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held on the 15th day of May, A.D. 2007***

REGULAR MEETING of the Council of the City of Joliet, Illinois held on Tuesday, May 15, 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 Herb Brooks, St. John's Missionary Baptist Church, 104 E. Zarley Boulevard, Joliet, Illinois.

Pastor Brooks then led the pledge to the flag.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: MAYOR ARTHUR SCHULTZ and DISTRICT 4 COUNCILWOMAN SUSIE A. BARBER, DISTRICT 2 COUNCILMAN TIMOTHY M. BROPHY, DISTRICT 5 COUNCILMAN WARREN C. DORRIS, COUNCILMAN AT LARGE THOMAS C. GIARRANTE, COUNCILWOMAN AT LARGE JAN QUILLMAN, DISTRICT 1 COUNCILMAN JOSEPH R. SHETINA, 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 BROPHY moved that the minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Council of the City of Joliet, Illinois held on Monday, April 30, 2007 at 6:30 p.m. stand approved as recorded.

Motion seconded by COUNCILMAN DORRIS.

Motion carried by the following vote:

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

NAYS: NONE.

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Baseball

COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE stated this Thursday is opening night for the Jackhammers and the start of their best season yet. He said MAYOR SCHULTZ is going to throw out the first pitch.

B. Finance

COUNCILMAN UREMOVIC reported the Finance Committee met and reviewed the usual items on the agenda including approval of the minutes of the previous meeting. He said the Committee also approved a funding request by the Joliet Police and Fire Departments for a matching donation of \$3,000 for their annual Guns vs. Hoses charity golf outing.

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COUNCILMAN BROPHY moved that a matching donation of \$3,000 be made to the Guns vs. Hoses charity golf outing from the General Corporate Contingency Fund.

Motion seconded by COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN.

Motion carried by the following vote:

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

NAYS: NONE.

COUNCILMAN UREMOVIC said the Committee also received a request for funding from the Joliet Park District in regards to their upcoming Taste of Joliet Festival. He said their request is for Police and Fire Department services for this event in the amount of \$8,752.59.

COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE moved that the funding request in the amount of \$8,752.59 for the Joliet Park District for Police and Fire Department services at the Taste of Joliet Festival be approved.

Motion seconded by COUNCILMAN TURK.

Motion carried by the following vote:

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

NAYS: NONE.

COUNCILMAN UREMOVIC said the Committee also reviewed at length the Cable Television Coordinator position as advertised. He said they think the need is there, but there is also a need in regards to information, technology and communication. He said they don't want to just add a position and then not have everybody coordinated. He said there was a unanimous recommendation that a new standing committee be established that will address information, technology and communication. He said this would be to oversee all of these areas now that don't answer to a committee.

MAYOR SCHULTZ asked COUNCILMAN UREMOVIC if they received a request for funding from the Cancer Society for the Relay for Life.

COUNCILMAN BROPHY said he knows they called and said they were going to put a request in but it wasn't on the agenda.

MAYOR SCHULTZ asked if we have another meeting before the Relay for Life and the City Manager said we'll have two meetings before the event.

The City Manager said we certainly would welcome a committee that would work with us on communication, information and technology, but the Corporation Counsel would probably have a comment on how to legally form a standing committee.

The Corporation Counsel said the other standing committees that the Mayor and Council have established were approved by Ordinance and specifically placed on the agenda for formal vote. He said tonight the Council can certainly discuss it and even adopt a Resolution expressing the sense of the Council, but it would be his recommendation that we place this matter formally on the next Council

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agenda and it would give him the opportunity to prepare an Ordinance that would establish a committee and designate the Mayor as the official that would nominate persons to serve on that committee with the concurrence of the Council.

COUNCILMAN UREMOVIC said that's fine.

COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE said some of the discussion at the Finance Committee meeting was that right now most of the things that are on cable is on tape, and with this full-time person we're looking at a different use. He said it can also be used for rebuttal, so if an article appears in the newspaper or something happens we can get the Public Information Coordinator to go on and do a rebuttal to the article to broadcast out. He said they feel that the committee needs to have some kind of control on what the rebuttal would say so it's not one person saying "we need to do a rebuttal and this is what we need to say". He said the committee would then review what the rebuttal would be. He said something like that would be just a small part of that committee.

The City Manager said he thinks it would be really good for us to review what community TV is really supposed to be. He said it's not really supposed to be a branch of the City government with the City's message necessarily; it's a group of volunteers who work with the City on programming that benefits the City. He said so there probably needs to be some discussion. He said certainly those things are all appropriate things to discuss and there should be ways to get the Mayor and Council's input and the citizens input, but it can't be something that's just controlled by the City, it has to be a product of the community. He said for instance the program Diana Stonitsch does, everybody loves that program and that is true community TV. He said the City does sponsor things that are about City programs and that is also community TV. He said he thinks it would be good for us to have a discussion when the committee gets formed.

COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE said he thinks that was pretty much the discussion and that's why people in attendance felt that we should have a committee to oversee that.

COUNCILMAN UREMOVIC said we do have these communication tools; we have the web page which he thinks is really important and we can go ahead and look more closely at that and the capabilities of that. He said also the Deputy City Manager was at the meeting yesterday and one of the items he brought up that we probably could communicate even further on community TV is House Bill 1500 regarding cable competition that's before the State Legislature. He said this is another tool and mechanism we can use to help better inform the citizenry and know where we're at as a Council and know where we're going and why we're going in that direction. He said the results of the committee meeting were that this committee be formed and it was unanimously recommended.

