

**CITY OF URBANA**

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE - April 26, 2010 - 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 Monday, April 26, 2010 in the Council Chambers of the Urbana City Building.

**ELECTED OFFICIALS PHYSICALLY PRESENT:** Diane Marlin (Chair); Brandon Bowersox; David Gehrig; Robert E. Lewis; Dennis Roberts; Charlie Smyth; Laurel Lunt Prussing; Phyllis Clark

**ELECTED OFFICIALS PRESENT VIA TELECONFERENCE:** Heather Stevenson

**ELECTED OFFICIALS ABSENT:** None

**STAFF PRESENT:** Mike Monson; Patrick Connolly; William Gray; Elizabeth Tyler; Ronald O'Neal, Jr.; John Schneider; Robert Myers; Lisa Karcher

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Gary Cziko; Eric Halvorsen; Rita Black; Members of the Media

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

Chair Marlin called the meeting of the Committee of the Whole to order at 7:02 p.m.

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

There were no additions to the agenda.

**Staff Report**

Lisa Karcher announced May 4, 2010 as Champaign-Urbana's first community-wide *Bike to Work Day*. This event is being hosted by Champaign County Bikes, City of Urbana, City of Champaign, University of Illinois, Village of Savoy and MTD. Registration is at ChampaignCountyBikes.org. She mentioned the first 500 to register would get a free t-shirt.

There will also be a Bike Commuting 101 class held on April 27, 2010 at 6:00 p.m. at Durst Cycle and Fitness on University Avenue.

Mayor Prussing read a proclamation announcing May 4, 2010 as *Bike to Work Day in the City of Urbana*.

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

**April 12, 2010** - Mr. Gehrig made a motion to approve the minutes of the meeting held April 12, 2010. Mr. Lewis seconded. The motion carried by voice vote.

4. **PUBLIC INPUT**

There was none at this time.

5. **Ordinance No. 2010-04-029: An Ordinance Revising the Annual Budget Ordinance (Sister Cities Program Grant)**

Mayor Prussing presented the updated staff report. Additional information was given by Mr. Roberts who announced Urbana would be receiving \$10,000.

Mr. Roberts made a motion to send to Council for approval. Mr. Smyth seconded. The motion carried by a voice vote.

6. **Ordinance No. 2010-04-030: An Ordinance Requiring a Certificate Respecting Payment of Delinquent Taxes and Demolition Expenses on Property Sustaining a Loss**

Elizabeth Tyler (Community Development Director/City Planner) presented the staff report. Discussion followed. Mr. Smyth made a motion to send to Council for approval. Mr. Bowersox seconded. The motion carried by a voice vote.

7. **Ordinance No. 2010-04-028: An Ordinance Annexing Certain Territory to the City of Urbana (Multiple Lots in Somerset Subdivision No. 1, 2, 3 and 4, and Adjacent Farmland / Annexation Case No. 2020-A-02)**

*This item was handled in omnibus fashion with #8 below.*

Lisa Karcher (Planner) presented the staff report and announced that due to one property changing ownership, the property at 2703 Fieldcrest would be included as well in this annexation and the ordinance will be changed to reflect this additional property.

Additional input was provided by Elizabeth Tyler (Community Development Director/City Planner), Robert Myers (Planning Manager) and Ronald O'Neal, Jr. (City Attorney). Discussion followed.

Mr. Bowersox made a motion to send to Council for approval as amended with additional property. Ms. Stevenson seconded. The motion carried by a voice vote.

8. **Motion to Direct Publication of a Notice of Annexation for Certain Territory to the City of Urbana (2507, 2607 and 2708 North Fieldcrest Drive in Somerset Subdivision No. 4)**

*This item was handled in omnibus fashion with item# 7 above.*

Lisa Karcher (Planner) told Committee this item would need to be revised as well to include the property at 2703 Fieldcrest.

9. **Resolution No. 2010-04-009R: A Resolution Authorizing Adoption of the University Avenue Corridor Study (Plan Case No. 2124-PR-2010)**

Gary Cziko, 506 W. Vermont Avenue, spoke to the Committee in opposition to the proposal as it does not include any biking considerations in the plan. He showed a short film on biking in Southern California.

Lisa Karcher (Planner) presented the staff report. Additional information was given by Elizabeth Tyler (Community Development Director/City Planner) as well as William Gray (Public Works Director). Eric Halvorsen and Rita Black (Champaign County Regional Planning Commission) answered questions from Committee. Lisa Karcher told Committee the resolution title has been amended to "*A Resolution to Accept the University Avenue Corridor Plan*".

Ms. Stevenson made a motion to send to Council for approval. Mr. Roberts seconded. Discussion followed.

Mr. Bowersox made a friendly amendment to include reconsideration of transportation needs in five years and the effects on costs before allocating funds for the project. There were no objections.

The motion as amended carried by a voice vote.

10. **Adjournment**

There being no further business to come before the Committee, Chair Marlin declared the meeting adjourned at 8:19 p.m.

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Joan M. Ryan  
Recording Secretary

This meeting was taped.  
This meeting was broadcast on cable television.  
Minutes Approved: May 10, 2010