CITY OF URBANA COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE - MONDAY, JUNE 25, 2001 - 7:30 P.M. CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS - 400 S. VINE STREET, URBANA, IL

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT: Laura Huth (Chair); Danielle Chynoweth; James H. Hayes, Jr.; Milton Otto; Esther Patt

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT: Joseph A. Whelan, Jr.; Ruth Wyman (both excused)

STAFF PRESENT: Tod Satterthwaite; Phyllis Clark; Bruce Walden; Stephen Holz; Timothy Fitzpatrick; William Gray; Robert Grewe; Glenn Berman; Elizabeth Tyler; Steven Cochran; Reed Berger; Craig Grant

OTHERS PRESENT: Kevin McGuire; Shirley Liggett; Barbara Pritchard; Robert Dunn; Don Adams; Mike Suhadolnik; Vic Armstrong; Members of the Media

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

There being a quorum, Chair Huth called the meeting of the Committee Of The Whole to order at 7:34 p.m.

2. ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA AND STAFF REPORT

There were no additions to the agenda.

There was no staff report.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

June 11, 2001 - Ms Patt made motion to approve the minutes of the Committee meeting held June 11, 2001. Ms Chynoweth seconded. The motion carried by voice vote.

4. PUBLIC INPUT

The following people address the Committee in opposition to the proposed Savannah Green plat:

Kevin McGuire, 2312 Country Squire Dr., also representing family; Shirley Liggett, 2104 E. Vermont; and Barbara Pritchard, 1317 E. Florida Avenue, representing PACE.

Robert Dunn, 406 E. Park Street (Champaign), addressed the Committee in opposition to the "Chief" billboard located in downtown Urbana.

Committee Member Input

There was none.

5. ORDINANCE NO. 2001-06-062: AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT FOR USE OF RIGHT-0F-WAY (LIERMAN AVENUE BETWEEN UNIVERSITY AVENUE AND BUTZOW DRIVE)

William Gray (Public Works Director) presented the staff report.

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Ms Patt moved to send this item to Council with a recommendation for approval. Ms Chynoweth seconded. The motion carried by voice vote.

6. ORDINANCE NO. 2001-06-063: AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT FOR USE OF RIGHT-OF-WAY (CEDAR STREET BETWEEN OREGON STREET AND CALIFORNIA AVENUE)

Glenn Berman (Manager of Engineering & Administration) presented the staff report. The spaces will be used primarily for accessible parking. The School District Board will not be able to take any official action on this item until August.

Following debate, Ms Patt made a motion to send this item to Council with a recommendation for approval. Ms Chynoweth seconded. The motion carried by voice vote.

7. RESOLUTION NO. 2001-06-021R: A RESOLUTION TO URBANA'S REPRESENTATIVES IN THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS REFLECTING THE CITY COUNCIL'S SUPPORT FOR FEDERAL FUNDING FOR THE STUDY OF THE MAHOMET ACQUIFER

Mr. Gray presented the staff report. For the past several months, staff has become more involved with attending meetings concerning Mahomet Aquifer. To conduct a study, it is estimated to cost millions of dollars and, therefore, Federal assistance is needed. The City of Champaign has also produced a resolution of support.

Following debate, Mr. Hayes moved to send this item to Council. Ms Patt seconded. The motion carried by voice vote.

8. ORDINANCE NO. 2001-06-064: ORDINANCE APPROVING THE RELEASE OF A MORTGAGE LIEN AND A REGULATORY AND LAND USE RESTRICTION AGREEMENT LIEN ON 402 W. OREGON STREET

Robert Grewe (Grants Management Division Manager) presented the staff report.

Following debate, Ms Patt made a motion to send to Council with a recommendation for approval. Mr. Hayes seconded. The motion carried by voice vote.

9. ORDINANCE NO. 2001-06-065: ORDINANCE APPROVING LEASE AGREEMENTS WITH CARLE FOUNDATION FOR 710 NORTH BUSEY AND 814-B WEST CHURCH STREET FOR THE CITY OF URBANA TRANSITIONAL HOUSING PROGRAM

Mr. Grewe presented the staff report.

Ms Chynoweth made a motion to send to Council with a recommendation for approval. Ms Patt seconded. The motion carried by voice vote.

10. ORDINANCE NO. 2001-06-066: AN ORDINANCE ANNEXING CERTAIN TERRITORY TO THE CITY OF URBANA, ILLINOIS (PHILO ROAD RESIDENCES / 2203 AND 2401 S. PHILO ROAD)

Elizabeth Tyler (Assistant City Planner) presented the staff report.

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Ms Patt moved to send to Council. Ms Chynoweth seconded. The motion carried by voice vote.

