CITY OF Bloomington ILLINOIS

MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL - REGULAR SESSION
MONDAY, AUGUST 12, 2024, 6:00 P.M.

The City Council convened in regular session in the Government Center Boardroom at 6:00 P.M. 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
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	Present
Tom Crumpler	Council Member, Ward 9	Present

Recognition/Appointments

No recognitions or appointments were made.

Public Comment

Mayor Mwilambwe read a public comment statement of procedure. Wayne Karplus emailed public comment. Douglas Manley registered to speak, but was not present. Peter Pontius, Crystal Haycraft, Desha Cobb, and Surena Fish spoke in person.

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 Boelen made a motion, seconded by Council Member Ward, to approve the Consent Agenda with the exception of Item 7.K.

<u>Item 7.A. Consideration and Action to Approve the Minutes of the July 8, 2024, Regular City Council Meeting, as requested by the City Clerk Department. (Recommended Motion: The proposed Minutes be approved.)</u>

<u>Item 7.B. Consideration and Action on Approving Bills and Payroll in the Amount of $11,941,484.80, as requested by the Finance Department. (Recommended Motion: The proposed Bills and Payroll be approved.)</u>

<u>Item 7.C. Consideration and Action on an Ordinance Amending the Budget Ordinance for Fiscal Year (FY) Ending April 30, 2025, to Utilize Fund Balance and Increase the Federal Equitable Sharing Forfeiture Funds Under the Drug Enforcement Fund Budget By $19,628 and to Approve the Purchase of Mobile Radio Equipment from Motorola Solutions, as a Limited</u>

Source, in the Amount $54,986, as requested by the Police Department. (Recommended Motion: The proposed Ordinance and Purchase be approved.)

ORDINANCE NO. 2024 – 059

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE BUDGET ORDINANCE FOR FISCAL YEAR (FY) ENDING APRIL 30, 2025 TO UTILIZE FUND BALANCE AND INCREASE THE FEDERAL EQUITABLE SHARING FORFEITURE FUNDS UNDER THE DRUG ENFORCEMENT FUND BUDGET BY $19,628, AND TO APPROVE THE PURCHASE OF MOBILE RADIO EQUIPMENT FROM MOTOROLA SOLUTIONS, AS A LIMITED SOURCE, IN THE AMOUNT OF $54,986

Item 7.D. Consideration and Action on a Resolution Authorizing a Rental Agreement with Coe Equipment, Inc. for a TruVac Vacuum Excavator for the Rental Amount of $150,000 with an Option to Purchase after the Rental Period for an Additional $404,070.95, as requested by the Water Department. (Recommended Motion: The proposed Resolution be approved.)

RESOLUTION NO. 2024 – 041

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A RENTAL AGREEMENT WITH COE EQUIPMENT, INC. FOR A TRUVAC VACUUM EXCAVATOR FOR THE RENTAL AMOUNT OF $150,000 WITH AN OPTION TO PURCHASE AFTER THE RENTAL PERIOD FOR AN ADDITIONAL $404,070.95

Item 7.E. Consideration and Action on a Resolution Authorizing the City of Bloomington's Participation in the Settlement Agreement Arising from the Visa and Mastercard Interchange Fees Class Action Lawsuit, as requested by the Legal Department. (Recommended Motion: The proposed Resolution be approved.)

RESOLUTION NO. 2024 – 042

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF BLOOMINGTON'S PARTICIPATION IN THE SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT ARISING FROM THE VISA AND MASTERCARD INTERCHANGE FEES CLASS ACTION LAWSUIT

Item 7.F. Consideration and Action on an Ordinance Approving the Final Plat of Thompson-QuikTrip Phase 1, as requested by the Department of Operations & Engineering Services. (Recommended Motion: The proposed Ordinance be approved.)

ORDINANCE NO. 2024 – 060

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE FINAL PLAT OF THOMPSON-QUIKTRIP PHASE 1

Item 7.G. Consideration and Action on an Ordinance Authorizing a Construction Agreement with Hoerr Construction, Inc., for the Fiscal Year 2025 Sewer Rehabilitation and CCTV Inspection Program (Bid #2025-07), in the Amount of $1,773,299.60, as requested by the Department of Operations & Engineering Services. (Recommended Motion: The proposed Ordinance be approved.)

ORDINANCE NO. 2024 – 061

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A CONSTRUCTION AGREEMENT WITH HOERR CONSTRUCTION, INC., FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2025 SEWER REHABILITATION & CCTV INSPECTION PROGRAM (BID #2025-07), IN THE AMOUNT OF $1,773,299.60

Item 7.H. Consideration and Action on an Application from Hurley Entertainment Group, Inc., d/b/a Spotted Dog Tavern, located at 1504 Morrissey Drive, Requesting Approval of a

Change in Ownership of the Class TAS (Tavern, All Types of Alcohol, and Sunday Sales) Liquor License, as requested by the City Clerk Department. (Recommended Motion: The proposed Request be approved.)

Item 7.I. Consideration and Action on an Application from Chronister Oil Company, Inc., d/b/a QIK N EZ, located at 1607 Morrissey Drive, Requesting Approval of a Change in Ownership/Corporate Name for their Class PAS (Packaged Sales, All Types of Alcohol, Sunday) Liquor License, as requested by the City Clerk Department. (Recommended Motion: The proposed Requests be approved.)

Item 7.J. Consideration and Action on an Application from Turf Matters, LLC, d/b/a Bloomington Tennis & Turf, located at 4101 Wicker Rd, Requesting Approval of the Creation of a Class EBS (Entertainment/Recreational Sports Venue, Beer and Wine Only, and Sunday Sales) Liquor License, as requested by the City Clerk Department. (Recommended Motion: The proposed License be approved.)

Mayor Mwilambwe directed the Clerk to call roll:

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

Motion carried.

Items Pulled from the Consent Agenda

The following item was pulled from the Consent Agenda by Mayor Mwilambwe:

Item 7.K. Consideration and Action on an Application from Mauli, Inc., d/b/a Galaxy Liquor & Smoke, located at 2210 Cottage Ave., Unit B, Requesting Approval of the Creation of a Class PAS (Packaged Sales, All Types of Alcohol, Sunday Sales) Liquor License, as requested by the City Clerk Department. (Recommended Motion: The proposed License be denied.)

Mayor Mwilambwe stated that he had pulled the Item to share that the City Clerk Department had received a memorandum from the applicant's legal counsel addressed to Council on Friday August 9, 2024 containing additional information. He explained that new information on the application received outside of the public hearing held at the July 9, 2024 Liquor Commission could not be considered by Council. He shared that the Council agenda packet contained the Liquor Commission's meeting minutes, as well as the Liquor Commissioner's recommendation. He mentioned that Council could remand the matter back to the Liquor Commission should it like additional information considered or it could proceed with consideration of the Liquor Commissioner's recommendation.

Council Member Ward made a motion, seconded by Council Member Boelen, to deny the Item as presented, per Liquor Commission recommendation.

Mayor Mwilambwe directed the Clerk to call roll:

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

Motion carried.

Regular Agenda

The following Item was presented:

Item 8.A. Consideration and Action on a Resolution Authorizing Waiving Formal Bidding Requirements and Approving an Agreement with Iverson Consulting Group (ICG) through December 20, 2024, as requested by the Administration Department.

City Manager Jeff Jurgens provided an overview of the Continuous Improvement Initiative. He stressed that the Initiative aimed to improve efficiencies of City processes and the quality of services provided, and was not focused on eliminating staff. He shared how fostering a culture of continuous improvement, the City would be empowered to better respond to the needs of residents optimizing resource allocation and adapting to changing circumstances. He discussed how the contract would also focus on training and development, as well as 2-3 changes that could be implemented by the end of 2024 and mentioned that the program would begin in August of 2024 with progress being reported in December of 2024 and action on next steps continuing into 2025.

Council Member Boelen 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, Lee, Crumpler

Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 2024 - 043

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING WAIVING FORMAL BIDDING REQUIREMENTS AND APPROVING AN AGREEMENT WITH IVERSON CONSULTING GROUP (ICG) FROM THROUGH DECEMBER 20, 2024

City Manager's Discussion

City Manager Jurgens provided updates on the efforts of the coalition working to address homelessness and reported that work was being done to close the parking lot tent encampment to instead provide proper shelter. He mentioned the Bloomington Public Library grand opening and highlighted the efforts of Jeannie Hamilton, Library Director. He then discussed successes of the 2023 initiative to hire firefighters, recognized the Finance Department for receiving national achievements for great budget preparation, and lastly shared a story about Bloomington's connection to the 2024 Olympics.

Mayor's Discussion

Mayor Mwilambwe echoed City Manager Jurgens excitement. He expressed appreciation for the dedication, creativity, and ingenuity of City Manager Jurgens and staff throughout the City and highlighted stats from the Build Bloomington website. He noted efforts of staff were improving housing.

Council Member's Discussion

Council Member Hendricks highlighted the August 3rd Pridefest and thanked Jan Lancaster and the team at The Bistro for their work.

Council Member Lee expressed his thanks to the Parks & Recreation Department for their work on the pickleball court at Rollingbrook Park.

Council Member Montney thanked the Public Works team for their work and then thanked Josh Hansen and City Manager Jurgens for their efforts fostering a culture of continuous improvement in their Public Works project.

Executive Session

No Executive Session was held.

Adjournment

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

Mayor Mwilambwe directed the Clerk to call roll:

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

Motion carried (viva voce).

The meeting adjourned at 6:32 P.M.

CITY OF BLOOMINGTON	**ATTEST**
Mboka Mwilambwe, Mayor	Leslie Smith-Yocum, City Clerk