

**CITY OF URBANA**

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE - Tuesday, May 27, 2008 - 7:00 P.M.**

**CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS - 400 S. VINE STREET, URBANA, IL**

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The City Council Committee Of The Whole of the City of Urbana, Illinois, met in regular session Tuesday, May 27, 2008 in the Council Chambers of the Urbana City Building.

**ELECTED OFFICIALS PHYSICALLY PRESENT:** Danielle Chynoweth, Chair; Lynne C. Barnes; Brandon Bowersox; Robert E. Lewis; Dennis Roberts; Charlie Smyth; Heather Stevenson; Laurel Lunt Prussing; Phyllis Clark

**ELECTED OFFICIALS PRESENT VIA TELECONFERENCE:** None

**ELECTED OFFICIALS ABSENT:** None

**STAFF PRESENT:** Michael Bily; Patrick Connolly; Michael Dilley; Tony Foster; Brian Nightlinger; Russell Chism; Curt Borman; Gale Jamison; Ronald Eldridge; Elizabeth Tyler; Kelly Hartford; Thomas Carrino; William Gray; Douglas Miller; Ben Fisher; Peggy Cook

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Amy Ando; John Marlin; Gary Cziko; Members of the Media

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**1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL**

Chair Chynoweth called the meeting of the Committee Of The Whole to order at 7:06 p.m.

**2. ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA AND STAFF REPORT**

There were no additions to the agenda.

Mayor Prussing announced she had recently met with the new owners of the Urbana-Lincoln Hotel to help resolve a conflict regarding maintaining the building as a historic property and gaining new tenants to run the hotel. The owners would like to restore the original Tudor style of the building, while updating and enhancing the interiors for hotel customers.

Thomas Carrino (Economic Development Manager) announced there would be a listening session by the Governor's Task Force on sustainability of the food supply. Lisa Bralts (Economic Development Specialist) is coordinating the meeting. It will be held on Wednesday, May 28<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. at the Urbana Civic Center and the public is invited to attend.

**3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

1. April 28, 2008; May 12, 2008 - Ms. Barnes made a motion to approve the minutes of April 28, 2008 and May 12, 2008. Mr. Roberts seconded. The minutes of April 28, 2008 and May 12, 2008 were approved in omnibus fashion by a voice vote.

4. **PUBLIC INPUT**

Amy Ando, 712 W. Michigan Avenue, did not speak to the Committee, but wished to have her position entered into the record in support of revising the lighting policies to address lighting pollution.

John Marlin, 2203 Boudreau Circle, spoke to the Committee in favor of revising the lighting policy to address lighting options which will avoid light pollution.

**Committee Member Input**

There was none.

5. **Budget Presentation/Review:**

- a. **Police:** Chief Michael Bily presented the staff report with Patrick Connolly. Large increases were noted in ammunition and bicycle supplies.
- b. **Public Works:** William Gray, Public Works Director, gave the staff report. Public Works has been impacted by rising fuel costs especially as it relates to asphalt and concrete pricing and increased signage costs.
- c. **Fire:** Chief Michael Dilley gave the staff report. He announced an increase of 7.5% due to a new labor contract. There have also been recent staff adjustments and promotions.

6. **Ordinance No. 2008-05-041: An Ordinance Approving the Champaign-Urbana Solid Waste Disposal System Annual Budget (FY 2008-2009)**

William Gray (Public Works Director) presented the staff report. Mr. Smyth made a motion to send ordinance to Council for approval. Ms. Barnes seconded. The motion carried by a voice vote.

7. **Discussion: Capital Improvement Plan**

William Gray (Public Works Director) presented the staff report with additional input from Ronald Eldridge (Comptroller) and Douglas Miller (Engineering Project Coordinator). Mr. Bowersox made a motion to send to Committee for review on June 9<sup>th</sup> with the budget. Mr. Smyth seconded. The motion carried by a voice vote.

8. **Social Services Allocation**

Kelly Hartford (Grants Coordinator II) presented an updated staff report with additional information supplied by Ms. Chynoweth (Alderwoman, Ward 2), Ronald Eldridge (Comptroller) and Elizabeth Tyler (Community Development Director/City Planner). After discussion, a motion was made by Ms. Stevenson to send the allocation plan back to Committee with revisions for review on June 9<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Roberts seconded. The motion carried by a voice vote.

