

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBIA,  
ILLINOIS HELD MONDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2010 IN THE COUNCIL ROOM OF CITY HALL**

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**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Hutchinson called the City Council of Columbia, Illinois to order at 7:00 PM. Upon Roll Call, the following members were:

<b>Ebersohl</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent	<b>Hejna</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent
<b>Agne</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent	<b>Oberkfell</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent
<b>Niemietz</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent	<b>Stumpf</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent
<b>Row</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent	<b>Roessler</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent

Quorum Present.

Administrative Staff Present:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> City Clerk Ron Colyer	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> City Administrator Al Hudzik
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> City Attorney Tom Adams	<input type="checkbox"/> Chief of Police Joe Edwards
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building Inspector Al Holden	<input type="checkbox"/> City Treasurer Bob Naumann
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> City Engineer Ron Williams	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director of Economic Development Paul Ellis
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fire Chief Mike Roediger	<input type="checkbox"/> Deputy Chief of Police Jerry Paul
<input type="checkbox"/> Deputy CEMS Director Ken Buss	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Accounting Manager Linda Sharp

The Council recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

**II. DELEGATION**

A. Bluffside Road Residents

1. No delegates or residents in attendance.

**III. READ AND APPROVE MINUTES**

A. The minutes of the Regular Meeting of the City Council held Tuesday, January 19, 2010 were submitted for approval.

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of the City Council held Tuesday, January 19, 2010, as on file at City Hall.

Moved by: Stumpf      Second: Niemietz      Vote: Roll Call

Ebersohl	Yea	Row	Yea	Stumpf	Yea
Agne	Yea	Hejna	Yea	Roessler	Yea
Niemietz	Yea	Oberkfell	Yea		

Motion Carried 8 To 0

**IV. REPORT OF DEPARTMENTS/OFFICERS**

A. Building & Zoning

1. Walgreens - Sign Variance Request

Building Inspector Al Holden presented a request from Walgreens for a sign variance.

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to pass and approve Ordinance No. 2766, An Ordinance to Grant a Sign Variance to Walgreens, a Corporation, to allow a flush-mounted business identification sign to be relocated from the side of a building having frontage on Admiral Trost Boulevard to the side of the building having a northern exposure to State of Illinois Highway Route No. 3

(A/K/A "Admiral Parkway") for the Walgreens Drug Store building located at 100 Admiral Weinel Boulevard in the City of Columbia, Illinois.

Moved by: Agne Second: Row Vote: Roll Call

Ebersohl	Yea	Row	Yea	Stumpf	Yea
Agne	Yea	Hejna	Yea	Roessler	Yea
Niemietz	Yea	Oberkfell	Yea		

Motion Carried 8 To 0

B. Fire Department

## 1. Knox Lock Box Entry System Recommendation

Fire Department Chief Mike Roediger appeared before the Council to request an amendment to Ordinance 2474 enacted in 2006 regarding the Knox Lock Box Entry System for new buildings or multi-family buildings. Mr. Roediger indicated that he will gather further information regarding the matter and present it to the proper Council Committee at a future meeting.

### C. Community & Economic Development

1. Department Director's Report: Director of Community and Economic Development Paul Ellis presented a report to the Council that included updates on current projects, projected new projects, ideas for bringing new businesses to Columbia and Department activities that strive to aid and assist local businesses in the City.
2. Mr. Ellis also informed the Council that the CEO of the Southwestern Illinois Tourism Bureau will address the Council's Committee of the Whole at its February 8<sup>th</sup> meeting to give an overview of the bureau's regional efforts to promote tourism.

D. City Engineer/Department of Public Works

1. The City Engineer's Report was presented by City Engineer Ron Williams.

Mr. Williams reported on the Old Town Project and indicated that Cherry Street has been opened for traffic. He also reported that suppliers and vendors have been provided copies of payment and material bond.

He also touched on the Sitzes Subdivision ordinance enacted in 1995 that requires a sidewalk on Whiteside Street. He suggested that there are some potential problems with the grade and entrance to a business and recommended that the matter be sent to committee for consideration.

Mr. Williams reported on the status of the Quarry Road & Old Route 3/Ghent CMAQ Project and indicated that he is putting a contract together for preliminary engineering.

He also indicated that an ordinance is being prepared to provide for stop signs within the Wernings Subdivision.

E. Planning Commission Meeting Minutes - January 25, 2010

The Plan Commission Minutes were presented by Commissioner Edith Dean.

F. City Attorney

The City Attorney's report was covered by the enactment of Ordinance No. 2766 which was adopted earlier in the meeting.

