



City Council Meeting Agenda
West Peoria City Hall
Tuesday, November 14, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.

Ordinance 2023-31

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 **October 24, 2023**
5. Community Police Report
6. Mayor's Report
7. Public Comment
8. Committee Reports:
 - a. Finance Committee: Chair Mathewson: The Committee last met on **November 1, 2023**. The Committee next meets on Wednesday, **December 6, 2023** at 5:30 p.m. here at City Hall.
 - b. Transportation Committee: Chair Silver: The Committee last met on **October 18, 2023**. The Committee next meets on Wednesday, **November 15, 2023** at 5:30 p.m. here at City Hall.
 - c. Land Use Committee: Chair Dohm: The Committee last met on **November 1, 2023**. The Committee next meets on Wednesday, **December 6, 2023** at 6:30 p.m. here at City Hall.
 - d. Public Safety Committee: Chair Ruskusky: The Committee last met on **October 18, 2023**. The Committee next meets on Wednesday, **November 15, 2023** at 6:30 p.m. here at City Hall.
9. New Business
 - a. Motion to pass **Ordinance 2023-31** Abating Special Service Area 2021-03 Taxes for the Year 2023
 - b. Motion to authorize entering into an agreement with **PCM+Design Architects** for Council architectural and engineering services for the new City Hall in the amount of \$255,600.00 (line item: 20-00-820)
 - c. Motion to approve **Tax Levy estimate of \$213,775.00**
 - d. Motion to authorize payment to resident(s) for the **Residential Redevelopment Grant (RDG)** in the amount of \$6,500.00 (line item: 01-11-503)
 - e. Motion to authorize payment to resident(s) for the **TIF Grant** in the amount of \$2,000.00 (line item: 15-00-507)
 - f. Motion to authorize payment to resident(s) for the **Neighborhood Safety Grant** in the amount of \$606.54 (line item: 01-21-503)
 - g. Motion to authorize Council payment to resident(s) for the **Paint Program** in the amount of \$162.26 (line item: 01-11-502)
 - h. Motion to authorize Council payment to **Illinois Municipal League Risk Management Association** for general insurance and membership in the amount of \$27,817.82 (line item: 01-11-592 and 01-11-561)

10. Public Comment

11. 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, Abraham, Ruskusky, Menke, and Silver. Alderperson Mathewson was absent. Also present were City Administrator Krider, City Treasurer McGill, City Attorney Connor, residents Carol Burton, Marlene Carter, Bob DeSutter, Bonnie Farrell, April Silver, guest Will Helmick from PCM+Design Architects, and Clerk Barnes. Residents Priscilla Peterson, and Susan Schlupp attended remotely.
3. There were no Additions to/or Deletions from the Agenda.
4. A Motion to Approve Minutes from the regular meeting of **October 24, 2023** was made by Alderperson Corbett and seconded by Alderperson Dohm. Discussion: There was no discussion. Roll call votes: Ayes: Alderpersons: Corbett, Dohm, Dillon, Abraham, Ruskusky, Menke, and Silver – 7
Nays: - 0 Abstentions: - 0 Absent: Alderperson Mathewson – 1 **Motion carried.**
5. Community Police Report was not given.
6. Mayor's Report included that they have been with contractors for the Rebuild IL project with mill and overlay of Sterling Avenue, Moss Avenue and Ayres Avenue. Tomorrow they begin to redo all the manhole covers that must be raised along those routes. All that remains then is the striping and crosswalk painting. The Christiansons' parking lot across the street was done this week as well since "they were in the neighborhood."
All items in the old bank building have been removed in preparation for demolition. The West Peoria Fire Protection District used the old building for training on getting into a building and up on the roof and tomorrow night they will do some training with smoke. The police will also be using it tomorrow for search and rescue training. Fencing goes up this weekend or so, the asbestos will be removed and then the rest of the demolition will happen. The shed on the back of the property was given to a woman who has autistic children and who would like to provide them with a playhouse, building windows into it etc.
7. Public Comment: Just a reminder that the Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony will be on Monday, November 27, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. There will be singing, sandwiches, chips, drinks, crafts for the kiddies, and Santa! This is co-sponsored by the Residents' Association and the City.
8. Committee Reports:
 - a. Finance Committee: Alderperson Dillon in the absence of Chair Mathewson: The Committee last met on **November 1, 2023**. The Committee did their usual housekeeping duties. They sent most of the items under New Business to the Council for this evening's meeting. Next month the Committee will be reviewing the City's Grant programs in preparation for the FY 2025 Budget. The Committee next meets on Wednesday, **December 6, 2023** at 5:30 p.m. here at City Hall.
 - b. Transportation Committee: Chair Silver: The Committee last met on **October 18, 2023**. The Committee next meets on Wednesday, **November 15, 2023** at 5:30 p.m. here at City Hall.

- c. Land Use Committee: Chair Dohm: The Committee last met on **November 1, 2023**. The Committee did their usual housekeeping duties including a review of the Code Enforcement Report and discussed the Enterprise Zone a bit for upcoming changes. The Committee next meets on Wednesday, **December 6, 2023** at 6:30 p.m. here at City Hall.
- d. Public Safety Committee: Chair Ruskusky: The Committee last met on **October 18, 2023**. The Committee next meets on Wednesday, **November 15, 2023** at 6:30 p.m. here at City Hall. Alderperson Ruskusky attended the last Neighborhood Watch program with the attending Deputy giving a report of 401 tickets given out in the month. We are quite fortunate to have the County with all that they do to protect our City and residents. Kudos to them. Observing comments on Facebook and watching as the construction crews worked on the streets this past week – Please, people, Slow Down. Leave a few minutes earlier to get where you need to go. Being unkind to the crews with plenty of attitude doesn't help. This crew was the group that just lost a worker three weeks ago, so if they are a bit impatient with drivers who don't want to wait their turn or whatever, think of them as real people who want to go home at night, too.

9. New Business:

- a. A Motion to pass **Ordinance 2023 – 31** Abating Special Service Area 2021-03 Taxes for the Year 2023 was made by Alderperson Ruskusky and seconded by Alderperson Corbett. Discussion: There was no discussion. Roll call votes: Ayes: Alderpersons: Ruskusky, Corbett, Dohm, Dillon, Abraham, Menke, and Silver – 7 Nays: - 0 Abstentions: - 0 Absent: Alderperson Mathewson – 1 **Motion carried.**
- b. A Motion to authorize entering into an agreement with **PCM+Design Architects** for Council architectural and engineering services for the new City Hall in the amount of \$255,600.00 (line item: 20-00-820) was made by Alderperson Dohm and seconded by Alderperson Dillon. Discussion: Question: How are invoices determined? By work that is done each month. Roll call votes: Ayes: Alderpersons: Dohm, Dillon, Corbett, Abraham, Ruskusky, Menke, and Silver – 7 Nays: - 0 Abstentions: - 0 Absent: Alderperson Mathewson – 1 **Motion carried.**
- c. A Motion to approve **Tax Levy estimate of \$213,775.00** was made by Alderperson Dillon and seconded by Alderperson Menke. Discussion: There was no discussion. Roll call votes: Ayes: Alderpersons: Dillon, Menke, Corbett, Dohm, Abraham, Ruskusky, and Silver – 7 Nays: - 0 Abstentions: - 0 Absent: Alderperson Mathewson – 1 **Motion carried.**
- d. A Motion to authorize payment to residents for the **Residential Redevelopment Grant (RDG)** in the amount of \$6,500.00 (line item: 01-11-503) made by Alderperson Dillon and seconded by Alderperson Corbett. Discussion: There was no discussion. Roll call votes: Ayes: Alderpersons: Dillon, Corbett, Dohm, Abraham, Ruskusky, Menke, and Silver – 7 Nays: - 0 Abstentions: - 0 Absent: Alderperson Mathewson – 1 **Motion carried.**
- e. A Motion to authorize payment to residents for the **TIF Grant** in the amount of \$2,000.00 (line item: 15-00-507) was made by Alderperson Dillon and seconded by Alderperson Menke. Discussion: There was no discussion. Roll call votes: Ayes: Alderpersons: Dillon, Menke, Corbett, Dohm, Abraham, Ruskusky, and Silver – 7 Nays: - 0 Abstentions: - 0 Absent: Alderperson Mathewson – 1 **Motion carried.**

f. A Motion to authorize payment to residents for the **Neighborhood Safety** Grant in the amount of \$606.54 (line item: 01-21-503) was made by Alderperson Dillon and seconded by Alderperson Corbett. Discussion: There was no discussion. Roll call votes: Ayes: Alderpersons: Dillon, Corbett, Dohm, Abraham, Ruskusky, Menke, and Silver – 7 Nays: - 0 Abstentions: - 0 Absent: Alderperson Mathewson – 1 **Motion carried.**

g. A Motion to authorize Council payment to residents for the **Paint Program** in the amount of \$162.26 (line item: 01-11-502) was made by Alderperson Dillon and seconded by Alderperson Dohm. Discussion: Comment: There’s a lot of money being spent through the City having grant programs. Roll call votes: Ayes: Alderpersons: Dillon, Dohm, Corbett, Abraham, Ruskusky, Menke, and Silver – 7 Nays: - 0 Abstentions: - 0 Absent: Alderperson Mathewson – 1 **Motion carried.**

h. A Motion to authorize Council payment to **Illinois Municipal League Risk Management Association** for general insurance and membership in the amount of \$27,817.82 (line item: 01-11-592 and 01-11-561) was made by Alderperson Dillon and seconded by Alderperson Corbett. Discussion: There was no discussion. Roll call votes: Ayes: Alderpersons: Dillon, Corbett, Dohm, Abraham, Ruskusky, Menke, and Silver – 7 Nays: - 0 Abstentions: - 0 Absent: Alderperson Mathewson – 1 **Motion carried.**

10. Public Comment: Clerk Barnes reminded **the Alderpersons of some business that needs to be done before Christmas and to make an appointment to see her.**

A question about the amount of money being spent by residents to be able to get grant monies for projects from the City was asked and are those amounts available. Yes, there is a running account each month on not only what the City spends, but how much residents spend. It’s sort of a Return on Investment for the City. Lots of work is getting done because of the availability of the grants that might not be done otherwise.

11. A Motion to Adjourn was made by Alderperson Silver at 7:26 p.m. and seconded by Alderperson Menke. **Motion carried by voice.**

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Respectfully submitted,



Mary M. Barnes, City Clerk

