

***Proceedings of the Council of the City of Joliet, Illinois
held on the 20th day of March, A.D. 2006***

REGULAR MEETING of the Council of the City of Joliet, Illinois held on Monday, March 20, 2006 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.

Father Groh then led the pledge to the flag.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: MAYOR ARTHUR SCHULTZ and DISTRICT 2 COUNCILMAN TIMOTHY M. BROPHY, COUNCILMAN AT LARGE THOMAS C. GIARRANTE, DISTRICT 4 COUNCILMAN ALEX LEDESMA, COUNCILWOMAN AT LARGE JAN QUILLMAN, DISTRICT 1 COUNCILMAN JOSEPH R. SHETINA, COUNCILMAN AT LARGE MICHAEL F. TURK and DISTRICT 3 COUNCILMAN ANTHONY UREMOVIC.

ABSENT: DISTRICT 5 COUNCILMAN WARREN C. DORRIS.

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

COUNCILMAN TURK moved that the minutes of the Pre-Council Meeting of the Council of the City of Joliet held on Monday, March 6, 2006 at 3:30 p.m. and of the Regular Meeting held on Tuesday, March 7, 2006 at 6:30 p.m. stand approved as recorded.

Motion seconded by COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE.

Motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCILMEN BROPHY, GIARRANTE, LEDESMA, COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN, COUNCILMEN SHETINA, TURK, UREMOVIC and MAYOR SCHULTZ.

NAYS: NONE.

APPOINTMENT OF MAYOR PRO-TEM

COUNCILMAN BROPHY moved that COUNCILMAN DORRIS be appointed Mayor Pro-Tem for the period April 1, 2006 thru June 30, 2006.

Motion seconded by COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE.

Motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCILMEN GIARRANTE, LEDESMA, COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN, COUNCILMEN SHETINA, TURK, UREMOVIC, BROPHY and MAYOR SCHULTZ.

NAYS: NONE.

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS and AGENDA ITEMS

A. Finance

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COUNCILMAN UREMOVIC reported that the Finance Committee met and discussed the usual items on the agenda including a funding request from the Plainfield Township Park District for the Games on the Go Program. He asked COUNCILMAN SHETINA if he wanted to make a comment on this.

COUNCILMAN SHETINA stated that each of the past three or four years the Plainfield Park District, which is comprised of a majority of Joliet residents, take part in a program called Games on the Go and they take kids all summer long to different places and have games for them. He said that they always bring a list to the Mayor and Council of things that they are going to do and the expenses that they have. He stated that at the end of the summer after the programs are over, they report as to what activities they did, what the expenditures were and all the kids sign a big thank you note thanking the Mayor and Council for their support. He stated that he would appreciate it if the Council would support this.

COUNCILMAN UREMOVIC stated that they also discussed the Youth Services Small Grants Program, which the Committee also recommended, and had a lengthy discussion on the Human Resources Generalist position. He stated that they also discussed the audit.

B. Land Use

COUNCILMAN SHETINA reported that the Land Use Committee met and discussed the Timber Oaks Subdivision revisions and the Committee was in support of it. He stated that the developer addressed the issues that the City was concerned about.

COUNCILMAN SHETINA stated that they also discussed zoning for truck terminals and he asked the City Manager to further comment on this with reference to trucking companies coming in and off loading trucks and sometimes trailers only. He stated that it could be in the hundreds of thousands because the growth and demand is so great with it being a centralized area for transportation.

The City Manager stated that the staff has been getting a lot of requests for truck terminals, and a truck terminal basically has no building or a very small building and almost no assessed valuation, but it chews up lots of acreage. He said that if you take that property out of circulation without getting any tax revenue off of it in terms of buildings, none of the other taxing bodies get any revenue off the property. He stated that Centerpointe is really moving along at this point and they have a need for probably somewhere around 1,000 acres of truck parking and container storage and they are providing 50 acres. He stated that in those 50 acres they let you stay for the first 48 hours and after that they charge \$150 and then there are some continuing charges after that, so they really aren't providing for the storage of any trailers and they are expecting that it is going to happen in the adjacent areas. He stated that they expect it to go back to Chicago. He said that the staff knows it is not going to go back to Chicago, but it will put pressure for there to be more container storage and parking within areas of the municipalities or areas of the counties that should be annexed at some point to the various cities.

The City Manager stated that Will County approved a location last week which was right next to the City's sewage treatment plant. He stated that is a perfect spot for a manufacturer and now it is going to be a container storage area. He

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said that it will not be annexed to the City of Joliet even though it is right next to all of the utilities and facilities that the City has spent a lot of money on and the County is going to require no road improvements on Youngs Road. He said they are also not requiring them to pave the parking lot so there is no incentive for them to come and talk to the City because the City has requirements for public improvements and paving and things like that. He stated that there will be a lot of pressure on the cities to accept this and also the County to approve these with lesser standards. He said that the City has asked the Center for Economic Development if they would focus on that deficiency with Centerpoint and talk to the County to see if they would modify their ordinances and also try to refrain from approving any of these in any Comprehensive Planning areas of any municipalities or any areas within their Facilities Planning areas. He stated that truck terminals within the City require a Special Use Permit and they do not in the County. He said that it will be a problematic situation and one that the City will have to be very diligent about because a lot of the distribution centers that normally would come in and ask for 100 parking spaces are now coming in and asking for 500 parking spaces. He stated that there is a steam ship company that would like to rent one in the IDI Business Park and they would like IDI to create 500 more parking spaces right next to it where the City had anticipated there would be a large building, and that building would normally return about \$400,000 a year in tax revenue to the schools, City and County and other taxing entities. He stated that if it is a parking lot it will return no more than \$50,000.

COUNCILMAN UREMOVIC asked if they still need a Special Use Permit for that.

The City Manager stated that is correct, but the staff is working on further defining at what point a Special Use Permit is needed. He stated that it has to be determined how many parking spaces they can have by right of having the building and when does it become more than just accessory parking.

COUNCILMAN LEDESMA asked if the City has communicated with the County on this issue.

The City Manager stated that the staff talked with the County and there has been some discussion with their Planning Department to try and get things going along those lines. He said he has also talked with some of the County Board members about the problems that the City is having and suggested that all of the other cities have to be in the same situation. He stated that the Mayor of Channahon went to the Board meeting expressing his objections to the trucking terminal on Youngs Road and he was very upset that they approved it anyway without addressing the traffic issues.

COUNCILMAN LEDESMA stated that it is an eyesore along I-55 with the stockpile of containers and he doesn't want to see that in Joliet or the County.

The City Manager stated that has been the position of the City. He said they have been informing people that have submitted requests that the City is not interested in taking the valuable land that is left in the City to develop and turning it into a truck parking lot.

COUNCILMAN SHETINA asked the Mayor to direct a transmission to the County on behalf of the City Council and himself to ask the County to cease and desist from any further approval of these kinds of installations until they get some kind of program set in place. He stated that this would be a tremendous amount of cash flow off land that is getting probably an agricultural zoning classification and

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possibly the County and City could discuss this with the assessor to increase the assessments to reflect the flow of cash that comes in off it so it doesn't become just an automatic use of farm land that could be residential, commercial or retail. He asked if the fact that it requires a Special Use Permit gives the City the right of objection being 1 ½ miles within the City boundary.

The Corporation Counsel stated that the City of Joliet did file an objection with the County Board. He stated that based on the type of request that the petitioner made to the County, the City's objection did not elevate the voting requirements for approval at the County level so it was still a majority vote situation, but the County Board and the staff at the County was fully aware of Channahon's position and Joliet's position and this had been tabled based on that objection in December.

COUNCILMAN SHETINA asked the City Manager to include in the letter that the County meets with the City so the City's objections could be expressed.

COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE asked if they know what the vote was.

The City Manager stated that he doesn't have the vote, but they can get it.

COUNCILMAN BROPHY asked if there was anyone from the schools there.

The City Manager stated he doesn't believe the schools are really aware of what is happening. He said that the City just in the last three weeks has become aware of it because the City has gotten several requests that have come in within the last 30 days. He stated that he doesn't believe a lot of other jurisdictions have any clue as to what is happening and what the future impact is of this. He said you could have 10 parcels that could be \$4 million a year in lost tax revenue, not to mention the construction jobs that are lost. He stated that if you are turning it into a truck terminal with no improvements and no paving or lighting, all they have to do is put up a fence and throw in some gravel and away they go.

COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE stated that it could also be causing flooding problems and other things.

COUNCILMAN SHETINA stated that the Mayor's letter should also be directed to the unions, school districts and everybody that will be involved. He stated that once the land is gone, it is gone and it will turn into a junk yard.

