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PROCEEDINGS OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PEKIN, ILLINOIS,
HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS OF CITY HALL
111 S. CAPITOL ST
ON MONDAY JUNE 28, 2021 AT 5:30 O'CLOCK P.M.
MARK LUFT * CHAIR * PRESIDING

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PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilmember Orrick. The City Clerk confirmed all members were present and logged on. A quorum was declared by Mayor Mark Luft.

Attendee Name	Organization	Title	Status	Arrived
Rick Hilst	City of Pekin	Councilman	Present	5:02 PM
Karen Hohimer	City of Pekin	Councilwoman	Present	5:07 PM
Dave Nutter	City of Pekin	Councilman	Present	5:00 PM
Becky Cloyd	City of Pekin	Councilwoman	Present	5:02 PM
Lloyd Orrick	City of Pekin	Mayor Pro-Tem	Present	5:06 PM
John P Abel	City of Pekin	Councilman	Present	5:03 PM
Mark Luft	City of Pekin	Mayor	Present	5:03 PM

APPROVE AGENDA

3.1. Motion to: **Approve agenda**

RESULT:	**ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER:	Karen Hohimer, Councilwoman
SECONDER:	Lloyd Orrick, Mayor Pro-Tem
AYES:	Hilst, Hohimer, Nutter, Cloyd, Orrick, Abel, Luft

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

4.1. City Council - Regular Meeting - Jun 14, 2021 5:30 PM

RESULT:	**ACCEPTED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER:	Karen Hohimer, Councilwoman
SECONDER:	John P Abel, Councilman
AYES:	Hilst, Hohimer, Nutter, Cloyd, Orrick, Abel, Luft

PUBLIC INPUT

No public input was given.

CONSENT AGENDA

6.1. Accounts Payable To Be Paid Proof List thru June 25, 2021

6.2. Financial Reports April 2021

6.3. Receive and File Bids for 2021 Chip Seal Project

6.4. Receive and File Bids for Court Street Traffic Signals Project

6.5. Receive and File Bids from 2021 Asphalt Patching Project

6.6. Receive and File Qualified Submissions for Engineering Roadway Design

Motion to: **Approve Consent Agenda**

Mayor Luft read the six items listed on the Consent Agenda.

RESULT:	**ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER:	Karen Hohimer, Councilwoman
SECONDER:	Becky Cloyd, Councilwoman
AYES:	Hilst, Hohimer, Nutter, Cloyd, Orrick, Abel, Luft

NEW BUSINESS

Motion to: **Amend Agenda Item 7.1 Ordinance No. 2991-21/22 Amending the Zoning Code Regarding Video Gaming Establishments to include I-1 Light Industrial**
Councilmember Abel motioned to amend the zoning code to allow gaming in I-1 seconded by Councilmember Orrick.

City Attorney, Ms. Kate Swise, clarified the amendment asking confirmation from Council that the motion was to extend video gaming as a permitted use in I-1.

Council agreed.

RESULT:	**ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER:	John P Abel, Councilman
SECONDER:	Lloyd Orrick, Mayor Pro-Tem
AYES:	Hilst, Hohimer, Nutter, Cloyd, Orrick, Abel, Luft

7.1. 2663 : Ordinance No. 2991-21/22 Amending the Zoning Code Regarding Video Gaming Establishments as Amended
City Manager, Mr. Mark Rothert, read the request to Council to amend the zoning code to allow video gaming in B-3 and B-2 ancillary to a restaurant or tavern.

Councilmember Hilst questioned whether the current gaming parlors not in B-3 would be grandfathered in.

Mr. Rothert explained that the Council could allow gaming in other districts such as I-1 and suggested Council make an amendment.

RESULT:	**ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER:	Karen Hohimer, Councilwoman
SECONDER:	Lloyd Orrick, Mayor Pro-Tem
AYES:	Hilst, Hohimer, Nutter, Cloyd, Orrick, Abel, Luft

7.2. Ordinance No. 2982-21/22 Amending the Zoning Code Regarding Placement of Self-Storage Facilities
City Manager, Mr. Mark Rothert, read the request Council to amend the zoning code regarding placement of self-storage facilities explaining that the current code did not specifically address the placement of such units. The ordinance was approved unanimously by the Planning Commission.

Councilmember Hilst discussed concern with allowing self-storage on Broadway Street a few months ago and how the language in the ordinance would not allow the placement of storage units adjacent to residential.

Council continued the discussion of the self-storage units on Broadway should the business decided to expand.

RESULT:	**ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER:	Lloyd Orrick, Mayor Pro-Tem
SECONDER:	Karen Hohimer, Councilwoman
AYES:	Hilst, Hohimer, Nutter, Cloyd, Orrick, Abel, Luft

7.3. Ordinance No. 2983-21/22 Amending The City Zoning Code to Provide for Construction of Handicap Access Ramps in Set Back Areas

City Manager, Mr. Mark Rothert read the request to Council to amend the zoning code to provide for construction of handicap access ramps in setback area of any yard on a residential lot. Mr. Rothert explained that the ordinance would remove the requirement that a homeowner seek approval from the Planning Commission and Council to construct a ramp even if it extends into the required set back as long as it met other code building and accessibility codes and did not ingress from or egress onto a city sidewalk or right of way.

Councilmember Hilst expressed concern that he did not have all the information as the minutes of the Planning Commission had not been approved.

RESULT:	**ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER:	Lloyd Orrick, Mayor Pro-Tem
SECONDER:	Karen Hohimer, Councilwoman
AYES:	Hilst, Hohimer, Nutter, Cloyd, Orrick, Abel, Luft

7.4. Ordinance No. Ordinance No. 2984-21/22 A Request to Consider a Special Use at 228 Margaret Street

City Manager, Mr. Mark Rothert, presented the request from the Planning and Zoning Commission to Council to consider a special use at 228 Margaret Street to allow paint-less dent repair in the B-3 District. Although not specifically listed in the municipal code, Council determined that the use would fall under automobile repair as a special use.

Councilmember Nutter discussed with Council if there should be consequences in place for the business for not obtaining a special use before opening the business and the business wanting to add gravel to the parking lot. Councilmember Nutter felt that additional gravel would wash out into the alley and would create a lake effect. Councilmember Nutter also questioned the previous agreement the city had with the owner of the property and whether there was a breach of contract since those plans had subsided.

Mayor Luft explained that in 2019 the city had worked out an agreement to move forward with a project at 228 Margaret Street but due to the pandemic those plans had been delayed. Mayor Luft further explained that the owner was losing revenue and continued with alternate plans.

Councilmember Orrick discussed with Council and staff the possible need for business licenses to help aid staff in determining what new businesses had opened and using those licenses as a mechanism to enforce code violations.

Mr. Rothert reminded Council that the City’s goal was to be more business friendly. Mr. Rothert also clarified that the alley was owned by the City and any drainage issues was the City’s responsibility.

Councilmember Hilst questioned whether an occupancy permit had been issued.

Mr. Rothert explained that no occupancy permit had yet been issued as inspections had determined that additional work needed to be completed.

Council continued to discuss the need for business licenses and it was the consensus to bring the tabled item back to Council for a vote.

RESULT:	**ADOPTED [6 TO 1]**
MOVER:	Lloyd Orrick, Mayor Pro-Tem
SECONDER:	John P Abel, Councilman
AYES:	Hohimer, Nutter, Cloyd, Orrick, Abel, Luft
NAYS:	Rick Hilst

7.5. Resolution No. 285-21/22 Authorization to Execute Agreement Related to Natural Gas and Electric Supply for City Facilities and Street Lights

City Manager, Mr. Mark Rothert, presented the request to Council to authorize the Mayor or City Manager to execute an agreement to purchase Natural Gas for city facilities and to purchase electricity for street lights, for a period of one to three years, at a fixed price, dependent on bids from Good Energy. Mr. Rothert explained that the City had previously entered into service agreements in 2019 with the assistance of Good Energy and that agreement had now expired.

Council discussed the length of the agreement and whether it was optimal timing.

Mr. Jarod McMorris, a representative from Good Energy, explained to Council that in normal circumstances, Spring and Fall showed the lowest rates, but due to the event in Texas and coming out of COVID, they did not see a decrease in the market. Mr. McMorris continued to explain that the pricing for street lights had not yet been determined and that the natural gas contract had been selected for 36 months and for the City to continue to save with that buying group, Council must agree to 36 months. The natural gas contract had been extended only to Pekin and East Peoria through today. Mr. McMorris continued the discussion stating that the rate was still competitive at 3.8 per therm and the City's contract had expired on May 1. The new contract would begin July 1 and Mr. McNorris did not foresee the prices decreasing with the rebound in the market and increased demand. Mr. McMorris also explained that once Council had given approval to proceed with the electricity for the street lights he would present a price proposal and then evaluate the length of the contract. Mr. McMorris did not recommend entering into a contract for more than 3 years for electricity.

Councilmember Nutter questioned whether the city's franchise agreement with Ameren covered the purchase of electricity for street lights.

Mr. McMorris explained that before COVID, Good Energy had worked closely with Ameren on franchise agreements. Mr. McMorris stated that they could now price out electricity for street lights on the open market now that the City was receiving cash instead of a discount, Good Energy could provide the City with an opportunity to save with another program.

RESULT:	**APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER:	Lloyd Orrick, Mayor Pro-Tem
SECONDER:	Karen Hohimer, Councilwoman
AYES:	Hilst, Hohimer, Nutter, Cloyd, Orrick, Abel, Luft

7.6. Ordinance No. 2992-21/22 Honorary Street Naming

City Manager, Mr. Mark Rothert, presented the request to Council to create a program to establish Honorary Street Names to recognize people for their achievement or significant events. Mr. Rothert informed Council that the fee for each sign would be $400. An application would be submitted and brought back to

Council for approval. Mr. Rothert complemented Councilmember Orrick for championing the program.

Councilmember Orrick thanked City Clerk, Ms. Sue McMillan, for her help.

RESULT:	**ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER:	Lloyd Orrick, Mayor Pro-Tem
SECONDER:	John P Abel, Councilman
AYES:	Hilst, Hohimer, Nutter, Cloyd, Orrick, Abel, Luft

7.7. Resolution No. 284-21/22 Designating Replacement of Bus Lease to Midwest Transit Equipment Inc. as a Qualified Tax-Exempt Obligation

Finance Director, Mr. Bruce Marston, reminded Council that back in February they had approved a bus lease to Midwest Transit Equipment to lease to the City a total of 88 school buses and in order to finalize that lease it was necessary to designate the lease as a Qualified Tax-exempt Obligation under the Internal Revenue Code for the current 73 buses.

RESULT:	**APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER:	Dave Nutter, Councilman
SECONDER:	Lloyd Orrick, Mayor Pro-Tem
AYES:	Hilst, Hohimer, Nutter, Cloyd, Orrick, Abel, Luft

7.8. Ordinance No. 2981-21/22 Amendment #1 to FY22 Budget

City Manager, Mr. Mark Rothert, presented the ordinance to Council for the first amendment to the FY22 Budget to reflect changes made with the State Budget, account for recent purchases by departments, correct budgetary imbalance in the Solid Waste Fund and to shift funding sources around to aid with operational planning. Mr. Rothert touched on some of the major amendments of the operational budget that included the addition of the 10% anticipated cut to income tax, increased cannabis revenue, increased street construction for Court Street by $200K, decreased allocations from CDBG anticipated to fund fire expenses and reallocated for sewer expenses. Mr. Rothert continued to discuss the detailed changes to the budget that also included recalculating the Business Development District Revenue from 8 months to 10 months, reduction of sewer fees, changes to the solid waste fund for balancing, and increased staff person. Mr. Rothert explained that with the amendment the operating budget indicated a better overall savings. Mr. Rothert proceeded to discuss changes to the capital budget that included renaming the surplus column to reserve funds, increased funding in CDBG that were not included, fire and CDBG shifting, fire station discussion, fire engine cost moved to CDBG loan and reallocating monies for sewer repairs for downtown Derby Street design engineering.

Mayor Luft spoke in favor of addressing the fire station buildings with the current Council and not postponing the discussion to a future Council.

Councilmember Nutter discussed the surplus figure and whether the number needed to be increased to add more work. Councilmember Nutter also questioned the tourism line item and the funding of $25K in sponsorship.

Councilmember Orrick requested a complete plan for the fire department to begin engineering and design work on the building requesting an outside firms opinion.

Councilmember Hilst questioned whether approving the amendment to the budget approved building new fire stations. Mayor Luft explained that that the intent of the vote was to move forward and that Council would still need to approve the design firm.

Council had detailed discussion on the condition of the current fire stations, the cost of repairs, and the allocated funding sources along with the CDBG criteria of low to moderate income areas.

CDBG Program Manager, Mr. David Bess, explained that to qualify for CDBG funding 51% or more would have to service low to moderate income households. Fire district areas did not just go along the line of the census tract as some could be rural and turn into a non-low to moderate income area, but that the census data also required a margin of error. Mr. Bess stated that it would be very possible to qualify but a census of the area and would not be guaranteed. Mr. Bess added that the service area was key not necessarily the location but the area it serviced.

Councilmember Hilst questioned the yearly cost of the bond how many fire stations would be built. Mr. Rothert stated that it would depend on due diligence, on call load and response time and that a specific number could not be given yet.

Councilmember Cloyd encouraged any Councilmember to visit the fire stations and described one comparable to a third world country.

RESULT:	**ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER:	Dave Nutter, Councilman
SECONDER:	Becky Cloyd, Councilwoman
AYES:	Hilst, Hohimer, Nutter, Cloyd, Orrick, Abel, Luft

7.9. Resolution No. 275-21/22 Support for 2021 Bike Night & Downtown Super Cruise

Pekin Bike Night and Downtown Super Cruise were annual events that had been held in the City for the last 15 years that had been supported by the City through its Tourism Fund.

Councilmember Orrick questioned what organization would receive the $3,500. Mr. Rothert explained that it was a volunteer group ran by firefighter Steve Bresnahan.

RESULT:	**APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER:	Dave Nutter, Councilman
SECONDER:	Karen Hohimer, Councilwoman
AYES:	Hilst, Hohimer, Nutter, Cloyd, Orrick, Abel, Luft

Motion to: **Approve Agenda Items 7.10 through 7.15 as a Block Vote**

RESULT:	**ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER:	Dave Nutter, Councilman
SECONDER:	Lloyd Orrick, Mayor Pro-Tem
AYES:	Hilst, Hohimer, Nutter, Cloyd, Orrick, Abel, Luft

Motion to: **Approve and Adopt Agenda Items 7.10 through 7.15 TIF Redevelopment Agreements**

City Manager, Mr. Mark Rothert, informed Council that Agenda Items 7.10 through 7.15 were all similar in form, each requesting funding through TIF to help businesses in one way or fashion.

Economic Development Director, Mr. Matt Fick, explained to Council that the deadline for this round of funding was June 4, 2021. The EDAC received 14 applications and based on the scoring system put in place by CivicServ, 6 applications were rated the top most eligible, and 5 were chose by the committee. Mr. Fick explained that Mr. Matt Scachette, President of Civicserv, created a scoring system that put more analytics behind the selection process. Pekin was being used as the pilot program, and Civicserv has also been working with other communities.

Mr. Matt Scachette explained the details of the software system and how it scored based on the goals of the City which included driving additional sales tax, adding new full-time employment jobs, constructions activities in higher tax assessment and local favor ship.

Councilmember Hilst felt that the system should have ranked all 14 applications to be placed on a list for approval. Councilmember Hilst did not feel he was given the same information as the advisory committees.

Councilmember Nutter also expressed concern that not all the applications were presented to Council. Councilmember Nutter also questioned the funding source in the budget. Mr. Rothert stated that there was $830K budgeted across all three TIF funds.

