#1....THE REGULAR MEETING of the City Council of the City of Danville was called to order at 6:12 p.m. by Mayor Rickey Williams, Jr. at the Robert E. Jones Municipal Building, 17 W. Main Street, Danville, Illinois.

[Due to Coronavirus, COVID-19 the meeting was conducted in a combination of in person and virtual attendance via Zoom video stream to maintain social distancing as required per the Governor's Executive Order 2020-10.]

THE ROLL CALL was answered by Mayor Rickey Williams, Jr. [physically present]. Elected Officials Present via Videoconference were Vice Mayor Bob Iverson, Aldermen Brenda Brown, Steve Foster, Sharon McMahon, Michael O’Kane, Sherry Pickering, James Poshard, Michael Puhr, Tom Stone, Rick Strebing, Aaron Troglia, and Robert Williams. Aldermen R.J. Davis and Dan Duncheon were absent. A quorum was present.

Staff Members Physically Present: City Clerk Lisa Monson, Information Technology Administrator Agnel DSilva, and Information Technology Assistant Administrator Aaron Weaver.

Staff Members Present via Videoconference: City Treasurer Stephanie Wilson, City Comptroller Ashlyn Massey, City Engineer Sam Cole, Corporation Counsel Charles Mockbee IV, Grants & Planning Manager Logan Cronk, Human Relations Administrator Sandra Finch, Fire Chief Don McMasters, Police Chief Chris Yates, Public Transportation Director Lisa Beith and Public Works Director Carl Carpenter.

Various members of the public and media joined the electronic meeting via YouTube live audio streaming.

#2....INVOCATION was given by Alderman Brenda Brown, followed by
#3....THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE led by Mayor Williams.

#4....THE MINUTES of the regular meeting held, September 15, 2020, having been published and distributed, were presented. Alderman Troglia moved for approval as presented, seconded by Alderman Stone. On the voice vote, all ayes, no nays; the motion so ordered.

#5....THE AGENDA for the evening was presented. Mayor Williams announced the removal of Item 12-A-1 City Clerk’s report. Alderman Troglia moved for approval as amended, seconded by Alderman Pickering. On the voice vote, all ayes, no nays; the motion so ordered.

#6....MAYOR’S REPORT
#6-A....Proclamations – None
#6-B....Board/Committee Appointments – None
#6-C....Reports of Boards, Agencies, Commissions – None
#6-D....Items of Information
Mayor Williams reminded everyone to be safe when out and about as much as possible as the number of COVID-19 cases have increased and the pandemic skyrocketed in this area with the highest number of hospitalizations seen and more than ten times as many cases as July.

#7....PETITIONS, COMMUNICATIONS, AUDIENCE COMMENTS
Brenda of Danville voiced concern of lobby financial institutions not being open due to COVID-19 as there is long waiting time and issues in the bank drive-thru facilities.

#8...ZONING PETITIONS - None

#9...PAYROLL
Mayor Williams presented the Payrolls, having been published, posted, and distributed, for run of September 18, 2020, of $79,440.33, for run of $582,096.93, and for run of October 5, 2020, of $79,590.69. Alderman Brown moved to dispense with the readings and asked for approval as presented, seconded by Alderman Pickering. There being no questions or discussion, the roll call vote being:
Ayes: Aldermen Troglia, Pickering, O’Kane, Iverson, Strebing, Puhr, Foster, McMahon, Brown, Poshard, Stone, Williams
Nays: None
Absent: Aldermen Davis, Duncheon
Motion carried 12 to 0 with 2 absent.

#10...SCHEDULE OF VOUCHERS PAYABLE
Mayor Williams presented the Schedule of Vouchers Payable, having been published, posted, and distributed for run of September 22, 2020, of $386,983.29, for special run of September 29, 2020, of $749.12, and for run of October 6, 2020, of $1,295,358.41. Alderman Troglia moved to dispense with the readings and asked for approval as presented, seconded by Alderman Strebing. After all questions were addressed, the roll call vote being:
Ayes: Aldermen Pickering, O’Kane, Iverson, Strebing, Puhr, Foster, McMahon, Brown, Poshard, Stone, Williams, Troglia
Nays: None
Absent: Aldermen Davis, Duncheon
Motion carried 12 to 0 with 2 absent.

#11...PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE REPORT
#11-A...Mayor Williams presented RESOLUTION NO. 2020-80 authorizing Purchase of 2021 Sewer Lift Station Service Truck to Altec Industries Inc. for the purchase of one Altec Model #A108DW service truck with a crane for the amount of $74,899.00 including delivery through Sourcewell (formerly the National Intergovernmental Purchasing Alliance) Contract No. 012418-ALT and waiving public notice provisions and bidding requirements of the City of Danville Purchasing Policy. The truck will be paid from Sanitary Sewer Fund-Vehicles budget, line item 402-402-00-55015 in the amount of $74,899.00. Alderman Puhr moved to dispense with the reading and asked for approval as presented, seconded by Alderman Stone. There being no questions or discussion, the roll call vote being:
Ayes: Aldermen O’Kane, Iverson, Strebing, Puhr, Foster, McMahon, Brown, Poshard, Stone, Williams, Troglia, Pickering
Nays: None
Absent: Aldermen Davis, Duncheon
Motion carried 12 to 0 with 2 absent.

#11-B...Mayor Williams presented RESOLUTION NO. 2020-81 authorizing Application to ITEP (Illinois Transportation Enhancement Program) requesting up to $2,000,000 in funds for Funding to Design and Construct N. Bowman and E. Voorhees Pedestrian Accommodations to plan, design, develop, and construct improvements such as earthwork, sidewalks, driveways, traffic signal improvements, curb and gutter, utility adjustments, drainage and lighting. Approximately $400,000 in matching funds will be
required by the City to develop and construct said project, with said amount to be paid for with eligible and available funds. Alderman Troglia moved to dispense with the reading and asked for approval as presented, seconded by Alderman Pickering. Engineer Cole explained the City is applying for funding to assist with construction of a wide sidewalk from Crestview Avenue to Voorhees Street along Bowman Avenue, filling in sidewalk gaps along the north side of Voorhees Street near the Heavenly Plaza, and extending sidewalk along the south side of Voorhees Street from Griffin Street to Michigan Avenue. He also explained the general purpose of the ITEP funds are for transportation enhancements and they typically focus on non-vehicle modes of transportation. This application is in the category of pedestrian improvements. The reason this section of project was identified was due to 1) large percentage of households that do not have vehicles in surrounding neighborhoods and 2) it is an area of town that holds a high percentage of available jobs so the purpose is to connect the people in those neighborhoods to those jobs. In addition, staff also felt this area set the City up for success with the grant application. Mayor Williams stated there is a large amount of pedestrian traffic in this area especially when individuals are getting off work and there has been accidents and near accidents on a regular basis. He feels the project is about safety more than anything. Engineer Cole stated currently there is not good connectivity from the eastern neighborhoods that lie south of Voorhees Street to some of the features and parks to the north. There is not great connection if you live in Holiday Hills to the jobs out east side from vehicular mode of transportation. It starts to create a larger loop in sidewalk access, which extends down to Michigan Avenue and Oregon Avenue and starts to open up the community access from different modes of transportation to DACC and other items, which is part of the long term plan. To address Alderman Troglia’s question on whether the sidewalk will be the same width as a shared use path (SUP), Engineer Cole responded the proposed sidewalk will be an eight-foot wide path and will not be considered a SUP because those have certain setback criteria for hazards such as poles and the edge of pavement due to ROW restrictions. Alderman Brown voiced appreciation for the consideration of transportation improvements to the area as she travels the area quite a bit and there is a lot of pedestrian traffic so she is happy to see this. Aldermen Williams stated after working at Quaker Oats on Voorhees Street for a number of years, he saw a lot of pedestrian traffic and feels it would be a wonderful thing to have improvements in the area. Alderman Strebing stated the City has talked about sidewalks in this area for many years ago and it just never happened so he is very thankful to see the possibility of improvements in the area. There being no further questions or discussion, the roll call vote being:

Ayes: Aldermen Iverson, Strebing, Puhr, Foster, McMahon, Brown, Poshard, Stone, Williams, Troglia, Pickering, O’Kane

Nays: None

Absent: Aldermen Davis, Duncheon

Motion carried 12 to 0 with 2 absent.

#11-C...Mayor Williams presented RESOLUTION NO. 2020-82 authorizing Appropriation of MFT Funds and Approving Preliminary Engineering Services Agreement with Hutchison Engineering in the amount of $400,000.00 for Various Road Improvements and plan for and design vehicle and pedestrian improvements near Carle at the Riverfront redevelopment project area. The work will be paid for from MFT Section Number 20-00363-00-EG and new line item number 103-103-20-63630 through a line item transfer from 55000 (Capital Improvements Program). Alderman Troglia moved to dispense with the reading and asked for approval as presented, seconded by Alderman Strebing. Engineer Cole explained the City is proposing to start the engineering phase of working towards getting engineering plans and specifications together for improvements to the City streets that will remain in or around the Carle project and the other developments that are starting to transpire in that area. He also stated many of the streets are of an age and condition that warrant significant improvement so it is something that needs addressed and we want to take a logical and coordinated approach to make sure the whole neighborhood feels like it works together. The roads we are looking
at are Madison Street from Chandler to Robinson, Logan Avenue from Main Street to slightly north of North Street and North Street from Logan Avenue to Gilbert Street, Robinson Street north to Lafayette and then Lafayette Street, near the Vermilion County Museum, from Robinson Street to Vermilion Street. The idea is filling in all of those pieces, as we really want this area to end up looking like something the City and citizens can be proud of. There will be sidewalks, street lighting and tree planting. Alderman McMahon asked if the area includes Logan Avenue from Main Street to North Street, what is the area of Logan Avenue that is to be closed and Engineer Cole stated the area being closed is a couple of hundred feet north of North Street to south of Madison Street. Alderman McMahon stated the discussion at one time was of getting rid of the stoplight at Logan and Main and asked if that is still going to be an open street. Engineer Cole responded that is feasible, but has not been approved by IDOT so the phasing of that will not come until other improvements that Carle is responsible for making take place, which include improvements they have started on at Madison and Gilbert. Also, improvements will occur at Madison and Logan as well, so once those take place and new traffic signals do go into operation, they will begin to phase out abandonment of old signals at Harrison and Gilbert and Logan and Main. It will not happen until Logan is closed off. Alderman Puhr asked for a timeline for construction and Engineer Cole responded most likely Madison Street improvements will be completed right before Carle opens up. It could be the second half of next year on the Madison Street Improvements and then we would look at phasing in the Lafayette, Robinson, North Street, Logan over a period of a couple of years depending on how the Carle project progresses. We also are not sure what kind of damages will occur during the Carle construction process. There being no further questions or discussion, the roll call vote being:

Ayes: Aldermen Strebing, Puhr, Foster, McMahon, Brown, Poshard, Stone, Williams, Troglia, Pickering, O’Kane, Iverson

Nays: None

Absent: Aldermen Davis, Duncheon

Motion carried 12 to 0 with 2 absent.

#11-D...Mayor Williams presented ORDINANCE NO. 9283 approving Vacation of Sanitary Sewer Easement on Aqua Illinois Property at the request of Aqua Illinois due to Aqua Illinois developing and constructing improvements across the sanitary sewer easement. The City has abandoned the sanitary sewer line located within the easement due to prior sanitary sewer improvements and does not foresee a need for use of the easement in the future. Alderman Strebing moved to dispense with the reading and asked for approval as presented, seconded by Alderman Stone. After all questions were addressed, the roll call vote being:

Ayes: Aldermen Puhr, Foster, McMahon, Brown, Poshard, Stone, Williams, Troglia, Pickering, O’Kane, Iverson, Strebing

Nays: None

Absent: Aldermen Davis, Duncheon

Motion carried 12 to 0 with 2 absent.

#11-E... Items of Information

Alderman Puhr reminded everyone that yardwaste pickup is every week including bags.

[The next Public Works Committee meeting will occur by videoconference on Tuesday, October 13, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.]

#12... PUBLIC SERVICES COMMITTEE REPORT

#12-A...[previously removed.]

#12-B...Mayor Williams presented the City Treasurer’s Statement of Receipts and Disbursements for July 2020 (unaudited) stating a Beginning Balance on July 1, 2020, of $25,792,364.51, Adjustments
to Prior Month, of $296.64, Adjusted Beginning Fund Balance, of $25,792,661.35, Receipts of $6,931,836.64, Disbursements of $6,715,926.96, an Ending Balance on July 31, 2020, of $26,008,571.03 and a Cash Balance of $19,362,324.10. Alderman Brown moved to dispense with the reading and asked for approval and placement on file, seconded by Alderman Stone. There being no questions or discussion, on the voice vote, all ayes, no nays; the motion so ordered.

#12-C...Mayor Williams presented RESOLUTION NO. 2020-83 approving Agreement with Accela for Renewal of Code Enforcement Software in the amount of $17,640.62 and Authorizing Budget Amendment in FY 2020-2021 Code Enforcement (014) with funds for the renewal to be paid, 50% from line item 001-060-00-52054, Community Development Fund- License Fees budget and 50% from line item 001-014-00-52054, Environmental Code Enforcement Fund- License Fees budget. The Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Annual Budget shall be amended and Code Enforcement line Item 001-014-00-52054 will be increased, to be funded, $8,820.50, from the General Fund Reserves. Alderman Strebing moved to dispense with the reading and asked for approval as presented, seconded by Alderman Poshard. There being no questions or discussion, the roll call vote being:

Ayes: Aldermen Foster, McMahon, Brown, Poshard, Stone, Williams, Troglia, Pickering, O’Kane, Iverson, Strebing, Puhr
Nays: None
Absent: Aldermen Davis, Duncheon
Motion carried 12 to 0 with 2 absent.

#12-D...Mayor Williams presented RESOLUTION NO. 2020-84 authorizing Backup System Upgrade for Information Technology Division for a three-year agreement with CTS Computers for Datto onsite and cloud backup system in the amount of $39,252.00 to be paid annually with the expenditure being included in FY 2020-2021 budget to be paid from line item 302-302-55017, Capital Improvements Fund-Computers budget with funds for years two and three to come from line item 001-020-00-52009, Information Technology-Computer Service and Support budget. Alderman Brown moved to dispense with the reading and asked for approval as presented, seconded by Alderman Strebing. There being no questions or discussion, the roll call vote being:

Ayes: Aldermen McMahon, Brown, Poshard, Stone, Williams, Troglia, Pickering, O’Kane, Iverson, Strebing, Puhr, Foster
Nays: None
Absent: Aldermen Davis, Duncheon
Motion carried 12 to 0 with 2 absent.

#12-E...Mayor Williams presented RESOLUTION NO. 2020-85 authorizing Purchase of COVID-19 Related Expenses for Information Technology Division in order to provide secured remote access to City employees and in order to provide some online services to the community in a safe and effective manner without physical contact between Public and the City employees. City Hall is open to the public only for limited hours, with the expenditure to be paid from line item 001-020-00-52009 and authorization to increase line item 001-020-00-52009, Information Technology-Computer Service and Support budget by $477,542.00 with the funds to come from the General Fund Reserves with the expectation that the expenditures will be reimbursed through the Local CUREs Program. Alderman Stone moved to dispense with the reading and asked for approval as presented, seconded by Alderman Puhr. Administrator DSilva explained COVID-19 expenses have been necessary to provide secure remote access, which includes equipment, hardware, software, copiers, phone system upgrades, remote access and network security upgrades, audio system upgrade for Council Chambers, and citizens online portal. Alderman Puhr voiced concern of internet security from everyone’s home internet and Administrator DSilva responded we have used the same defense system, layered technology, which is five layers to filter everything out and the same security is used
on the laptops that is used on the desktops. He asked everyone to let him know if they receive a suspicious e-mail so they can be blocked on our system. Alderman Foster stated we heard a presentation on December 3, 2019 and started talking about a back-up system being the next phase as it is very critical and important. He also stated Administrator D'Silva did a tremendous job finding computers and software at a good price. Alderman Troglia asked what the chances were of getting reimbursed and if we do get reimbursed what is the percentage. Mayor Williams responded there is almost no chance of getting denied reimbursement because these are directly COVID related. We are as sure as we can be of getting reimbursement and they would be reimbursed at 100%. Alderman Strebing stated we have to make sure there is enough money in the IT Division to make sure the new equipment and software is up and running after COVID-19. Mayor Williams stated the IT Division does an excellent job and have put in a lot of work to get the equipment up and running and do their best to keep information secure. There being no further questions or discussion, the roll call vote being:

Ayes: Aldermen Brown, Poshard, Stone, Williams, Troglia, Pickering, O’Kane, Iverson, Strebing, Puhr, Foster, McMahon
Nays: None
Absent: Aldermen Davis, Duncheon
Motion carried 12 to 0 with 2 absent.

#12-F...Mayor Williams presented RESOLUTION NO. 2020-86 approving Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER) for Program Year 2019. Alderman Troglia moved to dispense with the reading and asked for approval as presented, seconded by Alderman Poshard. There being no questions or discussion, the roll call vote being:

Ayes: Aldermen Poshard, Stone, Williams, Troglia, Pickering, O’Kane, Iverson, Strebing, Puhr, Foster, McMahon, Brown
Nays: None
Absent: Aldermen Davis, Duncheon
Motion carried 12 to 0 with 2 absent.

Mayor Williams presented Items G and H together. There being no objections to taking Items G and H together, Alderman Puhr moved to dispense with the readings and asked for approval, seconded by Alderman Strebing. Those items being:

#12-G...RESOLUTION NO. 2020-87 authorizing Budget Amendment in FY 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan/Action Plan Budget for Community Development Block Grant Fund (106) for additional allocation of CDBG-Coronavirus (CV3) funds to the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Budget as follows: Expenditure-Create line item 106-106-20-54183-Urgent Need Programs by $161,616.00 and Increase line item 106-106-20-51001-Salaries by $20,000.00 with funds for the amendment to come from the PY 2020-2024 CDBG Consolidated Plan/Annual Action Plan CDBG-CV3 reimbursement in the amount of $181,616.00; and

#12-H...RESOLUTION NO. 2020-88 amending the Community Development Block Grant Annual Action Plan and Consolidated Plan for Program Years 2020-2024 to create the new project titled Rental, Mortgage, and Vehicle Payment Grant and allocate $161,616.00 to the activities and increase Administrative Reimbursement by $20,000.00.

Alderman Puhr asked if this is for additional COVID money and Manager Cronk responded “yes”. Mayor Williams stated we were blessed to receive more money so we can help more people out at a time when they need it most. Alderman Puhr asked if there is more money available to businesses and Manager Cronk responded we still have an abundance of small business accessibility grant funds available, approximately $190,000 to $200,000 available. After all questions were addressed, the roll call vote being:
Ayes: Aldermen Poshard, Stone, Williams, Troglia, Pickering, O’Kane, Iverson, Strebing, Puhr, Foster, McMahon
Nays: None
Abstention: Alderman Brown
Absent: Aldermen Davis, Duncheon
Motion carried 11 to 0 with 2 absent and 1 abstention.

[Alderman Brown stated during roll call vote she abstained as she serves as officer on one of the applicant’s board.]

#12-I...Mayor Williams presented RESOLUTION NO. 2020-89 approving Request for Assistance from IEPA (Illinois Environmental Protection Agency) and USEPA (United States Environmental Protection Agency) in Relation to Community Wide Environmental Work at no additional cost to the City for work already being done with USEPA grant funds and resolves to assist them in any manner that will provide for the timely and comprehensive environmental investigation of properties within the City of Danville in order to seek confirmation of the protection of health and the environment and for Brownfields assistance for future redevelopment. Alderman Troglia moved to dispense with the reading and asked for approval as presented, seconded by Alderman McMahon. Manager Cronk explained this is an application for a three-year funding cycle for the Brownfield funding and some of the sites we are using this on now is First Farmers Bank site, corner of Vermilion & Fairchild and there were two properties on the Carle site. This is a very competitive grant and we are consulting this out with our consultant Fehr-Graham. The grant will be submitted the end of October and we will find out if we are awarded funds in early spring of 2021. Vice Mayor Iverson asked for the amount we are asking for and Manager Cronk responded the maximum award is $300,000.00 and that is to be expended over a three-year period. There being no further questions or discussion, the roll call vote being:
Ayes: Aldermen Poshard, Stone, Williams, Troglia, Pickering, O’Kane, Iverson, Strebing, Puhr, Foster, McMahon, Brown
Nays: None
Absent: Aldermen Davis, Duncheon
Motion carried 12 to 0 with 2 absent.

#12-J...Mayor Williams presented RESOLUTION NO. 2020-90 authorizing Budget Amendment in Fire Division (022) to amend the Fiscal Year 2020-21 budget and transfer $270,000.00 from Fund 001 General Reserves to help offset excess overtime expenditures, line item 001-022-00-51002-Overtime in the Fire Division (022), as the department has seen a significant increase in overtime costs due to multiple COVID cases, on-duty firefighter injuries and new hires’ training requirements. Alderman Pickering moved to dispense with the reading and asked for approval as presented, seconded by Vice Mayor Iverson. Mayor Williams explained the reason why we need this is due to COVID related situations where employees have had to be off work, we also have had worker’s compensation cases, unanticipated retirements and there have been a number of major fires. In addition, one of the recent candidates had to resign due to health issues so that individual will not be able to complete the academy and finish the program. The Police and Fire Board of Commissioners met this evening and are able to get another individual appointed and he will be attending academy beginning October 12th. Mayor Williams stated the recommendation for overtime in the 2021 budget was slightly low as the former Comptroller believed if we had everyone hired with full capacity we could reduce our overtime even more, but due to all of the issues previously mentioned, the overtime is higher than we expected it to be. Chief McMasters stated the overtime budget is slightly over $25,000.00 due to individuals being off for COVID as he currently has four positive cases as well as a fifth one that has been directly exposed. He currently has one individual on worker’s compensation, but he is on extended worker’s compensation because he had to have surgery so Fire is at
$31,650.00 in overtime already due to worker’s compensation and that will keep going up until he returns to work in approximately 8 to 10 more weeks. There are two individuals in academy with one going next Monday and as soon as they get done with academy, two of three of them will immediately go to shift and count toward manning which will take tremendous amount of overtime away. They graduate from academy the last week of November. The third one will graduate from academy December 4th and he will have approximately two to three more weeks of things to do before he will count towards manning. Mayor Williams stated $210,000.00 was budgeted this year for overtime; approximately $70,000.00 has been used so far because of worker’s compensation cases and COVID related expenses, which are things that Chief McMasters cannot control. Alderman Troglia asked if the budget amendment is for an additional $270,000.00 and Comptroller Massy responded he believes he would like to increase the overtime an additional $270,000.00. Chief McMaster stated “yes” we asking it be increased an additional $270,000.00 as what we have used so far has covered five months of the year. He is hoping by the end of calendar year overtime will be reduced due to the graduates coming on. He averaged the last three months of overtime to calculate that for the next three months and then starting in January to go back to the normal average of overtime. The firefighters that were a part of the SAFER Grant have one more class they have to attend, which will cost two weeks worth of overtime for those individuals to attend the class as well as overtime it will cost to burn down the city structures that we are going to do that is starting the end of this month. Alderman Troglia stated he would have liked to have seen an exact breakdown before the vote. He also asked if someone has COVID symptoms do they have to be off and overtime comes into play or just if they test positive and Chief McMasters stated he has four positive cases and one individual is home waiting test results and if he is negative, he will be cleared to come back to work. Chief McMasters stated, according to the City policy, if they were directly exposed they were to be off just until they got a negative result and not an entire two weeks. Initially the City stated suspected cases had to be off for two weeks, but the policy has changed they can come back to work after a negative test result. Alderman Troglia voiced concern of minimum manning and feels to save the taxpayers money, minimum manning should be reduced. Chief McMasters stated manning was arbitrated and was won by the Fire Department years ago. Alderman Troglia also stated 70% of the firefighters live out of town and one lives in Indianapolis and there has to be a much more efficient way of doing this. We need to get a realistic number of overtime is and add into the fire budget and then decrease someplace else so we are not having to come up with $270,000.00. Alderman Troglia voiced concern if an Alderman has a child on the Fire Department or any other department you should not vote on this scenario. He feels it is a conflict of interest. Mayor Williams stated the overtime in last year’s budget came in at $390,000.00 so again he is not sure why the overtime estimate was projected to be so low this year. Alderman Stone asked if the fire division is burning down houses on overtime, why can’t that be done when we have a full force so we don’t have to use overtime to do it. Mayor Williams stated we will have to have people getting overtime regardless because we would have to have others man the station to do other calls during those burns. It saves the City a whole to burn down structures and it is training for them. Mayor Williams stated Chief McMasters came to him and requested they not burn down the houses due to concerns with overtime, but Mayor Williams feels it is worth it as it saves the City $12,000 to $20,000. Alderman Stone stated for years we had three guys at a station and now we have four guys at a station. Chief McMasters stated we do not have four guys at a station. The two outside stations only have three guys and the remainder of the firefighters are at the main station, which has always been that way. Alderman Strebil stated he would have like to have seen a breakdown as well and asked if the City will get reimbursed for overtime for the personnel that were off from COVID. Mayor Williams stated we recently learned from the CURES money that we can be reimbursed for all Public Safety salaries and overtime and he is sure we will be asking for reimbursement. Mayor Williams stated he and Comptroller Massey estimate we can get $700,000 to $750,000 for reimbursement from Police and Fire expenses. Comptroller Massey stated the DCEO and US Treasury just put out additional guidance on what
payroll expenses are reimbursable and they just clarified that all public safety personnel regular payroll is a reimbursable expense which includes fringe benefits, so we are going to be going back and all regular payroll that has not been paid for by another grant source, we are going to submit for reimbursement from March 1st to December 30th. This total will come from our $1.3 million dollars CAREs allotment that she brought last month. Mayor Williams stated that will be in addition to our $5 million dollars in reserves amount. Comptroller Massey stated that is what we are hoping for. Alderman Strebinger asked if we receive the reimbursement will it automatically go into the General Fund and Mayor Williams responded stated “yes” that is where it was expended. Alderman Pickering so the money we added to the overtime for COVID, how will that be allotted to the Fire and Police Divisions and Comptroller Massey responded the guidance states the overtime is only reimbursable if it is directly related COVID activities, but the guidance they just put out states in light of the fact that we understand how public safety plays into COVID response, regular payroll is reimbursable. We would have to provide documentation to prove that overtime is related. Alderman Foster stated the issue of minimum manning has been going on for many years, but the problem is on last year’s budget, we were optimistic about the SAFER Grant, but no one knew about the COVID. He will say he thought it would be reimbursed. Minimum manning will have to be negotiated at the next contract. Alderman Troglia questioned what happens if the budget amendment is not approved and Mayor Williams responded if the budget amendment was not approved, then he and Comptroller Massey have to submit something every week authorizing it is within the budget so essentially there would be extra budgetary expenditures for overtime, because contractually, by law, there are certain things that we have to do in order to provide overtime. He is not a hundred percent sure how it would be handled. We could also adjust the amount of the overtime, but legally by contract we have to allow it. He also stated Chief McMasters has done everything he can to limit overtime and his commanders have as well. Alderman Troglia stated so if it is reimbursed through the CARES Act, does it go back to the Fire Division budget or does it go back into the reserve and Comptroller Massey responded the reimbursement would be receipted back into the General Fund reserves at the end of the year. She will be adding a revenue line item titled “CURES Reimbursement”, but it does not bolster their expense line. It is still the limited expense budget for overtime that can be spent is being approved. If minimum manning was reduced you could reduce on-duty personnel. He also does not think the minimum manning will be reduced due to past arbitrator ruling. Alderman Puhr stated it is not Chief McMaster’s fault we have overtime. We do have minimum manning requirements which is a lot less than it was several years ago. They conceded to drop minimum manning. Fire has made concessions. Mayor Williams stated there was $900,000 budgeted two years ago in overtime. Alderman Puhr commended Chief McMasters for his leadership in the Fire Division holding the line on things he doesn’t have any control on who gets sick and who doesn’t. Alderman Brown stated this is something that has happened in the whole world and we can’t control that, so she will support this. She also stated it is difficult to get a breakdown. Alderman O’Kane stated in the future when we have committee meetings, we can see the numbers before Council and we are able to have discussion, hopefully this kind of problem will be eliminated in the future. Alderman Foster stated we are voting on a budget amendment for $270,000, but we might not need that total amount or may or may not spend that money. He will vote to approve this. Alderman Puhr asked Chief McMasters to clarify that this is a budget amendment and we may or may not spend it and Chief McMasters responded it is a projected amount based on the current situation and he hopes we don’t spend that much. Alderman Troglia asked what happens if all of $270,000 is not spent does it go back to the reserve and Mayor Williams stated “yes”. There being no further questions or discussion, the roll call vote being:

Ayes: Aldermen Stone, Williams, Pickering, O’Kane, Iverson, Puhr, Foster, McMahon, Brown, Poshard

Nays: Aldermen Troglia, Strebinger

Absent: Aldermen Davis, Duncheon

Motion carried 10 to 2 with 2 absent.
#12-K...Mayor Williams presented RESOLUTION NO. 2020-91 approving Contract for Fire Services to VA Illiana Healthcare Services, Department of Veterans Affairs with the new contract including a 5% increase in annual fee paid by VA Illiana Healthcare Systems for the provision of such service. Alderman Stone moved to dispense with the reading and asked for approval as presented, seconded by Alderman Strebing. There being no questions or discussion, the roll call vote being:
Ayes: Aldermen Williams, Troglia, Pickering, O’Kane, Iverson, Strebing, Puhr, Foster, McMahon, Brown, Poshard, Stone
Nays: None
Absent: Aldermen Davis, Duncheon
Motion carried 12 to 0 with 2 absent.

#12-L...Mayor Williams presented RESOLUTION NO. 2020-92 authorizing Acceptance of a Donation of $10,000.00 for the purpose of Police Cars and Body-Worn Cameras and Associated Equipment and Amending FY 2020-2021 Police Division Budget (021) to include both the additional revenue and the additional projected expenses to increase line item 001-021-00-46090-Other Revenue by $10,000.00 and increase line item 001-021-00-53017-Small Tools and Equipment by $10,000.00 with funds for the amendment to come from the donation. Alderman McMahon moved to dispense with the reading and asked for approval as presented, seconded by Alderman Strebing. Chief Yates voiced appreciation to everyone in the community who have donated money to the Police Division. After all questions were addressed, the roll call vote being:
Ayes: Aldermen Troglia, Pickering, O’Kane, Iverson, Strebing, Puhr, Foster, McMahon, Brown, Poshard, Stone, Williams
Nays: None
Absent: Aldermen Davis, Duncheon
Motion carried 12 to 0 with 2 absent.

#12-M...Mayor Williams presented RESOLUTION NO. 2020-93 authorizing Purchase of Two (2) Police Vehicles and Disposal of Two (2) Police Vehicles via Trade-In
1. The Police Department be authorized to dispose of, via trade-in, of the following vehicles:
   a. 2012 Chevrolet Impala Police VIN-2G1WD5E33C1316461 with 147,000 miles
   b. 2015 Ford Taurus Interceptor Sedan VIN-1FAHP2MK8FG208171 with 165,000 miles
2. Purchase of two 2019 Ford Explorer Police Interceptors for $49,493.00 be authorized.
3. Funds for the purchase of the vehicles will come from the General Fund-Vehicle budget, line item 001-021-00-55015.
Alderman Foster moved to dispense with the reading and asked for approval as presented, seconded by Alderman Puhr. Chief Yates stated he has a person he is dealing with out of Oklahoma City and several other places where he is able to get used refurbished vehicles with low miles. After all questions were addressed, the roll call vote being:
Ayes: Aldermen Pickering, O’Kane, Iverson, Strebing, Puhr, Foster, McMahon, Brown, Poshard, Stone, Williams, Troglia
Nays: None
Absent: Aldermen Davis, Duncheon
Motion carried 12 to 0 with 2 absent.

#12-N...Mayor Williams presented ORDINANCE NO. 9284 amending City Code, Chapter 116, Regarding Hotel/Motel Transient Occupancy Rental Units and Related Matters. Alderman Puhr moved to dispense with the reading and asked for approval as presented, seconded by Alderman McMahon. Mayor Williams explained right now anyone who books a hotel with Expedia or
Travelocity, etc. they are not collecting the tax from us so we are not getting the tax they are being paid so in order for us to receive that money we have to have an ordinance in place. Comptroller Massey stated we would like to change the language so it includes two different types of revenue sources which one is called “short term online rentals” which includes AirBnB and online travel companies and changing the definition of a hotel/motel. She stated this came about through Azavar who performed an audit on different revenue sources and pointed this out to us. After all questions were addressed, the roll call vote being:
Ayes: Aldermen O’Kane, Iverson, Strebinger, Puhr, Foster, McMahon, Brown, Poshard, Stone, Williams, Troglia, Pickering
Nays: None
Absent: Aldermen Davis, Duncheon
Motion carried 12 to 0 with 2 absent.

#12-O…Items of Information
Mayor Williams stated Administrator Finch asked him to remind the public that United Way is also helping the people with rent and utility bills, so if you need assistance or know of someone who needs assistance, please contact the United Way.

[The next Public Services Committee meeting will occur by videoconference on Tuesday, October 27, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.]

Mayor Williams called a recess at 8:15 p.m.
Mayor Williams called the meeting back to order at 8:24 p.m.

#13…PRESENTATION OF FIRST DRAFT OF 2021-2022 BUDGET AND 2020 TAX LEVY
Comptroller Massey presented a PowerPoint presentation on the 2020 Tax Levy and Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Budget.
The Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Budget was highlighted as follows:

- The General Fund Budget: $25,149,792
- Other Funds Budget: $39,136,194
- Total Budget (All Funds): $64,285,986
- Less Departmental Transfers: $7,360,755
- Total Budget (Net of Departmental Transfers) $56,925,231

Total General Fund Tax Revenue Projections: $21,470,400
This is a 0.78% ($165,900) increase to tax revenues from prior year projections not including Local Share of Casino Tax (7.87% decrease including).
Total General Fund Departmental Revenue Projection: $3,357,900
This is a 16.01% (-$640,194) decrease to revenues from prior year projections.

Total All Enterprise Funds: $11,200,769

Insurance Benefits – All Funds
- Health Insurance
- 7.5% decrease to Health Insurance coverage on January 1, 2021
- 5% increase budgeted for January 1, 2022 through April 30, 2022
- Voluntary Life and Dental – quote not available yet
- Vision – quote not available yet
- Employee Contribution amount remains at 10% for clerical union and remains at 12% for all others.

IMRF Benefits – All Funds
• IMRF – reduction – budgeted at 12% this year (Final % will likely be less due to three payments now made on ERI)
• IMRF – Early Retirement Incentive Payments
  ▪ $100,000 is budgeted for FY 2021-2022 from General Fund (total paid after FY 21 payment = $879,940)
  ▪ $64,000 is budgeted from Storm and Sanitary Sewer Fund (total paid after FY 21 payment = $256,000)
  ▪ $6,400.00 is budgeted from Solid Waste Fund (total paid after FY 21 payment = $24,800)

Commercial Insurance Package - All Funds
• Rates increased 12%
• Will be receiving $29,922 COVID Relief Premium credit for Worker’s Compensation

The 2020 Tax Levy includes the following:
• Pension Amount Needed – Actuarial Funding Recommendation from Lauterbach & Amen, LLP
• Fire Division: $4,813,485; Police Division: $4,510,059 - Total $9,323,544
• Public Safety Pension Fee (PSPF) for Fire Division ($1,739,951) and General Fund Transfer ($127,000); Public Safety Pension Fee (PSPF) for Police Division ($1,159,967) and General Fund Transfer ($85,000)
• The Bonds and Interest total abatement is $721,900 and the Library is $1,965,474 (increase of 0.07%)
• Total Tax Levy of $6,892,237 with Assessed Value of $301,100 and 1.05% increase for a Tax Rate of $2.2890

After the presentation, Comptroller Massey addressed questions from Council members.

#14...ITEMS OF INFORMATION - None

[Alderman Williams left the meeting at 8:57 p.m. before Closed Session.]

#15...CLOSED SESSION
Vice Mayor Iverson moved to go into Closed Session under Section 2(c)(1) of the Open Meetings Act to discuss Specific Employees, and under Section 2(c)(2) of the Open Meetings Act to discuss Collective Bargaining Matters and Salary Schedules, seconded by Alderman Pickering. The roll call vote being:
Ayes: Aldermen Iverson, Strebing, Puhr, Foster, McMahon, Brown, Poshard, Stone, Troglia, Pickering, O’Kane
Nays: None
Absent: Aldermen Davis, Duncheon, Williams
Motion carried 11 to 0 with 3 absent. TIME: 8:57 p.m.

[Alderman Brown left the meeting at 9:15 p.m. during Closed Session.]

Vice Mayor Iverson moved to return to Open Session, seconded by Alderman Pickering. On the voice vote, all ayes, no nays; the motion so ordered. Mayor Williams called the meeting back to order at 9:28 p.m.

[Alderman Poshard left the meeting at 9:27 p.m. after Closed Session.]

#15-A..Mayor Williams presented ORDINANCE NO. 9285 amending the Wage Administration Chart effective immediately, as discussed in Closed Session as follows:
  1. Section B of the Wage charts concerning non-union employees shall be amended according to the following:
The position of Mass Transit Maintenance Superintendent shall be renamed Mass Transit Maintenance and Facilities Supervisor. The position remains Classification 161.0 and salary will start at $50,000.00 Base, $58,384.00 Mid-Point, and $70,060.00 Max.

Part-time, Seasonal and Temporary Employees – The wages set forth in Section C of the Wage Charts pertaining to part-time, seasonal and temporary employees shall be amended according to the following:

1. The position of Auxiliary Worker shall be increased to a minimum base pay rate of $10.00 to reflect the statutory minimum wage.
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7. The position of Pool Lead Lifeguard shall be increased to a minimum base pay rate of $10.00 to reflect the statutory minimum wage.
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Union Agreement and Contract Employees – The wages for union and/or contract employees shall be as set forth in their respective collective bargaining agreements or contracts with the City be amended according to the following:

1. New union position in the Mass Transit department classified as Lead Mechanic. First year hourly pay rate for this position is $25.07, which is 85% of base rate. Second year hourly pay rate for this position is $28.02, which is 95% of base rate. Third year hourly pay rate is the base rate of $29.49.

Alderman Puhr moved to dispense with the readings and asked for approval as presented, seconded by Alderman Pickering. There being no questions or discussion, the roll call vote being:
Ayes: Aldermen Strebing, Puhr, Foster, McMahon, Stone, Troglia, Pickering, O’Kane, Iverson
Nays: None
Absent: Aldermen Davis, Duncheon, Brown, Poshard, Williams
Motion carried 9 to 0 with 5 absent.

#16...ADJOURNMENT
There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned by acclamation at 9:33 p.m. following a motion by Alderman Troglia and a second by Alderman McMahon.

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Alderman Puhr moved to dispense with the readings and asked for approval as presented, seconded by Alderman Pickering. There being no questions or discussion, the roll call vote being:

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Nays: None
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