



COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
May 22, 2006

Committee Members Present:

Lynne Barnes, Brandon Bowersox, Danielle Chynoweth, Robert Lewis, Dennis Roberts, Charlie Smyth (Chair), Heather Stevenson, and Mayor Prussing.

Committee Members Absent:

None.

Staff Members Present:

Police Chief Mike Bily, Rehab Specialist Randy Burgett, City Clerk Phyllis Clark, Assistant Police Chief Pat Connelly, Meter Patrol Specialist Shawn Crowley, Comptroller Ron Eldridge, UPTV Coordinator Chris Foster, City Attorney Jim Gitz, Public Works Director Bill Gray, Grants Coordinator Kelly Hartford, Police Lt. Kent Jepsen, Police Lt. Mike Metzler, Community Development Director Libby Tyler, and Chief Administrative Officer Bruce Walden.

Others Present:

Kathryn Anthony, Roger Applebee, Rebecca Ballard, Bill Benton, Diane Bushman, Marlin Bushman, Steve Campbell, George Carlisle, Jeff Cochrane, Greg Cler, Sherry Cler, George Cruickshank, Maryly Crutcher, Ed DeWan, Angelo Ellis, Chris Evans, John Evers, Darrin Fuoss, Joe Futrelle, Kathleen Gary, Scott Glassman, Scott Hays, Laura Huth, Carol Inskeep, Angela Jackson, Eric Johnson, Robert Johnson, Tia Kirby, Durl Kruse, Jan Kruse, Chris Knight, Deann Lancaster, Carol Lichtensteiger, Jerry Lump, Cheri Manrique, Chris Manrique, James McBride, Mike Murphy, Matthew Murray, Steve Nagle, Tom O'Rourke, Joseph Pence, Galen Rafferty, Elizabeth Rasner, Jean Rasner, Jack Ross, Ed Salfelder, Pat Shae, Michael Steinlicht, Rochelle Weber, Courtney Weisman, Angela Wenthe, John Williams, Kathy Williamson and Members of the Media

Meeting Location:

Urbana City Council Chambers

There being a quorum, Chair Bowersox called the meeting to order at 7:12 p.m.

Additions to the Agenda and Staff Report

There were none.

Minutes of the Previous Meeting

Mr. Smyth moved to approve the minutes of the May 8, 2006 meeting of the Committee of the Whole. The motion was seconded by Mr. Roberts and carried by a voice vote.

Public Input

Laura Huth, representing Habitat for Humanity of Champaign County, addressed the Committee to announce a HomeBuilders Blitz. During the week of June 5-9, 2006, four homes will be constructed from start to finish. Ms. Huth appealed from volunteer help for this project.

The following people were addressed the Committee in support of **Ordinance No. 2006-05-068: An Ordinance Amending Chapter 11, Health and Sanitation, of the Urbana City Code in Relation to Smoking in Public Places and Places of Employment:**

Kathryn Anthony, 309 West Pennsylvania
Rebecca Ballard, 504 South Cottage Grove Avenue
Joe Futrelle, 1205 South Race Street
Kathleen Gary, 3106 Sylvan Drive, Champaign
Scott Hayes, 204 South Harrison, Philo
Carol Lichtensteiger, 307 East Willard Street
Tom O'Rourke, 511 South Willis, Champaign
Galen Rafferty, 711 South Urbana Avenue
Rochelle Weber, 1532 Hobson Drive, Rantoul
Angela Wenthe, 2509 South Neil, Champaign

The following people did not speak but wanted to be on record as supporting **Ordinance No. 2006-05-068:**

George R. Carlisle, 406 East Green Street
Maryly Crutcher, 706 West Washington Street
Ed DeWan, 603 West Oregon Street
Carol Inskip, 606 East High Street
Eric Johnson, 1115 Waverly Drive, Champaign
Durl Kruse, 2007 South George Huff Drive
Jan Kruse, 2007 South George Huff Drive

Cheri Manrique, 308 Thompson Street
Chris Manrique, 308 Thompson Street
Matthew Murray, 606 East High Street
Elizabeth Rasner, 1104 Galen Drive, Champaign
Jean Rasner, 1004 Galen Drive, Champaign
Courtney Weisman, 508 East John Street

The following people addressed the Committee in opposition to **Ordinance No. 2006-05-068: An Ordinance Amending Chapter 11, Health and Sanitation, of the Urbana City Code in Relation to Smoking in Public Places and Places of Employment:**