COUNCILMAN UREMOVIC said the Committee also reviewed the Neighborhood Improvement Program for the month of April, the Cash Flow and Personnel Summary, the April Conference, Travel and Expense Summary Report and the Treasurer's Disbursements and Regular Claims.

COUNCILMAN UREMOVIC said there was a question on the public art program that was supposed to be on tonight's agenda and he asked if it was on the agenda.

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The Director of Community and Economic Development said that was tabled until the next Council meeting.

C. Public Service

COUNCILMAN TURK said the Public Service Committee met this morning and reviewed the contracts, change orders, pay estimates and final payments and found them all to be in order and recommended their approval. He said they also had a resident appear before them with some serious concerns of sewage backup in his basement. He said he lives on Glenwood Avenue in the Parkview Subdivision. He said the tile separation project that is currently going on is pretty much done in Parkview and has not alleviated his problem. He said there were some homes the contractor was not allowed into. He said they asked staff if they could check with the Corporation Counsel to find out if there is a way especially on the homes on Glenwood Avenue east of him where the line dead ends if they could try to get in there to televisive a line and see if there are some problems out there where they can give him some relief. He said it's a constant problem, he has raw sewage coming up in his basement and it's a pretty rough situation.

The Corporation Counsel said he spoke with the City Manager and the Director of Public Utilities on the conversation they had this morning and he explained to both of them that the City does have an Ordinance that states that if a residence is connected to City water and sewer system that the City's Utility Division does have the right to inspect the plumbing system and the sewer connections within a home to make sure that the system and connections all comply with City ordinances. He said that would include a TV test, the dye test or whatever may be necessary to make sure that the sewer connection is proper and that storm water is not getting into the sanitary system which he thinks was the subject matter this morning. He said it looks like the City's ordinances are in place to allow for an assertive request by the City for an inspection of particular residences that may have improper foundation drains.

COUNCILMAN TURK asked if these people will be sent a letter advising them that someone will be coming in the immediate future.

The City Manager said we will get the letters out within the week.

COUNCILMAN TURK asked what our recourse is if they still ignore the letter.

The Corporation Counsel said there are a couple of recourses. He said one would involve going to court and getting a court order to make an inspection, but also as a condition of receiving City water and sewer service a homeowner has essentially agreed to comply with all the rules. He said so the City would have the legal authority to terminate service if it came to that. He said certainly we hope we'd be able to work with the homeowner first to avoid either one of those options, but we do have those tools available.

COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE said it sounds like they are going to expedite it which the Committee felt was necessary and he's sure everybody here feels the same because every time it rains he gets sewage in his basement.

COUNCILMAN BROPHY said he wanted to thank the Public Service Committee for allowing him the time this morning. He said the resident that came down was simply indicative of many complaints. He said we do many great things in this town but until we can say that nobody suffers from basement sewage backup,

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we're not done. He said he thinks we need to elevate these complaints to emergency level. He said when sewage backs up in their basement it's not just theirs, it's ours. He said we need to elevate the customer service treatment all the way around whether they call police, the complaint line or Public Works while maintaining their privacy, and they must get an elevated level of treatment so that we can knock this problem out.

There were no other Committee reports.

MAYOR SCHULTZ at this time moved up the three presentations on the agenda.

A. Presentation by the Historic Preservation Commission

Mrs. Bonnie Horne, Chairwoman of the Historic Preservation Commission, asked City Planner Barb Newberg and Commission Secretary Marian Corley to come forward and present Joliet's "Shades of the Past" coloring books to the Mayor and Council. She said they, along with Seth Magosky, created this coloring book that the Commission feels is an excellent teaching tool. She said it will be available for purchase in the museum gift shop. She said the Commission feels that preservation is definitely a priority for the City. She said Commission member Bob Nachtrieb is also present this evening. She said they would personally like to thank the Mayor and Council for the time and effort that they have allowed them to put into not only this project but historic preservation. She then presented the winners of the Recycling Poster Contest with coloring books.

B. Presentation by Recycling Educator Wyn Hyzer Recognizing the Winners of the "Reduce, Re-use, Recycle" Poster Contest

Mrs. Wyn Hyzer introduced the following winners of the "Reduce, Re-use, Recycle" Poster Contest: Elena Alvarez, Holy Family School (1st); Scarlett Singh, St. Joseph School (2nd); Allie Granato, Wesmere School (tied for 3rd); Kayla Michalek, Holy Family School (tied for 3rd) and Dominic Nirchi, Charles Reed School (4th).

C. Presentation by Visitor Services – Joliet "Kicks Off on Route 66"

Ms. Rebecca Lantka, Marketing Manager for the City of Joliet Visitor Services, did a presentation on Joliet's Route 66 Block Party to be held on Saturday, June 2nd from 11:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. on Ottawa Street between Webster and Benton Streets. She said this will kick off the Route 66 Experience at the Joliet Area Historical Museum. She stated there will be lots of fun, food and games for all ages and she invited everyone to attend.

CONSENT AGENDA

A. Treasurer's Report – March, 2007

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

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B. Position Vacancy
(Council Memo #517-07)

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that he be authorized to fill one Clerk Typist position in the Police Department and any subsequent vacancies directly related to this position.

C. Appointment of Auxiliary Police Officers
(Council Memo #518-07)

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the Mayor and Council appoint the following five individuals as Auxiliary Police Officers for the City of Joliet: Martin Giglio, Lynda Luka, Lauren Magosky, Vincent Shelby and Aaron Zelko.

