

CITY OF URBANA

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE - JANUARY 10, 2011 - 7:00 P.M.

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

The City Council Committee Of The Whole of the City of Urbana, Illinois, met in regular session Monday, January 10, 2011 in the Council Chambers of the Urbana City Building.

ELECTED OFFICIALS PHYSICALLY PRESENT: Diane Marlin (Chair); Brandon Bowersox; Eric Jakobsson; 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: Mike Monson; Ronald O'Neal; Patrick Connolly; William Gray; Elizabeth Tyler; Thomas Carrino; Bart Hagston; Lisa Bralts

OTHERS PRESENT: Greg Springer; Gina Pagliuso; Chris Berti; Linda Lorenz; Brian Adams; Scott Dossett;; Members of the Media

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Chair Marlin called the meeting of the Committee Of The Whole to order at 7:11 p.m. *[Note: Started at this time due to Cunningham Town Board meeting being held prior to.]*

2. ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA AND STAFF REPORT

There were no additions to the agenda.

Elizabeth Tyler (Community Development Services Director/City Planner) informed Committee Members that the C-U Safe Routes to School Project and the Mass Transit District are sponsoring a workshop to be held this Thursday (January 13, 2011) entitled "Walk Your Way to a Healthier Life". This event will be held at the Art Theatre on Church Street in Champaign.

Thomas Carrino (Economic Development Division Manager) reviewed the economic development report that was distributed earlier, noting that the basic packet material was developed with the City's new website design in mind. He also informed the Committee that the results of the new business survey conducted in 2009-2010 has been processed and is available on the City's website.

Mayor Prussing informed Committee Members that the Neighborhood Safety Task Force will be meeting in February to discuss establishing an ordinance on clearing sidewalks when it snows (commercial areas and safe routes to school), and licensing for hotels.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

December 13, 2010 - Mr. Roberts made a motion to approve the minutes of the Committee meeting held December 13, 2010. Mr. Lewis seconded. The motion carried by voice vote.

4. **PUBLIC INPUT**

The following people addressed the Committee in support of preserving and making a landmark status for the Eli Halberstadt House located at 104 North Central Avenue:

Greg Springer, 206 Wood St.; Gina Pagliuso, 806 S. Vine; Chris Berti, 411 W. Nevada St.; and Linda Lorenz, 409 W. High St.

Ms Pagliuso also requested that the historic preservation ordinance be revisited.

Brian Adams, 412 W. Elm St., did not wish to address the Committee, but completed a public input card requesting that his position be entered into the record in support of landmark status for the Halberstadt House.

Scott Dossett, 501 E. High St., addressed the Committee regarding the new Sister City, (Zomba Malawi) and extended an invitation to attend an event to be held January 29, 2011 from 4:00 p.m. to 5:45 p.m. in Lewis Auditorium at the Urbana Free Library.

5. **DISCUSSION: ORDINANCE NO. 2010-09-080, AN ORDINANCE DESIGNATING A HISTORIC LANDMARK (104 NORTH CENTRAL AVENUE, "ELI HALBERSTADT HOUSE"/HISTORIC PRESERVATION CASE NO. HP2010-L-02)**

Ms Tyler presented the staff report. Staff will meet with Canaan Missionary Baptist Church leadership (owner of the property) and their attorney (Glenn Stanko) tomorrow (January 11, 2011).

No action required by Council at this time. This item remains in Committee and will appear on a later agenda at which time staff will report back with further update.

6. **MOTION DIRECTING STAFF TO PREPARE AN ORDINANCE REQUIRING LICENSED HAULERS SERVING COMMERCIAL PROPERTIES TO PROVIDE RECYCLING SERVICES TO CUSTOMERS**

Bart Hagston (Environmental Sustainability Manager) presented the staff report.

Mr. Jakobsson made a motion directing staff to prepare an ordinance related to Option #2 of staff's report. Mr. Lewis seconded.

Mr. Smyth made a friendly amendment to include: 1) the idea of allowing participation in one of the City's two existing programs; 2) review in two years; 3) include a significant education component; and 4) aim to make it mandatory in five years. Messrs. Jakobsson and Lewis accepted. Following debate, the motion carried by voice vote, as amended.

This item was acted on at Committee level and did not require action in Council forum.

Before moving on to the next item of business, Mr. Hagston informed the Committee of an event that is planned to be held in the Spring to do a

truckload sale of compost bins and rails to the public at reduced rates, supporting the goals of the City Council and Mayor to conserve water, reduce waste, and promote sustainable landscaping and gardening in Urbana.

7. **ORDINANCE NO. 2011-01-001: AN ORDINANCE REVISING THE ANNUAL BUDGET ORDINANCE (FARMER'S MARKET ELECTRICAL WORK)**

Lisa Bralts (Market at the Square Director) presented the staff report.

Mr. Smyth made a motion to send this item to Council with a recommendation for approval. Ms Stevenson seconded. The motion carried by voice vote.

8. **UPDATE ON 119 NORTH RACE STREET (FORMER DENNY'S CLEANERS)**

Mr. Carrino presented the staff report.

This item did not warrant Council action at this time.

9. **ORDINANCE NO. 2011-01-002: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER THREE, SECTION 3-41 OF THE CITY OF URBANA CODE OF ORDINANCES (ORDINANCE CREATING A CLASS "N" LIQUOR LICENSE FOR RETIREMENT COMMUNITIES)**

Agenda items #9, #10 and #11 were acted on in omnibus fashion.

Mayor Prussing presented.

Ms Stevenson made a motion to send Ordinance Nos. 2011-01-002, 2011-01-003, and 2011-01-004 to Council with a recommendation for approval. Mr. Lewis seconded. The motion carried by voice vote.

10. **ORDINANCE NO. 2011-01-003: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER THREE, SECTION 3-43 OF THE CITY OF URBANA CODE OF ORDINANCES**

This item sent to Council in omnibus fashion with items #9 and #11.

11. **ORDINANCE NO. 2011-01-004: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER FOURTEEN, SECTION 14-7, SCHEDULE OF FEES (LIQUOR LICENSES)**

This item sent to Council in omnibus fashion with items #9 and #10.

12. **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Committee, Chair Marlin declared the meeting adjourned at 8:52 p.m.

Deborah J. Roberts
Recording Secretary

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