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

NOVEMBER 19, 2019

Motion by Commissioner Hill, seconded by Commissioner Decker; 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 6:02 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 Special Service Area 2019A for Access Road 6 Improvement Project.

Mayor Kahl turned the discussion over to Director of Planning and Community Development, Ty Livingston. Director Livingston provided an overview of the project which is the road improvement project for Access Road 6. He explained that there is a map of the covered area available and that the city has limited funding for street project. Director Livingston described the scope of the roadway improvement project. He described the properties that will benefit from the project and why the properties will benefit from the SSA. He explained that the property owners of the properties affected by the SSA are willing participants. Next, Director Livingston explained the costs of the project that is estimated at around $400,000. The project will be financed by a bank loan with the debt service for the loan being paid by an annual additional property tax of 1.5% on each of the SSA properties for a 10-year period. This SSA property tax will be collected by the County and paid to the City as part of the annual property tax collection process, and then once collected, the City will make the annual loan payment with these property tax proceeds. The SSA process provides the City with the authority to impose this additional property tax in the SSA on these specific properties, as well as providing the authority to designate this road project as a special service that will benefit these specific properties and to incur debt for financing this road project.

After Director Livingston concluded his comments, the Mayor asked for any comments or questions from the City Council. Commissioner Decker explained that the city would like to fix every road. However, the city has so many needs and the city could not meet the timeline of the owners. The businessowners along the SSA project area wanted to make sure that they had an improved roadway. Commissioner Sutherland explained that the road is in dire shape and he stated that the city needs a plan to invest in infrastructure. He explained that the road should never have been in this shape.

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

Motion by Commissioner Hill, 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 6:08 P.M.

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