

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBIA,
ILLINOIS HELD MONDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2011 IN THE COUNCIL ROOM OF CITY HALL

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Hutchinson called the City Council of Columbia, Illinois to order at 7:00 P.M. Upon Roll Call, the following members were:

Ebersohl	<input type="checkbox"/> Present	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Absent	Huch	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent
Agne	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent	Mathews	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent
Niemietz	<input type="checkbox"/> Present	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Absent	Piazza	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent
Roessler	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent	Reis	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent

Quorum Present.

Those in attendance recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Administrative Staff Present:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> City Clerk Ron Colyer	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> City Administrator Al Hudzik
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> City Attorney Terry Bruckert	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Chief of Police & Ambulance Director Joe Edwards
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building Inspector Al Holden	<input type="checkbox"/> City Treasurer Bob Naumann
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> City Engineer Ron Williams	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director of Economic Development Paul Ellis
<input type="checkbox"/> Assistant City Engineer Tim Ahrens	<input type="checkbox"/> Deputy Chief of Police Jerry Paul
<input type="checkbox"/> Deputy CEMS Director Ken Buss	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Accounting Manager Linda Sharp
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Head Librarian Erica Pyle	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Plan Commissioner Mike Hemmer

II. DELEGATION

None.

III. READ AND APPROVE MINUTES

A. Regular City Council Meeting of Monday, October 3, 2011

The minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting of the City Council held Monday, October 3, 2011 were submitted for approval.

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of the City Council held Monday, October 3, 2011 as on file at City Hall.

Moved by: Agne Second: Reis Vote: Roll Call

Ebersohl	Absent	Roessler	Yea	Piazza	Abstain
Agne	Yea	Huch	Yea	Reis	Yea
Niemietz	Absent	Mathews	Yea		

Motion Carried 5 To 0 with 1 Abstention

B. Executive Session Meeting of Monday, October 3, 2011

The minutes of the Executive Session Meeting of the City Council held Monday, October 3, 2011 were submitted for approval.

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to approve the minutes of the Executive Session Meeting of the City Council held Monday, October 3, 2011 as on file at City Hall.

Moved by: Reis Second: Mathews Vote: Roll Call

Ebersohl	Absent	Roessler	Yea	Piazza	Abstain
Agne	Yea	Huch	Yea	Reis	Yea
Niemietz	Absent	Mathews	Yea		

Motion Carried 5 To 0 with 1 Abstention

IV. REPORT OF DEPARTMENTS/OFFICERS

A. Library - Monthly Report

The monthly Library Report was presented to the City Council by Head Librarian Erica Pyle.

B. Police Department

1. Police Department and Communications - Monthly Reports

The Police and Communications Department monthly reports were presented to the City Council by Chief of Police & Ambulance Director Joe Edwards.

2. Recommendation on the Hiring of a Telecommunicator

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to accept the recommendation of Chief of Police Edwards to hire Michael D. Pittman as a full-time telecommunicator at the Columbia Police Department contingent upon his successful completion of a pre-employment physical, as well as state and federal background checks.

Moved by: Huch Second: Roessler Vote: Roll Call

Ebersohl	Absent	Roessler	Yea	Piazza	Yea
Agne	Yea	Huch	Yea	Reis	Yea
Niemietz	Absent	Mathews	Yea		

Motion Carried 6 To 0

C. EMS Department - Monthly Report

The monthly report of the EMS Department was presented to the City Council by Chief of Police & Ambulance Director Joe Edwards.

D. Building Department - Monthly Report

The monthly report of the Building Department was presented to the City Council by Building Inspector Al Holden.

E. Plan Commission Meeting Minutes - October 10, 2011

Commissioner Mike Hemmer presented the Plan Commission Meeting Minutes of October 10, 2011 to the City Council.

F. Community & Economic Development Report

The Community and Economic Development report was presented by Director Paul Ellis.

1. Heritage & Preservation Commission Minutes - August 2011

Mr. Ellis presented the Heritage & Preservation minutes from August 22nd.

2. Guidelines for Certificate of Appropriateness (CoA)

Mr. Ellis presented a missive outlining Guidelines for Certificate of Appropriateness (CoA) for historical sites as was previously discussed by the Heritage and Preservation Commission.

3. Tourism Advisory Committee Minutes - October 2011
Notes from the October 12th Tourism Advisory Committee were presented.
4. Report from Chicago Deal Making - Marketing Columbia
Mr. Ellis gave a brief report from his attendance at the International Council of Shopping Centers (ICSC) Chicago Deal Making Conference which he attended on October 5th and 6th.
5. Scare Square & Pumpkin Glow - Special Event Request

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to approve the Scare Square and Pumpkin Glow Special Event Permit to be held at the City Hall Municipal Building Fountain Park and Parking Lot on Halloween - October 31, 2011 from 5:30 P.M. until 8:00 P.M.

Moved by:	Huch	Second:	Mathews	Vote:	Roll Call
Ebersohl	Absent	Roessler	Yea	Piazza	Yea
Agne	Yea	Huch	Yea	Reis	Yea
Niemietz	Absent	Mathews	Yea		

Motion Carried 6 To 0

6. Lighted Christmas Parade - Special Event Request

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to approve the Lighted Christmas Parade Special Event Permit to be held on Saturday, December 3, 2011 from 5:00 P.M. to 5:45 P.M. on Main Street beginning at Rueck Road to Cherry Street.

Moved by:	Reis	Second:	Mathews	Vote:	Roll Call
Ebersohl	Absent	Roessler	Yea	Piazza	Yea
Agne	Yea	Huch	Yea	Reis	Yea
Niemietz	Absent	Mathews	Yea		

Motion Carried 6 To 0

7. Ordinance Amending Chapter 15.64 (Historic Site Preservation) of the Municipal Code of the City of Columbia, Illinois to Clarify and Update Guidelines and Procedures for Historic Preservation Within the City of Columbia

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to pass and approve Ordinance No. 2900, An Ordinance Amending Chapter 15.64 (Historic Site Preservation) of the Municipal Code of the City of Columbia, Illinois to Clarify and Update Guidelines and Procedures for Historic Preservation Within the City of Columbia.

Moved by:	Agne	Second:	Piazza	Vote:	Roll Call
Ebersohl	Absent	Roessler	Yea	Piazza	Yea
Agne	Yea	Huch	Yea	Reis	Yea
Niemietz	Absent	Mathews	Yea		

Motion Carried 6 To 0

8. Ordinance to Amend Ordinance 2871 Which Provides for the Appointment of Members of Certain Boards, Commissions and Committees of the City of Columbia, Illinois for the Fiscal Year of the City Commencing May 1, 2011 and Ending April 30, 2011

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to pass and approve Ordinance No. 2901, An Ordinance to Amend Ordinance No. 2871 Which Provided for the Appointment of Members of Certain Boards, Commissions and Committees of the City of Columbia, Illinois for the Fiscal Year of the City Commencing May 1, 2011 and Ending April 30, 2012. (Tourism Advisory Committee - Robert Willard replacing Kurt Furlong.)

Moved by:	Reis	Second:	Huch	Vote:	Roll Call
Ebersohl	Absent	Roessler	Yea	Piazza	Yea
Agne	Yea	Huch	Yea	Reis	Yea
Niemietz	Absent	Mathews	Yea		

Motion Carried 6 To 0

G. City Engineer Ron Williams' report

1. Ordinance to Repeal Ordinance No. 1408 Which Provided for the Authorizing and Approving of a Cooperation Agreement for the Proposed "Sitzes Subdivision" with Regard to the Construction and Installation of a Sidewalk on Whiteside Avenue

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to pass and approve Ordinance No. 2902, An Ordinance to Repeal Ordinance No. 1408 which provided for the Authorizing and Approving of a Cooperation Agreement for the Proposed "Sitzes Subdivision" with Regard to the Construction and Installation of a Sidewalk on Whiteside Avenue in Said Subdivision.

Moved by:	Reis	Second:	Huch	Vote:	Roll Call
Ebersohl	Absent	Roessler	Yea	Piazza	Yea
Agne	Yea	Huch	Yea	Reis	Yea
Niemietz	Absent	Mathews	Yea		

Motion Carried 6 To 0

2. Ordinance Reaffirming Ordinance No. 1409 Adopted on December 18, 1995 Accepting and Approving the Final Plat for the "Sitzes Subdivision"

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to pass and approve Ordinance No. 2903, An Ordinance Reaffirming Ordinance No. 1409 Adopted on December 18, 1995 Accepting and Approving the Final Plat for the "Sitzes Subdivision", a Resubdivision of Tax Lot 66 of Outlots, Section 16, Township 1 South, Range 10 West of the Third Principal Meridian, City of Columbia, Monroe County, Illinois.

Moved by:	Reis	Second:	Roessler	Vote:	Roll Call
Ebersohl	Absent	Roessler	Yea	Piazza	Yea
Agne	Yea	Huch	Yea	Reis	Yea
Niemietz	Absent	Mathews	Yea		

Motion Carried 6 To 0

H. City Attorney

City Attorney Terry Bruckert indicated that he would present his report in the Executive Session portion of the meeting.

I. Finance Department

1. Vouchers to Be Paid

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to authorize the payment of vouchers received through October 13, 2011; the total amount of the vouchers to be paid is two hundred three thousand, seven hundred twenty-nine dollars and thirty-two cents (\$203,729.32).

Moved by:	Roessler	Second:	Reis	Vote:	Roll Call
Ebersohl	Absent	Roessler	Yea	Piazza	Yea
Agne	Yea	Huch	Yea	Reis	Yea
Niemietz	Absent	Mathews	Yea		

Motion Carried 6 to 0

J. Administration Department

1. Administrator's Report

City Administrator Al Hudzik presented his report to the City Council.

2. Ordinance to Authorize the City of Columbia, Illinois to Enter into a Contingent Fee Professional Services Agreement with Azavar Audit Solutions, Inc. of Chicago, Illinois to Provide Municipal Revenue/Cost Audit Program Services

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to pass and approve Ordinance No. 2904, An Ordinance to Authorize the City of Columbia, Illinois, to Enter into a Contingent Fee Professional Services Agreement with Azavar Audit Solutions, Inc. of Chicago, Illinois to provide Municipal Revenue/Cost Audit Program Services for the City of Columbia, Illinois.

Moved by:	Reis	Second:	Huch	Vote:	Roll Call
Ebersohl	Absent	Roessler	Yea	Piazza	Yea
Agne	Yea	Huch	Yea	Reis	Yea
Niemietz	Absent	Mathews	Yea		

Motion Carried 6 to 0

K. Mayor

1. Mayor's Report

Mayor Hutchinson indicated that his report will be presented at the first Council meeting in November.

Accept Department and Officers Reports

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to accept the reports of all Departments and Officers as presented.

Moved by:	Roessler	Second:	Reis	Vote:	Roll Call
Ebersohl	Absent	Roessler	Yea	Piazza	Yea

Agne	Yea	Huch	Yea	Reis	Yea
Niemietz	Absent	Mathews	Yea		

Motion Carried 6 to 0

V. OLD BUSINESS

None.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

None.

VII. REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEES

A. Parks, Playgrounds and Recreation

1. Regular Session Minutes - October 10, 2011

Item Tabled.

B. Finance, Claims, Bonds and Interest

1. Regular Session Minutes - October 10, 2011

The Regular Session Minutes of the Finance, Claims, Bonds and Interest Committee Meeting held Monday, October 10, 2011 were presented for approval.

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to approve the minutes of the Regular Session of the Finance, Claims, Bonds and Interest Committee Meeting held Monday, October 10, 2011 as on file at City Hall.

Moved by: Roessler Second: Huch Vote: Roll Call

Ebersohl	Absent	Roessler	Yea	Piazza	Abstain
Agne	Yea	Huch	Yea	Reis	Yea
Niemietz	Absent	Mathews	Yea		

Motion Carried 5 to 0 with 1 Abstention

C. Committee of the Whole

1. Regular Session Minutes - October 10, 2011

Item Tabled.

2. Executive Session Minutes - October 10, 2011

Item Tabled.

VIII. CALL FOR COMMITTEE MEETINGS - OCTOBER 24, 2011

Ordinance, Planning and Zoning - 7:00 P.M. Momentum Church, Caito Shooting Complex Special Use and other items

Committee of the Whole - 7:10 P.M. Community Unit Plan (CUP) Cooperation Agreement(s) review/discussion

Finance, Claims, Bonds and Interest - 7:20 P.M. Tax Levy Discussion

IX. EXECUTIVE SESSION

A. Pending Litigation Update/Discussion

Mayor Hutchinson informed the Council that he would entertain a motion to go into Executive Session for an update/discussion on pending litigation.

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to direct the Mayor to go into Executive Session at 7:30 P.M. for an update/discussion on pending litigation.

Moved by:	Roessler	Second:	Reis	Vote:	Roll Call
Ebersohl	Absent	Roessler	Yea	Piazza	Yea
Agne	Yea	Huch	Yea	Reis	Yea
Niemietz	Absent	Mathews	Yea		

Motion Carried 6 To 0

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to return to Regular Session of the City Council at 7:41 P.M.

Moved by:	Reis	Second:	Roessler	Vote:	Roll Call
Ebersohl	Absent	Roessler	Yea	Piazza	Yea
Agne	Yea	Huch	Yea	Reis	Yea
Niemietz	Absent	Mathews	Yea		

Motion Carried 6 To 0

Upon return to Regular Session, Aldermen Agne, Roessler, Huch, Mathews, Piazza, Reis and Mayor Hutchinson were present.

Mayor Hutchinson inquired if there was any business to be brought before the Council as a result of the Executive Session. There was none.

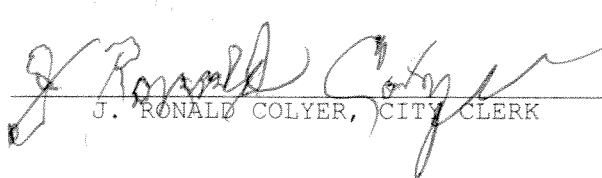
X. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION:


It was moved and seconded to adjourn the Regular City Council Meeting held Monday, October 17, 2011 at 7:42 P.M.

Moved by:	Agne	Second:	Mathews	Vote:	Roll Call
Ebersohl	Absent	Roessler	Yea	Piazza	Yea
Agne	Yea	Huch	Yea	Reis	Yea
Niemietz	Absent	Mathews	Yea		

Motion Carried 6 To 0



J. RONALD COLYER, CITY CLERK



MAYOR KEVIN B. HUTCHINSON