

**STATE OF ILLINOIS**

*Laurel Lunt Prussing, Mayor*

**CITY OF URBANA**

*Phyllis D. Clark, City Clerk*



**URBANA CITY COUNCIL**  
**Monday, October 5, 2015**

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The City Council of the City of Urbana, Illinois, met in regular session Monday, October 5, 2015 at 7 p.m. in the Council Chambers at the Urbana City Building.

**ELECTED OFFICIALS PHYSICALLY PRESENT**

Charles Smyth, Alderman Ward 1  
Aaron Ammons, Ward 3  
Bill Brown, Alderman Ward 4  
Michael P. Madigan, Alderman Ward 6  
Diane Marlin, Alderwoman Ward 7  
Laurel Lunt Prussing, Mayor  
Phyllis D. Clark, City Clerk

**ELECTED OFFICIALS PRESENT VIA TELECONFERENCE**

None

**ELECTED OFFICIALS ABSENT**

Eric Jakobsson, Alderman Ward 2; Dennis Roberts, Alderman Ward 5

**STAFF PRESENT**

William Gray; Vince Gustafson; Elizabeth Hannan; Mike Monson; Sylvia Morgan; Brian Nightlinger; James Simon; Elizabeth Tyler

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Spencer Haydary; Rev. Dr. Evelyn B. Underwood; Bishop King James Underwood; Members of the Media

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

There being a quorum, Mayor Prussing called the meeting of the Urbana City Council to order at 7:00 p.m.

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

Alderman Smyth made a motion to approve minutes from meeting held on September 21, 2015. Alderman Brown seconded. Motion carried by voice vote.

**C. ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA**

There were none.

**D. PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS**

Bishop King James Underwood and Rev. Dr. Evelyn B. Underwood did not wish to speak, but asked that their position be entered into the record regarding the Dr. Ellis Subdivision sewer issues.

Spencer Haydary addressed the council on behalf of the Illinois Student Council (UIUC) with updates and events invitation.

Amir Ammons addressed the council with a question "Are Horses allowed in the streets of Urbana?"

Alderman Ammons thanked everyone on behalf of his wife and himself for all of the kind words, cards, text, emails etc. during the passing of Mrs. Ammons's mother.

Mayor Prussing read a proclamation declaring October 7<sup>th</sup>, 2015 as "Walk 'N Roll to School Day". Ms. Cynthia Hoyle was present to accept the Proclamation.

Mayor Prussing read a second proclamation: Mayor of Champaign Deborah Frank Feinen and Urbana Mayor Laurel L. Prussing Mayor of Urbana proclaimed October 5<sup>th</sup> through 11<sup>th</sup>, 2015 as "Tutor Appreciation Week"

Alderman Ammons clarified the question that Amir Ammons wanted to ask, would horses be allowed at the Forrest Preserve Rail Trials?

**E. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

There were none.

**F. REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES**

**1. Committee of the Whole:**

- a. **Ordinance No. 2015-09-101:** An Ordinance Approving Amendment No. 1 to an Agreement for Use of Right-of-Way with Metro Communications Company, Inc.

Alderman Smyth made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 2015-09-101 as forwarded from committee. Alderman Ammons seconded. No discussion. Motion carried by roll call vote. Votes were as follows:

Aaron Ammons - Aye	Diane Marlin - Aye
Bill Brown - Aye	Charles Smyth - Aye
Michael Madigan - Aye	

**Disposition:** Ordinance No. 2015-09-101 was approved by roll call vote (5-Ayes; 0-Nays)

- b. **Ordinance No. 2015-09-102:** An Ordinance Revising the Fiscal Year 2015 - 2016 Annual Budget (Rebudgets and Other Miscellaneous Items)

Alderman Smyth made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 2015-09-102 as forwarded from committee. Alderwoman Marlin seconded. No discussion. Motion carried by roll call vote. Votes were as follows:

Aaron Ammons - Aye	Diane Marlin - Aye
Bill Brown - Aye	Charles Smyth - Aye
Michael Madigan - Aye	Mayor Prussing - Aye

**Disposition:** Ordinance No. 2015-09-102 was approved by roll call vote (6-Ayes; 0-Nays)

- c. **Resolution No. 2015-09-053R:** A Resolution Approving an Intergovernmental Agreement with the City of Champaign ("MobileMeter" sublicensing)

Alderman Smyth made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2015-09-053R as forwarded from committee. Alderman Ammons seconded. No discussion. Motion carried by roll call vote. Votes were as follows:

Aaron Ammons - Aye	Diane Marlin - Aye
Bill Brown - Aye	Charles Smyth - Aye
Michael Madigan - Aye	

**Disposition:** Resolution No. 2015-09-053R was approved by roll call vote (5-Ayes; 0-Nays)

- d. **Resolution No. 2015-09-054R:** A Resolution Approving an Agreement with Passport Parking, Inc. to Provide for Parking Fee Payment by Cellphone

Alderman Smyth made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2015-09-054R as forwarded from committee. Alderman Ammons seconded. No discussion. Motion carried by roll call vote. Votes were as follows:

Aaron Ammons - Aye	Diane Marlin - Aye
Bill Brown - Aye	Charles Smyth - Aye
Michael Madigan - Aye	

**Disposition:** Resolution No. 2015-09-054R was approved by roll call vote (5-Ayes; 0-Nays)

- e. **Resolution No. 2015-09-055R:** A Resolution Approving Amendment Numbers 1 and 2 to an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Illinois Office of the Comptroller (Local Debt Recovery Program)

Alderman Smyth made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2015-09-055R as forwarded from committee. Alderwoman Marlin seconded. No discussion. Motion carried by roll call vote. Votes were as follows:

Aaron Ammons - Aye  
Bill Brown - Aye  
Michael Madigan - Aye  
Diane Marlin - Aye  
Charles Smyth - Aye

**Disposition:** Resolution No. 2015-09-055R was approved by roll call vote (5-Ayes; 0-Nays)

- f. **Resolution No. 2015-09-056R:** A Resolution Approving and Authorizing Entering into and Executing a Second Amendment to Intergovernmental Agreement for Fire Protection Services (Authorizing the Entering into and Execution of a Second Amendment to Intergovernmental Agreement between the City of Urbana, City of Champaign and the University of Illinois for Fire Protection Services - Non-Personnel Costs)

Alderman Smyth made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2015-09-056R as forwarded from committee. Alderwoman Marlin seconded. Discussion ensued. After questions and discussion Motion carried by roll call vote. Votes were as follows:

Aaron Ammons - Aye  
Bill Brown - Aye  
Michael Madigan - Aye  
Diane Marlin - Aye  
Charles Smyth - Aye

**Disposition:** Resolution No. 2015-09-056R was approved by roll call vote (5-Ayes; 0-Nays)

- g. **Ordinance No. 2015-09-103:** An Ordinance Amending Urbana City Code Chapter 3, Section 3-43 (Increasing number of Class BB liquor licenses for Sipyard, LLC, 206 W. Main Street)

Alderman Smyth made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 2015-09-103 as forwarded from committee. Alderman Ammons seconded. No discussion. Before voting Alderman Madigan recused himself due to conflict of interest as a Liquor License holder. Motion carried by roll call vote. Votes were as follows:

Aaron Ammons - Aye  
Bill Brown - Aye  
Michael Madigan - Recuse  
Diane Marlin - Aye  
Charles Smyth - Aye

**Disposition:** Ordinance No. 2015-09-103 was approved by roll call vote (4-Ayes; 0-Nays)

**G. REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES**

There were none.

**H. REPORTS OF OFFICERS**

Community Development Director Elizabeth Tyler started her report by congratulating Economic Development Manager Brandon Boys for his recent nomination to the Forty under Forty in the Business Magazine.

Grants Management Division Manager Kelly Mierkowski attended the 2015 Regional Neighborhood Network Conference at Bowling Green, KY accompany by other fellow staff and city officials from City of Champaign. This visit was made in order to get a better idea of the event as Urbana and Champaign will be hosting it next November.

