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held on the 18th day of December, A.D. 2007***

REGULAR MEETING of the Council of the City of Joliet, Illinois held on Tuesday, December 18, 2007 at 6:30 P.M. in the Council Chambers, Joliet Municipal Building, 150 W. Jefferson Street, Joliet, Illinois.

An Invocation was delivered by Father Chris Groh, St. Mary Nativity Church, 710 N. Broadway Street, Joliet, Illinois.

Father Groh then led the pledge to the flag.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: MAYOR PRO-TEM ANTHONY UREMOVIC and DISTRICT 4 COUNCILWOMAN SUSIE A. BARBER, DISTRICT 2 COUNCILMAN TIMOTHY M. BROPHY, DISTRICT 5 COUNCILMAN WARREN C. DORRIS, COUNCILMAN AT LARGE THOMAS C. GIARRANTE, COUNCILWOMAN AT LARGE JAN QUILLMAN, DISTRICT 1 COUNCILMAN JOSEPH R. SHETINA and COUNCILMAN AT LARGE MICHAEL F. TURK.

ABSENT: MAYOR ARTHUR SCHULTZ.

ALSO PRESENT: CITY MANAGER JOHN M. MEZERA and CORPORATION COUNSEL JEFFREY S. PLYMAN.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

COUNCILMAN SHETINA moved that the minutes of the Pre-Council Meeting of the Council of the City of Joliet, Illinois held on Monday, December 3, 2007 at 3:30 p.m. and of the Regular Meeting held on Tuesday, December 4, 2007 at 6:30 p.m. stand approved as recorded.

Motion seconded by COUNCILMAN DORRIS.

Motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCILWOMAN BARBER, COUNCILMEN BROPHY, DORRIS, GIARRANTE, COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN, COUNCILMEN SHETINA, TURK and MAYOR PRO-TEM UREMOVIC.

NAYS: NONE.

APPOINTMENT OF MAYOR PRO-TEM

COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN moved that COUNCILWOMAN BARBER be appointed Mayor Pro-Tem for the period January 1, 2008 thru March 31, 2008.

Motion seconded by COUNCILMAN DORRIS.

Motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCILMEN BROPHY, DORRIS, GIARRANTE, COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN, COUNCILMEN SHETINA, TURK, COUNCILWOMAN BARBER and MAYOR PRO-TEM UREMOVIC.

NAYS: NONE.

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COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Finance

COUNCILMAN TURK stated the Finance Committee conducted their regular monthly meeting yesterday and reviewed the usual items on the agenda.

COUNCILMAN TURK stated the City Manager addressed the Committee regarding the I-55/I-80 Interchange Development Agreement and said their goal is to complete the agreement during the first quarter of 2008. He also noted that Planning Director Don Fisher and Neighborhood Services Director Alfredo Melesio are scheduling a trip to Huntsville, Alabama to view the developer's most recent project. He stated any Council Member wishing to go along is welcome.

COUNCILMAN TURK stated that Patrol Officer Dwayne English is present to address a request for funding for the Special Olympics – Illinois Law Enforcement Torch Run.

Officer English stated the Police Department stands to raise in 2007 over \$40,000, the second highest in the State of Illinois. He said the State as a whole raised \$2.2 million in 2007 for Special Olympics. He said the money is divided into areas all over the State including Joliet. He said he is one of the only members that receives such significant monetary support from their City and he is very, very proud of that.

COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN moved that a grant in the amount of \$5,000 be made to the Special Olympics – Illinois Law Enforcement Torch Run from the General Corporate Contingency Fund.

Motion seconded by COUNCILWOMAN BARBER.

Motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCILMEN DORRIS, GIARRANTE, COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN, COUNCILMEN SHETINA, TURK, COUNCILWOMAN BARBER, COUNCILMAN BROPHY and MAYOR PRO-TEM UREMOVIC.

NAYS: NONE.

COUNCILMAN TURK stated a follow-up memorandum from Wermer, Rogers, Doran & Ruzon, LLC regarding new auditor procedures was reviewed. He said the Director of Human Resources gave an update on the salary comparison study he is compiling which includes Rockford, Skokie, Naperville, Elgin and Aurora. He stated as soon as it is all received he will complete his report.

COUNCILMAN TURK stated the Neighborhood Improvement Program Report for November was reviewed and placed on file. He said there was also a review of the Cash Flow, Personnel Summary, November Conference, Travel and Seminar Expense Report and the Treasurer's Disbursements and Regular Claims.

B. Public Service

COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE said the Public Service Committee met this morning and reviewed the contracts, change orders, pay estimates and final payments and found them all to be in order and recommended their approval.

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C. Water Park

COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE said he received a letter from Joliet Park District Director Dominic Egizio requesting that they lower the cost of the season passes for the water park. He said they took a survey and there are three other water parks that charge about half of what Joliet charges for season passes, and those parks raise close to a quarter million dollars. He said last year Joliet raised about \$13,000 on season passes. He said he passed this information along to the other Water Park Committee members, COUNCILMAN DORRIS and COUNCILMAN SHETINA, and with their OK they are advertising to sell the passes cheaper so they can make more money.

COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN asked if they consulted the consulting firm that they were going to contact.

COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE said they were in touch with them and they want \$20,000 initially to meet with them and then would require more money for future meetings, and they are debating whether to do that or not.

There were no other Committee reports.

**INTRODUCTION OF NEW DEPUTY FIRE CHIEF AND NEWLY APPOINTED
FIRE OFFICERS**

Fire Chief Marose introduced newly appointed Deputy Fire Chief Joseph Formhals, Battalion Chief Brian Plyer, Fire Captain Jeffrey Carey and Fire Lieutenant Timothy Blatnicky.

MAYOR

A. A RESOLUTION Supporting the Minooka School District 201 Building Bond Referendum was presented and read.

COUNCILMAN SHETINA read the Resolution Supporting the Minooka School District 201 Building Bond Referendum and urging residents to vote in favor of the referendum at the February 5, 2008 Primary Election.

