



City Council Meeting Agenda
West Peoria City Hall
Tuesday, April 25, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.

[Ordinance 2023 – 11](#)
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1. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance
2. Roll Call
3. Additions to/or Deletions from the Agenda
4. Motion to Approve Minutes from the regular meeting of **April 11, 2023**
5. Motion to Receive and File the Treasurer’s Report from **February 2023**
6. Community Police Report
7. Mayor’s Report

8. Public Hearing

The purpose of this Public Hearing is for the West Peoria City Council to consider the Annual Budget for the Fiscal Year 2024 beginning May 1, 2023, and ending April 30, 2024.

- a. Motion to Open the Public Hearing
- b. Swearing in of Witnesses
- c. Presentation
- d. Other Witness Testimony
- e. Motion to Finally Close the Public Hearing

9. Public Comment

10. Committee Reports:

- a. Finance Committee: Chair Mathewson: The Committee last met on **April 5, 2023**.
The Committee next meets on Wednesday, **May 3, 2023** at 5:30 p.m. here at City Hall.
- b. Transportation Committee: Chair Silver: The Committee last met on **April 19, 2023**.
The Committee next meets on Wednesday, **May 17, 2023** at 5:30 p.m. here at City Hall.
- c. Land Use Committee: Chair Dohm: The Committee last met on **April 5, 2023**.
The Committee next meets on Wednesday, **May 3, 2023** at 6:30 p.m. here at City Hall.
- d. Public Safety Committee: Chair Reagan: The Committee last met on **April 19, 2023**.
The Committee next meets on Wednesday, **May 17, 2023** at 6:30 p.m. here at City Hall.

11. New Business

- a. Motion to pass **Ordinance 2023 – 11** Adopting the Annual Budget for the City of West Peoria for the Fiscal Year Beginning May 1, 2023, and Ending April 30, 2024
- b. Motion to pass **Ordinance 2023 – 12** Approving and Adopting the Grant Programs for FY2024 Residential Redevelopment Program, Residential Paint Program, Neighborhood Safety Improvement Grant Program, and Business Improvement Program
- c. Motion to pass **Ordinance 2023 – 13** Approving and Adopting FY2024 Residential Redevelopment Program for West Peoria Tax Increment Financing (TIF) District 1
- d. Motion to pass **Resolution 2023 – 03** In support of Tax Increment Financing

- e. Motion to pass **Resolution 2023 – 04** Directing the Sale of a Portion of City-Owned Real Estate (2804 W. Nebraska Ave., P.I.N. 18-06-102-002)
 - f. Motion to pass **Resolution 2023 – 05** Directing the Sale of a Portion of City-Owned Real Estate (823 N. Western Ave., P.I.N. 18-06-477-060)
12. Oaths of Office to be taken by the following members of the City Council:
- a. Clerk – Mary M. Barnes to be sworn in by County Clerk Rachel Parker.
Clerk Barnes then swears in:
 - b. Mayor – James R. Dillon
 - c. Treasurer – Julianna McGill
 - d. Ward 1 Alderperson – Colin Corbett
 - e. Ward 2 Alderperson – Matt Dillon
 - f. Ward 3 Alderperson – Scott Ruskusky
 - g. Ward 4 Alderperson – Zak Edmonds
13. Public Comment
14. Motion to Adjourn

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1. Mayor Dillon called the meeting to Order at 7:00 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.
2. Roll Call: Members present were Mayor Dillon, Alderpersons Dohm, Thomas, Mathewson, Reagan, Abraham, and Ruskusky. Alderpersons Edmonds and Silver were absent. Also present were City Administrator Krider, City Treasurer McGill, City Attorney Connor, Street Department Manager Hess, Office Assistant Zych, County Clerk Rachel Parker, residents and guests Marlene Carter, Barry Cassano, Colin Corbett, Laurie & Matt Dillon, Bob DeSutter, Bonnie Farrell, Sharon Kennedy, Bret & Sam McGill, Clayton McNeil, Marina Nunez, Priscilla Peterson, Brandy Ruskusky, and Clerk Barnes.
3. There were no Additions to/or Deletions from the Agenda.
4. A Motion to Approve Minutes from the regular meeting of **April 11, 2023** was made by Alderperson Thomas and seconded by Alderperson Reagan. Discussion: There was no discussion. Roll call votes: Ayes: Alderpersons: Thomas, Reagan, Dohm, Mathewson, Abraham, and Ruskusky – 6 Nays: - 0 Abstentions: - 0 Absent: Alderpersons Edmonds, Silver – 2 **Motion carried.**
5. A Motion to Receive and File the Treasurer’s Report from **February 2023** was made by Alderperson Mathewson and seconded by Alderperson Reagan. Discussion: There was no discussion. Roll call votes: Ayes: Alderpersons: Mathewson, Reagan, Dohm, Thomas, Abraham, and Ruskusky – 6 Nays: - 0 Abstentions: - 0 Absent: Alderpersons Edmonds, Silver – 2 **Motion carried.**
6. Community Police Report was given by Deputy Tim Gilmore. He said that statistics would be sent to the City Administrator. Crime in West Peoria has calmed down but with warmer weather, crime always picks up. The bars in town have been quiet the last couple of weeks. The suspect of smashing windows fame has been apprehended, as well as the suspect of the armed robbery. He reminded citizens to lock their doors – both home and autos by 9:00 p.m.
7. Mayor’s Report included that he, City Administrator Krider, Street Department Manager Hess and the City Engineers have been reviewing sidewalks, crosswalks and other infrastructures to see what may need to be done in the near future.
He will also be having a meeting in the near future about the possibility of charging stations for electric vehicles in the City – how many, what types, and possible locations.
The Mayor thanked Alderperson Hazel Thomas and Alderperson Jeff Reagan for their many years of service to our City. Alderperson Thomas was a founding member of the City Council in 1993 and Alderperson Reagan has served the community for 12 years as Alderman.
Congratulations to both of them with our thanks as well.
8. Public Hearing
The purpose of this Public Hearing is for the West Peoria City Council to consider the Annual Budget for the Fiscal Year 2024 beginning May 1, 2023 and ending April 30, 2024.
 - a. A Motion to Open the Public Hearing was made by Alderperson Mathewson at 7:09 p.m. and seconded by Alderperson Abraham. Discussion: There was no discussion. Roll call votes: Ayes: Alderpersons: Mathewson, Abraham, Dohm, Thomas, Reagan, and Ruskusky – 6 Nays: - 0 Abstentions: - 0 Absent: Alderpersons Edmonds, Silver – 2 **Motion carried.**

- b. Swearing in of Witnesses – There were no witnesses.
- c. Presentation by City Administrator Krider included that the budget will need to be amended to add \$20,000.00 to line item 01-41-820 for a total of \$26,000.00 for a possible extension to a building at the City Garage. That request came after the FY 2024 Budget had passed through the Finance Committee and before this evening’s meeting. That would put the City Under Budget by \$14,803.19 for FY 2024.
- d. Other Witness Testimony – There were no other witnesses.
- e. A Motion to Finally Close the Public Hearing was made by Alderperson Mathewson at 7:16 p.m. and seconded by Alderperson Reagan. Discussion: There was no discussion. Roll call votes: Ayes: Alderpersons: Mathewson, Reagan, Dohm, Thomas, Abraham, and Ruskusky – 6 Nays: - 0 Abstentions: - 0 Absent: Alderpersons Edmonds, Silver – 2
Motion carried.

9. There was no Public Comment at this time.

10. Committee Reports:

- a. Finance Committee: Chair Mathewson: The Committee last met on **April 5, 2023**. The Committee next meets on Wednesday, **May 3, 2023** at 5:30 p.m. here at City Hall.
- b. Transportation Committee: Alderperson Thomas in the absence of Chair Silver: The Committee last met on **April 19, 2023**. The Committee did its usual housekeeping duties. They had updates and discussions about the Idaho Sidewalk Project, Admore Place Sidewalk Project, and the Vaughn/Magnolia Project. Idaho project is ready to go and only waiting on Comcast. Sealcoating plans for the summer are underway. The Committee reviewed their goals for the next fiscal year. The Committee next meets on Wednesday, **May 17, 2023** at 5:30 p.m. here at City Hall.
- c. Land Use Committee: Chair Dohm: The Committee last met on **April 5, 2023**. The Committee next meets on Wednesday, **May 3, 2023** at 6:30 p.m. here at City Hall.
- d. Public Safety Committee: Chair Reagan: The Committee last met on **April 19, 2023**. The Committee did its usual housekeeping duties, including the review of the Code Enforcement Report. The Committee had discussions about the Slow Down West Peoria program. Radar signs are up and running. A data report will be given next month. The Clean-up Day on April 29th is ready to proceed. Volunteers are still needed. If interested, please call City Hall. Lists of permitted and not permitted items are on the City’s website. Commercial Container Enclosures – all 42 of them – were checked this week and only a couple of dumpsters/enclosures had any issues that were discussed with the owners. Priscilla Peterson gave a presentation of her research for a tree replacement program. Walk the Wards clean-up dates will be held the 3rd Saturday of each month beginning May 20th through September 9th. The group is hoping for a large group to help clean up our streets each month in designated areas. Please gather at 9:00 a.m. and get bags, gloves, and pick up sticks for use. The Committee next meets on Wednesday, **May 17, 2023** at 6:30 p.m. here at City Hall.

11. New Business

- a. A Motion to pass **Ordinance 2023 – 11** establishing the **Annual Budget for the Fiscal Year 2024** was made by Alderperson Mathewson and seconded by Alderperson Ruskusky. Discussion: There is a need to amend this motion to include the changes outlined by City Administrator Krider in the Public Hearing into the Budget for FY 2024.

