

**STATE OF ILLINOIS**

**CITY OF URBANA**

*Laurel Lunt Prussing, Mayor*

*Phyllis D. Clark, City Clerk*



**URBANA CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
APRIL 19, 2010**

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The City Council of the City of Urbana, Illinois, met in regular session Monday, April 19, 2010 in the Council Chambers at the Urbana City Building.

**ELECTED OFFICIALS PHYSICALLY PRESENT**

Charlie Smyth, Alderman Ward 1  
David Gehrig, Alderman Ward 2  
Robert E. Lewis, Alderman Ward 3  
Dennis Roberts, Alderman Ward 5  
Heather Stevenson, Alderwoman Ward 6  
Diane W. Marlin, Alderwoman Ward 7  
Laurel Lunt Prussing, Mayor  
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**ELECTED OFFICIALS PRESENT VIA TELECONFERENCE**

Brandon Bowersox, Alderman Ward 4

**ELECTED OFFICIALS ABSENT**

None

**STAFF PRESENT**

Mike Monson; Ronald O'Neal; Michael Bily; Michael, Dilley; Elizabeth Tyler; Gale Jamison; Robert Myers; John Schneider

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Bruce Larson; Rob Kowalski; Bishop Lloyd Gwin; Steve Beckett; Laura Weis; Michael LaDue; Bob Lakey; Rev. Zernial M. Bogan; Christopher Alix; Habeeb Habeeb; Micheal Herbert; Chris Stohr; Steve Brewer; John Dimit; Tim McCall; Gina Pagliuso; Don Lavoie; David McKay; Sarah B. Hansman; Joe Behrends; Mary Atkinson; Russell Giannetta; William Sullivan; Harold Scharlau; Andreas Piller; Leslie Cooperband; Janet Scharlau; Susan Taylor; Bernadine Stake; Bill Ziegler; Virginia Ziegler; Kelley Wegeng; Eugene Ziegler; Mary A. Ziegler; Gayle McKay; Members of the Media

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**A. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL**

Mayor Prussing called the meeting of the Urbana City Council to order at 7:03 p.m. Roll was taken with all members physically present, with the exception of Alderman Bowersox who was present via teleconference.

**B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

April 5, 2010 - Alderwoman Stevenson made a motion to approve the minutes of the meeting held April 5, 2010. Alderman Lewis seconded. The motion carried by voice vote.

**C. ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA**

There were no additions to the agenda.

Due to a large number of people present to address the Council regarding the Olympian Drive project, Alderwoman Stevenson suggested moving the old business agenda item prior to public input to allow the petitioners in this case an opportunity to leave after their issue was presented, if they wished to do so. There were no objections.

**E. OLD BUSINESS**

1. Ordinance No. 2010-04-021: An Ordinance Approving a Major Variance (To Exceed the Maximum Square Footage Allowed for Accessory Buildings in the R-2, Single-Family Residential, Zoning District / 304 W. Washington Street - Case No. ZBA-2010-MAJ-01)

Robert Myers (Planning Division Manager) presented the staff report.

Alderman Smyth made a motion to approve. Alderwoman Stevenson seconded. The vote was as follows:

Bowersox - Nay	Roberts - Nay
Gehrig - Aye	Smyth - Aye
Lewis - Aye	Stevenson - Aye
Marlin - Nay	

**Disposition:** Ordinance No. 2010-04-021, "An Ordinance Approving a Major Variance (To Exceed the Maximum Square Footage Allowed for Accessory Buildings in the R-2, Single-Family Residential, Zoning District / 304 W. Washington Street - Case No. ZBA-2010-MAJ-01)", was approved by Council by roll call vote (4-aye:3-nay).

**D. PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS**

Mayor Prussing announced that the Urbana Public Works Department had received an award for Goodwin Avenue. She also announced that, thanks to the efforts of Alderman Roberts, the City had been awarded a \$115,000 grant from Sister Cities for Zomba Malawi. Mayor Prussing recognized Alderman Roberts, applauding him for this service.

