Laurel Lunt Prussing, Mayor

Phyllis D. Clark, City Clerk



URBANA CITY COUNCIL MEETING FEBRUARY 19, 2007

The City Council of the City of Urbana, Illinois, met in regular session Monday, February 19, 2007 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
Dennis Roberts, Alderman Ward 5
Heather Stevenson, Alderwoman Ward 6
Lynne C. Barnes, Alderwoman Ward 7
Laurel Lunt Prussing, Mayor
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ELECTED OFFICIALS ABSENT

None

STAFF PRESENT

Bruce Walden; Michael Bily; Anthony Foster; William Gray; Robert Myers; Thomas Carrino

OTHERS PRESENT

Members of the Media

A. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Mayor Prussing called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

February 5, 2007 and February 12, 2007 (Special) - Alderwoman Stevenson made a motion to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held February 5, 2007 and the special meeting held February 12, 2007. Alderwoman Barnes seconded.

Alderman Roberts noted that in the last order of business on page 5 of the February 5, 2007 minutes, his name was not entered in the vote of Ordinance No. 2007-02-022. He requested that the minutes be amended to include his name. There were no objections.

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The motion to approve the minutes of the meetings held February 5, 2007 and February 12, 2007 carried by a voice vote, as amended.

C. ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

There were none.

D. PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

There was no public input.

Mayor Prussing noted that she had received a huge response for the Public Arts Task Force, and that a special Council meeting would be held next week to approve appointments.

Alderman Bowersox informed the Council and viewing audience of the following announcements: 1) Planning Institute conference on "Urban Planning and Compact Growth" to be held next Thursday and Friday. Council Members interested in attending should contact Elizabeth "Libby" Tyler (Community Development Director/City Planner); 2) There will be a 3-day pedestrian safety workshop held Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday; and 3) The Boneyard Creek Community Clean-up and Earth Day is scheduled for April 21, 2007.

E. OLD BUSINESS

Ordinance No. 2007-01-003: An Ordinance to Repeal Section XIII-3, Planned Unit Development, of the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Urbana, Illinois, and to Adopt a Reinstatement of Section XIII-3, Planned Unit Development, of the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Urbana, Illinois (Planned Unit Development Text Amendment - Plan Case No. 2020-T-06)

[Note: This item was forwarded from January 8, 2007 Special Council meeting to the January 22, 2007 Committee meeting, at which time it was deferred to the February 12, 2007 Committee and then sent to the February 19, 2007 Council meeting for approval.]

Alderman Lewis moved to postpone this item to the next Council meeting. Alderwoman Stevenson seconded.

Following brief debate, Alderman Smyth suggested that this item appear on next week's Committee agenda for discussion. There were no objections.

The motion to postpone carried by a voice vote. This item will come back to Council on March 5, 2007.

F. REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

1. Committee Of The Whole

a. Ordinance No. 2007-02-024: An Ordinance Amending the Urbana Local Traffic Code by Adding a New Section 23-38 (Neighborhood Electric Vehicles)

Alderwoman Barnes made a motion to approve. Alderwoman Stevenson seconded. The vote was as follows:

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Barnes - Aye

Bowersox - Aye

Chynoweth - Aye

Lewis - Aye

Roberts - Aye

Smyth - Aye

Stevenson - Aye

Disposition: Ordinance No. 2007-02-024, "An Ordinance Amending the Urbana Local Traffic Code by Adding a New Section 23-38 (Neighborhood Electric Vehicles)", was approved by Council by a roll call vote (7-aye:0-nay).

b. Resolution No. 2007-02-003R: Resolution for Maintenance of Streets and Highways by Municipality Under the Illinois Highway Code (2007 MFT PCC Patching Project)

Alderwoman Barnes made a motion to adopt the resolution. Alderman Lewis seconded. The motion carried by voice vote.

Disposition: Resolution No. 2007-02-003R, "Resolution for Maintenance of Streets and Highways by Municipality Under the Illinois Highway Code (2007 MFT PCC Patching Project)", was adopted by Council by voice vote.

c. Ordinance No. 2007-02-025: An Ordinance Revising the Annual Budget Ordinance (U-Cart Purchase, 2007)

Alderwoman Barnes made a motion to approve. Alderman Roberts seconded. The vote was as follows:

Barnes - Aye

Bowersox - Aye

Chynoweth - Aye

Lewis - Aye

Roberts - Aye

Smyth - Aye

Stevenson - Aye

Mayor Prussing - Aye

Disposition: Ordinance No. 2007-02-025, "An Ordinance Revising the Annual Budget Ordinance (U-Cart Purchase, 2007)", was approved by Council by a roll call vote (8*-aye:0-nay). [*Requires Mayor vote.]

d. Ordinance No. 2007-02-023: An Ordinance Approving and Authorizing the Execution of a Development Agreement with Gregory Place II, LLC

Alderwoman Barnes made a motion to approve. Alderwoman Stevenson seconded. The vote was as follows:

Barnes - Aye

Bowersox - Aye

Chynoweth - Aye

Lewis - Aye

Roberts - Aye

Smyth - Aye

Stevenson - Aye

Disposition: Ordinance No. 2007-02-023, "An Ordinance Approving and Authorizing the Execution of a Development Agreement with Gregory Place II, LLC", was approved by Council by roll call vote (7-aye:0-nay).

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The next meeting of the Committee Of The Whole is scheduled for Monday, February 26, 2007 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

G. REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES

There were none.

H. REPORTS OF OFFICERS

William Gray (Public Works Director/City Engineer) reported on the snow blizzard. In his breakdown of costs, Mr. Gray noted that the removal of snow was \$95,300; hauling (1,250 truckloads) \$169,800; and contract snow removal was approximately \$42,000. The salt budget remains good; however, the overtime budget is in the red. Public Works crews worked on a 12-hour shift rotation. [Note: Urbana had 17½ inches of snow. This is believed to be the third most single event recorded in Urbana's history.]

Mayor Prussing commended Public Works staff on their efforts with the snow removal, and noted that she had received a number of compliments that the City of Urbana had done a really outstanding job removing snow on the streets.

I. NEW BUSINESS

There was none.

J. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the City Council, Mayor Prussing declared the meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Deborah J. Roberts
Recording Secretary

Phyllis D. Clark
City Clerk

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^{*}This meeting was taped.

^{**}This meeting was broadcast on cable television.