

**PLATTEVILLE COMMON COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS
OCTOBER 11, 2016**

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: Barbara Daus, Don Francis, Tom Nall, President Eileen Nickels, Amy Seebboth-Wilson, and Katherine Westaby. Excused: Ken Kilian.

CONSIDERATION OF CONSENT CALENDAR

Motion by Daus, second by Nall to approve the consent calendar as follows: September 27 Council Minutes; Payment of Bills in the amount of \$812,747.10; September Financial Report; One-Year Operator License to Andy L Ahrens, Amanda N Goedland, and Layne D Wagner; Two-Year Operator License to Paige K Black, Megan L Burbach, Clara C Eickhoff, Colton R Lysaker, Noah W Pollesch, Sara K Reuter, and Tyler R Sime; Run Permit to Tricor Insurance/Thursdays Child Inc for 5K Run on December 3; and a Parade Permit to Family Advocates Inc on October 18 as presented. Motion carried 6-0 on a roll call vote.

CITIZENS' COMMENTS, OBSERVATIONS AND PETITIONS, if any.

None.

REPORTS

- A. Board/Commission/Committee Reports – Meeting reports were submitted by the Commission on Aging, Water & Sewer Commission, Board of Appeals, Museum Board, Historic Preservation Commission, Library Board, Police & Fire Commission, and Plan Commission.
- B. Other Reports – August City Attorney Itemized Statement, September Water & Sewer Financial Report, September Airport Financial Report, and Department Progress Reports. Nickels noted that the Police Department is recruiting for police officers.

ACTION

- A. *Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacon (RRFB) for UW-Platteville* – Public Works Director Howard Crofoot explained the request to allow UW-Platteville to install RRFB's at pedestrian crossing on City streets near campus, including Greenwood Avenue near Glenview Commons, Washington & Main Street, Mid-block of Hickory Street between Main & Pine by the Ullsvik Center, and Southwest Road by Parking Lot 28. Sensors will be used to detect pedestrians approaching the crosswalk and activate the RRFB. The UW is proposing 4 signs per crossing – one on each side of the street facing in each direction – and will absorb the cost of installation and maintenance for the systems. They are also considering additional ones in the coming years near Parking Lot 1 by the Center for the Arts. The Community Safe Routes Committee (CSRC) reviewed this request. They believe that the crossing at mid-block on Hickory St is an intermediate solution for the UW, that there is a study that has been done that may propose to eliminate parking in this area due to visibility concerns. CSRC also identified Chestnut St and Gridley Ave by Rountree Commons as another potential spot. UW Director of Facilities Peter Davis stated that the University was interested in maintaining the safety of pedestrians coming in and out of the campus. In response to a question from Daus regarding the number of signs at each crossing, he noted that they were flexible with the 4 signs per crossing. Seebboth-Wilson works at the University and recused herself from voting. Motion by Westaby, second by Nall to approve the request from UW-Platteville to install and maintain Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacons (RRFB) at the four proposed locations as presented. Motion carried 5-0 on a roll call vote.

INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION

- A. *Rezoning of 200 N Court Street* – Request is to rezone the Rolling Hills Church property (which is currently for sale) from I-1 Institutional to CBT–Central Business Transition District to allow the potential owner to use it for his business use – Blue Note Music. This district is designed for the areas between the downtown business district and the surrounding residential areas. The Plan Commission considered this request at their meeting and recommended approval. Registered in favor was Jim Becker of 290 N Court Street. Public hearing and action at next meeting.

Seebboth-Wilson left the meeting at 7:15 PM.

- B. *Exercise of Options for Bus/Taxi Services for 2017* – Request is to approve the Exercise of Options for Taxi Services with Running, Inc. and for Bus Services with Stratton Buses, Inc. for the 2017 calendar year as per the terms of their 2015 and 2016 contract. Terms dictate if both sides wish to continue service during the Option Years (2017, 2018, & 2019), the hourly rates will be increased according to the annual inflation rate for August of each year. The inflation rate from August 2015 to August 2016 is 1.1%. Action at next meeting.

CLOSED SESSION

Motion by Daus, second by Nall 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 – *Consideration of Development Proposal for the Former Pioneer Ford Properties*. Motion carried 5-0 on a roll call vote.

The Council took no action during closed session and reconvened to open session to adjourn at 8:12 PM.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Nall, second by Daus to adjourn. Motion carried 5-0 on a roll call vote. The meeting was adjourned at 8:12 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Jan Martin, City Clerk