9. **Ordinance No. 2008-05-042: An Ordinance Approving the Execution of a Contractual Agreement with the Illinois Law Enforcement Alarm System (ILEAS) (Data Processing Services)**

Ronald Eldridge (Comptroller) presented staff report with additional information given by William Gray (Public Works Director) and Michael Bily (Police Chief). Ms. Barnes made a motion to send to Council for approval. Mr. Lewis seconded. The motion carried by a voice vote.

10. **Ordinance No. 2008-05-043: An Ordinance Revising the Annual Budget Ordinance (ILEAS Personnel Services)**

Ronald Eldridge (Comptroller) presented staff report. Ms. Stevenson made a motion to send ordinance to Council for approval. Mr. Lewis seconded. The motion carried by a voice vote.

11. **Discussion: Lighting Policy Sense of the Council Motion**

Mr. Bowersox read a statement from Gary Cziko, 506 W. Vermont, regarding his support of using energy efficient lighting.

Charlie Smyth (Alderman, Ward 1) presented a report with additional information given by William Gray (Public Works Director).

Mr. Smyth made a motion that all current and planned City lighting projects will conform to LEED lighting standards and will include the use of full cut-off lighting unless not possible, as well as incorporate specific LEED lighting standards and goals to the Sustainable Urbana Report so the Sustainable Urbana Commission can develop specific medium and long term goals. Mr. Roberts seconded.

Mayor Prussing made a friendly amendment for wording to read "Urbana Sustainability Advisory Commission." Mr. Smyth and Mr. Roberts accepted the amendment change.

Mr. Bowersox made a suggestion that the wording be changed to read "all current city lighting installations" instead of "lighting projects". Mr. Smyth and Mr. Roberts were both acceptable of the adjusted wording.

Ms. Barnes made a motion to change wording to "all current and planned city lighting installations will use as their primary designs full cut-off or cut-off lighting and will conform to LEED lighting standards." Ms. Stevenson seconded. The motion carried by a voice vote. Chair Chynoweth asked for a show of hands which evidenced a vote of 4-3 in favor of the amendment.

The main motion as amended was carried by a voice vote.

12. **Discussion: Street Lighting Request for Proposals (Motion to Solicit)**

William Gray (Public Works Director) gave the updated staff report which included revisions as directed by Committee.

A motion was made by Ms. Barnes to approve and allow Staff to request proposals. Ms. Stevenson seconded. The motion died for lack of a vote.

Mr. Smyth made a motion to substitute with rewording which directs Staff to develop an RFP that leads to a master plan design for lighting which uses full cut-off fixtures and that meets LEED lighting standards and technical requirements for energy efficiency and light pollution controls for the Urbana portion of the campus district. This plan and subsequent equipment specifications will be done by someone with LC certification and who has experience developing LEED certified lighting projects. This plan would include suggested hardware with specifications to meet the design that would then be solicited. Mr. Bowersox seconded. The vote to accept the substitute motion carried by a two-thirds vote (4-2; Chair not voting but vote give to majority for 5-2 vote or two-thirds majority).

The motion to approve the substitute motion died for lack of a vote.

After some discussion, a motion was made by Ms. Stevenson to extend the meeting an additional period of ten minutes at 11:02 p.m. Mr. Bowersox seconded. The motion carried by a voice vote.

Further discussion ensued. Ms. Barnes made a motion to call the question. The motion died for lack of a second.

A motion was made to extend the meeting again by Mr. Smyth at 11:13 p.m. Mr. Roberts seconded. The motion carried by a voice vote.

Mr. Bowersox made a motion to send the Motion to Solicit back to Staff for review and revisions and have it brought back at a future Council or Committee meeting as deemed feasible by Staff. Mr. Lewis seconded. The motion carried by a voice vote.

13. **Adjournment**

There being no further business to come before the Committee, Chair Chynoweth declared the meeting adjourned at 11:18 p.m.

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Joan M. Ryan  
Recording Secretary

\*This meeting was taped.

\*\*This meeting was broadcast on cable television.

Minutes Approved: June 9, 2008