

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBIA,  
ILLINOIS HELD MONDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2009 IN THE COUNCIL ROOM OF CITY HALL**

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**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Pro Tem Ebersohl called the City Council of the City of Columbia, Illinois to order at 7:00 PM. Upon Roll Call, the following members were:

<b>Ebersohl</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent	<b>Hejna</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent
<b>Agne</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Present	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Absent	<b>Oberkfell</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent
<b>Niemietz</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent	<b>Stumpf</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent
<b>Row</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent	<b>Roessler</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent

Quorum Present.

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 Tom Adams	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Chief of Police 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fire Chief Mike Roediger	<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

The Council recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

**II. READ AND APPROVE MINUTES**

A. The minutes of the Regular Meeting of the City Council held Monday, October 5, 2009 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 5, 2009, as on file at City Hall.

Moved by: Niemietz                      Second: Stumpf                      Vote: Roll Call

Ebersohl	Yea	Row	Yea	Stumpf	Yea
Agne	Absent	Hejna	Yea	Roessler	Yea
Niemietz	Yea	Oberkfell	Yea		

Motion Carried      7 To 0

B. The minutes of the Executive Session of the City Council Meeting held Monday, October 5, 2009 were submitted for approval.

**MOTION:**

It was moved and seconded to approve the minutes of the Executive Session of the City Council Meeting held Monday, October 5, 2009, as on file at City Hall.

Moved by: Oberkfell                      Second: Hejna                      Vote: Roll Call

Ebersohl	Yea	Row	Yea	Stumpf	Yea
Agne	Absent	Hejna	Yea	Roessler	Yea
Niemietz	Yea	Oberkfell	Yea		

Motion Carried      7 To 0

III. REPORT OF DEPARTMENTS/OFFICERS

A. Library Report - Monthly Report

The Library report was given by head librarian Erica Pyle.

B. Police Department & Communications - Monthly Reports

The report was presented by Police Chief Joe Edwards. Chief Edwards expressed concern about a recent rise in the occurrences of domestic violence calls.

B. EMS Department - Monthly Report

The EMS report was given by Police Chief Joe Edwards.

D. Fire Department - Monthly Report

Fire Chief Mike Roediger presented the department's monthly report. Chief Roediger indicated that the brickwork that was previously contracted for the department's building has been completed.

E. Building and Zoning Department - Monthly Report

1. Monthly Report

The report was presented by Building Inspector Al Holden.

2. St. Paul UCC - Request to Waive Building Permit Fee

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to waive the building permit and related fees for the building additions at St. Paul United Church of Christ.

Moved by: Niemietz      Second: Row      Vote: Roll Call

Ebersohl	Yea	Row	Yea	Stumpf	Yea
Agne	Absent	Hejna	Yea	Roessler	Yea
Niemietz	Yea	Oberkfell	Yea		

Motion Carried 7 To 0

F. Clerk's Report

G. Community & Economic Development

1. Update on City-Owned Properties

Director Paul Ellis updated the Council on City owned properties including the Miller-Fiege Home, the Shoemaker Schoolhouse and the Oak Street Community Building.

2. Halloween Hi-Jinks Parade - Route Request

Sponsored by the City of Columbia and the Columbia Chamber of Commerce and scheduled for Saturday, October 31<sup>st</sup> at 1:00 p.m.

3. Columbia's Christmas Parade - Route Request

Sponsored by the Celebration 2009 Committee and Columbia's Organization of Women Networking and scheduled for December 5<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 p.m.

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to approve the routes for parades for both the Halloween Hi-Jinks Parade and the Columbia Christmas Parade.

Moved by: Niemietz      Second: Oberkfell      Vote: Roll Call

Ebersohl	Yea	Row	Yea	Stumpf	Yea
Agne	Absent	Hejna	Yea	Roessler	Yea
Niemietz	Yea	Oberkfell	Yea		

Motion Carried 7 To 0

H. City Engineer/Department of Public Works - Monthly Report

1. City Engineer's Report

The monthly report of the City Engineer/Department of Public Works was presented to the Council by City Engineer Ron Williams.

2. Ordinance Entering into an Agreement for 2009 Sanitary Sewer Line Rehabilitation Project

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to pass Ordinance No. 2747, An Ordinance to authorize an Agreement to employ Insituform Technologies USA, Inc. of Chesterfield, Missouri to perform the 2009 Sanitary Sewer Line Rehabilitation Project in the City of Columbia, Illinois.

