

CITY OF ALTON
ALTON CITY COUNCIL

May 26, 2010

A Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of Alton, Illinois was held in the City Council Chambers, City Hall Building, Alton, Illinois at the hour of 7:30 p.m. on the above date.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Hoechst.

The Council Members present on call of the roll:

PRESENT: Ryan, McCahill, Velloff, Martin, Brake, Fleming, Boulds – 7

ABSENT: None - 0

Mayor Hoechst called upon City Treasurer Roth to lead the Pledge to the Flag.

Mayor Hoechst recognized the following: Alton School District Superintendent, David Elson; Assistant Superintendent, Ken Spells; Alton Middle School Principal, David Schwartz; Alton School Board President, Larry Thompson; and Alton School Board Member, Ed Gray and presented the following proclamation, in honor of Alton Middle School's recognition as an Illinois Horizon School to Watch by the Horizons Schools to Watch program, and declared May 28, 2010 to be "Alton Middle School Day" in the City of Alton, Illinois.

At this time, Mayor Hoechst made the following announcements:

The Alton Beautification and Clean City Committee is sponsoring grants up to \$250 for beautification projects on public property and applications are due by May 28, 2010.

Animal tags must be renewed by June 1st and may be purchased in the City Treasurer's Office.

Thank you to Pepsi and all of the residents and businesses that voted in the Pepsi Refresh program. The Park and Recreation Department received \$50,000 for the tennis courts at Rock Springs Park and Alton Senior High School received \$50,000 for their tennis courts. Mayor Hoechst asked that everyone continue to vote for Riverbender.com through May 31, 2010. At this time, everyone made a "toast" with a can of Pepsi in support of the Pepsi Refresh Grant Program.

The Alton Weed & Seed Strategy, Police Department, Fire Department, Park and Recreation Department and the Madison County Probation Department are sponsoring a basketball tournament on June 5th at James H. Killion Park at Salu from 9:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m.

Memorial Day is next Monday. Please keep those individuals that paid the ultimate sacrifice for our country, as well as their families, in our hearts and prayers this weekend.

Mayor Hoechst stated that Thursday, May 27th, marks the one year anniversary of his swearing in as Mayor of the City of Alton.

BID OPENING

The Clerk presented the Notice of Sale of Real Property owned by the City of Alton and an invitation to bid thereon for property located at 301 Piasa Street and 305 Piasa Street, Alton, Illinois.

The Clerk stated that there was one proposal received.

Mayor Hoechst and Corporation Counselor Schrempf read the proposal submitted by John and Erin Frew on May 26, 2010 at 11:35 a.m.

Mr. Ryan made the following motion, seconded by Mr. Boulds:

I move that we refer the bids or proposals received in response to the possible sale of City owned property at 301 Piasa Street and 305 Piasa Street to the Mayor, Phil Roggio and Jim Schrempf to review the bids or proposals received, clarify the respective positions of the City, as Seller, and the persons who submitted bids or proposals, as Purchasers, by the development of any contracts or agreements that are deemed appropriate to the circumstances and to forward to the Committee of the Whole the recommendations of the Mayor, together with any agreements or other documents consistent with the recommendations of the Mayor, with regard to the possible sale of the aforesaid City owned real estate, for the consideration of the Committee of the Whole and by the City Council. The Chair so ordered.

At this time, John and Erin Frew introduced themselves to the Mayor and the City Council.

The Clerk read the following Notice of Public Hearing.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN BY THE CORPORATE AUTHORITIES OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that the Budget and Appropriation documents for the City of Alton, for the fiscal year beginning April 1, 2010, will be on file and conveniently available to public inspection at the Comptroller's Office, 101 E. Third St., Alton, Illinois, beginning at 9:00 A.M., on May 14, 2010 and thereafter for not less than ten days.

NOTICE IS FURTHER HEREBY GIVEN that a public hearing on the Appropriation Ordinance for the City of Alton for the fiscal year beginning April 1, 2010 will be held at 7:30 P.M., on the 26th day of May, 2010 in the Alton City Hall – Council Chambers, 101 E. Third St., Alton, Illinois, and that action by the City Council will be taken on said appropriation ordinance at the regular Council Meeting thereafter.

Dated this 29th day of April, 2010.

s/Tom Hoechst
TOM HOECHST, MAYOR

s/Mary T. Boulds
MARY T. BOULDS, CITY CLERK

Mr. Ryan made a motion, seconded by Mr. Fleming, that the Public Hearing be approved. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Ryan, McCahill, Velloff, Martin, Brake, Fleming, Boulds – 7

NAYS: None - 0

The Public Hearing opened at 7:42 p.m.

Mayor Hoechst asked if there were any questions or comments from the Aldermen.

There were no questions or comments from the Aldermen.

Mayor Hoechst asked if there were any questions or comments from the Public.

There were no questions or comments from the Public.

Mr. Ryan made a motion, seconded by Mr. Brake, that the Public Hearing adjourn at 7:43 p.m. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Ryan, McCahill, Velloff, Martin, Brake, Fleming, Boulds – 7

NAYS: None – 0

COUNCIL MINUTES, COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORT OF OFFICERS

The Clerk presented the following Council Meeting Minutes of May 12, 2010 and the following Communications: Illinois Department of Transportation, re: Motor Fuel Tax Allotment and Transactions for April, 2010; Illinois Department of Transportation, re: Permission to temporarily close certain streets for the annual Memorial Day Parade on May 31, 2010; Madison County Recycling Program and the Madison County Board, re: 2010 Free Household Hazardous Waste Collection to be held on May 22, 2010 in Maryville, Illinois and the following Report of Officers: City Treasurer, re: Monthly Report for April, 2010; Comptroller, re: Overtime Analysis for April, 2010. Mr. Ryan made a

motion, seconded by Mr. Boulds, that said Minutes, Communications and Report of Officers be placed on file. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Ryan, McCahill, Velloff, Martin, Brake, Fleming, Boulds – 7

NAYS: None – 0

COMMITTEE REPORT

Chairman Ryan presented the following Committee of the Whole Meeting Report for May 24, 2010; Resolution, re: Discount and Special Bills paid; Laid Over Resolution, re: Consider an ordinance to amend Ordinance No. 7072, authorizing Permit Parking for residents of Downtown Alton; Laid Over Resolution, re: Lease Agreement between the City of Alton and William Maher, Jr.; Amendment, re: Lease Agreement between the City of Alton and William Maher, Jr.; Resolution, re: Consider an ordinance concerning parking on the north side of Broadway in front of #10 E. Broadway; Resolution, re: Hold a public hearing at the regular meeting of the City Council on June 23, 2010 to consider the vacation of a portion of Alton Street and a portion of Fifth Street; Resolution, re: City to pursue court action for the demolition of 708 Mechanic and a neighbor has requested to purchase said real estate; Resolution, re: Demolition of 3435 Humbert Rd. and 242 W. 19th; Resolution, re: Consider an ordinance to provide for the issuance of not to exceed \$2,750,000 General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2010; Resolution, re: Contract with Sheppard, Morgan & Schwaab, Inc. to initiate final design of the Alton Riverfront Promenade; Amendment, re: Proposal for Professional Engineering Services in conjunction with the City's Master Plan for the Alton Riverfront. Mr. Ryan made a motion, seconded by Mr. Fleming, that said report be placed on file. The Chair so ordered.

Mr. Ryan presented the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Discount and Special Bills Paid; also Expenditure Detail Bills as listed in the Comptroller's report dated May 24, 2010, be allowed and payment be made for same. Mr. Ryan made a motion, seconded by Mr. Fleming, that said resolution be approved. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Ryan, McCahill, Velloff, Martin, Brake, Fleming, Boulds – 7

NAYS: None – 0

Mr. Ryan presented the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that the attached Ordinance Amending Ordinance 7072, Authorizing Permit Parking for Residents of Downtown Alton be considered. Mr. Ryan made a motion, seconded by Mr. McCahill, that said resolution be approved. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Ryan, McCahill, Velloff, Martin, Brake, Fleming, Boulds – 7

NAYS: None – 0

Mr. Ryan presented the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that the Mayor and appropriate city officials are hereby authorized and directed to execute a lease agreement by and between the City of Alton, Illinois and William Maher, Jr. Mr. Ryan made a motion, seconded by Mr. Velloff, that said resolution be approved. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Ryan, McCahill, Velloff, Martin, Brake, Fleming, Boulds – 7

NAYS: None – 0

Mr. Ryan presented the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that the attached Ordinance Concerning Parking on the North Side of Broadway in Front of #10 East Broadway be considered. Mr. Ryan made a motion, seconded by Mr. Boulds, that said resolution be approved. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Ryan, McCahill, Velloff, Martin, Brake, Fleming, Boulds – 7

NAYS: None – 0

Mr. Ryan presented the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that a public hearing be held before the City Council at its regular meeting of June 23, 2010, pursuant to 65 ILCS 5/11-19-1 and Alton City Code 6-1-8 to consider the vacation of a portion of Alton Street and a portion of Fifth Street more particularly described on the attached “Exhibit A” and by reference each made a part hereof, and as shown on the attached plat marked “Exhibit B” and by reference made a part hereof, all being within the City of Alton, Illinois, with the title to said portion of Alton Street passing to and becoming a part of the property to the east, and with the title to said vacated portion of Fifth Street passing to and becoming a part of the property to the south, conditioned upon the receipt by the City of Alton of compensation equal to the fair market value of the property vacated, which shall be the cost incurred by the City of Alton in connection with said vacation, including but not limited to engineering, publication and recording fees.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Clerk shall publish notice of the public hearing with regard to this matter at the earliest possible date. Mr. Ryan made a motion, seconded by Mr. McCahill, that said resolution be approved. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Ryan, McCahill, Velloff, Martin, Brake, Fleming, Boulds – 7

NAYS: None – 0

Mr. Ryan presented the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the City of Alton has pursued court action for the demolition of a dangerous and unsafe structure at 708 Mechanic Street, Alton, Illinois; and

WHEREAS, a Court Order was entered in Madison County Case No. 09-MR-297 on August 28, 2009, authorizing the City of Alton to demolish or cause to be demolished the structure located at 708 Mechanic, Alton, Illinois, and further authorizing the cost of the demolition proceedings, together with the cost of accomplishing the demolition, to be made a lien upon the real estate commonly known as 708 Mechanic Street, Alton, Illinois; and

WHEREAS, the cost of the demolition proceedings, together with the cost of the demolition expenses incurred in enforcing the Order of the Court, total \$9,647.40 to date; and

WHEREAS, a neighbor of 708 Mechanic Street, Alton, Illinois, by the name of Paul W. Knetzer, of 410 E. Seventh Street, Alton, Illinois, has contacted the appropriate City officials requesting to purchase the real estate commonly known as 708 Mechanic Street, Alton, Illinois; and

WHEREAS, the real estate commonly known as 708 Mechanic Street, Alton, Illinois, is currently encumbered with various and sundry liens, including liens for unpaid real estate taxes due with regard to the aforesaid property; and

WHEREAS, the aforesaid Paul W. Knetzer has agreed to advance expenses that would be incurred by the City of Alton in connection with the foreclosure of the City's lien for demolition expenses as authorized by the Order of Court in Case No. 09-MR-297, City of Alton ordinances, and by the statutes of the State of Illinois; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Alton desires to clear the clouds upon the title of the real estate commonly known as 708 Mechanic Street, Alton, Illinois, and to allow that real estate to return to private ownership; preferably to be maintained in such a manner as to be an asset to the surrounding neighborhood.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, AS FOLLOWS:

1. That the Corporation Counselor of the City of Alton is hereby authorized and directed to cause to be commenced a court proceeding in the nature of foreclosure of the City's lien for expenses incurred in the court proceeding in Madison County Case No. 09-MR-297, together with the expenses incurred in accomplishing the demolition of the dangerous and unsafe structure at 708 Mechanic Street, Alton, Illinois, along with any additional costs incurred in the pursuit of the court proceeding for foreclosure with regard to the real estate commonly known as 708 Mechanic Street, Alton, Illinois.

2. The Corporation Counselor, in pursuit of the foregoing directive, is authorized to retain additional legal counsel as he may so determine in his discretion, to assist in said proceedings and further to incur necessary and appropriate expenses in connection therewith, including, but not limited to service and publication fees in

connection therewith; **but only** on the condition that all such additional fees and expenses shall be advanced or paid by Paul W. Knetzer.

3. That Paul W. Knetzer shall be reimbursed for any such expenses advanced or paid by him in connection with the aforesaid foreclosure proceeding in the event any party shall satisfy the aforesaid lien upon the real estate commonly known as 708 Mechanic Street, Alton, Illinois, in the course of the anticipated foreclosure proceeding as above described, or in the event of the subsequent sale of the aforesaid real estate commonly known as 708 Mechanic Street, Alton, Illinois, by the City of Alton, Illinois, following the vesting of title to said real estate in the City of Alton, Illinois. Mr. Ryan made a motion, seconded by Mr. McCahill, that said resolution be approved. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Ryan, McCahill, Velloff, Martin, Brake, Fleming, Boulds – 7

NAYS: None – 0

Mr. Ryan presented the following resolution:

WHEREAS, it is necessary to effect the demolition of certain structures deemed unsafe under 65 ILCS 5/11-31-1, the owners of which have neglected or refuses to perform required demolition.

NOW, THEREFORE:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that its officials and agents are hereby authorized to pursue appropriate legal action against such properties in the Circuit Court as listed below:

3435 Humbert Rd.
242 W. 19th

Mr. Ryan made a motion, seconded by Mr. Brake, that said resolution be approved. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Ryan, McCahill, Velloff, Martin, Brake, Fleming, Boulds – 7

NAYS: None – 0

Mr. Ryan presented the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that the attached Ordinance providing for the issuance of not to exceed \$2,750,000 General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2010, of the City of Alton, Madison County, Illinois, and providing for the levy and collection of a direct annual tax for the payment of the principal of and interest on said bonds be considered. Mr. Ryan made a motion, seconded by Mr. Brake, that said resolution be approved. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Ryan, McCahill, Velloff, Martin, Brake, Fleming, Boulds – 7

NAYS: None – 0

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES

Mayor Pro Tem Ryan presented the following three (3) ordinances for first reading.

Ordinance No. 7196. An Ordinance making an annual Appropriation for the City of Alton, in the County of Madison, State of Illinois, for the fiscal year beginning April 1, 2010 and ending March 31, 2011.

Ordinance No. 7200. An Ordinance ascertaining the prevailing rate of wages for laborers, workmen, and mechanics employed on public works for the City of Alton, Illinois.

Ordinance No. 7201. An Ordinance granting the renewal of a special use permit at 920 E. 5th Street, Alton, Illinois, for the installation of a “Telecommunications Facility, Disguised Support Structure”.

Mr. Ryan made a motion, seconded by Mr. Boulds, that the above and foregoing three (3) ordinances be LAID OVER. The Chair so ordered.

Mayor Pro Tem Ryan made a motion, seconded by Mr. Brake, that the Rules of the Council be Suspended in order to request the first and second readings of Ordinance No. 7202. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Ryan, McCahill, Velloff, Martin, Brake, Fleming, Boulds,
Mayor Hoechst – 8

NAYS: None – 0

Mayor Pro Tem Ryan presented the following ordinance for first reading.

Ordinance No. 7202. An Ordinance providing for the issuance of not to exceed \$2,750,000 General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2010, of the City of Alton, Madison County, Illinois, and providing for the levy and collection of a direct annual tax for the payment of the principal of and interest on said bonds.

Mayor Pro Tem Ryan presented the following ordinance for second reading.

Ordinance No. 7202. An Ordinance providing for the issuance of not to exceed \$2,750,000 General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2010, of the City of Alton, Madison County, Illinois, and providing for the levy and collection of a direct annual tax for the payment of the principal of and interest on said bonds. Mr. Ryan made a motion, seconded by Mr. Brake, that said ordinance be adopted. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Ryan, McCahill, Velloff, Martin, Brake, Fleming, Boulds – 7

NAYS: None – 0

SECOND READING OF ORDINANCES

Mayor Pro Tem Ryan presented the following ordinance for second reading.

Ordinance No. 7197. An Ordinance adjusting the fees for collection of garbage and refuse. Mr. Ryan made a motion, seconded by Mr. Boulds, that said ordinance be adopted. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Ryan, McCahill, Velloff, Martin, Brake, Fleming, Boulds – 7

NAYS: None – 0

Mayor Pro Tem Ryan presented the following ordinance for second reading.

Ordinance No. 7198. An Ordinance amending Traffic Code of the City of Alton, Illinois, in order to improve the flow of traffic on Hill Road. Mr. Ryan made a motion, seconded by Mr. Boulds, that said ordinance be adopted. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Ryan, McCahill, Velloff, Martin, Brake, Fleming, Boulds – 7

NAYS: None – 0

Mayor Pro Tem Ryan presented the following ordinance for second reading.

Ordinance No. 7199. An Ordinance amending Section 4(B) of Chapter 4 of Title 4, of the City Code of Alton, Illinois by changing the number of C-2 liquor licenses permitted in the City of Alton. Mr. Ryan made a motion, seconded by Mr. McCahill, that said ordinance be adopted. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Ryan, McCahill, Velloff, Martin, Brake, Fleming, Boulds – 7

NAYS: None – 0

REPORTS AND/OR RESOLUTIONS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES

The Clerk presented the following Appearance Review Commission, re: Public Hearing Minutes of April 21, 2010 and the Alton Plan Commission, re: Public Hearing Minutes of May 18, 2010. Mr. Ryan made a motion, seconded by Mr. Boulds, that said minutes be placed on file. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Ryan, McCahill, Velloff, Martin, Brake, Fleming, Boulds – 7

NAYS: None – 0

Mayor Pro Tem Ryan presented the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that a special use permit on the property identified by permanent parcel number 23-2-08-06-20-401-004, Section 6, Township 5 North, Range 9 West of the Third Principal Meridian, also known as 2404 Bloomer, Alton, Illinois (legal attached), to construct a new cell tower, remove the old one and enlarge the ground equipment area,

BE AND HEREBY IS APPROVED. Mr. Ryan made a motion, seconded by Mr. Boulds, that said resolution be approved. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Ryan, McCahill, Velloff, Martin, Brake, Fleming, Boulds – 7

NAYS: None – 0

APPOINTMENTS

Mayor Hoechst presented the following appointments to the Alton Amphitheater Commission: John Hentrich, Russ Smith, Ed Gent, Michelle Brooks, Kimberly Cruz, Brad Cunningham, and Brett Stawar. Mr. Boulds made a motion, seconded by Mr. Ryan, that said appointments be approved. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Ryan, McCahill, Velloff, Martin, Brake, Fleming, Boulds – 7

NAYS: None – 0

Mayor Hoechst presented the following appointments:

Matthew H. Asselmeier – Associate Director of Public Relations/
City Council Liaison

Gregory A. Bock – Fire Chief

Gregory A. Caffey – Deputy Director of Community Development and Housing

Brad Cunningham – Executive Director Parks & Recreation Department

Mary Pat Darr – Mayor’s Secretary

Stephanie J. Elliott – Comptroller

Julie N. Harper – Civil Service Commission Attorney

Mark Harris – Deputy Fire Chief

Mike Harvey – Safety, Building Code and Business Inspector

David Hayes – Police Chief

Matthew W. Kelly – Assistant Corporation Counselor

Matthew W. Kelly – City Attorney

William Kerr – Public Works Director/City Engineer

Rhonda Lewis – Associate Director Park & Recreation

David Miles – Personnel Director

Allan Napp – Assistant City Attorney

William E. Parker, Jr. – Department of Development & Housing,
Electrical Inspector

Phil Roggio – Director of the Department of Development & Housing

Steve Rynders – Plumbing Inspector

James E. Schrempf – Corporation Counselor

James E. Schrempf – Ethics Officer

Scott Smith – Plumbing Inspector

George Stumpe – Department of Development & Housing,
Electrical Inspector

Vic Walter – Department of Development & Housing,
Assistant Electrical Inspector

Mr. Ryan made a motion, seconded by Mr. Brake, that said appointments be approved. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Ryan, McCahill, Velloff, Martin, Brake, Fleming, Boulds – 7
NAYS: None – 0

PUBLIC FORUM ADDRESSING CITY BUSINESS

Mayor Pro Tem Ryan presented the following requests for the floor from John Frew and Erin Frew. Mr. Ryan asked if either applicant would like to speak and they declined.

COMMENTS OR RESOLUTIONS FROM THE COUNCIL

Mr. Ryan presented the following three (3) resolutions:

1. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that an Ordinance be considered to prohibit parking of tractor-trailers or trucks in excess of 10,000 pounds gross weight in the parking lots within or serving Riverfront Park.

2. WHEREAS, Alton Marketplace desires to hold a special event on July 24, 2010, at the Amphitheater, which event shall include the outdoor sale of food and alcoholic beverages for the Big Gig event: and

WHEREAS, the sale of alcoholic beverages on the City of Alton property, the Amphitheater, requires a variance from the Alton City Council.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that the following special event be and is hereby approved pursuant to City of Alton Code 4-4-9 and a variance is hereby granted for sale and distribution of alcoholic liquors on public property:

Alton Marketplace shall be entitled to sell alcoholic liquor at the Amphitheater on July 24, 2010, for the Big Gig event to be held on that date.

