

**CITY COUNCIL MINUTES  
Monday, August 6, 2001**

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The City Council of the City of Urbana, Illinois met in regular session at 7:30 p.m., Monday, August 6, 2001 in the Urbana City Council Chambers at 400 South Vine Street.

There being a quorum, Mayor Satterthwaite called the meeting to order at 7:31 p.m.

Present at the meeting were Members of the Council: Chynoweth, Hayes, Huth, Otto, Patt, Whelan and Wyman - 7; absent: none.

Also present were Staff Members: Police Chief Eddie Adair, Public Works Director Bill Gray, Grants Management Manager Bob Grewe, Senior Planner Rob Kowalski, Fire Department Chief Rex Mundt, Grants Coordinator II Mike Loschen, City Attorney Jack Waaler and Chief Administrative Officer Bruce Walden.

**MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**

Alderman Hayes moved to approve the minutes of the July 16, 2001 regular meeting. The motion was seconded by Alderwoman Patt and carried by a voice vote.

**ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA**

There were none.

**PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS**

Norm Baxley, 510 West Main Street, addressed the Council regarding the policy used for street closings for one-day events.

Paul Mueth, 207 West Illinois Street, addressed the Council regarding garbage franchising.

April Getchius, representing the University of Illinois, addressed the Council to answer questions regarding An Ordinance Approving an Amended Agreement Concerning the Vacation of Certain Rights-of-Way (North Campus University of Illinois).

### **OLD BUSINESS**

Chief Administrative Officer Bruce Walden presented staff report on **Ordinance No. 2001-08-083: An Ordinance Approving An Amended Agreement Concerning the Vacation of Certain Rights-Of-Way (North Campus University of Illinois)**. This is a revised draft reflecting the changes requested by Council Members and staff recommends approval of the agreement.

Alderman Wyman moved to approve **Ordinance No. 2001-08-083: An Ordinance Approving An Amended Agreement Concerning the Vacation of Certain Rights-Of-Way (North Campus University of Illinois)**. The motion was seconded by Alderman Otto. Following debate, the Ordinance carried 6-1 by roll call vote. Voting aye were Members of the Council: Chynoweth, Hayes, Huth, Otto, Patt, and Wyman – 6; voting nay: Whelan – 1.

City Attorney Jack Waaler presented staff report on **Ordinance No. 2001-08-084: An Ordinance Decreasing the Number of Days for Filing Taxicab Rate Changes (Taxi Fare Amendment)** stating Council had directed staff to draft an ordinance that would mirror that of the City of Champaign, in which taxi cab rates cannot go into effect until 10 days after it is filed with the City Clerk.

Alderman Wyman moved to approve **Ordinance No. 2001-08-084: An Ordinance Decreasing the Number of Days for Filing Taxicab Rate Changes (Taxi Fare Amendment)**. The motion was seconded by Alderman Huth and carried 7-0 by roll call vote. Voting aye were Members of the Council: Chynoweth, Hayes, Huth, Otto, Patt, Whelan and Wyman – 7; voting nay: none.

## **REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES**

### **Committee of the Whole**

Alderman Patt moved to adopt **Resolution No. 2001-07-023R: A Resolution Approving and Authorizing the Execution of an Agreement With the Illinois Department of Transportation (Cunningham Avenue and O'Brien Drive)**. The motion was seconded by Alderman Wyman and carried 7-0 by roll call vote. Voting aye were Members of the Council: Chynoweth, Hayes, Huth, Otto, Patt, Whelan and Wyman – 7; voting nay: none.

Alderman Patt moved to approve **Ordinance No. 2001-07-081: An Ordinance Annexing Certain Territory to the City of Urbana (Lee Commercial Site / 2401 N. Cunningham Avenue)**. The motion was seconded by Alderman Wyman and carried 7-0 by roll call vote. Voting aye were Members of the Council: Chynoweth, Hayes, Huth, Otto, Patt, Whelan and Wyman - 7; voting nay: none.

Alderman Patt moved to approve **Ordinance No. 2001-07-082: An Ordinance Revising the Annual Budget Ordinance (Park and Cunningham Design Study)**. The motion was seconded by Alderman Wyman and carried 8-0 by roll call vote. Voting aye were Members of the Council: Chynoweth, Hayes, Huth, Otto, Patt, Whelan, Wyman and Mayor Satterthwaite; voting nay: none.

The next meeting of the Committee of the Whole will be Monday, August 13, 2001 at 7:30 p.m. in the Urbana City Council Chambers at 400 South Vine Street.

## **REPORTS OF OFFICERS**

Mr. Walden stated his hope that the first Core Search Committee meeting for the Community Development Director next week.

Mayor Satterthwaite stated that the work on the expansion of the Urbana Free Library is at the architect and the process is coming along.

Mayor Satterthwaite stated that Carle would be presenting plans for their Guest House on North Orchard Street at Plan Commission on August 9<sup>th</sup>, the Public Hearing will be on August 23<sup>rd</sup> for the Plan Commission, the Community Development Commission will hear the item on August 28<sup>th</sup> and it will come before Council on September 4<sup>th</sup>.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Grants Coordinator Mike Loschen presented staff report on **Ordinance No. 2001-08-085: An Ordinance Authorizing the Purchase of Certain Real Estate (1405½ West Beslin and 1209 West Beech Street)** and **An Ordinance Authorizing the Sale of Certain Real Estate (1209 West Beech Street)**. This proposed acquisition is through the Community Development Block Grant/HOME programs. The property located at 1209 West Beech Street would be donated to the Illinois Center for Citizen Involvement pending acquisition.

Following debate, Alderman Hayes moved to approve **Ordinance No. 2001-08-085: An Ordinance Authorizing the Purchase of Certain Real Estate (1405½ West Beslin and 1209 West Beech Street)**. The motion was seconded by Alderwoman Huth and carried 7-0 by roll call vote. Voting aye were Members of the Council: Chynoweth, Hayes, Huth, Otto, Patt, Whelan and Wyman – 7; voting nay: none.

Mayor Satterthwaite requested that **An Ordinance Authorizing the Sale of Certain Real Estate (1209 West Beech Street)** come back before Council at the time Council hears discussion on HomeBuild4.

Senior Planner Rob Kowalski presented staff report on **Ordinance No. 2001-08-087: An**

**Ordinance Approving a Major Variance (Increase in the allowed area of a freestanding sign from 50 square feet at 1809 North Cunningham Avenue – Case No. ZBA-01-MAJ-11)**. Bigfoot Foodstores, Inc. is requesting a major variance to have a 78 square foot freestanding sign identifying the business. The Urbana Zoning Ordinance allows freestanding signs for such businesses to be a total of 50 square feet in area. On July 26, 2001 the Urbana Zoning Board of Appeals voted unanimously to recommend approval of the request to increase the area to 78 square feet.

Following debate, Alderwoman Patt moved to approve **Ordinance No. 2001-08-087: An Ordinance Approving a Major Variance (Increase in the allowed area of a freestanding sign from 50 square feet at 1809 North Cunningham Avenue – Case No. ZBA-01-MAJ-11)**, as amended to include “with the condition that the approved 78 square foot sign shall be the only permitted freestanding sign on the site. Should the existing sign be remove, any new signage shall meet the requirements of the Urbana Zoning Ordinance” on page 5, following the section that states “This ordinance is hereby passed by affirmative vote”. The motion was seconded by Alderwoman Wyman and carried 7-0 by roll call vote. Voting aye were Members of the Council: Chynoweth, Hayes, Huth, Otto, Patt, Whelan and Wyman – 7; voting nay: none.

Mr. Kowalski presented staff report on **Ordinance No. 2001-08-088: An Ordinance Approving a Preliminary and Final Plat (Lincolnwood IV Subdivision – Plan Case No. 1788-S-01)**. Weller’s Community Homes, Inc. has submitted a 33 lot combination preliminary and final plats for approval. The 8.09-acre property is located on the east side of Kinch Street at the eastern terminus of Michigan Avenue. All lots would be developed for single-family residential use with one detached home on each lot. This is the final phase of the Lincolnwood Development in this area. The Urbana Plan Commission unanimously recommends approval of the request.

Following debate, Public Works Director Bill Gray addressed questions regarding the different widths on Kinch Road.

Following further debate, Alderman Whelan moved to approve **Ordinance No. 2001-08-088: An Ordinance Approving a Preliminary and Final Plat (Lincolnwood IV Subdivision – Plan**

**Case No. 1788-S-01)**. The motion was seconded by Alderman Otto and carried 7-0 by roll call vote.

Voting aye were Members of the Council: Chynoweth, Hayes, Huth, Otto, Patt Whelan and Wyman – 7;

voting nay: none

Mayor Satterthwaite presented the **Mayoral Appointment** of Patricia Stebbins to the Housing Authority of Champaign County for a term to expire July 31, 2006 for Council approval. Alderman Hayes moved the reappointment of Patricia Stebbins to the Housing Authority of Champaign County. 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 8:45 p.m.

Tod Satterthwaite  
Mayor

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Phyllis D. Clark, City Clerk

\*This meeting was taped.

\*\*This meeting was broadcast on Cable Television.

**Minutes approved: August 20, 2001, as written.**