

Public Safety Committee Agenda West Peoria City Hall Wednesday, January 18, 2023 at 6:30 p.m.

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Roll Call
- 3. Additions to/or Deletions from the Agenda
- 4. Motion to Approve Minutes from the Regular Meeting of December 21, 2022
- 5. Motion to Receive and File the Financial Reports from **November 2022**
- 6. City Administrator's Report
- 7. Public Comment
- 8. Code Enforcement Report
 - a. Permit List
 - b. Work Order List
 - c. Foreclosure/Vacant Structures List
 - d. Nuisance Properties
 - e. Case Detail Report
 - f. Case Summary List
- 9. Unfinished Business
 - a. Review and recommend to Council Title 4, Section 4 Regulations of Dogs, Cats, and Other Animals as revised
- 10. New Business
 - a. Waste Management contract discussion Dave Schaab
 - b. FY2024 Budget discussion
 - c. Review Code Section 4-1-5 Regulation of Containers for Garbage, Weeds and Debris
 - d. Review and recommend to Council additional No Parking signs at the corner of Martin Luther Jr. Drive and Arthur Ave.
 - e. Slow Down West Peoria
- 11. Motion to go into Executive Session for Review of Previous Minutes 5ILCS 120/2 (c) (21)
- 12. Return to Regular Session Roll Call
- 13. Actions arising from Executive Session
 - a. Motion to Approve of Minutes from the Executive Session of July 20, 2022
 - b. Motion to Release/Retain Minutes from the Executive Session of July 20, 2022
- 14. Public Comment

15. Motion to Adjourn

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Public Safety Committee Official Minutes West Peoria City Hall Wednesday, January 18, 2023 at 6:30 p.m.

- 1. Chair Reagan called the meeting to order at 6:41 p.m.
- 2. Members present were Chair Reagan and Alderperson Thomas. Alderperson Edmonds attended remotely. Also present were Mayor Dillon, City Administrator Krider, Alderpersons Abraham, Dohm, residents Marlene Carter, Priscilla Peterson, guest Dave Schaab from Waste Management, and Clerk Barnes. Alderpersons Mathewson and Silver attended remotely as did resident Susan Schlupp.
- 3. There were no Additions to/or Deletions from the Agenda.
- 4. A Motion to approve the Minutes from the **December 21, 2022** regular meeting was made by Alderperson Thomas and seconded by Alderperson Edmonds. **Motion carried.**
- A Motion to receive and file the Monthly Financial Report from November 2022 was made by Alderperson Edmonds and seconded by Alderperson Thomas.
 Motion carried.
- 6. There was no City Administrator's Report.
- 7. There was no Public Comment.
- 8. The Code Enforcement Report was reviewed.
 - a. Permit List Closed out the 2022 year. There were many permits this year.
 - b. Work Order List Liens have been filed for those who have not paid.
 - c. Foreclosure/Vacant Structures List There are 23 properties listed.
 - d. Nuisance Properties There are no Nuisance properties as of now.
 - e. Case Detail List This has been updated since December 30, 2022.
 - f. Case Summary List There were a total of 998 cases this year. 349 of those were weed/grass violations, 215 were related to garbage on properties, and 121 were for parking the wrong way. County police helped with the tickets for those parking violations.
- 9. Unfinished Business
 - a. A Motion to recommend to Council Title 4, Section 4 Regulations of Dogs, Cats, and Other Animals as revised was made by Alderperson Thomas and seconded by Alderperson Edmonds.
 Motion carried.
- 10. New Business
 - a. Waste Management contract discussion Dave Schaab, Municipal Marketing Manager. Chair Reagan left the room at 6:50 p.m. during the discussion due to a conflict of interest and Alderperson Edmonds acted as Chair in his absence.

There was a lengthy discussion about our current contract and having passed a 90-day window for discussions/negotiations on a new contract. The contract expires February 28, 2023. By the terms of the current contract that puts the City into a 1-year extension of the current contract automatically.

Mr. Schaab spoke to the higher pricing that has affected his industry. Gas prices are up 52% since the last contract, and the Producer's Price Index is 42% higher than the previous contract.

Due to the high costs and fewer employees, he offered the City options of a 1-year, 2-year or 5year contract extensions or new contract. He wants to return with the actual offer options to the Council for consideration. There will be some additional costs even with the extension. He also mentioned a new program hopefully being available by fall. The company is waiting on the State of Illinois for a permit to offer the new service. It would include being able to take away different types of garbage not available at this time.

Two areas of concern were mentioned: One of the City's major complaints is how difficult it is to communicate with the company. It is hoped that by the end of the year, people can communicate directly through their phone apps.

Another complaint was about the pickup of garbage or recycling before the stated time in the current contract of 7 a.m. Mr. Schaab said an email would be sent the following day to address that.

Mr. Schaab stated that Waste Management has serviced the City since 1996, and it has been a privilege, not a right to do so, and thanked the City for using their services. Chair Reagan returned to the room at 7:09 p.m.

- b. FY2024 Budget discussion The Committee members were asked to review the Budget Comparison Analysis in preparation for a discussion next month on a Draft FY2024 Budget.
 Please check for any overages or underuses of line items for that discussion.
 This far into the year the line-item usage should be approximately 50%.
- c. Review Code Section 4-1-5 Regulation of Containers for Garbage, Weeds and Debris The Committee was asked to review the section for a discussion next month. In particular, think about corner homes and where their containers should be stored. Should the totes be stored to the side and rear? Members agreed that they should not be stored in front of a property. Next month this needs to be clarified.
- d. A Motion to recommend to Council additional No Parking signs at the corner of Martin Luther King Jr. Drive and Arthur Avenue was made by Alderperson Thomas and seconded by Alderperson Edmonds. This would help both garbage trucks and snowplows. **Motion carried.**
- e. Slow Down West Peoria needs to be messaged consistently to be effective. The topic will be added back to the agenda on a regular basis. The Committee members were asked to produce ideas for continuing to get the message out by next month's meeting. It was suggested that not only to Slow Down West Peoria but Lock It Up should be added since it appears that many citizens are not doing so, and homes and vehicles are being broken into because they were not locked. It was also suggested that the extra police patrols, the saturation heats, maybe newer attention-grabbers at the stop signs all help to give the message that West Peoria is not the place to speed or do something wrong! It was pointed out that there are different reasons for people who speed: Those who are trying to cut through to avoid traffic congestion and experience a form of road rage, those who have no regard for rules or speed limits, those who are consistently late and rushing, those who travel too fast for conditions, and those who are so confident of their route that they are too complacent to be observant of speed.

- 11. A Motion to go into Executive Session for Review of Previous Minutes 5ILCS 120/2 (c) (21) was made by Alderperson Thomas at 7:37 p.m. and seconded by Alderperson Edmonds. Motion carried.
- 12. Return to Regular Session at 7:42 p.m. Roll Call: Chair Reagan, Alderpersons Edmonds and Thomas.
- 13. Actions arising from Executive Session
 - a. A Motion to Approve of Minutes of the Executive Session of July 20, 2022 was made by Alderperson Thomas and seconded by Alderperson Edmonds. Motion carried.
 - b. A Motion to Release Minutes of the Executive Session of July 20, 2022 was made by Alderperson Edmonds and seconded by Alderperson Thomas. Motion carried.
- 14. Public Comment: Alderperson Edmonds asked that since we collectively missed the deadline for negotiations for the Waste Management contract, could a list of all current contract deadlines be made available to Council members so that they can be aware of those deadlines to be more fiduciarily responsible representatives for our citizens? Administrator Krider will collect that data and disperse it to the Council.
- 15. A Motion to Adjourn was made by Alderperson Edmonds at 7:44 p.m. and seconded by Alderperson Thomas. Motion carried.

The next regular meeting of the Public Safety Committee is Wednesday, February 15, 2023 at 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

M. Barnes, Clerk

