

STATE OF ILLINOIS

Laurel Lunt Prussing, Mayor

CITY OF URBANA

Phyllis D. Clark, City Clerk



**URBANA CITY COUNCIL MEETING
APRIL 16, 2007**

The City Council of the City of Urbana, Illinois, met in regular session Monday, April 16, 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 [7:03p.m.]
Lynne C. Barnes, Alderwoman Ward 7
Laurel Lunt Prussing, Mayor
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ELECTED OFFICIALS ABSENT

None

STAFF PRESENT

Bruce Walden; Ronald O'Neil, Jr.; Michael Bily; Rex Mundt; William Gray; Robert Myers; Thomas Carrino; John Schneider; Paul Lindahl; Michael Brunk

OTHERS PRESENT

Julie Birdwell; Roy Williams; Andrea Antulov; Members of the Media

A. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

There being a quorum, Mayor Prussing called the meeting of the Urbana City Council to order at 7:00 p.m.

B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The following minutes were considered for approval:

1. March 19, 2007 (Special Council)
2. March 26, 2007 (Special Council)
3. April 2, 2007

Alderman Smyth made a motion to approve the minutes of the special City Council meetings held March 19, 2007 and March 26, 2007, and the

regular meeting held April 2, 2007. Alderman Lewis seconded. The motion carried by voice vote.

C. ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

There were no additions to the agenda.

During this time, Mayor Prussing recognized Ms Leslie McCain (Midwest Director of Business Development/Community Energy, Inc.), who prepared a brief presentation on "Renewable Energy". In her presentation, Ms McCain gave a demonstration on wind energy. More information concerning wind energy may be found on the website at www.newwindenergy.com. No action was warranted by the Council regarding this item at this time.

D. PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Julie Birdwell, 605 E. Main St., representing New Prairie Construction, addressed the Council on the topic of "Sustainable Urbana", expressing her support. Ms Birdwell described her experience in building in Urbana and gave a presentation on straw bale housing.

Roy Williams, 1309 W. Beech, addressed the Council with concerns about street repairs.

Andrea Antulov, 810 N. Busey, addressed the Council in opposition to the proposed Carle Hospital expansion rezoning.

Council Input

Mayor Prussing read a proclamation declaring April 28, 2007 as "Boneyard Arts Festival Day".

E. OLD BUSINESS

1. Ordinance No. 2007-03-029: ***An Ordinance Approving a Combined Preliminary and Final Subdivision Plat (Brickhouses Road Subdivision, Plan Case No. 2019-S-06)***

[Note: This item was postponed from the March 5, 2007 Council meeting.]

Robert Myers (Planning Division Manager) presented the staff report.

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

Barnes - Aye	Roberts - Aye
Bowersox - Aye	Smyth - Aye
Chynoweth - Aye	Stevenson - Aye
Lewis - Aye	

Disposition: Ordinance No. 2007-03-029, "An Ordinance Approving a Combined Preliminary and Final Subdivision Plat (Brickhouses Road Subdivision, Plan Case No. 2019-S-06)", was approved by Council by roll call vote (7-aye:0-nay).

F. REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

1. **Committee Of The Whole**

- a. ***Motion: Directing City Staff to Hold a Brainstorming Session and Add Their Suggestions to the List Compiled by the City Council Members; Briefly Perform a Rough, Initial Assessment of the Feasibility of Each Suggestion; and Report the Complete List Back to Council in July, 2007***

Alderman Bowersox made the motion. Alderwoman Barnes seconded. The motion carried by a voice vote.

Disposition: The City Council directed city staff to hold a brainstorming session and add their suggestions to the list compiled by City Council Members, and briefly perform a rough, initial assessment of the feasibility of each suggestion. Staff is then to report the complete list back to Council in July, 2007.

- b. Resolution No. 2007-04-007R: ***Resolution for Improvement by Municipality Under Illinois Highway Code (2007 MFT Resurfacing Project)***

Alderman Bowersox made a motion to adopt the resolution. Alderman Smyth seconded. The motion carried by voice vote.

Disposition: Resolution No. 2007-04-007R, "Resolution for Improvement by Municipality Under Illinois Highway Code (2007 MFT Resurfacing Project)", was adopted by the Council by a voice vote.

- c. Ordinance No. 2007-04-034: ***An Ordinance Approving the City of Urbana and Urbana/Champaign/Champaign County HOME Consortium FY 2007-2008 Annual Action Plan***

Alderman Bowersox made a motion to approve. Alderman Smyth seconded. The vote was as follows:

Barnes - Aye	Roberts - Aye
Bowersox - Aye	Smyth - Aye
Chynoweth - Aye	Stevenson - Aye
Lewis - Aye	

Disposition: Ordinance No. 2007-04-034, "An Ordinance Approving the City of Urbana and Urbana/Champaign/Champaign County HOME Consortium FY 2007-2008 Annual Action Plan", was approved by Council by a roll call vote (7-aye:0-nay).

The next meeting of the Committee Of The Whole is scheduled for Monday, April 23, 2007 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

G. REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES

There were none.

H. REPORTS OF OFFICERS

Michael Brunk (City Arborist) gave a brief presentation on a recent publication of "Under the Canopy". This is a guide to selecting, planting and caring for trees in Illinois. (Copies of this publication may be obtained by contacting the City Arborist at 217-384-2355.)

I. NEW BUSINESS

The following agenda items were acted on in omnibus fashion.

1. Resolution No. 2007-04-008R: ***Resolution Evidencing the Intention of the City of Urbana, Champaign County, Illinois, to Issue Single-Family Mortgage Revenue Bonds; and Related Matters (Private Bond Cap Allocation - AssistUrbana, Series 2007);*** and
2. Resolution No. 2007-04-009R: ***Resolution Approving Participation in Illinois Housing Development Authority First-Time Homebuyer Single-Family Programs (MCC Program and MRB Program, Series 2007)***

Bruce Walden (Chief Administrative Officer) presented the staff report. John Schneider (Grants Management Division Manager) was present to assist.

Alderwoman Barnes made a motion to adopt Resolution Nos. 2007-04-008R and 2007-04-009R. Alderman Roberts seconded. The motion carried by voice vote.

Disposition: Resolution No. 2007-04-008R, "Resolution Evidencing the Intention of the City of Urbana, Champaign County, Illinois, to Issue Single-Family Mortgage Revenue Bonds; and Related Matters (Private Bond Cap Allocation - AssistUrbana, Series 2007)", and Resolution No. 2007-04-009R, "Resolution Approving Participation in Illinois Housing Development Authority First-Time Homebuyer Single-Family Programs (MCC Program and MRB Program, Series 2007)", were adopted by Council by voice vote.

3. Resolution No. 2007-04-010R: ***A Resolution Authorizing Adoption of the Illinois Route 130/High Cross Road Corridor Plan***

Mr. Myers presented the staff report. Susan Chavarria (Champaign County RPC) and Rita Black (Champaign County RPC) were available to answer questions.

Following debate, Alderwoman Stevenson made a motion to adopt the resolution. Alderman Smyth seconded. The motion carried by voice vote.

Disposition: Resolution No. 2007-04-010R, "A Resolution Authorizing Adoption of the Illinois Route 130/High Cross Road Corridor Plan", was adopted by Council by voice vote.

4. ***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 Smyth seconded. The vote was as follows:

Barnes - Aye	Roberts - Aye
Bowersox - Aye	Smyth - Aye
Chynoweth - Aye	Stevenson - Aye
Lewis - Aye	

The Council went into closed session at 8:47 p.m.

The Council resumed its regular session at 9:20 p.m.

J. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the City Council, Mayor Prussing declared the meeting adjourned at 9:22 p.m.

Deborah J. Roberts
Recording Secretary

Phyllis D. Clark
City Clerk

*This meeting was taped.

**This meeting was broadcast on cable television.

***Unless noted differently, the elected officials listed herein were present physically at this meeting.

Minutes Approved: May 7, 2007