

PLATTEVILLE COMMON COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS
May 14, 2024

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

ROLL CALL

Present: Ken Kilian, Barbara Daus, Bob Gates, Kathy Kopp, Lynne Parrott, Todd Kasper, and Tom Nall.
Excused: none

CONSIDERATION OF CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Kilian, second by Kopp to approve the consent agenda as follows: Council Minutes – 4/23/24 Regular; Payment of Bills in the amount of \$1,116,822.88; Financial Report – April; Appointments to Boards and Commissions: none; Two-Year Operator License – Donnie L Allen, Joseph J Arndt, Garrett J Buechner, Mark A Carl, Cameron J Colquitt, Esmeralda M Cortez, Debbra A Custer, LeeAnn Fiedler, Caleb T Fleming, Morgan A Herstad, Leah E Husemann, Jamie A Josund, Owen A Kass, Casey J Keene, Jennifer L Kerske, Carter C Lancaster, Eric Loc, Mercedes L Mara, Mackenzie R Martie, Juan Gabriel Matinez Ichimura, Lisa A McAllester, Chad M McIlwee, Kennedy E Neeson, Bristol M Ogden, Richard Pajewski, Kira M Pratte, Tessa M Riley, Amber R Rouse, Thomas J Simon, Kathryn C Small, Samantha N Storm, Tonya J Thul-Theis, Derek E Tracy, Michael G C Vorwald, Kayla M Yates; Taxi Driver License: Heather Fisher; Temporary Class “B”/“Class B” to serve Fermented Malt Beverages and Wine for Platteville Main Street Program at 405 E. Main Street (Platteville Mining Museums) on Thursday, May 30 from 5:00 PM to 8:00 PM for Connecting Entrepreneurial Communities Conference and for Southwest Rotary Club on June 14 from 4:00 PM to 8:00 PM for “Uncorked” Downtown Wine Walk; Motion carried 7-0 on a roll call vote.

CITIZENS’ COMMENTS, OBSERVATIONS AND PETITIONS, if any.

Council President Daus recognized the Clerk Department that celebrated Clerk’s week and Water and Sewer Department that will celebrate Professional Wastewater Professionals week. She stated that City Hall would be closed on Thursday, May 16 so that Staff can participate in Spring Spruce-Up Day. President Pro-tem Kopp announced that the Police Department will have an open house on Wednesday, May 15 starting at 5:30 PM and the Fire Department will hold their 150th Celebration in June.

REPORTS

- A. Board/Commission/Committee Minutes – Housing Authority Board, Community Safe Routes Committee, Parks, Forestry, and Recreation Committee, Museum Board, Historic Preservation Commission, Police and Fire Commission, and Airport Commission.
- B. Other Reports – Water and Sewer Financial Report, Airport Financial Report, and Department Progress Reports

INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION

- A. *Ordinance – Code Amendments Chapter 22 Zoning* – Community Development Director Joe Carroll explained that these are primarily corrective amendments to implement changes that were previously discussed but not included in prior zoning amendments. Back in 2020 and 2021 the Plan Commission and Council reviewed changes related to Conditional Use Permits and Home Occupations, and a few other sections of the ordinance. The changes were reviewed with a redline copy of the ordinance showing new language and removed language. However, when Staff transferred the changes to the actual ordinance for Council approval, some of the

proposed amendments were not included, so the changes were not officially approved. This proposal would correct those errors.

- B. *2024 Platteville Bike and Pedestrian Plan* - The Community Safe Routes Committee seeks to formulate a well-organized and interconnected community-wide bike and pedestrian trail system. To help achieve this system, the Committee has been working on a Bike and Pedestrian Plan. The City was awarded a Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT) 2022-2023 Transportation Alternatives Program grant which allowed for the completion of a bike and pedestrian plan. The City contracted with the Southwestern Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission (SWRPC) to create the plan. SWRPC Assistant Planner Alyssa Shaeffer gave a presentation on the need for the Bike and Pedestrian Plan and how it will benefit the residents of the city through future planning and development. This plan is intended to serve as a guide for the City of Platteville's future investment in active transportation infrastructure to help ensure that all residents have safe and accessible routes for walking, running, and biking. More specifically, the purpose of the plan is to: identify the City's long-range bicycle and pedestrian vision; update the 2009 Safe Routes to School Plan; map crash data, sidewalk and crosswalk locations; and the student population; identify gaps and risk areas; identify community interests and concerns; identify potential routes and recommendations for future pedestrian and bicycle infrastructure; explore options for developing a bike and pedestrian loop around the city's perimeter. Shaeffer answered questions from the Common Council.

