

***Proceedings of the Council of the City of Joliet, Illinois
held on the 3rd day of April, A.D. 2007***

REGULAR MEETING of the Council of the City of Joliet, Illinois held on Tuesday, April 3, 2007 at 6:30 P.M. in the Council Chambers, Joliet Municipal Building, 150 W. Jefferson Street, Joliet, Illinois.

An Invocation was delivered by Pastor Jim Salzman, Grace United Methodist Church, Avalon Avenue and Larkin Avenue, Joliet, Illinois.

Pastor Salzman then led the pledge to the flag.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: MAYOR ARTHUR SCHULTZ and DISTRICT 2 COUNCILMAN TIMOTHY M. BROPHY, DISTRICT 5 COUNCILMAN WARREN C. DORRIS, 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: NONE.

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, March 19, 2007 at 3:30 p.m. and of the Regular Meeting held on Tuesday, March 20, 2007 at 6:30 p.m. stand approved as recorded.

Motion seconded by COUNCILMAN UREMOVIC.

Motion carried by the following vote:

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

NAYS: NONE.

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Baseball

COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE stated the Committee met and discussed the 2007 Stadium Menu at Silver Cross Field. He said there were about 6 items that were raised by a quarter.

COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE said the Committee also discussed stadium improvements and Miracle Field and what the progress is on it. He said they hope to have it up and running by the fall. He said for those that don't know what it is, Miracle Field is a field for handicapped children. He said they are in the process of working on it now and will work on it throughout the summer. He said it is very expensive and there will be a fundraiser. He said they have had quite a few people that have contacted them about playing and people that wish to help out.

***Proceedings of the Council of the City of Joliet, Illinois
held on the 3rd day of April, A.D. 2007***

COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE said they also had a discussion on some of the new things they're going to do at the stadium including specialty nights which will feature different ethnic foods.

COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN said new this year will be a combo package for kids which will include a hotdog, fry and a pop or water. She also said whole pizzas will be available for purchase which will be cheaper than buying single slices.

B. Public Service

COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE said the 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 them for approval.

There were no other Committee reports.

CONSENT AGENDA

**A. Approval of the 2007 Stadium Menu at Silver Cross Field
(Council Memo #341-07)**

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the Mayor and Council approve the 2007 Stadium Menu at Silver Cross Field.

**B. A RESOLUTION Supporting the Joliet Township High School
District 204 Referendum Proposition to Issue School Building
Bonds was presented and read.
(Council Memo #403-07)
(RESOLUTION NO. 5898)**

The City Manager stated COUNCILMAN UREMOVIC asked yesterday whether the school district had taken a look at their tax rate and whether the tax rate would remain the same even after the two field houses were built. He said they reviewed that with their Superintendent and with Rich Pagliaro who is their Business Manager. He said their rate will stay the same at .25 cents after these improvements are done and also after many other improvements that they have planned are also phased in over the years. He said over the next 10 years they are estimating it will stay at .25 cents and after that if there are not any new projects further than that, it would even decrease over the next 10 years after that. He said so over the next 20 years there is a potential for it to decrease but it will not increase based on the projects that have been proposed.

Dr. Paul Swanstrom, Superintendent of Joliet Township High School District 204, stated on behalf of the Board of Education and the administration they appreciate the opportunity to talk to you about the proposed field houses. He said they have a strategic plan and it is an objective in their plan to make sure they have the facilities necessary to support the academic and co-curricular programs in the high school district. He said there are three reasons for the proposed field houses. He said one is that their enrollment has been increasing dramatically over the last 5 to 10 years. He said during the last 5 years they have added 62 classrooms, science labs, and cafeteria space, but one of the things they have not been able to do yet is address the increased enrollment and the need for physical education facilities. He said the proposed field houses will add those facilities and in addition it will address an inequity in terms of facilities for their athletic teams. He said their students currently run on the third floor of the

***Proceedings of the Council of the City of Joliet, Illinois
held on the 3rd day of April, A.D. 2007***

Central campus when they're practicing for track. He said after looking at other communities it is also their intention to have the field houses available for community use as well.

Dr. Swanstrom said regarding the rate hike, they are able to do this without an increase in the overall tax rate.

MAYOR SCHULTZ asked if this will make any more space in the classrooms.

Dr. Swanstrom said yes it will. He said currently some of their physical education classes are using classroom space, and that will be freed up for classroom instruction as well as health space at the West campus. He said at the West campus they have no place for an all-school assembly so the field house at that campus will have some additional seating that will accommodate all-school assemblies as well as the commencement exercises at the end of the year. He said the last couple of years they tried to have it at the football field and the weather has not been cooperative.

COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE asked if they had a target date for completion.

Dr. Swanstrom said if it is approved at the April 17th election, they would begin construction this summer and the projected completion date would be in the fall of 2008.

Dr. Swanstrom then distributed an article written by Jamie Vollmer that was requested by COUNCILMAN BROPHY that he had received at a presentation that was made at a Chamber luncheon back in November where they talked about the need for good business education community partnerships. He said it is a timeline starting from when the schools were first instituted back in the 1640's and the focus was on reading, writing and arithmetic and it lists the additional kinds of requirements and activities that schools have been asked to address. He said the point that Mr. Vollmer makes in the end is that with all this increased activity in most school districts and in most states not a single minute has been added to the school day in the last 50 years.

COUNCILMAN BROPHY thanked Dr. Swanstrom and said it's important to recognize that our constituents are very smart people and when you say there is a need and you demonstrate the need they respond with a positive vote on tax referenda. He said when it's a little more frivolous sometimes they turn it down and he said he believes in the constituents here in our community and he thinks they will see with information like this that this is for everybody, not just the sports team, but for every student in the school.

COUNCILMAN DORRIS moved that the recommendation of the City Manager be concurred in and that said Resolution be adopted.

Motion seconded by COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE.

Motion carried by the following vote:

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

NAYS: NONE.

***Proceedings of the Council of the City of Joliet, Illinois
held on the 3rd day of April, A.D. 2007***

Prior to his vote, COUNCILMAN SHETINA said it's a pleasure to see the City and the school district working together. He said they have a glitch every now and then but he thinks over the years we have had a good working relationship and it's good to see that occur again and he voted aye.

Dr. Swanstrom stated he appreciates COUNCILMAN SHETINA'S comments and they appreciate the City's support of the schools and they want to work together whenever they can and they appreciate the fact that they are moving forward with that relationship.

Prior to his vote, MAYOR SCHULTZ stated good luck and he voted aye.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

A. Public Hearing re: Annexation of 80 Acres at the Northwest Corner of Arbeiter and Caton Farm Roads

1. Resolution re: Approving the Annexation Agreement for 80 Acres at the Northwest Corner of Arbeiter and Caton Farm Roads (#A-39-06/Dist. #3)
(Council Memo #345-07)
2. Ordinance re: Approving the Annexation of 80 Acres at the Northwest Corner of Arbeiter and Caton Farm Roads (#A-39-06/Dist. #3)
(Council Memo #345-07)
3. Ordinance re: Approving the Classification of 80 Acres at the Northwest Corner of Arbeiter and Caton Farm Road to R-1B and R-4 Zoning (#A-39-06/Dist. #3)
(Council Memo #345-07)

B. Public Hearing re: Annexation of 80 Acres Located West of Arbeiter Road

1. Resolution re: Approving the Annexation Agreement for 80 Acres Located West of Arbeiter Road (#A-40-06/Dist. #3)
(Council Memo #345-07)
2. Ordinance re: Approving the Annexation of 80 Acres Located West of Arbeiter Road (#A-40-06/Dist. #3)
(Council Memo #345-07)
3. Ordinance re: Approving the Classification of 80 Acres Located West of Arbeiter Road to R-1B Zoning (#A-40-06/Dist. #3)
(Council Memo #345-07)

C. Public Hearing re: Annexation of 40 Acres Located West of Arbeiter Road

1. Resolution re: Approving the Annexation Agreement for 40 Acres Located West of Arbeiter Road (#A-41-06/Dist. #3)
(Council Memo #345-07)

***Proceedings of the Council of the City of Joliet, Illinois
held on the 3rd day of April, A.D. 2007***

2. Ordinance re: Approving the Annexation of 40 Acres Located West of Arbeiter Road (#A-41-06/Dist. #3)
(Council Memo #345-07)
 3. Ordinance re: Approving the Classification of 40 Acres Located West of Arbeiter Road to R-1B Zoning (#A-41-06/Dist. #3)
(Council Memo #345-07)
- D. Public Hearing re: Annexation of 120 Acres Located at the Southwest Corner of Arbeiter and Walker Roads
1. Resolution re: Approving the Annexation Agreement for 120 Acres Located at the Southwest Corner of Arbeiter and Walker Roads (#A-42-06/Dist. #3)
(Council Memo #345-07)
 2. Ordinance re: Approving the Annexation of 120 Acres Located at the Southwest Corner of Arbeiter and Walker Roads (#A-42-06/Dist. #3)
(Council Memo #345-07)
 3. Ordinance re: Approving the Classification of 120 Acres Located at the Southwest Corner of Arbeiter and Walker Roads to R-1B Zoning (#A-42-06/Dist. #3)
(Council Memo #345-07)

A communication from the City Manager advised that the owners of these parcels have withdrawn their petitions for annexation, classifications and annexation agreements.

