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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 SOUTH CAPITOL STREET
ON MONDAY, MAY 14, 2012 AT 5:30 O'CLOCK P.M.
LAURIE L. BARRA, MAYOR PRESIDING

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

ABSENT: COUNCIL MEMBER HENDRICKS

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

Roll was called and all Council Members were physically present except Council Member Hendricks. A quorum was present.

AGENDA

Motion by Council Member Abel, seconded by Council Member Blanchard that **the agenda be approved as presented**. On roll call vote all present voted Aye.

MINUTES

Motion by Council Member Massaglia, seconded by Council Member Blanchard, that the **minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting of April 23, 2012, be approved as written.** On roll call vote, all present voted Aye.

PUBLIC INPUT

Jim Mangan, 1200 Parkway Drive, asked the Council to wait to vote on the Teamster Agreement until another meeting. He felt not having the details of the changes in advance denied the taxpaying public the opportunity to comment.

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Council Member Massaglia, seconded by Council Member Blanchard, that the **CONSENT AGENDA be approved as presented.** Mayor Barra presented the following for consideration of the Consent Agenda items by Omnibus Vote.

7.1 Receive and File Monthly Reports and Minutes: Building and Inspections Reports for March		5
7.2 Resolution No. 38-12/13 – Adoption of the Annual Appointment Resolution.		5
7.3 Proclamations: "Nursing Home Week" Week of May 6, 2012 " Public Works Week" May 20-26, 2012 " National Curves Day" May 17, 2012		5

On roll call vote all present voted Aye.

COMMUNICATIONS, PETITIONS, REPORTS

Sherril West, **PEORIA AREA CONVENTION AND VISITORS BUREAU** Board of Directors Executive Committee, distributed to the Council a breakdown of PACVB's revenues and expenses in order to present the operations of the organization. She gave a brief overview of the bureau's function in promoting conventions, being the point of contact for tourism, and promoting it's members in brochures.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by Council Member Abel, seconded by Council Member McCabe that the Council move to Executive Session at 5:50 p.m. to discuss 65 ILCS 120/2 (c) (2) Collective Bargaining. On roll call vote, Ayes, Blanchard, Abel, McCabe, Massaglia, Barra; Nay, Schmidgall. Motion Carried.

Council returned to open session at 6:30 p.m. Roll was called and all Council Members were physically present except Council Member Hendricks.

NEW BUSINESS

Motion by Council Member Abel, seconded by Council Member Massaglia that the **AGREEMENT WITH INTERNATIONAL BROTHERHOOD OF TEAMSTERS LOCAL No. 627** be approved as presented. City Manager Joseph Wuellner had presented information to the Council regarding the negotiation process that had taken place for the reopeners of the union contracts for Street, Solid Waste, Waste Water Treatment Plant, and General Employee Units. The amendments relative to years 2012 and 2013 for 3% wage increase and increase to health insurance premium contributions were disclosed. Council Member McCabe noted Council Member Hendricks was traveling and unable to vote by electronic means. On roll call vote, Ayes, Abel, McCabe, Massaglia, Barra; Nays, Schmidgall and Blanchard; Absent, Hendricks. Motion Carried.

Motion by Council Member Schmidgall, seconded by Council Member Abel that the **EXPENDITURE FROM TOURISM FUND FOR THE PEORIA AREA CONVENTION AND VISITORS BUREAU in the amount of $7,500.00** be approved. Tourism Director Leigh Ann Matthews informed the Council of the Tourism Committee's recommendation to contribute $7,500.00 as a funding partner to the PACVB for their co-op marketing campaign. The program includes print material, television spots, emails to previous visitors, website listings to promote, sell, and advocate usage, in attracting visitors to the area. On roll call vote, Ayes, Abel, McCabe, Massaglia, Schmidgall, Barra; Nay, Blanchard; Absent, Hendricks. Motion Carried.

Motion by Council Member Schmidgall, seconded by Council Member Massaglia that the **ANNUAL MUNICIPAL ESTIMATE OF MAINTENANCE COSTS FOR STREET DEPARTMENT OPERATIONS in the amount of $427,000.00** be approved as presented. City Engineer Mike Guerra spoke to Council on the costs and the Motor Fuel Tax funding for annual expenses incurred by the Street Department such as lighting, snow removal, signals, signs, street repair. On roll call vote, all present voted Aye.

