

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBIA, ILLINOIS  
HELD MONDAY, APRIL 3, 2017 IN THE COUNCIL ROOM OF CITY HALL**

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**I. Call To Order**

Mr. Andreas Heuser, a representative with the Gedern Exchange Program, called the City Council of Columbia, Illinois to order at 7:00 P.M. Upon roll call, the following were:

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

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

Administrative Staff present:

City Clerk Wes Hoeffken	City Administrator James Morani
City Attorney J.D. Brandmeyer	Chief of Police and EMS Director Jerry Paul
City Engineer Chris Smith	Accounting Manager Linda Sharp
Deputy Chief of Police Jason Donjon	Dir. Of Community Dev. Emily Fultz

**II. Delegations and Citizens' Comments**

A. Child Abuse Prevention Month Proclamation

Mayor Hutchinson read the Child Abuse Prevention Month Proclamation and presented it to Kay Clements with the Monroe County Outreach Program.

B. Gedern Exchange Student Recognition

Mayor Hutchinson recognized members of the Gedern Exchange Program delegation.

**III. Read and Approve Minutes**

A. Regular Meeting

The minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting held Monday, March 20, 2017 were submitted for approval.

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Niemietz, and seconded by Alderman Holtkamp, to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of the City Council held Monday, March 20, 2017 as on file at City Hall. Motion Passed 7 to 0.

Roll Call vote results:

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

**IV. Report of Departments and Officers**

**A. Community Development**

The report of Community Development was presented to the Council.

**1. Waive Building Permit Fees - Sunset Overlook**

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Agne, and seconded by Alderman Huch, to waive the Building Permit Fees for Sunset Overlook pursuant to Section 15.64.280 of the City of Columbia Municipal Code. Motion Passed 7 to 0.

Roll Call vote results:

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

**2. Special Event Permit Application - Songs4Soldiers**

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Huch, and seconded by Alderman Martens, to approve the Special Event Permit for Songs4Soldiers as permitted and on file at City Hall. Motion Passed 7 to 0.

Voice vote results:

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

**3. Special Event Permit Application - ICS 5K Run**

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Martens, and seconded by Alderman Holtkamp, to approve the Special Event Permit for the ICS 5K Run as permitted and on file at City Hall. Motion Passed 7 to 0.

Voice vote results:

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

B. City Engineer

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

C. Finance

1. Vouchers To Be Paid

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Huch, and seconded by Alderman Martens, to authorize the payment of vouchers received through March 30, 2017 in the amount of three hundred eighty-four thousand, seven hundred forty dollars and twelve cents (\$384,740.12). Motion Passed 7 to 0.

Roll Call vote results:

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

2. Statement of Funds

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Huch, and seconded by Alderman Martens, to approve the Statement of Funds through February 28, 2017 as presented and on file at City Hall. Motion Passed 7 to 0.

Voice vote results:

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

D. City Attorney

The City Attorney presented his report to the Council.

E. City Administrator

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

1. 11 South Cellular Tower

Mr. Morani informed the Council that staff members have had discussions with Mr. Koppeis, the developer for 11 South, regarding his request to locate a cellular tower on the site. Mr. Morani stated the City's code does not permit a cellular tower for that location under the current circumstances and explained Mr. Koppeis will be instructed to submit an application for a change to the City's code if he wants to pursue this endeavor. Mr. Koppeis expressed a desire to discuss with the Council first, but since the process to amend the code starts with the advisory boards, such as the Plan Commission and Zoning Board of Appeals, staff intends to inform Mr. Koppeis this is the proper procedure. Unless there were any objections from the Council, Mr. Morani would communicate this to Mr. Koppeis. There were no objections from the Council.

F. Mayor

The report of the Mayor was presented to the Council.

Approve Reports of Departments and Officers

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Niemietz, and seconded by Alderman Holtkamp, to approve the report of Departments and Officers as presented and on file at City Hall. Motion Passed 7 to 0.

Voice vote results:

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

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

**Monday, April 10, 2017**

Committee of the Whole

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

Mayor Hutchinson inquired if there was any business to be addressed in Executive Session. There was none.

**X. Adjournment**

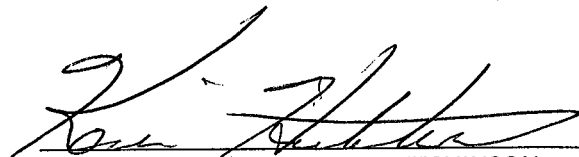
Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Reis, and seconded by Alderman Agne, to adjourn the Regular City Council meeting held Monday, April 3, 2017 at 7:29 P.M. Motion Passed 7 to 0.

Roll Call vote results:

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

  
WESLEY J. HOFFKEN, CITY CLERK

  
MAYOR KEVIN B. HUTCHINSON