3. WHEREAS, Alton Marketplace desires to hold a special event on September 18, 2010, at the Amphitheater, which event shall include the outdoor sale of food and alcoholic beverages for the Mississippi Earthtones Festival: and

WHEREAS, the sale of alcoholic beverages on the City of Alton property, the Amphitheater, requires a variance from the Alton City Council.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that the following special event be and is hereby approved pursuant to City of Alton Code 4-4-9 and a variance is hereby granted for sale and distribution of alcoholic liquors on public property:

Alton Marketplace shall be entitled to sell alcoholic liquor at the Amphitheater

on September 18, 2010, for the Mississippi Earthtones Festival to be held on that date.

Mr. Ryan made a motion, seconded by Mr. McCahill, that the above and foregoing three (3) resolutions be referred to the Committee of the Whole. The Chair so ordered.

Mr. Velloff presented the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that the Mayor be and is hereby authorized to execute a contract to purchase the properties known as the Millman Lumber Company property consisting of 5.18 acres and the Cornerstone Bank & Trust property consisting of 1.88 acres for the total price of \$1,300,000 with said funding coming from the TIF Project Account #1 (Riverfront). Mr. Velloff made a motion, seconded by Mr. Brake, that said resolution be referred to the Committee of the Whole. The Chair so ordered.

Mrs. Martin presented the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that officials of the Dept. of Development & Housing are hereby authorized to purchase property identified by Parcel Index Number(s): 23-2-08-18-09-203-003, commonly known as 223 McClure Ave., with Community Development Block Grant funds at a cost not to exceed \$8,000.00. Mrs. Martin made a motion, seconded by Mr. Brake, that said resolution be referred to the Committee of the Whole. The Chair so ordered.

Mr. Boulds presented the following three (3) resolutions:

1. WHEREAS, Alton Marketplace desires to hold a special event on June 5, 2010, at the Amphitheater, which event shall include the outdoor sale of food and alcoholic beverages to benefit the Feed the Need event: and

WHEREAS, the sale of alcoholic beverages on the City of Alton property, the Amphitheater, requires a variance from the Alton City Council.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that the following special event be and is hereby approved pursuant to City of Alton Code 4-4-9 and a variance is hereby granted for sale and distribution of alcoholic liquors on public property:

Alton Marketplace shall be entitled to sell alcoholic liquor at the Amphitheater on June 5, 2010, to benefit the Feed the Need event to be held on that date.

2. WHEREAS, Alderwoman Martin has requested that 1900 Block of Pleasant Street between Franklin and Tremont Streets be closed on Saturday, May 29, 2010, to facilitate a family event; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has considered the request and does hereby approved said request.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that the Public Works Department, Police Department, and Fire Department are hereby authorized and directed to effectuate the temporary closure of the 1900 Block of Pleasant Street between Franklin and Tremont Streets on Saturday, May 29, 2010, from 1:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. to facilitate a family event.

3. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that the Mayor be and is hereby authorized to execute a contract with Sheppard, Morgan & Schwaab, Inc. to initiate final design of the Alton Riverfront Promenade from its present terminus near the Boat of the Riverbend to the entrance of the Argosy Casino with said funding coming from the Marina/Riverfront \$0.10 Restricted Fund.

Mr. Boulds made a motion, seconded by Mr. Ryan, that the Rules of the Council be Suspended in order to act upon said three (3) resolutions. The motion passed by the following vote;

AYES: Ryan, McCahill, Velloff, Martin, Brake, Fleming, Boulds,
Mayor Hoechst – 8

NAYS: None – 0

Mr. Boulds made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Martin, that the above and foregoing three (3) resolutions be approved. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Ryan, McCahill, Velloff, Martin, Brake, Fleming, Boulds – 7

NAYS: None – 0

There being no further business to come before the Council at this time, Mr. Boulds made a motion, seconded by Mr. Fleming, that the meeting adjourn. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Ryan, McCahill, Velloff, Martin, Brake, Fleming, Boulds – 7

NAYS: None – 0

Mary T. Boulds MMC
City Clerk

(Seal of the City of Alton, Illinois)