

**URBANA CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
February 4, 2002**

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The City Council of the City of Urbana, Illinois met in regular session at 7:30 p.m., Monday, February 4, 2002 in the Urbana City Council Chambers at 400 South Vine Street.

There being a quorum, Mayor Satterthwaite called the meeting to order at 7:35 p.m.

Present at the meeting were Members of the Council: Chynoweth, Hayes, Huth (arrived at 7:34 p.m.), Otto, Patt, Whelan and Wyman – 7; absent: none.

Also present were staff members: Reed Berger, Police Chief Eddie Adair, Bill Gray, Rob Kowalski, Fire Chief Rex Mundt, Tim Ross, Libby Tyler, Bruce Walden, and Jack Waaler.

**MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

Alderman Hayes moved approval of the minutes of the January 22, 2002 regular meeting. The motion was seconded by Alderwoman Patt and carried by a voice vote.

**ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA**

There were none.

**PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS**

There were none.

**OLD BUSINESS**

Alderman Otto moved to approve **Ordinance No. 2002-01-004: An Ordinance Amending the Zoning Map of the City of Urbana, Illinois (Rezoning for 703 S. Gregory Place, 705 S. Gregory Place, 1101 W. Oregon Street, 1103 W. Oregon Street, and 1102 W. Nevada Street from R-5, Medium High Density Multiple-Family Residential, to CCD, Campus Commercial District – Plan Case 1808-M-01)**. The motion was seconded by Alderwoman Wyman and carried 7-0 by roll call vote. Voting

aye were Members of the Council: Chynoweth, Hayes, Huth, Otto, Patt, Whelan and Wyman – 7; voting nay: none.

## **REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES**

### **Committee Of The Whole**

Alderman Chynoweth moved to approve **Ordinance No. 2002-01-009: An Ordinance Relating to the Civil Service**. The motion was seconded by Alderman Patt.

Alderman Hayes moved to amend number 12, Internal Job Bidding, which states “Certain positions within the Public Works Department, the Director of Public Works **may** establish and administer with the aid of the Personnel Manager in internal job bidding process by which part-time and/or temporary and/or seasonal employees of the Public Works Department may bid for and be considered for hire to those certain Public Work’s positions prior to resort to the use of the Civil Service.” by changing the “may” highlighted above, to “shall”. The motion was seconded by Alderman Patt.

Following debate, the motion carried by a voice vote.

The motion to approve **Ordinance No. 2002-01-009: An Ordinance Relating to the Civil Service**, as amended, carried 7-0 by roll call vote. Voting aye were Members of the Council: Chynoweth, Hayes, Huth, Otto, Patt, Whelan and Wyman – 7; voting nay: none.

Alderman Chynoweth moved to approve **Ordinance No. 2002-01-005: An Ordinance Annexing Certain Territory to the City of Urbana (Beringer Commons Sub. #3 / 2909-2922 E. Rutherford Drive)**, as amended by a date change from February 14, 2002 to March 20, 2002 relating to the primary election. The motion was seconded by Alderman Wyman and carried 7-0 by roll call vote.

Voting aye were Members of the Council: Chynoweth, Hayes, Huth, Otto, Patt, Whelan and Wyman – 7;  
voting nay: none.

Alderman Chynoweth moved to approve **Ordinance No. 2002-01-006: An Ordinance Annexing Certain Territory to the City of Urbana (Freedom Oil Co. / 1812 N. Cunningham Avenue).**

The motion was seconded by Alderman Whelan and carried 7-0 by roll call vote. Voting aye were Members of the Council: Chynoweth, Hayes, Huth, Otto, Patt, Whelan, and Wyman – 7; voting nay none.

Alderman Chynoweth moved to approve **Ordinance No. 2002-01-007: An Ordinance Approving and Authorizing the Execution of a Mutual Aid Box Alarm System Agreement .** The motion was seconded by Alderman Otto and carried 7-0 by roll call vote. Voting aye were Members of the Council: Chynoweth, Hayes, Huth, Otto, Patt, Whelan and Wyman – 7; voting nay: none.