Councilmember Cloyd confirmed that $250K was budgeted for only this round.

Councilmember Orrick stated to Council that he had confidence that the staff handling the selection process were professionals and had faith in their decisions.

Council continued to discuss the selection process in detail along with prevailing wage requirements.

Mr. Rothert stated that Council not receiving all 14 applications was a misunderstanding on his part.

RESULT:	**ADOPTED [6 TO 0]**
MOVER:	Dave Nutter, Councilman
SECONDER:	Karen Hohimer, Councilwoman
AYES:	Hohimer, Nutter, Cloyd, Orrick, Abel, Luft
ABSTAIN:	Rick Hilst

7.10. 2656 : Ordinance No. 2985-21/22 TIF Redevelopment Agreement with Yesterday's Bar and Grill, Inc. as Amended

7.11. Ordinance No. 2986-21/22 TIF Redevelopment Agreement with Kelly Madden (DBA Primo Strength and Conditioning)

7.12. Ordinance No. 2987-21/22 TIF Redevelopment Agreement with Steger's LTD dba Steger's Furniture

7.13. Ordinance No. 2988-21/22 TIF Redevelopment Agreement with IDUNNTHAT, Inc.

7.14. Ordinance No. 2989-21/22 TIF Redevelopment Agreement with 8th Street Sweet Spot Operating Company

7.15. Ordinance No. 2990-21/22 TIF Redevelopment Agreement with SNH Investment, Inc.

7.16. Discussion - TIF Incentive Policy for New Residential Homes

City Manager, Mr. Mark Rothert, led the discussion regarding the TIF incentive policy for new residential homes. Mr. Rothert reminded Council that the City created a new tax increment finance district in January 2021 to help foster growth and development in the community. Mr. Rothert proposed that the city would establish an incentive program designed to incentivize individuals and families to build a new primary residence on property located in a residentially zoned area of an existing TIF District in the City. Mr. Rothert explained the two reimbursement options of 80% or 100%.

Councilmember Orrick questioned how many lots were available to build on. Mr. Rothert said that he spoke to Dave Whitehurst and he had 20 or so to be purchased and possibly 50 homes.

Councilmember Orrick expressed concern that the program targeted upscale wages and felt the city should look at older homes for rehab or a first time home buyer program.

Mr. Rothert explained that what would make the program work is it being in a TIF district and Council could choose to expand the Court Street TIF to the entire south side.

Councilmember Hohimer also expressed interest in targeting new homeowners and veterans and giving incentives to rehab older homes they could afford.

Councilmember Nutter also agreed to target renovation of current residences.

Councilmember Orrick spoke in favor of expanding the TIF district.

Mr. Rothert explained that the TIF fund grows by promoting new growth and reimbursing for eligible expenses like land acquisition.

Mr. Rothert added that working on a rehab program was more time intensive hence more staff time.

Councilmember Cloyd suggested sticking with the proposed plan and expanding on other options later.

Councilmember Orrick stated he supported either option.

Mr. Rothert said he would bring forward additional recommendations.

7.17. Resolution No. 276-21/22 Approving Master Service Agreement with Hanson for Roadway Design Engineering

City Engineer, Ms. Josie Esker, presented the request to Council to approve a masters service agreement with Hanson Professional Services for roadway design engineering professional services over the course of the next five years. To ensure compliance staff chose to follow the Qualifications Based Selections procedure. Ms. Esker assured Council that Hanson had done quite a bit of work in the past and were one of the top firms in the area. Ms. Esker also stated that the agreement would simplify task time.

Councilmember Hilst requested clarification on the language under Section 2 that stated that the City Manager or mayor could modify the agreement without coming back to Council.

City Attorney, Ms. Kate Swise, stated that Councilmember Hilst was correct and that it was standard language but the Mayor or City Manager could not make any substantial changes, only modify minor changes.