- E. Public Hearing re: Amendment to the Annexation Agreement for Autobahn Country Club
1. A RESOLUTION Approving an Amendment to the Annexation Agreement for Autobahn Country Club as recommended by the Plan Commission was presented and read. (#A-4-07/Dist. #3)
(Council Memo #346-07)
(RESOLUTION NO. 5899)
 2. AN ORDINANCE Approving an Amendment to the Master Development Plan for Autobahn Country Club (3801 Patterson Road) as recommended by the Plan Commission was presented and read. (#M-4-07/Dist. #3)
(Council Memo #346-07)
(ORDINANCE NO. 15848)
 3. AN ORDINANCE Approving an Amendment to a Special Use Permit to Allow an Outdoor Recreational Use Facility for Autobahn Country Club, Located at 3801 Patterson Road as recommended by the Zoning Board of Appeals was presented and read. (#Petition 2007-18/Dist. #3)
(Council Memo #346-07)
(ORDINANCE NO. 15849)

***Proceedings of the Council of the City of Joliet, Illinois
held on the 3rd day of April, A.D. 2007***

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

Attorney Mike Hansen introduced Mark Basso, the President and one of the founders of the Country Club, other members of the founding team Mike Keck, Tim O'Donnell, Steve Wagner, and Rick Suttle of Ruettinger & Tonelli. He said this is another step in the vision of Autobahn Country Club to help the City be the entertainment capital of the country let alone the Midwest. He said they are bringing something to the City of Joliet that is not going to be found elsewhere in the United States. He said they have received great cooperation from the Mayor and Council, the City Manager and the Corporation Counsel. He also said COUNCILMAN DORRIS and COUNCILMAN LEDESMA have been very integral and helpful in trying to get this project off the ground.

Mr. Mark Basso discussed the next expansion of the Autobahn Country Club of Joliet. He said their vision was one of a world class road course, the property is beautiful with all the trees and wetland. He said the track features 2 tracks, the north track being 1 ½ miles and the south track being 2.2 miles. He said they link together to form the third largest road course in the United States. He said as part of the original vision they wanted to be more than just a racetrack, they wanted to have a clubhouse that the members would be proud of. He said the rental business has exposed Autobahn and the City of Joliet to Indy car testing, motorcycle testing, manufacturer events including BMW, Porsche, Mercedes Benz and Honda. He said for the last two years General Motors has launched all of their next year models at the Autobahn and brought with them the press and a lot of significant people from the manufacturing industries in the country. He said Ford, Subaru and Dodge have events planned for this year.

Mr. Basso said with a dual use facility you not only have a private area for members but a public area that can showcase the facility and some of the events. He said essentially the main entrance to the speed pavilion allows the general public to be able to come in and tour the car museum. He said there will also be an area for retail for driving suits, helmets, car apparel etc. He said there will also be banquet space inside the speed pavilion and on the second floor that overlooks the main museum area. He said the member private area will feature all the things of a nice country club including a restaurant area, exercise area, pool and deck, a bar and a business center.

Mr. Basso said the third leg of this project is the condos which gives them the ability to build and pay for this. He said the 40 condos are available for members and they range from 535 sq. ft. up to 860 sq. ft. He said they have begun marketing the condos to the members and they are really excited about them. He said when they are not using them they will rent them out for corporate events and they feel that will be even more successful in bringing some of these high-end corporate events by having some lodging on site. He said they have had a huge success with their team unit lots and have sold all 52 of them so they expect to have the same success with the condos. He said the architects are ready to go to the next phase which is the construction drawings and then go out to bid and break ground this fall.

COUNCILMAN BROPHY asked if they have anything in their marketing plan letting the public rent the common space for possibly a wedding and maybe wanting to stay on site.

Mr. Basso said yes. He said the neat thing about the condos when they're not being used is they can be rented out and it helps the owners pay for their condo.

***Proceedings of the Council of the City of Joliet, Illinois
held on the 3rd day of April, A.D. 2007***

COUNCILMAN BROPHY asked if it was centrally managed.

Mr. Basso said yes, there will be management and they will take care of housekeeping for the members.

COUNCILMAN LEDESMA asked if there is motorcycle use at the facility.

Mr. Basso said definitely, they've had several of the prominent motorcycle race teams come out and do testing and they really like the facility because of the track design and safety of it. He said this will also help them get more motorcycle and driving school events.

COUNCILMAN DORRIS said this has been a tremendous project. He said it has been a huge benefit to the entire City of Joliet and he thanked Mr. Hansen for the work that he has put in on this project. He said we are seeing the corridor on South Chicago Street open up and on the Eastern side of our districts open up and we always want to make sure that our local people get a chance to participate in this growth. He said we welcome the growth. He said Joliet is going to be the entertainment mecca when it comes to autobahns and NASCAR tracks. He congratulated them on the wonderful job along with the City Manager and his staff.

COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN said she can't wait until this opens because all of our events go to Bolingbrook and they need to stay here in Joliet. She said we're losing a lot of money to Bolingbrook. She congratulated them on a great project.

COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE asked how many of these country club type tracks there are in the United States.

Mr. Basso said they are the first purpose built road course country club in the United States. He said he gets several calls a week from guys all over the country that want to duplicate this model. He said there are other road courses that have a country club element to them but none that have specifically from day one built this type of project.

COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE said it is a great job.

MAYOR SCHULTZ then closed the public hearing.

COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE moved that said Resolution and Ordinances be adopted as recommended.

Motion seconded by COUNCILMAN DORRIS.

Motion carried by the following vote:

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

NAYS: NONE.

Prior to his vote, COUNCILMAN SHETINA said he votes aye too but he wants to make sure we keep Mike Hansen around. He said keep the Jackhammers, Autobahn and that kind of stuff coming, we appreciate it.

Prior to his vote, MAYOR SCHULTZ wished them good luck and voted aye.

***Proceedings of the Council of the City of Joliet, Illinois
held on the 3rd day of April, A.D. 2007***

APPROVAL OF REGULAR CURRENT BILLS

- A. Regular Payroll – March 10 – March 23, 2007 - \$2,869,161.48
(Council Memo #347-07)

Biweekly Payroll Summary Reports of the total cost of regular salaries for the period March 10, 2007 through March 23, 2007 and additions to regular salaries for the period March 2, 2007 through March 15, 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 BROPHY moved that the recommendations of the City Manager be concurred in.

Motion seconded by COUNCILMAN DORRIS.

Motion carried by the following vote:

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

NAYS: NONE.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

A. ORDINANCES

1. AN ORDINANCE Approving a Street Name Change from Legacy Boulevard to Legacy Pointe Boulevard in Legacy Pointe Subdivision Unit One was presented and read. (#SN-1-07/Dist. #3)
(Council Memo #348-07)

COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN moved that said Ordinance be adopted.

Motion seconded by COUNCILMAN BROPHY.

Motion carried by the following vote:

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

NAYS: NONE.

(ORDINANCE NO. 15850)

2. AN ORDINANCE Approving the Vacation of a Portion of a 16.5' Wide East/West Alley Located South of 453 Pleasant Street as recommended by the Plan Commission subject to receipt of the following condition, the fees and documentation was presented and read: 1) A Plat of Vacation depicting the vacated alley; 2) Receipt of \$673.00 for the appraised value of the alley; and 3) Appraisal fee of \$350.00. (#V-2-07/Dist. #5)
(Council Memo #349-07)

MAYOR SCHULTZ asked the City Manager for an explanation of the addendum.

***Proceedings of the Council of the City of Joliet, Illinois
held on the 3rd day of April, A.D. 2007***

The City Manager stated yesterday it was noted that the appraisal report had not been included with the documents so the report has now been included and the appraised value is \$875.00 for the entire alley. He said they are only vacating 103' of it so the amount that would be due would be \$673.00 for the property.

COUNCILMAN TURK moved that said Ordinance be adopted.

Motion seconded by COUNCILMAN UREMOVIC.

Motion carried by the following vote:

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

NAYS: NONE.

(ORDINANCE NO. 15851)

3. AN ORDINANCE Approving the Vacation of a 10.2' X 26.9' Portion of a Public Utility and Drainage Easement at 1158 Buell as recommended by the Plan Commission was presented and read. (#V-4-07/Dist. #2)
(Council Memo #350-07)

COUNCILMAN BROPHY moved that said Ordinance be adopted.

Motion seconded by COUNCILMAN TURK.

Motion carried by the following vote:

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

NAYS: NONE.

(ORDINANCE NO. 15852)

4. 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: 520 Campbell Street, 708 Clement Street (garage only), 418-420 N. Hickory Street, 1016 W. Jefferson Street (garage only) and 206 Kathlyn (garage only).
(Council Memo #351-07)

COUNCILMAN TURK moved that said Ordinance be adopted.

Motion seconded by COUNCILMAN BROPHY.

Motion carried by the following vote:

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

NAYS: NONE.

(ORDINANCE NO. 15853)

B. RESOLUTIONS

1. A RESOLUTION Authorizing a Lease Assignment for a Coffee Shop at Joliet Union Station was presented and read.
(Council Memo #357-07)

***Proceedings of the Council of the City of Joliet, Illinois
held on the 3rd day of April, A.D. 2007***

COUNCILMAN DORRIS moved that said Resolution be adopted.

Motion seconded by COUNCILMAN TURK.

Motion carried by the following vote:

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

NAYS: NONE.

Prior to his vote, COUNCILMAN BROPHY asked if there is an expiration on this lease or do they just pick up the dates that are enforced now.

The City Manager said it goes through December 31, 2008. He said they are the same dates, just a transfer from Kimberly Reese to her brother Michael Roesel.
(RESOLUTION NO. 5900)

2. A RESOLUTION Authorizing Certain Employees of the City of Joliet to Sign Checks, Vouchers and Warrants on Behalf of the City of Joliet, Designating Financial Institutions to be Used as Depositories for City Funds was presented and read.

(Council Memo #359-07)

COUNCILMAN BROPHY moved that said Resolution be adopted.

Motion seconded by COUNCILMAN TURK.

Motion carried by the following vote:

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

NAYS: NONE.

(RESOLUTION NO. 5901)

3. A RESOLUTION Approving Local Match Dollars for Grant Application for the Kendall County Community Transit Project was presented and read.

(Council Memo #361-07)

COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN 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,
DORRIS and MAYOR SCHULTZ.

NAYS: NONE.

Prior to his vote, COUNCILMAN SHETINA asked for a brief explanation.

The City Manager stated that in Will County we have a pretty extensive mass transportation and public transit system that includes Metra, PACE and also the Dial-a-Ride programs that we have. He said in Kendall County they really don't have such a program so the County has applied for a grant for 75% funding to put together a program that would cost about \$500,000 to provide County-wide service, some of it on-demand on-call and some of it on fixed routes for some of the unmet needs for seniors and persons with disabilities and others that might

***Proceedings of the Council of the City of Joliet, Illinois
held on the 3rd day of April, A.D. 2007***

need the service. He said the first year of the program everybody has agreed to pay for it based on a per capita basis and we have 9,315 persons living in Kendall County therein the City of Joliet so our share of this program would be \$14,251.00 for the first year.

(RESOLUTION NO. 5902)

BIDS AND CONTRACTS

A. Award of Contracts

1. Authorization for the City Manager to Execute Contracts for the 2007 Public Art Projects
(Council Memo #390-07)

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the Mayor and Council approve the 2007 Public Art Program as described in the Council Memo to Friends of Community Public Art at a total cost of \$233,700.00.

COUNCILMAN SHETINA said he is not satisfied with all of the things that are involved in this contract. He asked if anyone would have any major objections if we tabled this for 30 days and then go over the projects again.

COUNCILMAN SHETINA moved that Council Memo #390-07 be tabled for 30 days.

Motion seconded by COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN.

Motion carried by the following vote:

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

NAYS: NONE.

2. Award of Contract for the 2007 Kendall Ridge Neighborhood Improvement Program Spring Parkway Tree Replacement Program
(Council Memo #367-07)

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 this contract to B & T Services in the amount of \$24,000.00.

3. Authorization to Award an Aggregate Price Agreement and Bituminous Patching Materials Contract
(Council Memo #368-07)

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the Mayor and Council take the following actions: 1) Enter into an Aggregate Price Agreement with Lafarge North America and Vulcan Materials at the unit prices contained in the Council Memo; and 2) Enter into the Bituminous Patching Materials Price Agreement with Gallagher Asphalt and P.T. Ferro at the unit prices contained in the Council Memo.

***Proceedings of the Council of the City of Joliet, Illinois
held on the 3rd day of April, A.D. 2007***

4. Award of Contract for the Guardrail Replacement on Cherry Hill Road
(Council Memo #369-07)

A report on two proposals received for the above contract was accompanied by a recommendation from the City Manager that the Mayor and Council award this contract to Midwest Fence Corporation in the amount of \$14,990.00.

5. Award of Contract for the 2007 Lawn Mowing
(Council Memo #370-07 was never prepared)
6. Award of Contract for the 2007 Utilities Restoration Program – Phase I
(Council Memo #371-07)

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 this contract to Lindblad Construction in the amount of \$151,297.50.

7. Award of Contract for the Oneida (Larkin-Woodlawn) Roadway Improvements – 2007 Neighborhood Improvement Program
(Council Memo #372-07)

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 P.T. Ferro Construction Company in the amount of \$217,327.65.

8. Award of Contract for the 2007 Sodium Permanganate Solution Purchase
(Council Memo #373-07)

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 Carus Chemical Company in the amount of \$6.442 per gallon of solution.

9. Award of Contract for the Disposal of Spoil Materials from the Water Division Service Center
(Council Memo #375-07)

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 P.T. Ferro Construction in the amount of \$40,336.75.

10. Authorization to Approve a Professional Service Agreement for the Twin Oaks Watermain Survey
(Council Memo #376-07)

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 contract to Geotech in the amount of \$8,250.00.

11. Award of Contracts for the Electrical Installation of Aerators for the Pheasant Landing, Fairway Estates and Timber Estates Subdivisions
(Council Memo #377-07 was never prepared)

***Proceedings of the Council of the City of Joliet, Illinois
held on the 3rd day of April, A.D. 2007***

12. Award of Contract for the Cassie Drive and Edgerton Drive Roadway Improvement Project – 2007 Neighborhood Improvement Program
(Council Memo #378-07)

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 P.T. Ferro Construction Company in the amount of \$270,943.48.

13. Authorization to Repair Right Angle Drive Gear Box – East Side Sewage Treatment Plant
(Council Memo #379-07)

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the Mayor and Council approve the payment of \$5,218.00 to General Machine and Tool Co.

14. Award of Contract and Approve Payment No. 1 and Final for the Installation of Streetlights on the West Half of the Marquette Gardens Subdivision – 2007 Neighborhood Improvement Program
(Council Memo #380-07)

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the Mayor and Council take the following actions: 1) Approve the contract for the installation of 29 streetlights with Commonwealth Edison Company; and 2) Approve Payment No. 1 and Final on behalf of Commonwealth Edison in the amount of \$47,520.00.

COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN asked if these lights are the same as the ones currently on Buell Avenue. She asked if they were going to match or if they were going to be different.

The City Manager said these would be the same lights that are on Buell and they are also in the other half of Marquette Gardens so they will match those that are in Marquette Gardens also.

15. Award of Contract for the Gardner Street (Hickory Creek-Dorris) Storm Sewer Project – 2007 Neighborhood Improvement Program
(Council Memo #381-07)

A report on six bids received for the above contract was accompanied by a recommendation from the City Manager that the Mayor and Council award the contract to J. Russ & Co. in the amount of \$470,626.00.

16. Authorization to Approve the Purchase of a Replacement for the Automatic Self-Cleaning Strainer – East Side Sewage Treatment Plant
(Council Memo #382-07)

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the Mayor and Council award this contract to Pargreen Process Technologies in the amount of \$11,940.00.

***Proceedings of the Council of the City of Joliet, Illinois
held on the 3rd day of April, A.D. 2007***

17. Award of Contract for Emergency Power for Computer Equipment
(Council Memo #383-07)

A report on two bids received for the above contract was accompanied by a recommendation from the City Manager that the Mayor and Council: 1) Award a contract to Burke Electric in the amount of \$10,335.00 to provide electric circuit at City Hall; and 2) Award a contract to Meade Electric Company in the amount of \$1,320.00 to provide electric circuit at the Police Station.

18. Authorization to Purchase Microsoft Licenses
(Council Memo #384-07)

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the Mayor and Council approve the purchase of Microsoft Licenses from CDWG in the amount of \$57,885.70.

19. Award of Contract for Weed Cutting and Clean-Up of City Owned Properties
(Council Memo #385-07)

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 Culpeppers Landscape in the amount of \$59,826.00.

20. Authorization to Install Floor Covering System for Fire Station No. 10
(Council Memo #386-07)

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 CCI Flooring in the amount of \$31,186.88.

21. Authorization to Pay Emergency Replacement Cost for an Air Conditioner Compressor for the South Half of the Police Building
(Council Memo #387-07)

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the Mayor and Council approve the payment of \$8,650.00 to Johnson Controls.

22. Award of Contract for Elevator Repairs at the Rialto Square Complex
(Council Memo #388-07)

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the Mayor and Council award this contract to Thyssen Krupp Elevator in the amount of \$137,850.00.

23. Award of Contract for the Garnsey Avenue (Spring Creek-Ward) Roadway Improvements – 2007 Neighborhood Improvement Program
(Council Memo #389-07)

***Proceedings of the Council of the City of Joliet, Illinois
held on the 3rd day of April, A.D. 2007***

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 Construction by Camco in the amount of \$114,076.82.

24. Authorization to Purchase Water Treatment Chemicals
(Council Memo #391-07)

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the Mayor and Council authorize the purchase of Manganese Sulfate Solution from Carus Chemical Corporation at the unit price of \$10.83 per gallon in an amount not to exceed \$86,640.00.

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

Motion seconded by COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN.

Motion carried by the following vote:

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

NAYS: NONE.

B. Change Orders and Payouts

1. Approve Change Order No. 7 and Payment Request No. 7 and
Final for the 2006 Plant Mix Contract
(Council Memo #396-07)

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the Mayor and Council approve Change Order No. 7, a deletion in the amount of \$127,438.92 and Pay Request No. 7 and Final in the amount of \$236,184.81 on behalf of P.T. Ferro Construction Company.

COUNCILMAN TURK 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, UREMOVIC, BROPHY, DORRIS, GIARRANTE, LEDESMA, COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN and MAYOR SCHULTZ.

NAYS: NONE.

LICENSES AND PERMIT APPLICATIONS

A. Application for a Drive-In Permit for Jewel/Osco Located at 2480
S. Illinois Rte. 59
(Council Memo #400-07)

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 Jewel/Osco Located at 2480 S. Illinois Rte. 59.

***Proceedings of the Council of the City of Joliet, Illinois
held on the 3rd day of April, A.D. 2007***

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

NAYS: NONE.

B. Request on Behalf of Darrel Shepley for Permission to Hold a Carnival at Westfield Shoppingtown Louis Joliet Mall
(Council Memo #401-07)

An application on behalf of Astro Amusement Company for permission to hold a Carnival at Westfield Shoppingtown Louis Joliet Mall at 3340 Mall Loop Dr. #1249 from May 9 thru May 13, 2007 was accompanied by a recommendation from the City Manager that permission be granted subject to compliance with the regulations of Chapter 5, Article V of the Code of Ordinances which regulates carnivals.

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

Motion seconded by COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE.

Motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCILMEN UREMOVIC, DORRIS, LEDESMA, SHETINA and MAYOR SCHULTZ.

NAYS: COUNCILMEN BROPHY, GIARRANTE, COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN and COUNCILMAN TURK.

Prior to his vote, COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE asked if this was for a charity or not-for-profit organization.

The City Manager said they do not believe there is any not-for-profit involvement in this.

C. Change of Liquor License Classification from a Class "D" to a Class "B" at 3301 Hennepin
(Council Memo #402-07)

The City Clerk noted that this item was approved at the Pre-Council meeting yesterday.

MAYOR

A. Proclamation re: Recognizing and Congratulating the Knights of Columbus Holy Trinity Council No. 4400 on the Occasion of Their Coming 50th Anniversary

COUNCILMAN BROPHY read a Proclamation issued by MAYOR SCHULTZ Recognizing and Congratulating the Knights of Columbus Holy Trinity Council No. 4400 on the Occasion of Their Coming 50th Anniversary.

***Proceedings of the Council of the City of Joliet, Illinois
held on the 3rd day of April, A.D. 2007***

Mr. Phil Ardaugh and Mr. John Egizio, officers of the Knights of Columbus thanked the Mayor and City Council for recognizing their milestone and for the activities that the City of Joliet provides throughout the year.

B. A Resolution in Support of PACE and Funding to Support Moving Beyond Congestion

COUNCILMAN DORRIS read a Resolution in Support of PACE and Funding to Support Moving Beyond Congestion. He said PACE provides tremendous service to people in our community and we really hope the General Assembly will recognize that and find the money to keep providing that service to people who really need the service.

Ms. Leondria Blackman of PACE thanked the Mayor and City Council for adopting the Resolution and stated they really appreciate the City's partnership in this. She said they are currently in a place in time where they are restructuring and looking to enhance their services. She said this is the time of the season where they want to do better; they don't want to take away services, they want to improve them.

MAYOR AND COUNCIL COMMENTS:

COUNCILMAN UREMOVIC stated he wanted to thank Congressman Jerry Weller for all the work he's done in our District and the resources that he has brought to Joliet and most recently House Bill 569, which is the Water Quality Investment Act 2007 authorizing funding for the Clean Water Act and appropriating funding from 2008 to 2012 of \$1.8 billion for combined sewer overflows and sewer overflows. He said he talked with Congressman Weller and he indicated he would love to come and meet with the City Council and staff and see what our needs are and how to secure funding for this combined sewer overflow. He said he would also like to invite Senator Durbin and Senator Obama or a representative from their offices so we could secure some of this funding. He said he thinks it would be extremely important and very beneficial for the community. He said it seems like there is a lot of funding available.

COUNCILMAN UREMOVIC thanked the Police Chief for an activity report on Bellarmine Drive for the past year. He said there are some problem properties which are identified, one of which is 500 W. Bellarmine Drive with 129 calls and 502 W. Bellarmine with 40 calls. He said as the weather turns warmer the calls start to increase. He said he would like to meet with Henry Morris who does a great job for the Housing Authority if the properties are privately owned with Section 8 rental housing. He said he would like to meet with the Housing Authority and our Police Department and if it's ok with COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE if this could go to the Public Safety Committee to be addressed.

The Police Chief said they will set up a meeting. He said they've been working very aggressively on some of these problem locations. He said 500 W. Bellarmine was brought in for a nuisance abatement hearing back in September and the Police Department, members of the City staff and Neighborhood Services sat down with the owner of the property who is actually the owner of around 11 buildings in that area and about 44 rental units. He said since that meeting we have seen at least a 50% drop in the calls for service in that location. He said he has a long way to go but they are working real hard with him to ensure that we change that property over to a safe and quality location for the residents.

***Proceedings of the Council of the City of Joliet, Illinois
held on the 3rd day of April, A.D. 2007***

COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE asked the Police Chief for a copy of the report for the Committee and he said he would like a list of the owners of the trouble properties.

