

CITY OF URBANA
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE - JUNE 13, 2005 - 7:30 P.M.
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS - 400 S. VINE STREET, URBANA, IL

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT: Charlie Smyth (Chair); Lynne C. Barnes; Brandon Bowersox; Danielle Chynoweth; Robert E. Lewis

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT: Dennis Roberts (excused); Heather Stevenson (excused)

STAFF PRESENT: Laurel Lunt Prussing; Phyllis Clark; Bruce Walden; Jack Waaler; Eddie Adair; Elizabeth Tyler; Mathew Wempe; Erin Bullok; Gale Jamison

OTHERS PRESENT: Members of the Media

1. **CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL**

There being a quorum, Chair Smyth called the meeting of the Committee Of The Whole to order at 7:30 p.m.

2. **ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA AND STAFF REPORT**

There were none.

3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

May 23, 2005 - Mr. Bowersox made a motion to approve the minutes of the meeting held May 23, 2005. Ms Barnes seconded. The motion carried by a voice vote.

4. **PUBLIC INPUT**

There was none.

Committee Member Input

There was none.

5. **ORDINANCE NO. 2005-06-079: AN ORDINANCE APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN ANNEXATION AGREEMENT**

Mathew Wempe (Planner) presented the staff report.

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

6. **ORDINANCE NO. 2005-06-080: AN ORDINANCE APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN URBANA HOME CONSORTIUM SUBRECIPIENT AGREEMENT (CENTER FOR WOMEN IN TRANSITION, CAPITAL PROJECT NO. 0405-09)**

Erin Bullok (Interim Grants Management Division Manager) presented the staff report.

Ms Chynoweth made a motion to send this item to Council with a recommendation for approval. Ms Barnes seconded. The motion carried with a voice vote.

7. **ORDINANCE NO. 2005-06-083: AN ORDINANCE APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN URBANA HOME CONSORTIUM SUBRECIPIENT AGREEMENT (ECOLOGICAL CONSTRUCTION LABORATORY AFFORDABLE HOMEOWNERSHIP PROGRAM 2004-2005; PASSIVE SOLAR HOUSE OWNERSHIP PROGRAM)**

Ms Bullok presented the staff report.

Ms Barnes moved to send this item to Council with a recommendation for approval. Mr. Bowersox seconded. The motion carried with a voice vote.

8. **DISCUSSION OF COUNCIL RULES**

Mr. Bowersox began discussion. A handout was distributed to Committee Members earlier.

Following debate, Ms Chynoweth moved to send Appendix I (Rule 7b) to Council with a recommendation for approval. Mr. Bowersox seconded. The motion carried by a voice vote.

Jack Waaler (Special Counsel) addressed Appendix III language changes. Ms Barnes made a motion to direct staff to come back to Committee with language changes to Sections 2-24, 2-25, and 2-30. Mr. Bowersox seconded. The motion carried by a voice vote.

Regarding the issue of meeting starting time (i.e., City Council, Committee, Township, public hearings, etc.), Mr. Lewis made a motion requesting that staff draft language changing the time meetings are held to 7:00 p.m. for all business of the council, and bring back to Committee for review. Ms Barnes seconded. The motion carried by a voice vote.

9. **RESOLUTION NO. 2005-06-010: A RESOLUTION ASCERTAINING PREVAILING WAGES (2005-2006)**

Bruce Walden (Chief Administrative Officer) presented the staff report.

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

10. **ORDINANCE NO. 2005-06-084: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTIONS 1-18 AND 15-63 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES (PAY-BY-MAIL SCHEDULE AND CURFEW ORDINANCE)**

Mr. Waaler presented the staff report.

Following debate, Ms Chynoweth moved to send this item to Council without a recommendation. Mr. Bowersox seconded. The motion carried by a voice vote.

11. **ORDINANCE NO. 2005-06-081: AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF CERTAIN REAL ESTATE (1110 WEST HILL STREET)**

Ms Bullok presented the staff report.

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

12. **ORDINANCE NO. 2005-06-082: AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF CERTAIN REAL ESTATE (708 NORTH GOODWIN AVENUE)**

Ms Bullok presented the staff report.

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

13. **INFORMATION REGARDING MAILING/E-MAILING PACKET INFORMATION**

Mr. Walden presented the staff report.

It was the consensus of the Committee to have staff investigate the purchase of some form of E-Gov package for the purpose of packet distribution to the Council. This package should: 1) provide the ability to get packets out earlier (allowing council members to ask and get answers to questions sooner); 2) save postage; 3) provide the ability to go to a secure site to make alterations; and 4) simplify.

Mr. Smyth will be the council representative working with staff on this project. No action was required of council at this time.

14. **DISCUSSION: PARKLET ON NORTH GOODWIN AVENUE**

Chair Smyth opened this item for discussion, noting that this issue had come to his attention from the Urbana Police Department because of some problems and complaints they are having there. There also appears to be some confusion about the ownership of this property. This is a vacant lot located at the southwest corner of North Goodwin Avenue and Fairview.

Mr. Lewis informed the Committee that there are problems at this location and he has received complaints from constituents in the area. Most of the complaints refer to disturbances by a group of young people. Residents would like to see the parklet removed, if possible.

Mr. Walden indicated that staff would do a title search to see who owns the property.

Staff will report back to Committee. No action was taken at this time.

15. **ADJOURNMENT**

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

Deborah J. Roberts
Recording Secretary

*This meeting was broadcast on cable television.

Minutes Approved: July 11, 2005