Bill Benton, 1303 East Main Street
Jeff Cochrane, 114 South Race Street
George Cruickshank, 2212 South Anderson Street
Angelo Ellis, 55 East Main Street
Chris Evans, 409 West Illinois Street
John Evers, 403 West White Street, Champaign
Scott Glassman, 115 West Main Street
Angela Jackson, 105 South Glover Street
Robert Johnson, 3304 South Vine Street
Chris Knight, 205 North Market Street, Champaign
James McBride, 819 West Harvard
Mike Murphy, 1511 South Mattis Avenue, Champaign
Steve Nagle
Joseph Pence, 2413 Prairie Green Drive, Champaign
Ed Salfelder, 1401 East Washington
Pat Shae, 1718 South Neil Street, Champaign
Michael Steinlicht, 107 Carroll, Mahomet

The following people did not speak but wanted to be on record as opposed to **Ordinance No. 2006-005-068:**

Roger Applebee, 510 Union, Champaign
Diane Bushman, 301 North Jackson, Philo
Marlin Bushman, 301 North Jackson, Philo
Steve Campbell, 106 North Race Street
Greg Cler, Tolono
Sherry Cler, 414 East Broadway
Darrin Fuoss, 705 Dodson Drive East
Tia Kirby, 606 West Holden, Tolono
Deann Lancaster, 101 Spring Circle, Urbana
Jerry Lump, 2248 Heather Hills Drive, St. Joseph
Jack Ross, 1040 Baytowne, Champaign
John Williams, P.O. Box 153, Pesotum
Kathy Williamson, 1040 Baytown Drive, Champaign

Chair Bowersox requested to move item 8 up to item 6 and item 13 to item 7 and follow with the rest of the agenda. There were no objections.

Ordinance No. 2006-05-066: An Ordinance Amending Schedule J of Section 23-183 Of the Urbana Local Traffic Code Prohibiting Parking At All Times On Certain Streets (George Huff Drive)

Public Works Director Bill Gray presented staff report. This parking restriction was requested by a resident of Burlison Count who noticed that vehicles parked along George Huff Drive were hindering the flow of traffic at the intersection of George Huff Drive and Pace Street. With passage of this ordinance, traffic will have adequate room to turn onto George Huff Drive from Race Street and to stop at the stop sign on George Huff Drive without causing any reduction in the lanes of traffic.

Mr. Roberts moved to forward **Ordinance No. 2006-05-066: An Ordinance Amending Schedule J Of Section 23-183 Of The Urbana Local Traffic Code Prohibiting Parking At All Times On Certain Streets (George Huff Drive)** to Council with a recommendation for approval. The motion was seconded by Ms. Barnes and carried by a voice vote.

Motion to Allocate Social Service Funding

Grants Management Coordinator Kelly Hartford gave a brief review of the funding process.

Following debate, Ms. Chynoweth moved to forward the **Motion to Allocate Social Service Funding** to Council without recommendation. The motion was seconded by Ms. Barnes. Following further debate, the motion carried by a voice vote.

Ordinance No. 2006-05-065: An Ordinance Authorizing the Sale of Certain Real Estate (1110 W. Hill Street / Urban League Lease-Purchase Program)

Rehab Specialist Randy Burgett presented staff report. This ordinance authorizes the sale of City-owned property at 1110 W. Hill Street to the Urban League of Champaign County Development Corporation to use in conjunction with its Lease-Purchase Program. Typically, the not-for-profit organization receives a vacant lot from the City and builds a single-family house, which is then sold to an income-qualified household. This project differs as the property already has a house on it that is being rehabilitated through the City's Purchase Rehab and Resale Program.

Mr. Roberts moved to forward **Ordinance No. 2006-05-065: An Ordinance Authorizing the Sale of Certain Real Estate (1110 W. Hill Street / Urban League Lease-Purchase Program)** to Council with a recommendation for approval. The motion was seconded by Mr. Lewis and carried by a voice vote.

Ordinance No. 2006-05-068: An Ordinance Amending Chapter 11, Health and Sanitation, of the Urbana City Code in Relation to Smoking in Public Places and Places of Employment

Council Member Roberts and City Attorney Jim Gitz presented staff report on this ordinance. The ordinance would prohibit smoking in public places and places of employment to protect patrons and employees against second hand smoke.

Mr. Gitz reviewed the changes that have been made to the ordinance since its inception.

Following debate, Mr. Roberts moved to forward **Ordinance No. 2006-05-068: An Ordinance Amending Chapter 11, Health and Sanitation, of the Urbana City Code in Relation to Smoking in Public Places and Places of Employment** as written and corrected by the Legal Department, with a recommendation for approval. The motion was seconded by Mr. Smyth.

Chair Bowersox requested a straw poll by a show of hands of who would support taking out the requirement for 50% non-smoking areas in outdoor seating. The results of the poll were 1 for and 6 against.

The motion to send **Ordinance No. 2006-05-068** to Council with a recommendation for approval carried by a voice vote.

At 9:20 p.m., the Committee took a 5 minute break. The Committee resumed at 9:25 p.m.

Budget Review:

Police – Police Chief Mike Bily and Assistant Chief Pat Connelly reviewed the budget for the Urbana Police Department noting that items with large dollar amounts include the two new patrol officers, in-car video systems for 16 police cars and county-wide radio system.

Library – Executive Director Fred Schlipf and Assistant Director Deb Lissak reviewed the budget for the Urbana Free Library. The proposed library operating budget for FY2007 is \$2,748,646, with a levy of \$2,438,310. These represent a budget increase of 8.08 percent and a levy increase of 8.58 percent. These increases are noticeably higher than Library budget increases in recent years. These numbers reflect higher operating costs of a much larger building.

Executive, Finance, City Clerk – Chief Administrative Officer Bruce Walden, Comptroller Ron Eldridge and Mr. Gitz were present to answer questions regarding these budgets.

Mr. Walden discussed the procedure for passing the budget.

Ordinance No. 2006-05-062: An Ordinance Approving and Authorizing the Execution of an Agreement for a Utility Cost Audit and for a Municipal Franchise and Tax Audit

Comptroller Ron Eldridge presented staff report. The ordinance will authorize the Mayor to sign agreements for audit services for utility costs billed the City and for audit services for utility tax revenues that are paid to the City. Staff is recommending the firm of AmAudit of Crystal Lake to conduct the audit.

Following debate, Ms. Barnes moved to forward **Ordinance No. 2006-05-062: An Ordinance Approving and Authorizing the Execution of an Agreement for a Utility Cost Audit and for a Municipal Franchise and Tax Audit** to Council with a recommendation for approval. The motion was seconded by Mr. Smyth and carried by a voice vote.

Ordinance No. 2006-05-063: An Ordinance Amending Certain Sections of the Vehicles for Hire Ordinance (Section 26-41 License Required, and Section 26-94 Condition of Vehicle for Hire; Inspections) and Ordinance No. 2006-05-067: An Ordinance Amending Chapter Fourteen Of The Code Of Ordinances, City Of Urbana, Illinois, Adding Vehicle For Hire Late Fees In The Schedule Of Fees

Mr. Eldridge presented staff report on the above listed ordinances. **Ordinance No. 2006-05-063** is for late fees for filing vehicle for hire license applications and supporting documents after the filing deadline dates. **Ordinance No. 2006-05-067** is an Amendment to the Schedule of Fees which would add the late fees for vehicles for hire.

Following debate, Mr. Smyth moved by omnibus motion to forward **Ordinance No. 2006-05-063: An Ordinance Amending Certain Sections of the Vehicles for Hire Ordinance (Section 26-41 License Required, and Section 26-94 Condition of Vehicle for Hire; Inspections)** and **Ordinance No. 2006-05-067: An Ordinance Amending Chapter Fourteen Of The Code Of Ordinances, City Of Urbana, Illinois, Adding Vehicle For Hire Late Fees In The Schedule Of Fees** to Council with a recommendation for approval. The motion was seconded by Mr. Roberts and carried by a voice vote.

Ordinance No. 2006-05-064: An Ordinance Annexing Certain Territory to the City of Urbana (2004 S. Philo Road / Grace United Methodist Church)

An annexation agreement was approved by the City Council on May 15, 2006, which stated that the property would be rezoned to City R-4, Medium Density Multiple-Family Residential upon annexation. According to Section IV-5 of the Urbana Zoning Ordinance, the zoning would automatically convert to City R-2 unless there is a valid annexation agreement in place which specifies other zoning as stated in Table IV-1. The annexation agreement also specified that the tract may continue to be used for

agricultural cropping and related uses.

Following debate, Mr. Smyth moved to forward **Ordinance No. 2006-05-064: An Ordinance Annexing Certain Territory to the City of Urbana (2004 S. Philo Road / Grace United Methodist Church)** to Council with a recommendation for approval. The motion was seconded by Ms. Barnes and carried by a voice vote.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Committee, Chair Bowersox declared the meeting adjourned at 10:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Elaine Taylor
Recording Secretary

*This meeting was taped.

**This meeting was broadcast on cable television.

Minutes approved: June 12, 2006, as amended

AMENDMENT TO MAY 22, 2006 COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MINUTES

In the first paragraph on page 1, under **Committee Members Present** remove (Chair) following Charlie Smyth, and place it following Brandon Bowersox.