

PLATTEVILLE COMMON COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS
April 22, 2025

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, Kathy Kopp, Lynne Parrott, Bob Gates, Ken Kilian, Tony McFall, and Tom Nall
Excused: None

CONSIDERATION OF CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Parrott, second by Gates to approve the consent agenda as follows: Council Minutes – 4/8/25 Regular and 4/15/25 Special; Payment of Bills in the amount of \$435,003.55; Appointments to Boards and Commissions: Board of Appeals (Zoning) – John Niehaus, Council representative appointments: Daus: Grant County Economic Development, Housing Authority, Platt Area Ind. Dev. Corp., Water and Sewer Commission; Gates: Board of Appeals-Zoning, License Committee, Parks, Forestry, and Recreation Committee; Kilian: Historic Preservation Commission, Joint ET Committee, License Committee, Water and Sewer Commission; Kopp: Commission on Aging, Grant County Economic Development, Police and Fire Commission, Tourism Committee; McFall: Airport Commission, Joint ET Committee, Public Transportation Committee, Redevelopment Authority; Nall: Community Safe Routes Committee, Museum Board, Water and Sewer Commission; Parrott: Broske Center Care Committee, Joint ET Committee, Library Board, License Committee; Two-Year Operator Licenses - Finnian G Gabel, Katylynn R Heisz, Kylie A Hill, Brady A Kirchberg, Theresa Lynch, Kimberly B Minett, Ann B Mowbray, Timothy J Ryan, Rebecca A Sickler, David E Treinen, and Natalya A Womack. Motion carried 7-0 on a roll call vote.

CITIZENS' COMMENTS, OBSERVATIONS AND PETITIONS, if any.

Council President Daus thanked City workers for their efforts relating to the hailstorm on Friday, April 18. Alderperson Parrott had received inquiries from several citizens in reference to available resources from the City to assist with hail damage. Daus mentioned there was nothing specific to hail damage but encouraged residents to share information and do thorough research before signing any repair contracts.

REPORTS

- A. Board/Commission/Committee Minutes – Water & Sewer Commission and Museum Board

ACTION

- A. *Award for Comprehensive Planning Services* – Motion by Gates, second by Parrott to select the proposal from Southwestern Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission to complete the three planning projects for the price of \$42,500. Motion carried 7-0 on a roll call vote.
- B. *Pool Funding Options for Platteville Family Aquatic Center* – Debi Sigwarth, 35 Ellen Street, Molly Zuehlke, 235 E Dewey Street, and Cinda Furry, 1030 Oakhaven Court, registered in favor. Cody Bochenek spoke in favor. Motion by Gates, second by Parrott to authorize City Manager Langreck and Director Maurer to produce a funding solution to include borrowing up to \$6.9 million in general obligation notes, for the design and construction of the new pool and updated facilities at the Platteville Family Aquatic Center. Motion carried 7-0 on a roll call vote.

- C. *Proceeding to Stage 2 of the Aquatic Engineer Agreement with JEO* – Debi Sigwarth, 35 Ellen Street, Molly Zuehlke, 235 E Dewey Street, and Cinda Furry, 1030 Oakhaven Court, registered in favor. Cody Bochenek spoke in favor. Motion by Nall, second by Gates to authorize City Manager Langreck to contract with the architect engineer for continued design and development and to enter into Stage 2 of the agreement with JEO LLC. Motion carried 6-0 with Kopp abstaining on a roll call vote.

INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION

- A. *Contract 8-25 for Highway Painting* – Director of Public Works Howard Crofoot explained that this is the City’s annual painting of centerlines and other pavement markings on highways. This year we intend to repaint Broadway from Main to Madison, and Eastside Road from Enterprise to Business 151. If bid prices are within budget, we have Alternate A – Mineral Street from Business 151 to Valley Road. Broadway was last painted in 2014, Eastside Road in 2007 and Mineral Street in 2013. The manufacturers recommend repainting every 5 years. Local experience is that the paint lasts about 8 years. Staff received two bids, Century Traffic and Forward Traffic & Marking (formerly Mega Rentals). The low bid is by Century Traffic. They did the painting contract in 2023. The budget is \$62,000. The bid for the Base Bid is \$51,156.50. The bid including Alternate A is \$55,836.50. Staff recommend awarding Contract 8-25, Highway Painting with Alternate A to Century Traffic at the bid price of \$55,836.50.
- B. *Resolution to Submit DNR Grant Application – Southeast Rail Corridor Trail Land Acquisition Amendment* – Community Development Director Joe Carroll presented that the Platteville Community Arboretum (PCA) is working on a plan for an expansion of the existing Rountree Branch Trail that would connect Business Highway 151 to Eastside Road. The City applied for, and received, a DNR grant to assist with this project. Due to the acquisition costs being higher than anticipated, the PCA would like to submit an amendment to the application requesting additional grant funds. The project would include an application for an amendment to the DNR land acquisition grant, which would provide up to 50% of the project costs. The City would be the applicant for the grant on behalf of the PCA, and all lands acquired with the grant would be turned over to the City. The Council must approve a resolution authorizing submittal of the grant application. The grant requires a local funding match, but these funds will be obtained by the Platteville Community Arboretum through donations. Staff recommend approval of the request to submit an application amendment to the DNR Land Acquisition Grant program for the trail extension and approval of the required resolution.
- C. *Resolution for DNR Trail Grants – Trailhead Parking* - Director of Public Works Howard Crofoot explained that the DNR requires a resolution of support for grant requests. The resolution would be for a 50/50 grant to construct trailhead parking at the east end of Fairfield Drive. This parking would also serve the adjoining soccer fields. If awarded, the City would install an access road and a gravel parking area (initially) using DNR grant funds matched with Parks Impact Fees. Staff recommends the Common Council pass a motion to approve the resolution for DNR Trail Grant – Trailhead Parking. Council President Daus requested the Parks and Recreation Department to provide a more detailed map of how the proposed parking lot would be laid out. Council President Pro-tem Kopp requested that Staff contact property owners to participate in further discussions.

D. Resolution for DNR Trail Grants – Mound View Park Trail Maintenance - Director of Public Works Howard Crofoot said that the DNR requires a resolution of support for grant requests. The resolution would be for a 80/20 grant to maintain the circular trail in Mound View Park. These grants are capped at \$100,000. Awards would be announced in fall 2025 for construction in 2026. Staff have identified up to seven locations in need of repair, or approximately 25% of the length of the trail. If awarded, the City would conduct repairs at up to seven identified locations. The 20% match (up to \$20,000) would need to be budgeted in 2026. Staff recommends the Common Council pass a motion to approve the resolution for DNR Trail Grant – Maintenance.

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

CLOSED SESSION

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 Development Assistance in TID 9.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Nall, second by Kilian to adjourn. Motion carried 7-0 on a voice vote. The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,


Dave Frain, Deputy City Clerk