The following people addressed the Council in support of the Olympian Drive project:

Bruce Larson, 101 W. Windsor; Rob Kowalski, 1409 S. Grove; Bishop Lloyd Gwin, 1109 N. Fourth St. (Champaign), representing Church of the Living God; Steve Beckett, 1794 Aero Pl.; Laura Weis, 187 S. Neil St. (Champaign), representing Chamber of Commerce; Michael LaDue, 1005 S. Sixth (Champaign); Bob Lakey, 1214 E. Olympian Dr.; Rev. Zernial Bogan, 127 Scottswood Dr., representing Champaign County Black Chamber of Commerce; Christopher Alix, 301 E. George Huff; Habeeb Habeeb, representing himself and Champaign County First; Micheal Herbert, 3301 Boardwalk Dr., representing ECIBCTC; Chris Stohr, 405 E. High; Steve Brewer, P.O. Box 28 (Bondville), representing Plumbers and Pipefitters Local 149; John Dimit, 2711 Plantation Pt., representing EDC; and Tim McCall.

The following people addressed the Council in opposition to the Olympian Drive project:

Joe Behrends, 3609 N. Lincoln; Mary Atkinson, 3609 N. Lincoln; Russell Giannetta, 2107 S. Mills Dr., representing ANZEN; William Sullivan, 1804 Pleasant St.; Harold Scharlau, 3610 N. Lincoln; Andreas Piller, 703 W. Illinois; Leslie Cooperband; Janet Scharlau, 3610 N. Lincoln; Susan Taylor, 606 W. Michigan Ave. #1; Bernadine Stake; 304 W. Iowa St.; Bill Ziegler, 4704 N. Willow Rd.; Virginia Ziegler, 4704 N. Willow Rd.; Gina Pagliuso, 806 S. Vine; and Kelley Wegeng, 2001 S. George Huff Dr.

Don Lavoie, 104 W. Byron St. (Sidney) did not wish to speak, but completed a public input card requesting that his position be entered into record in support of the Olympian Drive project.

The following people did not wish to speak, but submitted public input cards requesting that their position be entered into record in opposition to the Olympian Drive project:

David McKay, 4102 N. Lincoln; Sarah Hansman, 2107 S. Mills Dr.; Eugene Ziegler, 4808 N. Lincoln Ave.; Mary Ziegler, 4808 N. Lincoln Ave.; and Gayle McKay, 4102 N. Lincoln Ave.

The following people submitted correspondence via letter or e-mail stating their position in support of the Olympian Drive project:

Rudy Frasca, representing Frasca, Int.; Larry Swope, 534 S. Second St. (Springfield), representing Illinois Pipe Trades Advancement and Promotion Program; Evan Coobs; Duane Cook; Diane Ruedi; Susan Swegle; Misty Wilkey; Randy McCormick; Broderick Williamson; and Bill Goldstein, 1302 W. Anthony Dr., representing Multipak Development Corp.

Lois Kain submitted correspondence via e-mail stating her position in opposition to the Olympian Drive project.

**F. REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES**

1. Committee Of The Whole

- a. Ordinance No. 2010-04-023: An Ordinance Approving and Authorizing the Execution of an Annexation Agreement (1507 Carroll Avenue / Daniel and Debra Johnson)

This item was withdrawn by the petitioners. No action was taken.

- b. Resolution No. 2010-03-007R: A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Execute an Intergovernmental Agreement with the City of Champaign and the County of Champaign for the Design of Olympian Drive

Agenda items F.1.b and F.1.c were presented and acted on in omnibus fashion.

Alderman Gehrig gave a presentation regarding his position on this issue.

Following debate, Alderwoman Stevenson made a motion to adopt Resolution Nos. 2010-03-007R and 2010-03-008R. Alderman Roberts seconded.

Alderman Smyth requested a roll call vote. The vote was as follows:

Bowersox - Aye	Roberts - Aye
Gehrig - Aye	Smyth - Aye
Lewis - Aye	Stevenson - Aye
Marlin - Aye	

**Disposition:** Resolution No. 2010-03-007R, "A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Execute an Intergovernmental Agreement with the City of Champaign and the County of Champaign for the Design of Olympian Drive", and Resolution No. 2010-03-008R, "A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Execute an Agreement with the Illinois Department of Transportation Regarding Olympian Drive", were adopted by Council by roll call vote (7-aye:0-nay).

[For the record: The record notes that teleconference connection with Alderman Bowersox was lost at approximately 9:50 p.m. His vote was not taken on the Olympian Drive issue at the time it was presented. At approximately 10:10 p.m. the teleconference connection was rejoined and a request made by Alderman Smyth to allow Alderman Bowersox the opportunity to vote on the resolutions and ordinance regarding the Olympian Drive issue. There were no objections. Alderman Bowersox' vote was taken and is included in the record.]

