY COUNCIL MEETING**
County Office Building, County Chambers, 3rd Floor,
1504 Third Avenue, Rock Island, IL

6/24/2024 - Minutes

1. Call to Order

Mayor Pro Tem Randy Hurt called the meeting to order at 6:45 p.m. and welcomed everyone.

2. Roll Call

Mayor Pro Tem Hurt asked City Clerk Samantha Gange to call the roll.

Present: Alderpersons Moses Robinson, Randy Hurt, Jenni Swanson, Dylan Parker, Mark Poulos and Bill Healy.

Absent: Alderperson Kevin Maynard and Mayor Mike Thoms.

Staff: City Manager Todd Thompson, Attorney Leslie Day City Clerk Samantha Gange, and other City Staff.

3. Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Pro Tem Hurt led in the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. Moment of Silence

Mayor Pro Tem Hurt requested a moment of silence. A moment of silence was observed.

5. Public Comment

Andy Boswell, resident of Rock Island, asked Council members to support the Special Use Permit request for Justin Farley that is on the agenda for this evening. He stated Mr. Farley is a good neighbor and has improved and repurposed the old church building for his business.

6. Minutes

- a. Minutes from the June 10, 2024 Study Session and City Council meeting.

Motion: Motion whether or not to approve the minutes as printed.

VV Voice vote is needed.

MOTION:

Aldersperson Parker moved to approve the minutes as printed; Aldersperson Healy seconded.

VOTE:

Motion PASSED on a 6-0-1 roll call vote. Aye: Healy, Robinson, Hurt, Swanson, Parker, Poulos. Nay: None. Absent: Maynard.

- b. Minutes from the May 20, 2024 Closed Session.

Motion:	Motion whether or not to approve the Closed Session minutes.
VV	Voice vote is needed.

MOTION:

Aldersperson Swanson moved to approve the minutes; Aldersperson Poulos seconded.

VOTE:

Motion PASSED on a 6-0-1 roll call vote. Aye: Healy, Robinson, Hurt, Swanson, Parker, Poulos. Nay: None. Absent: Maynard.

7. Awards and Honor Presentations, Officer Swearing in Ceremony, and Proclamations

- a. Proclamation declaring June 28, 2024 as Community is Stronger than Cancer Day.

City Clerk Gange read the proclamation. Mayor Pro Tem Hurt read the declaration. Lexi Bull of Gilda's Club was presented with the proclamation, and a photo was taken. Ms. Bull said a few words about the organization and Cancer Day.

- b. Proclamation declaring July 3, 2024 as Red, White and Boom & Military and Arsenal Appreciation Day.

This item was removed from the agenda.

8. Update Rock Island

Looking for more free music this summer?

Return to the Rock Island Public Library's Watts-Midtown Branch tomorrow for a free performance by St. Louis-based duo The Cherry & Jerry Ragtime Show. Cherry & Jerry play ragtime classics, early blues and jazz standards from the 1900s through 1920s. The free, one-hour performance is at 1 p.m. on Tuesday, June 25 in the Rock Island Public Library Watts-Midtown Branch auditorium, 2715 30th Street.

Come enjoy more free music Tuesday night!

The Starlight Revue Concert Series has returned to Lincoln Park for free music every Tuesday through the

summer. Hy-Vee Grill starts selling food at 5 p.m. with music and dancing from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Lincoln Park is located at 11th Avenue and 38th Street. This Tuesday, June 25th, bring a lawn chair and enjoy music from The Night People. Next week’s performers on July 2nd will be Troy Rangel & Friends.

And finally...

Congratulations to our Yard of the Month winner, Patricia Adamson of 2547 35th Avenue. Ms. Adamson's beautifully landscaped yard caught the eye of her neighbors and members of our Arts and Beautification Committee, who select a winner each month from May to August. We appreciate the work and effort Ms. Adamson has put toward making her neighborhood more beautiful.

9. Consent Agenda

All items under the Consent Agenda are considered to be routine in nature and will be enacted by a single motion and subsequent roll call vote. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless an Alderperson so requests, in which case, the item will be moved from the Consent Agenda and considered as the first item after approval of the Consent Agenda.

- a. Claims for the week of May 10th through May 16, 2024, in the amount of \$1,292,977.75; for the week of May 17th through May 23, 2024, in the amount of \$444,349.47; and payroll for the weeks of May 27 through June 09, 2024, in the amount of \$1,875,041.25.
- b. International City/County Management Association (ICMA) claims for the week of May 4th through May 17, 2024, in the amount of \$94,893.36.
- c. Report from the Public Works Department to approve a purchase in the amount of \$34,499.52 to Pabco Industries, Inc., Newark, New Jersey, for paper yard waste bags.
- d. Report from the Public Works Department regarding payment in the amount of \$75,380.00 to Greenspace Associates, Davenport, Iowa, for the Sod Replacement Program.