D. Authorization to Transfer Additional Funds to the Joliet City Center Partnership LLC for the Route 66 Attraction Elements at the Joliet Area Historical Museum
(Council Memo #519-07)

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the Mayor and Council approve the transfer of funds in the amount of \$8,250.00 to the Joliet City Center Partnership LLC to complete the Route 66 attraction at the Joliet Area Historical Museum.

E. Approve Modifications to the 2007 Districts 2 and 3 Neighborhood Improvement Program
(Council Memo #520-07)

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the Mayor and Council take the following actions: 1) Approve modifications to the District 2 NIP by adding the reimbursements to the Joliet Grade School District No. 86 for the Taft Community Reading Garden Project in the amount of \$2,000.00; and 2) Approve modifications to the District 3 NIP by adding the Burr Oaks Road at Essington Entrance Island Removal in the amount of \$4,300.00.

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

Motion seconded by COUNCILMAN DORRIS.

Motion carried by the following vote:

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

NAYS: NONE.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

A. Public Hearing re: Annexation of 142.5 Acres Located at the Southeast Corner of Chicago and McKanna Roads

1. Resolution re: Approving the Annexation Agreement for 142.5 Acres Located at the Southeast Corner of Chicago and McKanna Roads (#A-49-06/Dist. #3)
(Council Memo #523-07)

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2. Ordinance re: Approving the Annexation of 142.5 Acres Located at the Southeast Corner of Chicago and McKanna Roads (#A-49-06/Dist. #3)
(Council Memo #523-07)
3. Ordinance re: Approving the Classification of 142.5 Acres Located at the Southeast Corner of Chicago and McKanna Roads to R-1B Zoning (#A-49-06/Dist. #3)
(Council Memo #523-07)

A communication from the City Manager contained a request by the petitioner that these items be tabled to the City Council meeting to be held on June 5, 2007 to allow additional time to finalize details for the plat of annexation.

COUNCILMAN DORRIS moved that said items be tabled to the June 5, 2007 City Council meeting.

Motion seconded by COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE.

Motion carried by the following vote:

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

NAYS: NONE.

B. Public Hearing re: Annexation of 1504 Sterling Avenue

1. Resolution re: Approving the Annexation Agreement for 1504 Sterling Avenue (#A-5-07/Dist. #4)
(Council Memo #524-07)
2. Ordinance re: Approving the Annexation of 1504 Sterling Avenue (#A-5-07/Dist. #4)
(Council Memo #524-07)
3. Ordinance re: Approving the Classification of 1504 Sterling Avenue to R-2 Zoning (#A-5-07/Dist. #4)
(Council Memo #524-07)

A communication from the City Manager contained a request by the petitioner that these items be tabled to the City Council meeting to be held on June 5, 2007 due to a scheduling conflict.

COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN moved that said items be tabled to the City Council meeting of June 5, 2007.

Motion seconded by COUNCILMAN TURK.

Motion carried by the following vote:

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

NAYS: NONE.

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APPROVAL OF REGULAR CURRENT BILLS

- A. Regular Payroll – April 21 – May 4, 2007 - \$2,919,572.69
(Council Memo #526-07)

Biweekly Payroll Summary Reports of the total cost of regular salaries for the period April 21, 2007 through May 4, 2007 and additions to regular salaries for the period April 13, 2007 through April 26, 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.

- B. Treasurer's Disbursements – April, 2007 - \$30,598,629.57

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

- C. Regular Claims – April, 2007 - \$4,983,262.51

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

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

Motion seconded by COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE.

Motion carried by the following vote:

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

NAYS: NONE.

Prior to her vote, COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN asked about the artwork on Page 23 of the Regular Claims. She asked if that was artwork we already have in place or artwork that is going to go in place or what.

The Director of Community and Economic Development said a lot of these are progress payments. He said what we usually do is we break each contract into four payments. He said when the Council approves it and they submit the contracts, usually a quarter of the payment is due to get them started, then when we approve the scale model we pay them another 25%. He said when the artwork is produced we pay them another 25%, and when it's installed and approved we pay them the final 25%.

COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN said then these are already works in progress.

The Director of Community and Economic Development said they are works in progress from 2006; nothing from 2007 has been approved yet.

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ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

A. ORDINANCES

1. Resolution re: Approving an Amendment to the Annexation Agreement for Laraway Crossings Business Park (#A-6-07/Dist. #5)
(Council Memo #528-07)
2. Ordinance re: Approving the Revised Preliminary Plat of Laraway Crossings Business Park Subdivision (#P-3-07/Dist. #5)
(Council Memo #528-07)
3. Ordinance re: Approving the Preliminary and Final PUD for IKEA Distribution Center in Laraway Crossings Business Park Subdivision (#PUD-2-07/Dist. #5)
(Council Memo #528-07)
4. Ordinance re: Approving the Final Plat of Laraway Crossings Business Park Unit 13 Subdivision (#FP-4-07/Dist. #5)
(Council Memo #528-07)
5. Ordinance re: Approving the Vacation of Public Utility Easements and Grant of Public Utility Easements in Laraway Crossings Business Park Subdivision (#V-5-07/Dist. #5)
(Council Memo #528-07)
6. Ordinance re: Approving the Plat of Dedication for Emerald Drive and Cashel Road in Laraway Crossings Business Park Subdivision (#PD-1-07/Dist. #5)
(Council Memo #528-07)
7. Ordinance re: Approving the Recording Plat of Laraway Crossings Business Park Unit 13 Subdivision (#RP-9-07/Dist. #5)
(Council Memo #528-07)

A communication from the City Manager contained a request by the petitioner that these items be tabled to the City Council meeting to be held on June 5, 2007 to allow additional time to address the amendment to the annexation agreement.

