

Meeting of: **COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF STOUGHTON**
Date/Time: Tuesday, October 13, 2015 @ 7:00 P.M.
Location: Council Chambers at the Public Safety Building
Members: Mayor Donna Olson, Paul Lawrence, Sid Boersma, Ron Christianson, Greg Jenson, Michael Engelberger, Tom Majewski, Tom Selsor, Regina Hirsch, Tim Swadley, Sonny Swangstu, Pat O'Connor, Scott Truehl

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Olson called the meeting of the Common Council to order at 7:00 p.m.

Roll Call, Communications, and Presentations:

Clerk Kropf called the roll and noted that there were 10 alderpersons present, with Selsor and Swangstu being absent and excused.

Minutes and Reports:

Minutes: Finance Committee (9/8/2015), Public Safety Committee (9/8/2015 & 9/23/2015), and Commission on Aging (9/1/2015)

Public Comment Period:

Jennifer Redell; 101 S Webster St; Madison: Spoke in regards to the possible bat mitigation in the Opera House.

CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Council Minutes: September 22, 2015 and September 29, 2015
- B. **R-152-2015-** Confirming the Mayor's Committee Appointment of Bob Barnett to the Commission on Aging
- C. **R-153-2015-** Confirming the Mayor's Committee Appointment of Mike Maloney to the Planning Commission

Motion by Lawrence, to approve the consent agenda, second by Christianson. Motion carried unanimously by acclamation 10-0.

****Closed session item: The council may meet in closed session, pursuant to Section 19.85(1)(g) of the Wisconsin Statutes, to confer with legal counsel who will render legal advice regarding strategy to be adopted with respect to potential litigation (assertions by John Stark and Atty. Brian Thill that a change in zoning of the Millfab property would be a regulatory taking, and that they may take legal action against the City). If the Council meets in closed session, it will reconvene in open session and continue with other business noted on the agenda.**

Motion by Lawrence, to meet in closed session, second by Christianson. Motion carried on a roll call vote of 10-0. Finance Director Sullivan requested that the chair of the Redevelopment Authority, Peter

Sveum, be allowed to stay in the closed session. Mayor Olson approved Finance Director Sullivan's request.

The Common Council went into closed session at 7:07 p.m.

Motion by Jenson, to reconvene into open session, second by Lawrence . Motion carried unanimously by acclamation 10-0.

The Common Council reconvened into open session at 8:30 p.m.

OLD BUSINESS

O-17-2015- An ordinance amending the zoning classification for parcels of land bounded by Fourth and Seventh Streets and South Street and the Yahara River, Stoughton, WI. The properties are proposed to be rezoned from HI- Heavy Industrial, SR-6 – Single Family Residential, NB- Neighborhood Business and I-Institutional to MR-24- Multi-Family Residential.

Motion by Christianson, to refer O-17-2015 to the planning commission and to direct staff to re-notice the public hearing on the ordinance for the November 9, 2015 planning commission meeting, second by Truehl. John Stark addressed the Council and thanked them for their reconsideration. Motion carried unanimously by acclamation 10-0.

O-16-2015- An ordinance amending the zoning classification for property located at 2000 Meadow Drive, Stoughton, WI. From PD- Planned Development to SR- Single Family Residential and I- Institutional.

Motion by Christianson, to approve O-16-2015, second by Lawrence. Planning Director Scheel explained that this is a zoning change for a previously approved Certified Survey map. Motion carried unanimously by acclamation 10-0.

R-122-2014- Authorizing and directing the proper city official(s) to recommend and approve the vacating of the alley in the 700 block behind Clyde St (between Johnson & Harrison Sts).

Motion by Christianson, to approve R-122-2014, second by Truehl. Planning Director Scheel noted that this was tabled in April until all of the parameters of the alley vacation had been met. Motion carried 9-1, with Majewski voting noe.

NEW BUSINESS

R-164-2015- Authorizing and directing the proper city official(s) to approve the change of Insurance Brokerage firms to Cottingham & Butler and move to a fully funded plan (Dean-HMO) with a \$500.00 deductible along with an option at a higher cost for UW Health Plan.

Motion by Boersma, to approve R-164-2015, second by Majewski. Human Resources Director Gillingham addressed the Council regarding the potential change in the City's health insurance. Dean Vander Plas, from Cottingham & Butler, also addressed the Council and explained the potential new health insurance plan. Council discussion centered around the general cost and provisions for the new health insurance. Motion carried on a roll call vote of 10-0.

R-146-2015- Authorizing and directing the proper City officials to enter into an agreement with Cardno for the design and permitting for the Division St. Park riverbank restoration.

Motion by Hirsch, to approve R-146-2015, second by Engelberger. Parks and Recreation Director Lynch addressed the Council and noted that this project would help rebuild and beautify the river bank on the Division Street. Motion carried on a vote of 8-1, with Majewski voting no and Boersma abstaining.

R-154-2015- Authorizing and directing the proper City officials to approve naming the section of the Yahara River Trail from the pedestrian bridge to the industrial park, “The Helen Johnson Trail”.

Motion by Hirsch, to approve R-154-2015, second by Lawrence. Parks and Recreation Director Lynch explained the overall project for naming a segment of the trail after the former Mayor Helen Johnson. Motion carried unanimously by acclamation 10-0.

R-155-2015- Authorizing and directing the proper city official(s) to provide Adams Outdoor Advertising the Notice of Termination for Lease associated with the Billboard located at 401 East Main on City property.

Motion by Majewski, to approve R-155-2015, second by Lawrence. Planning Director Scheel noted that the termination won't occur until 2025. Motion carried unanimously by acclamation 10-0.

R-156-2015- Authorizing and directing the proper city official(s) to enter into an agreement with R House 2 to install bat proofing measures to City Hall/Opera House.

Motion by Christianson, to approve R-156-2015, second by Lawrence. Planning Director Scheel noted that this contract would address some of the openings that the bats can get through and that hopefully this can be addressed this year.

Amendment to the motion by Hirsch, to refer back to the Finance committee to explore all bat removal firms to complete the bat mitigation from the Opera House, second by Majewski. Amendment to the motion carried unanimously by acclamation 10-0.

R-157-2015- Authorizing and directing the proper City official(s) to Approve Installation of Street Light in Franklin Street Parking Lot.

Motion by Majewski, to approve R-157-2015, second by Lawrence. Streets Superintendent Manthe stated that to add the LED street light would only cost \$60 above the estimated cost. Motion carried unanimously by acclamation 10-0.

R-158-2015- Resolution Authorizing the purchase of parcel 281/0511-053-2034-0 located at 814 West Street from Dane County

Motion by Christianson, to approve R-158-2015, second by Jenson. Christianson noted that this is to purchase an eleven foot parcel of land that has a stormwater interceptor in it. Motion carried

unanimously by acclamation 10-0.

R-160-2015- Authorizing and directing the proper city official(s) to issue a “Class A” Liquor License (Cider Only) Kwik Trip, INC d/b/a Kwik Trip #738 located at 1231 E Main St

Motion by Engelberger, to approve R-160-2015, second by Truehl. Engelberger explained that this is a new license type from the state for businesses that have a Class “A” Fermented Malt Beverage license. Motion carried unanimously by acclamation 10-0.

R-161-2015- Authorizing and directing the proper city official(s) to issue a “Class A” Liquor License (Cider Only) Kwik Trip, INC d/b/a Kwik Trip #739 located at 517 W Main St

Motion by Engelberger, to approve R-161-2015, second by Treuhl. No discussion occurred. Motion carried unanimously by acclamation 10-0.

R-159-2015- Authorizing and directing the proper city official(s) to issue a “Class A” Liquor License (Cider Only) Wal-Mart Stores East, LP d/b/a Wal-Mart#1176 located at 1800 Highway 51.

Motion by Engelberger, to approve R-159-2015, second by Truehl. No discussion occurred. Motion carried unanimously by acclamation 10-0.

R-162-2015- Authorizing and directing the proper city official(s) to approve the addition of a Utilities Water Operator I to the Utilities Water System Division.

Motion by Boersma, to approve R-162-2015, second by Engelberger. Utilities Director Kardasz stated that this position comes as a demand of the WDNR to complete more water testing. Council discussion reflected the amount of money this position would cost and inquired as to where the funds would be coming from. Motion carried unanimously by acclamation 10-0.

R-163-2015- Authorizing and directing the proper city official(s) to approve the addition of Opposite Sex Domestic Partnership for Medical and Dental Benefits.

Motion by Boersma, to approve R-163-2015, second by Lawrence. Human Resources Director Gillingham explained that this would allow opposite sex domestic partners of city employees to obtain health and dental insurance through the city’s plan. Motion carried unanimously by acclamation 9-1, with O’Connor voting noe.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Lawrence, to adjourn the meeting of the Common Council, second by Christianson. Motion carried unanimously by acclamation 10-0. The meeting of the Common Council adjourned at 9:40 p.m.