RESOLUTION NO. 39-12/13
APPROPRIATING MOTOR FUEL TAX FUNDS FOR MAINTENANCE OF STREETS AND HIGHWAYS

Motion by Council Member Schmidgall, seconded by Council Member Massaglia that Resolution No. 39-12/13 be adopted. Annual Street Department costs in the amount of $427,000.00. On roll call vote all present voted Aye.

ORDINANCE NO. 1568-A189-12/13
ZONING OF CERTAIN PROPERTY
PIN # 04-04-23-300-019, 04-04-23-400-022, 04-04-23-300-020

Motion by Council Member Blanchard, seconded by Council Member Massaglia that Ordinance No. 1568-A189-12/13 be adopted. Council was advised by Assistant City Manager Darin Girdler of the recommendation of the Planning Commission to rezone the property intended to be sold at 830 Brenkman Drive. Council receive the request at the December 12, 2011 meeting to rezone from a current zoning of B-3 (General Business) to I-2 (Heavy Industrial) in order for a prospective buyer S.J. Smith to relocate and operate it's welding, safety, and industrial supplies business. The property is adjacent to other industrial district parcells. On roll call vote, all present voted Aye.

ORDINANCE NO. 2659-12/13
ACCEPTING A CONTRACT FOR SALE OF REAL ESTATE AND AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF MUNICIPALLY OWNED REAL PROPERTY

Motion by Council Member Blanchard, seconded by Council Member Massaglia that Ordinance No. 2659-12/13 be adopted. Mr. Girdler asked Council to approve the ordinance accepting the sales contract from the Smith Family Partnership, LLC for the purchase of the 830 Brenkman Drive property in the amount of $400,000.00. The City would recoup the original purchase price. He noted the buyer also made a significant investment for environmental matters. On roll call vote, all present voted Aye.

ORDINANCE NO. 2660-12/13
ACCEPTING A CONTRACT FOR SALE OF REAL ESTATE AND AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF MUNICIPALLY OWNED REAL PROPERTY

Motion by Council Member McCabe, seconded by Council Member Blanchard that Ordinance No. 2660-12/13 be adopted in the amount of $16,910.00. As provided by ordinance the Assistant City Manager also advised the Council of the completed negotiation of a purchase agreement with Dallas Pettingill and Karie Pettingill for the vacant City property 301-321Court Street. Closing would take place contingent upon the buyer obtaining approval of a site plan that mets its business needs for a coffee shop with drive through, satisfactory soil test, authorized curb cuts. On roll call vote, all present voted Aye.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE COUNCIL

Dale Kuntz, 5 Fox Point, addressed the Council in respect to his continued encouragement to clean up Court Street. He felt that spraying for weeds prior to the Pekin soldier's funeral procession through the City was a beginning for getting rid of Court Street's dumpiness issue.

Council Member Schmidgall explained he was not supportive of the terms of the Teamster contracts when Council had originally asked for significantly more in contributions to Health Insurance Premium contributions.

Mayor Barra encouraged community participation in Memorial Day Ceremonies set for 10:00 a.m. at the Riverfront and 11:00 a.m. at Veterans Cemetery. She reported that Larry Eckhardt, the gentleman responsible for hundreds of flags throughout the city prior to the funeral procession of the local fallen soldier, said that this community was a standout in cooperation among his travels of the patriotic tribute.

Mayor Barra read from a prepared statement the City's position of support in the West Campus redevelopment efforts. It was stated that while the City has struggled with maintenance and abatement of deterioration of the structure, the City was willing to assist with programs to the extent that the City could without direct financial participation.

Human Resource Director Sarah Newcomb addressed the Council to clarify a Pekin Times article regarding employee medical insurance premium costs and her attributed remarks that Mr. Mangan used apples and oranges information for comparisons in his analysis.

No further business to come before the Council, motion by Council Member McCabe, seconded by Council Member Blanchard to adjourn. On roll call vote all present voted Aye.

COUNCIL ADJOURNED AT 7:00 P.M.

Sue E. McMillan
City Clerk