

**MINUTES
CITY OF DEKALB
REGULAR
EXECUTIVE SESSION OF THE CITY COUNCIL
JUNE 26, 2017**

The City Council of DeKalb, Illinois, held an Executive Session on June 26, 2017, in the DeKalb Municipal Building, 200 S. Fourth Street, DeKalb, Illinois. The session was called by a majority vote of the City Council at the Regular meeting of the City Council of the same day.

The session started at 8:00 p.m. Council members in attendance were: Alderman Bill Finucane, Alderman Mike Marquardt, Alderman Pat Fagan, Alderman Kate Noreiko, Alderman Mike Verbic, Alderman Tony Faivre, and Mayor Jerry Smith. Alderman David Jacobson was absent.

Also present were: City Manager Anne Marie Gaura, Assistant City Manager Patty Hoppenstedt, City Attorney Dean Frieders, and Deputy City Clerk Ruth Scott.

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City Manager Gaura provided information regarding Executive Session (ES) minutes to the newly elected officials, stating that the minutes are presented to Council at least twice a year (in June and December) for review, approval, release, or no release.

City Attorney Frieders added that ES minutes are covered under the Open Meetings Act, requiring Council to periodically approve and review them. He added that Deputy City Clerk Scott has implemented policies that are rigorously followed in order to present ES minutes to Council in a timely fashion, which is a significant upgrade from what some previous Councils have had to work with.

City Attorney Frieders continued, stating that ES minutes are presented to Council for consideration with a staff recommendation regarding approval, release, or no release. Releasing ES minutes means they're made available to the public for inspection or review, just like meeting minutes of any other Council meeting.

City Attorney Frieders further stated that prior to making a recommendation, the contents of the ES minutes are evaluated for topics that may have an impact on the City's future operations, or for those that are of a personal or proprietary nature. He then provided Council with the definitions of Pending or Imminent Litigation, Purchase or Lease of Real Property, Personnel, and Collective Bargaining citations.

Review of the ES minutes continued.

City Attorney Frieders stated that if it is the consensus of Council to move forward with the current recommendations, this item would return under the Consent Agenda at the

next Regular meeting. He added that ES minutes are available for Council's review at any time by contacting Deputy City Clerk Scott.

Alderman Faivre asked about the partial release of ES minutes when there's more than one topic of discussion. City Attorney Frieders responded that under the appropriate circumstances, it would be considered.

Alderman Noreiko asked if ES minutes are exempt from FOIA requests, with City Attorney Frieders responding they were.

City Manager Gaura asked Deputy City Clerk Scott if released ES minutes would be added to the City's website, with Deputy City Clerk Scott stating they would.

Discussion ensued.

It was the consensus of Council to move forward with approval of the ES minutes presented.

MOTION

Alderman Finucane moved to adjourn the Executive Session meeting; seconded by Alderman Marquardt.

VOTE

All in favor by a 7-0-1 voice vote. Aye: Finucane, Marquardt, Fagan, Noreiko, Verbic, Faivre, Smith. Nay: None. Absent: Jacobson.

Mayor Smith declared the motion passed and adjourned the meeting at 8:07 p.m.

RUTH A. SCOTT, Deputy City Clerk