

PLATTEVILLE COMMON COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS
APRIL 22, 2014

The regular meeting of the Common Council of the City of Platteville was called to order by Council President Eileen Nickels at 7:00 PM in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building.

ROLL CALL

Present: Barbara Daus, Mike Denn, Ken Kilian, Council President Eileen Nickels, Amy Seeboth, and Barb Stockhausen. Excused: Dick Bonin.

PUBLIC HEARING

Zoning Code Amendment – Limited Occupancy Overlay District in Historic Districts – President Nickels called the public hearing to order. Community Planning & Development Director Joe Carroll explained that the current R-LO limited occupancy overlay district (which places restrictions on the number of occupants that are permitted to live in a residential housing unit – maximum of 2 unrelated individuals) is only an option for property that is zoned R-1 Single Family Residential or R-2 One and Two Family Residential. The change proposed would allow an overlay district to be created on property that is located within any local or state/national residential historic district in the City, regardless of the existing underlying zoning. The West Main Street historic district and the Division Street historic district include properties that are zoned R-3 Multi-Family Residential and CBT Central Business Transition. The Plan Commission recommended denial of the proposed ordinance due to concerns that included limiting rentals in an area close to the University and whether it was really needed. There were also concerns raised about the current code language regarding the 75% rule in the petition process (which could potentially force a property into an overlay district using a 3/4 vote by the Council) and the lack of domestic partnerships in the definition of family. Carroll noted that the Plan Commission was going to address the last two concerns at their next meeting in May. Staff recommended approval. Public statements in favor included Arlene Siss of 130 N Hickory Street. No public statements against or in general. Motion by Daus, second by Denn to close the public hearing. Motion carried 6-0 on a roll call vote. Motion by Daus, second by Kilian to table action pending further information from the Plan Commission. Motion carried 6-0 on a roll call vote.

SPECIAL PRESENTATION

Airport Grant – Bill Kloster – Platteville Airport Commission Chairman Bill Kloster presented an overview of the Platteville Municipal Airport funding, services, service providers, annual usage, airport improvement projects, and the upcoming taxiway expansion scheduled for this summer.

CONSIDERATION OF CONSENT CALENDAR

Motion by Daus, second by Stockhausen to approve the April 8, 2014 Council Minutes; Payment of Bills in the amount of \$252,424.88; Appointment of Tammy Black to the Historic Preservation Commission (3 year term) and Robin Cline as Alternate, and Scott MacDowell and Gary Munson to the Plan Commission (3 year term); Temporary Class “B” license to sell fermented malt beverages to the Platteville Jaycees at Legion Park on July 4, 2014; One-Year Operator License to John C O’Sullivan; Two-Year Operator License to Amelia M Abraham, Kelly E Champeau, Taylor J Hartfield, Adeline M Kemnitzer, Danielle L Lewis, Tiffany E Meyers, Jacob J Oomens, and Claudia J VandeZande; Taxi Driver License to Paul G Roggenbeck; Resolution 14-16 Authorizing the City of Platteville to Demand the Grant County Sheriff Issue Deeds for Unredeemed Premises – Kallembach Properties; Resolution 14-17 Authorizing the Submission of an Application for Outdoor Recreation Aids; and a Street Closing Permit for Market Street to Gary Olson for the Platteville Farmers Market on Saturday mornings from May through October of 2014. Motion carried 6-0 on a roll call vote.

CITIZENS' COMMENTS, OBSERVATIONS, AND PETITIONS

Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Kathy Kopp announced some upcoming events for the City of Platteville and surrounding areas - May 3 Premiere of Discover Wisconsin Episode, May 3-July 19 Driftless Summer Ride, and May 17-18 3-State Walks.

Platteville Business Incubator Inc (PBII) Executive Director Ed White distributed a copy of the 2013 PBII Annual Report and provided some highlights of their successes.

Ed White representing the Platteville Economic Development Advisory Council distributed a copy of the purpose statement and goals for 2014.

Dan Winch of 345 Bayley Avenue was present again to object to a sidewalk snow removal fee that he and his neighbor received and threatened a class action lawsuit if the Council did not do as he requested. President Nickels said his request would be addressed at the next agenda setting meeting.

Recreation Director Luke Peters provided an update on the Boots vs Badges Dunkin Donuts fundraiser for Project Pulse. The fundraiser exceeded expectations with orders of over 400 dozen donuts resulting in over \$8,000 including matches from the Platteville Masons and Alliant Energy Foundation.

REPORTS

- A. Committee Reports – Meeting reports were submitted by the Historic Preservation Commission, Library Board, and Plan Commission.
- B. Other Reports
 - 1. Building Inspector Report
 - 2. 2013 Tax Incremental Financing (TIF) District 4, 5, 6, 7, & 8 Reports
 - 3. Department Progress Reports – Written progress reports of department operations and activities were submitted by the Director of Administration, City Attorney, City Manager, Community Planning & Development, EMS, Public Library, Museum, Police, Recreation, and Senior Center.

Director of Administration Duane Borgen announced the 2014 Board of Review Dates. The 2014 Assessment Roll will be available in the Clerk's Office on April 28, Open Book in the Assessor's Office May 14 from 12:30 PM - 4:30 PM, with the Board of Review on June 11 in the Council Chambers at 4:30 PM.

ACTION ITEMS

- A. *Resolution 14-18 Conditional Use Permit – Asphalt Plant at 1100 E Mineral Street* – Request for a conditional use permit to allow the continued operation of an asphalt plant in the rock quarry. Motion by Daus, second by Denn to adopt Resolution 14-18 Conditional Use Permit for Iverson Construction with the following conditions: 1) the permit shall expire at the end of the asphalt producing season; 2) the permit shall apply only to the subject property; and 3) the applicant provides dust control as needed along the driveway where it intersects with Mineral Street. Motion carried 6-0 on a roll call vote.
- B. *Ordinance 14-04 Amending the Official Traffic Map – Senior Center, Restricted Parking* – Request to designate both parking spaces on Court Street in front of the Senior Center as “restricted parking only – 9:30 AM to 3:00 PM to accommodate the large busses of the Senior Center and the ADRC. Motion by Kilian, second by Stockhausen to adopt Ordinance 14-04 Amending the Official Traffic Map – Senior Center Restricted Parking as presented. Motion carried 6-0 on a roll call vote.

- C. *Ordinance 14-05 Amending City Room Tax* – Proposal to increase the City Room Tax by 1% from 4% to 5% starting on January 1, 2015. Funding from the increase will follow the City’s ordinances and be split with 70% going to the Room Tax Entity, 28% going to the City, and 2% to the lodging institutions to cover administrative costs. Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Kathy Kopp stated that the decision was not made lightly by the Tourism Committee and hotel owners, but they need additional money for marketing and believe it’s a win/win situation. Motion by Daus, second by Denn to adopt Ordinance 14-05 Amending Section 3.35(b) Imposition on Room Tax increasing room tax 1% as presented. Motion carried 6-0 on a roll call vote.
- D. *Contract 3-14 Sidewalk Repair* – Approval of contract to repair sidewalks throughout the City and grind trip hazards on sidewalks that aren’t replaced. Motion by Denn, second by Kilian to award Contract 3-14 with sidewalk repair to J and T Concrete Construction at the bid amount of \$27,956.50 and grinding of sidewalk trip hazards to Sidewalk Savers LLC for a maximum of \$6,683 as presented. Motion carried 6-0 on a roll call vote.
- E. *Election of Plan Commission Member* – Motion by Kilian to nominate Mike Denn to serve on the Plan Commission. Motion by Daus, second by Kilian to close nominations and cast an unanimous ballot for Mike Denn to serve on the Plan Commission. Motion carried 6-0 on a roll call vote.

INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION

- A. *Resolution Terminating TIF District #8* – Proposed resolution per Council directive to terminate the Tax Incremental Finance District #8 (Former Hospital/Elderspan Project) that was created in 2007. Action at next meeting.
- B. *Contract 11-14 Pool Repairs* – Approval of contract to install a variable frequency drive unit for the existing pumps and repair deteriorating joints and other areas in the Family Aquatic Center. Recreation Director Luke Peters answered questions regarding the VFD efficiency. Action at next meeting.

CLOSED SESSION

Motion by Denn, second by Daus to adjourn to closed session per Wisconsin Statute 19.85(1)(e) deliberating or negotiating the purchasing of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session – *Possible Land Acquisition* – and to come back into open session to adjourn. Motion carried 6-0 on a roll call vote.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Stockhausen, second by Denn to adjourn. Motion carried on a voice vote. The meeting was adjourned at 8:46 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Jan Martin, City Clerk