Mr. Brian Wielbik accepted the Resolution on behalf of Minooka School District 201 and thanked the City of Joliet for their support.

(RESOLUTION NO. 6002)

B. Presentation by Dr. Isaac Singleton, Sr. Community Development Corporation, Inc.

Rev. Isaac Singleton said he would like the Council to give consideration to the Isaac Singleton Community Development Corporation and he then introduced Attorney Aaron McLeod.

Mr. McLeod began a PowerPoint presentation and said they would like to officially present to the Joliet community the Isaac Singleton Community Development Corporation. He explained what a Community Development Corporation does and he asked the members and supporters of this group in attendance to stand. He said they are here tonight to propose a meaningful partnership, to work together and tap into the resources of the City and for the City to tap into their resources to rebuild the Joliet community. He said there are

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some things they will need from the City of Joliet including \$50,000 worth of seed money for their initial year of operation, to receive support and for approval for economic development projects going forward in the future, and to receive funding for future affordable housing development projects in Joliet. He said they will apply to be a Community Housing Development Organization (CHDO) for the City of Joliet. He said they would like the City to provide consultation on their development projects and they would like a liaison from the City Planner's office to serve on their advisory council for their CDC.

COUNCILMAN TURK asked Mr. McLeod what their budget is for the CDC as it is now.

Mr. McLeod said they have a proposed budget of what they would like the City to do. He said their current budget is proprietary information and he cannot share that with them right now, but they do have a budget that outlines the \$50,000.

COUNCILMAN TURK said OK, but you don't want to talk about the total budget.

Mr. McLeod said he is not at liberty to do so right now but they do have a budget. He said he has an outline for their proposed budget if you'd like that.

COUNCILMAN BROPHY said that brings up an issue of transparency with regard to any kind of sponsorship or cooperative effort that we make. He said it intrigues him that there's another group now. He asked what obligations there are on the part of the group we've worked with. He said for example with the museum they have to turn over financials monthly to the City for review and approval, and an end of the year audit and so forth. He then asked what kind of transparency will be required of any CDC that we want to do business with.

The Corporation Counsel said back in 2004 the Mayor and City Council enacted an ordinance that requires all agencies and not-for-profit agencies in particular that have some sort of business relationship with the City to file the same set of documents and reports that are filed with the Illinois Attorney General. He said Illinois has a law that requires all not-for-profit corporations to outline their financial affairs, identify their significant employees, significant programs and significant contributors and basically present a transparent display of the finances of the not-for-profit organization. He said he knows Mr. McLeod is an attorney and is aware of those requirements and the organization will have to comply with State law on that point, and if there were ever to be an agreement between the City and the CDC, the CDC would also have to provide that information.

Mr. McLeod said that's not a problem for them to comply and they've already filed that with the State, however, those demands are totally different than a comprehensive budget which COUNCILMAN TURK asked for.

COUNCILMAN BROPHY said we wouldn't have any right to look at that. He asked if a member of the public has the right to secure a copy of those reports.

The Corporation Counsel said yes, after they're filed they are a matter of public record, but before they're filed with the State there is no automatic right to see that type of documentation. He said the City could enact any sort of requirement that it wanted to in considering whether it wanted to enter into a relationship with any organization.

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Rev. Singleton thanked the Mayor and City Council for allowing Attorney McLeod to make this presentation and said they hope for the City's support.

CONSENT AGENDA

A. Treasurer's Report – October, 2007

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the report be received and placed on file.

B. Position Vacancies
(Council Memo #1468-07)

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that he be authorized to fill one Police Sergeant position, two Police Officer positions, the City Collector position, one Clerk Typist position in the Community and Economic Development, one Battalion Chief position and any subsequent vacancies directly related to these positions.

C. Concurring with the Illinois Department of Transportation for the
Elevation of the Intersection of Seil Road at Route 59/I-55
(Council Memo #1469-07)

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the Mayor be authorized to execute a Letter of Intent with the Illinois Department of Transportation confirming the City's concurrence with the proposed improvement, project scope and cost participation for this project.

MAYOR PRO-TEM UREMOVIC asked for a brief explanation.

The City Manager stated this is a concurrence with the Illinois Department of Transportation in a portion of a project that they are getting underway in 2008. He said they will be improving the intersection of Seil Road with Illinois 59 and conducting an improvement that will go from that intersection all the way north to Jefferson Street. He said it is about a \$20 million project. He said their plan was to do that intersection at grade and if they did that it would preclude ever creating a full interchange at Illinois 59 and I-55. He said so we asked them that if we do an Access Justification Report, would they modify their plans to raise that intersection up so that later on there could be a full interchange and it could provide access to the 300-400 acres that are on the east side of I-55 just to the north of I-80. He said that is a parcel of property that we would like to see developed and it would need a full interchange if that's to ever develop. He said IDOT has indicated that they would do that and they've committed \$300,000 to change their plans and we've committed \$224,000 to do the Access Justification Report and all of those are underway. He said IDOT is just getting ready to finalize their plans to get ready to go out for bid and they have asked us to sign a Letter of Intent which basically displays our willingness to provide for the fill that's required to raise the interchange.

MAYOR PRO-TEM UREMOVIC said in regards to IDOT will Seil Road be done this coming year.

The City Manager said they've indicated that they will bid it this year.

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MAYOR PRO-TEM UREMOVIC asked if it's possible to get a recapture clause. He said the City's going to be spending \$2 million and he asked will we be able to recapture any or all of these costs.

The City Manager said it's the City's plan that if we ever do have any development there that the bonds that may be sold for the full interchange would reimburse the City for our expense.

COUNCILMAN BROPHY asked if there is any estimate of what it would cost for the future maintenance of a retaining wall that they asked us to concur with.

The City Manager said it is very, very small. He said it is a concrete, reinforced retaining wall and it probably has a 50-60 year life. He said it's not a big deal.

COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE moved that the recommendations of the City Manager be concurred in.

Motion seconded by COUNCILMAN SHETINA.

Motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE, COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN,
COUNCILMEN SHETINA, TURK, COUNCILWOMAN BARBER,
COUNCILMEN BROPHY, DORRIS and MAYOR PRO-TEM
UREMOVIC.

NAYS: NONE.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

A. Public Hearing re: Annexation of 1404 S. Briggs Street

1. Resolution re: Approving an Annexation Agreement for 1404 S. Briggs Street (#A-8-07/Dist. #5)
(Council Memo #1472-07)
2. Ordinance re: Approving the Annexation of 1404 S. Briggs Street (#A-8-07/Dist. #5)
(Council Memo #1472-07)
3. Ordinance re: Approving the Classification of 1404 S. Briggs Street to R-2 Zoning (#A-8-07/Dist. #5)
(Council Memo #1472-07)

B. Public Hearing re: Annexation of 290 Acres at the Northwest Corner of Arbeiter and Van Dyke Roads

1. Resolution re: Approving the Annexation Agreement for 290 Acres Located at the Northwest Corner of Arbeiter and Van Dyke Roads (#A-9-07/Dist. #3)
(Council Memo #1473-07)
2. Ordinance re: Approving the Annexation of 290 Acres Located at the Northwest Corner of Arbeiter and Van Dyke Roads (#A-9-07/Dist. #3)
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3. Ordinance re: Approving the Classification of 290 Acres Located at the Northwest Corner of Arbeiter and Van Dyke Roads to R-1B, R-4, R-B and B-1 Zoning (#A-9-07/Dist. #3)
(Council Memo #1473-07)

4. Ordinance re: Approving the Preliminary Planned Unit Development of Hiller Farm Subdivision (#PUD-5-07/Dist. #3)
(Council Memo #1473-07)

Communications from the City Manager contained requests by the petitioners to table these items to the City Council meeting to be held on January 2, 2008 to allow additional time for the review of the annexation agreements.

COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE moved that said items be tabled to the January 2, 2008 City Council Meeting.

Motion seconded by COUNCILWOMAN BARBER.

Motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN, COUNCILMEN SHETINA, TURK, COUNCILWOMAN BARBER, COUNCILMEN BROPHY, DORRIS, GIARRANTE and MAYOR PRO-TEM UREMOVIC.

NAYS: NONE.

APPROVAL OF REGULAR CURRENT BILLS

- A. Treasurer's Disbursements – November, 2007 - \$31,776,786.75

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the report be received and placed on file.

- B. Regular Claims – November, 2007 - \$3,722,902.42

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the report be received and placed on file.

- C. Regular Payroll – November 17 – November 30, 2007 - \$2,918,069.22
(Council Memo #1474-07)

Biweekly Payroll Summary Reports of the total cost of regular salaries for the period November 17, 2007 through November 30, 2007 and additions to regular salaries for the period November 9, 2007 through November 22, 2007 including a 2007 Overtime Budget Status Report and a Biweekly Summary of Overtime and Temporary Assignments were accompanied by a recommendation from the City Manager that said Regular Payroll be allowed.

COUNCILMAN SHETINA moved that the recommendations of the City Manager be concurred in.

Motion seconded by COUNCILMAN DORRIS.

Motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCILMEN SHETINA, TURK, COUNCILWOMAN BARBER, COUNCILMEN BROPHY, DORRIS, GIARRANTE, COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN and MAYOR PRO-TEM UREMOVIC.

NAYS: NONE. (COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN abstained from voting on any items dealing with Silver Cross Hospital)

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ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

A. ORDINANCES

1. AN ORDINANCE Declaring the following properties as Public Nuisances and authorizing application to the Circuit Court for demolition, injunction or other relief was presented and read: 515 N. Broadway Street and 515 Chase Avenue.
(Council Memo #1475-07)

COUNCILMAN BROPHY noted that there is an addendum removing 1417 Plainfield Road from the list as the property is now being managed by the owner's son and should no longer be a problem.

COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE moved that said Ordinance be adopted.

Motion seconded by COUNCILMAN BROPHY.

Motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCILMAN TURK, COUNCILWOMAN BARBER, COUNCILMEN BROPHY, DORRIS, GIARRANTE, COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN, COUNCILMAN SHETINA and MAYOR PRO-TEM UREMOVIC.

NAYS: NONE.

(ORDINANCE NO. 15995)

2. AN ORDINANCE Approving the Final Plat of Lot 9A in Phase 3A of Timber Ridge Business Park Resubdivision as recommended by the Plan Commission was presented and read. (#FP-10-07/Dist. #3)
(Council Memo #1476-07)
(ORDINANCE NO. 15996)
3. AN ORDINANCE Approving the Recording Plat of Lot 9A in Phase 3A of Timber Ridge Business Park Resubdivision as recommended by the Administration subject to the following conditions was presented and read: a) A Letter of Credit or Performance Bond for public improvements in the amount of \$20,387.80; b) A 1 ¼% Inspection Fee for public improvements in the amount of \$258.80; and c) An Irrevocable Offer of Dedication for public improvements. (#RP-17-07/Dist. #3)
(Council Memo #1476-07)
(ORDINANCE NO. 15997)

COUNCILMAN DORRIS moved that said Ordinances be adopted as recommended.

Motion seconded by COUNCILMAN TURK.

Motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCILWOMAN BARBER, COUNCILMEN BROPHY, DORRIS, GIARRANTE, COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN, COUNCILMEN SHETINA, TURK and MAYOR PRO-TEM UREMOVIC.

NAYS: NONE.

