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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, APRIL 25, 2011 AT 5:30 O'CLOCK P.M.
RUSTY L. DUNN, MAYOR PRESIDING

PRESENT: COUNCIL MEMBERS, KORTKAMP, ABEL, BARRA, SCHMIDGALL, STRAND, AND DUNN

ABSENT: COUNCIL MEMBER BLANCHARD

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The **Pledge of Allegiance** was led by Mayor Rusty L. Dunn.

Roll was called and all Council Members were present except Council Member Blanchard.

AGENDA

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

MINUTES

Motion by Council Member Abel, seconded by Council Member Schmidgall, that the **minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting of April 11, 2011 be approved as written.** On roll call vote, all present voted Aye.

PUBLIC INPUT ON AGENDA ITEMS

Melida Heien Executive Director of Main Street, requested Council to vote in favor of the Downtown TIF Development Project. She spoke in support of the Developer Todd Thompson, noting his examples of investment and commitment to downtown in the completed buildings in the 300 Block.

CONSENT AGENDA

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

7.1 Receive and File Monthly Reports and Minutes: Fire Department, Building Department, and Tazewell County Animal Control March 2011 Reports.
7.2 Proclamations: Ambucs Charity Auction May 6, 2011 Dragon Pride Week – May 1, 2011 National Youth Week – May 1, 2011
7.3 Receive and File Pekin Planning Commission Minutes Dated April 13, 2011.
7.4 Receive and File Pekin Planning Commission Hearings: a. Hearing #11-1830 Recommends to approve Special Use for Outdoor Flea Market at 229 Washington Street. b. Hearing #11-1831 Recommends to approve Site Plan for Outdoor Flea Market at 229 Washington Street.

On roll call vote, all present voted Aye.

NEW BUSINESS

Motion by Council Member Kortkamp, seconded by Council Member Barra, that the **CONTRACT FOR DEVELOPMENT pursuant to the Pekin Plan for Tax Increment Area No. 1 be approved**. City Manager Frank Mackaman presented plans implemented by direction of Council in a quality of life investment in the Central Business District. The manager highlighted the terms of agreement with developer, 353 Court LLC for stabilizing and rehabilitating four buildings in the 200 block of Court Street in Phase I. The City would pay the Redeveloper in 5 installments of $120,000 of TIF funds contingent on the work completed to the construction schedule. Developer Todd Thompson addressed the Council's questions on possible tenant opportunities. Council Members generally spoke in praise of the project and vision of Todd Thompson and Steve Foster. On roll call vote all present voted Aye.

Two projects were presented as recommended by the Main Street Design Committee for approval for the eligible amounts under the guidelines of the program.

Motion by Council Member Kortkamp, seconded by Council Member Abel, that the **FAÇADE PROGRAM FOR ADVANCED VIDEO PRODUCTIONS at 223 Court Street in the amount of $12,500, be approved.** On roll call vote all present voted Aye.

Motion by Council Member Kortkamp, seconded by Council Member Strand, that the **FAÇADE PROGRAM FOR HAMM'S FURNITURE at 347 Court Street in the amount of $9,160.50, be approved.** On roll call vote all present voted Aye.

Motion by Council Member Barra, seconded by Council Member Kortkamp, that the **SPECIAL USE FOR OUTDOOR SALES FLEA MARKET at 229 Washington Street be approved** with the stipulation that it is reviewed for renewal with the site plan in one year by the Pekin Planning Commission on April 30, 2012 and the event only takes place on Saturdays from 7:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Code Enforcement Officer Ron Sieh presented the recommendation of the Pekin Planning Commission. Parking, not all hard surface, and number of participants questions and concerns of Council were addressed. Council Members spoke generally in support of a venture that had no history to base success or degree of problems. On roll call vote all present voted Aye.

Motion by Council Member Barra, seconded by Council Member Abel, that the **SITE PLAN without any consideration of a useable sidewalk FOR OUTDOOR SALES FLEA MARKET with primary address as 229 Washington Street be approved.** On roll call vote all present voted Aye.

Motion by Council Member Schmidgall, seconded by Council Member Kortkamp, that the **PRELIMINARY ENGINEERING REIMBURSEMENT AGREEMENT with Panhandle Eastern Pipe Line Company, LP in the amount of $32,100.00, be approved.** Public Works Director Joseph Wuellner presented the terms of the utility company to design the replacement gas transmission line to withstand construction of Veterans Drive north. He indicated the design had to be done by the company and the terms of the agreement gave the price to perform the work. There was no option since there was no alignment that could be taken to avoid crossing the line. On roll call vote all present voted Aye.

Motion by Council Member Schmidgall, seconded by Council Member Barra, that the **AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES with Farnsworth Group in the amount of $21,290.00 for services to establish a compost site be approved.** Council was informed that the contract was necessary to study the utilization of city owned property at the end of Brenkman Drive as an option to continue composting yard waste locally. The present agreement with D. J. Mahoney, Inc. would expire in January 2012. It was recommended, due to IEPA permitting steps, that the engineering be started right away. On roll call vote all present voted Aye.

RESOLUTION NO. 93-10/11

Motion by Council Member Strand, seconded by Council Member Barra, that Resolution No. 93-10/11 Appropriating MFT Funds in the amount of $620,000 for annual street costs, be adopted. Council was advised by Mr. Wuellner that the resolution was the formal step submitted to IDOT for use of funds for maintenance items for street operations items, salt, electricity, tree service, etc. On roll call vote all present voted Aye.

RESOLUTION NO. 94-10/11

Motion by Council Member Strand, seconded by Council Member Abel, that Resolution No. 94-10/11 Appropriating MFT Funds in the amount of $85,000 for Sheridan Road Bridge design, be adopted. Mr. Wuellner also advised Council of a second resolution to utilize motor fuel tax funds for the engineering work in replacing the structure that was approved at the last council meeting. On roll call vote all present voted Aye.

Motion by Council Member Barra, seconded by Council Member Kortkamp, that the **AGREEMENT FOR ANNUAL MAINTENANCE OF MUNICIPAL STREETS with Illinois Department of Transportation IDOT in the amount of $83,683.02, be approved.** Communication was presented to Council for acceptance of the annual 12 month increment of a contract through June 30, 2015 with IDOT for reimbursement for maintenance provided by the City Street Department on State highways. The computation for the period of July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2012 was an increase of $2,521.52 over FY2010. On roll call vote all present voted Aye.

<u>REVISED POLICY NO. 12-10/11</u>
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE CHARTER

Motion by Council Member Barra, seconded by Council Member Kortkamp, that Revised Policy No. 12-10/11 be adopted. Economic Development Director Leigh Ann Matthews recommended the 2nd amendment to the EDAC committee charter to provide increased number of members from 11 to 13. It also revised the language regarding staggered terms. On roll call vote all present voted Aye.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE COUNCIL

Mayor Dunn

- Announced Annual AMBUC's Auction on Friday, May, 6, 2011 at 5:00 p.m.
- Informed the public that several Statements of Interest for the vacant Council seat upon the resignation of Mayor Elect Barra had been received. Final acceptance would be Wednesday, April 27, 2011 at 5:00 p.m.
- Encouraged participation in the YWCA Stand Against Racism events on Friday, April 29, 2011 at 11:00 a.m. on the Court House lawn.

Council Member Abel asked for the community's financial support of Jordan Davis in her quest for the Miss Illinois crown July 2, 2011.

Public Works Director informed the public that the new Hawk traffic signals would be operation for pedestrian crossing at Coal Miners Park. He warned to use cautious as the motorist become aware of the flashing yellow and flashing red arrows.

Public Input
Ivan Crossman, 1410 Valle Vista requested that the Traffic Safety Committee review the parking issue at Parkway and Willow intersection.

Tim Golden read a response he received from the International Code Council regarding interpretation of the 2006 Building Code in respect to the Eastside Fire Station code compliant material use. He questioned why the City inspectors did not obtain a free interpretation but rather the City relied on a $7,000.00 independent consultant report. Mr. Golden felt the interior furring channels were being used in an exterior application. Attorney Dancey read the final paragraph of the submitted document in which the ICC stated the response was only advisory information.

No further business to come before the Council, Mayor Dunn adjourned the meeting in open session.

COUNCIL ADJOURNED AT 6:25 P.M.

Sue E. McMillan
City Clerk