Alderman Chynoweth moved to approve **Ordinance No. 2002-01-008: An Ordinance Approving and Authorizing the Execution of a Mutual Aid Agreement Between Fire and Emergency Service Organizations in Champaign County.** The motion was seconded by Alderman Whelan and carried 7-0 by roll call vote. Voting aye were Members of the Council: Chynoweth, Hayes, Huth, Otto, Patt, Whelan and Wyman – 7; voting nay: none.

The next regular meeting of the Committee of the Whole will be Monday, February 11, 2002 at 7:30 p.m. in the Urbana City Council Chambers at 400 South Vine Street.

#### **REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES**

There were none.

**REPORTS OF OFFICERS**

There were none.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Senior Planner Rob Kowalski presented staff report on **Ordinance No. 2002-02-010: An Ordinance Amending the 1982 Comprehensive Plan of the City of Urbana, Illinois (Adoption of the Downtown Strategic Plan as an amendment to the Comprehensive Plan – Plan Case 1813-CP-02)**.

The Zoning Administrator is requesting an amendment to the Urbana Comprehensive Plan to include the final draft of the Downtown Strategic Plan. The Downtown Plan contains general goals and strategies for the improvement and redevelopment of downtown Urbana. (Memo from Elizabeth H. Tyler, CD Director/City Planner to Bruce K. Walden, Chief Administrative Officer dated January 31, 2002 regarding Plan Case No. 1813-CD-02 attached). Staff recommends approval.

Following debate, Alderwoman Patt moved to approve **Ordinance No. 2002-02-010: An Ordinance Amending the 1982 Comprehensive Plan of the City of Urbana, Illinois (Adoption of the Downtown Strategic Plan as an amendment to the Comprehensive Plan – Plan Case 1813-CP-02)**

with the language revisions outlined in the staff memo. The motion was seconded by Alderwoman Wyman.

Following debate, Alderwoman Chynoweth moved to amend the motion to include on page 62, under the Project to Activate a Downtown Commission under Action Steps for #1 to read "Appoint a Commission including a representative from City Council." The motion was seconded by Alderwoman Wyman. Following debate, the motion to amend carried by a voice vote.

The motion to approve **Ordinance No. 2002-02-010: An Ordinance Amending the 1982 Comprehensive Plan of the City of Urbana, Illinois (Adoption of the Downtown Strategic Plan as an amendment to the Comprehensive Plan – Plan Case 1813-CP-02)**, as amended, carried 7-0 by roll call

vote. Voting aye were Members of the Council: Chynoweth, Hayes, Huth, Otto, Patt, Whelan and Wyman – 7; voting nay: none.

Mayor Satterthwaite thanked staff and the Downtown Plan Steering Committee Members.

Planner Tim Ross presented staff report on **Ordinance No. 2002-02-011: An Ordinance Amending the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Urbana (To Amend Section IX-6 and IX-7 to allow Electronic Display Signs as Community Event Signs Requiring a Permit – Plan Case 1812-T-02)**.

The Zoning Administrator has requested an amendment to the Zoning Ordinance to amend portions of Article IX , Comprehensive Sign Regulations, of the Zoning Ordinance to allow Electronic Display Signs as Community Event Signs Requiring a Permit. The amendment was proposed in response to a desire by Lincoln Square Mall to install an electronic message board to display both community event messages and commercial messages related to the mall. The proposed amendment would apply to any petitioner wishing to construct such a sign in the B-4 and B-4E zones. Staff recommends approval.

Following debate, Alderman Whelan moved to approve **Ordinance No. 2002-02-011: An Ordinance Amending the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Urbana (To Amend Section IX-6 and IX-7 to allow Electronic Display Signs as Community Event Signs Requiring a Permit – Plan Case 1812-T-02)**. The motion was seconded by Alderwoman Wyman.