COUNCILMAN SHETINA stated that they also discussed the commercial paving of property.

COUNCILMAN BROPHY said he had asked the staff for a survey and status on a couple of items, one on how the paving requirement is going, and also the dumpsters that are in violation. He stated that there was no deadline, but they are getting the information for him.

C. Public Service

COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE reported that the Public Service Committee met and discussed the contracts, change orders, pay estimates and final payments and recommended them for approval. He stated that they questioned Council Memo #319-06 which is a Change Order and Pay Estimate for the Well 25-D Construction Project. He stated that they are 68% over budget on this particular

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project, which brings it to well over \$1 million. He stated that the Utilities Administrator explained the memo to the Committee and he asked him to step up and give an explanation to the full Council.

The Utilities Administrator stated that Well 25-D is a new project under construction at the Aux Sable Creek facility. He stated that the contract was awarded to Layne Western for just under \$700,000 and after construction of the well was completed and the test pumping was done, it was discovered that the flows were a lot less than anticipated at the area. He stated that under the approved supplemental bid price items the City authorized additional work thru change orders. He said that each time they have taken action to increase the capacity they have had slight gains, so they anticipate this would be the final round of increases to this contract and there will be one more round of test pumping that will need to be done.

COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE asked him to elaborate a little about the Kendall County fault.

The Utilities Administrator stated that there is a fault zone through Kendall County, which is called the Oswego Fault, and as they have approached this zone they have attributed this to the decrease in the capacity. He stated that in talking to other municipalities, they have experienced differences also.

COUNCILMAN SHETINA asked where this puts the City with respect to the time table on finishing the wells.

The Utilities Administrator stated that the delay at this location doesn't impact the City with the overall schedule with getting this up by June of this year.

CONSENT AGENDA

A. Treasurer's Report – January 2006

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

**B. Position Vacancies
(Council Memo #265-06)**

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that he be authorized to fill the positions of City Collector, a Field Auditor in Management and Budget, a Clerk Typist in the Police Department, two Fire Captains and any subsequent vacancies directly related to these positions.

**C. Authorization for the City Manager to Execute Contracts for the 2006
Public Art Projects
(Council Memo #266-06)**

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the Mayor and Council approve the Public Art Program described in the Council Memo and authorize the City Manager to execute the contracts with the Friends of Community Public Art as described.

MAYOR SCHULTZ asked if these are requested by the District Councilmen.

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The City Manager stated that they are.

COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN asked for an explanation of the two foot high Katherine Dunham sculpture and reusable mold in the amount of \$4,500.

The City Manager stated that he is not familiar with that, but he will check on it for her. He stated that all of the other nature sculptures that they did have reusable molds and they do reproduce those upon request.

COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN stated that possibly this \$4,500 could be used for the distribution of the documentary that they wanted \$5,000 for.

The City Manager stated that it is his understanding that Kathleen Farrell has found a source of funding for the distribution of that video in the form of grant funds in the amount of \$5,000 from an Arts Council.

COUNCILMAN SHETINA stated he thinks it is a legitimate question. He stated that the Council really needs to know what that is about.

The City Manager stated that if the Council wanted to that could be pulled off the memo and more information could be brought back about that particular item at the next meeting.

COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE stated that he would like to make a motion to table this item indefinitely.

COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE moved that the \$4,500 for the creation of a two foot high Katherine Dunham Sculpture and a reusable mold be tabled indefinitely.

Motion seconded by COUNCILMAN BROPHY.

Motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCILMEN LEDESMA, SHETINA, TURK, UREMOVIC, BROPHY,
GIARRANTE and MAYOR SCHULTZ.

NAYS: COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN.

Prior to her vote, COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN asked if this would get rid of it totally or would it be brought back for discussion.

The City Manager stated that the staff can get more information on it and the Council can decide what to do.

COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE stated that is not his motion. He stated that his motion is to table it. He said that the City has already spent \$45,000 on a statue, \$6,000 to fly Mrs. Dunham and two of her friends to Joliet and now to spend \$4,500 on a statue and not knowing where it is going or what will be done with the mold is unnecessary. He stated that his motion is to table it -- period.

COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE stated that he has a couple of other questions on several other items. He stated that whether everyone agrees on these art projects or not, the problem he has is that there are some items with the location to be determined and he thinks the Council should know what they are buying and where it is going before it is agreed to. He stated that District 2 has a Health and Safety Mural for \$5,000 with the subject and location to be determined.

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The City Manager stated that the staff can try and get additional information on these before they are brought to the Council. He stated that when it says the exact subject matter, what happens is they identify a subject matter that they believe is relevant after working with the District Councilman. He stated then they work with the schools or wherever the art project is going to develop the exact nature of the subject matter. He said that takes a period of time and part of the funding is for that. He stated that the locations could probably be determined fairly quickly.

COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE stated that even the subject could be brought to the Council with at least a general idea before it has to be voted on. He also questioned the one in District 5 for \$28,000 of a 4 foot cold cast bronze sculpture on a 4 foot high mosaic column with the theme and location to be determined.

COUNCILMAN SHETINA stated that the one in District 1 will go near Renwick Road and Old Renwick Trail. He stated that before they get any money they go thru a couple of staff members and the District Councilman. He stated that he doesn't agree to anything until the staff and he agree to at least the concept idea.

COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE asked if that concept could be brought to the full Council before they vote on it.

The City Manager stated that he doesn't know about the one in District 5, but the rest of them do have a concept.

COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE stated he can't support something when he doesn't know what it is or where it is going.

COUNCILMAN UREMOVIC stated that he appreciates COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE'S comments. He said in regards to this entire program, it is a no bid program and that is something he has always had a problem with. He stated that these types of projects should be opened up across the board and it should be bid on. He said that to date, the money spent on this program with one person totals \$2,227,000 so at this point it is becoming a huge program and it should be inclusive and should be bid out and the Council should know what they are getting for what they are paying for.

COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE stated he is not going to vote for anything when he doesn't know what it is or where it is going.

MAYOR SCHULTZ asked COUNCILMAN UREMOVIC where he obtained the figure of over \$2 million.

COUNCILMAN UREMOVIC stated he received it from the Finance Department.

The City Manager stated that the program has been running for ten years and has been about \$200,000 or more per year.

COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE stated that another thing you have to look at is that all of these things are going to need maintenance.

COUNCILMAN BROPHY stated that when the FCPA came to him and requested funding, he made sure there was community input so he requested that they work with other groups to come up with acceptable themes. He stated that for example if it is on a school building, then District 86 has to appoint a committee

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and they all agree on the theme for that school and then they do a draft. He said that there is a lot of work that goes into the draft and design work so possibly the reason it is before the Council early is so they can plan and be fairly compensated for the design and labor they put into it. He said that to make sure there is an ingredient of community input there and not just from the artist's point of view, he has required that they work with whatever group will be affected and to provide input so the art is acceptable to the entire community.

COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE stated he doesn't have a problem if they are going to put a mural on the side of a school because he is sure that either the School Board or the teachers had input. He said that when he sees "subject to be determined" and "location to be determined", he has a problem with that.

MAYOR SCHULTZ asked if they can do all of this work in one year.

The City Manager stated that they can and they are trying to get an early start on it and that is why it is on the agenda now. He said that sometimes they will go over to the next spring for opening, but generally they believe they can get this work done. He said that there are quite a few artists and one of the reasons this program is not the cheapest is that they are actually training Joliet residents to be mural artists. He stated that is the idea behind the program and whether it should be bid for cost effectiveness, that is a good question.

COUNCILMAN UREMOVIC stated that he is not sure that it is local because he doesn't know how you even get in this program. He said he would like to know the procedure for recruiting artists.

COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE stated that in this memo alone there is \$194,588 worth of art projects. He stated that he is sure they could inform the Council of what the projects are and where they will be put.

The City Manager stated that he is sure they could and the District Councilmen would have to make the decision on where the projects will go.

COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE stated that he is not questioning their decisions, but he would like the information before he votes on it.

COUNCILMAN TURK asked what the downside is if the entire memo was just tabled for two weeks until they get the information.

The City Manager stated he doesn't know for sure, but if the Council wants to table it for two weeks, they can go back and ask for the remainder of the details on some of these, or the Council can approve the memo and the questionable ones can be brought back to the Council in two weeks.

COUNCILMAN BROPHY stated he thinks the Friends of Community Public Art would be very willing to show up and bring the drafts, sketches and preliminary looks and show them to the Council. He stated he believes they were told years ago that the Council didn't want to bother with all that and to do it at the staff level and make sure the District Councilman is alright with it and so on. He stated he thinks they should be invited back because he believes they would be very willing to do so.