COUNCILMAN SHETINA moved that said items be tabled to the City Council meeting of June 5, 2007.

Motion seconded by COUNCILMAN TURK.

Motion carried by the following vote:

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

NAYS: NONE.

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8. Reclassifications

- a. AN ORDINANCE Approving the Reclassification of 1015 N. Center Street from R-3 to R-2 Zoning as recommended by the Plan Commission was presented and read. (#Z-1-07/Dist. #4)
(Council Memo #529-07)
(ORDINANCE NO. 15880)
- b. AN ORDINANCE Approving the Reclassification of 317 Willard Street from R-3 to R-2 Zoning as recommended by the Plan Commission was presented and read. (#Z-2-07/Dist. #4)
(Council Memo #529-07)
(ORDINANCE NO. 15881)

COUNCILMAN TURK moved that said Ordinances be adopted.

Motion seconded by COUNCILMAN DORRIS.

Motion carried by the following vote:

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

NAYS: NONE.

Prior to her vote, COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN said she wanted to thank the homeowners for voluntarily downzoning their properties, but they are not present this evening.

9. Variations of Use and Special Use Permits

- a. Ordinance re: Repealing a Variation of Use to Allow a 2-Chair Beauty Salon, a B-1 Use in an R-2 Zoning District Located at 1203 W. Jefferson Street (#2005-75/Dist. #5)
(Council Memo #531-07)

The City Clerk noted that this item was withdrawn by the petitioner.

COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE asked if the Director of Community and Economic Development had checked into the request made yesterday at the Pre-Council meeting regarding the paving of the driveway.

The Director of Community and Economic Development stated they did check into the situation and the photos included in the Council Memo were the original photos from the 2005 approval and that was subject to them doing the work. He said the fencing has been installed and the driveway is in the process of being paved right now. He said the residents don't park in the yard. He said the landscaping has also been completed.

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- b. AN ORDINANCE Approving a Special Use Permit to Allow the Renovation of an Existing 49-unit Senior Residential Structure into a 45-unit Supportive Living Facility for Senior Citizens 65 years of age and older Located at 400 N. Bluff Street as recommended by the Zoning Board of Appeals subject to the following conditions was presented and read: 1) That existing off-street parking remain in the future; 2) That the facility shall remain under the authority and control of the Housing Authority of Joliet; 3) That a landscape plan be submitted and approved; 4) That the facility at all times be duly certified as a Supportive Living Facility by the Illinois Department of Healthcare and Family Services; and 5) Should the property be declared a public nuisance, it shall be subject to a rehearing and a possible revocation of the Special Use Permit. (#2007-22/Dist. #5) (Council Memo #532-07)

COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE stated that COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN had pointed out yesterday about the individuals with disabilities age 22 and older and he asked if they were going to be involved in this.

COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN stated Housing Authority Director Henry Morris is going to explain this because there are a lot of changes to the Council Memo we were originally looking at. She said she doesn't know if we need a whole new memo with the amendments because the ages will be 65 and older and there will not be any persons with disabilities aged 22 year old or older.

Mr. Morris said with the supportive living program for the State of Illinois, in order to get the Medicaid waivers, they say you have to make a choice between the senior citizen population which would be those age 65 years or older, or handicapped/disabled between the ages of 22 and 64. He said our option, based on a need within our public housing communities, was to select the senior citizens at 65 years or older and that is what our application went to the State for. He said the information that you have is a little bit inaccurate. He said we also have to comply with the rules and regulations, policies and procedures of the State of Illinois. He said they are the ones who are providing the funding and the waivers for the facility so every policy and procedure that is developed has to go through the State for their review and approval. He said the building itself has to be inspected by the State of Illinois to meet certain specifications and requirements. He said regarding staff, there also has to be certain certifications and/or licenses that the State will need to review and give their approvals on before the facility can even open. He said there are a gamut of rules and regulations that we have to comply with prior to opening the facility. He said once the facility is open, there are annual reviews and inspections that are done by the State of Illinois.

COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE asked the Corporation Counsel if we need to amend this.

The Corporation Counsel said his recommendation would be that the Special Use Permit Ordinance be modified based on the request being made by the Housing Authority that the residents be restricted to persons 65 years of age or older. He said when their request first came in perhaps that information wasn't totally circulated between the Authority and staff. He said under state law these

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types of facilities called Supportive Living Facilities can be licensed to include both sets of populations, basically Medicaid eligible individuals that are disabled and 22 years of age or older, or elderly persons 65 years of age or older. He said the State generally allows a mixing of those two populations. He said if there is a need on a project specific basis to obtain waivers from Federal or State regulations under the Medicaid program, then there may be additional items requested of the applicant and that is apparently what happened here. He said as far as the Medicaid waiver process the Authority was requested to select the service population so they selected the elderly population, but under general State law you can have both. He said in this case we'll modify the Ordinance, if that's the Mayor and Council's preference, to include just the 65 years of age and older, Medicaid eligible residents.

COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE asked if we can vote on this with the understanding that it's going to be modified. He asked Mr. Morris if it would be an inconvenience if we tabled this until we got the proper language.

The Corporation Counsel said we can make that change today if that's the Mayor and Council's preference.

COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN said she has some questions about staffing. She said it was explained to her tonight that even though this will be the first public housing assisted living facility that they are going by the guidelines of privately owned facilities, and with those strict guidelines in place even though it's public housing and it's new to us and new to the State of Illinois they still have to follow that. She said they will be licensed and inspected and they can't open until everything's in place. She said her one concern is even though they are going to build this and we're just doing the zoning here, what if something were to happen, are we held liable for that.

The Corporation Counsel said no, your role here is to allow the land use. He said all of the responsibility for operations rests with the Housing Authority and with the State of Illinois which certifies these types of facilities. He said the City bears no legal liability whatsoever for any operational issue at the facility.

MAYOR SCHULTZ asked what are we voting on now.

The Corporation Counsel said you are voting on a Special Use Permit to Allow the Renovation of an Existing 49-unit Senior Residential Structure into a 45-unit Supportive Living Facility for Senior Citizens 65 years of age and older located at 400 N. Bluff Street.

COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE moved that said Ordinance be adopted as recommended.

Motion seconded by COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN.

Motion carried by the following vote:

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

NAYS: NONE.

ABSTAIN: COUNCILWOMAN BARBER.

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Prior to his vote, COUNCILMAN DORRIS stated this is a wonderful program and he thinks the Housing Authority is showing great vision for doing something like this. He told Mr. Morris he has done a tremendous job since he's been in Joliet. He said Mr. Morris has taken our Housing Authority from one that was on the trouble list to one of the best in the country, and he congratulated him and the Board and he voted aye.

COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE echoed his remarks and he voted aye.

COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN thanked them for answering all of her questions and said this is definitely needed and she voted aye.

Prior to his vote, COUNCILMAN SHETINA also echoed COUNCILMAN DORRIS' comments and said we are very proud of what you have done and he voted aye.

Prior to his vote, COUNCILMAN UREMOVIC congratulated them and he voted aye.

Prior to his vote, MAYOR SCHULTZ congratulated Mr. Morris and said this is as good as Chicago Mayor Daley has or better and he voted aye.

(ORDINANCE NO. 15882)

10. AN ORDINANCE Approving the Addition of 255 and 257 N. Raynor Avenue to the Raynor's Addition Thematic District as recommended by the Historic Preservation Commission was presented and read.
(Council Memo #533-07)

COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE moved that said Ordinance be adopted.

Motion seconded by COUNCILMAN DORRIS.

Motion carried by the following vote:

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

NAYS: NONE.

Prior to her vote, COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN said she wanted to recognize Diane Oestreich in the audience who is the executor of the estate for 257 N. Raynor Avenue and said she is the person who got this going on this particular block. She said Ms. Oestreich doesn't live in town anymore but she wanted to preserve the family home. She said hopefully it will catch on down that block and she congratulated her and she voted aye.

(ORDINANCE NO. 15883)

B. RESOLUTIONS

1. A RESOLUTION Recognizing the Neighborhood Watch Group of the Greywall Club Subdivision was presented and read.
(Council Memo #539-07)

COUNCILMAN BROPHY moved that said Resolution be adopted.

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Motion seconded by COUNCILMAN TURK.

Motion carried by the following vote:

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

NAYS: NONE.

(RESOLUTION NO. 5918)

2. A RESOLUTION Appropriating Motor Fuel Tax Funds in the amount of \$86,660.00 for the 2007 Pavement Marking Program was presented and read. (Section No. 06-00398-00-ST)

(Council Memo #540-07)

(RESOLUTION NO. 5919)

3. A RESOLUTION Appropriating Motor Fuel Tax Funds in the amount of \$90,000.00 for the 2007 Plant Mix Contract was presented and read. (Section No. 07-00402-00-RS)

(Council Memo #541-07)

(RESOLUTION NO. 5920)

COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE moved that said Resolutions be adopted.

Motion seconded by COUNCILMAN TURK.

Motion carried by the following vote:

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

NAYS: NONE.

BIDS AND CONTRACTS

A. Award of Contracts

1. Request Authorization to Purchase Docking Stations and Auxiliary Equipment for Mobile Data Computers
(Council Memo #546-07)

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the Mayor and Council approve the purchase of five Docking Stations and Auxiliary Equipment from CDS Office Technologies in the amount of \$5,205.00.

2. Request Authorization to Repair Damaged Fire Vehicle – Unit FD450
(Council Memo #547-07)

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the Mayor and Council approve the repair of Unit FD450 (1994 Pumper/Engine) by J. Merle Jones in the amount of \$12,510.06.

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3. Award of Contracts for the Construction of the Joliet Area Sports Hall of Fame and for the Purchase and Installation of Audio Visual Equipment and Furniture
(Council Memo #548-07)

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the Mayor and Council take the following actions: 1) Award the audio visual equipment purchase and installation to Roscor Corporation in the amount of \$28,195.00; 2) Approve the purchase of furniture from Turk Furniture in the amount of \$41,243.00; and 3) Award the construction contract to Brookwood Builders in the amount of \$132,331.00.

4. Request Authorization to Pay Emergency Replacement Cost for an Air Conditioner Compressor for the North Half of the Police Building
(Council Memo #550-07)

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the Mayor and Council approve the payment in the amount of \$7,960.00 to Johnson Controls.

5. Request Authorization to Enter into a Maintenance Agreement for Closed Circuit Television Cameras, Hirsch Door Security System and Fire Alarm System
(Council Memo #551-07)

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the Mayor and Council award the contract to Thompson Electronics in the amount of \$11,050.00 for the period June 10, 2007 to June 9, 2008.

6. Award of Contract for the Purchase of Polos, Jackets and Hats for the Annual City of Joliet Car Show
(Council Memo #552-07)

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 Educational Outfitters in the amount of \$8,416.50

7. Award of Contract for the Bluff/Jackson/Marion/Webster Roadway Resurfacing Project
(Council Memo #553-07)

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 P. T. Ferro Construction Co. in the amount of \$293,957.84.

8. Award of Contract for the 2007 Sidewalk/Curb Replacement Project – 2007 Neighborhood Improvement Program
(Council Memo #555-07)

A report on seven bids received for the above contract was accompanied by a recommendation from the City Manager that the Mayor and Council award the contract to M & A Cement Work, Inc. in the amount of \$80,699.50.

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9. Award of Contract for the 2007 Pavement Marking Program
(Council Memo #556-07)

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 Mark It Striping in the amount of \$86,660.00.

10. Award of Contract for the Essington Road at
Randy/Rosemont/Twin Oaks Decorative Pillars Project
(Council Memo #557-07)

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 Lindblad Construction in the amount of \$97,640.75.

11. Award of Contract for the 2007 Plant Mix Contract
(Council Memo #558-07)

A report on one bid 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 Co. in the amount of \$1,284,090.11.

12. Request Authorization to Purchase Replacement Tree Grates
(Council Memo #559-07)

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the Mayor and Council award the contract to Reese Recreational Products in the amount of \$40,020.00.

13. Award of Contract for Sewer Repair at 364/366 Western
Avenue
(Council Memo #560-07)

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 R & R Septic & Sewer Service in the amount of \$6,375.00.

14. Request Authorization to Approve the Purchase of Sanitary
Sewer Flow Meters
(Council Memo #561-07)

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the Mayor and Council award the contract to Gasvoda & Associates in the amount of \$11,520.00.

15. Request Authorization to Approve the Purchase of a Wheel
Loader
(Council Memo #562-07)

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the Mayor and Council award the contract to Westside Tractor Sales in the amount of \$107,800.00.

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16. Request Authorization to Approve Commercial Advertising for the Water Conservation Program
(Council Memo #563-07)

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the Mayor and Council award the contract to Nextmedia Group Inc. in the amount of \$7,875.00.

17. Approve Offsite Water Main Improvements for the Silver Leaf Subdivision
(Council Memo #564-07)

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the Mayor and Council take the following actions: 1) Authorize Lennar Communities of Chicago to proceed with construction of the water facilities; and 2) Approve payment for water main construction upon completion and approval by the Administration.

18. Request Authorization to Execute a Professional Services Contract with CTM Brochure Display for Distribution of the 2007 Joliet Visitor Magazines
(Council Memo #565-07)

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the Mayor and Council approve and authorize the payment for a professional services contract with CTM Brochure Display in the amount of \$9,996.00.

19. Request Authorization to Execute an Advertising Agreement with the Chicago Tribune for a Leisure Travel Advertising Campaign
(Council Memo #566-07)

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the Mayor and Council approve and authorize the payment for an advertisement agreement with the Chicago Tribune Sunday Magazine in the amount of \$11,972.00.

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

Motion seconded by COUNCILMAN TURK.

Motion carried by the following vote:

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

NAYS: NONE.

B. Amendments, Change Orders and Payouts:

1. Approve Change Order No. 6 for the 10D and 11D Water Treatment Plants and Booster Station and Reservoir Modifications Project
(Council Memo #570-07)

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A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the Mayor and Council approve Change Order No. 6 in the amount of \$56,416.00 on behalf of Allan Mack and Sons.

2. Approve Change Order No. 3 for the 18D and Washington Street Water Treatment Plants Project
(Council Memo #571-07)

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the Mayor and Council approve Change Order No. 3 in the amount of \$27,280.00 on behalf of Allan Mack and Sons.

3. Approve Change Order No. 2 for the Booster Station Upgrades Project
(Council Memo #572-07)

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the Mayor and Council approve Change Order No. 2 in the amount of \$81,024.00 on behalf of Williams Brothers Construction.

4. Approve Change Order No. 2 and Payment Estimate No. 3 and Final for the Chicago Street Sidewalk Project – Phase II
(Council Memo #573-07)

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the Mayor and Council approve Change Order No. 2, a deduction in the amount of \$505.24 and Pay Estimate No. 3 and Final in the amount of \$4,572.15 on behalf of Lindblad Construction Co.

5. Approve Change Order No. 3 and Pay Estimate No. 8 for the 2006 City of Joliet Aggregate Contract
(Council Memo #574-07)

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the Mayor and Council approve Change Order No. 3 in the amount of \$8,900.28 and Pay Estimate No. 8 in the amount of \$16,393.57 on behalf of Lafarge Joliet, Inc.

6. Approve Change Order No. 2 and Payment Estimate No. 2 for the Fairmount Street Watermain Replacement Project - 2007
(Council Memo #575-07)

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the Mayor and Council approve Change Order No. 2 in the amount of \$15,756.38 and Pay Estimate No. 2 in the amount of \$5,891.31 on behalf of Austin Tyler Construction Co.

7. Approve Change Order No. 1 and Payment Estimate No. 1 for the Reed Street (West Park-Cottage) Watermain Project - 2007
(Council Memo #576-07)

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the Mayor and Council approve Change Order No. 1 in the amount of \$7,185.95 and Pay Estimate No. 1 in the amount of \$25,768.75 on behalf of C. Thompson & Sons.

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8. Approve Change Order No. 1 and Payment Estimate No. 1 for the Well 9D and 11D Sanitary Forcemain Project
(Council Memo #577-07)

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the Mayor and Council approve Change Order No. 1 in the amount of \$1,367.01 and Pay Estimate No. 1 in the amount of \$6,949.81 on behalf of Construction by Camco.

