

STATE OF ILLINOIS

CITY OF URBANA

Laurel Lunt Prussing, Mayor

Phyllis D. Clark, City Clerk



URBANA CITY COUNCIL MEETING
SEPTEMBER 17, 2007

The City Council of the City of Urbana, Illinois, met in regular session Monday, September 17, 2007 in the Council Chambers at the Urbana City Building.

ELECTED OFFICIALS PHYSICALLY 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
- Lynne C. Barnes, Alderwoman Ward 7
- Laurel Lunt Prussing, Mayor
- Phyllis D. Clark, City Clerk

ELECTED OFFICIALS PRESENT VIA TELECONFERENCE

- Heather Stevenson, Alderwoman Ward 6

ELECTED OFFICIALS ABSENT

- None

STAFF PRESENT

- Ronald O'Neal, Jr.; Michael Bily; Rex Mundt; William Gray; Elizabeth Tyler; Thomas Carrino

OTHERS PRESENT

- Stephanie Haddad; John Snyder; Members of the Media

A. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Mayor Prussing called the meeting of the Urbana City Council to order at 7:02 p. m. [Note: The record recognizes Alderwoman Stevenson present via teleconference.]

B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

September 4, 2007 - Alderwoman Barnes made a motion to approve the minutes of the meeting held September 4, 2007. Alderman Lewis seconded.

Alderman Smyth noted on page 4, paragraph 1 the first motion was actually seconded by Alderwoman Stevenson and that the motion to defer was seconded by Alderman Bowersox. Alderman Bowersox and Alderwoman Stevenson concurred. There were no objections.

The motion to approve the minutes of September 4, 2007 carried by voice vote, as amended.

C. ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

There were none.

D. PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Stephanie Haddad, 802 W. Green St. #304, representing Inline Insomniacs, RSO at the University of Illinois, addressed the Council on the topic of inline skating on roads and expressed her support.

E. OLD BUSINESS

Alderwoman Barnes requested to recuse herself from considerations of the items listed in this section, due to a conflict of interest. The Chair acknowledged and there were no objections from the Council. Alderwoman Barnes left the meeting at 7:10 p.m.

1. Ordinance No. 2007-09-101: ***An Ordinance Authorizing the Mayor to Execute an Agreement Between the City of Urbana and Carle Foundation Regarding the Vacation of Certain Streets***

William Gray (Public Works Director/City Engineer) presented the staff update. John Snyder (Carle Foundation) was available to answer questions.

Alderman Smyth made a motion to approve. Alderman Roberts seconded. Debate ensued.

Alderman Smyth moved to remove Ordinance No. 2007-09-098 from the first "Whereas" clause of the agreement. Mr. Roberts seconded. The motion carried by voice vote.

It was noted that the referral to alleys indicated in the title of this item on the agenda was a typo. It should only indicate the vacation of certain streets. This record reflects the correct title of the ordinance.

The vote on the motion to approve the agreement was as follows:

Bowersox - Aye	Smyth - Aye
Chynoweth - Aye	Stevenson - Aye
Lewis - Aye	Mayor Prussing - Aye
Roberts - Aye	

Disposition: Ordinance No. 2007-09-101, "An Ordinance Authorizing the Mayor to Execute an Agreement Between the City of Urbana and Carle Foundation Regarding the Vacation of Certain Streets", was approved by Council by roll call vote (7*-aye:0-nay). [**Requires Mayor vote.*]

2. Ordinance No. 2007-09-097: **An Ordinance Vacating a Portion of Park Street Between Busey Avenue and Coler Avenue**

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

Bowersox - Aye	Smyth - Aye
Chynoweth - Aye	Stevenson - Aye
Lewis - Aye	Mayor Prussing - Aye
Roberts - Aye	

Disposition: Ordinance No. 2007-09-097, "An Ordinance Vacating a Portion of Park Street Between Busey Avenue and Coler Avenue", was approved by Council by roll call vote (7*-aye:0-nay). [**Requires Mayor vote.*]

3. Ordinance No. 2007-09-098: **An Ordinance Vacating a Portion of Busey Avenue Between University Avenue and Park Street**

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

Bowersox - Aye	Smyth - Aye
Chynoweth - Aye	Stevenson - Aye
Lewis - Aye	Mayor Prussing - Aye
Roberts - Aye	

Disposition: Ordinance No. 2007-09-098, "An Ordinance Vacating a Portion of Busey Avenue Between University Avenue and Park Street", was approved by the Council by a roll call vote (7*-aye:0-nay). [**Requires Mayor vote.*]

4. Ordinance No. 2007-09-099: **An Ordinance Vacating a Portion of Coler Avenue Between Park Street and Church Street**

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

Bowersox - Aye	Smyth - Aye
Chynoweth - Aye	Stevenson - Aye
Lewis - Aye	Mayor Prussing - Aye
Roberts - Aye	

