

**MINUTES FOR THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
THURSDAY, JULY 17, 2014
7:00 P.M.**

All members of Council were present; Mayor Stokes presided.

Presentation - Mayor's Recognition for Excellence Award (REX):
Community Excellence Award to the Save Lithgow Library Referendum
Committee

Presentation - Update on Western Avenue Reconstruction Project by Ernie Martin,
MDOT

Public comments were held on items listed on the agenda.

OLD BUSINESS AND TABLED MATTERS

READ AND PASSED, AS AMENDED, FINAL READING

14-108

BE IT ORDAINED, That Section 6-84 of the Code of Ordinances is amended as follows:

Sec. – 84. Performance standards. All blasters must comply with the following performance standards:

(a) *Hours of detonation.*

(2) *All other blasting.* Hours of detonation are limited to between sunrise and sunset or between 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m., whichever is greater, Monday through Friday inclusive, except by special exception as allowed under Section 6-88 of this division. In no case shall a blast occur on the following legal holidays: New Year's, Memorial Day, Fourth of July, Labor Day, Veterans Day, Thanksgiving and Christmas. Blasting which occurs as part of a mineral extraction license must occur between 11:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. pursuant to §6-76(b)(9)(b) of the Code of Ordinances.

Motion to Amend (add language) by: McCormick Second by: Bilodeau

Yeas: 8; Byron, Grant, Paradis, O'Brien
Rollins, Bilodeau, McCormick, Munson

Nays: 0

Motion for passage, as amended by: Byron Second by: Bilodeau

Yeas: 8; Byron, Grant, Paradis, O'Brien
Rollins, Bilodeau, McCormick, Munson

Nays: 0

NEW BUSINESS

HAS BEEN READ, AMENDED AND NOT PASSED

14-126

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDERED, By the City Council of the City of Augusta that a text amendment regarding contractor services in the Planned Development 2 (PD2) zoning district be initiated and sent to the Planning Board for public hearing, in accordance with Section 1.6.1.2 of the Land Use Ordinance. The Planning Board should consider the following text amendment recommendation, with the stipulation that any recommendation for modification of the proposal be considered by the Board based on public comment or the Board's knowledge of the area:

Add Contractor Services, or some subset of contractor services that includes electricians, as a permitted or conditional use in the PD2 zoning district.

Motion to Amend (add language) by: O'Brien Second by: Byron
Withdrawn by O'Brien

Motion to Amend (delete language) by: O'Brien Second by: Byron
Yeas: 5; Stokes, Byron, Grant, O'Brien
 Rollins,
Nays: 4; Paradis, Bilodeau, McCormick, Munson

Motion to Amend (delete language) by: O'Brien Second by: Byron
Yeas: 1; O'Brien
Nays: 7; Byron, Grant, Paradis,
 Rollins, Bilodeau, McCormick, Munson

Motion for passage, as amended, by: Byron Second by: Bilodeau
Yeas: 1; O'Brien
Nays: 7; Byron, Grant, Paradis,
 Rollins, Bilodeau, McCormick, Munson

NEW BUSINESS (Con't)

HAS BEEN READ AND PASSED, AS AMENDED

14-122

ORDERED, That Mayor Stokes shall appoint an ad-hoc Lithgow Library Construction Advisory Committee to include in its membership two City Councilors, a representative of the Friends of Lithgow Library and a representative of the Library Board of Trustees. The City Manager shall serve as Chair of the committee and shall involve the active participation of the Director of Community Services, the Library Director and other City staff members as appropriate. The Committee shall meet regularly and shall ensure that the City Council, the Library Board of Trustees, the Friends of Lithgow Library and other interested parties are kept informed of the progress of the renovation and expansion project. Council approves the building design plans produced by Johnson Roberts Associates, Inc. dated January 10, 2014. Any modifications pre-bid must be approved by the City Council.

Motion to Amend (add language) by: O'Brien Second by: Byron
Yeas: 8; Byron, Grant, Paradis, O'Brien
 Rollins, Bilodeau, McCormick, Munson
Nays: 0

Motion for passage, as amended by: Byron Second by: Rollins
Yeas: 8; Byron, Grant, Paradis, O'Brien
 Rollins, Bilodeau, McCormick, Munson
Nays: 0

NEW BUSINESS (Con't)

HAS BEEN READ AND PASSED

14-113
ORDERED, That the minutes of the City Council meetings held June 19, 2014, July 1, 2014 and July 10, 2014; submitted by the City Clerk be approved.

Motion for passage by: Byron Second by: Paradis
Yeas: 8; Byron, Grant, Paradis, O'Brien
 Rollins, Bilodeau, McCormick, Munson
Nays: 0

14-114
ORDERED, That the Roll of Accounts for the month of June, 2014 in the amount of \$4,775,878.47 be approved.

Motion for passage by: Byron Second by: Paradis
Yeas: 8; Byron, Grant, Paradis, O'Brien
 Rollins, Bilodeau, McCormick, Munson
Nays: 0

14-115
ORDERED, That David P. Smith be reappointed to the Greater Augusta Utility District; said term to expire July 31, 2017.

Motion for passage by: Byron Second by: Paradis
Yeas: 8; Byron, Grant, Paradis, O'Brien
 Rollins, Bilodeau, McCormick, Munson
Nays: 0

14-116
ORDERED, That Samantha Nowlin be appointed to the Augusta Housing Authority; said term to expire July 17, 2019

Motion for passage by: Byron Second by: Bilodeau
Yeas: 8; Byron, Grant, Paradis, O'Brien
 Rollins, Bilodeau, McCormick, Munson
Nays: 0

14-128

ORDERED, That the City Council enter into executive session to discuss:

- a personnel matter; 1 M.R.S.A., §405(6)(A)
- pending litigation; 1 M.R.S.A., §405(6)(E)

Motion for passage by: O'Brien Second by: Byron
Yeas: 7; Byron, Grant, Paradis, O'Brien
 Rollins, McCormick, Munson
Nays: 1 Bilodeau

Meeting adjourned at 9:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara E. Wardwell, City Clerk
August 1, 2014