9. Approve Payment Estimate No. 3 for the Well #10D Rehabilitation Project - 2007
(Council Memo #578-07)

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the Mayor and Council approve Payment Estimate No. 3 in the amount of \$129,508.73 on behalf of Water Well Solutions.

10. Approve Change Order No. 1 and Payment Estimate No. 10 and Final for the 2006 Utilities Restoration
(Council Memo #579-07)

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the Mayor and Council approve Change Order No. 1, a deduction in the amount of \$1,992.20 and Payment Estimate No. 10 and Final in the amount of \$6,774.64 on behalf of Anderson Concrete.

11. Approve Change Order No. 1 and Payment No. 5 and Final for Sewer Department Equipment
(Council Memo #580-07)

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the Mayor and Council approve Change Order No. 1 in the amount of \$1,059.08 and Payment No. 5 and Final in the amount of \$1,160.61 on behalf of Norwalk Tank Co.

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

Motion seconded by COUNCILMAN BROPHY.

Motion carried by the following vote:

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

NAYS: NONE.

MAYOR

- A. Presentation by Recycling Educator Wyn Hyzer Recognizing the Winner of the "Reduce, Re-use, Recycle" Poster Contest
- B. Presentation by the Historic Preservation Commission
- C. Presentation by Visitor Services – Joliet "Kicks Off on Route 66"

These items were presented earlier in the meeting.

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MAYOR AND COUNCIL COMMENTS:

A. Mayor Schultz - Appointments

MAYOR SCHULTZ placed in nomination the appointment of COUNCILWOMAN BARBER to the Public Service Committee.

COUNCILMAN BROPHY moved that the appointment of COUNCILWOMAN BARBER to the Public Service Committee be confirmed.

Motion seconded by COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN.

Motion carried by the following vote:

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

NAYS: NONE.

COUNCILMAN UREMOVIC thanked City Planner Jim Torri for the work he did at the old Spot Not car wash on Larkin Avenue. He said the new developer is really doing great. He said they met with the developer a couple of days ago and Mr. Torri put together a nice plan for the neighbors so they know what's going on with the rehab. He said hopefully they will be doing some landscape improvements up front.

COUNCILMAN UREMOVIC said he stopped at Wal-Mart and we're going to have the largest Sam's Club in the entire northern Illinois area on Larkin and McDonough. He said he met the manager Mark Hayden. He said the landscaping didn't come out real well when they did the gas station but he indicated they would upgrade and they want to do more landscaping and beautification. He said they have representatives coming into town May 21st and 22nd and asked if we could have staff meet with them.

COUNCILMAN TURK said he received a call from Tom Earls who is with the Pheasant Landing Homeowners Association and he would like to address the Mayor and Council at the end of the meeting.

COUNCILMAN SHETINA said he wanted to thank the Police Department and whoever else was involved in rectifying the problem with the new stop sign at Provena St. Joseph's Hospital. He said it was behind a tree and everyone was running it because you couldn't see the sign. He said they moved it out and put an actuated light on it so you can see that the stop sign is there now.

COUNCILMAN SHETINA said he has had several complaints of speeding in Mayfair Subdivision. He said there are 900 houses in there and there is an awful lot of speeding. He said they have notified the Police Department of the problem and they have asked for a speed bump which we will not do and don't recommend, because they do more damage than they do good. He said he would hope that we would keep on being vigilant with respect to the speeders in that subdivision.

COUNCILMAN SHETINA said it befuddles him to understand that every time you stop at a red light people think they can keep on going after it turns red. He said if you have a protected left turn 3 or 4 cars will go before the next cars can go. He said he doesn't know what you can do about it except to warn people. He

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said we have to be more respectful of others and more sensible in driving cars. He said we have a lot of traffic problems and he would like to see people be aware of the fact that when it turns red you stop. He said if we keep an eye on that and keep on ticketing people for that he would appreciate it.

COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN thanked the Police Department regarding an incident that occurred yesterday where an individual was threatening to jump off a two story ledge at one of our hospitals and they were able to come in and negotiate his safe return to the hospital where he is being treated. She said we have a great Police Department and she thanked Police Chief Hayes.

COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN acknowledged Herald News reporter Andrea Hein and said she is going to graduate school and will no longer be covering our Council meetings. She said she hopes that her replacement is as nice and fair as she has been to this Council.

COUNCILMAN BROPHY said he wanted to thank our crossing guards who have done a great job all year keeping our children safe as they go back and forth to school.

COUNCILMAN BROPHY said parkway signs are popping up all over with bogus advertisements and he wishes we could find a way other than stealing time from busy City staff and Public Works people wasting time pulling signs out of the parkway. He said he would really like to clean up our parkways here in the summertime and get those "plastic weeds" out of view. He said we have a lot of beautiful landscaping in town and we ought to pull that stuff out. He said if anyone can think of a way to address the issue to please do it.

COUNCILMAN BROPHY asked if staff could take a look at the alley right at six corners where the drug store used to be. He said the alley that runs north and south from Ruby between Kelly and Raynor has some real drainage and pavement problems. He said we need to redo that and throw a drain in there. He asked if he could get an estimate on that.

COUNCILMAN BROPHY then asked for an update on Evergreen Terrace. He said the refinancing has been done for a couple of months and we should with the nice weather be seeing activity over there. He asked if they have gotten any permits and if they are spending any of the money they were supposed to spend.

The City Manager said yes, they are getting permits for building improvements and parking lot improvements. He said Evergreen Terrace asked if we were going to make them provide storm detention and our answer was yes. He said they are proceeding as they are supposed to and as far as the lawsuit is concerned, he asked the Corporation Counsel for an explanation.