COUNCILMAN TURK said he has gotten some calls from some people in the area of Infantry Drive and Richmond. He said there was a professional building built behind the First Midwest Bank about a year ago on Richmond and it borders Infantry Drive. He said the people are real satisfied the way the building has turned out but they were told it was supposed to have extensive landscaping and the landscaping is just adequate. He said but what they are really concerned about is yesterday a sign that he would consider "commercial" went in at the corner. He said it's a nice looking sign for Jefferson Street or Essington Road but not for a residential area and the concern is was that on their plans when they built the building. He asked the City Manager if he could check into that and look at the sign and see if they think it is appropriate.

The City Manager said they would check on it.

COUNCILMAN SHETINA thanked everyone that was involved in the Easter parade, it turned out great. He said he doesn't know how many people were there or participated in it but he thinks it was one of the best ones that we've had.

COUNCILMAN SHETINA said he noticed the State of Illinois is finally talking about some kind of a non-smoking ban. He said we've toyed with the idea and COUNCILMAN BROPHY has talked about it many times but it left us in a position of "where are we". He asked if there was any indication if they're serious about it and if so what kind of treatment they would give with respect to the casinos. He said he thought they were talking about a 3 year window and he was wondering where it's at right now with respect to a vote or if there is a vote coming up within any reasonable period of time.

The Director of Management & Budget said he spoke this afternoon with Representative McGuire and he has also spoken with Senator Wilhelmi. He said the Bill came out of the Senate and it did not extend a 3 year period for the casinos. He said it went through without that exemption. He said it went over to the House on March 30th. He said Representative McGuire has not had a chance to study it and find out what the impact may be with the rest of the members of that assembly. He said so right now the bill did pass through the Senate, the vote on it was 34 to 23 with 30 being required to pass it. He said there are very few exemptions but one interesting exemption is apparently private clubs who have been in existence 3 years or more are exempt. He said there are very few exceptions, one being your own home providing you're not running a care shelter. He said there are very few exceptions. He said one interesting point that's in the Bill as it was passed is that a home rule unit may restrict smoking in public places but that regulation must be no less restrictive than the provisions of the act. He said so there isn't much that can be loosened up with the act as it's adopted now.

COUNCILMAN SHETINA said it hasn't gone to the House yet, just to the Senate so far.

The Director of Management & Budget said it cleared the Senate and now it's over in the House and they are recessed at least until the following week.

COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE said he assumes that's all public places other than private clubs and the things that you mentioned.

***Proceedings of the Council of the City of Joliet, Illinois
held on the 3rd day of April, A.D. 2007***

The Director of Management & Budget said yes, it is very, very broad based on public places and it even goes into defining dormitories for students both for private colleges and public colleges and talks about the hallways and restrooms. He said it is very definitive and restrictive.

COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN wished everyone a Happy Easter and urged them to get out and vote on April 17th.

COUNCILMAN BROPHY congratulated the University of St. Francis on the opening of their new health clinic today. He said they will soon be moving it up to the campus and it will be available for their nursing students and the community.

COUNCILMAN BROPHY said he knows the Police Department is putting together a boom box task force and he thanked them for that. He said he thinks we should also talk about a different approach to our animal control especially as far as skunks go. He said he would like to talk about this at one of the committees and see if we can't provide more service to so many residents that want it. He said they expect us to help them eliminate some of those problems.

COUNCILMAN BROPHY said he learned that the Street Department has the equipment available to wash our sidewalks so there is no need to look for a small contractor to do that, we can do that in-house and he thanked them for helping keep the City look good for our upcoming summer calendar.

COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE congratulated staff on the Autobahn project and said he knows the Mayor and Council are working hard on trying to bring more of that into the City. He said the Autobahn project is going to be an increase in taxes to the City and it's not a drain on our schools at all. He said this Mayor and Council does work hard to bring developments like that into the City.

COUNCILMAN LEDESMA congratulated the Police Chief on doing an excellent job with his department. He congratulated Detectives Tizoc Landeros, Moses Avila and Scott Cammack on the arrest of Hugo Sanchez for the murder of Regina De Los Santo and her unborn child.

COUNCILMAN LEDESMA said on Benton Street near Hickory Creek there is no lighting and it is very dark. He said there is only one house that's gang infested and the rest of the neighbors are very nice families. He said he would like to see some lighting installed on the dead end on Benton Street.

MAYOR SCHULTZ wished everyone a Happy Easter and especially our folks in the armed forces.

ADJOURNMENT

COUNCILMAN BROPHY moved that the Council adjourn.

Motion seconded by COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE.

Motion carried by the following vote:

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

NAYS: NONE.

***Proceedings of the Council of the City of Joliet, Illinois
held on the 3rd day of April, A.D. 2007***

ARTHUR SCHULTZ
Mayor

JANET K. TRAVEN
City Clerk

Recorded on Tape