

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
Tuesday, September 5, 2000

The City Council of the City of Urbana, Illinois met in regular session at 7:30 p.m., Tuesday, September 5, 2000, in the Urbana City Council Chambers at 400 South Vine Street.

There being a quorum, Mayor Satterthwaite called the meeting to order at 7:34 p.m.

Present at the meeting were Members of the Council: Hayes, Huth, Kearns, Patt, Taylor, Whelan, and Wyman – 7; absent: none.

Also present were staff members: Assistant Police Chief Tim Fitzpatrick, Fire Chief Rex Mundt, Assistant City Planner Libby Tyler, City Attorney Jack Waaler, and Chief Administrative Officer Bruce Walden.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited in observance of Labor Day.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Alderwoman Kearns moved to approve the minutes of the August 21, 2000 regular meeting. The motion was seconded by Alderwoman Patt and carried by voice vote.

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

There were none.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

County Clerk Mark Sheldon addressed the Council in opposition to the redistricting of the wards in the City of Urbana at this time.

Paul Tatman, 2802 Slayback, and Steve Horve, 78 S. Spyglass Blvd., Forsyth addressed the Council in support of **Ordinance No. 2000-09-104: An Ordinance Approving a Development**

Agreement By and Between the City of Urbana, Champaign County, Illinois and Tatman/Horve, L.L.C. for the Kinch/Florida Residential Development ("Fairway Estates").

Alderman Hayes stated that the Urban League of Champaign County and the City of Champaign are having their "Do The Right Thing" extravaganza the weekend of September 9, 2000.

OLD BUSINESS

Alderwoman Patt moved to approve **Ordinance No. 2000-07-091: An Ordinance Approving an Annexation Agreement with Walter B. Gerhardt (Gerhardt Property/1804 N. Cunningham Avenue)**. The motion was seconded by Alderwoman Wyman and carried 8-0 by roll call vote. Voting aye were Members of the Council: Hayes, Huth, Kearns, Patt, Taylor, Whelan, Wyman, and Mayor Satterthwaite – 8; voting nay: none.

Alderwoman Patt moved to approve **Ordinance No. 2000-07-080: An Ordinance Annexing Certain Territory to the City of Urbana (Gerhardt Property/1804 N. Cunningham Avenue)**. The motion was seconded by Alderwoman Wyman and carried 7-0 by roll call vote. Voting aye were Members of the Council: Hayes, Huth, Kearns, Patt, Taylor, Whelan, and Wyman – 7; voting nay: none.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Committee of the Whole

Alderwoman Patt moved to approve **Ordinance No. 2000-08-100: An Ordinance Authorizing the Mayor to Execute an Agreement Between the City of Champaign, the City of Urbana, and the University of Illinois Respecting Improvement to the Boneyard Creek**. The motion was seconded by Alderwoman Wyman. Following debate, Alderwoman Huth moved to defer. The motion was seconded by Alderwoman Wyman. This ordinance will be on the agenda of the September 18, 2000 meeting.

Alderman Patt moved to approve **Ordinance No. 2000-08-101: An Ordinance Authorizing the Mayor to Execute An Intergovernmental Agreement with the County of Champaign Concerning the Construction, Jurisdictional Transfer, and Maintenance of Anthony Drive and U.S. Route 45 Intersection**. The motion was seconded by Alderman Kearns and carried 7-0 by roll call vote. Voting aye were Members of the Council: Hayes, Huth, Kearns, Patt, Taylor, Whelan, and Wyman – 7; voting nay: none.

Alderman Patt moved to adopt **Resolution No. 2000-08-0021R: A Resolution Providing for a Feasibility Study on the Designation of Certain Territory as a Redevelopment Project Area and Declaring an Intent to Reimburse Certain Redevelopment Costs**. The motion was seconded by Alderman Wyman and carried by a voice vote.

Alderman Patt moved to approve **Ordinance No. 2000-08-102: An Ordinance Authorizing the Mayor to Execute an Agreement for Use of Right-of-Way (1309 West Hill Street)**. The motion was seconded by Alderman Wyman and carried 7-0 by roll call vote. Voting aye were Members of the Council: Hayes, Huth, Kearns, Patt, Taylor, Whelan, and Wyman – 7; voting nay: none.

