

**MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC HEARING BEFORE THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBIA, ILLINOIS
HELD MONDAY, APRIL 4, 2016 IN THE COUNCIL ROOM OF CITY HALL**

I. Opening

Alderman Ebersohl opened the public hearing at 6:47 P.M.

The following Alderman were:

Ebersohl	Present	Huch	Present
Agne	Present	Mathews	Present
Niemietz	Present	Reis	Present
Roessler	Present	Holtkamp	Present

Mayor Hutchinson was also present.

Administrative Staff present:

City Clerk Wes Hoeffken
City Attorney Terry Bruckert
Plan Commissioner Gene Bergmann
City Engineer Chris Smith

City Administrator James Morani
Building Inspector Justin Osterhage
Accounting Manager Linda Sharp
Director of Community & Economic
Development Paul Ellis

II. Purpose

Alderman Ebersohl explained the Public Hearing was scheduled to hear comments, input, and discussion on the proposed Redevelopment Plan and Project, Designation of the Main Street Abbey TIF Redevelopment Project Area, and Adoption of Tax Increment Financing.

III. Public Comments

Mr. Paul Ellis provided a brief summary of the TIF District and the requirements for the public hearing.

Mayor Hutchinson inquired if there were any comments from the public.

Dr. Segobiano, Superintendent for the Columbia School District, addressed the hearing by stating the School Board does support the proposed project but wants to ensure the Council works with the School Board to address revenue issues that might arise if occupants of any of the apartments within the TIF District include students of the school district. Mr. Bruckert stated the City is aware of the this situation and it will be addressed with the School District.

Mr. Michael Kish stated the future belongs to dreamers and this project will benefit the City by preserving the historic nature of the area while improving Main Street. Mr. Kish added this development will serve as an example to other developers.

Mr. Joe Sander stated he owns property across the street from the property and has some concerns about parking around the property and inquired how the developer is going to address parking issues. Mr. Greg Crawford stated that while parking has always been an issue, he is going to provide additional parking on the property and is always looking for ways to improve parking around the property.

Mr. Ellis reminded everyone in attendance the public hearing was to hear comments about the proposed TIF District and there will be other opportunities, such as the zoning review, to address parking type issues.

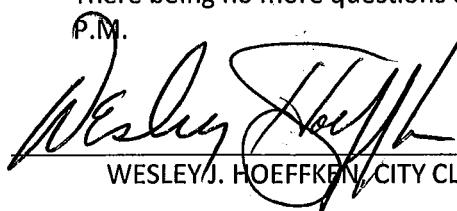
Mr. John Whitworth stated that he lives close to the property and while he did not always agree with TIF districts, he now has a better understanding of the benefit of a TIF and thinks this is a great project. Mr. Whitworth added parking is already an issue during special events, such as the Parish Picnic, ball games, and parades.

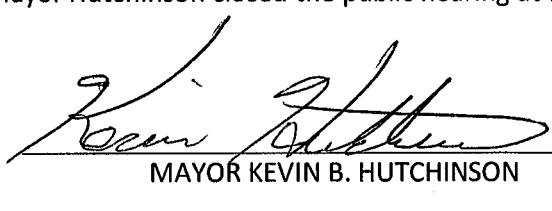
Fr. Carl Scherrer, Pastor for Immaculate Conception Church, stated this is a good partnership and with good team work, will be a win for everyone. Fr. Scherrer then thanked the Council for their cooperation with this project.

Mayor Hutchinson inquired if there were any comments from the Council. There were none.

IV. Close of Public Hearing

There being no more questions or comments, Mayor Hutchinson closed the public hearing at 7:05 P.M.



