Laurel Lunt Prussing, Mayor

Phyllis D. Clark, City Clerk



*** SPECIAL MEETING *** URBANA CITY COUNCIL MEETING DECEMBER 20, 2006

The City Council of the City of Urbana, Illinois, met in special session Wednesday, December 20, 2006 in the Council Chambers at the Urbana City Building.

ELECTED OFFICIALS PRESENT

Charlie Smyth, Alderman Ward 1
Danielle Chynoweth, Alderwoman Ward 2
Robert E. Lewis, Alderman Ward 3
Brandon Bowersox, Alderman Ward 4
Heather Stevenson, Alderwoman Ward 6 (6:22 p.m.)
Lynne C. Barnes, Alderwoman Ward 7
Laurel Lunt Prussing, Mayor
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ELECTED OFFICIALS ABSENT

Dennis Roberts, Alderman Ward 5 (excused)

STAFF PRESENT

Bruce Walden; James Gitz; Michael Bily

OTHERS PRESENT

Members of the Media

I. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

There being a quorum, Mayor Prussing called the special meeting of the Urbana City Council to order at 5:34 p.m.

II. PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

There were none.

III. CLOSED SESSION: COLLECTIVE BARGAINING ISSUES PURSUANT 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(2)

Alderwoman Barnes made a motion to go into closed session for the purpose of discussing collective bargaining issues pursuant 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(2). Alderman Lewis seconded. The vote was as follows:

Barnes - Aye Lewis - Aye Bowersox - Aye Smyth - Aye Chynoweth - Aye Urbana City Council

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The motion carried by roll call vote (5-aye:0-nay).

The Council went into closed session at 5:37 p.m.

The Council resumed its regular session at 6:22 p.m. with a motion by Alderman Smyth and a second by Alderwoman Barnes. Mayor Prussing called for a roll call, with the record showing all Council Members in attendance with the exception of Alderman Roberts who was excused due to a prior commitment.

IV. ORDINANCE NO. 2006-12-147: AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH THE URBANA LODGE #70 OF THE FRATERNAL ORDER OF POLICE AND OF THE ILLINOIS FRATERNAL ORDER OF POLICE LABOR COUNCIL FOR THE TERM BEGINNING JULY 1, 2006 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2010

Alderman Smyth commended staff on their efforts and made a motion to approve. Alderman Lewis seconded. The vote was as follows:

Barnes - Aye

Bowersox - Aye

Chynoweth - Aye

Lewis - Aye

Smyth - Aye

Stevenson - Aye

Disposition: Ordinance No. 2006-12-147, "An Ordinance Authorizing the Mayor to Execute an Agreement with the Urbana Lodge #70 of the Fraternal Order of Police and of the Illinois Fraternal Order of Police Labor Council for the Term Beginning July 1, 2006 through June 30, 2010", was passed by Council by a roll call vote (6-aye:0-nay).

V. ORDINANCE NO. 2006-12-148: AN ORDINANCE CODIFYING CITY COUNCIL VOTING PROCEDURES FOR ELECTRONIC ATTENDANCE AND ADOPTING RULES OF PATICIPATION

Alderman Smyth made a motion to approve. Alderwoman Barnes seconded.

Alderwoman Chynoweth moved to make the following amendments:

- To the ordinance, amend Sec. 2-31, Electronic Attendance at Meetings, by inserting before the last sentence in subsection (a) "The Council may deny a member's electronic attendance request by a 2/3 vote if the request does not meet one of the above criteria."
- To the proposed Council Rules, amend by inserting a new sentence in Section 3(c) to read, "Any motion of objection shall cite the basis for the objection."

The motion to amend was seconded by Alderman Bowersox and carried by a voice vote.

The vote on the motion to approve was as follows:

Barnes - Aye

Bowersox - Aye

Chynoweth - Aye

Lewis - Aye

Smyth - Aye

Stevenson - Aye

Disposition: Council approved Ordinance No. 2006-12-148, "An Ordinance Codifying City Council Voting Procedures for Electronic Attendance and Adopting Rules of Participation", by roll call vote (6-aye:0-nay), as amended.

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VI. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mayor Prussing declared the special meeting of the Urbana City Council adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

Deborah J. Roberts Recording Secretary

Phyllis D. Clark City Clerk

*This meeting was taped.

**This meeting was broadcast on cable television.

Minutes Approved: January 16, 2007