MAYOR SCHULTZ asked if this is a request of the District Councilmen.

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The City Manager stated that it is.

MAYOR SCHULTZ stated that they should know where it is going if they're spending it in their district.

The City Manager stated that they have requested this art work, but it appears that they have not agreed yet on just exactly where it is going to go.

COUNCILMAN SHETINA stated that with respect to the one in his district it is just a matter of 15 feet one way or the other because they have to get approval from the Plainfield Park District for the site.

COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE said that he would like to table the ones that the subject and location are not determined yet and approve the rest of them.

The Corporation Counsel stated that a motion to table the entire memo would be in order or as has been done previously, specific pieces of art can be tabled.

COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE moved that the 2006 Public Art Program as described in the Council Memo be approved, with the exception of the following items to be tabled for two weeks: District 2 - Health and Safety Mural in the amount of \$5,000; District 4 - Fiesta Sculpture and Mosaic Column in the amount of \$46,500; District 5 - 4' Cold Cast Bronze Sculpture in the amount of \$28,000; District 5 - Creation of a 40 sq. ft. Hand Cut Tile Mosaic at Farragut School in the amount of \$6,000.

Motion seconded by COUNCILMAN UREMOVIC.

Motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN, COUNCILMEN SHETINA, TURK, UREMOVIC, BROPHY, GIARRANTE, LEDESMA and MAYOR SCHULTZ.

NAYS: COUNCILMAN LEDESMA voted no on the District 4 sculpture being tabled.

Prior to his vote, COUNCILMAN SHETINA asked if part of this request is for the FCPA to come before the Council.

COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE stated that is not necessary, they can just inform the Council of the theme and location.

Prior to his vote, COUNCILMAN LEDESMA stated that the Fiesta Sculpture is going on the corner of Jackson and Collins by the bakery, therefore he is voting no on that. He apologized that no one got a memo on the location of this earlier.

D. Approve Modifications to the 2006 Districts 1, 4 and 5 Neighborhood Improvement Program
(Council Memo #267-06)

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the following modifications be approved: District 1 - Add \$4,000.00 to the Plainfield Township Park District for the "Games on the Go" Program; District 4 - Add \$1,420.00 for the Boulder Inscription Work at Fire Station 5; District 5 - Add \$210,000 for the Decorative Street Lighting on Eastern/IST/Richards Project.

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- E. Request Authorization to Enter into a Personal Services Contract with Team Championships International, LLC to Conduct a "3 on 3" Basketball Tournament
(Council Memo #268-06)

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the staff be authorized to execute this contract for the implementation of the tournament to be held in the Will County Courthouse parking lot on June 17 – 18, 2006.

- F. Approval of the 2006 Youth Services Small Grants Program
(Council Memo #269-06)

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the 2006 Small Grants Program as recommended by the United Way Small Grants Evaluation Committee be approved.

COUNCILMAN BROPHY moved that the recommendations of the City Manager be concurred in on the remaining items under Consent Agenda.

Motion seconded by COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE.

Motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCILMEN SHETINA, TURK, UREMOVIC, BROPHY, GIARRANTE, LEDESMA, COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN and MAYOR SCHULTZ.

NAYS: NONE.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

- A. Public Hearing re: Annexation of 610 – 616 Briggs Street

1. A RESOLUTION Approving the Annexation Agreement for 610 – 616 Briggs Street was presented and read. (#A-16-06/Dist. #4)
(Council Memo #274-06)
(RESOLUTION NO. 5756)
2. AN ORDINANCE Approving the Annexation of 610 – 616 Briggs Street as recommended by the Plan Commission was presented and read. (#A-16-06/Dist. #4)
(Council Memo #274-06)
(ORDINANCE NO. 15480)
3. AN ORDINANCE Approving the Classification of 610 – 616 Briggs Street to R-2 Zoning as recommended by the Plan Commission was presented and read. (#A-16-06/Dist. #4)
(Council Memo #274-06)
(ORDINANCE NO. 15481)

The City Clerk noted that this is a public hearing, so any comments would be in order at this time.

MAYOR SCHULTZ asked if there were any comments, and being none, he closed the public hearing.

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COUNCILMAN SHETINA moved that said Resolution and Ordinances be adopted.

Motion seconded by COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN.

Motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCILMEN TURK, UREMOVIC, BROPHY, GIARRANTE, LEDESMA, COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN, COUNCILMAN SHETINA and MAYOR SCHULTZ.

NAYS: NONE.

B. Public Hearing re: Annexation of 2423 S. Chicago Street

1. Resolution re: Approving the Annexation Agreement for 2423 S. Chicago Street (#A-17-06/Dist. #5)
(Council Memo #275-06)
2. Ordinance re: Approving the Annexation of 2423 S. Chicago Street (#A-17-06/Dist. #5)
(Council Memo #275-06)
3. Ordinance re: Approving the Classification of 2423 S. Chicago Street to B-3 Zoning (#A-17-06/Dist. #5)
(Council Memo #275-06)
4. Ordinance re: Approving the Preliminary Plat of Stone City Commercial Park Subdivision (#P-1-06/Dist. #5)
(Council Memo #275-06)

C. Public Hearing re: Annexation of 78.89 Acres Located at the Northeast Corner of Jones and Arbeiter

1. Resolution re: Approving the Annexation Agreement for 78.89 Acres at the Northeast Corner of Jones and Arbeiter (#A-18-06/Dist. #3)
(Council Memo #276-06)
2. Ordinance re: Approving the Annexation of 78.89 Acres at the Northeast Corner of Jones and Arbeiter (#A-18-06/Dist. #3)
(Council Memo #276-06)
3. Ordinance re: Approving the Classification of 78.89 Acres at the Northeast Corner of Jones and Arbeiter R-1B Zoning (#A-18-06/Dist. #3)
(Council Memo #276-06)
4. Ordinance re: Approving the Preliminary Plat of Hunters Ridge West (formerly Henschen Farm) PUD Subdivision (#P-24-05/Dist. #3)
(Council Memo #276-06)

D. Public Hearing re: Annexation of 16265 Maple Road

1. Resolution re: Approving the Annexation Agreement for

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16265 Maple Road (#A-19-06/Dist. #4)
(Council Memo #277-06)

2. Ordinance re: Approving the Annexation of 16265 Maple Road (#A-19-06/Dist. #4)
(Council Memo #277-06)
 3. Ordinance re: Approving the Classification of 16265 Maple Road to R-1A Zoning (#A-19-06/Dist. #4)
(Council Memo #277-06)
 4. Ordinance re: Approving the Final Plat of Weston Way Subdivision (#FP-6-06/Dist. #4)
(Council Memo #277-06)
- E. Public Hearing re: Annexation of 138 Acres Located at the Southwest Corner of Route 53 and Breen Road
1. Resolution re: Approving the Annexation Agreement for 138 Acres Located at the Southwest Corner of Route 53 and Breen Road (#A-55-05/Dist. #5)
(Council Memo #278-06)
 2. Ordinance re: Approving the Annexation of 138 Acres Located at the Southwest Corner of Route 53 and Breen Road (#A-55-05/Dist. #5)
(Council Memo #278-06)
 3. Ordinance re: Approving the Classification of 138 Acres Located at the Southwest Corner of Route 53 and Breen Road to R-1B and B-3 Zoning (#A-55-05/Dist. #5)
(Council Memo #278-06)
 4. Ordinance re: Approving the Preliminary Plat of Primrose Subdivision (#P-31-05/Dist. #5)
(Council Memo #278-06)

COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE moved that these four petitions be tabled to the April 4, 2006 Council meeting.

Motion seconded by COUNCILMAN LEDESMA.

Motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCILMEN UREMOVIC, BROPHY, GIARRANTE, LEDESMA, COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN, COUNCILMEN SHETINA, TURK and MAYOR SCHULTZ.

NAYS: NONE.

APPROVAL OF REGULAR CURRENT BILLS

A. Treasurer's Disbursements – February 2006 - \$37,269,975.07

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

B. Regular Claims – February 2006 - \$3,005,877.19

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

- C. Regular Payroll – February 11 – February 24, 2006 - \$2,735,242.29
(Council Memo #279-06)

Biweekly Payroll Summary Reports of the total cost of regular salaries for the period February 11, 2006 through February 24, 2006 and additions to regular salaries for the period February 3, 2006 through February 16, 2006 including a 2006 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 Payrolls be allowed.

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

Motion seconded by COUNCILMAN SHETINA.

Motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCILMEN BROPHY, GIARRANTE, LEDESMA,
COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN, COUNCILMEN SHETINA, TURK,
UREMOVIC and MAYOR SCHULTZ.