Ms. Tyler also announced that Grants Management will be conducting a Fall Neighborhood cleanup that will take place October 24<sup>th</sup>, 2015, the two sites will be one across from King School serving North Urbana and the other across from Dart on Main Street serving East Urbana.

Ms. Tyler presented the September Economic Development report among the highlights she mentioned the following events:

- Error Records closed its doors but will reopen as "Urbana See You CD & Vinyl"
- Pygmalion Technology Conference held a Tech Crawl in Downtown Urbana on Thursday, September 24, 2015.
- Lumen Events, a special events company, and Single Stereo a graphic design company both opened at 111 Goose Alley.
- The demolition of the former Hanford Inn is complete. Marketing of the property is underway.
- Studio Vida a personal fitness gym opened at 1720 Philo Road.
- The Urbana Art expo at the Urbana Civic Center was held on Sunday, September 13<sup>th</sup> and several hundred attended.
- As of October 1, 20145 Pauline Tannos will take a short-leave of absence from the City while she waits for clearance on her work permit; Sara Brody has started part-time as the Public Arts Intern.
- The Downtown Urbana Food Truck Rally series was extended an additional two dates September 29<sup>th</sup> and October 27<sup>th</sup>.  
A fundraiser was held by Lola's Brush at Big Grove Tavern to benefit the LINK incentive program at the farmers market.

Mayor Prussing reported on a recent visit that she took to Washington, DC and visited with Senator Elizabeth Warren along other politicians who are concern about the way struggling mortgages are being treated.

Mayor Prussing also shared some information regarding the current METCAD charges and expressed concerns.

## I. NEW BUSINESS

1. **Ordinance No. 2015-10-104:** An Ordinance Amending Urbana City Code Chapter 3, Section 3-43 (Increasing number of Class CA-2 liquor licenses for Lumen, Inc., 111 Goose Alley)

Mayor Prussing Presented Ordinance No. 2015-10-104 to council with recommendation for approval, before voting Alderman Madigan recused himself due to conflict of interest as a Liquor License holder.

Alderman Smyth made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 2015-10-104 as presented. Alderwoman Marlin seconded. There was a

Spelling correction by Alderwoman Marlin. After corrections the motion carried by roll call vote. Votes were as follows:

Aaron Ammons - Aye	Diane Marlin - Aye
Bill Brown - Aye	Charles Smyth - Aye
Michael Madigan - Recuse	

**Disposition:** Ordinance No. 2015-10-104 was approved by roll call vote (4-Ayes; 0-Nays)

2. **Resolution No. 2015-10-057R:** A Resolution in Support of Improved Legislation to Protect Drinking Water.

Mayor Prussing presented Resolution No. 2015-10-057R to council with recommendation for approval.

Alderman Smyth made a motion to vote on this item for approval. Since this was a discussion item at the committee meeting held on September 28, 2015. Alderwoman Marlin seconded. Motion carried by voice vote.

After approval for votes Alderman Smyth made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2015-10-057R as presented. Alderman Ammons seconded. No discussion. Motion carried by roll call vote. Votes were as follows:

Aaron Ammons - Aye	Diane Marlin - Aye
Bill Brown - Aye	Charles Smyth - Aye
Michael Madigan - Aye	

**Disposition:** Resolution No. 2015-10-057R was approved by roll call vote (5-Ayes; 0-Nays)

3. **Mayoral Appointment**

a. Urbana Free Library - term to expire 06/30/18

1. Michael Weissman

Mayor Prussing presented Michael Weissman to the Urbana Free Library Board.

Alderman Smyth made a motion to approve the appointment of Michael Weissman to the Urbana Free Library Board. Alderman Madigan seconded. No discussion. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Disposition:** Mayoral appointment of Michael Weissman to the Urbana Free Library Board was approved by a unanimous vote.

J. **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the City Council, Mayor Prussing declared the meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

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Wendy M. Hundley  
Recording Secretary

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Phyllis D. Clark  
City Clerk

\*This meeting was taped.

\*\*This meeting was broadcast on cable television.

Minutes Approved: October 19, 2015