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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 TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2013, AT 5:30 O'CLOCK P.M.
LAURIE L. BARRA * MAYOR * PRESIDING

PRESENT: COUNCIL MEMBERS, ABEL, HENDRICKS, MCCABE, GILLESPIE, GOLDEN, BARRA, AND ORRICK

ABSENT: NONE

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

Roll was called. All members were physically present. A quorum was present.

AGENDA

Motion by Council Member Abel, seconded by Council Member Hendricks, 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 Gillespie, that the **minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting of October 28, 2013 be approved as written.** Council Member Golden asked that corrections be made to the minutes in regards to his comments on *e*nforcing property maintenance code for Sara Lane and West Campus liability. Because there was not a clear understanding by Council of the changes needed from the floor, the Clerk suggested the minutes be denied and presented to Council for approval when request was accurate. On roll call vote, Nays, Golden, Orrick, Gillespie, McCabe, Abel, Hendricks; Aye, Barra. Motion failed.

PUBLIC INPUT ON AGENDA ITEMS

Sue Crowel, 332 Park Avenue, speaking as Library Board Member, asked for Council support for the expansion and renovation plan for the Library.

CONSENT AGENDA

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

7.1	**Receive and File Monthly Reports:** Building, Inspections, & Zoning Reports September 2013; and Human Rights Committee Minutes September 25, 2013.
7.2	**Receive and File** Financial Statements April 30, 2013 prepared by Willock Warning & Co., P.C.**:** Tazewell/Pekin Consolidated Communication Center Fund; Sewerage Fund; and Tax Increment Financing – Central Business District Fund

Council Member Orrick asked that 7.2 be placed for discussion under New Business. On roll call vote all present voted Aye.

NEW BUSINESS

Motion by Council Member Orrick, seconded by Council Member Abel that the Council **support the EXPANSION AND RENOVATION PLAN FOR THE LIBRARY contingent upon final plans and costs estimates being available for a not to exceed figure of $6 million.** The Council was informed of the Board of Trustees' consensus that should the City Council vote to support the renovation project, the library would contract with Dewberry to update the Schematic Design and costs estimates required for the final bond ordinance vote. Council Members directed questions to Library Director Jeff Brooks concerning adequacy of present services, placement of the bond issue as separate item on tax bills, and use of bond money for services or resources. Council Member Golden asked that the public's willingness to support funding the renovation costs be gauged by placing the question on the voting ballot similar to how Peoria proceeded. Motion made by Council Member Golden that the library bond issue be placed on the ballot as a non-binding referendum. It

was the opinion of Attorney Dancey that a vote from Council on the request would require notice as a new business item on a future agenda to be valid. Council Member Golden made some suggestions that could be made without the expansion and renovations. Each Council Member was given the opportunity to speak. Referring to Dewberry's previous meeting presentation, Council Member McCabe's voiced concern that the architect would possibly design a building that did not fit Pekin. There was general consensus in support of the project. Council Member Golden noted he was not opposed but felt it was important for public input first. On roll call vote, Ayes, Orrick, Gillespie, McCabe, Abel, Hendricks, Barra; Nay, Golden. Motion Carried.

ORDINANCE NO. 2691-13/14
AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF THE IMLRMA MINIMUM/MAXIMUM CONTRIBUTION AGREEMENT

Motion by Council Member Hendricks, seconded by Council Member Orrick that Ordinance No.2691-13/14 be adopted. Assistant Finance Director Angie Evans recommended the authorization for Illinois Municipal League Risk Management Association agreement of premiums for work comp, liability, and property insurance based on claim history of a pool of municipalities rather than individual claims. She told Council the City chose the option to pay a lower premium as long as costs stay below the minimum amount. In the 11 year history the City had gone over only twice. On roll call vote, all present voted Aye.

Motion by Council Member Gillespie, seconded by Council Member Abel that the Illinois Department of Transportation **LOCAL AGENCY AGREEMENT FOR FEDERAL PARTICIPATION** in the amount of $600,000 for the **SHERIDAN ROAD BRIDGE PROJECT** be approved. City Engineer Michael Guerra advised the Council that per the agreement the City would receive 80% finding for constructing the bridge over Lick Creek. On roll call vote, all present voted Aye.

RESOLUTION NO. 80-13/14
IDOT RESOLUTION FOR MAINTENANCE OF STREETS AND HIGHWAYS FOR MUNICIPALITY – MOTOR FUEL TAX FUND

Motion by Council Member Golden, seconded by Council Member Orrick that Resolution No.80-13/14 be adopted. Council heard the resolution appropriates Motor Fuel Tax in the amount of $600,000.00 for Midwest Design Agreement Phase II Engineering Services for Veterans Drive from Sheridan Road to Fisher Road. The City Engineer originally intended to use Capitol Funds to cover the cost of the agreement adopted at the October 15, 2013 meeting. Council questioned if Creve Coeur would be participating with funding or paying for Fischer Road passed the 474 interchange. On roll call vote, all present voted Aye.

RESOLUTION NO. 81-13/14
IN SUPPORT OF PPUATS PROJECT SOUTH FIFTH STREET

Motion by Council Member McCabe, seconded by Council Member Hendricks that Resolution No.81-13/14 be adopted. The resolution is the City's written support for the widening project and obtaining funding for Peoria/Pekin Urbanized Area Transportation Study funding year 2018-2017. On roll call vote, all present voted Aye.

Motion by Council Member Hendricks, seconded by Council Member Orrick that **FINANCIAL STATEMENTS APRIL 30, 2013 PREPARED BY WILLOCK WARNING & CO., P.C.: TAZWELL/PEKIN CONSOLIDATED COMMUNICATION CENTER FUND; SEWERAGE FUND; AND TAX INCREMENT FINANCING – CENTRAL BUSINESS DISTRICT FUND BE APPROVED.** Council Member Orrick asked that the Receive and File Consent Item be moved to New Business to discuss investment earnings figure specifically, in the TIF Audit. He questioned a large 486,217 figure listed as investment earnings current year. Staff would confirm with Jim Warning that the numbers were transposed with real state tax increments on page 7 Schedule A of the audit.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS BEFORE THE COUNCIL

Council Member McCabe praised the Pekin Community High School Army JROTC Honor Guard performance of the Prisoner of War/Missing in Action ceremony as part of the Veterans Day observance. Mayor Barra echoed the recognition of the participants in the ceremony.

Council Member Abel remarked that it was nice to see all the house and business improvement projects taking place throughout the City.

Charles Curto, 15875 Red Shale Hill, asked Council to reevaluate the Wastwater Billing Program. He stated that a landlord cannot legally collect wastewater from his tenants when the bill is in his name.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by Council Member McCabe seconded by Council Member Abel, that the Council move to Executive Session at 6:30 p.m. to discuss 65 ILCS 120/2 (c) (6) Disposal of Municipally Owned Property. On roll call vote, all present voted Aye.

No further business to come before the Council, motion in open session by Council Member McCabe, seconded by Council Member Abel that Council adjourn. Motion carried voice vote. Mayor Barra adjourned the meeting.

COUNCIL ADJOURNED AT 7:00 P.M.

Sue E. McMillan
City Clerk