Motion:	Motion whether or not to approve Consent Agenda items a through d.
RC	Roll Call vote is needed

MOTION:

Alderperson Parker moved to approve Consent Agenda items a through d; Alderperson Healy seconded.

DISCUSSION:

In regard to item c, Public Works Director Mike Bartels said the original vendor could not fulfill the yard waste bag order.

VOTE:

Motion PASSED on a 6-0-1 roll call vote. Aye: Healy, Robinson, Hurt, Swanson, Parker, Poulos. Nay: None. Absent: Maynard.

10. Purchases

- a. Report from the Public Works Department regarding payment in the amount of \$574,954.46 to Langman Construction, Rock Island, Illinois, for the 11th Street Water Main Replacement Project.

Motion: Motion whether or not to allow the claim.

RC Roll Call vote is needed.

MOTION:

Aldersperson Robinson moved to allow the claim; Aldersperson Poulos seconded.

Aldersperson Parker recused himself from the vote due to the nature of his employment.

VOTE:

Motion PASSED on a 5-0-1 roll call vote. Aye: Healy, Robinson, Hurt, Swanson, Poulos. Nay: None. Absent: Maynard.

- b. Report from the Public Works Department to approve a purchase in the amount of \$48,000 to the City of Moline, for a motor grader.

Motion: Motion whether or not to approve the purchase as recommended.

RC Roll Call vote is needed.

MOTION:

Aldersperson Healy moved to approve the purchase as recommended; Aldersperson Swanson seconded.

VOTE:

Motion PASSED on a 6-0-1 roll call vote. Aye: Healy, Robinson, Hurt, Swanson, Parker, Poulos. Nay: None. Absent: Maynard.

11. Ordinances

- a. A Special Ordinance to ban parking on the east side of 33rd Street between 15th and 16th Avenue. (Second Reading)

Motion: Motion whether or not to pass the ordinance.

RC Roll Call vote is needed.

MOTION:

Aldersperson Poulos moved to pass the ordinance; Aldersperson Healy seconded.

VOTE:

Motion PASSED on a 6-0-1 roll call vote. Aye: Healy, Robinson, Hurt, Swanson, Parker, Poulos. Nay: None.
Absent: Maynard.

- b. Report from the Community Development Department regarding a Special Use Permit amendment request from the City's Parks & Recreation Department for the Hauberg Carriage House at 1300 24th Street. (First Reading)

Motion:	Motion whether or not to approve the amendment and consider, suspend the rules, and pass the ordinance.
RC	Roll Call vote is needed.

MOTION:

Aldersperson Parker moved to approve the amendment and consider, suspend the rules and pass the ordinance; Aldersperson Swanson seconded.

VOTE:

Motion PASSED on a 6-0-1 roll call vote. Aye: Healy, Robinson, Hurt, Swanson, Parker, Poulos. Nay: None.
Absent: Maynard.

- c. Report from the Community Development Department regarding the purchase of the property at 1203-1225 5th Avenue (Fancy Clock Building) from Sunset Park Properties, LLC in the amount of \$20,000. (First Reading)

Motion:	Motion whether or not to approve the purchase and authorize the City Manager to execute the documents; and consider the ordinance.
RC	Roll Call vote is needed.

MOTION:

Aldersperson Robinson moved to approve the purchase and authorize the City Manager to execute the documents and consider, suspend the rule and pass the ordinance; Aldersperson Parker seconded.

VOTE:

Motion PASSED on a 6-0-1 roll call vote. Aye: Healy, Robinson, Hurt, Swanson, Parker, Poulos. Nay: None.
Absent: Maynard.

- d. Report from the Community Development Department regarding a Special Use Permit amendment

request from Justin Farley for properties at 4401 7th Avenue and 627 44th Street. (First Reading)

Motion: Motion whether or not to approve the amendments and consider the ordinance.

RC Roll Call vote is needed.

MOTION:

Aldersperson Poulos moved to approve the amendments and consider, suspend the rules and pass the ordinance; Aldersperson Swanson seconded.

VOTE:

Motion PASSED on a 6-0-1 roll call vote. Aye: Healy, Robinson, Hurt, Swanson, Parker, Poulos. Nay: None. Absent: Maynard.

