

STATE OF ILLINOIS

Laurel Lunt Prussing, Mayor

CITY OF URBANA

Phyllis D. Clark, City Clerk



**URBANA CITY COUNCIL MEETING
OCTOBER 15, 2007**

The City Council of the City of Urbana, Illinois, met in regular session Monday, October 15, 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
Heather Stevenson, Alderwoman Ward 6
Laurel Lunt Prussing, Mayor
Phyllis D. Clark, City Clerk

ELECTED OFFICIALS PRESENT VIA TELECONFERENCE

Lynne C. Barnes, Alderwoman Ward 7 [Lost connection at approximately 7:15 p.m.]

ELECTED OFFICIALS ABSENT

None

STAFF PRESENT

Patrick Connolly; Michael Bily; Elizabeth Tyler; Robert Myers; Rebecca Bird; Gail Jamison

OTHERS PRESENT

Mike Lehman; Randy Kangas; Dan Folk; Carolyn Baxley; Brian Adams;
Phyllis Winters-Williams; Naomi Jakobsson; Glenn Stanko; Carl Long;
Members of the Media

A. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Mayor Prussing called the meeting of the Urbana City Council to order at 7:07 p.m. [Note: The record acknowledges Alderwoman Barnes present via teleconference.]

B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The following minutes were acted on in omnibus fashion:

1. October 1, 2007 (Special); and
2. October 1, 2007 (Regular)

Alderman Lewis made a motion to approve the minutes of the special and regular meetings held October 1, 2007. Alderman Smyth seconded. The motion carried by voice vote.

C. ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

There were none.

D. PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Persons addressing the Council chose to do so at the time the agenda item was presented.

E. OLD BUSINESS

There was none.

F. REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

1. Committee Of The Whole

- a. Ordinance No. 2007-10-114: ***An Ordinance Approving an Amendment to a Redevelopment Agreement with the New Lincoln Square, LLC (2007)***

Alderman Chynoweth made a motion to approve. Alderman Roberts seconded.

Mayor Prussing acknowledged public input on this item at this time.

Mike Lehman, 608 E. Green, addressed the Council with concerns about the parking issue.

The vote on the motion to approve was as follows:

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

Disposition: Ordinance No. 2007-10-114, "An Ordinance Approving an Amendment to a Redevelopment Agreement with the New Lincoln Square, LLC (2007)", was approved by Council by roll call vote (6-aye:0-nay).

- b. Ordinance No. 2007-10-112: ***An Ordinance Approving an Amendment to an Urbana HOME Consortium Community Housing Development Organization Agreement (Urban League of Champaign County Development Corporation Lease-Purchase Program, FY 2006-2007)***

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

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

Disposition: Ordinance No. 2007-10-112, "An Ordinance Approving an Amendment to an Urbana HOME Consortium Community Housing Development Organization Agreement (Urban League of Champaign County Development Corporation Lease-Purchase Program, FY 2006-2007)", was approved by Council by roll call vote (6-aye:0-nay).

- c. Ordinance No. 2007-10-113: ***An Ordinance Approving an Amendment to an Urbana HOME Consortium Community Housing Development Organization Agreement (Urban League of Champaign County Development Corporation Lease-Purchase Program, FY 2007-2008)***

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

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

Disposition: Ordinance No. 2007-10-113, "An Ordinance Approving an Amendment to an Urbana HOME Consortium Community Housing Development Organization Agreement (Urban League of Champaign County Development Corporation Lease-Purchase Program, FY 2007-2008)", was approved by Council by roll call vote (6-aye:0-nay).

- d. Resolution No. 2007-10-021R: ***A Resolution Approving an Amendment to the City of Urbana and Champaign/Urbana/Champaign County HOME Consortium FY 2005-2009 Consolidated Plan***

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

Disposition: Resolution No. 2007-10-021R, "A Resolution Approving an Amendment to the City of Urbana and Champaign/Urbana/Champaign County HOME Consortium FY 2005-2009 Consolidated Plan", was adopted by the Council by voice vote.

- e. Resolution No. 2007-10-022R: ***A Resolution Determining the Amounts of Money Necessary to be Raised by the Tax Levy (2007)***

Alderman Chynoweth made a motion to adopt the resolution. Alderman Roberts seconded. The motion carried by voice vote.

Disposition: Resolution No. 2007-10-022R, "A Resolution Determining the Amounts of Money Necessary to be Raised by the Tax Levy (2007)", was adopted by the Council by voice vote.

- f. Resolution No. 2007-10-023R: ***A Resolution Deeming Certain Funds in the Special Tax Allocation Fund for the Downtown***

Urbana Tax Increment Redevelopment Project Area as "Surplus" Funds and Directing the Payment and Distribution Thereof (2007)

Alderman Chynoweth made a motion to adopt the resolution. Alderman Roberts seconded. The motion carried by voice vote.