Alderman Otto moved to amend the motion to add after paragraph c, paragraph d, which would state "The sign is not within 1500 feet of another existing electronic display sign." The motion was seconded by Alderwoman Patt.

Alderman Whelan moved a friendly motion to make it not within 450 feet of another electronic display sign. This was not acceptable to the mover.

Following debate, Alderman Whelan moved a substitute motion to amend the motion from 1500 feet to 450 feet of another community event electronic display sign. The motion was seconded by Alderwoman Wyman. Following debate, the motion to substitute carried by a show of hands vote.

The motion to add a section d. not allowing an electronic display sign within 450 feet of another sign carried by a voice vote.

Alderwoman Wyman moved to change the distance from a residential area that is currently listed as 50 feet to 250 feet, under 5. Electronic Display Sign, letter b. It currently states "Illumination from the sign will not cause a nuisance to any nearby residential district or use" to add "nor shall it be located within 250 feet of a residential district or use." The motion was seconded by Alderwoman Chynoweth. Following debate, Alderwoman Wyman amended the restriction to 100 feet. The amendment was seconded by Alderwoman Patt.

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

Following debate, the motion to approve **Ordinance No. 2002-02-011: An Ordinance Amending the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Urbana (To Amend Section IX-6 and IX-7 to allow Electronic Display Signs as Community Event Signs Requiring a Permit – Plan Case 1812-T-02)**, as

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amended, carried 6-1 by roll call vote. Voting aye were Members of the Council: Chynoweth, Hayes, Huth, Patt, Whelan and Wyman – 6; voting nay: Otto – 1.

Community Development Director /City Planner Libby Tyler presented staff report on

**Resolution No. 2002-02-004R: A Resolution of Protest Against a Proposed Text Amendment to the Champaign County Zoning Ordinance (Omnibus text amendment requirement of a reclamation agreement and performance guarantee for certain structures and sites changes – Plan Case CCZBA**

**273-AT-00. Part B)**. The Champaign County Zoning Administrator has requested an omnibus text amendment to the Champaign County Zoning Ordinance to amend Sections 6.1 and 9.1.11 to require a reclamation agreement and performance guarantee for removal of a structure or a physical change to a site that is not found to be readily adaptable to an alternative use. The proposed amendment was initially prompted by a Special Use Permit request to allow a demonstration wind turbine at a site along U.S. Route 150 west of Champaign. Staff recommends that the City Council defeat a Resolution of Protest for the proposed text amendment.

Following debate, Alderwoman Patt moved to approve Resolution **No. 2002-02-004R: A Resolution of Protest Against a Proposed Text Amendment to the Champaign County Zoning Ordinance (Omnibus text amendment requirement of a reclamation agreement and performance guarantee for certain structures and sites changes – Plan Case CCZBA 273-AT-00. Part B)**. The motion was seconded by Alderwoman Wyman and failed by voice vote.

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**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Council, Mayor Satterthwaite declared the meeting adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

Tod Satterthwaite  
Mayor

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Phyllis D. Clark, City Clerk

**Minutes approved: February 18, 2002 (Reconsidered at the March 4, 2002 meeting. See following.)**

**CORRECTION TO THE FEBRUARY 4, 2002 MINUTES**

Community Development Director Libby Tyler brought forward an error in the minutes of the Urbana City Council of February 4, 2002.

It was reported on page 1, under **Old Business**, that **Ordinance No. 2002-01-004: An Ordinance Amending the Zoning Map of the City of Urbana, Illinois (Rezoning for 703 S. Gregory Place, 705 S. Gregory Place, 1101 W. Oregon Street, 1103 W. Oregon Street, and 1102 W. Nevada Street from R-5, Medium High Density Multiple-Family Residential, to CCD, Campus Commercial District – Plan Case 1808-M-01)** carried 7-0 by roll call vote. In fact, that ordinance was tabled to a time uncertain.