



City Council Meeting

September 13, 2021

Agenda 6:45 p.m. [Watch Live](#)

City Council Chambers, City Hall, 3rd Floor, 1528 Third Avenue, Rock Island, IL

1. Call to Order
2. This meeting will also be conducted by audio and video conference without the requirement of a physically present quorum of the Rock Island City Council due to the disaster declaration issued by Governor Pritzker.

Because of this order related to COVID-19 health concerns affecting the State and the City, the Mayor has determined that an in-person meeting at City Hall with all participants may not be practical or prudent.

Alderspersons and Staff may not all be physically present at City Hall due to the disaster and physical attendance at City Hall may be limited. To participate remotely during the Public Comment or Public Hearing portion of the meeting, please join by phone at 1-484-403-0605 and use PIN: 478 634 692#.

3. Roll Call
4. Pledge of Allegiance
5. Moment of Silence
6. Public Comment
7. Minutes of the August 23, 2021 Special City Council meeting and minutes of the August 23, 2021 regular City Council meeting.

Motion: Motion whether or not to approve the minutes as printed.

RC Roll Call vote is needed.

Documents:

[MINUTES - AUGUST 23, 2021 SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING.PDF](#)
[MINUTES - AUGUST 23, 2021 CITY COUNCIL MEETING.PDF](#)

8. Minutes of the August 23, 2021 Executive Session.

Motion: Motion whether or not to approve the Executive Session minutes.

RC

Roll Call vote is needed.

9. Update Rock Island
10. Proclamation declaring the month of September, 2021 as Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month in the City of Rock Island.

Documents:

[PROCLAMATION - OVARIAN CANCER AWARENESS MONTH.PDF](#)

11. Mayor Thoms will close the regular meeting and open a Public Hearing on a request from Michelle Veasey for a waiver of the signature requirement to secure a Liquor License at 2107 4th Avenue.

Mayor Thoms will close the Public Hearing, reconvene the regular meeting, and entertain a motion.

Motion:

Motion whether or not to recommend to the Mayor/Liquor Commissioner to waive the signature requirement as requested and approve the liquor license.

RC

Roll Call vote is needed.

Documents:

[PUBLIC HEARING - VEASEY.PDF](#)

12. An Ordinance authorizing the issuance of two series of unlimited tax General Obligation Bonds,

Series 2021A for the refunding of all or a portion of the outstanding Taxable General Obligation Bonds, Series 2012A and the General Obligation Bonds Series 2013A; Series 2012B for the refunding of all or a portion of the outstanding Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA) Water Pollution Control Program Loan Payable of 2012 - Mill Street Wastewater Treatment Plant Expansion Phase 2; and IEPA Water Pollution Control Program Loan Payable of 2016 - Farmall Storage Tank Wastewater Project. (Second Reading)

Motion:

Motion whether or not to pass the ordinance.

RC

Roll Call vote is needed.

Documents:

[FINANCE - 2021 BONDS ORDINANCE AND ESCROW AGREEMENT,](#)

[052-21 \(SECOND READING\).PDF](#)

13. An Ordinance amending Chapter 3, Section 3-10 of the Code of Ordinances allowing grocery store employees and employees working at facilities operated by the Rock Island Parks Department with a Class L liquor license ages 18 to 20 to sell alcohol as a cashier through the course of their employment. (Second Reading)

Motion: Motion whether or not to pass the ordinance.
RC Roll Call vote is needed.

Documents:

[ORDINANCE - AMENDMENT TO CHAPTER 3, SECTION 3-10 \(SECOND READING\).PDF](#)

14. An Ordinance establishing a Police Community Relations Commission. (Second Reading)

Motion: Motion whether or not to pass the ordinance.
RC Roll Call vote is needed.

Documents:

[ORDINANCE - POLICE COMMUNITY RELATIONS COMMISSION \(SECOND READING\).PDF](#)

15. Claims

- a. Report from General Administration regarding payment in the amount of \$30,000.00 to Factory Productions for expenses related to Ya Maka My Weekend.

Documents:

[CLAIM - YA MAKA MY WEEKEND SUPPORT PAYMENT.PDF](#)

- b. Report from the Public Works Department regarding payment #1 and final in the amount of \$21,388.79 to the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) for work performed on 15th Street (US 67) between Centennial Bridge and 5th Avenue.

Motion: Motion whether or not to approve Claims Items A and B.
RC Roll Call vote is needed.

Documents:

[CLAIM - IDOT PAYMENT, 2021-154.PDF](#)

- c. Report from the Public Works Department regarding payment in the amount of \$47,502.55 to McClintock Trucking & Excavating, Inc., Silvis, IL for services

provided at 3738 12th Street, 12 Blackhawk Hills Drive, 2021 34th Street, and 3320 21st Avenue as part of the Sewer Lateral Repair Program, Project 2564.

Documents:

[CLAIM - MCCLINTOCK TRUCKING AND EXCAVATING FOR SLRP, 2021-152.PDF](#)

- d. Report from the Public Works Department regarding payment #2 in the amount of \$173,620.89 to Langman Construction Co, Inc., Rock Island, IL for work performed under contract between June 14 and August 12, 2021 as part of the Blackhawk Hills Dr & River Heights Reconstruction, Project 2815.

