

CITY OF URBANA

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE – Monday, March 26, 2018 – 7:00pm

CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS – 400 S. VINE STREET, URBANA, IL

The City Council Committee of The Whole of the City of Urbana, Illinois, met in regular session Monday, March 26, 2018, in the Council Chambers of the Urbana City Building.

ELECTED OFFICIALS PHYSICALLY PRESENT: Aaron Ammons; Bill Brown; Eric Jakobsson; Dean Hazen; Jared Miller; Maryalice Wu; Diane Wolfe Marlin

ELECTED OFFICIALS PRESENT VIA TELECONFERENCE: None

ELECTED OFFICIALS ABSENT: Dennis Roberts; Charles A. Smyth

STAFF PRESENT: Bob Fitzgerald; William Gray; Kay Meharry; Brian Nightlinger; Lorrie Pearson; John Schneider; James Simon;

OTHERS PRESENT: Members of the Media

1. **CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL**

There being a quorum, Chair Jared Miller called the meeting of the Committee of the Whole to order at 7:23pm, following a special meeting of the City Council.

2. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

Council Member (CM) Ammons made a motion to approve minutes from the meeting held on March 12, 2018. Motion seconded by CM Maryalice Wu and carried by voice vote.

3. **ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA**

There were none.

4. **PUBLIC INPUT**

There was none.

5. **Presentations**

There were none.

6. **Staff Report**

There was none.

7. **Resolution No. 2018-03-012R:** A Resolution Accepting a Distracted Driving Grant from the Illinois Department of Transportation

Police Lieutenant Bob Fitzgerald presented this resolution to committee. It was awarded to Urbana Police by the Illinois Department of Transportation and is to help educate citizens about distracted driving and the use of seat belts. Lt. Fitzgerald said STEP enforcement will take place between April 16 and April 30. Enforcement will be in areas that are highly concentrated with vehicles and accidents, like Route 130, Florida Avenue and Race Street. Tickets will be issued.

There was concern that tickets will be issued with fine amounts and the grant mentioned nothing about including enforcement. CM Bill Brown asked that a line be added to the resolution stating that enforcement is part of the grant.

CM Brown made a motion to send Resolution No. 2018-03-012R to Council with recommendation for approval, and asked that staff incorporate enforcement in the resolution, and to make sure it is a study. Motion seconded by CM Wu and carried by voice vote.

8. **Ordinance No. 2018-03-024:** An Ordinance Amending Urbana City Code Chapter 22 (City Tax on Beer Keg Sales to Distributors)

CM Miller recused himself from discussion and voting on this ordinance as he is employed by a business that currently holds a liquor license in the City of Urbana. He asked CM Hazen to take the chair.

Mayor Marlin explained that City Code requires that a brewery charge food and beverage tax to distributors when kegs were sold to them. She said that breweries in other communities do not tax distributors for kegs, and the only reason Urbana did is because they had not had breweries in the past. This ordinance updates City Code to remove the tax charged by breweries to distributors for sales of kegs.

After discussion, CM Jakobsson moved to send Ordinance No. 2018-03-024 to Council with recommendation for approval. Motion seconded by CM Wu and carried by voice vote.

9. **Adjournment**

CM Hazen retained the Chair, and with no further business before the committee, he declared the meeting adjourned at 7:41pm.

Kay Meharry
Recording Secretary

This meeting was taped and broadcast on cable television.

Video and materials for this meeting can be found at: <https://www.urbanaininois.us/node/7077>

Minutes Approved: April 9, 2018