The Corporation Counsel said you may remember that the owners of Evergreen Terrace initially filed suit against the City claiming certain motives behind our efforts to try to get that property renovated or changed and that suit was thrown out of Federal Court by a Federal judge. He said the ownership of Evergreen Terrace has filed an appeal of that and that will be heard by the 7th Circuit Court next Tuesday. He said we don't expect a decision that day; it usually takes a few months after oral argument. He said probably sometime in the summer we'll know whether or not the dismissal of that case, which was great news for the City, will be upheld by the Appellate Court. He said one of the issues in that

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appeal is the condemnation case so even though the appeal didn't initially involve the condemnation it ultimately did, so we may have more news than we might expect when that decision is announced later this summer.

COUNCILMAN BROPHY said lastly he wanted to say good luck to Joe Pecora and his team out at Heroes West. He said they're open and doing a great job. He said it is a first class building and establishment and he hopes they do well. He also said "Go Jackhammers".

COUNCILMAN DORRIS left the meeting at this point.

COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE said he was going to bring that up about the signs in the parkways because it is one of his pet peeves. He said he drives down Jefferson Street and every 20 ft. there are advertisements. He said all of our City staff has cell phones and he asked if it was possible if when they see those signs they call the number and say they are from the City of Joliet and tell them they need to get out there and pull the sign out. He asked if that was possible. He said they are illegal, correct?

The City Manager said yes, they are illegal. He said it is possible but it's a little hard to get the people to actually come and pull the sign out and it's a little hard catching people putting the signs in.

COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE said he understands that, but could we threaten them with a fine.

The City Manager said there is a fine for that and he asked the Corporation Counsel to explain who is liable for the sign.

The Corporation Counsel said technically the person putting the sign in is doing it on behalf of a business owner and certainly there would be a violation of an ordinance by the person putting the sign in, but under the accountability provisions of our Code of Ordinances the business owner may share some responsibility too. He said he doesn't know all the time if it is an employee putting in the sign or an advertising agent; the circumstances will be all over the place. He said but certainly you can write a compliance ticket to the person putting it in and the sign will convey information about the business which can be traced back to a business owner and a compliance ticket can be written to the owner if the Police Department or the Zoning Department feels there's a basis for a violation. He said if there is some defense the business owner may have to tell it to the judge.

COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE said there's always a telephone number on the signs and he asked if a City employee couldn't just dial that number and tell them to get the signs out or they are going to be issued a compliance ticket.

The Corporation Counsel said absolutely.

The City Manager said we'll follow up and get a little bit more direction from the Corporation Counsel and go from there.

COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE said fine because that's one of his pet peeves too, it looks like heck.

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The City Manager said maybe what we'll do is we'll get a few employees educated as to just what the law says and have them go out for the first few days making those calls.

COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE said he's not saying send them out to do it, he's just saying if they happen to be working and going down Jefferson Street and see a sign, call the number and tell them to get the signs out of there.

COUNCILMAN BROPHY said we approve a permanent sign for commercial strip centers and then they get a temporary sign advertising leasing but he doesn't know if there is a deadline as to when those temporary signs have to come down. He said they seem to be permanent in a lot of places.

The City Manager said there is a deadline of two weeks.

COUNCILMAN BROPHY said there are many abuses of that and we need to start policing that and get it cleaned up.

MAYOR SCHULTZ asked the Corporation Counsel what the ordinance is on how long political signs can be up.

The Corporation Counsel said there is a size restriction of 4' x 4' and they are supposed to be posted no earlier than 60 days prior to the election. He said there is a period afterwards he thinks is close to two weeks and we're past that deadline now.

MAYOR SCHULTZ said that ordinance should cover those other signs. He said people are going to take their political signs down and we should take these signs down.

The Corporation Counsel said any sign in the parkway that isn't specifically permitted by the City or constructed by the City for traffic control is an illegal sign.

COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE said even during election time.

The Corporation Counsel said right. He said a political candidate does not have the right to use public property for political purposes.

MAYOR SCHULTZ said what he is trying to say is according to law we can take them down because they are illegal.

The Corporation Counsel said sure. He said the City could grab every one of those signs if we wanted to and dispose of them in a way we saw fit. He said they are not properly located on public property.

COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN said she would like to see an ordinance on Christmas lights because some people still have them up and it's ridiculous.

COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE moved that Tom Earls be allowed to address the Mayor and Council at this time.

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Motion seconded by COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN.

Motion carried by the following vote:

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

NAYS: NONE.

Mr. Tom Earls, a representative from the Pheasant Landing Subdivision, said he is really proud to be a resident of Joliet, and that's because of people like John Mezera, COUNCILMAN UREMOVIC, COUNCILMAN TURK and the other Council members that came to their association meetings in their time of need. He said it also included guys like Jim Trizna and Jim Eggen and other City officials that have come to their assistance addressing issues with the pond, streets and other issues. He said John Mezera made a statement at one of the association meetings that all of these issues would be addressed and they have been. He said they also had an issue with graffiti and it brought their community together. He said they ended up making 4 arrests and two of the persons lived in their subdivision. He said he just wanted to come here and thank everyone.

ADJOURNMENT

COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE moved that the Council adjourn.

Motion seconded by COUNCILMAN BROPHY.

Motion carried by the following vote:

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

NAYS: NONE.

ARTHUR SCHULTZ
Mayor

JANET K. TRAVEN
City Clerk

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