
**PROCEEDINGS OF A SPECIAL COUNCIL WORK SESSION MEETING
OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PEKIN, ILLINOIS,
HELD AT PEKIN HIGH SCHOOL VOCATIONAL CENTER
1903 COURT STREET
ON TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2011 AT 1:00 O'CLOCK P.M.
LAURIE L. BARRA, MAYOR PRESIDING**

**PRESENT: COUNCIL MEMBERS, ABEL, BLANCHARD, HENDRICKS, SCHMIDGALL,
MASSAGLIA, MCCABE, AND BARRA**

ABSENT: NONE

A work session with Council and staff to discuss a strategic plan and services for the City was proposed at the Council Meeting of September 12, 2011. Notice was properly posted and Council received notice of the special meeting on Friday, September 23, 2011.

The **Pledge of Allegiance** was led by Mayor Barra.

Roll was called and all Council Members were physically present except Council Member McCabe who entered the meeting at 2:55 p.m. A quorum was present.

AGENDA

Motion by Council Member Schmidgall, seconded by Council Member Massaglia, that **the agenda be approved as presented**. Motion carried viva voce vote.

NEW BUSINESS

STRATEGIC PLAN AND SERVICES

City Manager Joseph Wuellner stated the purpose of the work session was to discuss jointly with staff the services the individual departments provide the citizens. The process was to review the discretionary items listed by the department heads and for Council to rate their importance.

The Manager next introduced Moderator Brad McMillan, Executive Director Institute for Principled Leadership in Public Service at Bradley University. Staff members introduced themselves to Mr. McMillan.

The question was posed to the group if the five pillars of the 2006 Conceptual Plan

- A Prosperous Community
- A Safe Community
- A Strong Foundation
- A High Quality of Life
- An Effective Government

were still applicable or needed to be revised or extended. Discussion followed on a measure of effectiveness of these five pillars. With limited time to the planning session, it was felt the group should move on to the discussion of the discretionary services list of each department.

Council Member John McCabe entered the meeting at 2:55 p.m.

Discussion continued with department heads presenting the description of the service provided, the approximate cost of the activities, and alternate if the service were discontinued. A variety of the discretionary items under the police and fire department were stated to be of nominal amounts and could be performed by the employee on duty.

Council Member returned their ranked service sheets to the City Manager to tally.

Council took no formal action.

No further business to come before the Council, Council Member Schmidgall motioned to adjourn and Council Member Abel seconded. Motion carried viva voce vote. Mayor Barra adjourned the meeting.

COUNCIL ADJOURNED AT 4:50 P.M.

Sue E. McMillan
City Clerk