

**CITY OF URBANA
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE - FEBRUARY 13, 2006 - 7:00 P.M.
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS - 400 S. VINE STREET, URBANA, IL**

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

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT: None

STAFF PRESENT: Laurel Lunt Prussing; Phyllis Clark; James Gitz; Michael Bily; Ronald Eldridge; William Gray; Elizabeth Tyler; Gale Jamison; Robert Myers

OTHERS PRESENT: Kristin Dressel; Lisa Denson-Rives; Members of the Media

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Chair Bowersox called the meeting of the Committee Of The Whole to order at 7:47 p.m.

2. ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA AND STAFF REPORT

There were no additions to the agenda.

Mayor Prussing informed the Committee that the first meeting of the Neighborhood Safety Task Force will be held this Thursday (February 16, 2006) at 7:30 p.m. in the Conference Room on the second floor of the City Building.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

January 23, 2006 - Ms Stevenson made a motion to approve the minutes of the meeting held January 23, 2006. Ms Barnes seconded.

Mr. Smyth noted that the minutes reported Mr. Bowersox present via teleconference, however, did not indicate his time of arrival in person to the meeting. This should be reflected in the minutes. There were no objections.

Mr. Roberts noted that the minutes list him as Chair, when Ms Chynoweth actually chaired the meeting. There were no objections.

The minutes of January 23, 2006 were approved, as amended.

4. PUBLIC INPUT

There was none at this time.

Committee Member Input

There was none.

5. DISCUSSION OF WINDSOR ROAD PROJECT BY THE CONSULTANT

Just prior to this evening's Committee meeting, an "Informational Meeting" concerning the proposed improvement of Windsor Road from Philo Road to High Cross Road was presented by consultants for the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) and City staff. IDOT consultants

were from the business firm of Foth & Van Dyke/Daily Division. A brief presentation on the status of the project was presented.

There was no discussion on this item at the Committee meeting.

6. **IDOT ITEMS:**

The following items were presented in omnibus fashion:

- a. **RESOLUTION NO. 2006-02-004R: A RESOLUTION APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT WITH THE ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (PHILO ROAD - WINDSOR ROAD TO FLORIDA AVENUE);**
- b. **RESOLUTION NO. 2006-02-005R: A RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE RECONSTRUCTION OF PHILO ROAD (F.A.U. 7185) FROM WINDSOR ROAD TO FLORIDA AVENUE; and**
- c. **RESOLUTION NO. 2006-02-006R: A RESOLUTION FOR IMPROVEMENT BY MUNICIPALITY UNDER THE ILLINOIS HIGHWAY CODE (PHILO ROAD - WINDSOR ROAD TO FLORIDA AVENUE)**

Gale Jamison (Assistant City Engineer) presented the staff report.

Ms Barnes moved to send these items to Council with a recommendation for approval. Mr. Smyth seconded. The motion carried by voice vote.

7. **ORDINANCE NO. 2006-02-017: AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT JAG PROGRAM (EDWARD BYRNE MEMORIAL JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT)**

Michael Bily (Acting Police Chief) presented the staff report.

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

8. **ORDINANCE NO. 2006-02-015: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTIONS 2-115 AND 2-119(d) OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES (FINANCES AND PURCHASES BY CONTRACTORS AND VENDORS)**

Ron Eldridge (Comptroller) presented the staff report.

Following debate, it was the consensus of the Committee that more information was needed and that the Human Relations Officer (Vacellia Clark) be present. Mr. Smyth moved to send this item to Council without a recommendation. Ms Barnes seconded. The motion carried by a voice vote.

9. **ORDINANCE NO. 2006-02-016: AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH THE URBANA PARK DISTRICT AND FIVE POINTS REALTY, LLC (NORTHEAST CORNER BROADWAY AVENUE AND UNIVERSITY AVENUE)**

Elizabeth Tyler (Community Development Director/City Planner) presented the staff report. Kristin Dressel (County Plaza, LLC) was present to answer questions.

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

10. **UPDATE AND DISCUSSION ON OUTDOOR ADVERTISING SIGN STRUCTURES (BILLBOARDS)**

Chair Bowersox acknowledged public input at this time from Lisa Denson-Rives (Real Estate Manager/Adams Outdoor Advertising). Ms Denson-Rives addressed the chart on page 11 of staff's memo, commenting on the variables listed. She concluded with words of support of the "cap and replace" option.

Robert Myers (Planning Division Manager) presented the staff report. Staff is recommending the Council adopt upgrading development standards for outdoor advertising sign structures (OASS) and removal of the most problematic billboards in terms of inconsistencies with public goals and plans.

This item did not warrant Council action at this time.

11. **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Committee, Chair Bowersox declared the meeting adjourned at 9:18 p.m.

Deborah J. Roberts
Recording Secretary

*This meeting was broadcast on cable television.

Minutes Approved: February 27, 2006