

City Council of the City of Carbondale, Illinois
Regular Meeting
September 20, 2005

The City Council of the City of Carbondale, Illinois, held a regular meeting on Tuesday, September 20, 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: Councilman Joel Fritzler, Councilman Chris Wissmann, Councilman Steven Haynes, Councilman Lance Jack, Councilwoman Sheila Simon, Councilwoman Corene McDaniel and Mayor Brad Cole

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 announced that Item 6.1 had been removed from the agenda and would be considered at a later date.

1. Announcement of October 4, 2005, City Council Meeting on the SIUC Campus

Mayor Cole announced that the October 4 City Council Meeting would be held in Ballroom "B" of the SIUC Student Center. The meeting will begin at 7:00 p.m.. The meeting will not be televised or videotaped for rebroadcast.

2. Citizen Comments and Questions

Priscilla Pimentel, a member of the Energy and Environmental Advisory Commission, noted that the recommendation of the EEAC regarding the Koppers clean-up had not yet come before the City Council for discussion. She said the EEAC is asking that the City seek outside counsel and advice regarding the pollution at the Koppers site. She said that the EEAC believes the environmental problems are not confined just to the Koppers site but extend throughout the community, adding that sampling the soil solely at the site is not adequate. She asked that this item be placed on a future Council agenda for public discussion. Mayor Cole responded that at the request of Councilwoman Simon, the City is gathering names of some independent contractors that can engage in the review of the sampling.

Reverend Sidney Logwood of Rock Hill Baptist Church announced that there would be a press conference at Rock Hill Annex on Thursday, September 22, at 10:00 a.m.. The press conference will announce the opening of the Annex as a referral center for persons who have been displaced as a result of Hurricane Katrina to put them in contact with resources. He noted that they will also be accepting donations of furniture and household furnishings and will provide transportation for people who need to go to locations to get assistance. The annex is located on East Monroe Street.

3. Public Hearings

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4. 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 6, 2005.
2. Warrant. Recommendation: Approve Warrant #960 for the period ended August 15, 2005, in the amount of \$1,208,259.75. (Exhibit A-9-20-05)
3. Warrant. Recommendation: Approve Warrant #961 for the period ended August 29, 2005, in the amount of \$1,231,909.94. (Exhibit B-9-20-05)
4. Acceptance of minutes of boards, commissions and committees. Recommendation: Accept Energy and Environmental Advisory Commission of June 16, 2005; Fire Fighters Pension Fund Board of Trustees of May 10, 2005; Human Relations Commission of August 1, 2005; Planning Commission of August 17, 2005 and Zoning Board of Appeals of August 3, 2005.
5. Appointments to Boards, Commissions and Committees. Recommendation: Concur in appointment of Valerie Torrando to the Information and Telecommunications Commission through June 30, 2007.
6. Authorization for repairs to a Police Vehicle. Recommendation: Authorize repair of police vehicle by Vic Koenig Chevrolet in the approximate amount of \$10,385.85.
7. Removed from Consent.
8. Approval of 2006 Calendar of City Council Meetings. Recommendation: Approve.

Mayor Cole asked if any Council members would like any items removed from the Consent Agenda. Councilman Haynes asked that Item 5.7 be removed.

S. Simon moved, C. McDaniel seconded, that the Council approve Consent Agenda Items 5.1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, and 8. VOTE: Ayes: J. Fritzler, C. Wissmann, S. Haynes, L. Jack, S. Simon, C. McDaniel and B. Cole. Nays: None. Motion declared carried.

5.7 Resolution approving the Charles Brooks Subdivision and Subdivision Agreement located on north Robert A. Stalls Avenue south of Fisher Street:

S. Haynes moved, S. Simon seconded, that the Council adopt the Resolution approving the Plat and Subdivision Agreement for the Charles Brooks Subdivision. DISCUSSION: In response to Councilman Haynes' inquiry, Development Services Director Beth Ponce noted that the City Code does not require a buffer between the subdivision development and the neighboring properties. Speaking on behalf of the developer, Kevin Clark noted that a chain-link fence will be erected and the trees along the property line will be retained. VOTE: Ayes: J. Fritzler, C. Wissmann, S. Haynes, L. Jack, S. Simon, C. McDaniel and B. Cole. Nays: None. Motion declared carried. (Res. 2005-R-72; Exhibit C-9-20-2005)

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6. General Business

1. Ordinance Amending Title Five (5) of the Carbondale Revised Code by Establishing a System for the Licensing of Organizations to Conduct Raffles in the City of Carbondale

This item was removed from the agenda.

2. Resolution approving the Final BPL, Planned Business, Development Plan for A.G. Edwards on North Giant City Road

S. Simon moved, J. Fritzler seconded, that the Council adopt the Resolution approving the BPL Development Plan for A.G. Edwards on North Giant City Road. DISCUSSION: There was discussion regarding traffic counts and traffic patterns on Giant City Road. VOTE: Ayes: J. Fritzler, C. Wissmann, S. Haynes, L. Jack, S. Simon, C. McDaniel and B. Cole. Nays: None. Motion declared carried. (Res. 2005-R-73; Exhibit D-9-20-05)

3. Presentation of Report on Child Care Operations

Community Services Manager Deborah Walton McCoy and Eurma C. Hayes Child Care Director Jill Johnson make a power point presentation and presented an overview of the Child Care Center. In response to Council inquiry regarding the formation of a Parent Council, Mayor Cole noted that he is awaiting recommendations from Council members on possible appointees to the Council. Mayor Cole also noted that based on enrollment figures, the Council may wish to reconsider what age groups on which the focus should be placed. City Manager Doherty noted that the City may also wish to consider providing transportation services.

There was no formal action taken on the report.

7. Council Comments

Mayor Cole announced PetCo would be opening a store in the former Goody's location. In addition, there are several possibilities for the former K-Mart location but nothing can yet be announced.

8. Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the City Council, the meeting was declared adjourned at 8:15 p.m..

Janet M. Vaught, City Clerk

Approved by the City Council on:
