

PLATTEVILLE COMMON COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS
February 13, 2018

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

ROLL CALL

Present: Ken Kilian, Eileen Nickels, Tom Nall, Katherine Westaby, Don Francis, and Barbara Daus
Excused: Barbara Stockhausen. Absent: None.

CONSIDERATION OF CONSENT CALENDAR

Motion by Daus, second by Nall to approve the consent calendar as follows: January 23 Regular Council Minutes; Payment of Bills in the amount of \$3,846,906.66; January Financial Report, Appointment of Tom Lindahl to Board of Review and Michael Bretner to Tourism Committee; Change of Agents, Revelry LLC Nicholas Pease for The Public House and Platteville Elks Lodge #1460 Darrel J Timmerman; Temporary Class "B"/"Class B" to sell Fermented Malt Beverages & Wine, St. Augustine University Parish on February 16, and March 2; Two-year Operator License to Samuel J Bishop, Bailey L Dragusica, and Arranda A Henry; 2018 Taxi Driver License to William A Richard and Robert Francis Wedige; Banner Permit to American Cancer Society Relay for Life April 1-21; Run Permits to High Vibe on March 17 and Kiwanis Club to benefit Badger Camp on May 5. Motion carried 6-0 on a roll call vote.

CITIZENS' COMMENTS, OBSERVATIONS AND PETITIONS, if any.

Ken Kilian made a statement about a citizen who had approached him concerned about the presence of cigarette litter in the downtown area. The citizen stated there is a need for a proper waste container for cigarettes.

REPORTS

- A. Board/Commission/Committee Reports – Meeting reports were submitted by the Police and Fire Commission, Commission on Aging, Museum Board, and Historic Preservation Commission. Other reports included Water and Sewer Financial Report, Airport Financial Report, and Department Progress Reports.

ACTION

- A. *Resolution 18-03 Authorizing a \$1,300,000 State Trust Fund Loan for the Purpose of Financing TID 7 Pioneer Property Redevelopment Incentive* – Administration Director Nicola Maurer presented staff recommendations to the Council to approve the borrowing resolution authorizing the City to submit an application to the BCPL to borrow \$1,300,000. The term of the loan will be 20 years with a fixed annual interest rate of 4% and repaid by the Developer through the tax increment generated by the project. Motion by Daus, second by Westaby to approve Resolution 18-03 authorizing a \$1,300,000 State Trust Fund loan for the purpose of financing TID 7 Pioneer Property Redevelopment Incentive as presented. Motion carried 5-1 on a roll call vote with Kilian voting against.
- B. *Ordinance 18-01 Amending the Official Traffic Map* – Motion by Kilian, second by Daus to approve Ordinance 18-01 amending the official traffic map as presented. Motion carried 6-0 on a roll call vote.
- C. *Aldersperson Resignation and Filling Corresponding Vacancy* – Common Council President Eileen Nickels announced the resignation of Aldersperson Katherine Westaby to take effect Wednesday, February 28, 2018. The Council was presented with three options on how to fill the vacancy. The Council decided on option 2, which was to appoint for the remainder of the term, with the

recommendation of the Council President and President Pro-Tem. The following timeline was proposed:

- Week of February 11 – vacancy announced and press release issued. Candidates are asked to submit a one-page letter of interest answering the following questions:
 - Describe your qualifications for serving on the Common Council
 - Describe what you like best about Platteville, and
 - Describe the area/improvements you would focus on if elected.
- March 9 – Letters of interest are due
- March 13 Council Work Session – Candidates are invited to make a 5-minute presentation to the Council followed by 5-10 minutes of Council questions.
- March 27 Council Meeting – A nomination for appointment is made and voted on by the Common Council.
- April 17 Council Work Session – New member orientation

Motion by Daus, second by Nall to approve option 2 for Alderperson resignation and filling corresponding vacancy. Motion carried 6-0 on a roll call vote.

INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION

- A. *Proposal to Refinance TID 5 Revenue Bond* – Director of Administration Nicola Maurer presented four bank proposals for the TID 5 revenue bond refinance. Under the current revenue bond from 2014 the fixed interest rate of 2.75% will reset to a new fixed rate on September 30, 2018. The new rate will be the five-year Treasury Note rate plus 2%. The five-year Treasury Note rate is currently 2.43%, therefore the 2014 revenue bond is anticipated to increase to 4.43% or greater in September of 2018. Area banks were invited to submit proposals to refinance the revenue bond. The most competitive proposal the City received was from Mound City Bank, which offers an annual fixed interest rate of 2.49% with a term of five years to match the amortization life of the current bond. Under this proposal, the TID 5 debt service in 2018 will be less than the amount included in the TID 5 2018 budget. Because the debt is in the form of a revenue bond, which is secured by the tax increment from TID 5, it is not G.O. debt and does not count against the borrowing capacity of the city. Action at next meeting.
- B. *Ribbons on Main Street* – Public Works Director Howard Crofoot presented a draft policy to allow ribbons on Main St. This policy was drafted in response to Family Advocates of Grant County approaching the City with a request to put up Sexual Assault Awareness Ribbons on Main St for the month of April. Staff has some concern that ribbons would detract from the desired appearance of Main St and also the durability of ribbons to stay looking good through the duration they are tied to the light poles. Jack Luedtke, Main Street Director, wrote an email in response to the request stating he also has concern about the overall look of the ribbons. The Common Council is not interested in having ribbons tied to the light poles on Main St and is not interested in having this item moved to action.

WORK SESSION

- A. *Assigned Parking* – Public Works Director Howard Crofoot and City Manager Karen Kurt presented a draft resolution repealing and recreating assigned parking locations within the City of Platteville. There was some discussion on how a leased stall would be designated. Crofoot explained that once the stall was leased, it would be a complaint driven system to monitor the lot. The Council would like to have a hang tag displayed inside the vehicle to indicate the stall being leased. Spaces that are not being leased would have the same restrictions as the remainder of the parking lot, but in all instances with no overnight parking. These changes are proposed to take effect August 1, 2018 with the fee of the leased spot needing to be established. *It was the consensus of the Council to agree with the draft resolution as presented except for*

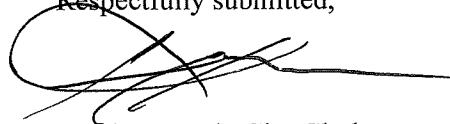
changing all the Oak St lot to all 3-hour parking with no overnight parking and have all 26 stalls on Rountree Ave available for leased parking.

- B. *Housing Study Request for Proposals* – Community Development Director Joe Carroll and City Manager Karen Kurt presented information for seeking a company to conduct a housing study in the City of Platteville. The focus of the study would include an assessment of existing housing conditions, demographics and market demands, identifying critical housing gaps and issues, identifying any current and anticipated unmet housing needs and providing an outlook towards anticipated housing demands over the next 10+ years. From this study the City would like to identify citywide and neighborhood focused housing priorities and provide policy alternatives and intervention strategies the City can use to guide decision-making for future housing needs. The City has partnered with key community stakeholders to conduct the housing study and needs analysis. The partners will also share in the selection process of the consultant as well as the cost of the study. There was some discussion to extend an invitation to the Platteville Township to be a part of the study. The Council would like staff and stakeholders to review the proposals as they come in and select 3 companies to be presented to the Council. In addition to the 3 selected, there should also be a reason as to why other proposals were not selected by staff. The anticipated timeline for proposals to be received by the City is March 23, 2018.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Nall, second by Daus to adjourn. Motion carried 6-0 on a roll call vote. The meeting was adjourned at 8:23 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Candace Koch', with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Candace Koch, City Clerk