NAYS: NONE.

ABSTAIN: COUNCILMAN QUILLMAN abstained on the Silver Cross and Med Works items.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

A. ORDINANCES

1. Preliminary, Final and Recording Plats

- a. AN ORDINANCE Approving the Revised Preliminary Plat of Legacy Pointe Subdivision as recommended by the Plan Commission was presented and read. (#P-4-05/Dist. #3)
(Council Memo #280-06)
(ORDINANCE NO. 15482)
- b. AN ORDINANCE Approving the Final Plat of Legacy Pointe Subdivision as recommended by the Plan Commission was presented and read. (#FP-4-05/Dist. #3)
(Council Memo #280-06)
(ORDINANCE NO. 15483)
- c. AN ORDINANCE Approving the Recording Plat of Legacy Pointe Subdivision as recommended by the Administration subject to the receipt of the following fees and documentation within 60 days was presented and read: 1) A Letter of Credit or Performance Bond for public improvements in the amount of \$1,675,439.00; 2) A 1 ¼% inspection fee for public improvements in the amount of \$20,942.98; and 3) An Irrevocable Offer of Dedication for public

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improvements. (#RP-6-05/Dist. #3)
(Council Memo #280-06)
(ORDINANCE NO. 15484)

COUNCILMAN SHETINA moved that said Ordinances be adopted as recommended.

Motion seconded by COUNCILMAN TURK.

Motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCILMEN GIARRANTE, LEDESMA, COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN, COUNCILMEN SHETINA, UREMOVIC, BROPHY and MAYOR SCHULTZ.

NAYS: NONE.

- d. AN ORDINANCE Approving the Final Plat of Vista Ridge Subdivision, a PUD as recommended by the Plan Commission was presented and read. (#FP-3-06/Dist. #5)
(Council Memo #281-06)
(ORDINANCE NO. 15485)

COUNCILMAN SHETINA moved that said Ordinance be adopted.

Motion seconded by COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE.

Motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCILMAN LEDESMA, COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN, COUNCILMEN SHETINA, TURK, UREMOVIC, BROPHY, GIARRANTE and MAYOR SCHULTZ.

NAYS: NONE.

2. AN ORDINANCE Approving the Reclassification of 1201 Wyoming from R-2 to R-B and R-4 Zoning as recommended by the Plan Commission was presented and read. (#Z-2-06/Dist. #2)
(Council Memo #282-06)
(ORDINANCE NO. 15486)
3. AN ORDINANCE Approving the Preliminary PUD of Our Lady of Angels Village Subdivision as recommended by the Plan Commission was presented and read. (#PUD-3-06/Dist. #2)
(Council Memo #282-06)
(ORDINANCE NO. 15487)

Mr. Mike Mikuska stated that he believes most of the residents in general support the project, especially in light of the kind of development it is. He said that they do have some concerns about the dirt that will be generated. He stated that currently there is a four foot fabric fence proposed, but he would like it to be higher since Rte. 30 is already elevated. He stated that also they would like something put on the dirt piles to keep it from blowing all over the neighborhood. He also commented on the mud that will be brought onto Rte. 30 and the surrounding streets and their experience with construction companies not keeping it clean. He asked if the City could clean the streets and bill them per an agreement. He also mentioned Wyoming Street with the sharp hook and possibly they can eliminate that.

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The City Manager stated that they will take these items back to the developer. He said this has to come back to the Council for a final PUD so between now and then the staff will get answers on the above items.

COUNCILMAN UREMOVIC stated that in some of these pictures there are duplexes with 50% brick all around and he asked if that is what is being proposed.

The City Manager stated that the duplexes are brick all the way around and the large apartment building is 100% brick in the front, and the sides and rear exceed the City's current requirements.

Mr. David J. Gregory Sr. stated that he lives across Plainfield Road from the project and his consideration is the Wyoming, Plainfield and Cleary intersection. He stated that there are numerous accidents at that corner. He stated that the construction project sounds good for the neighborhood. He said that most of the neighbors that he has approached approve of the project, but they are concerned about the traffic there and accidents. He asked if possibly a cul-de-sac be put in at Wyoming and Plainfield Road.

COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE asked if IDOT would approve, this, since Route 30 is a State Highway.

The City Manager stated that if the City Traffic Engineer looked at it and the City wanted to close off an access and prevent this traffic from coming onto Plainfield Road, the State would probably not object. He stated that they would probably not support the separate turn lane because anybody in the existing lane can turn right pretty safely. He stated that if Joliet wanted to make it one way they would probably say that it is a local street and the City can control it. He said that the City's concern would be that there may be a lot of people that use that on a regular basis that are not residents that would have an opinion one way or another and it is hard to get an opinion from them.

COUNCILMAN UREMOVIC stated that there is a restricted island on Fairlane and Jefferson where when you come out of Fairlane you can only take a right hand turn and you can't come in off of Jefferson Street from the left side. He asked if that would be a possibility for this location.

The City Manager stated that Mr. Gregory is actually proposing to close down that portion of Wyoming that allows you to go onto Plainfield Road.

COUNCILMAN UREMOVIC stated that instead of doing that maybe a restricted island could be put in there.

COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE told Mr. Gregory that he did a lot of work on this, but before something can be done, the rest of the neighbors have to be asked what they think of it.

COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN asked if the Council can have a hearing on it.

COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE stated that it could go to the Land Use Committee, but he hasn't seen a petition yet.

Mr. Gregory stated he has been getting signatures, but he didn't make a copy of that yet.

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The City Manager asked Mr. Gregory to meet with the Public Utilities Administrator and give him a copy of his petitions.

Mr. Carl Archey stated that he is a business owner on Plainfield Road and he would not like a cul-de-sac or right turn only because it would limit access to their businesses. He said that he is not against an easier curve being put in, but he is totally against the street being closed off. He said that it is hard enough to get business.

MAYOR SCHULTZ asked that this be turned over to the traffic engineers.

The City Manager stated that he would do that.

COUNCILMAN TURK moved that said Ordinances be adopted.

Motion seconded by COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE.

Motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN, COUNCILMEN SHETINA, TURK, UREMOVIC, BROPHY, GIARRANTE, LEDESMA and MAYOR SCHULTZ.

NAYS: NONE.

COUNCILMAN SHETINA asked the City Manager to explain what the Council approved.

The City Manger stated that the Preliminary Planned Unit Development and the zoning reclassification were just approved, and they will come back for a Final Planned Unit Development.

COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN stated also that a traffic study would be done with reference to this.

COUNCILMAN BROPHY stated that there are a few things that could be done immediately. He said that the site line is impeded by some trees there and they could get some trimming done, which would help while they are doing the study for any future change that might occur.

4. AN ORDINANCE Increasing the Administrative Fee for the Impoundment of Vehicles Used in Certain Offenses was presented and read.
(Council Memo #283-06)

COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN moved that said Ordinance be adopted.

Motion seconded by COUNCILMAN TURK.

Motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCILMEN SHETINA, TURK, UREMOVIC, BROPHY, GIARRANTE, LEDESMA, COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN and MAYOR SCHULTZ.

NAYS: NONE.

Prior to his vote, COUNCILMAN UREMOVIC asked if the fine for driving without auto insurance will be raised to \$500.00.

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The Corporation Counsel stated there has not been a recommendation from the Police Department requesting a change in that amount.

COUNCILMAN UREMOVIC stated that Waukegan and Channahon have that in their ordinance in regards to bumping it up to \$500.00 and it is revenue for the City and it decreases accidents. He said that he thinks it would be good to add that because you would get a \$500.00 ticket and get your vehicle towed.

COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE stated that was discussed at the Public Safety Committee and he asked the Police Chief to further explain it.

MAYOR SCHULTZ asked if it is a State charge for no insurance.

The Corporation Counsel stated that it is a State charge and the City has an ordinance that requires it also and it is charged either way by the Police Department at their discretion. He stated that the City has adopted the entire Illinois Vehicle Code Rules of the Road so the violation can be charged locally, which would be up to officer discretion.

COUNCILMAN UREMOVIC stated he would like to make an amendment to this that driving without auto insurance would also be \$500.00.

COUNCILMAN UREMOVIC moved that driving without auto insurance be raised to a \$500.00 fine also.

Motion seconded by COUNCILMAN TURK.

COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE asked the Police Chief to explain.

The Police Chief stated that the problem with the no insurance is that most of the people actually do have insurance but don't have their card with them, so they get issued the ticket anyhow. He said that would create quite an issue if the Police Department charged them \$500.00 to get their car back. He stated that if they go to court and they can't produce proof of insurance they get hammered pretty good. He stated that if they produce proof of insurance the case is dismissed on the spot.

The Corporation Counsel stated that if you want to deal with the insurance issue you might want to grant the police officer discretion regarding the impoundment, and that way if there is no impoundment you don't have to worry about the impoundment fee.

The Police Chief stated that the officers have discretion because sometimes you just can't spend the time that is needed to tow a vehicle.

COUNCILMAN UREMOVIC stated he has a problem with the person who is speeding or drinking and driving and not being able to produce their insurance and at that point they could use their discretion to tow the vehicle.

COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN stated that she has a problem with that also.

The Police Chief stated that he doesn't know what the answer is to that for the officer on the street at 3:00 in morning when the person can't find their card.

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The Corporation Counsel stated that if there is an admission by the operator that there is no insurance, at that point the impoundment would be proper. He said if there is insurance and the operator can not produce the insurance card, the officer would be justified not to impound the vehicle.

The Police Chief stated that most of the time they actually do have insurance, but they just can't produce it at the time.

COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE asked if the State Statute allows a \$500.00 fine for driving without insurance.

The Police Chief stated that the minimum fine for not having insurance is \$500.00 and sometimes the Judge reduces it.

COUNCILMAN TURK asked if a vehicle is towed and later they prove that they have the insurance, can the fee be waived.

The Police Chief stated that the fee can be waived, but the tow company will still charge their \$120.

COUNCILMAN UREMOVIC asked if the staff can research what they have in Waugekan and Channahon and if it works there where they have that ordinance in place, possibly that would make it easier to do here.

COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE stated that is fine, but in the mean time this goes to \$250 until they come back with that information.

The Corporation Counsel said if the City wanted to deal with towing for insurance as a separate stand alone issue and proceed with the original recommendation to elevate the \$250 administrative fee up to \$500 for those offenses that have administrative fees, perhaps COUNCILMAN UREMOVIC could withdraw his amendment and the Council could continue on with the vote. He said that a separate recommendation could be presented on the insurance issue to the Council for a stand alone vote.

COUNCILMAN UREMOVIC stated that he will withdraw his amendment to the motion, and COUNCILMAN TURK withdrew his second.

Prior to his vote, COUNCILMAN BROPHY stated that some of these things are obvious violations and there are fines for punishment. He stated that with regard to the insurance issue he would much rather see a requirement that the driver prove they carry insurance every six months or a year than just collecting a monetary fine. He stated that what you really want to do is protect those who may be affected by their problems in the future. He said that the penalty alone doesn't necessarily motivate them to go buy insurance if they didn't buy it in the past. He stated that he would like to think about some creative results of these kinds of stops where the driver would be on some type of probation and they would have to prove they had insurance every so often.

The Corporation Counsel stated that what is being done here tonight is reimbursing the City for its overhead and lost time in dealing with an impoundment issue. He said that it is not really intended to be punitive, and the penalty for violating the traffic laws is imposed by a Judge and not the Police Department. He stated that the Council is restricted to a fine when dealing with violations of the traffic laws.

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(ORDINANCE NO. 15488)

5. AN ORDINANCE Authorizing the Abatement of Real Estate Taxes in Connection with General Obligation Corporate Purpose Bonds, Series 1993A was presented and read.
(Council Memo #284-06)

COUNCILMAN SHETINA asked for a brief explanation.

The City Manager stated that the City sold bonds in the amount of \$14,500,000.00 in General Obligation Bonds in 1991 and basically the Council has provided for those bonds to be paid off so this is just an abatement for levy purposes.

COUNCILMAN TURK moved that said Ordinance be adopted.

Motion seconded by COUNCILMAN UREMOVIC.

Motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCILMEN TURK, UREMOVIC, BROPHY, GIARRANTE, LEDESMA, COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN, COUNCILMAN SHETINA and MAYOR SCHULTZ.

NAYS: NONE.

(ORDINANCE NO. 15489)

6. AN ORDINANCE Amending the General Penalty Provision of the Code of Ordinances by Increasing the Amount of the Maximum Fine for Handicap Parking Violations was presented and read.
(Council Memo #285-06)

COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN moved that said Ordinance be adopted.

Motion seconded by COUNCILMAN SHETINA.

Motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCILMEN UREMOVIC, BROPHY, GIARRANTE, LEDESMA, COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN, COUNCILMEN SHETINA, TURK and MAYOR SCHULTZ.

NAYS: NONE.

Prior to his vote, COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE asked how hard it is to get a handicap parking sticker.

The Police Chief stated that the State completely controls that and you have to get a Doctor's excuse.

COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN stated that sometimes people don't look handicapped, but they have breathing problems or things like that so it is hard to tell.

(ORDINANCE NO. 15490)

7. AN ORDINANCE Approving a Development Agreement with the Housing Authority of Joliet was presented and read.
(Council Memo #286-06)

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COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE moved that this item be tabled and sent to the Finance Committee to review.

Motion seconded by COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN.

The City Manager stated that with all due respect he would like to give Henry Morris, Executive Director of the Housing Authority of Joliet, the chance to respond to the impact. He stated that they have an application that is due to IHDA for funding and they will miss a window if they don't proceed at this Council meeting. He stated that this is a development agreement that provides for them to come back to the City at a later date with a Planned Unit Development that would show the Council all the different types of housing and any restrictions or requirements that would be placed on it at that time for the housing portion of it.

COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE asked when it has to be in and why it is so late coming to the Council.

The City Manager stated that it is really controlled by the Housing Authority and staff has met with them several times. He said that it was taken to the Land Use Committee, but it wasn't taken to the Finance Committee because normally housing projects are not taken to them, but this does have a financial contribution from the City.

COUNCILMAN SHETINA stated that they did talk about it at the Land Use Committee last week on an emergency basis.

COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE stated that he was not able to be at that meeting, but there are a lot of people still getting flooding and streets that need to be done. He stated that he has a problem with giving them \$500,000 out of the NIP funds.

Mr. Henry Morris, Executive Director of the Housing Authority of Joliet, stated that this is an opportunity for the Housing Authority to reinvent and transform its public housing program. He stated that the current state of the family housing developments is very poor and they are classified as functionally obsolete in terms of their conditions and density. He stated that mixed income housing is being encouraged by the Department of Housing and Urban Development. He stated that with this particular project the application has to be submitted by April 3, 2006 to IHDA and if they don't get it at that time the next window of opportunity would be in December of 2006. He stated that the application is going to be going after about \$10 million in low income housing tax credits as well as affordable housing trust funds of \$1 million. He said that they also have commitments from the County and hopefully commitments from the City to come up with the total funding for about a \$16.5 million project. He apologized that they weren't able to get the information to the Council well ahead of schedule, but they have been working on this for about a year and have put together an excellent development team that has worked very hard in putting every aspect of this application and program together. He stated that they also consulted with the City Manager. He said that they are pretty confident that they have a good chance of being approved in April.

COUNCILMAN SHETINA stated that this will get rid of 100 and some odd units of heavy density.

Mr. Morris stated that what is going to happen is that the phase one development includes about 32 single family homes and 20 duplex homes. He stated that this

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would be home ownership for these units with families that are at 60% or below the median income would qualify. He stated that phase two would include the demolition of the 106 unit Poole Gardens housing development. He stated that the application going in for phase one is for new construction and once they get the approval of the application then they will submit a request to HUD to demolish the 106 unit Poole Gardens Housing development. He stated that they are pretty sure they will get the approval for the demolition which should be in about 30 to 60 days after the application is submitted.

COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE stated that he doesn't question for a minute that this will be better than what the City has now, but he questions using taxpayer's money to subsidize this. He stated that there are \$1 million worth of Home Funds being used and he asked what the IHDA trust fund is in the amount of \$1 million.

The City Manager stated that those are basically funds that are generated by the State of Illinois and those are made available only for affordable housing. He said there are federal tax credits that are passed down to the states based on federal law and they are able to be distributed in Illinois based upon a very competitive process, which is controlled by IHDA in evaluating the value of the affordable housing. He said that this is probably the best housing project in terms of affordable housing that the City has ever seen and it is unique to the State of Illinois. He stated that because it is an aggressive program and has a tremendous land plan the cost is high. He said that is why the City has recommended that the federal Home funds be used as the City did for the Victory Center and the YMCA. He stated that there has also been a discussion with Councilmen Ledesma and Dorris about using some of their NIP funds to build some of the streets and infrastructure to help make this project possible. He stated that right now Poole Gardens is an unsafe situation.

COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE stated that he is not questioning the need for it, but questioning the use of taxpayer's money who don't have their streets done and might have some flooding in their basement. He asked what the deferred developer's fee is in the amount of approximately \$600,000.

