

STATE OF ILLINOIS

Laurel Lunt Prussing, Mayor

CITY OF URBANA

Phyllis D. Clark, City Clerk



**URBANA CITY COUNCIL MEETING
OCTOBER 18, 2010**

The City Council of the City of Urbana, Illinois, met in regular session Monday, October 18, 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
Brandon Bowersox, Alderman Ward 4
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

None

ELECTED OFFICIALS ABSENT

None

STAFF PRESENT

Mike Monson; Patrick Connolly; Michael Dilley; William Gray; Elizabeth Tyler; Thomas Carrino; John Schneider

OTHERS PRESENT

Gina Pagliuso; Debra Piscola; Tom DiGiovanni; Katrin Klingenberg;
Members of the Media

A. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Mayor Prussing called the meeting of the Urbana City Council to order at 7:00 p.m.

B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

October 4, 2010 - Alderman Smyth made a motion to approve the minutes of the meeting held October 4, 2010. Alderwoman Stevenson seconded. The motion carried by voice vote.

C. ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

There were none.

D. PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Gina Pagliuso, 806 S. Vine St., addressed the Council on the topic of City Council and Mayor goals, expressing her support of the goals and concerns she had regarding the City's position concerning historic buildings/landmarks.

E. OLD BUSINESS

There was none.

F. REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

1. Traffic Commission Items:

The following Traffic Commission items were acted on in omnibus fashion:

- a. Ordinance No. 2010-10-090: An Ordinance Amending Schedule H of Section 23-93 of the Urbana Local Traffic Code Requiring Stop Signs at a Certain Intersection (Laurel Drive at Michigan Avenue);
- b. Ordinance No. 2010-10-091: An Ordinance Amending Schedule J of Section 23-172 of the Urbana Local Traffic Code Establishing Curb Loading Zones on Certain Streets (Harvey Street);
- c. Ordinance No. 2010-10-092: An Ordinance Amending Schedule J of Section 23-183 of the Urbana Local Traffic Code Prohibiting Parking at All Times on Certain Streets (Fairview Avenue);
- d. Ordinance No. 2010-10-094: An Ordinance Amending Schedule M of Section 23-190 of the Urbana Local Traffic Code to Establish Tow Away Zones in Specified Places on Certain Streets (Harvey Street); and
- e. Ordinance No. 2010-10-095: An Ordinance Amending Schedule Q of Section 23-64 of the Urbana Local Traffic Code Decreasing State Speed Limits in Certain Zones (Stebbins Drive, Division Avenue)

Alderman Gehrig 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 Nos. 2010-10-090, 2010-10-091, 2010-10-092, 2010-10-094, and 2010-10-095 were approved by Council by roll call vote (7-aye:0-nay).

2. **Resolution No. 2010-10-028R: A Resolution to Authorize the Mayor to Execute a New Cable Franchise Agreement with Comcast**

Alderman Gehrig made a motion to adopt the resolution. Alderman Lewis seconded. Debate ensued.

Debra Piscola (Comcast/Dir. Government & Community Relations) was available to answer questions.

Alderman Smyth made a motion to direct staff to amend the contract language to include the tornado warning provision and related safety issues that come out of the local METCAD office, and the chapter reference to right-of-way. Alderman Roberts seconded. The motion carried by voice vote. Debate ensued.

Alderman Smyth moved to defer this item. Alderwoman Marlin seconded. This item will appear on the next City Council agenda (November 1, 2010). The motion to adopt remains on the floor.

With nothing further to report, the next meeting of the Committee Of The Whole is scheduled for October 25, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

G. REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES

There were none.

H. REPORTS OF OFFICERS

1. **Staff Report: Kerr Avenue Project Update**

John Schneider (Grants Management Division Manager) presented the staff report. Mr. Schneider introduced Tom DiGiovanni (Newhouse Development Co., Atlanta, GA) and Katrin Klingenberg (Ecological Construction Laboratory) who were available to answer questions.

This item did not warrant Council action at this time.

I. NEW BUSINESS

1. **Mayoral Appointment**

Agenda items #I.1 and #1.2 were acted on in omnibus fashion.

a. **Design Review Board - Sara Metheny**

Alderman Roberts made a motion to approve the mayoral appointment and reappointment. Alderman Smyth seconded. The motion carried by voice vote.

Disposition: The appointment of Sara Metheny to the Design Review Board and the reappointment of Brad Roof to the

Community Development Commission were approved by Council by voice vote.

2. **Mayoral Reappointment**

a. **Community Development Commission - Brad Roof**

This issue approved in omnibus fashion with agenda item #I.1.

3. **Staff Appointments - Police Lieutenant**

Agenda items #I.3.a and I.3.b were acted on in omnibus fashion.

a. **Sergeant Richard Surles**

b. **Sergeant Robert Fitzgerald**

Alderman Stevenson made a motion to approve the staff appointments. Alderman Gehrig seconded. The motion carried by voice vote.

Disposition: The appointments of Sergeant Richard Surles and Sergeant Robert Fitzgerald to Police Lieutenant were approved by Council by voice vote.

4. **City Council Goals Update**

Mike Monson (Chief of Staff) presented the staff report. Elizabeth Tyler (Community Development Services Director/City Planner) assisted.

This item did not warrant Council action at this time.

J. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the City Council, Mayor Prussing declared the meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Deborah J. Roberts
Recording Secretary

Phyllis D. Clark
City Clerk

This meeting was taped.

This meeting was broadcast on cable television.

Minutes Approved: November 1, 2010