

URBANA CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 1995

The City Council of the City of Urbana, Illinois met in regular session at 7:30 p.m., Monday, February 6, 1995 in the Council Chambers of the Urbana City Building.

Present at the meeting were Members of the Council: Hayes, Patt, Pollock, Ryan, Singer, Taylor, and Whelan - 7.

There being a quorum, the meeting was called to order at 7:35 p.m. by Mayor Pro Tem Pollock in the absence of Mayor Satterthwaite.

Alderwoman Ryan nominated Alderman Taylor to serve as Vice Chair for this meeting of the Council. The nomination was seconded by Alderman Hayes and carried by a voice vote.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Alderman Hayes moved to approve the minutes of the January 17, 1995 regular meeting. The motion was seconded by Alderwoman Ryan and carried by a voice vote.

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

There were none.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

The following people addressed the Council in opposition to adopting An Ordinance Banning Parking On Race Street Between

Michigan And Washington Streets:

Dr. Donald Love

Principal, Urbana High
School

David Lemons

2110 South Vine Street

Michael Sabbia

402 West Florida Avenue

Robert Guthrie

1105 South Race Street

Colin McKiernan

602 West Washington

Chad Lemons

2110 South Vine Street

The following people addressed the Council in support of
An Ordinance Banning Parking On Race Street Between Michigan And
Washington Streets:

Jane Flaxington	1201 South Race Street
Hubert White	1209 South Race Street
Judy Jones	1203 South Race Street
Robert Jones	1203 South Race Street
Grace Schoedel	1207 South Race Street

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

Laura Huth, 504 1/2 East Elm - #3, Steve Frankel, 409
West Elm - #6, and Katherine Sauer, 1106 South Garfield, addressed
the Council in support of the RFP for franchising solid waste.

Alderman Whelan related an issue raised by residents
around Leal School seeing a City parking vehicle in their
neighborhood with two people riding in it, one to drive the vehicle
and the other to issue parking tickets. When the City was
questioned regarding the use of two people to accomplish this task,
residents were told that it was considered economical. These
people were concerned about two people doing the work of one more
economically. These residents requested that Alderman Whelan
publicly request that Chief Administrative Officer Bruce Walden
investigate this issue.

Alderman Whelan requested that a review of the
improvements to the City Building be put on a Committee agenda for
review.

Alderwoman Patt stated that many residents are not aware

that the Council does not meet on the fifth Monday of a month which has five Mondays. She requested that a notice be put on the door of the City Building on those occurrences so that residents do not come and wait for a meeting to begin.

Alderman Singer stated his hope that people are aware that there is not an infinite amount of time to deal with the difficulties facing the City. He stated that the Cities will likely have less Federal support for programs.

Alderman Singer urged that the Council get solid waste off the agenda permanently this month with a lasting solution.

Alderwoman Ryan stated that she had been hearing from constituents who come to address Council that it is quite frustrating to sit through a meeting waiting for the portion in which they are interested. Alderwoman Ryan encouraged meeting Chairs to give some idea at the beginning of a meeting when issues will be discussed.

Mayor Pro Tem Pollock addressed the situation on Glover Street. The western portion of the property in question was rezoned to Industrial. With that rezoning came a number of restrictions regarding use, redevelopment, and certain other requirements before that zoning becoming effective and any redevelopment began which included fencing, drainage improvements and other things which the petitioner, Mr. Cross, had agreed to.

Mr. Cross has not lived up to his agreement to create a swale along the south end of that property. He has also obstructed some flow along the ditch on the east side of that property.

Mayor Pro Tem Pollock stated that it is clear to him that there is no drainage problem from the property of Mr. Cross to the property of Mr. O'Shea, which is higher in elevation. The City does not have the ability to sue for a private drainage complaint.

Mr. Cross may be a bad neighbor but there is only so much that can be legislated.

The City is in court with Mr. Cross on zoning violations that have to do with parking on unapproved surfaces and he has been sited repeatedly for different nuisance violations. The difficult part of pursuing that is that the back part of the property is zoned industrial.

The public should be assured that city staff and this Council are doing what is appropriate in this situation to remedy these problems where there are clear violations.

OLD BUSINESS

There was none.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Committee on Administration and Finance

Mayor Pro Tem Pollock stated that the next regular meeting of the Committee on Administration and Finance will be Monday, February 13, 1995 at 7:30 p.m. in the Urbana City Council Chambers.

Committee on Environment and Public Safety

Alderman Singer moved to adopt An Ordinance Banning Parking On Race Street Between Michigan And Washington Streets. The motion was seconded by Alderman Taylor.

Alderman Taylor moved to amend the motion to separate the question. There is an ordinance before the Council that bans parking 24 hours a day. Alderman Taylor moved that one separate question be a ban, which was the status quo prior to the experimental period, which banned the parking and posted as such, from 7:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. in the effected area, the second question would be the ban on parking from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 a.m. so that there are two separate periods.

