

Tuesday, November 14, 2023

Local Liquor Control Commission and Regular City Council Meeting November 14, 2023
City Council Chambers, Room 108
200 South Illinois Avenue
Carbondale, Illinois 62901
6:00 p.m.

1. Preliminaries to the Local Liquor Control Commission Meeting

Subject : 1.1 Roll Call
Meeting : Nov 14, 2023 - Local Liquor Control Commission and Regular City Council Meeting November 14, 2023
Type : Procedural

Public Content

2. Citizens' Comments for the Local Liquor Control Commission

Subject : 2.1 Citizen Comments for the Liquor Commission
Meeting : Nov 14, 2023 - Local Liquor Control Commission and Regular City Council Meeting November 14, 2023
Type :

Public Content

Citizens comments for the Local Liquor Control Commission

3. General Business of the Local Liquor Control Commission

Subject : 3.1 Local Liquor Control Commission Meeting Minutes from October 24, 2023
Meeting : Nov 14, 2023 - Local Liquor Control Commission and Regular City Council Meeting November 14, 2023
Type : Action
Recommended Action : Approve the minutes from the Local Liquor Control Commission meeting of October 24, 2023

Public Content

Originating Department: City Clerk's Office

File Attachments

[Local Liquor Control Commission Meeting Minutes 24 October 2023.pdf \(9 KB\)](#)

3. General Business of the Local Liquor Control Commission

Subject :	3.2 Application for On-Premises Primary Liquor License from Stix 517, LLC d/b/a Stix
Meeting :	Nov 14, 2023 - Local Liquor Control Commission and Regular City Council Meeting November 14, 2023
Type :	Action
Recommended Action :	Approve the issuance of an On-Premises Primary Use Liquor License with Live Entertainment rider for Stix 517, LLC d/b/a Stix, contingent upon receipt of all outstanding items; or approve the issuance of an On-Premises Primary Use Liquor License without the live entertainment rider, contingent upon receipt of all outstanding items; or deny the issuance of the liquor license based on one or more provisions of the Liquor Code

Public Content

Originating Department:City Clerk's Office

Background:

Attached is an application for an On-Premises Primary Use liquor license from Stix 517, LLC d/b/a Stix located at 517 South Illinois Avenue. The proposed operation of the license is a bar with pool tables, D.J., and Live Entertainment (this will require a live entertainment rider). The establishment will not apply for video gaming licenses. The proposed hours of operation are Thursday through Saturday, 9:00 p.m. to 2:00 a.m.

There is currently a license issued to 517 Illinois, LLC d/b/a Stix at this location valid through December 2023. Staff contacted the sole member of the LLC, Casey Trusty, regarding the status of the current license or the renewal of said license for 2024 and Mr. Trusty indicated that the business is not in his hands any longer.

Liquor Code Provisions:

On-Premises Primary License: Sales of alcohol for consumption on the business premises are the principal source of revenue.The minimumentry age for the establishment shall be eighteen (18) unless a special condition or license rider is issued to modify such entry age. The license fee is one thousand seven hundred fifty dollars (\$1,750.00).

2-4-5: PROCEDURE FOR CRITERIA FOR ISSUING A LICENSE:

A.Notice: Upon the filing of an application for a liquor license, the application shall be reviewed by City staff for completeness, accuracy, and recommendation to the Commission; the application will then be considered at the next available Liquor Commission meeting. The applicant shall be notified of the date of said meeting not less than three (3) business days in advance. Failure of the applicant to accept, read, or review the notice, whether provided by mail, email, or telephone, does not constitute improper notification by the Commission.

B.Hearing And Evidence: The Commission shall receive and may require such evidence deemed necessary to make findings based upon the standards and factual criteria set out below and elsewhere in this title.

