

**PLATTEVILLE COMMON COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS**  
**August 23, 2022**

The regular meeting of the Common Council of the City of Platteville was called to order by Council President Barbara Daus at 6:00 PM in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building.

**ROLL CALL**

Present: Barbara Daus, Eileen Nickels, Lynne Parrott, Kathy Kopp, Todd Kasper, and Ken Kilian. Jason Artz arrived at 6:37 PM. Excused: None.

**CONSIDERATION OF CONSENT AGENDA**

Motion by Kilian, second by Kopp to approve the consent agenda as follows: Council Minutes – 8/9/22 Regular; Payment of Bills in the amount of \$459,034.56; Appointments to Boards and Commissions, none; Temporary Class “B” to serve Fermented Malt Beverages to Platteville Jaycees at Legion Park on Friday, September 9 at 5:00 PM to Sunday, September 11 at 5:00 PM for Dairy Days and St. Mary’s Church at 400 Pitt Street (Broske Event Center) on Sunday, September 18 from 11:00 AM to 4:00 PM for St. Mary’s Festival; One-Year Operator License to Sell/Serve Alcohol; Andrew J Troy; Two-Year Operator License to Sell/Serve Alcohol; Isabella N Condif, Cory J Cooley, Guinevere K Diehl, Caitlyn E Doneske, Mandana Faryar, Anthony W Myers, Madalyn C Scott, Ashley M Stahl, Michael P Sullivan, and Sydney G Van Swol; Street Closing Permit – Hickory Street between W Pine Street and Greenwood Avenue for St. Augustine’s University Parish Block Party on Wednesday, September 7 from 1:00 PM to 9:00 PM. Motion carried 6-0 on a roll call vote.

**CITIZENS’ COMMENTS, OBSERVATIONS AND PETITIONS, if any.**

Paul Erickson, Chief Communications Officer UW-Platteville invited the Common Council and Platteville Chamber to the Grand Opening of the Sesquicentennial Hall happening Thursday, September 1 at 1:00 PM.

Public Works Director spoke about several Street projects and announced the accomplishment of the Water Department having all three wells tested with no PFAS levels detected.

**REPORTS**

- A. Board/Commission/Committee Minutes – Community Safe Routes Committee and Museum Board

**ACTION**

None

**INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION**

- A. *Financial Advisor RFP* – City Manager Adam Ruechel explained that the financial advisor will assist the City in the analysis, structure, issuance, and management of debt. The Financial Advisor will also be called upon to provide other financial advisory services such as the creation of an updated financing plan, bond rating assistance, etc. The City of Platteville received submissions from the following firms: Baker Tilly Municipal Advisors LLC, Ehlers Public Finance Advisors, and Robert W. Baird & Co. Incorporated Advisors To review the 3 firms and provide a formal recommendation to the Common Council; a subcommittee has been formed consisting of the City Manager, Administration Director, and Alderpersons Kilian and Nickels. The subcommittee, after interviewing all 3 firms, has selected Ehlers Public Finance

Advisors, and Robert W. Baird & Co. Incorporated Advisors to give a 20-25 minute presentation to the Common Council during the next two meetings.

- B. *DNR Stewardship Grants* – Public Works Director Crofoot explained that the City was notified by DNR that it has been selected to receive 50/50 grant funding for the Moundview Park Trail and Main Street Trail Connection projects. The City was also informed by the DOT that it would not receive the 80/20 grant funding for the same projects. Staff is working to find supplemental funding for these projects and will present these to the Common Council at the next meeting. If such funds are not found, then Staff would recommend refusing one or both of these grants.
- C. *Presentation of Comprehensive CIP* – City Manager Ruechel explained that the comprehensive Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) is a vital tool for Platteville to utilize in the planning for capital improvements over multiple years. It allows City Staff, City sponsored organizations, and the Common Council room for forward thought and discussion, better prepares Platteville for change, and creates opportunities that may otherwise be overlooked. City Manager Ruechel gave a brief description of potential projects for the upcoming 5 years that create a financial plan in the areas of General Government, Police, Department of Public Works, Water and Sewer, Parks and Recreation, Library, Museum, Fire, Taxi-Bus, and Airport. The Council was asked to review, return input, and recommendations before the next Council meeting.

Motion by Artz, second by Kilian to go into Closed Session. Motion carried 7-0 on a roll call vote.

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.

A. Platteville Armory

#### ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Nickels, second by Artz to adjourn. Motion carried 7-0 on a roll call vote. The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Colette Steffen, Deputy City Clerk