WESLEY J. HOEFFKEN, CITY CLERK

MAYOR KEVIN B. HUTCHINSON

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBIA, ILLINOIS
HELD MONDAY, APRIL 4, 2016 IN THE COUNCIL ROOM OF CITY HALL**

I. Call To Order

Mayor Hutchinson called the City Council of Columbia, Illinois to order at 7:07 P.M. Upon roll call, the following were:

Ebersohl	Present	Huch	Present
Agne	Present	Reis	Present
Niemietz	Present	Holtkamp	Present
Roessler	Present	Martens	Present

Quorum present. Those in attendance recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Administrative Staff present:

City Clerk Wes Hoeffken	City Administrator James Morani
City Attorney Terry Bruckert	Dir. Of Community and Economic Dev. Paul Ellis
Building Inspector Justin Osterhage	City Engineer Chris Smith
Accounting Manager Linda Sharp	Plan Commissioner Gene Bergmann

II. Delegations and Citizens' Comments

There were no delegations present.

III. Read and Approve Minutes

A. Regular Meeting

The minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting held Monday, March 21, 2016 were submitted for approval.

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Huch, and seconded by Alderman Roessler, to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of the City Council held Monday, March 21, 2016 as on file at City Hall.
Motion Passed 8 to 0.

Roll Call vote results:

Ebersohl	Yea	Agne	Yea	Niemietz	Yea
Roessler	Yea	Huch	Yea	Reis	Yea
Holtkamp	Yea	Martens	Yea		

IV. Report of Departments and Officers

A. Plan Commission

The Plan Commission meeting minutes of Monday, March 28, 2016 were presented to the Council.

B. Building and Zoning

The report of the Building and Zoning Department was presented to the Council.

1. Ordinance No. 3250 - Zoning Code Variance to Fred Stumpf

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Agne, and seconded by Alderman Martens, to approve Ordinance No. 3250, an ordinance to grant a Zoning Code Variance to Fred Stumpf for property located at 201 Carl Street in the City of Columbia, Illinois to reduce the required eighty (80) feet front yard requirement along a State Highway to twenty-six (26) feet.

Motion Passed 8 to 0.

Roll Call vote results:

Ebersohl	Yea	Agne	Yea	Niemietz	Yea
Roessler	Yea	Huch	Yea	Reis	Yea
Holtkamp	Yea	Martens	Yea		

C. Community and Economic Development

The report of the Community and Economic Development Department was presented to the Council.

1. Resolution No. 21-2015 - Amended Project Funding Agreement with Main Street Redevelopers, LLC

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Huch, and seconded by Alderman Ebersohl, to approve Resolution No. 21-2015, a resolution approving the amended Project Funding Agreement by and between the City of Columbia, Illinois and Main Street Developers, LLC. Motion Passed 8 to 0.

Roll Call vote results:

Ebersohl	Yea	Agne	Yea	Niemietz	Yea
Roessler	Yea	Huch	Yea	Reis	Yea
Holtkamp	Yea	Martens	Yea		

2. Special Event Application - Who Dat's Shrimp Boil

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Agne, and seconded by Alderman Reis, to approve the Special Event Permit Application for Who Dat's - Shrimp Boil scheduled to be held April 23, 2016 as submitted and on file at City Hall. Motion Passed 8 to 0.

Voice vote results:

Ebersohl	Yea	Agne	Yea	Niemietz	Yea
Roessler	Yea	Huch	Yea	Reis	Yea
Holtkamp	Yea	Martens	Yea		

D. City Engineer/Public Works

The report of the City Engineer was presented to the Council.

1. Ordinance No. 3251 - Employ Oates Associates, Inc. - N. Main Street Resurfacing Phase 2

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Ebersohl, and seconded by Alderman Martens, to approve Ordinance No. 3251, an ordinance to employ Oates Associates, Inc. of Collinsville, Illinois to render professional services to the City of Columbia, Illinois in connection with construction engineering services for the North Main Street Resurfacing Phase 2 Project. Motion Passed 8 to 0.

Roll Call vote results:

Ebersohl	Yea	Agne	Yea	Niemietz	Yea
Roessler	Yea	Huch	Yea	Reis	Yea
Holtkamp	Yea	Martens	Yea		

2. Resolution No. 22-2015 - North Main Street Resurfacing Phase 2 Project

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Ebersohl, and seconded by Alderman Niemietz, to approve Resolution No. 22-2015, a resolution authorizing improvements by a municipality under the Illinois Highway Code for the North Main Street Resurfacing Phase 2 Project. Motion Passed 8 to 0.