Alderman Patt moved to approve **Ordinance No. 2000-08-103: An Ordinance Amending the Schedule of Fines Pursuant to Section 1-10(j)(1) of the Urbana City Code (Local Traffic Code Fines)**. The motion was seconded by Alderman Wyman and carried 7-0. Voting aye were Members of the Council: Hayes, Huth, Kearns, Patt, Taylor, Whelan, and Wyman – 7; voting nay: none.

Alderman Patt stated that the consideration of the **Discussion – Proposed Ward Map** was sent to Council from Committee. Alderman Patt moved to have a new ward map created after the 2000 census results are available. The motion was seconded by Alderman Wyman. Following debate regarding the proposed map, the motion carried by a voice vote.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Committee of the Whole will be Monday, September 11, 2000 at 7:30 pm in the Urbana City Council Chambers at 400 South Vine Street.

REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES

Alderman Patt moved **Approval of Closed Session Minutes** for March 27, 2000; June 12, 2000, July 3, 2000, and July 17, 2000. The motion was seconded by Alderman Kearns.

Alderman Patt requested to amend the March 27, 2000 minutes in the second to last paragraph, by deleting the word "motion" and the same change in the June 12, 2000 minutes on page 2, the second to last paragraph to delete the word "motion". There were no objections to those changes. The motion, as amended, carried by voice vote.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS

There were none.

NEW BUSINESS

Alderman Taylor requested to take item 2 , **Ordinance No. 2000-09-104** before **Bicycle Regulations for Downtown Urbana**. There were no objections.

Assistant City Planner Libby Tyler presented staff report on **Ordinance No. 2000-09-104; An Ordinance Approving a Development Agreement By and Between the City of Urbana and Tatman/Horve, L.L.C. for the Kinch/Florida Residential Development ("Fairway Estates")**. The City has owned this property for several years. The development of this site will allow for the extensions of Kinch Street southward and Florida Avenue eastward and the addition of approximately 50 new single-family residential lots in Urbana. The Florida Avenue/Kinch Street connection will provide significant safety and convenience benefits to roadway patterns in this area of Urbana.

A Request For Proposals was reissued on May 15, 2000. After review of the proposals, the staff consensus was to enter into negotiations with Tatman/Horve, L.L.C. The proposal indicates that

the developer would build 48 single-family units and one duplex , for a total of 50 units. The cost of these units would range from \$125,000 to \$200,000. Staff recommends approval.

Following debate, Alderman Taylor moved to approve **Ordinance No. 2000-09-104; An Ordinance Approving a Development Agreement By and Between the City of Urbana and Tatman/Horve, L.L.C. for the Kinch/Florida Residential Development ("Fairway Estates")**. The motion was seconded by Alderwoman Kearns and carried 7-0 by roll call vote. Voting aye were Members of the Council: Hayes, Huth, Kearns, Patt, Taylor, Whelan, and Wyman – 7; voting nay: none.

Alderwoman Kearns reported the results of a discussion at the Traffic Commission meeting held on Tuesday afternoon, September 5, 2000 regarding **Bicycle Regulations for Downtown Urbana**. Alderwoman Kearns read the section of the Urbana City Code that regulates bicycles in downtown Urbana that states "No person shall ride a bicycle upon a sidewalk within the central business district." The ordinance has been in place for some time.

The Urbana Business Alliance Board had concerns about the action the Council was taking. Alderwoman Kearns went to their meeting and explained that rather than just handing out tickets to those who ride bicycles on the sidewalk downtown, Council feels some form of education is in order. The UBA felt that the decal presented at Council suggested a negative image and that a more positive reminder such as "Please walk your bicycle on the sidewalk" would be more appropriate. The Traffic Commission approved the idea and the Public Works Department is reviewing this issue.

Alderwoman Kearns stated that Ed Scharlau, of Busey Bank, requested that Council be made aware that Busey Bank encourages bike riding downtown. Busey Bank supports the idea that bicycles should not be ridden on the sidewalk.

Following debate, it was agreed that items discussed at this meeting would be taken back to the Traffic Commission for consideration.

Mayor Satterthwaite presented Alan Douglas of 817 Fairview as the **Mayoral**

Appointment – Plan Commission.

Alderman Taylor moved to approve the appointment of Alan Douglas to the Plan Commission. The motion was seconded by Alderwoman Patt and carried by a voice vote.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council, Mayor Satterthwaite declared the meeting adjourned at 8:46 p.m.

Tod Satterthwaite
Mayor

Phyllis D. Clark, City Clerk

*This meeting was taped.

**This meeting was broadcast on cable television.

Minutes approved: