SUMMARY MINUTES
PUBLISHED BY THE AUTHORITY OF THE CITY COUNCIL
OF BLOOMINGTON, ILLINOIS
MONDAY, JULY 11, 2016; 7:00 P.M.

1. Call to Order

The Council convened in Regular Session in the Council Chambers, City Hall Building, at 7:00 p.m., Monday, July 11, 2016. The Meeting was called to order by Mayor Renner.

2. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

The Meeting was opened by Pledging Allegiance to the Flag followed by a moment of silent prayer.

3. Remain Standing for a Moment of Silent Prayer

4. Roll Call

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

Aldermen: Kevin Lower, David Sage, Mboka Mwilambwe, Amelia Buragas, Joni Painter, Karen Schmidt, Scott Black, Diana Hauman, Jim Fruin and Mayor Tari Renner.

Staff Present: David Hales, City Manager; Steve Rasmussen, Assistant City Manager; Jeffrey Jurgens, Corporation Counsel; Patti-Lynn Silva, Finance Director; Ken Bays, Assistant Police Chief; Brian Mohr, Fire Chief; Jim Karch, Public Service Director; Beth Oakley, Executive Secretary and other City staff were present.

Staff Absent: Cherry Lawson, City Clerk.

5. Recognition / Appointments

The following were presented:

A. Proclamation declaring June 15, 2016 as, "Elder Abuse Awareness Day".

B. Loyalty Oath for Firefighters: James P. Wellwood, Chad M. Carlson, Travis L. Wilson, and Joshua E. Andracki.

C. Appointment of Geoffrey Tompkins to the Board of Police and Fire Commissioners.

D. Appointment of Georgene Chissell to the Citizens Beautification Committee.

E. Appointment of Tamika Matthews to the Citizens Beautification Committee.

6. Public Comment

Mayor Renner opened the meeting to receive Public Comment. The following individuals provided comments during the meeting.

Glen Ludwig
Judy Stearns
Donna Boelen
Aaron Lehee
Hal Kapraun
Rita Mikel
Alton Franklin
Patricia Marton
Dale Naffziger

7. Consent Agenda

The following was presented:

Mayor Renner asked Council whether there were any items to be removed from the Consent Agenda for further discussion.

Alderman Hauman requested Item No. 7C be pulled from the Consent Agenda.

Alderman Fruin requested Item No. 7F be pulled from the Consent Agenda.

Alderman Lower requested Item No. 7J be pulled from the Consent Agenda.

Motion by Alderman Black, seconded by Alderman Mwilambwe, that the Consent Agenda be approved with the exception of Agenda Item Nos. 7C, 7F and 7J.

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

Ayes: Aldermen Lower, Sage, Mwilambwe, Buragas, Painter, Schmidt, Black, Hauman and Fruin.

Nays: None.

Motion carried.

The following was presented:

Item 7A. Consideration of approving the Minutes of the June 27, 2016 Regular City Council Meeting.

The following was presented:

Item 7B. Consideration of approving Bills, Payroll, Electronic Transfers and Procurement Cards in the amount of $5,675,405.50.

The following was presented:

Item 7C. Consideration of approving Appointments to Various Commissions and Committees. ***Pulled from the Consent Agenda.***

The following was presented:

Item 7D. Consideration of approving the purchase of two (2) Dump Trucks for the Street Maintenance Division of the Public Works Department using the SPC Suburban Purchasing Cooperative Contract number 145.

The following was presented:

Item 7E. Consideration of approval of an Assignment of Contract and One-year Contract Renewal (August 11, 2016 through August 10, 2017) with Biosolids Management Group / Telem for Lime Sludge Removal.

The following was presented:

Item 7F. Consideration of approving a Capital Improvement Agreement with the Public Building Commission of McLean County and McLean County for replacement of the Government Center Roof. ***Pulled from the Consent Agenda.***

The following was presented:

Item 7G. Consideration of approving the Disposal of Surplus City Property (Fire Fighting Apparatus) Namely – Engine No. 7.

The following was presented:

Item 7H. Consideration of approving the purchase of limited source water meters and related accessories for the Water Department FY2017 Water Meter Installation Program.

The following was presented:

Item 7I. Consideration of approving an Ordinance approving a Petition from Shannon Patterson, for a Final Plat for Wilder Subdivision 2nd Addition located North of Ireland Grove Road and west of Mercer Avenue.

ORDINANCE NO. 2016 – 62

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE FINAL PLAT OF WILDER SUBDIVISION, 2ND ADDITION

The following was presented:

Item 7J. Consideration of approving an Ordinance Amending the City Code to provide the City Manager with the authority to issue Ban Notices from City property. ***Pulled from the Consent Agenda.***

ORDINANCE NO. 2016 – 63

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CITY CODE TO PROVIDE THE CITY MANAGER WITH THE AUTHORITY TO ISSUE BAN NOTICES FROM CITY PROPERTY

The following was presented:

Item 7K. Consideration of the application of the Bloomington-Normal Jaycees, d/b/a Bloomington-Normal Jaycees, requesting a Limited Liquor license (LB) which allows the sale of beer and wine only by the glass for consumption on the premises for a fundraiser to be held on August 5, 2016 from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the Miller Park Zoo, 1020 S Morris Ave.

The following was presented:

Item 7L. Consideration of an Ordinance Suspending Portions of Section 26(d) of Chapter 6 of the City Code to Allow Possession of Open Alcohol on Public Property in the Miller Park Zoo during the Bloomington-Normal Jaycees fundraiser on August 5, 2016.

ORDINANCE NO. 2016 – 64

AN ORDINANCE SUSPENDING PORTIONS OF SECTION 26(d) OF CHAPTER 6 OF THE BLOOMINGTON CITY CODE TO ALLOW POSSESSION OF OPEN ALCOHOL ON PUBLIC PROPERTY IN THE MILLER PARK ZOO DURING THE BLOOMINGTON-NORMAL JAYCEES FUNDRAISER

The following was presented:

Item 7C. Consideration of approving Appointments to Various Commissions and Committees.

Alderman Hauman stated she supported of the appointments of Georgene Chissell and Tamika Matthews to the Citizens Beautification Committee. She questioned Geoffrey Tompkins' appointment to the Board of Police and Fire Commissioners (BPFC). His application did not indicate a background in management of personnel which was needed for the BPFC.

Mayor Renner noted the BPFC had a seat vacancy for approximately nine (9) months. The BPFC's legal requirements included: two (2) Republicans, two (2) Democrats and one (1) Independent. The only Republican applicant applying, in the last two (2) years, was Mr. Tompkins. Mr. Tompkins had been on Republican Committees in a couple precincts. He had a background in law enforcement.

Alderman Lower was not in support of Mr. Tompkins appointment at this time. He would like to promote some Republican applicants for this position.

Alderman Black questioned whether excluding Mr. Tompkins from the motion would show his appointment was denied. Mr. Jurgens stated a separate vote would be required.

Motion by Alderman Hauman, seconded by Alderman Schmidt, that Georgene Chissell and Tamika Matthews be appointed to the Citizens Beautification Committee.

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

Ayes: Aldermen Lower, Sage, Mwilambwe, Buragas, Painter, Schmidt, Black, Hauman and Fruin.

Nays: None.

Motion carried.

Alderman Buragas stated she would not support the motion to deny Mr. Tompkins' appointment. She recommended a motion to delay, providing time for other individuals to apply. She was concerned with denying an applicant, who might be less than ideal, when there were no other candidates to compare them to.

Alderman Sage stated there were two (2) qualities required for the BPFC: temperament and availability. He was not in favor of appointing Mr. Tompkins to the BPFC.

Alderman Fruin stated he was not in favor of the motion to deny Mr. Tompkins' appointment. He believed the process for appointments was flawed.

Mayor Renner stated there was another vacancy on the BPFC, a Democratic one. He noted that at this time if any of the three (3) current BPFC members were unable to meet, the meeting could not be held.

Alderman Black questioned the duration of the appointment through April 2017. He was not in favor of denying Mr. Tompkins' appointment but favored more time for other applicants. Alderman Mwilambwe supported delaying the appointment at this time.

Motion by Alderman Hauman, seconded by Alderman Schmidt, that Geoffrey Tompkins' appointment to the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners be denied.

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

Ayes: Aldermen Lower, Sage, Schmidt and Hauman.

Nays: Aldermen Mwilambwe, Buragas, Painter, Black and Fruin.
Motion failed.

Motion by Alderman Buragas, seconded by Alderman Black, that the appointment to the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners be tabled and recommendation(s) brought back to Council no less than thirty-five (35) days from today.

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

Ayes: Aldermen Lower, Sage, Mwilambwe, Buragas, Painter, Schmidt, Black and Fruin.

Nays: Alderman Hauman.

Motion carried.

The following was presented:

Item 7F. Consideration of approving a Capital Improvement Agreement with the Public Building Commission of McLean County and McLean County for replacement of the Government Center Roof.

Alderman Fruin questioned the upfront $150,000 payment versus installments over ten (10) years. Mr. Hales noted options were available. Once work was completed and payment due, the City could choose to pay all at that time or extend over the ten (10) years granted by the loan. Mr. Jurgens stated the agreement did state the payment would be made with ten (10) annual installments. He did not believe there would be an issue with paying off the interest-free loan all at once.

Alderman Lower questioned not owning the property and having to pay a repair bill.

Alderman Fruin cited concern with deferred financial obligations. He did not believe payments for operational maintenance items should be deferred over the next ten (10) years. He favored making payments up front but would support whatever the Council majority decided.

Alderman Black questioned utilization of the building in question over the next ten (10) years.

Mr. Hales stated the Government Center building would eventually be owned 50/50 by McLean County (County) and the City. The City currently pays approximately $800,000 per year for debt service, operational maintenance, janitorial cleaning, etc. The County discussed obtaining a no-interest loan with the Public Building Commission. The City could do the same with an option to pay off sooner. The roof must be repaired.

Alderman Black favored paying for the repairs in one (1) installment.

Alderman Buragas favored paying the interest-free loan with ten (10) installments.

Alderman Sage was in favor of the intergovernmental cooperation between the City and the County. Mr. Hales stated this was another way of supporting the partnership with the County while maintaining the flexibility to pay.

Alderman Lower questioned ownership of the building. Mr. Hales stated the property was purchased with a collaborative agreement with the County. The Public Building Commission was a third (3rd) party handling the loan aspects. Within the contract, the City had agreed to share in the operation and maintenance of the building by paying fifty percent (50%). The roof replacement was a critical need.

Motion by Alderman Fruin, seconded by Alderman Black, that the Capital Improvement Agreement be approved and paid for in whole and the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute the necessary documents.

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

Ayes: Aldermen Black and Fruin.

Nays: Aldermen Lower, Sage, Mwilambwe, Buragas, Painter, Schmidt and Hauman.

Motion failed.

Motion by Alderman Painter, seconded by Alderman Schmidt, that the Capital Improvement Agreement be approved as presented and the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute the necessary documents.

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

Ayes: Aldermen Lower, Sage, Mwilambwe, Buragas, Painter, Schmidt, Black, Hauman and Fruin.

Nays: None.

Motion carried.

The following was presented:

Item 7J. Consideration of approving an Ordinance Amending the City Code to provide the City Manager with the authority to issue Ban Notices from City property.

ORDINANCE NO. 2016 – 63

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CITY CODE TO PROVIDE THE CITY MANAGER WITH THE AUTHORITY TO ISSUE BAN NOTICES FROM CITY PROPERTY

Alderman Lower questioned who this authority should belong with. Jeffrey Jurgens, Corporation Counsel, stated the practice to issue a Ban Notice, when there had been a violation in a Park, had been in place for some time. Issuing the Ban Notices was not addressed clearly in the City's Code. Other specifics addressed within the Ordinance were: circumstances to place a Ban, timeframe restrictions, an appeal process and some limitations on the Ban.

Mr. Hales stated many of these notices were issued by Police Officers in the past. In updating City Codes, Council could choose to align this process with the City Manager. In order to execute the Ban, the City Manager would need to have a recommendation by the Police Department and there would be an appeal process.

Assistant Chief Bays stated there had been an increase in instances where a Ban Notice was required. The Ordinance was a way to formalize the process.

Motion by Alderman Black, seconded by Alderman Schmidt, that the Ordinance amending the City Code to provide the City Manager with the authority to issue ban notices from City property, be approved and the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute the necessary documents.

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

Ayes: Aldermen Lower, Sage, Mwilambwe, Buragas, Painter, Schmidt, Black, Hauman and Fruin.

