

City Council of the City of Carbondale, Illinois
Regular Meeting
October 4, 2005

The City Council of the City of Carbondale, Illinois, held a regular meeting on Tuesday, October 4, 2005, in Ballroom “B” of the Student Center at Southern Illinois University Carbondale. 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: Councilman Chris Wissmann, Councilman Steven Haynes, Councilman Lance D. Jack, Councilwoman Sheila Simon, Councilman Joel Fritzler and Mayor Brad Cole. Councilwoman Corene McDaniel entered at 7:03 p.m..

Absent: None

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

2. General Announcements and Proclamations

Mayor Cole thanked the Undergraduate Student Government and the Graduate and Professional Student Council for assisting with scheduling of this meeting at SIUC.

Councilwoman McDaniel entered the meeting at 7:03 p.m.

Mayor Cole proclaimed October 16-22, 2005, as “Women’s Safety Week” and presented the proclamation to Latisha Murray of Women’s Services of SIUC.

3. Citizen Comments and Questions

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

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 September 20, 2005.
2. Warrant. Recommendation: Approve Warrant #962 for the period ended September 12, 2005, in the amount of \$1,730,298.42. (Exhibit A-10-4-05)
3. Acceptance of minutes of boards, commissions and committees. Recommendation: Accept Library Board of August 10, 2005, and Preservation Commission of August 15, 2005.
4. Resolution vacating a portion of a Storm Sewer Easement located along the North Property Line at the Northeast Corner of Marion Street and Walnut Street. Recommendation: Approve. (Res. 2005-R-74; Exhibit B-10-4-05)

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5. Resolution authorizing the City Manager to accept a U.S. Department of Justice, Coverdell Forensic Science Improvement Grant for the Police Department. Recommendation: Approve. (Res. 2005-R-75; Exhibit C-10-4-05)
6. Resolution approving an Amendment to the Site License Agreement between the City of Carbondale and Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless Dated August 8, 2005, and authorizing the City Manager to execute the Amendment to the Site License Agreement. Recommendation: Approve. (Res. 2005-R-76; Exhibit D-10-4-05)
7. Award of purchase of Industrial Raw Sewage Pumps. Recommendation: Approve purchase from Vandevanter Engineering Company of Fenton, Missouri, in the amount of \$27,180.00 pursuant to Sections 1-6-13.E.1 and 1-6-13.E.7 of the Carbondale Revised Code.

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

C. Wissmann moved, S. Simon seconded, that the Council approve Consent Agenda Items 5.1 through 5.7. VOTE: Ayes: C. Wissmann, S. Haynes, L. Jack, S. Simon, C. McDaniel, J. Fritzler and B. Cole. Nays: None. Motion declared carried.

6. General Business

1. Ordinances regulating Parking and Encroachments and establishing Speed Limits on New Era Road between Ramada Lane and Glenn Road

S. Haynes moved, J. Fritzler seconded, that the Council adopt the Ordinance establishing “No Parking” on New Era Road, the Ordinance regulating encroachments on New Era Road Project right-of-way and the Ordinance regulating speed on New Era Road between Ramada Lane and Glenn Roads. VOTE: Ayes: C. Wissmann, S. Haynes, L. Jack, S. Simon, C. McDaniel, J. Fritzler and B. Cole. Nays: None. Motion declared carried. (Ord. 2005-55, 2005-56 and 2005-57 respectively; Exhibits E-10-4-05, F-10-4-05 and G-10-4-05 respectively)

2. Open Discussion

Time was set aside on the agenda to provide SIUC students with the opportunity to offer comments or ask questions of the Mayor and City Council concerning City issues.

Chris Klarer, 213 Stonelake Drive, Makanda, ask about the City’s efforts to expand bike lanes. City Manager Doherty responded.

Nate Brown, President of Undergraduate Student Government, thanked the City Council for holding its meeting on campus. He also thanked the Mayor and Council for its support of Homecoming events.

Jon Pressley, President of the Graduate and Professional Student Council, also thanked the City Council for holding its meeting on campus.

Ana Velitchkova, 204 W. Oak, asked about the possibility of posting tenants’ rights and the City’s regulations concerning rental property on the City’s website. She also asked about the City’s plans for sustainable development. Mayor Cole and City Manager

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Doherty responded.

Ed Ford, 405 E. College, asked about expected revenue or expenditure increases over the next five years. Mayor Cole and City Manager Doherty responded.

Brian Stephens, 1609 Neely Hall, asked about the City's plans to address the decrease in student enrollment. Mayor Cole responded.

Chris Klarer, 213 Stonelake Drive, Makanda, asked for Council members' opinions about an incident on campus involving a student whose photo film was allegedly confiscated by a member of SIU Security Police. Mayor Cole noted that the incident occurred on campus and the City police were not involved. No council members offered their opinions in response.

7. Council Comments

In response to earlier questions posed by SIUC students, Councilman Wissmann noted that there might be funding for bike paths in a Federal transportation bill, there will be increased costs to the City for healthcare and that Student Legal Assistance used to publish a guidebook outlining tenants' rights.

Mayor Cole thanked GPSC President Jon Pressley, USG President Nate Brown and Clancy in the sound booth for their assistance in scheduling and conducting the meeting.

8. Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the City Council, the meeting was declared adjourned at 7:31 p.m..

Janet M. Vaught, City Clerk

Approved by the City Council on:
