

**URBANA CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 1994**

The City Council of the City of Urbana, Illinois met in regular session at 7:30 p.m., Monday, November 7, 1994 in the Council Chambers of the Urbana City Building.

Present at the meeting were Members of the Council: Hayes, Patt, Pollock, Ryan, Taylor (arrived at 7:55 p.m.) and Whelan (arrived at 7:35 p.m.) - 6. Alderman Singer was absent - 1.

There being a quorum, the meeting was called to order at 7:32 p.m. by Mayor Satterthwaite.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Alderwoman Ryan moved to approve the minutes of the October 17, 1994 regular meeting and the October 24, 1994 Joint Urbana City Council/Plan Commission Special Study Session. The motion was seconded by Alderman Pollock and carried by a voice vote.

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

Alderman Pollock moved to consider item E.2.a. Appointment Of Chair To Zoning Board Of Appeals as the first item under Old Business. The motion was seconded by Alderwoman Patt and carried by a voice vote.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Mayor Satterthwaite presented a Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting To Comptroller Ronald Eldridge. This is the eleventh consecutive year Mr. Eldridge has received this award. Mayor Satterthwaite stated that

only one half of one percent of the municipalities that apply for this award receive it as many as ten years consecutively.

Comptroller Eldridge is in the top 90 percent in the nation and Canada in reporting excellence for financial reports.

Earl O'Shea, 606A South Glover, addressed the Council on the topic of better government.

Alderman Hayes stated that it was a pleasure for him to represent the City at the Red Ribbon Ceremony sponsored by the Prairie Center. Contest winners of grades K through two and grades three through five were from Wiley School. The winner of grade six through eight was a young man from Edison Middle School. Urbana High School won the video award with the topic "Your Life Is In Your Hands, Drugs Will Make You Lose Your Grip". Prairie Center works with young people through Operation Snowball, which is a group of kids helping kids.

Alderman Pollock reported that November 13, 1994 is the beginning of the Food for Families Drive sponsored by the Eastern Illinois Food Bank and urged that the community support that drive.

Alderman Pollock congratulated Comptroller Eldridge on his award.

Alderman Pollock reminded the public that Tuesday, November 8, is election day and urged everyone to vote.

Alderman Whelan recommended that Carter Doyle and Charles Reifsteck, both architects, be considered as candidates for the Steering Committee for Historic Preservation.

Alderman Whelan stated that the citizens of Urbana can

counter the implementation of the cable converter box by a class action suit or just turning it off.

In response to a question from Alderman Whelan regarding the status of the Shelby Motors project, Mayor Satterthwaite stated that Larry Shelby has been in the process of demolition of the Charter House. The front part of the building will be remodeled for a showroom. Part of the development agreement included having money put into an escrow account for Shelbys in Urbana. That escrow account has been established and funded.

Chief Administrative Officer Bruce Walden stated that a letter from Carl Webber regarding the escrow account was put on Council Members' desks prior to this meeting. The project is developing well.

Mayor Satterthwaite introduced Police Chief Eddie Adair, stating that he began his employment with the City on November 1, 1994 and has been acquainting himself with the City over the past week.

OLD BUSINESS

The Appointment Of Chair To Zoning Board Of Appeals was one the floor from the previous meeting. Following debate, the motion carried by a voice vote.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Committee on Administration and Finance

Alderman Pollock stated that the next regular meeting of the Committee on Administration and Finance will be Monday, November 14, 1994 at 7:00 p.m. in the Urbana City Council Chambers.

Alderman Whelan requested that Mr. Walden invite Tom Shuh from the City of Champaign to attend the meeting of the Committee on Administration and Finance on November 14, 1994.

Committee on Environment and Public Safety

Alderwoman Ryan moved to adopt An Ordinance Revising The Annual Budget Ordinance. The motion was seconded by Alderman Hayes and carried 6-0 by roll call vote. Voting aye were Members of the Council: Hayes, Patt, Pollock, Ryan, Whelan, and Mayor Satterthwaite - 6; voting nay: none.

Alderman Taylor arrived.

Alderwoman Ryan moved to adopt An Ordinance Amending Schedule L Of Section 17-1 Of Article XVII Of The Urbana Local Traffic Code Establishing Parking Meter Zones. The motion was seconded by Alderman Hayes.

Alderman Pollock moved to amend the motion by returning to the original staff direction which is not to split the area into partially unmetered segments, but to meter as recommended by staff. The motion was seconded by Alderman Hayes.

Following debate, Mayor Pro Tem Pollock took the Chair and Mayor Satterthwaite entered debate in support of Alderman Pollock's motion.

Following further debate, the motion to amend failed 3-3 by roll call vote. Voting aye were Members of the Council: Hayes, Pollock, and Taylor - 3; voting nay: Patt, Ryan, and Whelan - 3.

Mayor Satterthwaite resumed the Chair.

The motion to adopt An Ordinance Amending Schedule L Of

Section 17-1 Of Article XVII Of The Urbana Local Traffic Code Establishing Parking Meter Zones carried 4-2 by roll call vote. Voting aye were Members of the Council: Hayes, Patt, Ryan, and Whelan - 2; voting nay: Pollock and Taylor - 2.

Alderswoman Ryan moved to adopt An Ordinance Amending Section 14-3 Of The Urbana Local Traffic Code Prohibiting Parking On Certain Streets And Removing Existing Meters. The motion was seconded by Alderman Pollock and carried 6-0 by roll call vote. Voting aye were Members of the Council: Hayes, Patt, Pollock, Ryan, Taylor, and Whelan - 6; voting nay: none.

Alderswoman Ryan reported that the next meeting of the Committee on Environment and Public Safety will be at 7:30 p.m. on Monday, November 28, 1994 in the Urbana City Council Chambers.

REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES

Alderman Pollock reported that the Cable Commission's rescheduled quarterly meeting will be Wednesday, November 9, 1994 at 7:30 p.m. The meeting will be held at the City of Champaign Council Chambers. Alderman Pollock read a line from a letter from Mr. Cochran, General Manager, received by the City of Urbana and the Council Members concerning a small, but real increase in fees coming from the Cable Commission. "Cable television, like other businesses, should be governed by market forces not heavy handed legislation."

REPORTS OF OFFICERS

Chief Administrative Officer Bruce Walden reported that the City is moving ahead on the national search for Fire Chief.

The Committee met last week and the focus has been narrowed. Hopefully there will be a recommendation by Mayor Satterthwaite by the end of the year.

Mr. Walden stated that the City's Self Insurance Program met its goals for the first year.

NEW BUSINESS

Mayor Satterthwaite introduced Ronald Peters, 2034 Burlison. Mr. Peters is the candidate for Mayoral Appointment To Community Development Commission.

Alderman Whelan moved to approve Mayoral Appointment To Community Development Commission. The motion was seconded by Alderman Pollock and carried by a voice vote.

Planner Jay Getz presented the Troy Flessner Annexation Agreement for property at 1406 North Eastern Avenue. Mr. Getz stated that under the standard annexation agreement, the owner is obligated to submit to all City building inspections and pay building fees just as though the owner were in the City. Mr. Flessner has request that that paragraph be omitted.

Alderman Pollock moved Preliminary Approval For Annexation Agreement Between The City Of Urbana And Troy Flessner For 1406 North Eastern Avenue. The motion was seconded by Alderman Whelan.

Alderman Pollock moved to amend Preliminary Approval For Annexation Agreement Between The City Of Urbana And Troy Flessner For 1406 North Eastern Avenue by reinserting the language that has been omitted from the customary annexation agreement, and

presenting it back to Mr. Flessner. That language is as follows:

"The owner agrees to cause all development in construction on said tract to be in conformance with all city codes, ordinances, orders, or regulations in effect at the time of the annexation, except as otherwise stipulated herein. The owner agrees to submit all building construction plans to the City of Urbana for review, and further agrees to pay the building permit fee just as though the construction were taking place within the Urbana city limits. The owner further agrees to correct any deficiencies identified in said plan review. In addition, the owner agrees that all construction will be subject to the same building and construction inspection requirements as construction projects within the City."

The motion was seconded by Alderman Whelan.

Following debate, Mayor Pro Tem Pollock took the Chair and Mayor Satterthwaite entered debate in support of the amendment.

Following further debate, the motion to amend Preliminary Approval For Annexation Agreement Between The City Of Urbana And Troy Flessner For 1406 North Eastern Avenue by reinserting the language that has been omitted from the customary annexation agreement carried 5-0-1 by roll call vote. Voting aye were Members of the Council: Hayes, Patt, Pollock, Ryan, and Whelan - 5; voting nay: none. Alderman Taylor abstained due to a conflict of interest.

Mayor Satterthwaite resumed the Chair.

The motion to approve Preliminary Approval For Annexation Agreement Between The City Of Urbana And Troy Flessner For 1406 North Eastern Avenue as amended carried 5-0-1 by roll call vote. Voting aye were Members of the Council: Hayes, Patt, Pollock, Ryan, and Whelan - 5; voting nay: none. Alderman Taylor abstained

due to a conflict of interest.

Planner Joseph Hooker presented a request of David Sutton for a general variance of 43 percent reduction of the required front yard of his residence at 1101 S. Orchard Street so that he will be allowed to build a two story addition to that home.

Alderman Pollock moved to adopt An Ordinance Approving A General Variance To Reduce The Minimum Required Front Yard Setback For A House Addition At 1101 S. Orchard Street, Urbana, Illinois (ZBA-94-GV-1). The motion was seconded by Alderman Whelan and carried 6-0 by roll call vote. Voting aye were Members of the Council: Hayes, Patt, Pollock, Ryan, Taylor, and Whelan - 6; voting nay: none.

Mayor Satterthwaite stated that there was no need for the Closed Session Regarding Labor Negotiations unless Council Members had questions regarding the issue. There were no questions.

Alderman Whelan moved to adopt An Ordinance Authorizing The Mayor To Execute An Agreement With Local #1147 Of The International Association of Fire Fighters. The motion was seconded by Alderwoman Ryan.

Following debate, the motion to adopt An Ordinance Authorizing The Mayor To Execute An Agreement With Local #1147 Of The International Association of Fire Fighters carried 6-0 by roll call vote. Voting aye were Members of the Council: Hayes, Patt, Pollock, Ryan, Taylor, and Whelan - 6; voting nay: none.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the

Council, Mayor Satterthwaite declared the meeting adjourned at 8:35
p.m.

Tod Satterthwaite
Mayor

Phyllis D. Clark, City Clerk

*This meeting was taped.