

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
MAY 27, 1997
7:30 P.M.

Committee Members Present:

James Hayes, Carolyn Kearns, Esther Patt, John Taylor,
Joseph Whelan and Ruth Wyman

Committee Members Absent:

Laura Huth

Staff Members Present:

Phyllis Clark, Ron Eldridge, Tim Fitzpatrick, Jay Getz,
Bill Gray, Mayor Satterthwaite, Jack Waaler and Matt
Weber

Others Present:

Myllinda Granger, Dr. Uretz Oliphant, Ron Weiss and
Members of the Media

Meeting Location:

Urbana School District Office, 205 N. Race Street

There being a quorum, Chairman Whelan called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

Additions to the Agenda and Staff Report

Ms. Kearns noted an error on the social service spreadsheet in the reporting of Mr. Hayes' ward. In the column for Children's Home & Aid Society (#24), Mr. Hayes requested \$2,000 rather than \$8,000.

Ms. Wyman requested that Review of Traffic Commission minutes be added to the agenda. There were no objections.

Minutes of Previous Meetings

Ms. Patt moved to approve the minutes of the April 28, 1997 meeting of the Committee on Environment and Public Safety and the May 12, 1997 minutes of the Committee of the Whole. The motion was seconded by Ms. Wyman and carried by a voice vote.

Public Input

There was none.

Review of Traffic Commission Minutes

Ms. Wyman referred to page 5 of the minutes as it relates to the resolution to the street light concerns on Church Street. Ms. Wyman questioned if there would be a representative from UCAN at the meeting between the City and Carle. Public Works Director Bill Gray responded that Staff will meet with Carle and report the results of that meeting to UCAN.

Bicycle Safety Task Force Report

As the representative of the Urbana City Council on this task force, Ms. Wyman presented the introduction to the Bicycle Safety Task Force.

Dr. Urtez Oliphant, trauma surgeon at Carle, presented the executive summary for the Task Force.

My linda Granger, Senior Transportation Planner, Champaign-Urbana Urbanized Area Transportation Study, discussed the planning issues for a county-wide plan for bicycle transportation.

Public Works Director Bill Gray reported on the process to improve construction and development standards and guidelines to reduce bicycle problems and accidents.

Ron Weiss, University of Illinois Police Department, presented the report on safety and education to reduce risk and the degree of injury to bicycle riders and supporting collaborative efforts of professional groups.

(Report of May 21, 1997 to Bruce Walden from April Getchius attached.)

Res. No. 9697-R38: Resolution for Improvement By Municipality Under the Illinois Highway Code (Supplemental Resolution For 1994 MFT Construction Project)

Bill Gray presented staff report stating that this resolution and the following resolution are a result of finalization of these resurfacing projects in 1994 and 1995. These resolutions close out these two projects.

Ms. Wyman moved to send Res. No. 9697-R38: Resolution

for Improvement By Municipality Under the Illinois Highway Code (Supplemental Resolution For 1994 MFT Construction Project) to Council for approval. The motion was seconded by Ms. Kearns and carried by a voice vote.

Res. No. 9697-R39: Resolution for Improvement By Municipality Under the Illinois Highway Code (Supplemental Resolution For 1995 MFT Construction Project)

There being no comment on this resolution, Ms. Kearns moved to send Res. No. 9697-R39: Resolution for Improvement By Municipality Under the Illinois Highway Code (Supplemental Resolution For 1995 MFT Construction Project) to Council for approval. The motion was seconded by Ms. Patt and carried by a voice vote.

An Ordinance Amending The Annual Tax Levy Of The City Of Urbana For The Year Beginning July 1, 1995, And Ending June 30, 1996 and An Ordinance Amending The Annual Tax Levy Of The City Of Urbana For The Year Beginning July 1, 1996, And Ending June 30, 1997

Comptroller Ronald Eldridge stated that these two ordinances amend the tax levies for the last two years. The changes incorporated are informational changes only.

City Attorney Jack Waaler stated that this is being done because some taxpayers have filed objections to the levy and law provides that the City must itemize for what the tax is being expended.

Following debate, Ms. Patt moved to send An Ordinance Amending The Annual Tax Levy Of The City Of Urbana For The Year Beginning July 1, 1995, And Ending June 30, 1996 and An Ordinance Amending The Annual Tax Levy Of The City Of Urbana For The Year Beginning July 1, 1996, And Ending June 30, 1997 to Council for approval. The motion was seconded by Mr. Hayes and carried by a voice vote.

An Ordinance Extending The Moratorium On The Construction, Erection And Placement Of Antennas For Wireless Communication In The City Of Urbana, Illinois

Jack Waaler gave a brief staff report on this issue stating that it was hoped that this issue would be resolved by now and staff feels sure that it can be done within the 90 days extension.

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Following debate, Ms. Kearns moved to send An Ordinance Extending The Moratorium On The Construction, Erection And Placement Of Antennas For Wireless Communication In The City Of Urbana, Illinois to Council for approval. The motion was seconded by Ms. Wyman and carried by a voice vote.

Request That The Community Development Commission Review The Guidelines And Funding For Neighborhood Organization Grants

Ms. Wyman distributed a motion which requested the continuation of the Neighborhood Organization Grants. The motion needs to be presented to the Community Development Commission. (See copy of motion attached.)

Following debate, Mr. Taylor moved to send Request That The Community Development Commission Review The Guidelines And Funding For Neighborhood Organization Grants forward to the Committee meeting on May 28, 1997 with the understanding that Mayor Satterthwaite and Ms. Wyman will meet to create a mutually satisfactory motion to be presented at that meeting. The motion was seconded by Ms. Patt and carried by a voice vote.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Committee, Chairman Whelan declared the meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Elaine Taylor
Recording Secretary

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**This meeting was broadcast on public television.