City of Bloomington ILLINOIS

MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL - REGULAR SESSION
MONDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2024 6:00 P.M.

The City Council convened in regular session in the Government Center Boardroom at 6:00 P.M., Monday, October 28, 2024. Mayor Mboka Mwilambwe called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance ending with a moment of silent prayer/reflection.

Roll Call

Attendee Name	Title	Status
Mboka Mwilambwe	Mayor	Present
Jenna Kearns	Council Member, Ward 1	Present
Donna Boelen	Council Member, Ward 2	Present, Remote
Sheila Montney	Council Member, Ward 3	Present
John Danenberger	Council Member, Ward 4	Present
Nick Becker	Council Member, Ward 5	Present
Cody Hendricks	Council Member, Ward 6	Present
Mollie Ward	Council Member, Ward 7	Present
Kent Lee	Council Member, Ward 8	Absent
Tom Crumpler	Council Member, Ward 9	Present

Council Member Becker made a motion, seconded by Council Member Ward, to allow Council Member Boelen to attend the meeting remotely due to illness.

Mayor Mwilambwe directed the Clerk to call roll:

AYES: Kearns, Montney, Danenberger, Becker, Hendricks, Ward, Crumpler

Motion carried.

Council Member Boelen joined remotely at 6:02 P.M.

Recognition/Appointments

<u>Item 5.A. Presentation of the City of Bloomington Police Department Police Officer Commission Certificates to Officer Matthew Tribley, Officer Khyle Hosh, and Officer Spencer Busch Upon Completion of Their Probationary Period, as requested by the Police Department.</u>

Police Chief Jamal Simington introduced Officers Matthew Tribley, Khyle Hosh, and Spencer Busch and presented each with their Police Officer Commission Certificates.

<u>Item 5.B. Presentation of the Winners of the 2024 City of Bloomington Beautification Awards, as requested by the Citizens' Beautification Committee.</u>

Jeff Hindman, Superintendent of Park Maintenance, thanked the Citizen's Beautification Committee for their efforts. He introduced Gina Lavazza, Citizens' Beautification Committee Chair. Mrs. Lavazza presented awards to the following businesses: Parkview Inn (1003 S. Morris Avenue) and Red Racoon Games (301 N. Main Street). She then presented awards to the following residences winners: the Shephards (1007 S. Morris Avenue); Julia Sutherland (501 E. Olive Street); Mary Anderson (1311 W. Seminary Avenue); Jeff and Melissa Schnake (3304 Carrington Lane); and Mr. Harlan Hieser and Mrs. Jane Hieser (1009 N. Morris Avenue).

Mayor Mwilambwe thanked Chair Lavazza, the Committee, businesses, and community members for their efforts within the community.

Item 5.C. Recognition of Board & Commission Reappointments, as requested by the Administration Department.

Leslie Yocum, City Clerk, recognized the reappointments of Angelique Racki to the Cultural Commission and William Bennett to the Public Safety & Community Relations Board.

Public Comment

Mayor Mwilambwe read a public comment statement of procedure. No emailed public comment was received. Surena Fish, Diane Landry, and Scott Stimeling spoke in person.

Public Hearings

Item 7.A. **POSTPONED TO 12/9/2024 COUNCIL:** Public Hearing on an Annexation Agreement with Aruthra, LLC, for Property Generally Located North of the Intersection of Fox Creek Road and St. Ivans Circle, PIN: 21-18-153-009, as requested by the Economic & Community Development Department.

City Clerk Leslie Yocum noted that the Item will be postponed to the December 9, 2024, Council meeting and additional notices would go out.

Consent Agenda

Items listed on the Consent Agenda are approved with one motion; Items pulled by Council from the Consent Agenda for discussion are listed and voted on separately.

Council Member Hendricks made a motion, seconded by Council Member Ward, to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

Item 8.A. Consideration and Action to Approve the Minutes of the September 23, 2024 Regular City Council Meeting, as requested by the City Clerk Department. (Recommended Motion: The proposed Minutes be approved.)

Item 8.B. Consideration and Action on Approving Bills and Payroll in the Amount of $11,385,843.34, as requested by the Finance Department. (Recommended Motion: The proposed Bills and Payroll be approved.)

Item 8.C. Consideration and Action on Approving Appointments to Boards & Commissions, as requested by the Administration Department. (Recommended Motion: The proposed Appointments be approved.)

Item 8.D. Consideration and Action on a Resolution Approving the Purchase of Syngenta, BASF, and ENVU (Bayer) Chemicals from Marubeni America Corporation, d/b/a Helena Agri Enterprises, LLC, in an Amount Not to Exceed $220,000, as requested by the Parks & Recreation Department. (Recommended Motion: The proposed Resolution be approved.)

RESOLUTION NO. 2024 – 058

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE PURCHASE OF SYNGENTA, BASF, AND ENVU (BAYER) CHEMICALS FROM MARUBENI AMERICA CORPORATION, D/B/A HELENA AGRI ENTERPRISES, LLC, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED $220,000

Item 8.E. Consideration and Action on a Resolution Approving the Purchase of Additional Property Insurance Premium/Coverage for the Recently Acquired 1706 Morrisey Drive, from Arthur Gallagher Risk Management Services, LLC, in the Amount of $18,411, as requested by the Human Resources Department. (Recommended Motion: The proposed Resolution be approved.)

RESOLUTION NO. 2024 – 059

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE PURCHASE OF ADDITIONAL PROPERTY INSURANCE PREMIUM/COVERAGE FOR THE RECENTLY ACQUIRED 1706 MORRISEY DRIVE, FROM ARTHUR GALLAGHER RISK MANAGEMENT SERVICES, LLC, IN THE AMOUNT OF $18,411

Item 8.F. Consideration and Action on a Resolution Approving (1) the Purchase of a 2024 Vermeer SC70TX Stump Grinder and a 2024 Vermeer BC-1800XL Chipper from Vermeer Midwest, in the Amount of $166,546.48; and, (2) Approving the Surplus Property Trade-in of the 1995 Vermeer Stump Grinder and the 2003 Vermeer Wood Chipper, as requested by the Parks & Recreation Department and the Parks & Recreation Department. (Recommended Motion: The proposed Resolution be approved.)

RESOLUTION NO. 2024 – 060

A RESOLUTION APPROVING (1) THE PURCHASE OF VERMEER SC70TX STUMP GRINDER AND VERMEER BC-1800XL CHIPPER FROM VERMEER MIDWEST, IN THE AMOUNT OF $166,546.48; AND, (2) APPROVING THE SURPLUS PROPERTY TRADE-IN OF THE 1995 VERMEER STUMP GRINDER AND THE 2003 VERMEER WOOD CHIPPER

Item 8.G. Consideration and Action to Approve a Resolution Approving a Change Order for the Fiscal Year 2025 Bloomington Ice Arena and Lincoln Parking Facilities Camera Project from Scientel Solutions, LLC, in the Amount of $25,004.55, as requested by the Information Technology Department. (Recommended Motion: The proposed Resolution be approved.)

RESOLUTION NO. 2024 – 061

A RESOLUTION APPROVING A CHANGE ORDER FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2025 BLOOMINGTON ICE ARENA AND LINCOLN PARKING FACILITIES CAMERA PROJECT FROM SCIENTEL SOLUTIONS, LLC, IN THE AMOUNT OF $25,004.55

Item 8.H. Consideration and Action on a Resolution Approving an Agreement with Donohue & Associates, Inc., for a Study to Evaluate the Conversion of the Existing Electrical System at the Water Treatment Plant, in an Amount Not to Exceed $75,000, as requested by the Water Department. (Recommended Motion: The proposed Resolution be approved.)

RESOLUTION NO. 2024 – 062

A RESOLUTION APPROVING AN AGREEMENT WITH DONOHUE & ASSOCIATES, INC., FOR A STUDY TO EVALUATE THE CONVERSION OF THE EXISTING ELECTRICAL SYSTEM AT THE WATER TREATMENT PLANT, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED $75,000

Item 8.I. Consideration and Action on a Resolution Approving an Agreement with Evergreen FS, from November 1, 2024, through October 31, 2025, for Citywide Gasoline & Diesel Fuel (Bid #2025-16), in an Amount Not to Exceed $2,000,000, with the Option of Four One-Year Renewals, as requested by the Department of Operations & Engineering Services. (Recommended Motion: The proposed Resolution be approved.)

RESOLUTION NO. 2024 – 063

A RESOLUTION APPROVING AN AGREEMENT WITH EVERGREEN FS, FROM NOVEMBER 1, 2024, THROUGH OCTOBER 31, 2025, FOR CITYWIDE GASOLINE &

DIESEL FUEL (BID #2025-16), IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED $2,000,000, WITH THE OPTION OF FOUR ONE-YEAR RENEWALS

Item 8.J. Consideration and Action on a Resolution Approving an Intergovernmental Agreement Between the City of Bloomington, the Town of Normal, and the County of McLean, IL for the 2025 Byrne Justice Assistance Grant Program Award (Grant #13686637), as requested by the Police Department. (Recommended Motion: The proposed Resolution be approved.)

RESOLUTION NO. 2024 – 064

A RESOLUTION APPROVING AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF BLOOMINGTON, THE TOWN OF NORMAL, AND THE COUNTY OF MCLEAN, IL FOR THE 2025 BYRNE JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT PROGRAM AWARD

(GRANT #13686637)

Item 8.K. Consideration and Action on a Resolution Approving the Waiver of Certain Municipal Permit Fees for the Construction of the Proposed New Boys & Girls Club of Bloomington Normal at Sunnyside Park, as requested by the Administration Department. (Recommended Motion: The proposed Resolution be approved.)

RESOLUTION NO. 2024 – 065

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE WAIVER OF CERTAIN MUNICIPAL PERMIT FEES FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE PROPOSED NEW BOYS & GIRLS CLUB OF BLOOMINGTON NORMAL AT SUNNYSIDE PARK

Item 8.L. Consideration and Action on a Resolution Approving a Worker's Compensation Settlement Involving Former Bloomington Police Department Officer Robert McKinney, in the Amount of $152,552.75, as requested by the Human Resources Department. (Recommended Motion: The proposed Resolution be approved.)

RESOLUTION NO. 2024 – 066

A RESOLUTION APPROVING A WORKER'S COMPENSATION SETTLEMENT INVOLVING FORMER BLOOMINGTON POLICE DEPARTMENT OFFICER ROBERT MCKINNEY, IN THE AMOUNT OF $152,552.75

Item 8.M. Consideration and Action on 1) an Ordinance Amending the Budget Ordinance for the Fiscal Year ending April 30, 2025, in the Amount of $138,240, and 2) a Resolution Approving the Purchase of Solar LED Off-Grid Systems and LED Fixtures for Street Lighting, from Graybar, in the Amount of $138,696.80, as requested by the Department of Operations & Engineering Services and the Parks & Recreation Department. (Recommended Motion: The proposed Ordinance and Resolution be approved.)

ORDINANCE NO. 2024 – 080

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE BUDGET ORDINANCE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING APRIL 30, 2025, IN THE AMOUNT OF $138,240

RESOLUTION NO. 2024 – 067

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE PURCHASE OF SOLAR LED OFF-GRID SYSTEMS AND LED FIXTURES FOR STREET LIGHTING, FROM GRAYBAR, IN THE AMOUNT OF $138,696.80

Item 8.N. Consideration and Action on an Ordinance Approving a Third Amendment to the Economic Incentive Agreement By and Between the City of Bloomington, Illinois, and Forgetful Friends, LLC, as requested by the Economic & Community Development Department. (Recommended Motion: The proposed Ordinance be approved.)

ORDINANCE NO. 2024 – 081

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A THIRD AMENDMENT TO THE ECONOMIC INCENTIVE AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF BLOOMINGTON, ILLINOIS, AND FORGETFUL FRIENDS, LLC

Item 8.O. Consideration and Action on an Ordinance Approving a Special Use Permit for a School (Public) in the D-2 (Downtown Transitional) District, for the Property Located at 301 W. Washington Street, as requested by the Economic & Community Development Department. (Recommended Motion: The proposed Ordinance be approved.)

ORDINANCE NO. 2024 – 082

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A SPECIAL USE PERMIT FOR A SCHOOL (PUBLIC) IN THE D-2 (DOWNTOWN TRANSITIONAL) DISTRICT, FOR THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 301 W. WASHINGTON STREET

Mayor Mwilambwe directed the Clerk to call roll:

AYES: Kearns, Boelen, Montney, Danenberger, Becker, Hendricks, Ward, Crumpler

Motion carried.

Regular Agenda

The following item was presented:

Item 9.A. Consideration and Action on a Resolution Approving an Engagement Agreement with Mesirow Financial, Inc., for Municipal Bond Advisory Services Related to the City's Potential Borrowing Needs, as requested by the Finance Department.

City Manager Jeff Jurgens provided a brief overview of the Item's objectives and then passed to Finance Director, Scott Rathbun. Director Rathbun highlighted the location of City debt information resources for the community. He outlined the General Obligation Bonds (GO), Loan Payable, Capital Lease Payable, and Note Payable from the FY2023 Annual Comprehensive Financial Report total debt summary audit. He highlighted GO Bond comparisons for other municipalities. Director Rathbun discussed the 20-year projection for the Capital Improvement Plan and the need for the expertise of Mesirow Financial, Inc., and the City credit ratings. He noted the engagement would not authorize any borrowing at the time but was related to advisement assistance and future potential borrowings.

Council Member Montney asked the spending with Mesirow Financial for the Bloomington Public Library. Director Rathbun shared that they only charge for an issuance and the charge for the Library was between $30,000 to $40,000.

Council Member Ward made a motion, seconded by Council Member Crumpler, to approve the Item as presented.

Mayor Mwilambwe directed the Clerk to call roll:

AYES: Kearns, Boelen, Montney, Danenberger, Becker, Hendricks, Ward, Crumpler

Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 2024 - 068

A RESOLUTION APPROVING AN ENGAGEMENT AGREEMENT WITH MESIROW FINANCIAL, INC., FOR MUNICIPAL BOND ADVISORY SERVICES RELATED TO THE CITY'S POTENTIAL BORROWING NEEDS

Finance Director's Report

Scott Rathbun, Finance Director, presented the Fiscal Year ("FY") Financial Summary as of September 30, 2024. He highlighted major tax revenues, compared last year's figures, and discussed year-to-date figures and encumbrances. He summarized FY2025 General Fund Revenues and Expenditures, Enterprise Funds, and Water Fund expenditures and revenues. He concluded by noting where to locate City budget materials.

City Manager's Discussion

City Manager Jeff Jurgens provided updates on the coalition working to address homelessness and shared plans for the upcoming winter. He expressed his appreciation for Council and community agencies to address the issue. He highlighted the Continuous improvement initiatives within the City. He highlighted the Arts & Entertainment events over the weekend.

Mayor's Discussion

No Mayor discussion was held.

Council Member's Discussion

No Council Member discussions were held.

Executive Session

No Executive Session was held.

Adjournment

Council Member Hendricks made a motion, seconded by Council Member Danenberger, to adjourn the meeting.

Mayor Mwilambwe directed the Clerk to call roll:

AYES: Kearns, Boelen, Montney, Danenberger, Becker, Hendricks, Ward, Crumpler

Motion carried (viva voce).

The meeting adjourned at 6:57 P.M.

CITY OF BLOOMINGTON	**ATTEST**
Mboka Mwilambwe	Amanda Stutsman
Mboka Mwilambwe, Mayor	Amanda Stutsman, Deputy City Clerk

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