- C. *Award Contract 12-24 Alley Paving* - Public Works Director Crofoot spoke about the plan for 2024 alley paving and repairs. Staff intended to conduct two small projects within the budget. The initial project was rejected in March because it was over budget. The project scope was reduced and rebid. The current scope is to pave the alley from Alden Street to Rountree Avenue. A portion of it was paved over 25 years ago. The rest has been unpaved. Due to the slopes getting on Rountree, the project will stop at the sidewalk on Alden, then pave the alley between East Mineral Street and East Furnace Street – east of Water Street. This alley has not been paved but provides access to driveways and garages. The only bid for this project was from Owen's Excavating for \$24,077.60 which is under budget.

- D. *Award Contract 18-24 North Court Street Reconstruction* - Public Works Director Crofoot presented that this is for water, sanitary sewer, storm sewer and street reconstruction of North Court Street from Adams Street to Lewis Street. It is to support the new Fire Facility being built there. This was approved when the bids for Sowden and Grace Streets came in under budget. The alternate bid is for replacing the sanitary sewer on North Court Street south of Adams Street. This section of sanitary sewer is in very poor condition. Staff recommend replacing the sewer in conjunction with this project. This was approved by the Water and Sewer Commission on May 8. There were 6 bidders with G-Pro Excavating as the low bidder.

- E. *Award Contract 14-24 Engineering Design and Services 2025-2029* - Public Works Director Crofoot explained that the City periodically solicits proposals for engineering design and services. Staff solicited proposals in February 2024 with proposals due on April 22, 2024. This contract would be for services for 2025 – 2027, with optional years for 2028 and 2029. Staff reviewed the submissions of the three proposers: Hutchison Engineering, Inc., Vierbicher, and

Delta 3 Engineering. Staff is comfortable with either Vierbicher or Delta 3 to perform quality work due to extensive knowledge of Platteville procedures. Staff recommended Delta 3 due to their lower cost for services.

- F. *Resolution – City of Platteville Adjusted Urban Area Boundary* - Public Works Director Crofoot explained that The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and State DOT adjust the Urban Area Boundary (UAB) for small municipalities after every Census. The DOT has proposed adjusting the current UAB based on where current urbanized development is and where it is predicted over the next ten years. This defines the area where the City of Platteville has input into which streets are eligible for federal funding programs over the next ten years. Areas outside the UAB are managed by the Township and County. The enclosed map shows the UAB after the 2010 census with a black line. It extends to the four-lane US 151. We have not had much growth in this area outside of the city limits. There are other areas to the north that are recommended for exclusion as well. City and DOT staff reviewed the proposed map to make some compromises. Director Crofoot presented the map that was agreed upon to be a reasonable boundary to support Federal grant funding for the next ten years. As part of the procedure, the DOT and FHWA require the City to pass a Resolution to approve the new boundary. Council members asked Director Crofoot to provide a map that overlaid current, DOT proposed and the final compromised boundaries for their review.

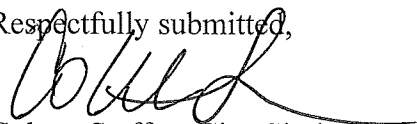
Motion by Gates, seconded by Parrott to go into a Closed Session. Motion carried 7-0 on a roll call vote.

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. – Possible Land Acquisition

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Kopp, seconded by Nall to come out of Closed Session and adjourn. Motion carried 7-0 on a voice vote. The meeting was adjourned at 8:05 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,



Colette Steffen, City Clerk