Disposition: Resolution No. 2007-10-023R, "A Resolution Deeming Certain Funds in the Special Tax Allocation Fund for the Downtown Urbana Tax Increment Redevelopment Project Area as "Surplus" Funds and Directing the Payment and Distribution Thereof (2007)", was adopted by the Council by voice vote.

- g. Ordinance No. 2007-10-117: ***An Ordinance Revising the Annual Budget Ordinance (Police Range Improvements, State Grant)***

Alderman Chynoweth made a motion to approve. Alderman Stevenson seconded. The vote was as follows:

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

Disposition: Ordinance No. 2007-10-117, "An Ordinance Revising the Annual Budget Ordinance (Police Range Improvements, State Grant)", was approved by Council by roll call vote (7*-aye:0-nay). [**Requires Mayor vote.*]

The next meeting of the Committee Of The Whole is scheduled for Monday, October 22, 2007 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

G. REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES

There were none.

H. REPORTS OF OFFICERS

There were none.

I. NEW BUSINESS

1. ***A Motion Authorizing the Mayor to Execute a Real Estate Option and Contract for the Property Located at 302 W. Springfield Avenue (Allman's Auto Repair)***

Alderman Smyth moved to approve the motion presented. Alderman Bowersox seconded. The motion carried by voice vote.

2. Ordinance No. 2007-10-119: ***An Ordinance Approving the Designation of a Local Historic District (800 Block of West Main Street - Historic Preservation Case No. HP2007-D-01)***

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

Mayor Prussing acknowledged public input regarding this issue at this time.

The following people addressed the Council in support of the historic district designation:

Randy Kangas, 804 W. Main, also representing Susanne Bissonnette; Dan Folk, 807 W. Main; Carolyn Baxley, 510 W. Main; Brian Adams, 412 W. Elm; Phyllis Winters-Williams, 810 W. Main; and Naomi Jakobsson, 803 W. Main

The following people addressed the Council in opposition to the historic district designation:

Glenn Stanko, 501 W. Church (Champaign), representing Howard, Craig and Joyce Wakeland; and Carl Long, 812 W. Main

Following debate, Alderman Roberts made a motion to approve. Alderman Smyth seconded.

[Note: This item reconsidered. See question entered in this record prior to adjournment.]

3. ***Mayoral Appointments***

a. ***Fire Division Chief - Brian Nightlinger***

Mayor Prussing presented Brian Nightlinger as her recommendation for appointment to the position of Fire Division Chief. Mr. Nightlinger is currently a Company Officer with the Urbana Fire Rescue Services, where he has been employed since 1998, and has been involved with fire service for thirty years.

Alderman Stevenson made a motion to approve the appointment. Alderman Smyth seconded. The motion carried by voice vote.

Disposition: The appointment of Brian Nightlinger to the position of Fire Division Chief was approved by Council by a voice vote.

4. Ordinance No. 2007-10-120: ***An Ordinance Approving a Text Amendment to the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Urbana, Illinois (Repealing Section VII-11, Special Use Requirements for OASS; Amending Article IX, Comprehensive Sign Regulations; and Amending Article X, Non-Conformities - Plan Case No. 2050-T-07***

Alderman Smyth moved to send this item to the next Committee Of The Whole meeting. Alderman Lewis seconded. The motion carried by voice vote.

Mayor Prussing acknowledged public input regarding this item.

Glenn Stanko, 501 W. Church (Champaign), representing Adams Outdoor Advertising, addressed the Council in support of the ordinance and changes made by staff.

This item will appear on the October 22, 2007 Committee agenda.

J. ADJOURNMENT

Before adjourning the meeting, Mayor Prussing recognized Alderwoman Chynoweth who requested a brief recess. There were no objections.

The Council recessed at 8:48 p.m.

The Council resumed its meeting at 9:00 p.m.

Alderman Lewis made a motion to reconsider Ordinance No. 2007-10-119, "An Ordinance Approving the Designation of a Local Historic District (800 Block of West Main Street - Historic Preservation Case No. HP2007-D-01." Alderwoman Stevenson seconded. The motion carried by voice vote.

Following brief debate, Alderwoman Chynoweth moved to defer this item to the next Council meeting. Alderman Lewis seconded. The motion carried by voice vote. This item will appear on the November 5, 2007 Council agenda.

There being no further business to come before the City Council, Mayor Prussing declared the meeting adjourned at 9:08 p.m.

FOR THE RECORD: Teleconference connection with Alderwoman Barnes was lost at approximately 7:15 p.m. It is unclear whether she remained connected on her end; however, it is believed she was unable to hear debate entered at this meeting. Therefore, any action taken by Council at this meeting does not include any input by Alderwoman Barnes.

Deborah J. Roberts
Recording Secretary

Phyllis D. Clark
City Clerk

This meeting was taped.

This meeting was broadcast on cable television.

Minutes Approved: November 5, 2007