C.Standards And Factual Criteria: After the hearing, the Commission may grant a liquor license, contingent upon receipt of outstanding items, if it is determined that the grant of the license would not be detrimental to the general welfare of the City. The Commission may deny an application if they find one or more of the following:

- 1.The application does not contain all the information, supporting documents, or fees required by this title.
- 2.The issuance of the license would be in violation of any part of this title.
- 3.The applicant does not have sufficient financial assets to maintain the proposed liquor establishment or has demonstrated insufficient financial responsibility.
- 4.The applicant is a convicted felon who has not been adequately rehabilitated.
- 5.The issuance of the license can reasonably be expected to create excessive noise, traffic, parking, or litter problems.
- 6.The applicant has a history of problems with regard to violations of health regulations, laws, and ordinances at prior establishments owned or managed by the applicant.
- 7.The building in which the applicant seeks to operate does not meet building and zoning code ordinances and regulations.
- 8.The issuance of the license can reasonably be expected to create a nuisance such as excessive and repeated breaches of the peace.
- 9.The applicant has previously had a liquor license revoked or suspended in this or any other state or jurisdiction.
- 10.The applicant is seeking a restaurant license and does not provide sufficient facilities or menu items to operate as a restaurant.

D.Conditions On Issuance: If the Commission finds that any change in the applicant's plans is/are needed to create grounds for the issuance of such license, the Commission may require such change(s). A condition on the granting of a license and the failure of the applicant at any time to adhere to or perform such condition shall be considered a violation of this title.

Outstanding Items:

The \$100 application fee has been paid and the criminal history did not reveal anything which would preclude the applicant from holding a liquor license. All other items remain outstanding.

Staff Recommendation:

The applicant, Greg Knoob, has held liquor licenses in Carbondale for numerous years including at the proposed location as well as at Levels. Based on previous experience with the applicant, Staff recommends denial of the application. The applicant has been cited for violations of the liquor code on numerous occasions, has appeared before the Liquor Commission, and based on experience in dealing with the applicant, Staff believes that it's reasonable to expect the above standards and criteria numbers 5, 6, 8, and 9 to be met.

File Attachments

- [Stix 517, LLC Liquor License Application \(Knoob, Greg\) Redacted.pdf \(2,380 KB\)](#)
- [2-4-5 CRC Procedure for Criteria for Issuing a License.pdf \(20 KB\)](#)
- [2-4-4 Ineligibility for License - State Liquor Code Section 235 ILCS 5.6.2 - Issuance of licenses to certain persons prohibited.pdf \(91 KB\)](#)
- [Business Entity Search Knoob Enterprises.pdf \(106 KB\)](#)
- [Business Entity Search.pdf \(184 KB\)](#)
- [Parcel Details for 1521402005.pdf \(189 KB\)](#)
- [Parcel Details for 1522351009.pdf \(185 KB\)](#)
- [170921-IDOR-liens.pdf \(1,813 KB\)](#)
- [Knoob History of Liquor Ownership.pdf \(550 KB\)](#)

4. Adjournment of the Local Liquor Control Commission

Subject :	4.1 Time of Adjournment for Local Liquor Control Commission
Meeting :	Nov 14, 2023 - Local Liquor Control Commission and Regular City Council Meeting November 14, 2023
Type :	Procedural

Public Content

5. Preliminaries to the City Council Meeting

Subject :	5.1 Roll Call
Meeting :	Nov 14, 2023 - Local Liquor Control Commission and Regular City Council Meeting November 14, 2023
Type :	Procedural

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5. Preliminaries to the City Council Meeting

Subject : 5.2 Citizens' Comments and Questions
Meeting : Nov 14, 2023 - Local Liquor Control Commission and Regular City Council Meeting November 14, 2023
Type : Procedural

Public Content

Citizens may address the City Council for up to four minutes on any agenda item. Public comments will be accepted for a maximum of 30 minutes per item. Those wishing to address the City Council should raise their hand to be recognized by the Mayor prior to approaching the podium. Speakers should provide their names for the minutes and end their comments when the four-minute time limit is announced. The Council may suspend or waive the speaker time limit with the consent of a majority of Council members present and are not required to respond to public remarks during the meeting.

5. Preliminaries to the City Council Meeting

Subject : 5.3 Council Comments, General Announcements, and Proclamations
Meeting : Nov 14, 2023 - Local Liquor Control Commission and Regular City Council Meeting November 14, 2023
Type : Procedural

Public Content

General Comments from the City Council and City Manager. Proclamations, Special Recognition, and Oaths of Office will periodically be administered at this time.

6. Public Hearings and Special Reports

Subject : 6.1 Presentation to the City Council Regarding the One Fair Wage Initiative
Meeting : Nov 14, 2023 - Local Liquor Control Commission and Regular City Council Meeting November 14, 2023
Type : Discussion, Information

Public Content

Originating Department: City Manager

Background:

Title 1-2B-1-B-2 requires that with the consensus of at least (2) City Council members, the City Manager shall prepare an agenda item for discussion at a future Council meeting. Pursuant to this requirement, a request has been made to schedule a presentation regarding the One Fair Wage initiative.

Attached are information regarding the One Fair Wage ordinance that was passed by the Chicago City Council on October 6, 2023.

File Attachments

[Chicago Tipped Worker Report - 2023.pdf \(2,351 KB\)](#)

[Chicago Ordinance Passed - 10-06-2023.pdf \(2,931 KB\)](#)

[OFW FactSheet_IL.pdf \(434 KB\)](#)

7. Consent Agenda of the City Council

Subject : 7.1 City Council Meeting Minutes from October 24, 2023

Meeting : Nov 14, 2023 - Local Liquor Control Commission and Regular City Council Meeting November 14, 2023

Type : Action (Consent)

Recommended Action : Approve the meeting minutes from the Regular City Council meeting of October 24, 2023

Public Content

Originating Department: City Clerk's Office

File Attachments

[Regular City Council Meeting Minutes 24 October 2023.pdf \(238 KB\)](#)

7. Consent Agenda of the City Council

Subject : 7.2 Approval of Warrant for the Period Ending: 10/27 /2023 for the FY 2024 Warrant 1471 in the Total Amount of \$2,893,164.75

Meeting : Nov 14, 2023 - Local Liquor Control Commission and Regular City Council Meeting November 14, 2023

Type : Action (Consent)

Recommended Action : Accept the following report of payments made for the period ended: 10/27/2023 totaling \$2,893,164.75

Public Content

Originating Department: Finance

Background:

File Attachments

[Warrant 1471 2023-11-14.pdf \(367 KB\)](#)

7. Consent Agenda of the City Council

Subject :	7.3 Acceptance of Approved Meeting Minutes from Boards, Commissions, and Committees
Meeting :	Nov 14, 2023 - Local Liquor Control Commission and Regular City Council Meeting November 14, 2023
Type :	Action (Consent)
Recommended Action :	Accept the approved meeting minutes from Boards, Commissions, and Committees and place them on file.

Public Content

Originating Department: City Clerk's Office

Background:

Attached for City Council review and acceptance are approved meeting minutes from the following Boards, Commissions, and Committees:

Firefighter Pension Board: July 18, 2023

Preservation Commission: May 15, July 17, and August 21, 2023

Sustainability Commission: June 15, July 20, August 17, and September 21, 2023

File Attachments

- [Firefighters Pension Board Meeting Minutes 2023-07-18.pdf \(408 KB\)](#)
- [Preservation Commission Meeting Minutes 2023-05-15.pdf \(225 KB\)](#)
- [Preservation Commission Meeting Minutes 2023-07-17.pdf \(226 KB\)](#)
- [Preservation Commission Meeting Minutes 2023-08-21.pdf \(222 KB\)](#)
- [Sustainability Commission Meeting Minutes 2023-06-15.pdf \(313 KB\)](#)
- [Sustainability Commission Meeting Minutes 2023-07-20.pdf \(313 KB\)](#)
- [Sustainability Commission Meeting Minutes 2023-08-17.pdf \(317 KB\)](#)
- [Sustainability Commission Meeting Minutes 2023-09-21.pdf \(312 KB\)](#)

7. Consent Agenda of the City Council

Subject :	7.4 Award of Contract for City Hall Restroom Improvements to J & L Robinson Construction Co., Inc. of Carbondale, Illinois in the Amount of \$170,000
Meeting :	Nov 14, 2023 - Local Liquor Control Commission and Regular City Council Meeting November 14, 2023
Type :	Action (Consent)
Recommended Action :	Award of Contract for City Hall Restroom Improvements to J & L Robinson Construction Co., Inc. of Carbondale, Illinois in the Amount of \$170,000

Public Content

Originating Department: Public Works Engineering

Background:

This project for City Hall restroom improvements is unbudgeted in the FY2024 Community Investment Program and will be added in later revisions (CIP) as PB2402. This project will remodel the restroom in room 103 to a public family restroom and replace partitions in all city hall restrooms.

