

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBIA, ILLINOIS HELD  
MONDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2018 IN THE COUNCIL ROOM OF CITY HALL**

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**I. Call To Order**

Mayor Pro Tem Gene Ebersohl called the City Council of Columbia, Illinois to order at 7:00 P.M.  
Upon roll call, the following were:

Ebersohl	Present	Agne	Present
Niemietz	Present	Roessler	Present
Huch	Present	Reis	Present
Holtkamp	Present	Martens	Present

Mayor Hutchinson was not present for the meeting.

Quorum present. Those in attendance recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Administrative Staff present:

City Clerk Wes Hoeffken	City Administrator James Morani
City Attorney Terry Bruckert	Chief of Police Jerry Paul
Head Librarian Annette Bland	City Engineer Chris Smith
Accounting Manager Linda Sharp	Deputy Chief of Police Jason Donjon
Dir. of Community Dev. Scott Dunakey	EMS Chief Kim Lamprecht
Labor Attorney Corey Franklin	

**II. Delegation/Public Comments**

**A. Domestic Violence Prevention Month Proclamation**

Mayor Pro Tem Gene Ebersohl read a proclamation for Domestic Violence Prevention Month.  
Ms. Kay Clements was present for the presentation of the proclamation.

**B. Substance Abuse Prevention Month Proclamation**

Mayor Pro Tem Gene Ebersohl read a proclamation for Substance Abuse Prevention Month. Mr.  
Kelton Davis and Mrs. Vicki Koerber were present for the presentation of the proclamation.

**III. Read and Approve Minutes**

**A. Regular Meeting**

The minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting held Monday, October 1, 2018 were submitted  
for approval.

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Holtkamp, and seconded by Alderman Niemietz, to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of the City Council held Monday, October 1, 2018 as on file at City Hall. Motion Passed 8 to 0.

Roll Call vote results:

Ebersohl	Yea	Agne	Yea	Niemietz	Yea
Roessler	Yea	Huch	Yea	Reis	Yea
Holtkamp	Yea	Martens	Yea		

**IV. Report of Departments and Officers**

A. Library

The report of the Library was presented to the Council.

B. Police and Communications

The reports of the Police and Communications Departments were presented to the Council.

C. Emergency Medical Services

The report of the Emergency Medical Services was presented to the Council.

1. Hire April Thomason as Part-Time EMT-Basic

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Huch, and seconded by Alderman Martens, to accept the recommendation of the EMS Chief and hire April Thomason as a Part-Time EMT-Basic contingent upon satisfying all pre-employment requirements. Motion Passed 8 to 0.

Roll Call vote results:

Ebersohl	Yea	Agne	Yea	Niemietz	Yea
Roessler	Yea	Huch	Yea	Reis	Yea
Holtkamp	Yea	Martens	Yea		

D. Community Development

The report of Community Development was presented to the Council.

1. Ordinance No. 3432 – Hotel and Motel Accommodation Tax Rebate Financing Agreement

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Reis, and seconded by Alderman Martens, to approve Ordinance No. 3432, an Ordinance to Authorize the Assignment of the Hotel and Motel

Accommodation Tax Rebate Financing Agreement Between the City of Columbia and MMCP, LLC to Pramukhraj Irving, LLC. Motion Passed 8 to 0.

Roll Call vote results:

Ebersohl	Yea	Agne	Yea	Niemietz	Yea
Roessler	Yea	Huch	Yea	Reis	Yea
Holtkamp	Yea	Martens	Yea		

2. Ordinance No. 3433 – Business Licensing Requirements and Fees for Mobile Home Parks

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Holtkamp, and seconded by Alderman Huch, to approve Ordinance No. 3433, an Ordinance Amending Sections 05.04 “Business Licensing and Regulation” and 18.115 “Business License Fees” of the City of Columbia Municipal Code to Modify Business Licensing Requirements and Related Fees for Mobile Home Parks. Motion Passed 8 to 0.

Roll Call vote results:

Ebersohl	Yea	Agne	Yea	Niemietz	Yea
Roessler	Yea	Huch	Yea	Reis	Yea
Holtkamp	Yea	Martens	Yea		

3. Ordinance No. 3434 – Grant Sign Variance to City of Columbia for a Monument Sign

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Reis, and seconded by Alderman Martens, to approve Ordinance No. 3434, an Ordinance to Grant Sign Variances to the City of Columbia for the Property Having the Assigned Parcel Identification Number of 04-22-200-003-000 Located in the City of Columbia to Allow the Construction of a Monument Sign that Exceeds the Maximum Allowable Height and be Located Within the Required Setback. Motion Passed 7 to 1.

Alderman Agne stated he would be voting no because he believes the message can be conveyed within a six foot sign.

Roll Call vote results:

Ebersohl	Yea	Agne	Nay	Niemietz	Yea
Roessler	Yea	Huch	Yea	Reis	Yea
Holtkamp	Yea	Martens	Yea		

4. Special Event – Halloween Party (Reifschneider’s Grill and Grape)

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Niemietz, and seconded by Alderman Reis, to approve the Special Event Permit Application for the Halloween Party at Reifschneider’s Grill and Grape as submitted and on file at City Hall with the stipulation all music activities will cease at 11:00 P.M. Motion Passed 8 to 0.

Voice vote results:

Ebersohl	Yea	Agne	Yea	Niemietz	Yea
Roessler	Yea	Huch	Yea	Reis	Yea
Holtkamp	Yea	Martens	Yea		

E. City Engineer/Public Works

The report of the City Engineer was presented to the Council.

F. Finance

1. Vouchers To Be Paid

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Roessler, and seconded by Alderman Huch, to authorize the payment of vouchers received through October 11, 2018 in the amount of three hundred eighty-six thousand, ninety-three dollars and sixty-seven cents (\$386,093.67). Motion Passed 8 to 0.

Roll Call vote results:

Ebersohl	Yea	Agne	Yea	Niemietz	Yea
Roessler	Yea	Huch	Yea	Reis	Yea
Holtkamp	Yea	Martens	Yea		

2. Schorb and Schmersahl Engagement Letter

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Huch, and seconded by Alderman Niemietz, to authorize the Mayor Pro Tem to sign the Schorb and Schmersahl Engagement Letter for the audit of the City’s finances for the fiscal year ending April 30, 2018. Motion Passed 8 to 0.

Roll Call vote results:

Ebersohl	Yea	Agne	Yea	Niemietz	Yea
Roessler	Yea	Huch	Yea	Reis	Yea
Holtkamp	Yea	Martens	Yea		

3. Fiscal Year 2017 – 2018 Audit

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Roessler, and seconded by Alderman Martens, to approve the Fiscal Year 2017 – 2018 Audit as submitted and on file at City Hall. Motion Passed 8 to 0.

Roll Call vote results:

Ebersohl	Yea	Agne	Yea	Niemietz	Yea
Roessler	Yea	Huch	Yea	Reis	Yea
Holtkamp	Yea	Martens	Yea		

G. City Clerk

The City Clerk presented his report to the Council.

H. City Attorney

The City Attorney presented his report to the Council.

I. City Administrator

The report of the City Administrator was presented to the Council.

1. Ordinance No. 3435 – Disposal of City Property - Mobile Home Trailer

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Holtkamp, and seconded by Alderman Niemietz, to approve Ordinance No. 3435, an Ordinance Authorizing the Disposal of Certain Personal Property Owned by the City of Columbia. Motion Passed 8 to 0.

Roll Call vote results:

Ebersohl	Yea	Agne	Yea	Niemietz	Yea
Roessler	Yea	Huch	Yea	Reis	Yea
Holtkamp	Yea	Martens	Yea		

J. Mayor

The report of the Mayor was presented to the Council.

**V. Old Business**

There was no Old Business brought before the Council.

**VI. New Business**

There was no New Business brought before the Council.

**VII. Report of Standing Committees**

There were no Reports of Standing Committees.

**VIII. Call for Committee Meetings - October 22, 2018**

Committee of the Whole

**IX. Executive Session - 5 ILCS 120/2(c)**

Mayor Pro Tem Gene Ebersohl informed the Council that he would entertain a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss collective bargaining as permitted under 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(2).

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Reis, and seconded by Alderman Martens, to direct the Mayor Pro Tem to go into Executive Session at 7:41 P.M. to discuss collective bargaining as permitted under 5 ILCS 120/1(c)(2). Motion Passed 8 to 0.

Roll Call vote results:

Ebersohl	Yea	Agne	Yea	Niemietz	Yea
Roessler	Yea	Huch	Yea	Reis	Yea
Holtkamp	Yea	Martens	Yea		

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Niemietz, and seconded by Alderman Reis, to return to Regular Session of the City Council at 8:23 P.M. Motion Passed 8 to 0.

Roll Call vote results:

Ebersohl	Yea	Agne	Yea	Niemietz	Yea
Roessler	Yea	Huch	Yea	Reis	Yea
Holtkamp	Yea	Martens	Yea		

Upon return to Regular Session, Aldermen Ebersohl, Agne, Niemietz, Roessler, Huch, Reis, Holtkamp, and Martens were present.

No action was taken as a result of the Executive Session.

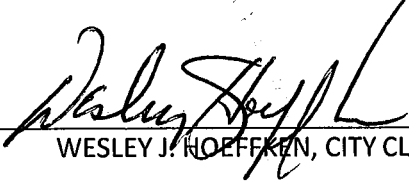
**X. Adjournment**

**Motion:**

It was moved by Alderman Reis, and seconded by Alderman Martens, to adjourn the Regular City Council meeting held Monday, October 15, 2018 at 8:24 P.M. Motion Passed 8 to 0.

Roll Call vote results:

Ebersohl	Yea	Agne	Yea	Niemietz	Yea
Roessler	Yea	Huch	Yea	Reis	Yea
Holtkamp	Yea	Martens	Yea		

  
WESLEY J. HOEFFKEN, CITY CLERK

  
MAYOR KEVIN B. HUTCHINSON