

STATE OF ILLINOIS

CITY OF URBANA

Laurel Lunt Prussing, Mayor

Phyllis D. Clark, City Clerk



**URBANA CITY COUNCIL MEETING
AUGUST 3, 2009**

The City Council of the City of Urbana, Illinois, met in regular session Monday, August 3, 2009 in the Council Chambers at the Urbana City Building.

ELECTED/APPOINTED OFFICIALS PHYSICALLY PRESENT

Charlie Smyth, Alderman Ward 1
David Gehrig, Alderman Ward 2
Robert E. Lewis, Alderman Ward 3
Brandon Bowersox, Alderman Ward 4
Dennis Roberts, Alderman Ward 5
Heather Stevenson, Alderwoman Ward 6
Laurel Lunt Prussing, Mayor

ELECTED/APPOINTED OFFICIALS PRESENT VIA TELECONFERENCE

None

ELECTED/APPOINTED OFFICIALS ABSENT

Phyllis D. Clark, City Clerk [excused]
Diane Marlin, Alderwoman Ward 7 [excused]

STAFF PRESENT

Michael Bily; Michael Dilley; Elizabeth Tyler; Thomas Carrino; Ronald O'Neal Jr.; Deborah J. Roberts; William Gray; Ronald Eldridge; Bryant Seraphin, Tim McNaught

OTHERS PRESENT

Ann Bishop; Peter Folk; Mike Smeltzer; Alkalimat Abdul; Members of the Media

A. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

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

B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

July 20, 2009 - Alderwoman Stevenson made a motion to approve the minutes of the meeting held July 20, 2009. Alderman Bowersox seconded. The motion carried by voice vote.

C. ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

Alderman Bowersox asked for the School Resource Officer report be moved up in the agenda before Petitions and Communications. There were no objections.

D. PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

There were none.

E. OLD BUSINESS

1. **Big Broadband Project Public Input and Discussion**

Mike Smeltzer, Alkalimat Abdul and Ann Bishop of the University of Illinois presented an updated report regarding the project. Discussion followed. Peter Folk of the Broadband Access Committee addressed the Council with his support, but voiced concerns regarding some of the financial, technical and public aspects of the project.

F. REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

1. Committee of the Whole

a. **Resolution No. 2009-07-026R: A Resolution Supporting the Submittal of Grant Requests in Partnership with the City of Champaign and the University of Illinois for the Urbana-Champaign Big Broadband (UC2B) Project**

Elizabeth Tyler (Community Development Director/City Planner) gave some updated information and advised there would be some changes to include the State of Illinois in the partnership which would result in some language changes in the resolution.

Alderman Gehrig made a motion to amend the resolution with these language changes. Alderman Roberts seconded. The motion carried by a voice vote.

Alderman Roberts made a motion to approve the resolution as amended. Alderman Bowersox seconded. The motion carried by a voice vote.

G. REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES

There were none.

H. REPORTS OF OFFICERS

1. **School Resource Officer Report**

This item was handled out of sequence before Old Business without objection.

Michael Bily (Police Chief) introduced Bryant Seraphin (Lieutenant - Investigations) and Tim McNaught (School Resource Officer) who gave a yearly report.

I. NEW BUSINESS

1. **Resolution No. 2009-08-027R: A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Sign an Intergovernmental Agreement with the University of Illinois and the City of Champaign Regarding the Big Broadband Consortium (UC2B)**

Alkalimat Abdul provided input regarding this project. Alderman Lewis made a motion to approve. Alderman Roberts seconded. The motion carried by a voice vote.

2. **Mayoral Appointments**

Mayor Prussing made the recommendation for the appointment of Andrew T. Fell to the Urbana Plan Commission with a term to expire June 30, 2012. Alderman Smyth made a motion to approve. Alderman Lewis seconded. The motion carried by a voice vote.

J. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the City Council, Mayor Prussing declared the meeting adjourned at 9:06 p.m.

Laurel Lunt Prussing
Mayor

Phyllis D. Clark
City Clerk

This meeting was taped.
This meeting was broadcast on cable television.

Minutes Approved: August 17, 2009