

**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**

**MARCH 17, 2020**

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

Yeas: Commissioners Decker, Hill, Mingus, Sutherland and Mayor Kahl.

Nays: None

Mayor Kahl declared the motion carried and the Regular Meeting recessed to hold a public hearing at 6:01 P.M.

Mayor Kahl called the Public Hearing to order with proper notice having been given.

Those present were the following: Mayor John P. Kahl, Commissioner Daniel S. Decker, Commissioner Mark E. Hill, Commissioner Seth D. Mingus, and Commissioner Michael L. Sutherland.

Absent: None.

Mayor Kahl explained that we are in the public hearing and explained the purpose of the meeting is to hold a public hearing on the Proposed Annual Appropriation Ordinance and the Proposed Working Cash Budget for the Fiscal Year May 1, 2020 to April 30, 2021. He turned the discussion over to Director of Finance, Jeff Becker. Commissioner Hill and Director Becker discussed the Appropriation Ordinance and Working Cash Budget explaining that the Appropriation Ordinance is the maximum spending limit for the city assuming all of the revenues are there. The total expenditures are \$112,374,960 in the appropriation ordinance. He explained that the budget will likely be revisited as this is an uncertain time with the health pandemic. However, the City's business must still be conducted. Commissioner Decker commented the appropriation ordinance and budget process going well but also commented on the unknown due to the pandemic. Commissioner Sutherland explained that he learned a lot and thanked everyone for their work. Mayor Kahl commented on the budget being balanced along with a 5 year capital plan. He explained that there will be no spending outside of those items that are necessary due to the uncertain nature of revenues due to the health pandemic and thanked the City staff for being flexible. Mayor Kahl explained that the City is being cautious with its monies.

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

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

Yeas: Commissioners Decker, Hill, Mingus, Sutherland and Mayor Kahl.

Nays: None

Mayor Kahl declared the motion carried and the Regular Meeting reconvened at 6:06 P.M.

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