

CITY OF PERU REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING JULY 20, 2020

A regular meeting of the Peru City Council was called to order by Mayor Scott J. Harl in the Peru City Council Chambers on Monday, July 20, 2020 at 7:10 p.m.

City Clerk Dave Bartley called the roll with Aldermen Ferrari, Waldorf, Lukosus, Radtke, Sapienza, Payton Ballard and Buffo present; Mayor Harl present.

An invocation prayer was presented via zoom by Monsignor Soseman of St. Joseph's Church

All joined in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

PRESENTATION

Mr. George Deines of Councilman-Hunsaker provided a final pool study presentation:

- Goals, scope and desired features
- Reviewed meeting notes
- Site and facility options
 - Washington Park proved to be the best fit
 - Options for combining facilities (Splash Pad and new pool)
 - Fee structure based on amenities
- Optional features (slides, lazy river, climbing attractions)
- Cost and operational features
- Operational analysis revenue
- Expense budget
 - Discussed options along with revenue and expense models
- Discuss whether Splash Field will remain a free service

Alderman Buffo asked about insurance cost variables. Mr. Deines noted insurance is not usually a significant additional expense, as the City have umbrella coverage for all properties.

Alderman Ferriri asked why there isn't an option for a basic 6 lane, 25-yard rectangular pool. Mr. Deines noted a potential reduction from option 3 by \$600,000-\$700,000.

Mayor Harl stated that based on the costed and intel from Springfield, grant opportunities are almost non-existent with no grant options available for seasonal facilities.

Alderman Sapienza asked about usage season. Mr. Deines stated 75-100 days of usage. City Engineer Eric Carls noted the average attendance estimates by option.

Alderman Sapienza asked about attendance at other area pools. City Engineer Eric Carls noted the attendance estimates are based on the type of pool other towns have. Mr. Deines noted a facility like Peru's would take away visits from other local pools.

Alderman Radtke asked about daily rates estimates between \$6.00 to \$8.00. Mr. Deines noted possible local resident discounts and/family pass rate.

Mayor Harl asked about Splash Field attendance numbers. Parks, Recreation and Special Events Director Adam Thorson reported 300-400 per day at 45 minutes to an hour per visit.

Alderman Radtke asked Finance Officer Justin Miller to confirm a possible 20 year bond plus \$100,000 annual expense against revenue-\$500,000 per year to be budgeted.

Mr. Deines noted a 20-25 year feasibility life span.

Peru Resident and Friends for Peru Pool member Claudia Mikyska asked if there were restrictions for charging based on the grant. Eric Carls said he would check, but didn't believe so.

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PUBLIC COMMENT

MINUTES

Mayor Harl presented the minutes of the Regular Meeting of June 6, 2020. Alderman Waldorf made a motion that the minutes be received and placed on file. Alderman Buffo seconded the motion; motion carried.

FINANCIAL REPORTS

Mayor Harl presented the General Fund And Miscellaneous Funds Report For April 2020; Sales, Home Rule, Use And Telecommunication Tax Receipts For April 2020 and Utility Fund Report For April 2020. Alderman Radtke made a motion the reports be received and placed on file. Alderman Radtke noted the 16% reduction in sales tax and 20% reduction in home rule tax. Alderman Payton seconded the motion; motion carried.

ACTIVITY REPORTS

Mayor Harl presented the Peru Police Department Report for June 2020 and Peru Volunteer Ambulance Service Monthly Report for June 2020. Alderman Buffo made a motion the report be received and placed on file. Alderman Ballard seconded the motion; motion carried.

FINANCE AND SAFETY COMMITTEE

Alderman Buffo presented the following disbursements for payment on July 22, 2020:

<u>FUND NAME</u>	<u>TOTAL EXPENSES</u>
General Fund	\$371,093.04
Insurance Fund	58,952.83
Garbage Fund	68,306.40
Utility Fund	2,214,680.94
Landfill Fund	904.11
Airport Fund	<u>2,962.46</u>
Total	\$2,716,899.78

Alderman Buffo made a motion that the report be received, placed on file and the bills be paid in the usual manner. Alderman Payton seconded the motion. City Clerk Dave Bartley called the roll with Aldermen Ferrari, Waldorf, Lukosus, Radtke, Sapienza, Payton, Ballard and Buffo voting aye; motion carried.

Alderman Radtke made a motion to approve \$150.00 donation to North Central ART Works for bird house display at Centennial Park. Alderman Sapienza seconded the motion. City Clerk Dave Bartley called the roll with Aldermen Ferrari, Waldorf, Lukosus, Radtke, Sapienza, Payton, Ballard and Buffo voting aye; motion carried.

PUBLIC SERVICES COMMITTEE

Alderman Lukosus made a motion to approve airport T-hangar drainage improvements to the lowest responsible bidder John Pohar and Sons in the amount of \$34,880.00. Alderman Waldorf seconded the motion. City Engineer Eric Carls noted a long term drainage issues. City Engineer Eric Carls noted there were three total bidders, Illinois Valley Excavating, R&R Landscaping and John Pohar and Sons. City Clerk Dave Bartley called the roll with Aldermen Ferrari, Waldorf, Lukosus, Radtke, Sapienza, Payton, Ballard and Buffo voting aye; motion carried.

Alderman Lukosus made a motion to purchase Fault Wizard for Electric Department from Anixter in the amount of \$13,500.00. Alderman Waldorf seconded the motion. City Clerk Dave Bartley called the roll with Aldermen Ferrari, Waldorf, Lukosus, Radtke, Sapienza, Payton, Ballard and Buffo voting aye; motion carried.

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Alderman Buffo made a motion to authorize the City Engineer to seek bids for the 6th Street Water Main Improvement project (from Henry Street to Church Street). Alderman Lukosus seconded the motion. City Engineer Eric Carl noted the removal of brick road, curb-to-curb. City Clerk Dave Bartley called the roll with Aldermen Ferrari, Waldorf, Lukosus, Radtke, Sapienza, Payton, Ballard and Buffo voting aye; motion carried.

Alderman Ferrari made a motion to approve quote from Universal Asphalt & Excavating in the amount of \$12,510.00 for additional various water main break patch work. Alderman Ballard seconded the motion. City Clerk Dave Bartley called the roll with Aldermen Ferrari, Waldorf, Lukosus, Radtke, Sapienza, Payton, Ballard and Buffo voting aye; motion carried.

Alderman Waldorf made a motion to authorize the City Engineer to seek bids for the 2nd Street Water Main Improvement project (from Fulton Street to Peoria Street). Alderman Sapienza seconded the motion. City Engineer Eric Carl noted the removal of brick road, curb-to-curb. City Clerk Dave Bartley called the roll with Aldermen Ferrari, Waldorf, Lukosus, Radtke, Sapienza, Payton, Ballard and Buffo voting aye; motion carried.

Alderman Ballard made a motion to approve quote from Valley Appliance Sales Co. in the amount of \$11,199.00 for new cemetery mower. Alderman Waldorf seconded the motion. City Clerk Dave Bartley called the roll with Aldermen Ferrari, Waldorf, Lukosus, Radtke, Sapienza, Payton, Ballard and Buffo voting aye; motion carried.

Alderman Ballard made a motion to approve quote from Putnam County Painting Inc. in the amount of \$19,840.00 for line striping of two basketball courts and three pickleball courts. Alderman Waldorf seconded the motion. City Clerk Dave Bartley called the roll with Aldermen Ferrari, Waldorf, Lukosus, Radtke, Sapienza, Payton, Ballard and Buffo voting aye; motion carried.

REPORT OF CITY ATTORNEY/ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

Corporate Counsel Scott Schweickert presented the minutes of the Planning/Zoning Commission hearing held on July 8, 2020 concerning the petition of the City of Peru for property located on the west end of Peru along U.S.. Route 6, Peru, IL. Alderman Buffo made a motion the minutes be received, placed on file and concur with the recommendation. Alderman Lukosus seconded the motion; motion carried.

Corporate Counsel Scott Schweickert presented a proposed ordinance entitled:

ORDINANCE NO. 6491

AN ORDINANCE REZONING CERTAIN PROPERTY GENERALLY LOCATED ON THE WEST END OF PERU ALONG U.S. ROUTE 6 AS SOUGHT BY THE PETITION OF THE CITY OF PERU

Alderman Lukosus made a motion the ordinance be adopted as written and read. Alderman Buffo seconded the motion. City Clerk Dave Bartley called the roll with Aldermen Ferrari, Waldorf, Lukosus, Radtke, Sapienza, Payton, Ballard and Buffo voting aye; motion carried.

Corporate Counsel Scott Schweickert presented a proposed resolution entitled:

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-23

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF REAL ESTATE FROM WALTER W. HALM, JR. AND JAY W. HALM (709 FULTON STREET, PERU, IL)

Alderman Waldorf made a motion the resolution be adopted as written and read. Alderman Sapienza seconded the motion. City Clerk Dave Bartley called the roll with Aldermen Ferrari, Waldorf, Lukosus, Radtke, Sapienza, Payton, Ballard and Buffo voting aye; motion carried.

Corporate Counsel Scott Schweickert presented a proposed resolution entitled:

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-24

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RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A TERMINATION AND RELEASE AGREEMENT WITH CELCO PARTNERSHIP d/b/a VERIZON WIRELESS

Alderman Radtke made a motion the resolution be adopted as written and read. Alderman Buffo seconded the motion. Corporate Counsel Scott Schweickert stated the language in this ordinance should have been included in the sale to American Tower. City Clerk Dave Bartley called the roll with Aldermen Ferrari, Waldorf, Lukosus, Radtke, Sapienza, Payton, Ballard and Buffo voting aye; motion carried.

Corporate Counsel Scott Schweickert provided the following house demo report:

- 1528 Pulaski Street-in legal federal proceedings
- 1224 Plum Street-Trollinger properties all under contract
- 910 Plain Street-Trollinger properties all under contract
- 1915 Rock Street-Trollinger properties all under contract
- 5th and Grant Street-sold to neighbor after taxes under.....

PROCLAMATIONS

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

Parks, Recreation and Special Events Director Adam Thorson reminded the council about the upcoming Music in the Park on Friday, July 24th from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. and again next Friday, July 31st from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Mayor Harl commented that the building came with the substation

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

City Clerk Dave Bartley presented a petition from Robert Grivetti of Machinery Parts Warehouse seeking variances for property located at 2702 May Road. Alderman Payton made a motion the petition be received, placed on file and referred to the Planning/Zoning Commission for review and recommendation. Alderman Lukosus seconded the motion; motion carried.

City Clerk Dave Bartley presented a petition from Douglas and Cynthia Thurman seeking variances for property located at 2201 Rock Street. Alderman Payton made a motion the petition be received, placed on file and referred to the Planning/Zoning Commission for review and recommendation. Alderman Radtke seconded the motion; motion carried.

City Clerk Dave Bartley presented a petition from Stephen and Meg Kowalczyk seeking variances for property located at 1428 Rock Street. Alderman Payton made a motion the petition be received, placed on file and referred to the Planning/Zoning Commission for review and recommendation. Alderman Buffo seconded the motion; motion carried.

City Clerk Dave Bartley presented a communication from David and Penelope Tarnowski of 1802 Prospect Ave. requesting permission to block off 13th Street from Prospect Street to end of property from 4pm to 11pm for a family party. Alderman Ferrari made a motion the communication be received, placed on file, permission granted and follow social distancing protocols. Alderman Ballard seconded the motion; motion carried.

Mayor Scott Harl presented a communication from Gary Hammers regarding 1830 4th Street asking for confirmation from the council acknowledging he fulfilled the agreement to renovate and remodel the property within one year. Mr. Hammers stated he spent over \$300,000 renovating the property. Mayor Harl stated the former property was disgusting. Mayor Harl stated that one item that really stuck with you was there were young children's clothes and shoes and whatnot scattered around and there was a bathroom, where the pets used the bathroom because nobody would apparently take them somewhere else to use a bathroom. Mayor Harl stated it's absolutely beautiful right now. Alderman Sapienza stated he used to walk past that several times a week, and to walk on the side of the street that that building was on, was difficult because there was usually garbage that flowed out onto the sidewalk. Alderman Sapienza stated the people that were there looked funny when you walked past, you really had to think

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twice if that was the side of the street you wanted to walk on. Alderman Waldorf stated “You walked past that building? I ran past it.” Alderman Sapienza stated we need to think back to what it once was and now here is another project the city took on to clean something up that was really a mess and said good job. Mr. Hammers commended Building Inspector Tyler Dobrich for supporting the redevelopment of 1830 Fourth Street and also stated much he appreciate the support him and his crew received working on this project. Mr. Hammers also thanked Alderman Lukosus stating that Alderman Lukosus stated he had the vision and dedication to make the city a better place for all our citizens. Mr. Hammers then thanked Mayor Harl for having faith in him and giving his crew the moral support to complete the project.

PUBLIC COMMENT

CLOSED SESSION

ADJOURNMENT

Alderman Ferrari made a motion that the meeting be adjourned. Alderman Waldorf seconded the motion and motion carried. Meeting adjourned 8:20 p.m.