Roll Call vote results:

Ebersohl	Yea	Agne	Yea	Niemietz	Yea
Roessler	Yea	Huch	Yea	Reis	Yea
Holtkamp	Yea	Martens	Yea		

3. Approve Purchase of Two Ton Bucket Truck

Mr. Smith informed the Council the truck failed the inspection and the truck has been sent back to the seller. Mr. Smith also stated there is another bucket truck from a local utility company that he is investigating and will report back to the Council.

4. Bolm-Schuhkraft City Park

Mr. Smith informed the Council that Bolm-Schuhkraft City Park has been without power since the weekend and Ameren Illinois is working to resolve the issue.

E. Finance

1. Vouchers To Be Paid

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Roessler, and seconded by Alderman Huch, to authorize the payment of vouchers received through March 31, 2016 in the amount of two hundred ninety thousand, five hundred eighty-three dollars and seventy-three cents (\$290,583.73). Motion Passed 8 to 0.

Roll Call vote results:

Ebersohl	Yea	Agne	Yea	Niemietz	Yea
Roessler	Yea	Huch	Yea	Reis	Yea
Holtkamp	Yea	Martens	Yea		

F. City Attorney

The City Attorney had nothing to report.

G. Administration

The report of the City Administrator was presented to the Council.

H. Mayor

The report of the Mayor was presented to the Council.

Approve Reports of Departments and Officers

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Agne, and seconded by Alderman Ebersohl, to approve the report of Departments and Officers as presented and on file at City Hall. Motion Passed 8 to 0.

Voice vote results:

Ebersohl	Yea	Agne	Yea	Niemietz	Yea
Roessler	Yea	Huch	Yea	Reis	Yea
Holtkamp	Yea	Martens	Yea		

V. Old Business

There was no Old Business brought before the Council.

VI. New Business

There was no New Business brought before the Council.

VII. Report of Standing Committees

There were no Reports of Standing Committees.

VIII. Call for Committee Meetings

Monday, April 11, 2016

6:45 P.M. - Water and Sewer

7:00 P.M. - Municipal Buildings, Property, and Capital Improvements

7:10 P.M. - Committee of the Whole

IX. Executive Session

Mayor Hutchinson informed the Council that he would entertain a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss personnel as permitted under 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1).

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Roessler, and seconded by Alderman Reis, to direct the Mayor to go into Executive Session at 7:25 P.M. to discuss personnel as permitted under 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1). Motion Passed 8 to 0.

Roll Call vote results:

Ebersohl	Yea	Agne	Yea	Niemietz	Yea
Roessler	Yea	Huch	Yea	Reis	Yea
Holtkamp	Yea	Martens	Yea		

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Agne, and seconded by Alderman Reis, to return to the Regular Session of the City Council at 7:34 P.M. Motion Passed 8 to 0.

Roll Call vote results:

Ebersohl	Yea	Agne	Yea	Niemietz	Yea
Roessler	Yea	Huch	Yea	Reis	Yea
Holtkamp	Yea	Martens	Yea		

Upon return to Regular Session, Aldermen Ebersohl, Agne, Niemietz, Roessler, Huch, Reis, Holtkamp, Martens, and Mayor Hutchinson were present.

X. Adjournment

Motion:

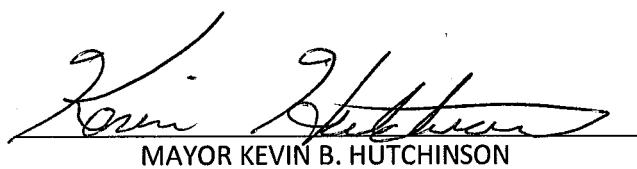
It was moved by Alderman Agne, and seconded by Alderman Reis, to adjourn the Regular City Council meeting held Monday, April 4, 2016 at 7:34 P.M. Motion Passed 8 to 0.

Roll Call vote results:

Ebersohl	Yea	Agne	Yea	Niemietz	Yea
Roessler	Yea	Huch	Yea	Reis	Yea
Holtkamp	Yea	Martens	Yea		



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