Mr. Jim Roberts, Urban Financial Services for the Housing Authority of Joliet, stated that the tax credit program allows the developer, in this case the Housing Authority of Joliet, to earn a developer fee for the development of the project. He stated that by definition developer fees are typically used for these projects to fund any gaps in the budgets. He said that in this particular instance the fees are used to fund operating reserves for the project.

COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE asked where that is coming from.

Mr. Roberts stated that it comes for the tax credit investor, which is an institutional investor who would purchase those tax credits for the project.

COUNCILMAN BROPHY stated that the Home Funds are received from HUD and it comes to the City for the specific use of housing.

The City Manager stated that it can only be used for creating affordable housing.

COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE stated that he is not questioning the \$1 million, but he is questioning the \$500,000 out of the NIP funds.

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COUNCILMAN UREMOVIC asked if the \$500,000 is for infrastructure on this development.

The City Manager stated that is correct.

COUNCILMAN LEDESMA stated that \$250,000 can easily go into somebody's alley that is needed. He said that streets and alleys still need to be done and also it could possibly help some low income senior citizens get their sidewalks done at no cost to them, which he would prefer. He stated that Poole Gardens and the other housing developments are an eyesore and he thinks it is a great investment of \$250,000 for the construction of the outside infrastructure and to get rid of something that bothers everybody and improves the quality of life and gives people an opportunity to get some of those houses with an option to buy.

Mr. Morris stated that once they complete phase two, which is the demolition of Poole Gardens and redevelopment of that site, they have two other phases at the Briggs and Rosalind site. He stated that after those four phases are completed, their plans are to move to the Fairview housing development and also pursue demolition and redevelopment of that site. He stated that once that is completed they would like to go to the DesPlaines housing development and do the same. He stated that all three family sites would be developed into mixed income housing communities with home ownership opportunities.

COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN stated that with all due respect to COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE she would like to withdraw her second because this is neighborhood improvement and she would defer to the District Councilman. She asked if this is passed this evening that the City get itemized reports in how the funds are allocated and what they are used for.

COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE stated that with all due respect to COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN this is not what neighborhood improvement was set up for.

COUNCILMAN TURK asked if this application is due April 3rd and will be hand carried to IHDA in Chicago.

Mr. Morris stated that is correct.

COUNCILMAN TURK stated that it puts the Council in a very difficult situation when something has to be in and the Council doesn't have time to review it. He stated that he would recommend that since there is a Pre-Council meeting that day and a Finance Committee meeting that could easily be scheduled for 3:00 p.m. that day, that after it goes thru the Finance Committee it could be brought to the full Council and a decision could be made at that time and they could take it up to IHDA in Chicago.

COUNCILMAN UREMOVIC stated that a special meeting could be called of the Finance Committee between now and the end of the month.

Mr. Roberts stated that if he could suggest that the meeting be held a week from now because if they do it for the April 3rd date they will never get there. He stated that this is an extensive application they are putting together.

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COUNCILMAN TURK stated that with the kind of money that they are talking about and the usage of NIP funds there should be a special Finance and Council meeting on it.

COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE questioned why it didn't go to the Finance Committee before with this amount of money involved.

COUNCILMAN SHETINA stated that the Land Use Committee was asked to take a look at it because of the urgency of it. He said that he respects COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE'S concern about NIP money, but on the other hand he looks at how the Housing Authority has never embarrassed the City and they have done a great job. He stated that he knows the Council is not questioning anything about the project or the concept but just about the NIP Funds. He said that he always felt that each neighborhood has its own needs and to get rid of Poole Gardens would be a tremendous asset, and to replace it with home ownership is another asset. He stated that the only people who can do this and help expedite this is the City of Joliet. He said that he doesn't like these things coming in real quick either, but he believes it is an appropriate use of the money. He stated that there are a lot of needs in all of the districts, but this is a great need also. He said he is amazed at what is going on with home ownership on the east side. He stated that he prefers to approve it tonight, but he would like to know what would happen if it is voted down tonight.

The Corporation Counsel stated that it could come back at a future City Council meeting and it would have an effect on this round of IHDA funding unless that future Council action would occur prior to the April 3rd cut off. He stated that if it was voted on tonight and failed to carry the only way that the Housing Authority would be able to compete this April for funding of the project would be a special Council meeting unless there was really fast action and consideration on April 3rd and the application is waiting in the wings in Chicago near a cell phone for word of the Council's action.

COUNCILMAN TURK asked what happens with the \$500,000 of NIP funds that would be going into this project if the grant is not received.

The City Manager stated that it is never given to them. He stated that they would not get any money from the City for several years as they progress with this particular project, but it would be a commitment to the project should the project be approved.

COUNCILMAN TURK stated that if the application could be written and up in Chicago on the 3rd that should work. He stated that he would like to see it go thru the Finance Committee.

MAYOR SCHULTZ stated that at this time there is no money that will exchange hands.

The City Manager stated that is correct.

MAYOR SCHULTZ stated that this is just a commitment to the project.

The City Manager stated that if they get the project then the City will provide the funding in the future.

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COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE stated that if they get the money there is a 99.9% that the project will happen.

The City Manager stated that they have to get approved by IHDA. He said there is \$17 million worth of funding here. He stated that the City's \$1 million from HUD is not an issue so it is the \$500,000 from NIP funds and the downside is losing \$17 million in funding for this project.

COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE asked Mr. Morris if this money includes redoing the DesPlaines Street project.

Mr. Morris stated that would be another project.

COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE stated that it is possible that the HAJ would have to come back to the Council for more funding in order to make the deal go through.

Mr. Morris stated that is a possibility, but he guarantees that they will try to stay as far away from that as possible.

COUNCILMAN BROPHY suggested that a meeting be called for Friday afternoon since everyone is here now and a public notice could be given. He stated that this is something that needs to get done. He said that this is a big responsibility of the City to help with what the Housing Authority has done for many years in a very good manner. He said that it is a good point to talk about whether or not NIP funds should be in it. He stated that would give them the chance to get the application in on time.

COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN stated that she agrees with that.

The Corporation Counsel stated that a special meeting could be called on the order of the Mayor and three concurring Councilmen, but you need 48 hours notice.

MAYOR SCHULTZ suggested a special meeting for Friday at 2:00 p.m.

COUNCILMAN UREMOVIC stated that he would be out of town on Friday.

COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE stated he would not be able to attend a meeting in the afternoon either.

MAYOR SCHULTZ stated he thinks it would be a good idea if the District Councilmen would be in attendance.

The City Manager asked for a recess to discuss something with Mr. Morris.

The City Manager said that he believes they have a solution to the problem since the \$500,000, which is the NIP funding, is at issue and the rest of the funding is not and the rest of the project is not. He asked that the Housing Authority use the developer fee that will be coming to the Housing Authority to plug the \$500,000 gap temporarily or it could be permanent if necessary. He stated that there is an impact on the Housing Authority, but then the Council at a later date can determine whether the NIP funding would be appropriate. He said then it could be voted on tonight and the application could go and the NIP funding could be decided at a later date.

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COUNCILMAN SHETINA congratulated the City Manager for the solution.

The City Manager stated that it would be appropriate if someone wanted to make a motion to approve this except for the \$500,000 of NIP funding.

COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE stated that he would withdraw his table.

COUNCILMAN BROPHY moved that said Ordinance be adopted with the exception of the \$500,000 in NIP funding.

Motion seconded by COUNCILMAN SHETINA.

Motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCILMEN BROPHY, GIARRANTE, LEDESMA,
COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN, COUNCILMEN SHETINA, TURK,
UREMOVIC and MAYOR SCHULTZ.

NAYS: NONE.

Prior to his vote, COUNCILMAN LEDESMA asked if the \$250,000 of the NIP funding will go to street, sidewalks and curbs.

The City Manager stated that will be decided at another meeting after this is brought to the Finance Committee. He stated that right now the vote would be without the \$250,000 NIP funds.

Prior to his vote, MAYOR SCHULTZ stated that he thinks this is an outstanding project and he will vote aye.

(ORDINANCE NO. 15491)

B. RESOLUTIONS

1. A RESOLUTION Declaring Certain City of Joliet Property as Surplus was presented and read. (5,000 gallon water tank)
(Council Memo #289-06)

COUNCILMAN BROPHY moved that said Resolution be adopted.

Motion seconded by COUNCILMAN SHETINA.

Motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCILMEN GIARRANTE, LEDESMA, COUNCILWOMAN
QUILLMAN, COUNCILMEN SHETINA, TURK, UREMOVIC, BROPHY
and MAYOR SCHULTZ.

NAYS: NONE.

