

SPECIAL TAYLORVILLE CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Monday, August 22, 2022

At the Special Council Meeting held in the Council Chambers by the City Council, August 22, 2022 the following proceedings were held and entered in this record in the following words and figures to wit:

City Clerk

Mayor

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

Roll Call – Aldermen Bryant, Budd, Driskell, Dorchinecz, Olive, Skultety, and Wilson reported present. Alderman Brown was absent.

Also present in the Council Chambers were Mayor Barry, Clerk Lilly, City Treasurer Miles, Chief Adermann, Superintendents Brune and Mann, and Human Resource Manager Bentley. City Attorney Romano and Attorney Jamie Westbrook were present via Zoom.

RESOLUTION NO. 1486 – APPROVING SECOND AMENDMENT TO SOLAR POWER PURCHASE AGREEMENT AND APPROVING AMEREN ILLINOIS COMPANY’S STANDARD AGREEMENT FOR INTERCONNECTION OF DISTRIBUTED GENERATION FACILITIES WITH A CAPACITY LESS THAN OR EQUAL TO 10 MVA

Motion by Alderman Bryant and seconded by Alderman Driskell to approve Resolution No. 1486 – Resolution Approving Second Amendment to Solar Power Purchase Agreement with Renewable Energy Evolution, LLC and Standard Agreement for Interconnection of Distributed Generation Facilities with a capacity less than or equal to 10 MVA. City Attorney Romano stated that there will be a clause stating that excess power/electricity will not be sold. He also informed the Council that the City will not be responsible for any fees associated with the development of this solar system. Roll Call – Aldermen Bryant, Budd, Dorchinecz, Driskell, Olive, Skultety, and Wilson voted YEA. The Mayor announced the motion carried.

CLOSED SESSION

Motion by Alderman Driskell and seconded by Alderman Budd to go into Closed Session pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2 (c)(11) to discuss the claims, demands, and settlement proposal of Andrea Conrath, former City Human Resource Manager, and her probable or imminent litigation against the City that her attorney indicates in her July 20, 2022 email sent to Attorney Jamie Westbrook; and to include any and all subject matters relating to said claims, demands, settlement proposal or probable or imminent litigation including, but not limited to, subject matters relating to investigation, attorney-client reports and communications, consultant reports, discovery, settlement negotiations, settlement offers, Illinois Freedom of Information Act requests, status of case, offers, issues, attorney opinions and recommendations, pre-trial and trial strategies, and to include the following persons to be present during all or part of such closed session, namely: the Mayor, Aldermen, City Clerk, City Treasurer, City Attorney (via Zoom), Fire Chief, Attorney Jamie Westbrook (via Zoom), and such other person or persons as the Mayor may decide during this City Council regular meeting and/or during such closed session.

The City Council recessed at 6:06 P.M. and went into Closed Session at 6:07 P.M. The City Council returned to Open Session at 6:41 P.M.

Roll Call – Aldermen Brown, Bryant, Budd, Dorchinecz, Driskell, Olive, Skultety, and Wilson reported present.

Motion by Alderman Dorchinecz and seconded by Alderman Budd to approve the Confidential Offer of Compromise, Settlement, and Release Agreement as prepared by Attorney Jamie Westbrook with changes as discussed in Closed Session. Roll Call - Aldermen Brown, Budd, Dorchinecz, and Olive voted YEA. Aldermen Bryant, Driskell, Skultety, and Wilson voted NAY. The Mayor voted YEA to break the tie. The Mayor announced the motion carried.

ANY OTHER MATTERS

The Mayor stated that he had received calls from members of the Business Development District (BDD) Committee. They addressed concerns regarding their recommendations given at the Committee meeting, forwarded to the Finance Committee, and then not forwarded from Finance to the full City Council for a vote. They questioned whether the procedure should be changed to send recommendations directly to the City Council or to disband the entire BDD Committee. It was noted that the BDD Committee is strictly an advisory Committee; the City Council has authority to determine how BDD funds are spent.

Motion by Alderman Bryant and seconded by Alderman Olive to adjourn. Motion carried (8-0).

The meeting adjourned at 6:48 P.M.