

**MINUTES**  
**ST. CHARLES CITY COUNCIL MEETING**  
**LORA A. VITEK, MAYOR**  
**MONDAY, MARCH 18, 2024 – 7:00 P.M.**  
**CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS**  
**2 E. MAIN STREET**

**1. Call to Order.**

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Lora Vitek at 7:00 p.m.

**2. Roll Call.**

**Present:** Ald. Silkaitis, Ald. Foulkes, Ald. Bongard, Ald. Muenz, Ald. Lencioni, Ald. Gehm, Ald. Pietryla, Ald. Wirball, Ald. Bessner, Ald. Weber

**Absent:** None

**3. Invocation.**

**4. Pledge of Allegiance.**

**5. Presentations**

- Presentation of the St. Charles Women's Club Proclamation.
- Presentation of the National Vietnam War Veterans Day Proclamation.

**6. Motion by Aldr. Bessner, second by Aldr. Wirball, to approve the omnibus vote.**

Items with an asterisk (\*) are considered to be routine matters and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion on these items unless a council member/citizen so requests, in which event the item will be removed from the consent agenda and considered in normal sequence on the agenda.

**Roll Call Vote:** Ayes: Ald. Silkaitis, Ald. Foulkes, Ald. Bongard, Ald. Muenz, Ald. Lencioni, Ald. Gehm, Ald. Pietryla, Ald. Wirball, Ald. Bessner, Ald. Weber; Nays: None.

Motion Carried

**\*7. Motion by Aldr. Bessner, second by Aldr. Wirball, to accept and place on file minutes of the regular City Council meeting held March 4, 2024.**

**Roll Call Vote:** Ayes: Ald. Silkaitis, Ald. Foulkes, Ald. Bongard, Ald. Muenz, Ald. Lencioni, Ald. Gehm, Ald. Pietryla, Ald. Wirball, Ald. Bessner, Ald. Weber; Nays: None.

Motion Carried

**\*8. Motion by Aldr. Bessner, second by Aldr. Wirball, to approve and authorize issuance of vouchers from the Expenditure Approval List for the period of 2/19/2024 – 3/3/2024 in the amount of \$2,755,761.98.**

**Roll Call Vote:** Ayes: Ald. Silkaitis, Ald. Foulkes, Ald. Bongard, Ald. Muenz, Ald. Lencioni, Ald. Gehm, Ald. Pietryla, Ald. Wirball, Ald. Bessner, Ald. Weber; Nays: None.

Motion Carried

## I. Old Business

- A. None

## II. New Business

- A. Motion by Aldr. Wirball, second by Aldr. Pietryla, to approve the recommendation from Mayor Lora Vitek to appoint Jamie Morin to the Historic Preservation Commission.  
**Roll Call Vote:** Ayes: Ald. Silkaitis, Ald. Foulkes, Ald. Bongard, Ald. Muenz, Ald. Lencioni, Ald. Gehm, Ald. Pietryla, Ald. Wirball, Ald. Bessner, Ald. Weber; Nays: None.  
Motion Carried
- B. Motion by Aldr. Wirball, second by Aldr. Lencioni, to approve the recommendation from City Clerk Nancy Garrison to appoint Marzena Sheets as Deputy City Clerk.  
**Roll Call Vote:** Ayes: Ald. Silkaitis, Ald. Foulkes, Ald. Bongard, Ald. Muenz, Ald. Lencioni, Ald. Gehm, Ald. Pietryla, Ald. Wirball, Ald. Bessner, Ald. Weber; Nays: None.  
Motion Carried

## III. Committee Reports

- A. Government Operations
- \*1. Motion by Aldr. Bessner, second by Aldr. Wirball, to approve and place on file the minutes of the March 4, 2024 Government Operations Committee Meeting.  
**Roll Call Vote:** Ayes: Ald. Silkaitis, Ald. Foulkes, Ald. Bongard, Ald. Muenz, Ald. Lencioni, Ald. Gehm, Ald. Pietryla, Ald. Wirball, Ald. Bessner, Ald. Weber; Nays: None.  
Motion Carried
- B. Government Services
- \*1. Motion by Aldr. Bessner, second by Aldr. Wirball, to approve and place on file the minutes of the February 26, 2024 Government Services Committee Meeting.  
**Roll Call Vote:** Ayes: Ald. Silkaitis, Ald. Foulkes, Ald. Bongard, Ald. Muenz, Ald. Lencioni, Ald. Gehm, Ald. Pietryla, Ald. Wirball, Ald. Bessner, Ald. Weber; Nays: None.  
Motion Carried

C. Planning and Development

- \*1. Motion by Aldr. Bessner, second by Aldr. Wirball, to approve **Ordinance 2024-Z-2** Amending Title 17 of the St. Charles Municipal Code Entitled "Zoning", Ch. 17.14 "Business and Mixed Use Districts", Table 17.14-1 "Permitted and Special Uses" (Cultural Facility in BL District).  
**Roll Call Vote:** Ayes: Ald. Silkaitis, Ald. Foulkes, Ald. Bongard, Ald. Muenz, Ald. Lencioni, Ald. Gehm, Ald. Pietryla, Ald. Wirball, Ald. Bessner, Ald. Weber; Nays: None.  
Motion Carried
- \*2. Motion by Aldr. Bessner, second by Aldr. Wirball, to approve **Ordinance 2024-Z-3** Granting Approval of a Special Use for a Cultural Facility (1317 E. Main St. – Andrew Koczwar).  
**Roll Call Vote:** Ayes: Ald. Silkaitis, Ald. Foulkes, Ald. Bongard, Ald. Muenz, Ald. Lencioni, Ald. Gehm, Ald. Pietryla, Ald. Wirball, Ald. Bessner, Ald. Weber; Nays: None.  
Motion Carried
- \*3. Motion by Aldr. Bessner, second by Aldr. Wirball, to approve **Ordinance 2024-Z-4** Granting Approval of a Special Use for a Place of Worship (3809 Illinois Ave – Rino Miulli, Promise Church).  
**Roll Call Vote:** Ayes: Ald. Silkaitis, Ald. Foulkes, Ald. Bongard, Ald. Muenz, Ald. Lencioni, Ald. Gehm, Ald. Pietryla, Ald. Wirball, Ald. Bessner, Ald. Weber; Nays: None.  
Motion Carried
- \*4. Motion by Aldr. Bessner, second by Aldr. Wirball, to approve **Resolution 2024-19** Authorizing the Mayor and City Council to Execute a Façade Improvement Agreement between the City of St. Charles and Amy Petrek (720 Prairie Street).  
**Roll Call Vote:** Ayes: Ald. Silkaitis, Ald. Foulkes, Ald. Bongard, Ald. Muenz, Ald. Lencioni, Ald. Gehm, Ald. Pietryla, Ald. Wirball, Ald. Bessner, Ald. Weber; Nays: None.  
Motion Carried
- \*5. Motion by Aldr. Bessner, second by Aldr. Wirball, to approve **Ordinance 2024-Z-5** Granting Approval of a Final Plat of Consolidation for 3925 Stern Ave.  
**Roll Call Vote:** Ayes: Ald. Silkaitis, Ald. Foulkes, Ald. Bongard, Ald. Muenz, Ald. Lencioni, Ald. Gehm, Ald. Pietryla, Ald. Wirball, Ald. Bessner, Ald. Weber; Nays: None.  
Motion Carried

9. **Public Comment - None**

**10. Additional Items from Mayor Vitek:**

- A series of discussions about the IMEA, Illinois Municipal Electric Agency, contract will be held at upcoming Government Services Committee meetings. The first discussion will be on April 1 at a special Government Services Committee meeting immediately following the regularly scheduled City Council and Government Operations Committee meetings. City staff will share background on IMEA, information about the St. Charles electric utility, and the overall contract timeline at this meeting.
- The Police Department completed their annual off-site assessment and document file review with the Commission of Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies, CALEA, last week and are in compliance and will remain in accreditation status until their on-site review next spring, followed by testimony at the CALEA conference in November 2025.

**11. Executive Session - None**

- Personnel – 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1)
- Pending, Probable or Imminent Litigation – 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(11)
- Property Acquisition – 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(5)
- Collective Bargaining – 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(2)
- Review of Executive Session Minutes – 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(21)

**12. Adjournment**

Motion by Aldr. Muenz, second by Aldr. Pietryla, to adjourn the meeting at 7:17 p.m.

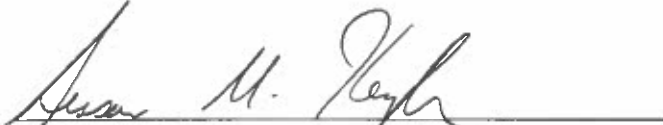
**Roll Call Vote:** Ayes: Ald. Silkaitis, Ald. Foulkes, Ald. Bongard, Ald. Muenz, Ald. Lencioni, Ald. Gehm, Ald. Pietryla, Ald. Wirball, Ald. Bessner, Ald. Weber; Nays: None.

Motion Carried



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