- c. **Resolution No. 2010-03-008R: A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Execute an Agreement with the Illinois Department of Transportation Regarding Olympian Drive**

This item was presented and adopted by Council in omnibus fashion with agenda item #F.1.b.

- d. **Ordinance No. 2010-03-020: An Ordinance Revising the Annual Budget Ordinance (Olympian Drive Engineering/Land Acquisition)**

Alderwoman Stevenson made a motion to approve. Alderman Roberts seconded. The vote was as follows:

Bowersox - Aye	Roberts - Aye
Gehrig - Aye	Smyth - Aye
Lewis - Aye	Stevenson - Aye
Marlin - Aye	Mayor Prussing - Aye

**Disposition:** Ordinance No. 2010-03-020, "An Ordinance Revising the Annual Budget Ordinance (Olympian Drive Engineering/Land Acquisition)", was approved by Council by roll call vote.

- e. **Ordinance No. 2010-04-024: An Ordinance Approving the City of Urbana and Urbana HOME Consortium (Champaign/Urbana/Champaign County) Consolidated Plan for Fiscal Years 2010-2014, and Annual Action Plan for Fiscal Year 2010-2011**

Alderwoman Stevenson made a motion to approve. Alderman Lewis seconded. The vote was as follows:

Gehrig - Aye	Roberts - Aye
Lewis - Aye	Smyth - Aye
Marlin - Aye	Stevenson - Aye

**Disposition:** Ordinance No. 2010-04-024, "An Ordinance Approving the City of Urbana and Urbana HOME Consortium (Champaign/Urbana/Champaign County) Consolidated Plan for Fiscal Years 2010-2014, and Annual Action Plan for Fiscal Year 2010-2011", was approved by Council by roll call vote (6-aye:0-nay).

- f. **Resolution No. 2010-04-010R: A Resolution Amending Housing Rehabilitation Program Operational Guidelines as Originally Authorized by Resolution No. 2005-08-012R (City of Urbana Housing Program Manual, Program Years 2010-2014)**

Alderwoman Stevenson made a motion to adopt the resolution. Alderman Lewis seconded. The motion carried by voice vote.

**Disposition:** Resolution No. 2010-04-010R, "A Resolution Amending Housing Rehabilitation Program Operational

Guidelines as Originally Authorized by Resolution No. 2005-08-012R (City of Urbana Housing Program Manual, Program Years 2010-2014)", was adopted by Council by voice vote.

g. **Resolution No. 2010-04-011R: A Resolution by Elected Officials of the City of Urbana Refunding Salary Increases for the Period May 1, 2010 through April 30, 2011**

Alderman Stevenson made a motion to adopt the resolution. Alderman Marlin seconded. The motion carried by voice vote.

**Disposition:** Resolution No. 2010-04-011R, "A Resolution by Elected Officials of the City of Urbana Refunding Salary Increases for the Period May 1, 2010 through April 30, 2011", was adopted by Council by voice vote.

With nothing further to report, the next meeting of the Committee Of The Whole is scheduled for April 26, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

**G. REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES**

There were none.

**H. REPORTS OF OFFICERS**

Mr. Myers informed the Council that that Champaign County Preservation Award (neighborhood award) had been presented to John Cronan. He also addressed the 2010 Census, requesting that people complete it and mail it back.

**I. NEW BUSINESS**

1. **Resolution No. 2010-04-012R: A Resolution Evidencing the Intention of the City of Urbana, Champaign County, Illinois, to Transfer Volume Cap in Connection with Private Activity Bond Issues, Single-Family Mortgage Revenue Bonds; and Related Matters (Private Bond Cap Allocation - AssistUrbana, Series 2010)**

Agenda items I.1 and I.2 were presented in omnibus fashion.

John Schneider (Grants Management Division Manager) presented the staff report.

Alderman Lewis made a motion to adopt Resolution Nos. 2010-04-012R and 2010-04-013R. Alderman Smyth seconded. The motion carried by voice vote.

**Disposition:** Resolution No. 2010-04-012R, "A Resolution Evidencing the Intention of the City of Urbana, Champaign County, Illinois, to Transfer Volume Cap in Connection with Private Activity Bond Issues, Single-Family Mortgage Revenue Bonds; and Related Matters (Private Bond Cap Allocation - AssistUrbana,

Series 2010)", and Resolution No. 2010-04-013R, "A Resolution Approving Participation in Illinois Housing Development Authority First-Time Homebuyer Single-Family Program (MCC Program, Series 2010)", were adopted by Council by voice vote.

