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**ORDINANCE NO. 2792**

**AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF COLUMBIA, ILLINOIS TO PROCEED WITH A GRANT APPLICATION TO THE ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES TO PURCHASE AMERICAN LEGION FIELDS**

*Ronald Colyer*  
City Clerk

WHEREAS, the City of Columbia, Illinois, (the "CITY"), is a municipal corporation and body both corporate and politic created and existing in and by virtue of the laws of the State of Illinois located in Monroe and St. Clair Counties, Illinois;

WHEREAS, the CITY has determined that the American Legion Fields (Lot 2 of American Legion Park) should be acquired by the CITY in order to preserve its use as a public recreational facility;

WHEREAS, the CITY has agreed with American Legion Post 581 to submit an application to the Illinois Department of Natural Resources through the Open Space Land Acquisition & Development (OSLAD) grant program for the purpose of securing matching funds for purchase of said parcel;

WHEREAS, the CITY has contracted with Southwestern Illinois Resource Conservation & Development, Inc. to prepare a grant application and supporting documentation;

WHEREAS, the CITY reviewed the resulting grant application and supporting documentation at a meeting of the Parks, Recreation & Open Space Committee on June 14, 2010;

WHEREAS, the City Council has determined and does hereby declare that it is in the welfare and best interest of the CITY to acquire this property for the purposes described above;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the City Council of the City of Columbia, Illinois, as follows:

**Section 1.** The aforementioned application, project description and budget are hereby approved as to form. The Mayor, through the Director of Community & Economic Development, is hereby authorized and directed to execute and deliver, for and on behalf of the city, any and all grant application forms and other documents required to be submitted by the City in order to apply for said Open Space Land Acquisition & Development Grant; and, the City Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to attest the same and affix thereto the corporate seal of the CITY, in as many counter parts as the Mayor shall decide.

**Section 2.** This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage, as provided by law.

Alderman Oberfell moved the adoption of the above and foregoing Ordinance; the motion was seconded by Alderman Ebersohl, and the roll call vote was as follows:

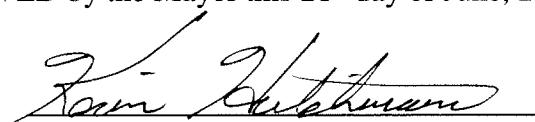
YEAS: Aldermen Ebersohl, Agne, Niemietz, Row, Hejna, Oberfell, Stumpf and Roessler.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

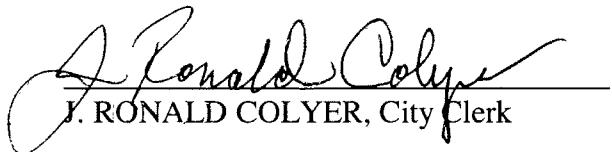
ABSTENTIONS: None.

PASSED by the City Council and APPROVED by the Mayor this 21<sup>st</sup> day of June, 2010.



KEVIN B. HUTCHINSON, Mayor

ATTEST:



J. RONALD COLYER, City Clerk

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