G. Administration Department

1. No formal report.

H. Mayor

1. Mayor's Report

Mayor Hutchinson presented the January, 2010 Mayor's Report to the City Council.

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to accept the reports of all Departments and Officers as presented.

Moved by: Agne

Second: Niemietz

Vote: Roll Call

Ebersohl Yea

Row

Yea

Stumpf

Yea

Agne Yea

Hejna

Yea

Roessler

Yea

Niemietz Yea

Oberkfell

Yea

Motion Carried 8 to 0

V. CLAIMS & ACCOUNTS

A. Vouchers to be Paid

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to authorize the payment of vouchers received through January 28, 2010; the total amount of the vouchers to be paid is one hundred sixty-eight thousand, nine hundred fifty-five dollars, and thirty-three cents (\$168,955.33).

Moved by: Roessler

Second: Stumpf

Vote: Roll Call

Ebersohl Yea

Row

Yea

Stumpf

Yea

Agne Yea

Hejna

Yea

Roessler

Yea

Niemietz Yea

Oberkfell

Yea

Motion Carried 8 To 0

VI. OLD BUSINESS

- A. None

VII. NEW BUSINESS

- A. None

VIII. REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEES

- A. Committee of the Whole

1. Regular Session Minutes - January 25, 2010

The Ordinance, Planning and Zoning Committee Meeting minutes held Monday, January 25, 2010 were presented for approval.

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to approve the minutes of the Committee of the Whole Committee meeting held Monday, January 25, 2010 as on file at City Hall.

Moved by: Ebersohl

Second: Stumpf

Vote: Roll Call

Ebersohl Yea	Row	Yea	Stumpf	Yea
Agne Yea	Hejna	Yea	Roessler	Yea
Niemietz Abstain	Oberkfell	Yea		

Motion Carried 7 To 0 with 1 Abstention

B. Refuse Collection and Recycling

1. Regular Session Minutes - January 25, 2010

The Refuse Collection and Recycling Committee Meeting minutes held Monday, January 25, 2010 were presented for approval.

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to approve the minutes of the Refuse Collection and Recycling Committee meeting held Monday, January 25, 2010 as on file at City Hall.

Moved by: Hejna      Second: Ebersohl      Vote: Roll Call

Ebersohl Yea	Row	Yea	Stumpf	Yea
Agne Yea	Hejna	Yea	Roessler	Yea
Niemietz Abstain	Oberkfell	Yea		

Motion Carried 7 To 0 with 1 Abstention

2. Motion: Recommend to the City Council that City Engineer Ron Williams prepare bids for the Leaf Removal and Limb Pick-Up contracts, each for a two (2) year period.

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to recommend to the City Council that City Engineer Ron Williams prepare bids for the Leaf Removal and Limb Pick-Up contracts, each for a two (2) year period.

Moved by: Hejna      Second: Ebersohl      Vote: Roll Call

Ebersohl Yea	Row	Yea	Stumpf	Yea
Agne Yea	Hejna	Yea	Roessler	Yea
Niemietz Yea	Oberkfell	Yea		

Motion Carried 8 To 0

C. Fire Department

1. Regular Session Minutes - January 25, 2010

The Fire Department Committee Meeting minutes held Monday, January 25, 2010 were presented for approval.

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to approve the minutes of the Fire Department Committee meeting held Monday, January 25, 2010 as on file at City Hall.

Moved by: Ebersohl      Second: Roessler      Vote: Roll Call

Ebersohl Yea	Row	Yea	Stumpf	Yea
Agne Yea	Hejna	Yea	Roessler	Yea
Niemietz Abstain	Oberkfell	Yea		

Motion Carried 7 To 0 with 1 Abstention

**IX. CALL FOR COMMITTEE MEETINGS - FEBRUARY 8, 2010**

6:45 PM - Committee of the Whole  
7:00 PM - Parks, Playgrounds and Recreation  
7:15 PM - Streets, Sidewalks, Drainage and Public Utilities  
7:30 PM - Personnel

**X. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

None.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

**MOTION:**

It was moved and seconded to adjourn the Regular City Council Meeting held Monday, February 1, 2010 at 8:02 P.M.

Moved by: Agne Second: Niemietz Vote: Roll Call

Ebersohl	Yea	Row	Yea	Stumpf	Yea
Agne	Yea	Hejna	Yea	Roessler	Yea
Niemietz	Yea	Oberkfell	Yea		

Motion Carried 8 To 0

  
J. Ronald Colyer, City Clerk

Kevin B. Hutchinson  
Mayor Kevin B. Hutchinson