Regular City Council Meeting March 26, 2019 (Tuesday, March 26, 2019)
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Council Members present
Councilman Adam Loos, Councilwoman Jessica Bradshaw, Councilman Jeff Doherty, Councilman Tom Grant, Councilwoman Carolin Harvey, Councilman Navreet Kang, and Mayor John M Henry

Meeting called to order at 6:03 PM

1. Preliminaries to the City Council Meeting
   Procedural: 1.1 Roll Call

   Procedural: 1.2 Council Comments, General Announcements, and Proclamations

   Councilman Loos suggested moving Council Comments in the agenda order to after Citizens' Comments.

   Procedural: 1.3 Citizens' Comments and Questions

   Lee Fronabarger reminded citizens of early voting at Civic Center. He inquired about the possibility of increasing lighting at the Reed Station Road and Highway 13.

   Lee Hughes requested an update on a petition submitted for the placement of speed bumps on Wall Street.

   Valerie Muhammad noted that walkways will not help the matter as people drag race on Wall Street. She provided a handout of an article which she submitted to the Carbondale Times.

   Henry Muhammad expressed his support for the placement of speed bumps on Wall Street and offered community support for the project.

2. Public Hearings and Special Reports

3. Consent Agenda of the City Council
   Action (Consent): 3.1 Approval of Meeting Minutes from the Carbondale City Council Meeting of March 12, 2019
   Resolution: Approve the minutes from the Carbondale City Council meeting of March 12, 2019

   Action (Consent): 3.2 Approval of Warrant for the Period Ending: 03/08/2019 for the FY 2019 Warrant 1350 in the Total Amount of $808,492.06
   Resolution: Accept the following report of payments made for the period ended: 03/08/2019 totaling $808,492.06 (Exhibit A-03-26-2019)
Action (Consent): 3.3 Resolution Appropriating Motor Fuel Tax Funds for the FY 2020 Program for Maintenance of Streets and Alleys
Resolution: Approve a Resolution for Maintenance of Streets and Highways by Municipality Under the Illinois Highway Code for appropriating $497,222.75 in Motor Fuel Tax Funds pending review and approval by the Illinois Department of Transportation (Resolution 2019-R-19; Exhibit B-03-26-2019)

Action (Consent): 3.4 Award of Contract for the Bridge Maintenance and Rehabilitation Program Chautauqua Street Superstructure Replacement (ST1301) to E.T. Simonds Construction Company of Carbondale, Illinois in the Amount of $261,528.95
Resolution: Award the Contract for the Bridge Maintenance and Rehabilitation Program Chautauqua Street Superstructure Replacement (ST1301) to E.T. Simonds Construction Company of Carbondale, Illinois in the Amount of $261,528.95

Action (Consent): 3.5 Award of Purchase of Two Changeable Message Boards from Road Runner Safety Services of Carbondale, Illinois in the Amount of $31,100
Resolution: Award the purchase of two Changeable Message Boards from Road Runner Safety Services of Carbondale, Illinois, in the amount of $31,100

Action: 3.6 Acceptance of a Single Family Rehabilitation Program Grant from the Illinois Housing Development Authority in the amount of $378,000

Pulled by J. Doherty

Action (Consent): 3.7 Approval of Consent Agenda Items
Resolution: Approve all Consent Agenda items not pulled for separate consideration

MOTION: Approve all Consent Agenda items not pulled for separate consideration

Motion by Carolin Harvey, second by Navreet Kang.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Adam Loos, Jessica Bradshaw, Jeff Doherty, Tom Grant, Carolin Harvey, Navreet Kang, John M Henry

Action: 3.6 Acceptance of a Single Family Rehabilitation Program Grant from the Illinois Housing Development Authority in the amount of $378,000

This item was pulled to bring it to the attention of the public. The longevity of this program was noted.

MOTION: Adopt the Resolution accepting a Single Family Rehabilitation Program Grant from the Illinois Housing Development Authority in the amount of $378,000

Motion by Tom Grant, second by Jeff Doherty.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Adam Loos, Jessica Bradshaw, Jeff Doherty, Tom Grant, Carolin Harvey, Navreet Kang, John M Henry (Resolution 2019-R-20; Exhibit C-03-26-2019)
4. General Business of the City Council
Action: 4.1 Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Enter into an Economic Development Tax Increment Financing Agreement with Danny G. Terry for a Redevelopment Project at 213 E. Main Street

Council inquired about an approximate start timeline and what change in increment can be expected.

Donald Monty asked about the nature of the expected improvements. The City Manager indicated there would be façade improvements and interior improvements for the placement of a microbrewery and distillery.

MOTION: Approve the Resolution authorizing the City Manager to enter into an economic development tax increment financing agreement with Danny G. Terry for a redevelopment project at 213 E. Main Street

Motion by Adam Loos, second by Carolin Harvey.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Adam Loos, Jessica Bradshaw, Jeff Doherty, Tom Grant, Carolin Harvey, Navreet Kang, John M Henry (Resolution 2019-R-21; Exhibit C-03-26-2019)

Discussion: 4.2 City Council Discussion Regarding Community Agency Funding Requests for the FY 2020 Budget

Some Council members expressed support for funding those items presented and others expressed support for the recommendations submitted by Staff. There were inquiries about removing the training requirement for those organizations which have already undertaken the training, whether new agencies would have to meet those training requirements, which City staff will take over the organization funding request review process, what documentation had been received by Women for Change, considering whether to look at increasing funding for long-term organizational programming if Council was seeking to increase the funding at all, and suggestions to condition the approval of Women For Change’s funding request upon receipt of their 501(c)(3) status and additional documentation.

Lee Fronabarger inquired whether the criteria and guidelines which were developed some years back were still being followed.

Darnecia Moultrie spoke on behalf of Women for Change and for Spirit of Attucks. She also commented on the need to support the northeast community.

Donald Monty suggested looking at increases for longer operating organizations and conditioning approval of Women For Change’s request upon receipt of 501(c)(3) status.
5. Executive Session
Action: 5.1 Enter into Executive Session to Discuss Collective Negotiating Matters Between the Public Body and Its Employees or Their Representatives

MOTION: Enter into an Executive Session to discuss collective negotiating matters between the public body as permitted under the Illinois Open Meetings Act 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(2)

Motion by Jeff Doherty, second by Navreet Kang.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Adam Loos, Jessica Bradshaw, Jeff Doherty, Tom Grant, Carolin Harvey, Navreet Kang, John M Henry  Open session recessed at 6:47 p.m.

Action: 5.2 Motion to reenter into Open Session

MOTION: Return to Open Session.

Motion by Carolin Harvey, second by Jessica Bradshaw.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Adam Loos, Jessica Bradshaw, Jeff Doherty, Tom Grant, Carolin Harvey, Navreet Kang, John M Henry  Open session resumed at 6:57 p.m.

6. Adjournment of the City Council Meeting
Procedural: 6.1 Adjourn meeting

There being no further business to come before the public body, the meeting was declared adjourned at 6:58 p.m.

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Jennifer R. Sorrell, City Clerk   Date