(RESOLUTION NO. 5757)

COUNCILMAN LEDESMA left the meeting at this point.

2. A RESOLUTION Approving an Agreement for Mosquito Control Services to be Provided by Joliet Township was presented and read.
(Council Memo #290-06)

COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE moved that said Resolution be adopted.

Motion seconded by COUNCILMAN BROPHY.

Motion carried by the following vote:

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AYES: COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN, COUNCILMEN SHETINA, TURK, UREMOVIC, BROPHY, GIARRANTE and MAYOR SCHULTZ.

NAYS: NONE.

Prior to her vote, COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN asked that the neighbors are notified before the spraying like last summer.

(RESOLUTION NO. 5758)

3. A RESOLUTION Appropriating Motor Fuel Tax Funds in the amount of \$83,514.30 for the Installation of Standard Aluminum Arterial Streetlights on 129th Infantry Drive and Gael Drive was presented and read. (Section No. 05-00392-00-LT)
(Council Memo #291-06)

COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE moved that said Resolution be adopted.

Motion seconded by COUNCILMAN BROPHY.

Motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCILMEN SHETINA, TURK, UREMOVIC, BROPHY, GIARRANTE, COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN and MAYOR SCHULTZ.

NAYS: NONE.

(RESOLUTION NO. 5759)

BIDS AND CONTRACTS

A. Award of Contracts

1. Approval of Purchase of Antivirus and Mail Security Applications and Licenses
(Council Memo #295-06)

A report on three proposals received for the above contract was accompanied by a recommendation from the City Manager that the Mayor and Council approve the purchase of Trend Micro NetSuite and Control Manager for 500 licenses from CDWG in the amount of \$10,205.37.

2. Award of Contract for Printing of the 2006 Joliet Summer Events Guide
(Council Memo #296-06)

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 contract to FGS/Kelvyn Inc. in the amount of \$5,434.00.

3. Authorization to Purchase Laptop Computers to Enhance Operations During a Major Event
(Council Memo #297-06)

A report on three proposals received for the above contract was accompanied by a recommendation from the City Manager that the Mayor and Council approve the purchase of six laptop computers from Dell Computer Corporation in the amount of \$5,995.38.

4. Authorization to Purchase Six Portable Radios and Vehicle Chargers for the Fire Department

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(Council Memo #298-06)

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the Mayor and Council award this contract to Motorola in the amount of \$19,584.00.

5. Authorization to Purchase Exercise Equipment for Fire Station No. 10

(Council Memo #299-06)

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the Mayor and Council award the contract to Direct Fitness Solutions in the amount of \$15,808.50.

COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN asked why this wasn't in the original furnishings budget.

The Fire Chief stated that it was part of that budget.

The City Manager stated that this is just a separate memo and there is a budget code for it, but it was part of the original request.

6. Authorization to Purchase Office Furniture for Fire Station No. 10

(Council Memo #300-06)

A report on five bids received for the above contract was accompanied by a recommendation from the City Manager that the Mayor and Council award this contract to McGrath Office Equipment in the amount of \$19,603.00.

7. Authorization to Purchase Lockers for Fire Station No. 10

(Council Memo #301-06)

A report on two bids received for the above contract was accompanied by a recommendation from the City Manager that the Mayor and Council take the following actions: 1) Approve the purchase of 44 lockers from Joliet Office Supply in the amount of \$14,215.00; and 2) Approve the payment of \$4,264.50 deposit to Joliet Office Supply to secure the order.

8. Authorization to Purchase Forty (40) Radio Pagers and Accessories for New Firefighters

(Council Memo #302-06)

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 this contract to A Beep LLC in the amount of \$16,400.00.

9. Award of Contract for the Center/Jefferson Street Landscaping Improvements

(Council Memo #303-06)

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 Allied Landscaping in the amount of \$24,467.50.

10. Award of Contract for the 2006 Spring Tree Planting Program

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(Council Memo #304-06)

A report on four bids received for the above contract was accompanied by a recommendation from the City Manager that the Mayor and Council award the contract to Alaniz Landscape Group in the amount of \$72,760.00.

11. Award of Contract for the Replacement of West Park Front Lift Station No. 3 Pump
(Council Memo #305-06)

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the Mayor and Council award the contract to Gasvoda and Associates in the amount of \$39,987.50.

12. Authorization to Repair Well 11-D 500 HP Motor - 2006
(Council Memo #306-06)

A report on three bids received for the above contract was accompanied by a recommendation from the City Manager that the Mayor and Council take the following actions: 1) Approve the increase to Purchase Order No. 80006 by \$5,245.00 to Joliet Equipment; and 2) Approve Payment No. 1 and Final in the amount of \$6,235.00.

13. Award of Contract for the 2006 Landscape Maintenance Services
(Council Memo #307-06)

A report on three bids received for the above contract was accompanied by a recommendation from the City Manager that the Mayor and Council award the contract to Arbor Tek Services Inc. in the amount of \$11,744.00.

14. Award of Contract for the 129th Infantry Drive/Gael Drive Street Lighting Improvements Project
(Council Memo #308-06)

A report on five bids received for the above contract was accompanied by a recommendation from the City Manager that the Mayor and Council award the contract to Utility Dynamics Corporation in the amount of \$83,514.30.

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: COUNCILMEN TURK, UREMOVIC, BROPHY, GIARRANTE, COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN, COUNCILMAN SHETINA and MAYOR SCHULTZ.

NAYS: NONE.

B. Amendments, Change Orders, Payments and Finals:

1. Approve Change Order No. 2 for the Fire Station No. 10 Project
(Council Memo #313-06)

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A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the Mayor and Council approve Change Order No. 2 in the amount of \$11,279.95 on behalf of R. L. Sohol Contractors.

2. Approve Change Order No. 1 for FCPA Contract #02-08 –
Limestone/Vine at Center Street Ramp
(Council Memo #314-06)

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the Mayor and Council approve Change Order No. 1, a decrease in the amount of \$2,500.00 on behalf of Friends of Community Public Art.

3. Approve Change Order No. 2 for the Well 25-D Metering and
Electrical Facility Project
(Council Memo #315-06)

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the Mayor and Council approve Change Order No. 2 in the amount of \$6,298.40 on behalf of Construction by Camco.

4. Approve Change Order No. 2 for the Cofiltration HMO Water
Treatment Equipment – Procurement Project
(Council Memo #316-06)

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the Mayor and Council approve Change Order No. 2 in the amount of \$3,309.00 on behalf of Layne Western.

5. Payment to the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency for the
Community Water Supply Testing Fund – Fiscal Year 2006
(Council Memo #317-06)

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the Mayor and Council approve the payment of \$23,400.00 to the Illinois EPA for the period July 1, 2006 thru June 30, 2007.

6. Approve Change Order No. 1 and Pay Estimate No. 1 for the
Well 15-D Emergency Repair
(Council Memo #318-06)

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 \$8,457.00 and Pay Estimate No. 1 in the amount of \$61,343.00 on behalf of Layne Christensen Company.

7. Approve Change Order No. 3 and Pay Estimate No. 6 for the
Well 25-D Construction Project
(Council Memo #319-06)

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the Mayor and Council approve Change Order No. 3 in the amount of \$100,933.00 and Pay Estimate No. 6 in the amount of \$84,182.40 on behalf of Layne Western.

8. Approve Change Orders and Pay Estimate No. 6 and Final for

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the Aux Sable Creek Basin Conveyance Project – Phase III
(Council Memo #320-06)

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 \$71,495.35, Change Order No. 2 in the amount of \$171,863.11 and Pay Estimate No. 6 and Final in the amount of \$312,930.38 on behalf of T. J. Lambrecht Construction Company.

9. Approve Change Order No. 1 and Pay Request No. 1 and Final for the Police Impound Lot Fencing
(Council Memo #321-06)

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the Mayor and Council approve Change Order No. 1 in the amount of \$3,632.00, Pay Request No. 1 and Final in the amount of \$18,882.00 on behalf of Alliance Fence Corporation.

10. Approve Change Order No. 3 and Pay Estimate No. 4 for the Henderson Avenue (Cass – Washington) Roadway Improvement Project – 2005 Capital Improvement Program
(Council Memo #322-06)

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the Mayor and Council approve Change Order No. 3 in the amount of \$10,027.11 and Pay Estimate No. 4 in the amount of \$16,479.46 on behalf of P. T. Ferro Construction Company.

11. Approve Change Order No. 1 and Pay Estimate No. 2 and Final for the Black Road (Donna – Madison) Sidewalk Project – 2005 Neighborhood Improvement Program
(Council Memo #323-06)

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the Mayor and Council approve Change Order No. 1 in the amount of \$1,102.31 and Pay Estimate No. 2 and Final in the amount of \$8,075.85 on behalf of P. T. Ferro Construction Company.