Disposition: Ordinance No. 2007-09-099, "An Ordinance Vacating a Portion of Coler Avenue Between Park Street and Church Street", was approved by Council by roll call vote (7*-aye:0-nay). [**Requires Mayor vote.*]

5. Ordinance No. 2007-09-100: **An Ordinance Vacating a Portion of Coler Avenue Between University Avenue and Park Street**

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

Bowersox - Aye	Smyth - Aye
Chynoweth - Aye	Stevenson - Aye
Lewis - Aye	Mayor Prussing - Aye
Roberts - Aye	

Disposition: Ordinance No. 2007-09-100, "An Ordinance Vacating a Portion of Coler Avenue Between University Avenue and Park Street", was approved by Council by roll call vote (7*-aye:0-nay). [**Requires Mayor vote.*]

Following action on these items, Alderwoman Barnes returned to the meeting at 7:28 p.m.

F. REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

1. **Committee Of The Whole**

- a. Ordinance No. 2007-09-104: ***An Ordinance Approving a Second Amendment to a Redevelopment Agreement with Allen Strong (395 N. Race Street)***

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

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

Disposition: Ordinance No. 2007-09-104, "An Ordinance Approving a Second Amendment to a Redevelopment Agreement with Allen Strong (395 N. Race Street)", was approved by Council by roll call vote (7-aye:0-nay).

- b. Ordinance No. 2007-09-106: ***An Ordinance Revising the Annual Budget Ordinance (Windows Workshop Grant)***

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

Barnes - Aye	Roberts - Aye
Bowersox - Abstain	Smyth - Aye
Chynoweth - Abstain	Stevenson - Aye
Lewis - Aye	Mayor Prussing - Aye

Disposition: Ordinance No. 2007-09-106, "An Ordinance Revising the Annual Budget Ordinance (Windows Workshop Grant)", was approved by the Council by a roll call vote (6*-aye:2-abstain). Alderpersons Bowersox and Chynoweth abstained due to a potential conflict of interest. [**Requires Mayor vote.*]

- c. Ordinance No. 2007-09-108: ***An Ordinance Revising the Annual Budget Ordinance (Special Census Costs)***

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

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

Disposition: Ordinance No. 2007-09-108, "An Ordinance Revising the Annual Budget Ordinance (Special Census Costs)", was approved by the Council by a roll call vote (8*-aye:0-nay). [**Requires Mayor vote.*]

- d. Ordinance No. 2007-09-103: **An Ordinance Revising the Annual Budget Ordinance (University Avenue Corridor Study)**

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

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

Disposition: Ordinance No. 2007-09-103, "An Ordinance Revising the Annual Budget Ordinance (University Avenue Corridor Study)", was approved by Council by a roll call vote (8*-aye:0-nay). [**Requires Mayor vote.*]

- e. Ordinance No. 2007-09-107: **An Ordinance Revising the Annual Budget Ordinance (Recycling Coordinator)**

Alderman Roberts 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	Mayor Prussing - Aye

Disposition: Ordinance No. 2007-09-107, "An Ordinance Revising the Annual Budget Ordinance (Recycling Coordinator)", was approved by Council by a roll call vote (8*-aye:0-nay). [**Requires Mayor vote.*]

- f. Ordinance No. 2007-09-105: **An Ordinance Revising the Annual Budget Ordinance (Employee Retirement Costs, City Clerk Secretary)**

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

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

Disposition: Ordinance No. 2007-09-105, "An Ordinance Revising the Annual Budget Ordinance (Employee Retirement Costs, City Clerk Secretary)", was approved by Council by roll call vote (8*-aye:0-nay). [**Requires Mayor vote.*]

With nothing further to report, the next meeting of the Committee Of The Whole is scheduled for September 24, 2007 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

G. REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES

Alderman Bowersox informed the Council and viewing public that "Walk and Bike Day" is scheduled for this Saturday (September 22nd) at Lincoln Square adjacent the Farmer's Market from 8:00 a.m. until noon. He encouraged everyone to come out and support this bike rodeo event.

H. REPORTS OF OFFICERS

Mayor Prussing acknowledged Chief Rex Mundt, informing the Council and viewing public that this is his last meeting with the Council. Chief Mundt has accepted the position of Fire Chief for the City of Ankeny, Iowa. The Mayor and Council wished him well and commended Chief Mundt on his services and accomplishments at the City of Urbana. Chief Mundt expressed words of gratitude and appreciation.

I. NEW BUSINESS

1. ***Mayoral Appointment:***

a. ***Neighborhood Safety Task Force - Christopher Stohr***

Mayor Prussing submitted Mr. Christopher Stohr as her recommendation for appointment to the Neighborhood Safety Task Force. Mr. Stohr is a resident and member of the Historic East Urbana Neighborhood Association (HEUNA).

Alderman Smyth made a motion to approve the appointment of Mr. Stohr to the Neighborhood Safety Task Force. Alderwoman Barnes seconded. The motion carried by voice vote.

J. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the City Council, Mayor Prussing declared the meeting adjourned at 7:35 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: October 1, 2007