



URBANA CITY COUNCIL MEETING
October 2, 2006



The City Council of the City of Urbana, Illinois met in regular session at 7:00 p.m., Monday, October 2, 2006 in the Urbana City Council Chambers at 400 South Vine Street.

There being a quorum, Mayor Prussing called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m.

Present at the meeting were Members of the Council: Barnes, Bowersox, Chynoweth, Lewis, Roberts, Smyth and Stevenson – 7; absent: none.

Also present were staff members: Economic Development Manager Tom Carrino, Assistant Chief of Police Pat Connolly, Comptroller Ron Eldridge, City Attorney Jim Gitz, Public Works Director Bill Gray, Fire Chief Rex Mundt, Planning Manager Robert Myers, Community Development Director Libby Tyler, and Chief Administrative Officer Bruce Walden.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Alderman Smyth moved to approve the minutes of the September 18, 2006 regular meeting. The motion was seconded by Alderman Lewis and carried by a voice vote.

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

There were none.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Susan Frobish, 809 West Delaware, and Steve Cox, 507 West Main Street addressed the Council with their concerns regarding Ordinance No. 2006-08-109: An Ordinance to Establish a Rental Registration Program for Residential Property Within the City of Urbana.

Alderman Roberts reported on the activities of the Victory Park Playground Build Day held on Saturday, September 30, 2006. Alderman Roberts showed pictures of the day's activities.

OLD BUSINESS

Community Development Director Libby Tyler reviewed the answers to questions presented by Council Members at a previous meeting regarding **Ordinance No. 2006-08-109: An Ordinance to Establish a Rental Registration Program for Residential Property Within the City of Urbana.** Debate followed. No action was required on this item.

Planning Division Manager Robert Myers presented staff report on **Ordinance No. 2006-09-116: An Ordinance Approving a Special Use Permit (To Allow the Establishment of a Public Fleet Maintenance Facility and Re-Use of a Nursing Home in the R-4, Medium Density Multiple-Family Residential and R-6, High Density Multiple-Family Residential Zoning Districts – Plan Case 2012-SU-06 / Champaign County).**

Alderwoman Barnes moved to approve **Ordinance No. 2006-09-116: An Ordinance Approving a Special Use Permit (To Allow the Establishment of a**

Public Fleet Maintenance Facility and Re-Use of a Nursing Home in the R-4, Medium Density Multiple-Family Residential and R-6, High Density Multiple-Family Residential Zoning Districts – Plan Case 2012-SU-06 / Champaign County).

The motion was seconded by Alderman Smyth and carried 7-0 by roll call vote. Voting aye were Members of the Council: Barnes, Bowersox, Chynoweth, Lewis, Roberts, Smyth, and Stevenson – 7; voting nay: none.

Alderman Bowersox left the Council Chambers at 8:05 p.m.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Committee of the Whole

Alderman Roberts moved to adopt **Resolution No. 2006-09-024R: A Resolution Deeming Certain Funds in the Special Tax Allocation Fund for the Downtown Urbana Tax Increment Redevelopment Project Area as “Surplus” Funds and Directing the Payment and Distribution Thereof (2006).** The motion was seconded by Alderman Smyth and carried 7-0 by roll call vote: Voting aye were Members of the Council: Barnes, Chynoweth, Lewis, Roberts, Smyth, Stevenson, and Mayor Prussing – 7; voting nay: none.

Alderman Bowersox returned to the Council Chambers at 8:08 p.m.

Alderman Roberts moved to approve **Ordinance No. 2006-09-122: An Ordinance Revising the Annual Budget Ordinance (Finance Dept. Personnel).** The motion was seconded by Alderwoman Barnes and carried 8-0 by roll call vote. Voting aye were Members of the Council: Barnes, Bowersox, Chynoweth, Lewis, Roberts, Smyth, Stevenson, and Mayor Prussing – 8; voting nay: none.

Alderman Roberts moved to approve **Ordinance No. 2006-09-119: An Ordinance Amending Schedule J Of Section 23-183 of the Urbana Local Traffic Code Prohibiting Parking At All Times On Certain Streets (Michigan Avenue)**. The motion was seconded by Alderwoman Barnes and carried 7-0 by roll call vote. Voting aye were Members of the Council: Barnes, Bowersox, Chynoweth, Lewis, Roberts, Smyth, and Stevenson – 7; voting nay: none.

Alderman Roberts moved to approve **Ordinance No. 2006-09-120: An Ordinance Amending Schedule J Of Section 23-172 Of The Urbana Local Traffic Code Establishing Curb Loading Zones On Certain Streets (902 West Main Street, 904 West Main Street, 700 block of South Lincoln Avenue, 800 block of South Lincoln Avenue)**. The motion was seconded by Alderman Smyth and carried 7-0 by roll call vote. Voting aye were Members of the Council: Barnes, Bowersox, Chynoweth, Lewis, Roberts, Smyth, and Stevenson – 7; voting nay: none.

Alderman Roberts moved to approve **Ordinance No. 2006-09-118: An Ordinance Revising the Annual Budget Ordinance (Signal Equipment Grant)**. The motion was seconded by Alderman Smyth and carried 8-0 by roll call vote. Voting aye were Members of the Council: Barnes, Bowersox, Chynoweth, Lewis, Roberts, Smyth, Stevenson, and Mayor Prussing – 8; voting nay: none.

Alderman Roberts moved to approve **Ordinance No. 2006-09-123: An Ordinance Approving and Authorizing the Construction, Installation and Maintenance of a Fence in a Public Alley Right-of-Way (North/South Public Alley**

Right-of-Way Between E. Illinois and E. California Streets). The motion was seconded by Alderwoman Barnes and carried 7-0 by roll call vote. Voting aye were Members of the Council: Barnes, Bowersox, Chynoweth, Lewis, Roberts, Smyth, and Stevenson – 7; voting nay: none.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Committee of the Whole is at 7:00 p.m., October 9, 2006, in the Urbana City Council Chambers at 400 South Vine Street.

REPORTS SPECIAL COMMITTEES

There was none.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS

Chief Administrative Office Bruce Walden referenced a letter to the editor of the News-Gazette in which Michael Fuerst wherein Mr. Fuerst attempts to liken Urbana's performance to the first two Illinois football losses Rutgers and Syracuse. Mr. Walden rejected that analogy and feels the City's development efforts are more analogist to last week's game in which the Illini, a 27 point underdog, persevered and won. Urbana has a lot going on.

Economic Development Manager Tom Carrino presented the Economic Development report for the month of September. Mr. Carrino stated that Anna Hochhalter has been hired as Art Intern.

Mayor Prussing reported on the study session that was held with City of Champaign, the Village of Savoy and the County Board. This session involved a water

survey and a geological survey and background on the Mahomet Aquifer. This was co-sponsored by the University.

Mayor Prussing stated that she and City Clerk Phyllis Clark attended the Illinois Municipal League Conference where City Attorney Jim Gitz presented a report on the City's smoking ordinance.

Alderman Bowersox reminded citizens that Wednesday, October 04, 2006 is Walk to School Day and encouraged them to walk to school with their children. There is a check list to complete with information regarding unsafe places on the route.

NEW BUSINESS

There was none.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council, Mayor Prussing declared the meeting adjourned at 8:13 p.m.

Laurel Lunt Prussing
Mayor

Phyllis D. Clark, City Clerk

**This meeting was taped.

**This meeting was broadcast on cable television.

Minutes approved: October 16, 2006