RESULT:	**APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER:	Becky Cloyd, Councilwoman
SECONDER:	Lloyd Orrick, Mayor Pro-Tem
AYES:	Hilst, Hohimer, Nutter, Cloyd, Orrick, Abel, Luft

7.18. Resolution No. 277-21/22 Approving Agreement with Hanson for Design Engineering on Derby

City Engineer, Ms. Josie Esker, presented the request to Council to enter into an agreement with Hanson Professional Services for Phase One of the Derby Street Project between 2nd and 4th Street. Ms. Esker stated that Phase 2 would be an additional cost.

Councilmember Orrick questioned if Phase 1 would determine if more right-of-way was required. Ms. Esker stated that it was one of the primary objectives in Phase One.

Cindy Lewis from Hanson Professional Services stated that alternatives for the different blocks and public involvement would be included with Council's direction to move forward.

RESULT:	**APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER:	Becky Cloyd, Councilwoman
SECONDER:	John P Abel, Councilman
AYES:	Hilst, Hohimer, Nutter, Cloyd, Orrick, Abel, Luft

7.19. Resolution No. 278-21/22 Approving Master Service Agreement with Terra for Roadway Design Engineering

City Engineer, Ms. Josie Esker, presented the request to Council to approve a master services agreement with Terra Engineering Ltd. For roadway engineering professional services over the course of the next 5 years. To ensure compliance staff chose to follow Qualifications Based Section procedure. Ms. Esker stated that Terra would assist the City with roadway design and project administration on an as needed basis. Ms. Esker added that she felt the application was a strong submittal.

RESULT:	**APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER:	Becky Cloyd, Councilwoman
SECONDER:	Karen Hohimer, Councilwoman
AYES:	Hilst, Hohimer, Nutter, Cloyd, Orrick, Abel, Luft

7.20. Resolution No. 279-21/22 Approve Agreement with Terra for Design Engineering in Downtown

City Engineer, Ms. Josie Esker, presented the request to Council to enter into an agreement with Terra Engineering Ltd for the engineering design of the Downtown Rehabilitation Project. Ms. Esker stated that this was the follow up to the previous agenda item and that the first project was the downtown rehabilitation project with a heavy ADA aspect of getting ramps up to current standards. Ms. Esker explained that staff has been working with the railroad to provide pedestrian crossing, which will include Phase 1 and Phase 2 design and preliminary sewer storm cost estimate. Ms. Esker added that there was currently a combined sewer but was something that still needed discussed to separate the system like Court Street downtown area.

Mr. Rothert confirmed with Council that funding would come from TIF in the column for the reserve funds coming from the $2M allocated. Mr. Rothert further explained that it was a lot of mixing and matching of funding sources with Derby Street being paid out of TIF, BDD, and reserve funds, and downtown was being paid out of reserve funds because it was a lower amount needed. Construction would begin in the next few weeks.

RESULT:	**APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER:	Becky Cloyd, Councilwoman
SECONDER:	John P Abel, Councilman
AYES:	Hilst, Hohimer, Nutter, Cloyd, Orrick, Abel, Luft

7.21. Resolution No. 280-21/22 Approve Local Public Agency Agreement with IDOT for Parkway Drive Construction (19-00194-00-RS)

City Engineer, Ms. Josie Esker, explained to Council that the request was an agreement with IDOT to utilize federal funding for Parkway Drive project to resurface the road with new asphalt from Willow Street to City limits at Lick Creek. Ms. Esker advised that the project was awarded federal Surface Transportation Program – Urban funding for construction of the project up to $268,000. Total cost of the project was estimated at $962,000, the difference to be paid for with the Rebuild Illinois funds previously approved by Council.

RESULT:	**APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER:	Rick Hilst, Councilman
SECONDER:	Lloyd Orrick, Mayor Pro-Tem
AYES:	Hilst, Hohimer, Nutter, Cloyd, Orrick, Abel, Luft

7.22. Resolution No. 281-21/22 Award the Court Street Traffic Signals Project to Laser Electric

City Engineer, Ms. Josie Esker, presented the request to Council to award a construction contract for traffic signal work at Valle Vista and Court and at Entrance and Court to Laser Electric, Inc. Ms. Esker explained that it was preferable to have included the award in the original contract but was required to bid it out separately. Signal work would include emergency traffic signals at the fire station that could only be activated by the press of a button from inside the fire station or emergency vehicles that approach with their lights on. Ms. Esker concluded that three bids were received for the project with the low bid being 24% over the Engineers estimate.

Councilmember Orrick spoke in favor of the agenda item stating that the City had previously tried to get the State to do the project and it was denied because it was a T intersection.

Councilmember Nutter pointed out that the resolution had a budgeted amount of $3.5M but the amended budget had an amount of $3.3M. Ms. Esker explained that there was another figure off to the side on the capital budget located on the front sheet. Mr. Rothert confirmed that it stated $3.3M with a total of $3.5M available.

RESULT:	**APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER:	Rick Hilst, Councilman
SECONDER:	Becky Cloyd, Councilwoman
AYES:	Hilst, Hohimer, Nutter, Cloyd, Orrick, Abel, Luft

7.23. Resolution No. 282-21/22 Award 2021 Hot-Mix Asphalt Patching Project to R.A. Cullinan

City Engineer, Ms. Josie Esker, presented the request to Council to award street maintenance patching to R.A. Cullinan and Son to hot-mix asphalt patch the roads in the previously approved 2021 Street Maintenance Plan in advance of the chip seal project. The City received two bidders and was significantly over budget by 39%. Ms. Esker stated that because it was a fairly low dollar amount it could be fit into the MFT resolution budget.

Councilmember Hilst pointed out that the request stated that because of the overage some reductions in scope may be needed in order to stay within the MFT resolution amount and questioned whether that was referring to the asphalt patching project. Ms. Esker explained that it would depend on what the other bids came back at but felt if the bids came back lower on some of the other projects it would even itself out. Should the bids come back higher, the City may have to reduce what roads are patched and chip sealed, but felt it would not be a huge reduction.

RESULT:	**APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER:	Rick Hilst, Councilman
SECONDER:	John P Abel, Councilman
AYES:	Hilst, Hohimer, Nutter, Cloyd, Orrick, Abel, Luft

7.24. Resolution No. 283-21/22 Award 2021 Chip Seal Project to R.A. Cullinan

City Engineer, Ms. Josie Esker, presented the request to Council to award R.A. Cullinan and Son the chip seal project in the approved 2021 Street Maintenance Plan. The City received one bid for the project which was typical due to the limited amount of companies that perform that type of work in the area. Ms. Esker stated that the bid was 2% over the engineer’s estimate.

RESULT:	**APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER:	Rick Hilst, Councilman
SECONDER:	Lloyd Orrick, Mayor Pro-Tem
AYES:	Hilst, Hohimer, Nutter, Cloyd, Orrick, Abel, Luft

ANY OTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE COUNCIL

City Engineer, Ms. Josie Esker, announced that there would be a special meeting of the Council on Thursday at Noon.

Councilmember Hohimer stated that she and her family enjoyed the Downtown Street Party last weekend.

Councilmember Abel thanked the street department for the big cleanup after the storm and questioned why police vehicles were being serviced in East Peoria.

Fleet Manager, Mr. Dan Jost, explained that East Peoria’s turnaround time was days as opposed to weeks locally.

Councilmembers Hilst and Nutter also thanked the street department for the big cleanup after the storm.

Councilmember Cloyd stated that as a newly elected official she has immersed herself in all information she can find but proposed that the City of Pekin Code of Conduct voted on March of 2010 be updated and amended.

Mayor Luft announced that after 42 years and 9 months, Yvonne Johnson, the bus department coordinator, retired. Mayor Luft also commented on the success of the Downtown Street Party event over the weekend and thanked Amy McCoy from the Chamber, the Matthews Family, the Tourism Committee and all staff involved. Lastly, Mayor Luft also announced the ground breaking ceremony for Court Street that took place earlier that morning.

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ADJOURN

There being no further business to come before the Council a motion was made by Council Member Orrick, to adjourn, seconded by Council Member Hohimer. Motion carried viva voce. Mayor Luft adjourned the meeting at 8:58 P.M.