2. **Resolution No. 2010-04-013R: A Resolution Approving Participation in Illinois Housing Development Authority First-Time Homebuyer Single-Family Program (MCC Program, Series 2010)**

This item was presented and adopted in omnibus fashion with agenda item #I.1.

3. **Lincoln Avenue Design Information**

Gale Jamison (Assistant City Engineer) presented the staff report.

Following debate, it was the consensus of Council that more research and information was needed and this item should remain in Committee until such time staff is prepared to make another presentation (possibly 5+ weeks).

No action was taken on this item at this time. This item will appear on a future Committee agenda.

4. **Mayor Appointments**

Agenda items 4.a and 4.b were acted on in omnibus fashion.

- a. **UC2B Broadband Technical Committee (Non-voting Member)/Craig Shonkwiler (Urbana Civil Engineer); and**
- b. **Champaign-Urbana Joint Cable and Telecommunications Commission/Peter Folk (Volo Broadband) to fill the unexpired term of Pete Resnick ending June 30, 2012**

Alderman Smyth made a motion to approve the Mayoral appointments. Alderman Roberts seconded. The motion carried by voice vote.

**Disposition:** The appointments of Craig Shonkwiler to the UC2B Broadband Technical Committee and Peter Folk to the Champaign-Urbana Joint Cable and Telecommunications Commission were approved by Council by voice vote.

5. **Closed Session: Property Acquisition Issues, Pursuant 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(5)**

Alderman Smyth made a motion that the Council go into closed session for the purpose of discussing property acquisition issues, pursuant 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(5). Alderman Gehrig seconded. The vote was as follows:

Bowersox\* - Aye  
Gehrig - Aye

Roberts - Aye  
Smyth - Aye

Lewis - Aye  
Marlin - Aye

Stevenson - Aye  
Mayor Prussing - Aye

The motion to go into closed session carried by roll call vote (8-aye:0-nay). The Council went into closed session at 10:16 p.m. [\*Alderman Bowersox voted, but was still in attendance via teleconference and did not attend the closed session.]

The Council resumed its regular session at 10:47 p.m. with all members physically present, with the exception of Alderman Bowersox who was still available via teleconference.

6. **Ordinance No. 2010-04-025: An Ordinance Approving the Purchase of Certain Real Estate (306 East Green Street)**

Alderman Stevenson made a motion to approve. Alderman Gehrig seconded. The vote was as follows:

Bowersox - Aye  
Gehrig - Aye  
Lewis - Aye  
Marlin - Aye

Roberts - Aye  
Smyth - Aye  
Stevenson - Aye

**Disposition:** Ordinance No. 2010-04-025, "An Ordinance Approving the Purchase of Certain Real Estate (306 East Green Street)", was approved by Council by roll call vote (7-aye:0-nay).

7. **Ordinance No. 2010-04-026: An Ordinance Approving the Purchase of Certain Real Estate (308 East Green Street)**

Alderman Stevenson made a motion to approve. Alderman Lewis seconded. The vote was as follows:

Bowersox - Aye  
Gehrig - Aye  
Lewis - Aye  
Marlin - Aye

Roberts - Aye  
Smyth - Aye  
Stevenson - Aye

**Disposition:** Ordinance No. 2010-04-026, "An Ordinance Approving the Purchase of Certain Real Estate (308 East Green Street)", was approved by Council by roll call vote (7-aye:0-nay).

8. **Ordinance No. 2010-04-027: An Ordinance Revising the Annual Budget Ordinance (Property Acquisition, 306 and 308 East Green Street)**

Alderman Stevenson made a motion to approve. Alderman Lewis seconded. The vote was as follows:

Bowersox - Aye  
Gehrig - Aye  
Lewis - Aye  
Marlin - Aye

Roberts - Aye  
Smyth - Aye  
Stevenson - Aye  
Mayor Prussing - Aye



**Disposition:** Ordinance No. 2010-04-027, "An Ordinance Revising the Annual Budget Ordinance (Property Acquisition, 306 and 308 East Green Street)", was approved by Council by roll call vote (8\*-aye:0-nay). [*\*Requires Mayor vote.*]

**J. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the City Council, Mayor Prussing declared the meeting adjourned at 10:50 p.m.

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Deborah J. Roberts  
Recording Secretary

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Phyllis D. Clark  
City Clerk

This meeting was taped.

This meeting was broadcast on cable television.

Minutes Approved: May 3, 2010