Laurel Lunt Prussing, Mayor

Phyllis D. Clark, City Clerk



URBANA CITY COUNCIL MEETING Monday August 5, 2013

The City Council of the City of Urbana, Illinois, met in regular session Monday, August 5, 2013 at 7 p.m. in the Council Chambers at the Urbana City Building.

ELECTED OFFICIALS PHYSICALLY PRESENT

Charles Smyth, Alderman Ward 1
Eric Jakobsson, Alderman Ward 2
Carol Ammons, Alderwoman Ward 3
Bill Brown, Alderman Ward 4
Dennis Roberts, Alderman Ward 5
Michael P. Madigan, Alderman Ward 6
Diane Marlin, Alderwoman Ward 7
Laurel Lunt Prussing, Mayor

ELECTED OFFICIALS PRESENT VIA TELECONFERENCE

None

ELECTED OFFICIALS ABSENT

Phyllis D. Clark

STAFF PRESENT

Patrick Connolly; William Gray; Mike Monson; Robert Myers; Brian Nightlinger; Deborah Roberts; James Simon; Elizabeth Tyler

OTHERS PRESENT

Steve Burgess; Rich Cahill; Monica Carr; Danielle Chynoweth; Peter Folk; David Gehrig; Paul Hixson; Robert Nemeth; Jeffrey Putney; Colleen Ramais; Pete Resnick; Ken Salo; Lee Stoops; Rev. Dr. Evelyn B. Underwood; Bishop King James Underwood; Fred Westhoff; David Wilson; Members of the Media

A. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

There being a quorum, Mayor Prussing called the meeting of the Urbana City Council to order at 7:04 p.m.

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B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Alderwoman Marlin made a motion to approved minutes from July 8, 2013 and July 15, 2013. Alderman Smyth seconded. Motion carried by voice vote.

C. ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

There were none.

D. PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

The following residents addressed the Council in support of Ordinance No. 2013-06-054. Brian Adams; Frank Butterfield; Robert Nemeth; Lee Stoops; Rich Cahill; and Chris Wilcock.

Colleen Ramais representing the owner of Zeta Tau Alpha Sorority House addressed the Council is opposition of Ordinance No. 2013-06-054.

Danielle Chynoweth addressed Council to illustrate her motive for choosing the "Zeta Tau Alpha Sorority House" as a Historic Property.

The following residents addressed the Council in support of Ordinance No. 2013-08-065. Brandon Bowersox-Johnson; Paul Hixson and Neil Parthun.

Jeffrey Putney did not wish to speak but wanted his position enter into the records in favor of Ordinance No. 2013-08-065.

Ken Salo addressed the Council in opposition of Ordinance No. 2013-08-065.

Monica Carr from Makerspace Urbana did not wish to speak but wanted to have her input noted on record in reference to Ordinance No. 2013-08-65.

The following residents addressed the Council to express their understandings and concerns about Ordinance No. 2013-08-065. Aaron Ammons; Chris Evans; Peter Folk; David Gehrig; Pete Resnick; and David Wilson.

Bishop King James Underwood and Rev. Dr. Evelyn Underwood did not wish to speak but wanted to have noted on record their concerns about Dr. Ellis Subdivision Sewer Problems.

Fred Westhoff, President of the Firefighters Union addressed the Council to extend an invitation to the Fire Ops 101 event that will be held on September 21, 2013 at the Fire Service Institute.

Steve Burgess addressed the Council to thank the City Council for their support and to give an update on Resolution No. 2012-01-005R. RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE NAMING OF THE UNITED STATES COURTHOUSE IN URBANA, ILLINOIS, AFTER JAMES R. BURGESS, JR. introduced on 03/05/12.

E. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Ordinance No. 2013-06-054: An Ordinance Designating a Historic Landmark (1404 South Lincoln Avenue, "Zeta Tau Alpha Sorority House" - Historic Preservation Case No. HP2013-L-01) [7/8/13 Com.; 6/17/13 & 7/15/13 Council]

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Robert Myers, Community Development Planning Manager and Director Elizabeth Tyler present for any questions.

Briana Kraft applicant of the landmark designation, gave a brief explanation and purpose for nominating this property

After further discussion, Alderman Smyth made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 2013-06-054. Alderman Roberts seconded. Motion did not carried, vote was as follows:

Carol Ammons - Nay

Bill Brown - Aye

Eric Jakobsson - Aye

Michael P. Madigan - Nay

Diane Marlin - Nay

Dennis Roberts - Aye

Charlie Smyth - Aye

Action: This Ordinance did not pass roll call vote as follows: (4-Ayes; 3-Nays)

F. REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

There were none.

G. REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES

Alderman Roberts and Alderwoman Marlin prepared a power point presentation of a recent trip to one of the sister cities. Haizhu District, Guangzhou City of China.

H. REPORTS OF OFFICERS

Mayor Prussing reported that the city will welcome Rich Hentschel as the new interim Comptroller starting August 12, 2013.

I. NEW BUSINESS

- 1. Mayoral Reappointment:
 - a. Civil Service Commission William Broom

Alderman Smyth made a motion to approve Mayoral Reappointment. Alderwoman Ammons seconded. Motion carried by voice vote.

Action: Mayoral Reappointment was approved as presented by voice vote.

2. Ordinance No. 2013-08-065: An Ordinance Approving, Authorizing Entering Into, and Executing a Second Amended and Restated Intergovernmental Agreement Providing for the Creation of the Urbana-Champaign Big Broadband Consortium (Authorizing Creation of Urbana-Champaign Big Broadband, Inc., a Not-For-Profit Corporation to Undertake the Next Phase of the "UC2B" Project Following Expiration of Federal Grant)

James Simon, Urbana City attorney and Teri Legner, Economic Development Manager for City of Champaign presented Ordinance for approval.

Alderman Smyth made a motion for a five minutes recess at 8:37pm. Alderwoman Ammons seconded. Motion carried by voice vote.

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Alderman Smyth made a motion to reconvene recess at 8:43pm. Alderwoman Ammons seconded. Motion carried by voice vote.

After discussions the following motions were made.

Alderman Smyth made a motion to add the following language to section 5.1.b. of the BYLAWS in Article V; Board of Directors Meetings; will allow for public input. Alderman Roberts seconded. Motion carried by voice vote.

Alderman Smyth made a motion to add the following language to section 5.1.c. of the BYLAWS in Article V; Board of Directors Meetings; thereof, is done by majority of votes, but including at least one member from each appointing entity. Alderwoman Ammons seconded. Motion carried by voice vote.

Alderwoman Ammons made a motion to Strike or Clarify section 5.7(Waiver of Notice) in the BYLAWS Article V; Board of Directors Meeting. Alderman Smyth seconded. Motion carried by voice vote.

Alderman Smyth made a motion to modify the language in section 4.3.1 (Withdrawal) of the BYLAWS. Alderwoman Ammons seconded. Motion carried by voice vote.

Alderman Smyth made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 2013-08-065 as Amended. Alderman Roberts seconded. Motion carried by roll call, vote was as follows:

Carol Ammons - Aye

Bill Brown - Aye

Eric Jakobsson - Aye

Michael P. Madigan - Aye

Diane Marlin - Aye

Dennis Roberts - Aye

Charlie Smyth - Aye

Action: This Ordinance was approved by roll call, vote was as follows: (7-Ayes:0-Nays)

J. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the City Council, Mayor Prussing declared the meeting adjourned at 10:21 p.m.

Wendy M. Hundley
Recording Secretary

Deborah J. Roberts
Deputy City Clerk

*This meeting was taped.

**This meeting was broadcast on cable television.