- 1) A Motion to **Amend the Annual Budget for FY 2024** according to the changes outlined by City Administrator Krider during the Public Hearing was made by Alderperson Reagan and seconded by Alderperson Mathewson. Roll call votes: Ayes: Alderpersons: Reagan, Mathewson, Dohm, Thomas, Abraham, and Ruskusky – 6 Nays: - 0 Abstentions: - 0 Absent: Alderpersons Edmonds, Silver – 2 **Motion carried.**

Returning to the Original **Motion to pass Ordinance 2023 – 11** establishing the **Annual Budget for the Fiscal Year 2024 as amended** made by Alderperson Mathewson and seconded by Alderperson Ruskusky: Roll call votes: Ayes: Alderpersons: Mathewson, Ruskusky, Dohm, Thomas, Reagan, and Abraham – 6 Nays: - 0 Abstentions: - 0 Absent: Alderpersons Edmonds, Silver – 2 **Motion carried.**

- b. A Motion to pass **Ordinance 2023 – 12** Approving and Adopting the Grant Programs for FY 2024 Residential Redevelopment Program, Residential Paint Program, Neighborhood Safety Improvement Grant Program, and Business Improvement Program was made by Alderperson Mathewson and seconded by Alderperson Abraham. Discussion: Alderperson Mathewson explained that this Ordinance sets the limits for grants given by the City. The only grant program with substantial changes was to the Business Façade Grant. Other changes include some small wording that will be highlighted on each application. No cash receipts will be acceptable beginning this year. Roll call votes: Ayes: Alderpersons: Mathewson, Abraham, Dohm, Thomas, Reagan, and Ruskusky – 6 Nays: - 0 Abstentions: - 0 Absent: Alderpersons Edmonds, Silver – 2 **Motion carried.**
- c. A Motion to pass **Ordinance 2023 – 13** Approving and Adopting FY 2024 Residential Redevelopment Program for West Peoria Tax Increment Financing (TIF) District 1 was made by Alderperson Mathewson and seconded by Alderperson Dohm. Discussion: Alderperson Mathewson stated that the City would hope that more residents residing in a TIF 1 area would use this funding more than has been used in the past. The length of time for TIF 1 is getting shorter. Some residents may not realize they live in that TIF district. Anyone with questions can call City Hall about their eligibility. Those residing in the area should receive a postcard informing them that they live in the district as well. Roll call votes: Ayes: Alderpersons: Mathewson, Dohm, Thomas, Reagan, Abraham, and Ruskusky – 6 Nays: - 0 Abstentions: - 0 Absent: Alderpersons Edmonds, Silver – 2 **Motion carried.**
- d. A Motion to pass **Resolution 2023 – 03** In Support of Tax Increment Financing was made by Alderperson Mathewson and seconded by Alderperson Thomas. Discussion: There was no discussion. Roll call votes: Ayes: Alderpersons: Mathewson, Thomas, Dohm, Reagan, Abraham, and Ruskusky – 6 Nays: - 0 Abstentions: - 0 Absent: Alderpersons Edmonds, Silver – 2 **Motion carried.**
- e. A Motion to pass **Resolution 2023 – 04** Directing the Sale of a Portion of City-Owned Real Estate (2804 W. Nebraska Ave., P.I.N. 18-06-102-002) was made by Alderperson Dohm and seconded by Alderperson Reagan. Discussion: This is a property that the building was torn down last year. The neighbor next door wants to expand a day care center. Roll call votes: Ayes: Alderpersons: Dohm, Reagan, Thomas, Mathewson, Abraham, and Ruskusky – 6 Nays: - 0 Abstentions: - 0 Absent: Alderpersons Edmonds, Silver – 2 **Motion carried.**

- f. A Motion to pass **Resolution 2023 – 05** Directing the Sale of a Portion of City-Owned Real Estate (823 N. Western Ave., P.I.N. 18-06-477-060) was made by Alderperson Reagan and seconded by Alderperson Dohm. Discussion: This is also a property where the building was torn down in hopes of making an area more business-friendly. It seems to be leaning that way. Roll call votes: Ayes: Alderpersons: Reagan, Dohm, Thomas, Mathewson, Abraham, and Ruskusky – 6 Nays: - 0 Abstentions: - 0 Absent: Alderpersons Edmonds, Silver – 2
Motion carried.


12. Oaths of Office were taken by the following members of the City Council:
- Clerk Mary M. Barnes was sworn in by County Clerk Rachel Parker.
The following were sworn in by Clerk Barnes:
 - Mayor – James Dillon
 - Treasurer – Julianna McGill
 - Ward 1 Alderperson – Colin Corbett
 - Ward 2 Alderperson – Matt Dillon
 - Ward 3 Alderperson – Scott Ruskusky
 - Ward 4 Alderperson Edmonds was absent and will be sworn in at a later date.
Congratulations to all newly elected and re-elected members of our City Council.

13. Public Comment:
- Alderperson Thomas and Alderperson Reagan both responded to the Mayor’s request for final comments.
- Alderperson Thomas highlighted some of the improvements and programs that have been implemented in the years of her service to the City – spanning 30 years!
- Alderperson Reagan mentioned that he believes the City needs fresh faces and new ideas to carry our City further into the future, welcoming Colin Corbett, and handing off Ward 2 to Matt Dillon.
- Congratulations to all!

14. A Motion to Adjourn was made by Alderperson Thomas at 7:52 p.m. and seconded by Alderperson Reagan.
Motion carried by voice.

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Respectfully submitted,


Mary M. Barnes, City Clerk