This bid was advertised in the *Southern Illinoisan* on Saturday, October 14, 2023. Bid specs were sent to thirteen (13) vendors and five (5) plan houses, as shown on the attached certificate. Five (5) bids were received and opened on Thursday, November 2, 2023. The lowest bid from Evrard Co., Inc. of Marion, IL did not meet the minimum required specification so the next lowest bid to meet the minimum required specifications was submitted by J & L Robinson Construction Co., Inc. of Carbondale, Illinois in the Amount of \$170,000. The City Council is requested to Award a Contract for the City Hall Restroom Improvements to J & L Robinson Construction Co., Inc. of Carbondale, Illinois in the Amount of \$170,000

File Attachments

[24-23 City Hall Restroom Improvements Bid Tab 2023-11-14.pdf \(24 KB\)](#)

[24-23 City Hall Restroom Improvements Certificate 2023-11-14.pdf \(23 KB\)](#)

[DE&I Bid Report City Hall Restroom.pdf \(537 KB\)](#)

7. Consent Agenda of the City Council

Subject :	7.5 Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Enter into a Code Compliance Tax Increment Financing Agreement with JK & LC, LLC for a Redevelopment Project at 717 and 717 1/2 South University Avenue
Meeting :	Nov 14, 2023 - Local Liquor Control Commission and Regular City Council Meeting November 14, 2023
Type :	Action (Consent)
Recommended Action :	Approve a Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Enter into a Code Compliance Tax Increment Financing Agreement with JK & LC, LLC for a Redevelopment Project at 717 and 717 1/2 South University Avenue

Public Content

Originating Department: Economic Development

Background:

On December 27, 2012, the City Council approved an ordinance adopting tax increment financing (TIF) for Illinois-University Corridor TIF #2. This ordinance allows property tax revenue created by new development within the project area to be held in a special City fund to pay for certain redevelopment expenses. One use of the increment funds is to reimburse private developers for eligible redevelopment project costs. The State statutes governing TIF specify eligible redevelopment project costs that include property acquisition, demolition, site preparation, environmental cleanup, remodeling and rehabilitation of existing buildings, and a portion of interest costs from financing. The cost of new building construction is not an eligible expense.

On April 25, 2023, the City Council approved a resolution creating the TIF-Funded Downtown Property Code Compliance Incentive Program. The intent of this program is to encourage commercial property owners to improve downtown buildings, in an effort to develop a revitalized downtown.

The redevelopment agreement between the City and the developer specifies the reimbursement terms for each individual project.

Attached for consideration by the City Council is a redevelopment agreement between the City and JK & LC, LLC for reimbursement of a portion of the costs to redevelop the property at 717 and 717 1/2 South University Avenue. The developer has purchased the parcel where Underground Public House, Blend Tea & Crepe, and two residential apartments are located, in the area of downtown known as The Island.

Code Compliance Program funds will be used to redevelop the two apartments on the parcel. Those apartments will then be used as vacation rental units. The subject property is located within TIF #2, and as a result, the developer is eligible to receive reimbursement through TIF.

Under the terms of the redevelopment agreement, the City will reimburse the developer for eligible costs up to \$50,000 to cover the expense of bringing these apartments up to code.

Objectives of the TIF Redevelopment Plan include the reduction or elimination of blighting conditions, enhancement of the real estate tax base, and encouraging private investment in the redevelopment project area. Development of the subject property as proposed by JK & LC, LLC represents a substantial contribution to all of these objectives.

Recommended Action:

It is recommended that the City Council approve a Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Enter into a Code Compliance Tax Increment Financing Agreement with JK & LC, LLC for a Redevelopment Project at 717 and 717 1/2 South University Avenue.

File Attachments

[Redevelopment Agreement Code Compliance 717 S University Ave 2023 11 14.pdf \(492 KB\)](#)

[Resolution Approving a TIF Development Agreement at 717 S University Ave - 2023-11-14.pdf \(197 KB\)](#)

7. Consent Agenda of the City Council

Subject :	7.6 Accept Permanent Easements for Stormwater Replacement Project (CIP 9902)
Meeting :	Nov 14, 2023 - Local Liquor Control Commission and Regular City Council Meeting November 14, 2023
Type :	Action (Consent)
Recommended Action :	Accept easements for CIP project SS9902

Public Content

Originating Department: Public Works - Engineering

Background:

A large section of stormwater piping in southwest Carbondale was installed in the 1960s using corrugated metal pipes. City staff have televised some sections and have found that the bottoms of the existing pipes have disintegrated over time which is causing settlement in roads, private property, and around some curb inlets. These pipe failures are causing safety and maintenance issues and as such, City Staff have begun preliminary construction work for community investment project SS 9902.

The City's civil engineering consultant has developed a conceptual map (attached) for this project. As Staff began to investigate the private property areas where the existing storm sewer piping and structures will need to be replaced, and found that when the subdivisions were originally developed there were no easements granted to the City to maintain the stormwater system. Further investigation revealed that to complete this project, there are 23 properties where permanent easements will need to be secured. Staff hired Hanson Engineering Services to perform all the legal work and negotiation for this project and they have now secured 19 easements. The remaining 4 easements are currently being negotiated and we expect to present them to the City Council in the next couple of months.

Staff recommends that the City Council accept the attached 19 easements so they can be recorded at the Jackson County courthouse.

File Attachments

[SS 9902 - Phase 1 - Storm Sewer Location Map - 2023-11-14.pdf \(11,961 KB\)](#)
[Permanent Easement - 15-20-254-005 - 205 S. Hewitt.pdf \(1,247 KB\)](#)
[Permanent Easement - 15-20-254-006 - 207 S. Hewitt.pdf \(946 KB\)](#)
[Permanent Easement - 15-20-254-006 - 1506 W. Walnut St..pdf \(904 KB\)](#)
[Permanent Easement - 15-20-254-008 - 204 S. Pine Ln..pdf \(942 KB\)](#)
[Permanent Easement - 15-20-254-009 - 206 S. Pine Ln..pdf \(1,760 KB\)](#)
[Permanent Easement - 15-20-254-010 - 208 S. Pine Ln..pdf \(2,079 KB\)](#)
[Permanent Easement - 15-20-254-013 - 1504 W. Walnut St..pdf \(1,322 KB\)](#)
[Permanent Easement - 15-20-257-003 - 1505 W. Walnut St..pdf \(1,337 KB\)](#)
[Permanent Easement - 15-20-257-004 - 1503 W. Walnut St..pdf \(1,306 KB\)](#)
[Permanent Easement - 15-20-257-005 - 1501 W. Walnut St..pdf \(1,260 KB\)](#)
[Permanent Easement - 15-20-257-016 - 1409 W. Walnut St..pdf \(1,001 KB\)](#)
[Permanent Easement - 15-20-401-005 - 1501 Taylor Dr..pdf \(1,568 KB\)](#)
[Permanent Easement - 15-20-401-006 - 1508 Taylor Dr..pdf \(1,052 KB\)](#)
[Permanent Easement - 15-20-401-007 - 1506 Taylor Dr..pdf \(1,738 KB\)](#)
[Permanent Easement - 15-20-401-011 - 412 Skyline Dr..pdf \(1,573 KB\)](#)
[Permanent Easement - 15-20-401-018 - 500 Skyline Dr..pdf \(1,227 KB\)](#)
[Permanent Easement - 15-20-401-019 - 502 Skyline Dr..pdf \(1,033 KB\)](#)
[Permanent Easement - 15-20-401-020 - 504 Skyline Dr..pdf \(1,034 KB\)](#)
[Permanent Easement - 15-20-401-021 - 506 Skyline Dr..pdf \(1,402 KB\)](#)