Nays: None.

Motion carried.

Regular Agenda

The following was presented:

Item 8A. Consideration of approving an Ordinance Amending the City Code to Establish Spiller Pay Provisions for Hazardous Waste Clean-up Responses.

ORDINANCE NO. 2016 – 65

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CITY CODE TO
ESTABLISH SPILLER PAY PROVISIONS
FOR HAZARDOUS WASTE CLEAN-UP RESPONSES

Chief Mohr provided a brief overview. The City did not have a "Spiller Pays" Ordinance for Hazardous Materials in the Code. The recommended ordinance codifies the City's ability and process to recover costs of mitigating a Hazardous Materials Incident. Same would provide for cost recovery from the party or parties responsible for a Hazardous Material spill or leak at a residential occupancy, commercial occupancy, industrial complex or on roadways and railway in which the Fire Department was called to mitigate. The cost of mitigating a Hazardous Materials

spill or leak could be significant in terms of equipment, supplies, personnel time and vehicles. The spill or release clean-up would be completed by a licensed clean-up company.

The Fire Departments' Hazardous Materials Team (HMT) was the HMT for Mutual Aid Box Alarm System (MABAS) Division 41. This ordinance was consistent with other MABAS HMT's. Charging those responsible for the response and clean-up of hazardous waste discharge was a common practice in the State of Illinois. Same would assist in recovering costs.

Motion by Alderman Lower, seconded by Alderman Black, that an Ordinance Amending the City Code to Establish Spiller Pay Provisions for Hazardous Waste Clean-up Responses be approved, and the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute the necessary documents.

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

Ayes: Aldermen Lower, Sage, Mwilambwe, Buragas, Painter, Schmidt, Hauman, Black and Fruin.

Nays: None.

Motion carried.

The following was presented:

Item 8B. Consideration of approving awarding the Request for Proposal (RFP# 2017-09) submitted by Commerce Bank for Taxable Capital Lease.

Ms. Silva provided a brief overview. In 2011, the City began replacing its aging inventory on a rolling basis utilizing capital lease financing. The City had been successful in obtaining low interest rates by soliciting for each capital lease. The total outstanding capital lease principal was $5,523,825.

The FY 2016 budget was adopted with purchasing capital equipment, vehicles and capital projects through the capital lease program. The lease would be executed upon approval of the memo and proceeds and expenditures would be in the FY 2016 budget. The executed capital lease would reimburse spent funds, leaving the annual debt service in its place. The capital lease program issued a five (5) or ten (10) year lease based on the useful life of the asset being financed.

Staff recommended executing with Commerce Bank whose proposal met all requirements and included all requested information including a five (5) and ten (10) year lease plan with fixed interest rates. The proposal by Commerce Bank provided the City flexibility to retire the debt anytime during the duration of the contract as long as it was done in whole, without any penalty.

Alderman Fruin questioned comparison with other like-sized communities on outstanding principal. Ms. Silva stated the department bench-marked the bond debt ratio, not the capital lease principal.

Motion by Alderman Schmidt, seconded by Alderman Painter, that the RFP# 2017-09 for Taxable Capital Lease be awarded to Commerce Bank in the amount of $3.982 million, and the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute the necessary documents.

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

Ayes: Aldermen Lower, Sage, Mwilambwe, Buragas, Painter, Schmidt, Hauman, Black and Fruin.

Nays: None.
Motion carried.

The following was presented:

Item 8C. Consideration of approving an Engineering services agreement with Lochmueller Group, Inc. (as per RFQ 2016-04) for an Intersection Feasibility Study to evaluate options to improve traffic safety and efficiency at the intersection of Washington Street with Euclid Avenue and Brown Street.

Mr. Karch provided a brief overview. Staff had reviewed Washington St. at Euclid Ave. and Brown St. intersection for improvements. Approximately 10,000 vehicles used this intersection daily. There had been thirty-one (31) accidents resulting in fourteen (14) injuries at same in the last five (5) years. The Study would review the existing constraints, possible solutions, and provide a recommendation for improvement.

The recommendation would include traffic counts, the improvement alternatives study, public outreach, the finalized report, creating exhibits and estimating project costs. Cost estimates for three (3) alternatives would be performed. The alternatives would include a traffic signal, a round-about and another alternative, which would be determined during the study. The information would guide staff and Council with the intersection planning. He anticipated report completion by April 30, 2017.

Pre-qualified vendors for engineering, architectural and land surveying services were approved on March 14, 2016 through Resolution 2016-10. Same established seven (7) services categories and identified qualified vendors to provide such services in each category. Staff reviewed the four (4) firms under the Traffic category and determined the Lochmueller Group to be the most qualified to do the work. The Lochmueller Group was selected for this project based on their experience with traffic modeling and planning intersection configurations.

Alderman Black questioned whether the study would take truck traffic into consideration. Mr. Karch stated staff was working with a consultant on a City-wide truck policy. More information would come to Council in three (3) to six (6) months.

Alderman Fruin questioned prioritizing street repairs. He agreed these two areas required repair/improvement. He was concerned the repairs would be delayed.

Alderman Mwilambwe questioned minimizing accidents until changes occurred. Mr. Karch stated the Feasibility Study was the first step.

Motion by Alderman Schmidt, seconded by Black, that the Engineering Services Agreement in the amount of $34,565.95 with Lochmueller Group be approved, and authorize the City Manager and City Clerk to execute the necessary documents.

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

Ayes: Aldermen Lower, Sage, Mwilambwe, Buragas, Painter, Schmidt, Hauman, Black and Fruin.

Nays: None.

Motion carried.

The following was presented:

Item 8D: Consideration of adopting a Resolution approving an Engineering Services Agreement with Farnsworth Group, Inc. (as per RFQ 2016-04) for a Feasibility Study with a Recommendation of Improvement for the section of Lafayette Street from Center Street to Ash Street.

RESOLUTION NO. 2016 – 26

RESOLUTION FOR IMPROVEMENT BY MUNICIPALITY
UNDER THE ILLINOIS HIGHWAY CODE

Mr. Karch provided a brief overview. Staff had reviewed Lafayette St. from Center St. to Ash St. for improvements. A Feasibility Study would look at the existing constraints and improvement recommendations. Approximately 2,500 vehicles used this intersection daily. There had been thirty-five (35) accidents resulting in four (4) injuries at this intersection in the last five (5) years.

The Study would include: a field survey, right-of-way research, improvement alternatives, public outreach, stakeholder meetings, a finalized report, creating exhibits and estimating project costs. A cost/benefit analysis for plausible alternatives and the no-build alternative would be performed. The information would guide staff and Council in the future roadway planning. The Feasibility Study was scheduled to be completed by December 19, 2016. Funding for same would come from the Motor Fuel Tax (MTF) fund.

Pre-qualified vendors for engineering, architectural, and land surveying services were approved on March 14, 2016 through Resolution 2016-10. Same had established seven (7) services categories and identified qualified vendors to provide such services in each category. Staff reviewed the three (3) firms under the Pavement category and determined the Farnsworth Group to be the most qualified to do the work. The Farnsworth Group was selected for this

project based on their roadway planning experience. Same was selected for the Utility and Survey categories on March 14, 2016 through Resolution 2016-10.

Alderman Lower questioned the difference in funding the two (2) projects. Mr. Karch stated the cost of the project was the determining factor. Changes to an intersection would not be as costly as construction to a portion of a street. Council could approve using either MTF and/or Bonds.

Motion by Alderman Painter, seconded by Lower, that a Resolution approving the Engineering Services Agreement (ESA) in the amount of $76,548.13 with Farnsworth Group be adopted, and authorize the City Manager and City Clerk to execute the ESA, and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute the Resolution.

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

Ayes: Aldermen Lower, Sage, Mwilambwe, Painter, Schmidt, Hauman, Black and Fruin.

Recused: Alderman Amelia Buragas.
[8:33 PM Minutes:] Alderman Buragas left the dais.
[8:36 PM Minutes:] Alderman Buragas returned to the Meeting.

Nays: None.

Motion carried.

Item 8E: Consideration of an approving an Ordinance Budget Amendment for FY 2017 in the amount of $25,000.00, and approve an Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) to support operations at the Route 66 Visitors Center at the McLean County Museum of History.

ORDINANCE NO. 2016 – 66

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE BUDGET ORDINANCE
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING APRIL 30, 2017

Mr. Hales provided a brief overview. He recognized Beth Whisman, Historical Society Director.

On April 25, 2016, the new *Cruisin' with Lincoln on 66* Visitors Center (Center), located at the McLean County Museum of History (Museum), attained its operation's one (1) year anniversary. The Center had approximately 18,000 visitors. More than 3,000 guests represented thirty-two (32) nations, forty-five (45) states and more than 100 Illinois communities. According to a study by an economics graduate student at Illinois Wesleyan University, the Center's local economic impact in its first four (4) months was approximately $445,049. The collaboration had succeeded in attracting Route 66 tourists and new dollars that might have otherwise bypassed our community.

In Fiscal Year 2016, the Convention and Visitors Bureau (CVB) provided $25,000 for marketing and promoting the Center. It was originally assumed the Museum would provide space and volunteer staff for the Center. The past year had demonstrated that there were more costs associated with running a successful Center. Beyond the marketing funds, the Museum spent approximately $60,000 on operational expenses to manage and staff the center, which included: researching the tourism market, conducting outreach among opinion leaders and developing community events and promotions. The Museum provided space that had a rent value of $33,732 and more than $60,000 in volunteer hours. Many CVBs relied on volunteers to operate Visitors Centers in other communities. Volunteer recruitment, training and management were provided by the Museum.

Additional funds came from the Museum's annual operating fund which was primarily supported by philanthropists whose purpose was to support the Museum's educational mission. Moving forward, the Museum had developed a plan to reduce these costs by hiring a new part-time staff person. The first year's operations included a part-time Center manager who worked Monday through Thursday. To cover duties on Fridays and Saturdays, full-time staffers rotated each week. The Museum believed hiring a second part-time employee for Fridays and Saturdays would be cost-effective and eliminate what had become a productivity strain. This move would reduce costs by approximately $10,000.

The Museum was requesting the CVB to budget $50,000 in Fiscal Year 2017 using local hotel-motel funds to support the Center's operations. It was proposed the CVB pay this up front at a ninety percent (90%) level with a ten percent (10%) retainage to be paid to the Museum after an annual report was provided to the CVB. This amount would be added to the previously budgeted $25,000 in marketing support. Both the City and the Town of Normal (Town) had voiced support for this proposal. Considering the initial cost projections by the CVB for an independent Center were nearing $100,000 for overhead, staffing and marketing, this collaboration continued to show a cost savings of $25,000.

Alderman Black stated he served with the CVB. Same had passed the budget with the $25,000 allotted to the Center. He welcomed Council's feedback to take to the CVB.

Alderman Hauman questioned who was on the Advisory Committee (Committee). Ms. Whisman mentioned a few currently on the Committee: multiple advocates along the Route 66 route; IL Route 66 Association; Trish Stiller, Executive Director, Department of Veterans Affairs (DVA); Steve Rasmussen, Assistant City Manager; Wayne Aldrich, Public Works Director, the Town; and multiple staff members of the Museum. Alderman Hauman questioned how the staff members and volunteers were kept up to date on activities. Ms. Whisman stated quarterly meetings were held. A newsletter, the kiosk and brochures all advertise upcoming events.

Ms. Whisman stated in October, 2016 there would be a Route 66 Conference. The Advisory Board had been spearheading the effort to build the corridors along the route. The Red Carpet Corridor went from Pontiac to Towanda, the White Carpet Corridor went to Springfield and the Blue Carpet Corridor went to East St. Louis.

Alderman Lower questioned the City's participation in events with other towns along the corridors. Alderman Black stated this type of event was something that would benefit the City and he would bring this back to the CVB Board. He questioned the structure of the CVB.

Motion by Alderman Schmidt, seconded by Alderman Black, that the Ordinance Budget Amendment for FY 2017 be approved, the IGA be approved and payment of $25,000 processed paid to the McLean County Historical Society; authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute the Ordinance, and the City Manager and City Clerk to execute the Intergovernmental Agreement.

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

Ayes: Aldermen Lower, Sage, Mwilambwe, Painter, Schmidt, Hauman, Black and Fruin.

Recused: Alderman Amelia Buragas.
[8:37 PM Minutes:] Alderman Buragas left the dais.
[8:55 PM Minutes:] Alderman Buragas returned to the Meeting.

Nays: None.

Motion carried.

Item 8F: Consideration of adopting a Resolution waiving the competitive bidding process to enter into a contract for a one year pilot program with All City Management Service (ACMS) to staff, supervise, and administer the crossing guard program currently administered by the Bloomington Police Department. ***This item tabled for further discussion.***

RESOLUTION NO. 2016 –

A RESOLUTION WAIVING THE FORMAL BIDDING PROCESS AND AUTHORIZING A ONE YEAR CONTRACT WITH ALL CITY MANAGEMENT (ACMS) TO ADMINISTER THE CROSSING GUARD PROGRAM, IN A NOT TO EXCEED AMOUNT OF $79,020.

Assistant Chief Bays provided a brief overview. The Bloomington Police Department provided school crossing guards for Unit #5 and District #87 schools within our corporate limits. There were ten (10) crosswalks utilizing crossing guards. The labor costs were $45,000 plus an additional $8,000 and an $800/each bonus for not missing work assignments the entire year.

Contracting with All City Management Service (ACMS) would free up staff hours spent administering the program allowing them to focus on their primary duties. The City would reduce liability exposure. Soft costs associated with all personnel involved with facilitating this program were approximately $22,300, bringing the total current cost of the program to approximately $67,000. Same does not include expenses related to liability exposure through worker's compensation and/or employee negligence. ACMS assumes liability and insures the City against same.

Sworn police officers spent approximately 199 hours on crossing guard related activities. The number of School Resource Officers (SRO's) in the schools was reduced by one, further limiting the ability to provide the same level of oversight once given to the crossing guard program. Contained within the $22,300, was approximately thirty-two (32) hours of sworn police officer time staffing unattended crosswalks.

ACMS had provided a one (1) year quote not to exceed $79,020 for the coming school year. Though this quote does exceed the current calculated costs spent on the crossing guard program, it included liability protections not in the current program. The Contract would return staff and police officers back to their main mission.

Other police departments contacted utilizing this company have all had positive feedback regarding the quality and service dependability.

Alderman Fruin questioned contacting District 87 and Unit 5 representatives to provide feedback as needed once the contract began, should it be approved. Assistant Chief Bays stated the school representatives had no experience with ACMS. If the pilot program occurred, their feedback would be requested.

Alderman Schmidt questioned the requirement for a motion to table this item. Mr. Jurgens stated no motion was required.

Alderman Black questioned accountability and background checks of local hires with a new company. Assistant Chief Bays stated ACMS conducts background clearance compliant with Department of Justice standards.

Alderman Lower cited concern with additional liability and escalated costs associated with a new company. Assistant Chief Bays stated same could be addressed through a pilot program. He stated the Agreement contained a clause for either party to cancel by providing sixty (60) days written notice to the other.

Alderman Sage stated he understood the Contract would free police officers' time needed to pursue their primary duties and staff time from recruiting, interviewing, hiring, supervision, complaints, etc. He supported further review.

City Manager's Discussion

Mr. Hales thanked Beth Oakley, Executive Secretary and Nora Dukowitz, Communications Manager, for their assistance to the City Clerk's office. He recommended placing the Linden St. resurfacing project on a temporary hold to provide the City time to hold a neighborhood meeting to answer questions, verify conditions of the underground utilities, etc.

Mayor Discussion

Mayor Renner thanked Alderman Hauman for residing over the Mayor's Open House, July 8, 2016. He commemorated the twenty (20) year anniversary of the "Not in Our Town" movement that began in Bloomington.

City Alderman's Discussion

Alderman Lower encouraged Council to look at the overall economic impact and the current health of the economy when reviewing the five (5) year Capital Improvement Program (CIP). He visited a car show at Towanda Plaza on July 9, 2016. He hoped the City would plan a similar event Downtown soon.

Adjournment

Motion made by Alderman Black, seconded by Alderman Schmidt, to adjourn the meeting at 9:17 p.m.

Motion carried (viva voce).

CITY OF BLOOMINGTON

Tari Renner, Mayor

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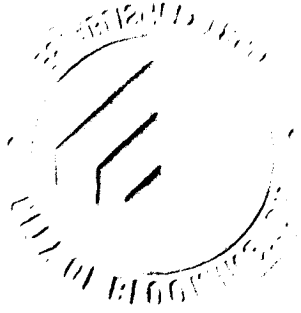
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