11. ORDINANCE NO. 2001-06-067: AN ORDINANCE ANNEXING CERTAIN TERRITORY TO THE CITY OF URBANA, ILLINOIS (CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH / 2106 E. WINDSOR ROAD)

Ms Tyler presented the staff report.

Ms Chynoweth moved to send to Council. Ms Patt seconded. The motion carried by voice vote.

12. ORDINANCE NO. 2001-06-068: AN ORDINANCE ANNEXING CERTAIN TERRITORY TO THE CITY OF URBANA, ILLINOIS (SYLVIA G. DOUGLAS TRUST, RAYMOND G. DOUGLAS TRUST, CARL HILL, AND H. ALLEN DOOLEY / SOUTHRIDGE SUBDIVISION)

Ms Tyler presented the staff report. She noted that the memo and ordinance should be corrected to state that the zoning designation would be R-2, Single-Family Residential, and R-3, Single- and Two-Family Residential. The B-1, Neighborhood Business, zoning was not granted.

Following debate, Mr. Otto made a motion to send this item to Council. Ms Patt seconded. The motion carried by voice vote.

Note: Since there were quite a few people in the audience present for the Savannah Green issue, Ms Patt suggested switching the order of the agenda to discuss agenda item #14 before #13. There were no objections. This record will reflect discussion of these two agenda items as suggested.

14. DISCUSSION: PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO AN ANNEXATION AGREEMENT WITH COMMUNITY HOMES, INC., SCOTT WELLER DEVELOPMENT, SCOTT E. WELLER, AND SCOTT E. WELLER AND CATHERINE WELLER; AND A PROPOSED PRELIMINARY PLAT OF SAVANNAH GREEN SUBDIVISIONS

Ms Tyler presented the staff report.

Developers for the project, Don Adams (Farnsworth Development), Mike Suhadolnik, and Vic Armstrong did a brief presentation. The presentation included photos of a project they are currently doing in Normal, IL. They plan to work with staff concerning acceptable lighting. With regard to Smith Drive, the developers indicated that there are nine ways to get in and out of the development. Kinch Street, to the west, acts as a collector street. A very densely developed park was put in the middle of the development and is within walking distance. Mr. Armstrong (developer from Bloomington) indicated that they have developed two developments in Champaign. The homes will have one builder, and are single-family unattached homes.

Following debate, it was noted that no action was warranted this evening. This item will appear on the agenda for next week.

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13. DISCUSSION: MULTI-FAMILY PARKING

Ms Tyler presented the staff report. (No action is requested on this item at this time.)

Following debate, Bruce Walden (Chief Administrative Officer) indicated that staff would like to review this more and report back to Council in about a month or so. There were no objections.

15. DISCUSSION: "BUILD URBANA" PROGRAM

Mr. Otto presented. He requested this item be put on the agenda to discuss his proposal to allow condo and zero lot line development.

Mr. Otto moved to direct staff to draft an appropriate resolution amending Resolution No. 2001-02-007R (A Resolution Authorizing a Single-Family Home Construction Incentive Program) that would strike the phrase "single-family detached homes" and replace with "owneroccupied homes", and forward to City Council with a recommendation for approval. Mr. Hayes seconded. Debate ensued.

Following debate, Ms Patt moved to amend the motion to add that it go to City Council after Plan Commission review. Ms Chynoweth seconded.

Following further debate, the motion to amend carried by voice vote.

The main motion carried by voice vote, as amended.

16. MOTION TO REQUEST INFORMATION FROM CITY STAFF ON THE COST AND FEASIBILITY OF EXPANDING THE U-CYCLE PROGRAM TO COMMERCIAL ESTABLISHMENTS

Ms Chynoweth presented this item to the Committee. Ms Chynoweth stated that she wished to amend her motion on the floor from a previous meeting where she moved to request information from City staff on the cost and feasibility of expanding the U-Cycle program to commercial establishments. Her amended motion is to request information from the City staff on the cost feasibility of: 1) expanding the U-Cycle Program to commercial establishments; and 2) on instigating a program where the City of Urbana becomes a significant consumer of recycled products. Ms Patt seconded the motion. Debate ensued.

Ms Chynoweth noted that one of the biggest generators of recyclable goods is a commercial establishment. She stated that part of the problem with recycling programs generally is that there is not enough consumer demand for recycled goods, and that the City should move forward with its recycling program while working towards closing the cycle between production and consumption.

Following debate, the motion carried by voice vote.

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17. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Committee, Chair Huth declared the meeting adjourned at 10:50 p.m.

Deborah J. Roberts Recording Secretary

*This meeting was broadcast on cable television.

Minutes Approved: