

City Council of the City of Carbondale, Illinois
Regular Meeting
December 6, 2005

The City Council of the City of Carbondale, Illinois, held a regular meeting on Tuesday, December 6, 2005, in City Council Chambers of the Carbondale Civic Center, 200 S. Illinois Avenue. Mayor Brad Cole called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with the following-named members of the City Council present/absent:

1. Roll Call

Present: Councilwoman Corene McDaniel, Councilman Joel Fritzler, Councilman Chris Wissmann, Councilman Steven Haynes, Councilman Lance D. Jack and Mayor Brad Cole. Councilwoman Sheila Simon entered at 7:02 p.m..

Absent: None

Also present were City Clerk Janet M. Vaughn, City Manager Jeffrey W. Doherty and various members of the City's administrative staff.

2. General Announcements and Proclamations

Councilwoman McDaniel announced that Santa Claus would be visiting Evergreen Park on Tuesday, December 13, Turley Park on Wednesday, December 14, Attucks Park on Thursday, December 15, the Carol Moseley Braun Center on Friday, December 16, from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. on all dates, and the Hickory Ridge Family Golf Center on Saturday, December 17, from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m.. Santa's visit is being sponsored by the African American Museum of Southern Illinois, the Carbondale Park District, the City of Carbondale, First United Methodist Church, Golden Corral and The Science Center.

City Manager Jeff Doherty introduced Jane Boyd as the new Director of Administrative Services.

Mayor Cole made note of an article which appeared in the Daily Egyptian recognizing the anniversary of the 1992 fire at The Pyramid Apartments. He added that this was a very difficult time for the entire community and is worth remembering.

Mayor Cole noted that this time of year often brings tragic automobile accidents, especially with young drivers. He urged everyone to take precautions as they drive, especially if they have been attending holiday parties.

Mayor Cole announced that the Carbondale Public Library had scheduled an "Exam Cram" for Carbondale Community High School students to study for exams at the Library on Monday, December 19th.

Mayor Cole congratulated Coach Jerry Kill and the Southern Illinois University Saluki football team on their successful season.

3. Citizen Comments and Questions

There was no one who indicated a desire to speak during this portion of the agenda.

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4. Public Hearings

5. Consent Agenda

Presented for Council approval on the Consent Agenda were the following items and corresponding recommendations:

1. Approval of Minutes. Recommendation: Approve minutes of the Regular City Council meeting held on November 15, 2005.
2. Warrant. Recommendation: Approve Warrant #966 for the period ended November 7, 2005, in the amount of \$1,502,221.08. (Exhibit A-12-6-05)
3. Acceptance of minutes of boards, commissions and committees. Recommendation: Accept Library Board of October 19, 2005, and Planning Commission of October 5, 2005.
4. Budget Adjustment to the Police Department's FY 2006 budget for the Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority Grant. Recommendation: Approve BA in the amount of \$29,937 for funds from the Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority's Livescan Equipment Program.
5. Budget Adjustment to the Police Department's FY 2006 budget for the Justice Assistance Grant. Recommendation: Approve BA in the amount of \$19,221 for the Justice Assistance Grant program.
6. Award of contract for Industrial Effluent Pump Station Rehabilitation at the Northwest Wastewater Treatment Plant. Recommendation: Award contract to Paradise Eco Solutions LLC of Brighton, Illinois, in the amount of \$17,800.00.

Mayor Cole asked if anyone would like any items removed from the Consent Agenda. No items were removed.

S. Simon moved, S. Haynes seconded, that the Council approve Consent Agenda Items 5.1 through 5.6. VOTE: Ayes: C. McDaniel, J. Fritzler, C. Wissmann, S. Haynes, L. Jack, S. Simon and B. Cole. Nays: None. Motion declared carried.

6. General Business

1. Ordinance adopting the 2005 Property Tax Levy

S. Haynes moved, S. Simon seconded, that the Council approve the Ordinance adopting the 2005 Tax Levy in the amount of \$668,888, including \$0 for City Government purposes and \$668,888 for Public Library purposes. VOTE: Ayes: C. McDaniel, J. Fritzler, C. Wissmann, S. Haynes, L. Jack, S. Simon and B. Cole. Nays: None. Motion declared carried. (Ord. No. 2005-63; Exhibit B-12-6-05)

2. Ordinance Establishing the 2005 Tax Levy for the Downtown Special Service Area Number One

J. Fritzler moved, S. Simon seconded, that the Council approve the Ordinance adopting the 2005 Tax Levy in the amount of \$40,000 for Downtown Special Service Area Number One. VOTE: Ayes: C. McDaniel, J. Fritzler, C. Wissmann, S. Haynes, L. Jack, S. Simon and B. Cole. Nays: None. Motion declared carried. (Ord. No. 2005-64; Exhibit C-12-6-05)

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3. Ordinance Abating the 2005 Tax Levy for the 2004 General Obligation Bonds Debt Service

This ordinance was approved with Item 6.5.

4. Ordinance Abating the 2005 Tax Levy for the 2003 Series General Obligation Refunding Bonds Debt Service

This ordinance was approved with Item 6.5.

5. Ordinance Abating the 2005 Tax Levy for the 1992 Series General Obligation Refunding Bonds Debt Service

C. Wissmann moved, S. Simon seconded, that the Council approve the Ordinance Abating the 2005 Tax Levy for the 2004 General Obligation Bonds Debt Service, the Ordinance Abating the 2005 Tax Levy for the 2003 Series General Obligation Refunding Bonds Debt Service and the Ordinance Abating the 2005 Tax Levy for the 1992 Series General Obligation Refunding Bonds Debt Service. VOTE: Ayes: C. McDaniel, J. Fritzler, C. Wissmann, S. Haynes, L. Jack, S. Simon and B. Cole. Nays: None. Motion declared carried. (Ord. Nos. 2005-65, 2005-66 and 2005-67 respectively; Exhibits D-12-6-05, E-12-6-05 and F-12-6-05 respectively).

6. Action on the Super Block Restrooms/Concession Project

S. Haynes moved, S. Simon seconded, that the Council approve a budget adjustment in the amount of \$58,000 from the General Fund fund balance to the Local Improvement Fund for the construction of restrooms and concession facilities at the Super Block; waive the formal bidding procedures in the best interest of the City and authorize the City Manager to act as the general contractor and for the City Manager to enter into contracts for labor and materials for the construction of restrooms and concession facilities at the Super Block in the total amount not to exceed \$153,000; and direct the City Manager to contact the Carbondale Park District Director regarding the Super Block restroom/concession development proposal and seek the Park District's cooperation with the project as described in the Council agenda item.

DISCUSSION: Council members asked questions and made comments concerning the project. Mayor Cole and City Manager Doherty provided responses to the questions. Councilman Wissmann expressed concern about the requirement that the Park District maintain the facilities when the District may not have the resources to do so. He suggested the City meet with the Park District first to get parameters on what type of facility they want and what they can afford. City Manager Doherty noted that the Park District would only be responsible for maintaining the restroom in the Doug Lee Park area. Genevieve Houghton, 710 N. Oakland, asked about the difference in life expectancy between the facility to be built by the City versus the facility desired by the Park District.

VOTE ON MOTION that the Council approve a budget adjustment in the amount of \$58,000 from the General Fund fund balance to the Local Improvement Fund for the construction of restrooms and concession facilities at the Super Block; waive the formal bidding procedures in the best interest of the City and authorize the City Manager to act as the general contractor and for the City Manager to enter into contracts for labor and

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materials for the construction of restrooms and concession facilities at the Super Block in the total amount not to exceed \$153,000; and direct the City Manager to contact the Carbondale Park District Director regarding the Super Block restroom/concession development proposal and seek the Park District's cooperation with the project as described in the Council agenda item. VOTE: Ayes: C. McDaniel, J. Fritzler, S. Haynes, L. Jack, S. Simon and B. Cole. Nays: C. Wissmann. Motion declared carried.

7. Council Comments

8. Closed Meeting

S. Simon moved, L. Jack seconded, that the Council hold a closed meeting to discuss the performance of specific employees, collective bargaining matters, the purchase or lease of real property for use by the public body, the setting of a price for sale or lease of property owned by the public body, and litigation, when an action against, affecting or on behalf of the public body is probable or imminent or has been filed and is pending before the court pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1), (c)(2), (c)(5), (c)(6) and (c)(11). VOTE: Ayes: C. McDaniel, J. Fritzler, C. Wissmann, S. Haynes, L. Jack, S. Simon and B. Cole. Nays: None. Motion declared carried. Open session recessed at 7:45 p.m..

C. Wissmann moved, L. Jack seconded, that the Council return to open session. VOTE: Ayes: C. McDaniel, J. Fritzler, C. Wissmann, S. Haynes, L. Jack, S. Simon and B. Cole. Nays: None. Motion declared carried. Open session resumed at 9:27 p.m.

There was no formal action taken as a result of the closed meeting.

9. Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the City Council, the meeting was declared adjourned at 7:28 p.m..

Janet M. Vaught, City Clerk

Approved by the City Council on:
