



MINUTES

PUBLISHED BY THE AUTHORITY OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF BLOOMINGTON, ILLINOIS
MONDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2019, 6:00 P.M.

The Council convened in Regular Session in the Council Chambers, City Hall Building, at 6:01 p.m., Monday, October 14, 2019.

Mayor Renner directed the City Clerk to call the roll and the following members of Council answered present:

Council Members: Jamie Mathy, Donna Boelen, Mboka Mwilambwe, Julie Emig, Joni Painter, Jenn Carrillo, Jeff Crabill, Kim Bray, and Mayor Tari Renner.

Absent: Council Member Black

Staff Present: Tim Gleason, City Manager; Billy Tyus, Deputy City Manager; Jeffrey Jurgens, Corporation Counsel; Jim Karch, Public Works Director; Scott Sprouls, Information Services Director; and other City staff were present.

Recognition/Appointments

A. Proclamations

1. Proclamation Declaring October 2019 National Community Planning Month.

Victoria Harris, Zoning Board of Appeals, came forward to accept the proclamation. Mrs. Harris thanked Council for the opportunity and stated that she has been in the community for over 50 years and still loves calling Bloomington her home.

2. Proclamation Recognizing World Polio Day on October 24, 2019.

Julie Dobski of the Rotary Club came forward to accept the proclamation.

3. Proclamation Recognizing Indigenous Peoples' Day in the City of Bloomington on October 14, 2019.

Torri More of the McLean County History Museum came forward to accept the proclamation. Mrs. More stated that the proclamation would be formally delivered to Lester Randall, Tribal Chairman of the Kickapoo Tribe of Kansas, on November 9, 2019. She read a statement provided by Lester Randall.

4. Proclamation Recognizing the 100th Anniversary of the Bloomington-Normal Water Reclamation District (BNWRD).

Randy Stein came forward to accept the proclamation. Mr. Stein thanked the Council and Mayor for the recognition and invited everyone to the Open House at the West Plant located at 2015 West Oakland Ave on Saturday, October 19, 2019.

B. Appointments approved by City Council at the Sept. 23, 2019 meeting.

1. Appointment of Jenn Carrillo to the Cannabis Task Force.
2. Appointment of Julie Emig to the Cannabis Task Force.
3. Appointment of Greg Scott to the Cannabis Task Force.

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4. Appointment of Aaron Veerman to the Cannabis Task Force.
5. Appointment of De Urban to the Cannabis Task Force.
6. Appointment of Jan Lancaster to the Cannabis Task Force.
7. Appointment of Deb Carter to the Cannabis Task Force.
8. Appointment of Linda Foster to the Cannabis Task Force.
9. Appointment of Olivia Butts to the Cannabis Task Force.
10. Appointment of John Walsh to the Cannabis Task Force.

Mayor Renner asked for all appointees present that were appointed to the Cannabis Task Force to stand to be recognized.

C. Presentation of Bloomington Firefighters who have completed a one-year probation:

1. Nicholas Rochkus
2. Justin Sullivan

Mayor Renner invited Chief Brian Mohr of the Bloomington Fire Department to address the Council. Chief Mohr recognized each firefighter and their family members present. Leslie Yocum, City Clerk, performed the Oath of Office for both Firefighters.

Public Comment

Mayor Renner opened the meeting to receive public comment, and the following individuals provided comments to the Council:

Surena Fish	Cristo Ortiz-Palafox
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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 separately.

Council Member Mwilambwe made a motion, seconded by Council Member Carrillo, that the Consent Agenda, including all the items listed below, be approved as presented with the exception of Items 7I, 7D, 7G, 7H, and 7L.

Item 7A. Consideration and action to approve the Minutes of the September 9, 2019 Regular City Council Meeting, as requested by the City Clerk Department.

Item 7B. Consideration and action to approve Bills, Payroll, and Electronic Transfers in the amount of \$6,961,473.40, as requested by the Finance Department.

Item 7C. Consideration and action on a Resolution Approving a Change Order for the FY 2020 Sidewalk & Curb Ramp Replacement Program Phase II, in the amount of \$24,900, as requested by the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Arts Department.

Item 7D. was pulled from the Consent Agenda by Council Member Carrillo.

Item 7E. Consideration and action on a Professional Services Contract with Shive Hattery, Inc. Architecture & Engineering for amount not to exceed \$92,600, for the design of De Brazza's Plaza at Miller Park Zoo, as requested by the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Arts Department.

Item 7F. Consideration and action on the Lake Bloomington Maintenance Facility Project Management Plan and a Professional Services Agreement for programming and cost-opinion analysis with Shive-Hattery, Inc. in the amount of \$21,300, as requested by the Public Works Department.

Item 7G. was pulled from the Consent Agenda by Council Member Boelen.

Item 7H. was pulled from the Consent Agenda by Council Member Boelen.

Item 7I. was pulled from the Consent Agenda by Council Member Crabill.

Item 7J. Consideration and action on the Application of LKH II, Inc., d/b/a 1107 West Lounge, located at 1107 West Locust Street, for a Class TAPS (Tavern, All Types of Alcoholic Liquor, Package Sales for Consumption Off Premises, and Sunday Sales) liquor license, which allows the sale of alcoholic liquor by the glass for consumption on the premises, and the retail sale of packaged liquor for consumption off premises seven (7) days a week, as requested by the City Clerk Department.

Item 7K. Consideration and action on the Application of Biaggi's Ristorante Italiano, LLC., d/b/a Biaggi's Ristorante Italiano, requesting an RAPS (Restaurant, All Types of Alcohol, Package Sales for Consumption Off Premises, and Sunday Sales) liquor license, which would allow the sale of all types of alcohol by the glass for consumption on the premises, and the retail sale of packaged liquor for consumption off premises seven (7) days a week, as requested by the City Clerk Department.

Item 7L. was pulled from the Consent Agenda by Council Member Mathy.

Mayor Renner directed the Clerk to call the roll, which resulted in the following:

Ayes: Council Members Mathy, Boelen, Mwilambwe, Emig, Painter, Carrillo, Crabill, and Bray.

Nays: None.

Motion carried.

The following item was pulled from the Consent Agenda by Council Member Crabill.

Item 7I. Consideration and action on an Application for T-V-E-O Corporation, d/b/a Eric's Too, located at 921 Maple Hill Road, requesting a permanent extension of premise allowing for an Outdoor Service and Consumption Area, as requested by the City Clerk Department.

Council Member Crabill stated that based on the concerns of the hotel managers and his review of the item, he recommended the item be sent back to Liquor Commission for further review.

Council Member Crabill made a motion, seconded by Council Member Boelen, that the Consent Agenda Item 7I be sent back to Liquor Commission for further review.

Mayor Renner directed the Clerk to call the roll, which resulted in the following:

Ayes: Council Members Mathy, Boelen, Mwilambwe, Emig, Painter, Carrillo, Crabill, and Bray.

Nays: None.

Motion carried.

The following item was pulled from the Consent Agenda by Council Member Carrillo.

Item 7D. Consideration and action to approve a Contract with Amereco, Inc (RFP 2020-15), for Lead Assessment and Clearance Testing Services on an "as needed" basis for a one (1) year term with three (3) one (1) year options based upon acceptable performance, as requested by the Community Development Department.

Council Member Carrillo stated that she pulled the item, so it could be discussed why the contract was not granted to a local company. She explained she had previous discussions with Council Member Crabill and City Manager Gleason on local preference. City Manager Gleason stated he was also going to request the item be tabled so that he may have additional time to look into the item. He discussed a few items of concern. Council Member Carrillo and City Manager Gleason discussed the City's Local Preference policy.

Council Member Crabill pointed out a few reasons why the Local Preference policy is a benefit to the community even if the contract is more than the lowest bid in order to keep funds in the local community.

Council Member Carrillo made a motion, seconded by Council Member Mwilambwe, to table the item.

Mayor Renner directed the Clerk to call the roll, which resulted in the following:

Ayes: Council Members Mathy, Boelen, Mwilambwe, Emig, Painter, Carrillo, Crabill, and Bray.

Nays: None.

Motion carried.

The following items were pulled from the Consent Agenda by Council Member Boelen and discussed together.

Item 7G. Consideration and action on approving an Intergovernmental Agreement between the Bloomington and Normal Water Reclamation District (BNWRD) and the City of Bloomington for repair of a 48" Eastside Interceptor Sewer owned by BNWRD, as requested by the Public Works Department.

Item 7H. Consideration and action on an Agreement with Hoerr Construction, Inc., for the FY2020 Sewer Rehabilitation Proposal (City Bid No. 2020-16), in the amount of \$2,492,547, as requested by the Public Works Department.

Council Member Boelen stated that she intends to vote in favor of the item but that she pulled the item to ask a few questions. She asked how the contract increased from the original numbers presented and pointed out a few other numbers in the packet. City Manager Gleason called Jim Karch, Public Works Director, forward to address Council. Mr. Karch stated that the \$300,000 in item G comes out of the funds allocated in Item H.

Council Member Mathy asked for confirmation from Mr. Karch that the City may have potentially damaged the Water Reclamation Plant's pipe and that the City is attempting to fix the pipe from the damage we caused. Mr. Karch responded affirmatively.

Council Member Boelen made a motion, seconded by Council Member Emig, that the Consent Agenda Item 7G and 7H be approved as presented.

Mayor Renner directed the Clerk to call the roll, which resulted in the following:

Ayes: Council Members Mathy, Boelen, Mwilambwe, Emig, Painter, Carrillo, Crabill, and Bray.

Nays: None.

Motion carried.

The following item was pulled from the Consent Agenda by Council Member Mathy.

Item 7L. Consideration and action on the Application of Bloomington Normal Sunrise Rotary, for their 2019 Oktoberfest Fundraising Event to be held at Union Park, located at 1750 General Electric Road, on October 20, 2019, requesting a Class LB (Limited, Beer and Wine) liquor license, which allows the sale of beer and wine by the glass for consumption on the premises on the date of the event and an Ordinance suspending portions of Section 701 of Chapter 31 and Section 26(d) of Chapter 6 of the City Code prohibiting alcohol on public property as they pertain to Union Park on October 20, 2019, to allow moderate consumption of alcohol for the Bloomington Normal Sunrise Rotary 2019 Oktoberfest Fundraising Event, as requested by the City Clerk Department.

Council Member Mathy stated the he pulled the item in order to recuse himself, as he is a member of the Bloomington Normal Sunrise Rotary. He also noted that both Council Members Crabill and Emig are members as well and would also need to recuse themselves. The Council Members recused at 6:39 p.m. and left the room.

Council Member Carrillo made a motion, seconded by Council Member Painter, that the Consent Agenda Item 7L be approved as presented.

Mayor Renner directed the Clerk to call the roll, which resulted in the following:

Ayes: Council Members Boelen, Mwilambwe, Painter, Carrillo, and Bray.

Abstain: Council Members Mathy, Emig, and Crabill.

Nays: None.

Motion carried.

Council Members Mathy, Emig, and Crabill returned to the meeting at 6:40 p.m.

Regular Agenda

The following was presented:

Item 8B. Presentation of the Illinois Law Enforcement Accreditation Program (ILEAP) to the Police Department, as requested by the Police Department.

City Manager Gleason introduced the item and welcomed Bryan Fingle, Chief Donath, and Asst. Chief Greg Scott forward to address Council. Mr. Fingle stated that only 67 departments in the State of Illinois have received this accreditation. He presented Asst. Chief Scott with an official plaque.

Council Member Mwilambwe asked a few questions regarding the process for accreditation. Asst. Chief Scott spoke about the process and explained that it took a few years to complete. The audience stood to applaud the ILEAP accreditation.

City Manager's Discussion

City Manager Tim Gleason pointed out the upcoming calendar of events available on the City's website. He also discussed the Downtown Bloomington Halloween Festivities. Mr. Gleason notified that bulk waste pick up will be finished within the next day and staff will report on the outcomes of this event versus past years' events.

Mayor's Discussion

Mayor Renner complimented the Rivian event in Uptown Normal and how this cutting-edge technology within our community will have a positive impact for the local economy.

Council Member's Discussion

Council Member Painter reminded the Council that the Behavioral Health Coordinating Council (BHCC) Mental Health Forum is Thursday, October 17, 2019 at the Marriott and that the forum has a focus on trauma. She welcomed the community to attend.

Council Member Emig complimented the WBRP Bed Blitz that was held on Saturday, October 12, 2019, where over 100 beds were built by the community.

Council Member Mwilambwe asked City Manager Tim Gleason if attendees were to dress up for the event. Mr. Gleason informed the Council that costumes are optional.

Council Member Boelen mentioned enjoying attending the Friends of the Bloomington Center for the Performing Arts (BCPA) Fundraiser where attendees dressed up in costume.

Council Member Mathy commended the Bloomington Fire Department for their response in handling a blown transformer in Downtown Bloomington last week. He also mentioned setting a new attendance record at the FlatCon Event, a local board gaming convention, where hundreds of attendees came into Bloomington for the weekend. Council Member Mathy also noted that he is on the Board for the Route 66 Eastboards Tournament in January that has now grown and gained further interest with the additional partnership with the Bloomington Normal Video Game Convention. He also noted a potential partnership with the Illinois State University Game Jam which would develop new games over the course of the weekend. Council Member Mathy also noted an upcoming event at the BCPA called Beautiful - A Carole King Play.

Council Member Bray echoed the appreciation of the Friends of the BCPA event and said it was an amazing example of how a private - public partnership can work to be successful and fun at the same time. She also spoke about an event at the Humane Society over the weekend.

Council Member Crabill mentioned he attended an event call Queer Formative at Nightshop that was organized by the Bloomington Normal Trans-Community. This was a Pride party centered on educating people on the culture and history on the LGBTQIA community. He thanked Sarah Baurer for hosting a listening session for him, and thanked Jim Karch and his staff on their prompt responses to the emails from him and his constituents.

Council Member Carrillo echoed appreciation for the Bed Blitz, the ArtGasm party, and also stated her appreciation for the volunteers and organizers of the Cemetery Walk. She thanked City staff for their hard work. Council Member Carillo also mentioned the sale of the State Farm building and thanked everyone who attended the listening sessions. She also mentioned an upcoming event at the McLean County History Museum for Dia de los Muertos.

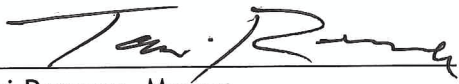
Adjournment

Council Member Crabill made a motion, seconded by Council Member Carrillo, that the meeting be adjourned.

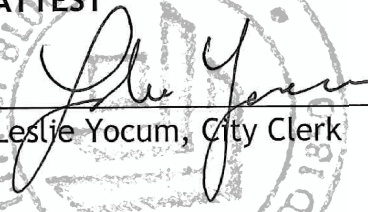
Motion carried unanimously (viva voce).

The meeting adjourned at 6:57 p.m.

CITY OF BLOOMINGTON


Tari Renner, Mayor

ATTEST


Leslie Yocum, City Clerk