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4. AN ORDINANCE Approving the Vacation of Beech Street and a Portion of a 16.5' Wide North/South Alley at McDonough and Center Streets subject to the receipt within 60 days of the appraised value in the amount of \$14,860.00 was presented and read. (#V-20-07/Dist. #5)
(Council Memo #1477-07)

The City Manager stated there was some discussion at the Pre-Council meeting yesterday about landscaping and he asked the Director of Community and Economic Development to explain.

The Director of Community and Economic Development stated the attorney for the petitioner and the petitioner are here this evening. He explained the aerial photograph and said the owners of the property had put a berm up along with a line of spruce trees, and their intention is to continue with the 3' high berm with spruce trees and go down the entire length with the exception of the driveway entrance and alley which they do not own. He said they have committed to do that and will do that at the time of construction of the building. He said they're doing their headquarters at this location.

MAYOR PRO-TEM UREMOVIC asked the City Manager if he feels this will make an improvement at this site.

The City Manager said he thinks the 3' berm is a good idea, but he doesn't know if it will provide the level of screening that you might be looking for. He said he doesn't know if staff has had a chance to discuss with the owners just what they may be doing behind it in the future that may have some height to it. He said he doesn't know if it's a hardship to wait two weeks and have staff work with them a little more, or whether there is something we could do there that would give us a better idea if we would really have screening there or whether we'll just have a small fence that you'll still be able to see everything behind. He said he's not comfortable and he asked the attorney for the petitioner if he could give us some more explanation.

Attorney John Antonopoulos, representing the owner, Illinois Marine Towing/Seaways, said there is part of an old building that still remains on Beech Street that probably should have been vacated many years ago. He said they have been back and forth with this for almost a year. He said disputes with the neighbor, drainage issues and all of those items have been resolved and they are prepared to go forward. He said if the City could approve this contingent upon staff approval of a landscape plan and they would have no problem with that. He said they will comply with any landscaping design that the City would like.

The City Manager said that would be satisfactory.

MAYOR PRO-TEM UREMOVIC said we appreciate that and he said this is a great asset and we have the river way and we want to enhance it as best as we can and we look for your cooperation.

Mr. Antonopoulos said they will be a complement to the area.

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COUNCILMAN SHETINA moved that said Ordinance be adopted contingent upon an approved landscape plan.

Motion seconded by COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE.

Motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCILMEN BROPHY, DORRIS, GIARRANTE, COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN, COUNCILMEN SHETINA, TURK, COUNCILWOMAN BARBER and MAYOR PRO-TEM UREMOVIC.

NAYS: NONE.

Prior to his vote, COUNCILMAN BROPHY said because it isn't said enough, he would like to say we're glad you're here and that you're building on and bringing on more people and being good corporate citizens.

Prior to his vote, MAYOR PRO-TEM UREMOVIC thanked the staff and especially the City Manager and the Director of Community and Economic Development for their work on the project.

(ORDINANCE NO. 15998)

5. AN ORDINANCE Approving the Reclassification of 535 Krakar Avenue from R-3 to R-2 Zoning as recommended by the Plan Commission was presented and read. (#Z-13-07/Dist. #4)
(Council Memo #1478-07)

COUNCILMAN BROPHY moved that said Ordinance be adopted.

Motion seconded by COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE.

Motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCILMEN DORRIS, GIARRANTE, COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN, COUNCILMEN SHETINA, TURK, COUNCILWOMAN BARBER, COUNCILMAN BROPHY and MAYOR PRO-TEM UREMOVIC.

NAYS: NONE.

Prior to her vote, COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN said there was another property that came before the Council about a month ago for this same reason. She said now it's going before the Zoning Board and they want to build another house and when it came to Council they said they were just going to leave the one single-family home on the 1 ½ lots. She asked if this was going to be the same with this as well.

The City Manager said he thinks what we have here is one lot that used to have two houses on it and it had a variation to allow two houses on one lot. He said one of the houses burned down so now they just want to revert the zoning to R-2 which will only allow in the future one house on one lot.

COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN said so this is one lot that we're talking about.

The City Manager said yes.

COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN then voted aye.

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Prior to her vote, COUNCILWOMAN BARBER voted aye because she said she thinks there should only be one house on one lot.

(ORDINANCE NO. 15999)

6. AN ORDINANCE Authorizing the Extension of the Current Firefighter Eligibility List until February 19, 2009 was presented and read.

(Council Memo #1479-07)

COUNCILMAN BROPHY moved that said Ordinance be adopted.

Motion seconded by COUNCILWOMAN BARBER.

Motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE, COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN,
COUNCILMEN SHETINA, TURK, COUNCILWOMAN BARBER,
COUNCILMEN BROPHY, DORRIS and MAYOR PRO-TEM
UREMOVIC.

NAYS: NONE.

(ORDINANCE NO. 16000)

7. AN ORDINANCE Proposing the Establishment of 2008 Special Service Area No. 2 – Campbell Street (Raynor-Prairie) was presented and read.

(Council Memo #1480-07)

(ORDINANCE NO. 16001)

8. AN ORDINANCE Proposing the Establishment of 2008 Special Service Area No. 3 – Elizabeth Street (Hutchins-Moran) was presented and read.

(Council Memo #1480-07)

(ORDINANCE NO. 16002)

9. AN ORDINANCE Proposing the Establishment of 2008 Special Service Area No. 4 – Irving Street (Franklin – Eastern) was presented and read.

(Council Memo #1480-07)

(ORDINANCE NO. 16003)

10. AN ORDINANCE Proposing the Establishment of 2008 Special Service Area No. 5 – Douglas/Wilcox (Douglas – Mason) was presented and read.

(Council Memo #1480-07)

(ORDINANCE NO. 16004)

11. AN ORDINANCE Proposing the Establishment of 2008 Special Service Area No. 6 – Doris (Gardner – Retta) was presented and read.

(Council Memo #1480-07)

(ORDINANCE NO. 16005)

12. AN ORDINANCE Proposing the Establishment of 2008 Special Service Area No. 7 – Nicholson (Campbell – Western) was presented and read.

