



City Council Meeting Agenda
West Peoria City Hall
Tuesday, December 12, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.

Ordinance 2023 – 32
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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 the Minutes from the regular meeting of **November 28, 2023**
5. Motion to Receive and File the Treasurer's Report from **October 2023**
6. Community Police Report
7. Mayor's Report
8. Public Comment
9. Committee Reports:
 - a. Finance Committee: Chair Mathewson: The Committee last met on **December 6, 2023**. The Committee next meets on Wednesday, **January 3, 2024** at 5:30 p.m. here at City Hall.
 - b. Transportation Committee: Chair Silver: The Committee last met on **November 15, 2023**. The Committee next meets on Wednesday, **December 20, 2023** at 5:30 p.m. here at City Hall.
 - c. Land Use Committee: Chair Dohm: The Committee last met on **December 6, 2023**. The Committee next meets on Wednesday, **January 3, 2024** at 6:30 p.m. here at City Hall.
 - d. Public Safety Committee: Chair Ruskusky: The Committee last met on **November 15, 2023**. The Committee next meets on Wednesday, **December 20, 2023** at 6:30 p.m. here at City Hall.
10. New Business:
 - a. Motion to pass **Ordinance 2023-32** Levying the Annual Municipal Tax for the City of West Peoria for Fiscal Year Beginning May 1, 2023 and ending April 30, 2024
 - b. Motion to pass **Ordinance 2023-33** Regarding the Illinois Paid Leave for All Workers Act for the City of West Peoria and Amending the Personnel Handbook Accordingly
 - c. Motion to approve **2024 Calendar and amend the Personnel Handbook Section 3.2 Holidays**
 - d. Motion to approve **New City Hall plans**
 - e. Motion to approve **General Assistance payment level increase** in accordance with IDHS rules (line item: 05-00-505)
 - f. Motion to authorize payment to the **Peoria County Supervisor of Assessments** in accordance with Ordinance 2021-15, Assessment Services Agreement, in the amount of \$9,600.00 (line item: 04-00-543)
 - g. Motion to authorize payment to resident(s) for the **Residential Redevelopment Grant (RDG)** in the amount of \$7,081.25 (line item: 01-11-503)
 - h. Motion to authorize payment to resident(s) for the **Neighborhood Safety Grant** in the amount of \$65.40 (line item: 01-21-503)
 - i. Motion to authorize payment to **Gorenz and Associates, Ltd.** for auditing services in the amount of \$31,240.00 (line item: 01-11-531)

- j. Motion to authorize payment to **UCM for mill and overlay** work in the amount of \$6,750.00 (line item: 01-41-860)
- k. Motion to authorize payment to **Raber Packing Co.** for Tax Year 2022 SSA reimbursement in the amount of \$65,926.71 (line item: 14-00-505)
- l. Motion to authorize reimbursement to the **City's General Fund from TIF 3** for tax year 2022 in the amount of \$69,840.04 (line item: 14-00-506)
- m. Motion to cancel **December 26th** Council meeting

11. Public Comment

12. 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 Corbett, Dohm, Dillon, Mathewson, Abraham, Ruskusky, Menke, and Silver. Also present were City Administrator Krider, residents Marlene Carter, Bob DeSutter, and Bonnie Farrell, Will Helmick from PCM+Design Architects, and Clerk Barnes. City Treasurer McGill was absent. City Attorney Connor and residents Priscilla Peterson, Susan Schlupp, John Siewert II, and April Silver attended remotely.
3. There were no Additions to/or Deletions from the Agenda.
4. A Motion to Approve Minutes from the regular meeting of **November 28, 2023** was made by Alderperson Corbett and seconded by Alderperson Abraham. Discussion: There was no discussion. Roll call votes: Ayes: Alderpersons: Corbett, Abraham, Dohm, Dillon, Mathewson, Ruskusky, Menke, and Silver – 8 Nays: - 0 Abstentions: - 0 Absent: - 0 **Motion carried.**
5. A Motion to Receive and File the Treasurer’s Report from **October 2023** was made by Alderperson Mathewson and seconded by Alderperson Dillon. Discussion: There was no discussion. Roll call votes: Ayes: Alderpersons: Mathewson, Dillon, Corbett, Dohm, Abraham, Ruskusky, Menke and Silver – 8 Nays: - 0 Abstentions: - 0 Absent: - 0 **Motion carried.**
6. The Community Police Report was given by Deputy Hart. There were 210 reports this past month. 60 adult arrests, 2 juvenile arrests, 28 reports sent on to the detective department, 4 vehicular burglaries, 3 stolen vehicles and 226 traffic citations. The slowing of vehicle thefts may be attributed to the dealership of Hyundai with upgrades to the vehicles and to the slow of crime because of the cold. Deputy Hart also spoke about some of the IDOT grants given to police based on the previous year’s problems.
7. Mayor’s Report included meeting with Joseph Higgs, the president of Bank of Farmington, and getting closer to having a bank here again in West Peoria. Tomorrow there will be a meeting with Dave Schaab from Waste Management in preparation for contract negotiations later in the new year.
They also met with JIMAX about the final demolition work being done to the old bank building. It’s been very busy.
8. There was no Public Comment at this time.
9. Committee Reports:
 - a. Finance Committee: Chair Mathewson: The Committee last met on **December 6, 2023**. The Committee did their usual housekeeping duties. They reviewed City Grant programs and will continue the discussion at next month’s meeting. The Committee had a discussion concerning the new Paid Leave for All Workers Act policy and brought it and most of the items under New Business to the Council for this evening’s meeting. The Committee next meets on Wednesday, **January 3, 2024** at 5:30 p.m. here at City Hall.
 - b. Transportation Committee: Chair Silver: The Committee last met on **November 15, 2023**. The Committee next meets on Wednesday, **December 20, 2023** at 5:30 p.m. here at City Hall.

- c. Land Use Committee: Chair Dohm: The Committee last met on **December 6, 2023**. The Committee did their usual housekeeping duties including a review of the Code Enforcement Report. They got an update on the Enterprise Zone changes coming soon. The Committee next meets on Wednesday, **January 3, 2024** at 6:30 p.m. here at City Hall.
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- b. A Motion to pass **Ordinance 2023 – 33** Regarding the Illinois Paid Leave for All Workers Act for the City of West Peoria and Amending the Personnel Handbook Accordingly was made by Alderperson Mathewson and seconded by Alderperson Corbett. Discussion: There was no discussion. Roll call votes: Ayes: Alderpersons: Mathewson, Corbett, Dohm, Dillon, Abraham, Ruskusky, Menke, and Silver – 8 Nays: - 0 Abstentions: - 0 Absent: - 0 **Motion carried.**
- c. A Motion to approve **2024 Calendar and amend the Personnel Handbook Section 3.2 Holidays** was made by Alderperson Mathewson and seconded by Alderperson Dillon. Discussion: There was a consensus of opinion among staff members who wanted Christmas Eve as a holiday instead of Veterans’ Day. Roll call votes: Ayes: Alderpersons: Mathewson, Dillon, Corbett, Dohm, Abraham, Ruskusky, Menke, and Silver – 8 Nays: - 0 Abstentions: - 0 Absent: - 0 **Motion carried.**
- d. A Motion to approve **New City Hall plans** was made by Alderperson Mathewson and seconded by Alderperson Dohm. Discussion: There was a discussion of various considerations to the presented plans. Nothing is “set in stone” until the finances are estimated at which time more details will be considered along the entire process. This is just an overall view of structural ideas so contractors can be contacted to begin getting ideas of what needs to be done according to present considerations. Roll call votes: Ayes: Alderpersons: Mathewson, Dohm, Corbett, Dillon, Abraham, Ruskusky, Menke, and Silver – 8 Nays: - 0 Abstentions: - 0 Absent: - 0 **Motion carried.**
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- g. A Motion to authorize Council payment to residents for the **Residential Redevelopment Grant (RDG)** in the amount of \$7,081.25 (line item: 01-11-503) was made by Alderperson Mathewson and seconded by Alderperson Corbett. Discussion: There was no discussion. Roll call votes: Ayes: Alderpersons: Mathewson, Corbett, Dohm, Dillon, Abraham, Ruskusky, Menke, and Silver – 8 Nays: - 0 Abstentions: - 0 Absent: - 0 **Motion carried.**

- h. A Motion to authorize payment to resident(s) for the **Neighborhood Safety Grant** in the amount of \$65.40 (line item: 01-21-503) was made by Alderperson Mathewson and seconded by Alderperson Dillon. Discussion: There was no discussion. Roll call votes: Ayes: Alderpersons: Mathewson, Dillon, Corbett, Dohm, Abraham, Ruskusky, Menke, and Silver – 8 Nays: - 0 Abstentions: - 0 Absent: - 0 **Motion carried.**

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- j. A Motion to authorize payment to **UCM for mill and overlay** work in the amount of \$6,750.00 (line item: 01-41-860) was made by Alderperson Ruskusky and seconded by Alderperson Dohm. Discussion. This was for extra work done on Manor Parkway and Moss. Roll call votes: Ayes: Alderpersons: Ruskusky, Dohm, Corbett, Dillon, Mathewson, Abraham, Menke, and Silver – 8 Nays: - 0 Abstentions: - 0 Absent: - 0 **Motion carried.**

- k. A Motion to authorize payment to **Raber Packing Co.** for Tax Year 2022 SSA reimbursement in the amount of \$65,926.71 (line item: 14-00-505) was made by Alderperson Mathewson and seconded by Alderperson Dohm. Discussion: This is coming from the TIF 3 fund. Roll call votes: Ayes: Alderpersons: Mathewson, Dohm, Corbett, Dillon, Abraham, Ruskusky, Menke, and Silver – 8 Nays: - 0 Abstentions: - 0 Absent: - 0 **Motion carried.**

- l. A Motion to authorize reimbursement to the **City's General Fund from TIF 3** for tax year 2022 in the amount of \$69,840.04 (line item: 14-00-506) was made by Alderperson Mathewson and seconded by Alderperson Dohm. Discussion. There was no discussion. Roll call votes: Ayes: Alderpersons: Mathewson, Dohm, Corbett, Dillon, Abraham, Ruskusky, Menke, and Silver – 8 Nays: - 0 Abstentions: - 0 Absent: - 0 **Motion carried.**

- m. A Motion to **cancel the December 26th Council meeting** was made by Alderperson Corbett and seconded by Alderperson Dillon. Discussion: There was no discussion. Roll call votes: Ayes: Alderpersons: Corbett, Dillon, Dohm, Mathewson, Abraham, Ruskusky, Menke, and Silver – 8 Nays: - 0 Abstentions: - 0 Absent: - 0 **Motion carried.**

- 11. Public Comment: Thank you to all residents who came out to cheer on the Boy Scouts caroling efforts and float these past couple of nights. There were many who cheered and took pictures. Also thanks to the West Peoria Fire Protection District for their escort both nights. The Residents' Association would like to thank the City of West Peoria for its sponsorship and support this past year. There will not be as many monthly meetings next year but more events.

An Alderperson who attended the "9 Bars of Christmas" enjoyed the event and added that it was well attended. The shuttle bus was a good idea and was used.

12. A Motion to Adjourn was made by Alderperson Silver at 8:18 p.m. and seconded by Alderperson Abraham. **Motion carried by voice.**

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Respectfully submitted,


Mary M. Barnes, City Clerk

