



URBANA CITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE  
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## CLOSED SESSION

The City Council/Committee of The Whole of the City of Urbana, Illinois met in closed session at 10:23 p.m. Monday, May 12, 1997 in Conference Room 20 of the Urbana School District Office at 205 North Race Street, Urbana, Illinois, for the purpose of discussing union negotiations.

Present at the meeting were Committee Members James Hayes, Laura Huth, Carolyn Kearns, Esther Patt, John Taylor, Joseph Whelan and Ruth Wyman. Also attending were Mayor Satterthwaite, Bruce Walden, Steven Holz, Chief William Pessemier and Deborah Roberts.

The main intent of this meeting was to obtain specific Council direction for the management negotiating team, with an economic package being the primary focus. The management negotiating team consists of Chief Administrative Officer Bruce Walden, Fire Chief William Pessemier and Assistant City Attorney Steve Holz. To date they have held two sessions at which they have obtained IAFF proposals and set ground rules. The next session is scheduled for May 21, 1997. The contract expires on June 30, 1997. The management negotiating team is suggesting a three-year package; not more than 9% to 9.25%.

Chief Pessemier reviewed three issues of the contract proposal with Committee Members.

Debate ensued regarding what direction, if any, Council would give staff.

Chair Wyman noted the time (11:00 p.m.) and called for a motion to extend the meeting. Mr. Taylor moved to extend the meeting time to 11:30 p.m. and was seconded by Ms Patt. The motion carried by voice vote.

Following further debate, it was the consensus of the Council to direct the management negotiating team to do the best they could up to 9.25%. If more than 9.25%, they would have to

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come back to Council.

Mr. Taylor moved to go out of closed session. Mr. Hayes seconded.

With nothing further to discuss in closed session, the Committee of the Whole resumed its regular session at 11:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Deborah J. Roberts  
Deputy City Clerk