7. Consent Agenda of the City Council

Subject : 7.7 Approval of Consent Agenda Items
Meeting : Nov 14, 2023 - Local Liquor Control Commission and Regular City Council Meeting November 14, 2023
Type : Action (Consent)
Recommended Action : Approve all Consent Agenda items not pulled for separate consideration

Public Content

8. General Business of the City Council

Subject : 8.1 Ordinance Exercising the City of Carbondale's Home Rule Authority in Regard to the Illinois Paid Leave for All Workers Act
Meeting : Nov 14, 2023 - Local Liquor Control Commission and Regular City Council Meeting November 14, 2023
Type : Action
Recommended Action : Approve an Ordinance exercising the City of Carbondale's home rule authority in regard to the Illinois Paid Leave for All Workers Act

Public Content

Originating Department: City Manager

Background:

On March 12, 2023, Governor JB Pritzker signed into law the Paid Leave for All Workers Act (820 ILCS 192/1 *et seq.*) which will take effect on January 1, 2024. The Act provides that employees receive a minimum of 40 hours of paid leave annually, which can be taken for any reason and without notice, and without the requirement of providing any type of documentation to the employer. Municipalities around the State have expressed concerns to the Illinois Municipal League (IML) as such requirement could disable a city's ability and responsibility to provide services. In spite of the IML's ongoing negotiations with legislators and state agency staff, there will be no changes to the content or the effective date of the law before the end of the year. As such, IML has prepared a model ordinance for communities to exercise their home rule authority exempting them from the requirements of the law.

It's important to note that the City of Carbondale provides paid leave benefits that are much more generous than those offered in this new law. Approving this ordinance will codify the paid time off provided in personnel rules and collective bargaining agreements. In order to be exempt from the requirements of the Paid Leave for Workers Act, this ordinance must be passed before December 31, 2023.

Recommended Action: It's recommended that the City Council approve an Ordinance exercising the City of Carbondale's home rule authority in regard to the Illinois Paid Leave for All Workers Act.

File Attachments

[Ordinance Exercising the City of Carbondale's Home Rule Authority in Regards to the Illinois Paid Leave for All Workers Act - 2023-11-14.pdf \(216 KB\)](#)

8. General Business of the City Council

Subject :	8.2 Review of 2023 Proposed Tax Levy, Truth in Taxation Act Determination and Public Library Board's Tax Levy Requirements
Meeting :	Nov 14, 2023 - Local Liquor Control Commission and Regular City Council Meeting November 14, 2023
Type :	Action
Recommended Action :	Direct staff to submit a Tax Levy Ordinance for the December 12 City Council meeting containing the recommended Tax Levy and Tax Levy Abatements that will result in a net 2023 Tax Levy in the amount of \$2,235,843 for General Government and Library purposes.

Public Content

Originating Department: Finance

Background:

The total Municipal Property Tax Levy includes two major purposes, the City Government and the Public Library. Historically, City Government relied on property taxes for pension contributions. The property tax is the Public Library's major source of revenue.

In each of the last thirteen years, the City abated the debt service, street lighting, and public benefit for sidewalk portions of the levy, but levied an actual amount for City Government Purposes, which was applied toward the public safety pension obligations. It is recommended that this practice be repeated this year. Police Pension required contributions will increase by \$284,572 to a total of \$1,079,662. Fire Pension

required contributions will increase by \$284,176 to a total of \$664,432. This increase was a result of investment returns not meeting the actuarial rate of return and the use of an updated mortality table more finely tuned for public safety employees. These are mandated expenses, over which the City has limited control. Without the revenue from the property tax levy, spending reductions would be required to balance the General Fund budget.

The attached "Comparative Tax Levy Analysis/Truth in Taxation Act Determination" is presented in compliance with Illinois law and shows that the proposed tax levy for Total City Government Purposes is \$1,035,331 for 2023, an increase of 0.000% over the amount levied in 2022. In 2023, \$300,281 will be used for the Fire Pension Fund and \$735,050 will be used for the Police Pension Fund. The remaining funds required for the function of the government including \$548,200, \$623,918, \$2,866,923 for principal and interest for the 2020 Series GO Bonds series A and B, as well as the 2022 Series GO Bonds respectively will come from revenues generated via the Home Rule authority. In 2023, the City's General Obligation Water & Sewer Bond Ordinances to be levied are \$772,803, which the City will fully abate, resulting in a \$1,035,331 tax levy for Total City Government Purposes. The City's real estate tax levy will remain flat for the 2023 tax year.

The City received a letter from the Carbondale Public Library Board dated October 12, 2023, requesting that the City levy a total of \$1,200,512 for the Library's Fiscal Year 2025 operations. The levy includes the amounts for the General Corporate Fund (\$1,054,950), IMRF (\$55,876), the Social Security (\$41,528) and Medicare Funds (\$9,711), and the Tort and Insurance Fund (\$38,447). The levy represents a \$46,158 increase over the prior year's levy of \$1,154,354 or 3.999%. The City Council, by law, is required to adopt the Library levy. The combined total for the City's share and the Public Library's share of the proposed tax levy is \$2,189,685, a 1.637% increase.

Due to the City's use of Home Rule authority and the associated revenues generated by Home Rule the General Fund will continue to subsidize a portion of the Fire Pension Fund, the Police Pension Fund. Debt Service Fund for the series 2020A and the 2020B general obligation bonds standing levy will be abated and subsidized by the general fund in the total amount of \$1,172,118. Debt Service Fund for the series 2022 general obligation bonds standing levy will be abated and subsidized by the general fund in the total amount of \$2,866,923. The series 2011 and 2013 general obligation bonds will be funded by the Water & Sewer Fund revenues in the amount of \$772,803. The total levy amount required of \$6,759,467 less the corporate replacement tax provision, less the general fund, motor fuel tax fund, and water & sewer fund subsidies equates to a net levy amount of \$1,035,331.

Illinois law requires taxing bodies to abide by the Truth in Taxation Act that obligates the public taxing body to publish notices and conduct a public hearing when the tax levy being considered exceeds 105% of the extended tax, including any amounts abated by the taxing district prior to such extension of the previous year. With the overall increase of 2.106%, a public hearing is not required.

File Attachments

[2023 Comparative Tax Levy Analysis - Truth in Taxation 2023-11-14.pdf \(116 KB\)](#)

8. General Business of the City Council

Subject :	8.3 Ordinance Amending Title One Chapter Two Article B as it Relates to the City Council Meetings
Meeting :	Nov 14, 2023 - Local Liquor Control Commission and Regular City Council Meeting November 14, 2023
Type :	Action (Consent)
Recommended Action :	Adopt an Ordinance Amending Title One Chapter Two Article B as it Relates to the City Council Meetings

Public Content

Originating Department:

Background:

During the City Council meeting of October 24, the City Council reviewed a proposed Title One amendment governing City Council Meetings. The attached Ordinance and Exhibit reflect the changes for which a consensus was reached by the Council.

- The term "citizen" was replaced. Since the Illinois Public Access Counselor's Binding Opinion 19-009 prohibits limiting comments to residents only, alternate terminology was utilized.
- The prohibition of signs, banners, or other display materials was retained per majority consensus of Council
- The public speaker time limit returned to 4 minutes per majority consensus of Council
- 1-2B-10: Removal of Appointees - amended to reflect a majority of seated Council members
- 1-2B-1.D. Public Participation (formerly Citizen Participation) Subsection D.8 removed - "The Mayor reserves the right to override the above rules in the case of an emergency or other unforeseen circumstances."
- The Rules of Order were removed until Legal can review or an alternative and simplified Rules of Order option can be identified

File Attachments

[Illinois Open Meetings Act Requirements RE Minutes and Recording 14 November 2023.pdf \(74 KB\)](#)
[Ordinance Amending Title One Chapter Two Article B as it Relates to the City Council Meetings 14](#)

[November 2023.pdf \(100 KB\)](#)

[Ordinance Amending Title One Chapter Two Article B Exhibit A - Amended - 14 November 2023.pdf \(147 KB\)](#)

9. Adjournment of the City Council Meeting

Subject :	9.1 Adjourn meeting
Meeting :	Nov 14, 2023 - Local Liquor Control Commission and Regular City Council Meeting November 14, 2023
Type :	Procedural

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The Mayor will declare the meeting adjourned.