

**MINUTES
PUBLIC HEARING
CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EAST PEORIA, IL**

**NEW COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON THE CIVIC COMPLEX
401 WEST WASHINGTON STREET, EAST PEORIA, ILLINOIS**

APRIL 3, 2018

Motion by Commissioner Densberger, seconded by Commissioner Kahl Mr. Mayor, I move that the City Council recess the Regular Meeting to hold a public hearing.

Yeas: Commissioners Decker, Densberger, Jeffers, Kahl and Mayor Mingus.

Nays: None

Mayor Mingus declared the motion carried and the Regular Meeting recessed to hold a public hearing at 6:02 P.M.

Mayor Mingus called the meeting to order with proper notice having been given.

Those present were the following: Mayor David Mingus, Commissioner Daniel S. Decker, Commissioner Gary R. Densberger, Commissioner Timothy J. Jeffers and Commissioner John P. Kahl.

Absent: None.

Mayor Mingus explained that we are in the public hearing. He turned the discussion over to City Administrator Eder. City Administrator Eder discussed the budget and appropriation ordinance and mentioned that there was a scrivener's error on page 15 of the working cash budget that has been corrected. The line items were the same just the total has been corrected.

Commissioner Densberger explained the purpose of the meeting is to hold a public hearing on the proposed Annual Appropriation Ordinance and proposed Working Cash Budget of the City of East Peoria from May 1, 2018 to April 30, 2019 and receive public comments on those items. He explained what the Appropriation Ordinance and Working Cash Budget consist of.

Commissioner Densberger discussed the sales tax that was passed at the last meeting. He discussed home rule and discussed the items that can be done with home rule, including motor fuel taxes, hotel/motel tax, restaurant tax, among others. He feels that home rule is a better alternative than sale tax from a revenue standpoint. He feels that the long-term fiscal outlook for the City is a positive one.

Commissioner Decker discussed wanting two clean-up weeks this year. However, he feels that it is a good balance that the budget is being approved with only one clean-up week. He discussed needs for the capital and street maintenance needs. The proposed budget allows the City to take care of some of the capital needs of the City.

Commissioner Jeffers discussed the Appropriation Ordinance and Budget. He discussed the work that the Director of Finance/Treasurer completed and that he will be supporting the Appropriation Ordinance and Budget.

Commissioner Kahl discussed supporting the Appropriation Ordinance and Budget. He discussed the cuts that were made.

Mayor Mingus expressed support for the Appropriation Ordinance and Budget.

Mayor Mingus asked for any comments from the audience.

Don Norbits of East Peoria came up to the podium to discuss the budget. He requested a personnel/staffing schedule for each department be included in the budget to put some logic to the budget.

Mayor Mingus asked for any additional comments from the audience. There was no response.

Motion by Commissioner Densberger, seconded by Commissioner Kahl; Mr. Mayor, I move that to adjourn the Public Hearing and reconvene the Regular Meeting.

Yeas: Commissioners Decker, Densberger, Jeffers, Kahl and Mayor Mingus.

Nays: None

Mayor Mingus declared the motion carried and the Regular Meeting reconvened at 6:19 P.M.

 /s/ Morgan R. Cadwalader
City Clerk Morgan R. Cadwalader