12. Approve Change Order No. 1 and Payout No. 17 and Final for the Fairmont and Garvin 4MG Water Storage Tank
(Council Memo #324-06)

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 \$4,515.20 and Payout No. 17 and Final in the amount of \$29,810.00 on behalf of Advance Tank and Construction Company.

13. Approve Change Order No. 2 and Payout No. 6 and Final for the Fairmont and Garvin Booster Station
(Council Memo #325-06)

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the Mayor and Council approve Change Order No. 2 in the amount of \$18,341.00 and Payout No. 6 and Final in the amount of \$71,763.00 on behalf of Great Midwest Contracting Corporation.

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14. Authorization for Payment of Cold Patch Material – February 2006
(Council Memo #326-06)

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the Mayor and Council take the following actions: 1) Approve the increase to Purchase Order No. 79479 by \$4,857.04 to Gallagher Asphalt; and 2) Approve Payment in the amount of \$8,357.04.

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

Motion seconded by COUNCILMAN TURK.

Motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCILMEN UREMOVIC, BROPHY, GIARRANTE, COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN, COUNCILMEN SHETINA, TURK and MAYOR SCHULTZ.

NAYS: NONE.

LICENSES AND PERMIT APPLICATIONS

- A. Application for a Drive-In Permit for People First Bank at 3100 Theodore Street
(Council Memo #331-06)

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the Mayor and Council approve the application for construction of a drive-in facility for the People First Bank at 3100 Theodore Street.

COUNCILMAN TURK moved that the recommendation of the City Manager be concurred in.

Motion seconded by COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE.

Motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCILMEN BROPHY, GIARRANTE, COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN, COUNCILMEN SHETINA, TURK, UREMOVIC and MAYOR SCHULTZ.

NAYS: NONE.

- B. Change of a Class "I-D" Liquor License to a Class "I" Liquor License at 242 E. Cass Street
(Council Memo #332-06)

A communication from the Liquor Commissioner regarding the application of Antonio Saucedo d/b/a Saucedo Banquet Hall for the change of a Class "I-D" Liquor License to a Class "I" Liquor License at 242 E. Cass Street contained his recommended that the change of license is in the best interest of the City, and therefore, approval is recommended.

COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE moved that the recommendation of the Liquor Commissioner be concurred in.

Motion seconded by COUNCILMAN TURK.

Motion carried by the following vote:

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COUNCILMEN SHETINA, TURK, UREMOVIC, BROPHY and MAYOR
SCHULTZ.

NAYS: NONE.

MAYOR

MAYOR AND COUNCIL COMMENTS:

A. Mayor Schultz – Appointments

MAYOR SCHULTZ placed in nomination the appointment of David Thornton to the Will County Metropolitan Exposition and Auditorium Authority replacing Jan Quillman with a term of March 1, 2006 thru March 1, 2007.

COUNCILMAN BROPHY moved that the appointment of David Thornton to the Will County Metropolitan Exposition and Auditorium Authority be confirmed.

Motion seconded by COUNCILMAN TURK.

Motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN, COUNCILMEN SHETINA, TURK,
UREMOVIC, BROPHY, GIARRANTE and MAYOR SCHULTZ.

NAYS: NONE.

The City Clerk noted that MAYOR SCHULTZ has also appointed Fire Chief Larry Mores and Firefighter Eric Mattson to the Joliet Fire Pension Board.

COUNCILMAN SHETINA stated that there is a homeowner's meeting Thursday night at Wesmere Subdivision.

COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN reminded everyone that next Wednesday, March 29th is the FOP Annual Spaghetti Supper from 11:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. at the Moose Lodge.

COUNCILMAN BROPHY applauded the two appointments that the Mayor made to the Fire Pension Board. He reminded everyone to vote tomorrow. He stated that in the Kerwin Terrace subdivision a few years ago there was a request for a neighborhood sign to be put at the corner of Ingalls and Wyoming. He stated that some landscaping was done, but the sign never went up and he would like it put up. He thanked Mr. David Gregory for all the work he did by requesting information, seeking help from his elected officials, looking up the names he was going to petition, knocking on their door, calling them by name and not just calling the open line and complaining about an issue, but going out of his way to look out for his fellow man.

COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE stated that the Waterford Pointe subdivision has a homeowner's meeting Friday, March 30th at 6:30 p.m. at the west side library.

Mr. Tom Papandria, 506 Emery Street, stated he is a new homeowner in Joliet and he is concerned about not having City water at his house. He stated that their area has been in the City of Joliet since the 1960's. He stated that recently the Village of Rockdale's main well went down and as a result they have been pumping from other aquifers and his neighborhood has well water and they have been experiencing trouble with running water in their houses. He stated that he has already spent a lot of time and money trying to get the problem fixed. He

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stated that he has been told that once Rockdale stops pumping that his well should be fine, however, in the meantime he has minimal running water. He asked if he could have a timeline of when the City plans to supply water to his area.

MAYOR SCHULTZ asked if the City could give Mr. Papandria an answer.

The City Manager stated that staff is aware of this situation and what is not under their control at this point is the water level. He stated that you might get a quick fix if Rockdale changes their pumping, but that is not recommended where someone else controls whether you have water at your house or not. He stated that they talked about doing a NIP project there and the cost could be looked at again to see what could be done to get the most important area done first to service the houses that don't have water at this point.

COUNCILMAN UREMOVIC stated that there was a meeting last year with the homeowners and the sewer line was put in last year and nobody has hooked up to the sewer line yet. He said that the City is waiting for the homeowners to hook onto the sewer line. He stated that staff did discuss the problem with the water and the homeowners are going to have to sign on to a special project to bring water there, and this would be a substantial cost. He said he thinks some of the homeowners did not want to go forward with the hook up.

Mr. Papandria asked what would be considered a substantial cost.

COUNCILMAN UREMOVIC stated that the hook up fee alone would be \$2,500.

The City Manager stated that the City's portion would be \$100,000.

Mr. Papandria stated that people are spending \$2,700 for a new well in their back yard and the City is spending thousands on statues. He said these houses have been part of the City of Joliet since the 1960's.

The City Manager stated that all of the other people in the City have paid for their water and sewer over the years. He said that this area is a part of the City that has not.

COUNCILMAN UREMOVIC stated that he has asked staff to take a look at this already and again the homeowners would have to sign on to this and they are still waiting for homeowners to sign on for the sewer yet. He stated that previously no one put in a petition for the water, just the sewer. He said the staff has already been directed to do a study and present the study to the homeowners for a cost and then the homeowners can decide if they want it or not.

Mr. Papandria asked what the time frame is.

The Public Works Administrator stated that they should be able to get something in 30 days with a cost estimate and break down for the property owners.

MAYOR SCHULTZ asked if the property owners were OK with the 30 days.

Mr. Papandria stated that would be fine and at least they would have a working time frame.

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The Public Works Administrator stated that right now the situation is short term because Rockdale's main well is down and they have increased the pumping from the well in this neighborhood, but there will be a long term effect. He stated that part of Rockdale's radium compliance plan calls for them to increase the pumping from this location on a regular basis starting this fall.

MAYOR SCHULTZ asked the Public Works Administrator if at the second meeting in April he would have all the information that these homeowners need.

The Public Works Administrator stated that a lot of work was done already on this so the numbers would have to be updated and analyzed again for this area.

The City Manager asked if the preliminary information could be ready in three weeks so the staff could meet with the neighborhood and COUNCILMAN UREMOVIC. He stated then it could be brought to the Council for the second meeting in April for a modification to the District 3 NIP.

COUNCILMAN TURK asked if this comes back and is agreeable to everyone, what would be the time frame to them to have City water.

The Public Works Administrator stated that it would probably be late summer.

COUNCILMAN SHETINA stated that if Rockdale goes back on line with their other two wells it will take care of it in the interim.

Mr. Papandria asked if Rockdale could decrease their pumping in this area since they are affecting this neighborhood.

The Public Works Administrator stated that they are aware of this problem. He stated that a similar situation happened 7 to 8 years ago and they are not pumping primarily from that location, but only to make up the balance of what they need in their system right now. He stated that they are trying to get their main well on line and that should be done later this week.

ADJOURNMENT

COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE moved that the Council adjourn.

Motion seconded by COUNCILMAN SHETINA.

Motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCILMEN SHETINA, TURK, UREMOVIC, BROPHY, GIARRANTE,
COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN and MAYOR SCHULTZ.

NAYS: NONE.

ARTHUR SCHULTZ
Mayor

JANET K. TRAVEN
City Clerk

Recorded on Tape