- e. Report from the Community Development Department regarding the sale of City-owned property at 920 10th Avenue to Annociata Niyonsaba and Josephine Uzamukunda for \$990.00 plus closing costs. (First Reading)

Motion: Motion whether or not to approve the sale and authorize the City Manager to execute the documents; and consider, suspend the rules, and pass the ordinance.

RC Roll Call vote is needed.

MOTION:

Aldersperson Robinson moved to approve the sale and authorize the City Manager to execute the documents, and consider, suspend the rules and pass the ordinance; Aldersperson Poulos seconded.

VOTE:

Motion PASSED on a 6-0-1 roll call vote. Aye: Healy, Robinson, Hurt, Swanson, Parker, Poulos. Nay: None. Absent: Maynard.

12. Contracts / Agreements

- a. Report from the Public Works Department requesting approval to extend the Pavement Marking Program contract with Ostrom Painting and Sandblasting, Inc., Rock Island, Illinois through 2024.

Motion: Motion whether or not to approve the contract extension through 2024 and authorize the City Manager to execute the documents.

RC Roll Call vote is needed.

MOTION:

Aldersperson Healy moved to approve the contract extension and authorize the City Manager to execute the documents; Aldersperson Swanson seconded.

VOTE:

Motion PASSED on a 6-0-1 roll call vote. Aye: Healy, Robinson, Hurt, Swanson, Parker, Poulos. Nay: None. Absent: Maynard.

13. Appointments to Boards/Commissions/Committees

- a. Report from the Mayor's Office regarding an appointment to the Preservation Commission.

Motion:	Motion whether or not to approve the appointment as recommended.
RC	Roll Call vote is needed.

MOTION:

Aldersperson Parker moved to approve the appointment as recommended; Aldersperson Healy seconded.

VOTE:

Motion PASSED on a 6-0-1 roll call vote. Aye: Healy, Robinson, Hurt, Swanson, Parker, Poulos. Nay: None. Absent: Maynard.

14. Events/Misc Requests

- a. Report from the City Clerk's office regarding requests from Todd Sorrelle for sound amplification and to close the alley between 29 & 29 1/2 Streets and 21 & 22 Avenues on Saturday, July 6, 2024 from 6 p.m. - 9 p.m. for a block party.

Motion:	Motion whether or not to approve the requests as recommended.
RC	Roll Call vote is needed.

MOTION:

Aldersperson Swanson moved to approve the request; Aldersperson Robinson seconded.

VOTE:

Motion PASSED on a 6-0-1 roll call vote. Aye: Healy, Robinson, Hurt, Swanson, Parker, Poulos. Nay: None. Absent: Maynard.

15. Other Business/New Business

Aldersperson Robinson expressed his disappointment that Soul of the City's funding request did not gain enough support to be placed on the agenda. He gave some information on the event. Council discussed how the tourism money was intended to be spent and discussed their concerns. Aldersperson Parker said he would be open to continuing the conversation.

16. Closed Session

- a. **5 ILCS 120/2 (c)(21) Discussion of minutes of meetings lawfully closed under this Act, whether for purposes of approval by the body of the minutes or semi-annual review of the minutes as mandated by Section 2.06.**
- b. **5 ILCS 120/2 (c)(11) Litigation, when an action against, affecting or on behalf of the particular public body has been filed and is pending before a court or administrative tribunal, or when the public body finds that an action is probable or imminent, in which case the basis for the finding must be recorded and entered into the minutes of the closed meeting.**

Motion:	Motion whether or to enter Closed Session for the exceptions cited.
VV	Voice vote is needed.

MOTION:

Aldersperson Poulos moved to enter Closed Session for the exceptions cited; Aldersperson Robinson seconded.

VOTE:

Motion PASSED on a 6-0-1 voice vote. Aye: Healy, Robinson, Hurt, Swanson, Parker, Poulos. Nay: None.
Absent: Maynard.

The City Council entered closed session at 7:17 p.m.

17. Adjourn

- a. Motion to adjourn to July 8, 2024.

Motion:	Motion whether or not to adjourn.
VV	Voice vote is needed.

After entering back into the Regular Meeting, roll call was taken.

MOTION:

Aldersperson Healy moved to adjourn the meeting; Aldersperson Parker seconded.

VOTE:

Motion PASSED on a 6-0-1 voice vote. Aye: Healy, Robinson, Hurt, Swanson, Parker, Poulos. Nay: None.
Absent: Maynard.

The meeting concluded at 7:42 p.m.