(Council Memo #1480-07)

(ORDINANCE NO. 16006)

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COUNCILMAN DORRIS moved that said Ordinances be adopted.

Motion seconded by COUNCILMAN TURK.

Motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN, COUNCILMEN SHETINA, TURK,
COUNCILWOMAN BARBER, COUNCILMEN BROPHY, DORRIS,
GIARRANTE and MAYOR PRO-TEM UREMOVIC.

NAYS: NONE.

13. AN ORDINANCE Designating 1207 Taylor Street as a Local Landmark as recommended by the Historic Preservation Commission was presented and read.
(Council Memo #1481-07)

COUNCILMAN TURK moved that said Ordinance be adopted as recommended.

Motion seconded by COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE.

Motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCILMEN SHETINA, TURK, COUNCILWOMAN BARBER,
COUNCILMEN BROPHY, DORRIS, GIARRANTE, COUNCILWOMAN
QUILLMAN and MAYOR PRO-TEM UREMOVIC.

NAYS: NONE.

(ORDINANCE NO. 16007)

B. RESOLUTIONS

1. A RESOLUTION Adopting and Authorizing the Execution of the Tri-County Auto Theft Unit Agreement for 2008 was presented and read.
(Council Memo #1483-07)

COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN moved that said Resolution be adopted.

Motion seconded by COUNCILMAN TURK.

Motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCILMAN TURK, COUNCILWOMAN BARBER, COUNCILMEN
BROPHY, DORRIS, GIARRANTE, COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN,
COUNCILMAN SHETINA and MAYOR PRO-TEM UREMOVIC.

NAYS: NONE.

(RESOLUTION NO. 6003)

2. A RESOLUTION Authorizing the Sale of Property Located at 25 Union Street was presented and read.
(Council Memo #1484-07)

COUNCILMAN SHETINA moved that said Resolution be adopted.

Motion seconded by COUNCILMAN DORRIS.

Motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCILWOMAN BARBER, COUNCILMEN BROPHY, DORRIS,
GIARRANTE, COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN, COUNCILMEN
SHETINA, TURK and MAYOR PRO-TEM UREMOVIC.

NAYS: NONE.

(RESOLUTION NO. 6004)

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3. A RESOLUTION Approving a Local Share Agreement Between the City of Joliet and PACE for Handicapped and Elderly Paratransit Services - 2008 was presented and read.
(Council Memo #1485-07)

COUNCILMAN BROPHY moved that said Resolution be adopted.

Motion seconded by COUNCILWOMAN BARBER.

Motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCILMEN BROPHY, DORRIS, GIARRANTE, COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN, COUNCILMEN SHETINA, TURK, COUNCILWOMAN BARBER and MAYOR PRO-TEM UREMOVIC.

NAYS: NONE.

Prior to his vote, COUNCILMAN SHETINA said it's a surprise to see how many people are using that service and it's good to see that and he voted aye.
(RESOLUTION NO. 6005)

4. A RESOLUTION Approving Intergovernmental Agreements with the Plainfield Township Park District for the Development of Parks in Cumberland, Riverwalk and Wexford Subdivisions was presented and read.
(Council Memo #1486-07)

COUNCILMAN SHETINA moved that said Resolution be adopted.

Motion seconded by COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN.

Motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCILMEN DORRIS, GIARRANTE, COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN, COUNCILMEN SHETINA, TURK, COUNCILWOMAN BARBER, COUNCILMAN BROPHY and MAYOR PRO-TEM UREMOVIC.

NAYS: NONE.

(RESOLUTION NO. 6006)

5. A RESOLUTION Approving a License Agreement Between the Elgin, Joliet and Eastern Railway Company and the City of Joliet to Expand the Theodore Street Crossing and to Construct and Install Pedestrian Sidewalks Over the Theodore Street Vehicular/Railway At-Grade Crossing was presented and read.
(Council Memo #1487-07)
(RESOLUTION NO. 6007)

6. A RESOLUTION Approving a Grant of Non-Exclusive Permanent Easement Between the Elgin, Joliet and Eastern Railway Company and the City of Joliet for the Roadway Widening of Theodore Street was presented and read.
(Council Memo #1487-07)
(RESOLUTION NO. 6008)

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COUNCILMAN TURK moved that said Resolutions be adopted.

Motion seconded by COUNCILMAN BROPHY.

Motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCILMEN DORRIS, GIARRANTE, COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN,
COUNCILMEN SHETINA, TURK, COUNCILWOMAN BARBER,
COUNCILMAN BROPHY and MAYOR PRO-TEM UREMOVIC.

NAYS: NONE.

Prior to his vote, COUNCILMAN SHETINA asked what the normal follow-up procedure would be to try to get a no-whistle zone if in fact this all happens.

The City Manager said after we get our construction done here and after the County has their construction done on Caton Farm Road, then the section between those two areas could apply. He said it's a fairly straight forward process and it's almost routine that they would get a no-whistle area if the safety mechanisms have been put in place.

BIDS AND CONTRACTS

A. Award of Contracts

1. Authorization to Purchase Pick-Up Trucks for Inspections
(Council Memo #1493-07)

A report on three quotes received for the above contract was accompanied by a recommendation from the City Manager that the Mayor and Council approve the purchase of two Ford F-150 4 x 4 Regulator Cab Pickup Trucks from Rod Baker Ford in the amount of \$34,842.00.

2. Authorization to Execute a Professional Service Contract with Wendler Engineering Services, Inc. for Survey and Site Preparation on the Route 30 Gazebo for Billie Limacher Bicentennial Park
(Council Memo #1494-07)

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the Mayor and Council authorize staff to execute a contract with Wendler Engineering Services, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$4,050.00.

COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN asked the City Manager where exactly are they going to put the gazebo.

The City Manager said the gazebo will be placed just to the north of the walkway that goes from the fountain towards the river and joins with the riverwalk. He said it will be along the river and people will be able to pull in off of U.S. 30 (Lincoln Highway) and park in Bicentennial Park and walk past the fountain and walk to the gazebo and be able to see the bridge operate and the activity on the waterway. He said there will be information within the gazebo that will explain about the Lincoln Highway.

COUNCILMAN SHETINA asked what type of gazebo it will be.

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The City Manager said it's more of a contemporary gazebo and they are going to use the same type stone on the base of it as we have on the fountain, so there is a little additional funding that we'll have to provide somewhere along the way to do that.

3. Award of Contract for the Purchase of One Canon Imagerunner 5070 Digital Copier for the Legal Department
(Council Memo #1495-07)

A report on two bids received for the above contract was accompanied by a recommendation from the City Manager that the Mayor and Council award the contract to Martin Whalen at a cost of \$10,250.00 and a price per copy for maintenance of \$0.006.

4. Authorization to Purchase Equipment for Joliet Volunteer Television (JVTV)
(Council Memo #1496-07)

A report on three quotes received for the above contract was accompanied by a recommendation from the City Manager that the Mayor and Council award the purchase of three NewTek Tricaster Studio Live Production Systems from Safe Harbor in the amount of \$25,057.67.

5. Authorization to Purchase Snow Plows and Spreader Boxes for the Roadways Division Dump Trucks
(Council Memo #1497-07)

A report on two quotations received for the above contract was accompanied by a recommendation from the City Manager that the Mayor and Council take the following actions: 1) Reject the low bid from Lindco Equipment Sales, Inc. for being non-compliant with City of Joliet specifications; and 2) Approve the purchase of snowplows and spreader boxes for four one-ton dump trucks in the amount of \$59,328.00 from Bourbonnais Supply, Inc.

6. Authorization to Purchase One Thermal Imager for the Fire Department
(Council Memo #1498-07)

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the Mayor and Council approve the purchase of one (1) Bullard T3-MaxTT thermal imager from Environmental Safety Group in the amount of \$10,250.00.

7. Authorization to Purchase Ten CPAP (Continuous Positive Airway Pressure) Generators and Ancillary Equipment for the Fire Department
(Council Memo #1499-07)

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the Mayor and Council award the purchase to Tri-anim Corporation in the amount of \$6,668.70.

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8. Authorization to Purchase Well Meters
(Council Memo #1501-07)

A report on three proposals received for the above contract was accompanied by a recommendation from the City Manager that the Mayor and Council award the purchase of two eight-inch and six ten-inch water meters from Memeco Sales & Service in the amount of \$20,192.00.

9. Authorization to Purchase Video Surveillance Equipment
(Council Memo #1503-07)

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the Mayor and Council approve the purchase of a video intelligence system from Comdesco Group in the amount of \$6,200.00.

COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN moved that the recommendations of the City Manager be concurred in.

Motion seconded by COUNCILMAN TURK.

Motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN, COUNCILMEN SHETINA, TURK,
COUNCILWOMAN BARBER, COUNCILMEN BROPHY, DORRIS,
GIARRANTE and MAYOR PRO-TEM UREMOVIC.

NAYS: NONE.

B. Amendments, Change Orders and Payouts:

1. Approve Payments Related to the City's PILOT Agreement with
Industrial Developments International (I.D.I.)
(Council Memo #1508-07)

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the Mayor and Council approve payments totaling \$68,072.22 to the various governmental units as listed in Exhibit A of the Council Memo.

2. Approve Change Order No. 2 and Payment No. 7 for the Rental
of Portable Toilets for Special Events (2007-2009)
(Council Memo #1509-07)

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the Mayor and Council approve Change Order No. 2 in the amount of \$755.00 and Payment No. 7 and Final in the amount of \$2,800.00 on behalf of Drop Zone Portable Services.

3. Authorization for Payment to Illinois Criminal Justice
Information Authority
(Council Memo #1510-07)

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the Mayor and Council approve the payment of \$5,556.00 to ICJIA for the first installment and the payment for the second installment upon receipt of the invoice in May, 2008 to supply the Police Department with the Police information Management System (PIMS).

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4. Approve Change Orders No. 1 and 2 for the Municipal Center Phase 2 Remodeling Project
(Council Memo #1512-07)

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the Mayor and Council approve Change Order No. 1 in the amount of \$4,501.00 and Change Order No. 2 in the amount of \$11,668.80 on behalf of R.L. Sohol.

5. Request for Blanket Purchase Order for Oxygen Supplier for the Fire Department
(Council Memo #1513-07)

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the Mayor and Council approve the purchase of medical oxygen for 2008 from United States Cylinder Gas in an amount not to exceed \$23,500.00.

6. Approve Change Order No. 3 and Payment Estimate No. 8 and Final for the Comstock (Center-Marion) Roadway Improvements Project – 2006 Neighborhood Improvement Program
(Council Memo #1514-07)

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the Mayor and Council approve Change Order No. 3, a deduction in the amount of \$17,344.17 and Pay Estimate No. 8 and Final in the amount of \$33,808.52 on behalf of Austin Tyler Construction Co.

7. Approve Change Order No. 1 and Payment Estimate No. 2 and Final for the Campbell Street/Prairie Avenue Reservoir (Piping Modification) Project
(Council Memo #1515-07)

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the Mayor and Council approve Change Order No. 1 in the amount of \$282.00 and Payment Estimate No. 2 and Final in the amount of \$5,988.85 on behalf of Austin Tyler Construction Co.

8. Approve Change Order No. 1 and Pay Estimate No. 2 and Final for the 527 N. Chicago Street Storm Sewer Improvement Project - 2007
(Council Memo #1516-07)

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the Mayor and Council approve Change Order No. 1, a deduction in the amount of \$3,958.29 and Pay Estimate No. 2 and Final in the amount of \$8,094.06 on behalf of Austin Tyler Construction Co.

9. Approve Change Order No. 3 and Payment Request No. 9 and Final for the Taylor Street Boulevard Phase II Roadway Improvement Project – 2006 Neighborhood Improvement Program
(Council Memo #1517-07)

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A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the Mayor and Council approve Change Order No. 3 in the amount of \$30,826.95 and Pay Estimate No. 9 and Final in the amount of \$51,424.87 on behalf of Len Cox & Sons.

10. Approve Change Order No. 1 and Payment Estimate No. 1 for the 2715 Stonebridge Drive Rear Yard Drain Installation Project
(Council Memo #1518-07)

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the Mayor and Council approve Change Order No. 1 in the amount of \$5,674.55 and Pay Estimate No. 1 in the amount of \$16,287.04 on behalf of Construction by Camco.

11. Approve Change Order No. 1 for the 2006 Automatic Meter Reading Installation Contract and Approve Purchase of Replacement Water Meters and Equipment
(Council Memo #1519-07)

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the Mayor and Council approve Change Order No. 1 in the amount of \$40,414.00 on behalf of United Meters, Inc. and the purchase of water meters and meter reading equipment from H & D Waterworks in the amount of \$200,580.00.

12. Approve Payment Estimate No. 2 for the Jasper Street and Williamson Avenue Well Sealing Project - 2007
(Council Memo #1520-07)

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the Mayor and Council approve Payment Estimate No. 2 in the amount of \$6,279.50 on behalf of Layne Christensen Co.

13. Approve Change Order No. 1 and Payment for the 2007 Sodium Hypochlorite Solution Contract - 2007
(Council Memo #1521-07)

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the Mayor and Council take the following actions: 1) Approve Change Order No. 1, an increase to Purchase Order #86361 by \$45,000.00 to Hawkins Water Treatment Group; 2) Approve payment of invoices totaling \$30,586.30 to Hawkins Water Treatment Group; and 3) Approve the extension of the 2007 contract to end on January 31, 2008.

14. Approve Change Order No. 2 for 15D and 16D Water Treatment Plants Project
(Council Memo #1522-07)

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the Mayor and Council approve Change Order No. 2 in the amount of \$60,280.21 on behalf of Williams Brothers Construction.

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15. Approve Change Order No. 4 and Payment Estimate No. 4 for the Willow Avenue (Morgan – I-80) Roadway Project – 2007 Neighborhood Improvement Program
(Council Memo #1523-07)

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the Mayor and Council approve Change Order No. 4 in the amount of \$6,261.19 and Pay Estimate No. 4 in the amount of \$16,141.63 on behalf of Len Cox & Sons.

16. Approve Change Order No. 5 and Payment Estimate No. 9 for the Gardner Street (Hickory Creek – Doris) Storm Sewer Project – 2007 Neighborhood Improvement Program
(Council Memo #1524-07)

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the Mayor and Council approve Change Order No. 5 in the amount of \$6,169.00 and Payment Estimate No. 9 in the amount of \$25,789.37 on behalf of J. Russ & Co.

17. Approve Change Order No. 2 and Payment Estimate No. 5 for the Bridge Street (Hickory – Center) Roadway Project 2007 Capital Improvement Program
(Council Memo #1525-07)

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the Mayor and Council approve Change Order No. 2, a deduction in the amount of \$62.82 and Payment Estimate No. 5 in the amount of \$3,705.60 on behalf of P.T. Ferro Construction.

18. Approve Change Order No. 2 and Payment Estimate No. 3 for the Glenwood (Midland-Larkin) Roadway Resurfacing Project
(Council Memo #1527-07)

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the Mayor and Council approve Change Order No. 1, a deduction in the amount of \$13,052.75 and Pay Estimate No. 3 in the amount of \$965.30 on behalf of P.T. Ferro Construction.

19. Approve Change Order No. 1 and Payment Estimate No. 2 and Final for the Wildflower Subdivision/808 Caton/2098 Wesmere Lakes Drainage Improvements – 2007 Neighborhood Improvement Program
(Council Memo #1528-07)

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the Mayor and Council approve Change Order No. 1, a deduction in the amount of \$19,214.40 and Pay Estimate No. 2 and Final in the amount of \$3,930.18 on behalf of Duke, Inc.

20. Approve Change Order No. 2 and Payment Estimate No. 4 and Final for the Lois Place (Black-Vernon) Roadway Improvement Project – 2007 Neighborhood Improvement Program
(Council Memo #1529-07)

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A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the Mayor and Council approve Change Order No. 2, a deduction in the amount of \$34,462.93 and Pay Estimate No. 4 and Final in the amount of \$14,277.36 on behalf of Austin Tyler Construction.

21. Approve Change Order No. 1 and Payment Request No. 3 and Final for the Wilcox Street (Jefferson-Western) Streetlighting Project – 2006 Neighborhood Improvement Program
(Council Memo #1530-07)

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the Mayor and Council approve Change Order No. 1, a deduction in the amount of \$5,363.00 and Pay Request No. 3 and Final in the amount of \$29,758.11 on behalf of Van Mack Electric.

22. Approve Change Order No. 2 and Pay Estimate No. 4B and 6A for the 2007 Bituminous Patching Materials Contract
(Council Memo #1531-07)

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the Mayor and Council approve Change Order No. 2 in the amount of \$14,700.00 and Pay Estimate No. 4B in the amount of \$9,666.72 on behalf of P.T. Ferro Construction, and Pay Estimate No. 6A in the amount of \$13,048.96 on behalf of Gallagher Asphalt.

23. Approve Amendment No. 1 for the Engineering and Surveying/Drafting Services for the Farrell – Rosalind Watermain Project - 2007
(Council Memo #1532-07)

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the Mayor and Council approve Amendment No. 1 in the amount of \$12,380.00 on behalf of Ruettiger, Tonelli & Associates.