Alderman Singer suggested that the Council table and postpone indefinitely, the original motion and takes no further action, then what is left is the status quo.

Alderman Taylor's motion to separate was seconded by Alderman Whelan.

Following debate, Mayor Pro Tem Pollock declared that Alderman Taylor's motion was not well formed and not in order and inquired if he would like to form an amendment to Alderman Singer's motion.

Alderman Taylor moved to table An Ordinance Banning Parking On Race Street Between Michigan And Washington Streets indefinitely. The motion was seconded by Alderman Whelan.

Alderman Taylor moved to suspend the rules to discuss this ordinance. The motion was seconded by Alderman Singer. There were no objections.

Following debate, the motion to table failed by show of hands vote.

Following further debate, the main motion to adopt An

Ordinance Banning Parking On Race Street Between Michigan And Washington Streets failed 2-5 by roll call vote. Voting aye were Members of the Council: Singer and Taylor; voting nay: Hayes, Patt, Pollock, Ryan, and Whelan - 5.

Alderwoman Patt moved that Council direct staff to draft an appropriate ordinance to repeal the ban on parking on Race Street from Michigan to Indiana between 7:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. The motion was seconded by Alderman Whelan.

Alderman Singer moved to amend the motion to request a report on the manpower implications of the increased enforcement. The motion was seconded by Alderwoman Ryan.

The motion, as amended, was before Council.

Following debate, Alderwoman Ryan moved to separate. The motion was seconded by Alderman Hayes.

Alderman Singer moved to substitute that both of the issues be done, if practical, at the same time. The motion was seconded by Alderman Hayes.

Following further debate, the motion to substitute failed by voice vote.

Following debate, the motion to separate passed by a show of hands vote.

The motion before Council is a motion to staff to draw up an ordinance to repeal the parking ban on Race Street between Michigan and Indiana and to bring it back at the City Council Meeting on February 20, 1995. The motion carried by a voice vote.

Alderman Singer left the meeting at 9:57 p.m.

The motion before the Council is a motion to ask staff to bring back to Council a report on what the impacts of increased enforcement of the 20 mile per hour school speed on Race Street will be. The motion failed by a voice vote.

Alderwoman Ryan moved to adopt An Ordinance Authorizing The Purchase Of Certain Real Estate (1103 North Harvey Street). 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, Taylor, and Whelan - 6; voting nay: none.

Alderwoman Ryan moved to adopt An Ordinance Authorizing The Purchase Of Certain Real Estate (1105 North Harvey Street). 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, Taylor, and Whelan - 6; voting nay: none.

Alderwoman Ryan moved to adopt An Ordinance Authorizing The Purchase Of Certain Real Estate (1107 North Harvey Street). 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, Taylor, and Whelan - 6; voting nay: none.

Alderwoman Ryan moved to adopt An Ordinance Authorizing The Purchase Of Certain Real Estate (1306 Beech Street). 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, Taylor, and Whelan - 6; voting nay: none.

Alderwoman Ryan stated that the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Committee on Environment and Public Safety will be

held Monday, February 27, 1995 at 7:30 p.m. in the Urbana City Council Chambers.

REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES

Mayor Pro Tem Pollock reported that the committee that was constituted to talk about the Public Access portion of the City of Urbana cable facilities has finalized a recommendation to Mayor Satterthwaite. The recommendation includes a new channel allocation lineup, the recommendation of the committee for when the City Building has to be vacated for remodeling, a job description for a staff person, and a budget for the expenditures of the two percent PEG assessment. Hopefully, this recommendation will be back to Council within 30 days.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS

Mr. Walden reported that Acting Fire Chief Richard Dunn left City employment as of 5:00 p.m. on Friday, February 3, 1995. The structure that is being used to cover until the new Fire Chief arrives is to use upgrades of the existing captains to assistant chiefs, upgrade lieutenants to captains, and fire fighters to lieutenants, to meet manning requirements.

NEW BUSINESS

Alderwoman Patt moved to protest the Request To Amend The Zoning Ordinance To Allow For Single Family Dwelling In B-5 District And Public Fairgrounds As A Special Use In The CR District (CCZBA Case 954-AT-94). The motion was seconded by Alderwoman Ryan and failed by voice vote.

Alderman Taylor moved to approve the appointment of Paul

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DuMontelle as Boneyard Creek Commissioner. The motion was seconded by Alderwoman Ryan and carried by a voice vote.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council, Mayor Pro Tem Pollock declared the meeting adjourned at 10:05 p.m.

Tod Satterthwaite
Mayor

Phyllis D. Clark, City Clerk

*This meeting was taped.