Documents:

[CLAIM - LANGMAN CONSTRUCTION, 2021-153.PDF](#)

- e. Report from the Public Works Department regarding payment in the amount of \$25,035.00 to General Constructors, Inc., Bettendorf, IA for services provided February 23 to February 26, 2021 for the Sunset Marina Lift Well Repair, Project 2838.

Motion: Motion whether or not to approve Claims Items C through E.

RC Roll Call vote is needed.

Documents:

[CLAIM - GENERAL CONSTRUCTORS, 2021-156.PDF](#)

- 16. Claims for the weeks of August 13 through August 19, 2021 in the amount of \$513,002.84; August 20 through August 26, 2021 in the amount of \$404,389.64; August 27 through September 2, 2021 in the amount of \$325,090.05; and payroll for the weeks of August 9 through August 22, 2021 in the amount of \$1,514,255.73.

Motion: Motion whether or not to allow the claims and payroll.

RC Roll Call vote is needed.

Documents:

[AP CHECK REGISTER 081921.PDF](#)
[AP CHECK REGISTER 082621.PDF](#)
[AP CHECK REGISTER 090221.PDF](#)
[PAYROLL EXPENSE POSTING REPORT 082721.PDF](#)

- 17. Report from the Community and Economic Development Department regarding a request to waive section four of the July 2011 development agreement with the Rock Island Economic Growth Corporation. (First Reading)

Motion: Motion whether or not to waive section four of the July 2011 Goldman Family Lofts development

agreement and consider the ordinance.

RC Roll Call vote is needed.

Documents:

[CED - GOLDMAN FAMILY BLOCK DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT \(FIRST READING\).PDF](#)

18. Report from the Community and Economic Development Department regarding a request to waive section six of the July 2011 agreement between the City and the Rock Island Economic Growth Corporation related to the property at 1700 2nd Avenue. (First Reading)

Motion: Motion whether or not to approve the waiver and consider the ordinance.

RC Roll Call vote is needed.

Documents:

[CED - DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT FOR SHOPPES ON 2ND \(FIRST READING\).PDF](#)

19. Report from the Community and Economic Development Department regarding an amendment to the Zoning Code, Article 11, section 11.15, regarding minor home occupations. (First Reading)

Motion: Motion whether or not to approve the amendments to the Zoning Code and consider the ordinance.

RC Roll Call vote is needed.

Documents:

[CED - MINOR HOME OCCUPATION ZONING CODE AMENDMENT \(FIRST READING\).PDF](#)

20. Report from the Community and Economic Development Department regarding an additional exemption to the Code of Ordinances to allow for additional hunting in the southwest area of the City. (First Reading)

Motion: Motion whether or not to consider the Southwest Hunting Exemption ordinance.

RC Roll Call vote is needed.

Documents:

[CED - SOUTHWEST HUNTING EXEMPTION ORDINANCE \(FIRST READING\).PDF](#)

21. Report from the Community and Economic Development Department regarding the sale of City-owned property located at 1229 2nd Avenue (PIN #0735101006) to

Mr. Jacob Meisenbach for \$1.00 plus closing costs. (First Reading)

Motion: Motion whether or not to approve the sale as recommended; authorize the City Manager to execute the sale agreement; and consider the ordinance.

RC Roll Call vote is needed.

Documents:

[CED - SALE OF CITY-OWNED REAL ESTATE AT 1229 2ND AVE \(FIRST READING\).PDF](#)

22. Report from the Public Works Department regarding an amendment to Chapter 16, Article III, Section 16-85 of the Code of Ordinances to correct the wastewater rate for the 1 1/2" meter size.

Motion: Motion whether or not to consider, suspend the rules, and pass the amended ordinance.

RC Roll Call vote is needed.

Documents:

[PW - 2021 WASTEWATER RATE CHANGE ORDINANCE AMENDMENT, 2021-158.PDF](#)

23. Report from the Traffic and Engineering Committee regarding a request to ban parking on the west side of 29th Street south of 25th Avenue. (First Reading)

Motion: Motion whether or not to approve the request and consider the ordinance.

RC Roll Call vote is needed.

Documents:

[TEC - BAN PARKING 29TH STREET AT 25TH AVE, 2021-092 \(FIRST READING\).PDF](#)

24. Report from the Traffic and Engineering Committee regarding a request to ban parking on the west side of 10th Street West between 79th and 83rd Avenues West. (First Reading)

Motion: Motion whether or not to approve the request as recommended and consider the ordinance.

RC Roll Call vote is needed.

Documents:

[TEC - BAN PARKING 10TH ST W AND 79TH TO 83RD AVENUES, 2021-094 \(FIRST READING\).PDF](#)

25. Report from the Traffic and Engineering Committee regarding a request to remove a handicapped parking space in front of 2032 35th Street. (First Reading)

Motion: Motion whether or not to approve the request and consider the ordinance.

RC Roll Call vote is needed.

Documents:

[TEC - REMOVE HANDICAPPED SPACE 2032 35TH ST, 2021-149 \(FIRST READING\).PDF](#)

26. Report from the Traffic and Engineering Committee regarding requests from Michael Matherly and Melissa Greenwood to install a School Speed Zone on 17th Street between 23rd and 25th Avenues. (First Reading)

Motion: Motion whether or not to approve the request as recommended and consider the ordinance.

RC Roll Call vote is needed.

Documents:

[TEC - INSTALL SCHOOL SPEED ZONE, 2021-150 \(FIRST READING\).PDF](#)

27. Report from the Public Works Department regarding a resolution declaring support for the submittal of a SRTS (Safe Routes to School) Grant application for Denkmann Elementary School at 20th Avenue between 38th and 44th Streets.

Motion: Motion whether or not to approve the resolution.

RC Roll Call vote is needed.

Documents:

[PW - RESOLUTION SUPPORTING DENKMAN SRTS GRAND APPLICATION, 2021-057.PDF](#)

28. Report from the Finance Department regarding a budget adjustment in the amount of \$175,000.00 to increase revenues and expenditures in the Community/Economic Development Fund as a result of a grant awarded through the Illinois Housing Development Authority (IHDA) Strong Community Program.

Motion: Motion whether or not to approve the budget adjustment as recommended.

RC Roll Call vote is needed.

Documents:

[FINANCE - CED BUDGET ADJUSTMENT, 055-21.PDF](#)

29. Report from the Finance Department regarding a budget transfer request from the Information and Technology Department in the amount of \$13,239.50 for the purpose of purchasing computer equipment needed to complete a Microsoft upgrade project.

Motion: Motion whether or not to approve the reallocation and budget transfer.

RC Roll Call vote is needed.

Documents:

[FINANCE - IT BUDGET ADJUSTMENT, 056-21.PDF](#)

30. Report from the Human Resources Department regarding the appointment of Human Resources Director Rob Baugous as the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund (IMRF) Authorized Agent.

Motion: Motion whether or not to approve the appointment as recommended, and authorize Human Resources to complete IMRF form 2.20 and submit it to IMRF.

RC Roll Call vote is needed.

Documents:

[HR - IMRF AUTHORIZED AGENT APPOINTMENT.PDF](#)

31. Report from the City Clerk's office regarding a request from St. George Greek Orthodox Church to use sound amplification on Friday, September 17 and Saturday, September 18, 2021 from 11:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. both days at 2930 31st Avenue.

Motion: Motion whether or not to approve the sound amplification permit as recommended.

RC Roll Call vote is needed.

Documents:

[CITY CLERK - ST. GEORGE GREEK CHURCH SOUND AMPLIFICATION.PDF](#)

32. Report from the City Clerk's office regarding a request from the Rock Island High School Student Council to use sound amplification on Saturday, September 25, 2021 from 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. on the east lawn of the school campus for a Homecoming Dance.

Motion: Motion whether or not to approve the sound amplification permit as recommended.

RC Roll Call vote is needed.

Documents:

[CITY CLERK - SOUND AMP - RI HIGH SCHOOL HOMECOMING DANCE.PDF](#)

33. Report from the City Clerk's office regarding a request from Penni Steen, owner of Skellington Manor, to close the southern half of 18th Street, 4th to 5th Avenues, on Fridays, Saturdays, and Sundays from 5:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. spanning the dates of October 1 through October 31, 2021 (15 days total) as part of their haunted house attraction, allowing patrons space to properly social distance as they wait in line.

Motion: Motion whether or not to approve the street closing request as recommended.

RC Roll Call vote is needed.

Documents:

[CITY CLERK - SKELLINGTON MANOR STREET CLOSING.PDF](#)

34. Report from the City Clerk's office regarding a Plaza Activity application from Jack Cullen, Downtown Rock Island Director for the Quad Cities Chamber of Commerce, for an outdoor concert on Saturday, September 18, 2021 from 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.; a request for street closures of 18th Street from the alley near Icons Martini Bar to the alley next to Huckleberry's and 2nd Avenue from 18th to 19th Streets; a request for the outdoor consumption of alcohol in the fenced-in area; and a request for sound amplification.

Motion: Motion whether or not to approve the event and requests as recommended including the street closures, subject to complying with all Plaza and liquor license regulations, and subject to being closed down early if complaints are received.

RC Roll Call vote is needed.

Documents:

[EVENT - QCCC NOLA BLOCK PARTY.PDF](#)

35. Other Business

36. Executive Session

5 ILCS 120/2 (c)(11) Litigation, when an action against, affecting or on behalf of the particular public body has been filed and is pending before a court or administrative tribunal, or when the public body finds that an action is probable or imminent, in which case the basis for the finding shall be recorded and entered into the minutes of the closed meeting

Motion: Motion whether or not to go into Executive Session
for the exception cited.

RC Roll Call vote is needed.

37. Motion to Adjourn

Adjourn to Monday, September 27, 2021.

Motion: Motion whether or not to adjourn.

RC Roll Call vote is needed.

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