24. Approve Payment Request No. 2 for the Arbeiter/Gael Construction Management Services
(Council Memo #1533-07)

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the Mayor and Council approve Pay Estimate No. 2 in the amount of \$26,100.00 on behalf of Jacob and Hefner Associates.

COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE moved that the recommendations of the City Manager be concurred in.

Motion seconded by COUNCILMAN TURK.

Motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCILMEN SHETINA, TURK, COUNCILWOMAN BARBER, COUNCILMEN BROPHY, DORRIS, GIARRANTE, COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN and MAYOR PRO-TEM UREMOVIC.

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MAYOR:

- A. Resolution re: Supporting the Minooka School District 201
Building Bond Referendum

This item was presented earlier in the meeting.

MAYOR AND COUNCIL COMMENTS:

COUNCILMAN BROPHY asked the City Manager to schedule a meeting with the Director of Public Utilities regarding the 1000 block of Westminster. He said he wants to see if we can get some harder information about what it will take to help with basement flooding in that area. He said some of the residents think that our continuation of the separation project would help. He said if that's the case he would like to know what those cost estimates would be and maybe bring it to the budget meetings and argue for some more funding for that program.

COUNCILMAN BROPHY complemented staff along with Public Information Coordinator Kevin Hegarty in putting out a very nice City-wide newsletter.

COUNCILMAN BROPHY said regarding the next scheduled City/County Committee meeting, he would like to have a City staff member assigned to be responsible for compiling an agenda and advertising the date and so forth. He asked if we've decided who that point person may be.

The City Manager said Deputy City Manager Jim Shapard would be glad to do that.

COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE said he thinks the next meeting is scheduled for the first week in February.

COUNCILMAN BROPHY asked about the status of the Marycrest Shopping Center. He said recently there was some debris dumped in their parking lot and the Deputy City Manager helped resolve that issue. He asked if we know anything more other than it's in receivership.

The Corporation Counsel said the foreclosure is still working its way through court and the property is under the control of a receiver.

COUNCILMAN BROPHY then mentioned the possibility of scheduling a budget meeting. He said he didn't know if we wanted to squeeze one in around the holiday or not.

COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE wished everyone a Merry Christmas and a safe and Happy New Year. He also wished the Mayor well and said he is looking forward to him coming back.

COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN congratulated John Ruettiger from JCA for being named the 2007 offensive MVP of the Herald News All Area Team. She also sent her congratulations to the Rialto Square Theater for their presentation of the live broadcast of "It's a Wonderful Life" on WJOL. She said this was the second year they have done this and the broadcast will be repeated on Christmas Day. She said the house was packed and it was great to see so many people with their families down there with all the proceeds going to the Rialto Capital

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Campaign.

COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN then congratulated Sgt. John Albrecht who retired last week. She said he was a police officer for many years who saw to it that our traffic always flowed very nicely during special events and especially during ball games. She said his last day was last week but he officially retires in January after many, many years. She thanked him for his great service and all he has done for our City. She also wished everyone a Merry Christmas and safe New Year.

COUNCILMAN SHETINA said there is an area on Des Plaines Street from here down to the Housing Authority that is just miserable and something has to be done. He said it probably should be done with MFT funds.

COUNCILMAN DORRIS said with the debt service that we have from the bond issue we haven't been able to get to it. He asked the City Manager if there is any money in the arterial street program, as he thinks it would be a great project to do out of those funds.

The City Manager said he has asked the Director of Public Works to take a look at it and schedule it. He said we are pretty well scheduled for 2008, but in 2009 he certainly thinks we can do that.

COUNCILMAN SHETINA said he hopes we can do it in 2008 because it is just miserable.

COUNCILMAN DORRIS asked the City Manager if we could do an overlay. He said there have been streets when they were really bad and we could do an overlay until next year that would carry us until we could actually do the curb and gutters.

The City Manager asked the Director of Public Works to take a look at that, and it is certainly within our capability to fund something like that. He said the reconstruction requires a lot of storm sewer and whatnot but we will take a look at it and get back to you.

COUNCILMAN SHETINA asked what we're doing with Oakwood Estates. He said the house across the street doesn't comply with the anti-monotony ordinance. He said they talked about doing something with the berm with the fence on top of it and he asked if there was any discussion by staff on this.

The City Manager said they are going to review the file and then meet with the homeowners association to go over the details of that.

COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN asked when that meeting will take place.

The City Manager said he doesn't think it has been set yet and COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN asked to be notified when it is scheduled.

COUNCILMAN SHETINA congratulated Kelly Murphy from JCA who was named Gatorade's #1 player in the nation in volleyball. He said that is a tremendous honor.

COUNCILMAN SHETINA wished the Mayor well and hopes he comes back soon and wished everyone a Happy Holiday and New Year.

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COUNCILMAN TURK said he also wanted to wish the Mayor well and said last time he talked to him you could tell in his voice that he was much stronger and that he was recuperating very well.

COUNCILMAN TURK also thanked the City Manager and his staff for all their dedication and hard work they have given to not only the Mayor and Council but all the residents of the City of Joliet. He said they appreciate all the hard work they do. He said next Christmas the City Manager won't be here and we will miss him, but there is a new beginning out there for him. He then wished everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

MAYOR PRO-TEM UREMOVIC wished a very Merry Christmas to Mayor Schultz, the Council members, staff and all the citizens of Joliet. He said he is proud of Joliet; it's a great town with great citizens.

ADJOURNMENT

COUNCILMAN DORRIS moved that the Council adjourn.

Motion seconded by COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN.

Motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCILMAN TURK, COUNCILWOMAN BARBER, COUNCILMEN BROPHY, DORRIS, GIARRANTE, COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN, COUNCILMAN SHETINA and MAYOR PRO-TEM UREMOVIC.

NAYS: NONE.

ARTHUR SCHULTZ
Mayor

JANET K. TRAVEN
City Clerk

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