Moved by: Row      Second: Oberkfell      Vote: Roll Call

Ebersohl	Yea	Row	Yea	Stumpf	Yea
Agne	Absent	Hejna	Yea	Roessler	Yea
Niemietz	Yea	Oberkfell	Yea		

Motion Carried 7 To 0

3. Ordinance Entering into an Agreement for 2009 Sanitary Sewer Manhole Rehabilitation Project

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to pass Ordinance No. 2748, An Ordinance to authorize an Agreement to employ Walden Associated Technologies, Inc. of Glen Carbon, Illinois to perform the 2009 Sanitary Sewer Manhole Rehabilitation Project in the City of Columbia, Illinois.

Moved by: Oberkfell      Second: Row      Vote: Roll Call

Ebersohl	Yea	Row	Yea	Stumpf	Yea
Agne	Absent	Hejna	Yea	Roessler	Yea
Niemietz	Yea	Oberkfell	Yea		

Motion Carried 7 To 0

4. Approval of Developed Area Map, Parcel Data for Developed Areas and Attesting Letter for Developed Areas in AR Zone

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to approve forwarding the developed area map, spreadsheet detailing parcels in the separate developed areas and the attesting statement, all as presented by City Engineer Ron Williams, to the East West Gateway Council for submission to FEMA.

Moved by: Row	Second: Niemietz	Vote: Roll Call
Ebersohl Yea	Row Yea	Stumpf Yea
Agne Absent	Hejna Yea	Roessler Yea
Niemietz Yea	Oberkfell Yea	

Motion Carried 7 To 0

5. Breidecker Street

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to widen the Breidecker Street detour in areas where the City has easements to do so.

Moved by: Roessler	Second: Row	Vote: Roll Call
Ebersohl Yea	Row Yea	Stumpf Present
Agne Absent	Hejna Yea	Roessler Yea
Niemietz Yea	Oberkfell Yea	

Motion Carried 6 Yeas, 1 Present, 1 Absent

I. Plan Commission Meeting Minutes - October 12, 2009

The Plan Commission Meeting Minutes of October 12, 2009 were presented to the Council.

J. City Attorney

The City Attorney's report was presented to the Council.

1. Library Tax Ordinance

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to pass Ordinance No. 2749, An Ordinance to provide for the Levy of a Tax of .02% of the Value of the Taxable Property in the City of Columbia, Monroe and St. Clair Counties, Illinois for Library purposes pursuant to Section 5/3-1 of the Illinois Local Library Act for the Fiscal Year of the City commencing May 1, 2009 and ending April 30, 2010.

Moved by: Row	Second: Roessler	Vote: Roll Call
Ebersohl Yea	Row Yea	Stumpf Yea
Agne Absent	Hejna Present	Roessler Yea
Niemietz Yea	Oberkfell Present	

Motion Carried 5 Yeas, 2 Present and 1 Absent

2. Ordinance to Vacate Turn-Around Easement for Brellinger Street

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to pass Ordinance No. 2750, An Ordinance to Vacate a Turn Around Easement for Brellinger Street in the City of Columbia, Illinois created by the Final Subdivision Plat for the Brellinger Second Addition Subdivision Plat Recorded in the Monroe County, Illinois Recorder's Office in Plat Envelope 2-233A due to the extension of said Brellinger Street into the Brellinger Third Addition Subdivision in the City rendering the Turn Around no longer necessary.

Moved by: Stumpf	Second: Oberkfell	Vote: Roll Call
Ebersohl Yea	Row Yea	Stumpf Yea
Agne Absent	Hejna Yea	Roessler Yea

Niemietz Yea Oberkfell Yea

Motion Carried 7 To 0

3. Resolution to approve the resubmitted Preliminary Plat for the Brellinger Third Addition Subdivision

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to pass Resolution No. 13-2009, A Resolution to approve the Resubmitted Preliminary Subdivision Plat for the Brellinger Third Addition Subdivision in the City of Columbia and County of Monroe in the State of Illinois.

Moved by: Niemietz Second: Oberkfell Vote: Roll Call

Ebersohl Yea	Row	Yea	Stumpf	Yea
Agne Absent	Hejna	Yea	Roessler	Yea
Niemietz Yea	Oberkfell	Yea		

Motion Carried 7 To 0

4. Ordinance to Approve the Final Subdivision Plat for the Brellinger Third Addition Subdivision

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to pass Ordinance No. 2751, An Ordinance to Approve the Final Subdivision Plat for the Brellinger Third Addition Subdivision in the City of Columbia and Monroe County, Illinois.

Moved by: Oberkfell Second: Row Vote: Roll Call

Ebersohl Yea	Row	Yea	Stumpf	Yea
Agne Absent	Hejna	Yea	Roessler	Yea
Niemietz Yea	Oberkfell	Yea		

Motion Carried 7 To 0

K. Finance Department

1. Financial Statement Presentation - Jim Schmersahl of Schorb & Schmersahl, LLC

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to approve the annual Financial and Audit Report for the City of Columbia as presented by Mr. Jim Schmersahl, representing the firm of Schorb & Schmersahl, LLC.

Moved by: Roessler Second: Stumpf Vote: Roll Call

Ebersohl Yea	Row	Yea	Stumpf	Yea
Agne Absent	Hejna	Yea	Roessler	Yea
Niemietz Yea	Oberkfell	Yea		

Motion Carried 7 To 0

2. Vouchers to Be Paid

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to authorize the payment of vouchers received through October 15, 2009; the total amount of the vouchers to be paid is two hundred sixty-seven thousand, six hundred forty-five dollars and thirteen cents. (\$267,645.13).

Moved by: Roessler Second: Stumpf Vote: Roll Call

Ebersohl	Yea	Row	Yea	Stumpf	Yea
Agne	Absent	Hejna	Yea	Roessler	Yea
Niemietz	Yea	Oberkfell	Yea		

Motion Carried 7 to 0

3. Statement of Funds

The City's Statement of Funds was presented by Accounting Manager Linda Sharp.

4. Treasurer's Report

An update regarding the Treasurer's Report was presented by Mrs. Sharp.

L. Administration Department

1. Recommendation to Advertise for a Part-Time Accounting/Clerical Assistant at City Hall

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to Advertise for a Part-Time Accounting/Clerical Assistant at City Hall.

Moved by: Niemietz                      Second: Roessler                      Vote: Roll Call

Ebersohl	Yea	Row	Yea	Stumpf	Present
Agne	Absent	Hejna	Yea	Roessler	Yea
Niemietz	Yea	Oberkfell	Abstain		

Motion Carried 5 Yeas, 1 Present, 1 Abstained and 1 Absent

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to accept all Reports of Departments/Officers.

Moved by: Niemietz                      Second: Oberkfell                      Vote: Roll Call

Ebersohl	Yea	Row	Yea	Stumpf	Yea
Agne	Absent	Hejna	Yea	Roessler	Yea
Niemietz	Yea	Oberkfell	Yea		

Motion Carried 7 to 0

**IV. OLD BUSINESS**

A. Columbia Crossings Litigation Update

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to have a presentation before the Council from Attorney Wayne Skigen to provide the Council with an update on the status of Columbia Crossings.

Moved by: Stumpf                      Second: Hejna                      Vote: Roll Call

Ebersohl	Nay	Row	Yea	Stumpf	Yea
Agne	Absent	Hejna	Yea	Roessler	Yea
Niemietz	Nay	Oberkfell	Yea		

Motion Carried 5 to 2

**V. NEW BUSINESS**

A. None

VI. REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEES

A. Ordinance, Planning and Zoning

Minutes of the Ordinance, Planning and Zoning Committee meeting held Monday, September 28, 2009 were presented to the Council for approval.

These minutes were tabled.

B. Streets, Sidewalks, Drainage and Public Utilities

Minutes of the Streets, Sidewalks, Drainage and Public Utilities Committee meeting held Monday, September 28, 2009 were presented to the Council for approval.

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to approve the minutes of the Streets, Sidewalks, Drainage and Public Utilities Committee meeting held Monday, September 28, 2009 as on file at City Hall.

Moved by: Row                      Second: Niemietz                      Vote: Roll Call

Ebersohl	Yea	Row	Yea	Stumpf	Yea
Agne	Absent	Hejna	Yea	Roessler	Yea
Niemietz	Yea	Oberkfell	Yea		

Motion Carried 7 To 0

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to recommend to the City Council to remove and replace the Devenport Driveway at 404 East Cherry all the way from the driveway approach to the garage door with a 5.6 percent grade and reinforcing steel.

Moved by: Roessler                      Second: Row                      Vote: Roll Call

Ebersohl	Yea	Row	Yea	Stumpf	Yea
Agne	Absent	Hejna	Yea	Roessler	Yea
Niemietz	Yea	Oberkfell	Yea		

Motion Carried 7 To 0

C. Committee of the Whole

Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Committee meeting held Monday, September 28, 2009 were presented to the Council for approval.

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to approve the minutes of the Committee of the Whole Committee meeting held Monday, September 28, 2009 as on file at City Hall.

Moved by: Row                      Second: Stumpf                      Vote: Roll Call

Ebersohl	Yea	Row	Yea	Stumpf	Yea
Agne	Absent	Hejna	Yea	Roessler	Yea
Niemietz	Yea	Oberkfell	Yea		

Motion Carried 7 To 0

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to recommend to the City Council that the "Agreement for Enforcement of Illinois Vehicle Code and City Ordinance Traffic and Parking Regulations on Privately Owned Streets and Parking Areas within the Meadow Ridge West Condominium Association Property in the City of Columbia, Illinois by the City of Columbia, Illinois Police Department" document be approved in substantially the form reviewed by the Committee, and that it be forwarded to the Meadow Ridge West Condominium Association for review and approval.

Moved by: Niemietz      Second: Roessler      Vote: Roll Call

Ebersohl	Yea	Row	Yea	Stumpf	Yea
Agne	Absent	Hejna	Yea	Roessler	Yea
Niemietz	Yea	Oberkfell	Yea		

Motion Carried 7 To 0

D. Personnel and License, Insurance Claims, CEMA and Contracts (Joint Committee Meeting)

1. Regular Session Minutes - September 28, 2009

Minutes of the Personnel and License, Insurance Claims, CEMA and Contracts (Joint Committee Meeting) held Monday, September 28, 2009 were presented to the Council for approval.

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to approve the minutes of the Personnel and License, Insurance Claims, CEMA and Contracts (Joint Committee Meeting) held Monday, September 28, 2009 as on file at City Hall.

Moved by: Roessler      Second: Niemietz      Vote: Roll Call

Ebersohl	Yea	Row	Yea	Stumpf	Yea
Agne	Absent	Hejna	Yea	Roessler	Yea
Niemietz	Yea	Oberkfell	Yea		

Motion Carried 7 To 0

2. Executive Session of Personnel Committee Minutes - September 28, 2009

Minutes of the Executive Session of the Personnel Committee Meeting held Monday, September 28, 2009 were presented to the Council for approval.

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to approve the minutes of the Executive Session of the Personnel Committee Meeting held Monday, September 28, 2009 as on file at City Hall.

Moved by: Niemietz      Second: Roessler      Vote: Roll Call

Ebersohl	Yea	Row	Yea	Stumpf	Yea
Agne	Absent	Hejna	Yea	Roessler	Yea
Niemietz	Yea	Oberkfell	Yea		

Motion Carried 7 to 0

VII. CALL FOR COMMITTEE MEETINGS - OCTOBER 26, 2009

- 7:00 PM - Municipal Buildings, Property and Capital Improvements
- 7:10 PM - Refuse Collection and Recycling
- 7:20 PM - Finance, Claims, Bonds and Interest
- 7:30 PM - Personnel

VIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

A. Personnel

1. Update/Discussion on Collective Bargaining Negotiations and Employee Salaries.

Mayor Pro Tem Ebersohl informed the Council that he would entertain a motion to go into Executive Session for the purpose of collective negotiating matters between



the public body and its employees or their representatives or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees.

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to direct the Mayor Pro Tem to go into Executive Session at 9:20 PM for the purpose of collective negotiating matters between the public body and its employees or their representatives or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees.

Moved by: Oberkfell                      Second: Stumpf                      Vote: Roll Call

Ebersohl	Yea	Row	Yea	Stumpf	Yea
Agne	Absent	Hejna	Yea	Roessler	Yea
Niemietz	Yea	Oberkfell	Yea		

Motion Carried 7 To 0

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to return to Regular Session of the City Council at 10:26 PM.

Moved by: Row                              Second: Hejna                      Vote: Roll Call

Ebersohl	Yea	Row	Yea	Stumpf	Yea
Agne	Absent	Hejna	Yea	Roessler	Yea
Niemietz	Yea	Oberkfell	Yea		

Motion Carried 7 To 0

Upon return to Regular Session, Aldermen Ebersohl, Niemietz, Row, Hejna, Oberkfell, Stumpf, Roessler were present.

Mayor Pro Tem Ebersohl inquired if there was any business to be brought before the Council as a result of the Executive Session.

There was none.

**XI. ADJOURNMENT**

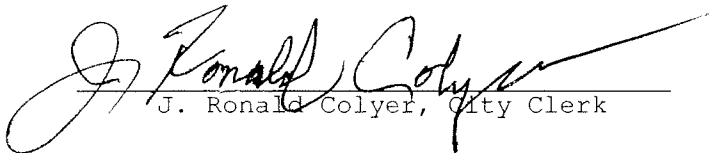
MOTION:

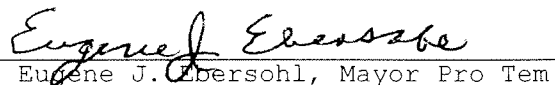
It was moved and seconded to adjourn the Regular City Council Meeting held Monday, October 19, 2009 at 10:27 PM.

Moved by: Stumpf                      Second: Niemietz                      Vote: Roll Call

Ebersohl	Yea	Row	Yea	Stumpf	Yea
Agne	Absent	Hejna	Yea	Roessler	Yea
Niemietz	Yea	Oberkfell	Yea		

Motion Carried 7 To 0

  
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J. Ronald Colyer, City Clerk

  
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Eugene J. Ebersohl, Mayor Pro Tem