COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE - October 22, 2007 - 7:00 P.M. CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS - 400 S. VINE STREET, URBANA, IL

The City Council Committee Of The Whole of the City of Urbana, Illinois, met in regular session Monday, October 22, 2007 in the Council Chambers of the Urbana City Building.

ELECTED OFFICIALS PHYSICALLY PRESENT: Charlie Smyth, Chair; Lynne C. Barnes; Brandon Bowersox; Robert E. Lewis; Dennis Roberts; Heather Stevenson; Laurel Lunt Prussing; Phyllis Clark

ELECTED OFFICIALS PRESENT VIA TELECONFERENCE: None

ELECTED OFFICIALS ABSENT: Danielle Chynoweth

STAFF PRESENT: Bill DeJarnette; Bill Gray; Gale Jamison; Michael Bily; Brad Bennett; Libby Tyler; Robert Myers; Ron O'Neal; Debbi Roberts.

OTHERS PRESENT: Jim Duffet; Diane Pittman; Members of the Media

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

There being a quorum, Chair Smyth called the meeting of the Committee Of The Whole to order at 7:08 p.m.

2. ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA AND STAFF REPORT

No additions to the agenda.

No staff report.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Ms. Stevenson made a motion to approve the minutes of the previous meeting held October 8, 2007. Ms. Barnes seconded. The motion carried by voice vote.

4. PUBLIC INPUT

All public input was done at time of discussion.

Committee Member Input

Mr. Smyth complimented the Public Works Department on the excellent job performed on the recent sidewalk and street ramp repairs.

Mr. Smyth mentioned he had received several complaints regarding noise from the campus area which could be heard in the adjoining neighborhoods. He made a proposal for a staff study of the current permit language as it relates to noise and requested that staff provide a report at the next Committee meeting. There were no objections.

Mr. Bowersox announced that a Film Festival was held in the Council Chambers this past weekend and will be again this coming weekend to celebrate the recent community achievements.

5. 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)

Bill Gray, Public Works Director, presented the staff report. Ms. Stevenson made a motion to send this item to next City Council meeting on November 5, 2007 with recommendation for approval. Mr. Lewis seconded. Motion carried by voice vote.

6. Ordinance No. 2007-10-121: An Ordinance Amending Schedule J of Section 23-183 of the Urbana Local Traffic Code Prohibiting Parking at All Times on Certain Streets (Illinois Street [North Side], East of Cottage Grove Avenue)

Bill Gray, Public Works Director, presented the staff report. Mr. Roberts made a motion to send to the next City Council meeting on November 5, 2007 with recommendation for approval. Ms. Barnes seconded. Motion carried by voice vote.

7. Ordinance No. 2007-10-122: An Ordinance Amending Schedule H of Section 23-93 of the Urbana Local Traffic Code Requiring Stop Signs at a Certain Intersection (Newport Drive at Skyline Drive)

Bill Gray, Public Works Director, presented the staff report. Mr. Roberts made a motion to send to the next City Council meeting on November 5, 2007 with recommendation for approval. Ms. Barnes seconded. Motion carried by voice vote.

8. Ordinance No. 2007-10-123: An Ordinance Approving an Intergovernmental Agreement Between Champaign County, Illinois, City of Urbana, Illinois, and the Urbana Park District in Champaign County, Illinois, Relating to the Development and Management in the Watersheds which include Parts of East Urbana, the County's East Campus, and the Park District's Weaver and Prairie Parks

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9. Illegal Sewer Connection Policy Discussion:

Bill Gray, Public Works Director, presented the staff report.

Public input was given by the following:

Jim Duffett, 903 S. Anderson Diane Pittman, 1102 Eastern Dr.

After discussion, a recommendation was made to staff to review and present at the next Committee meeting on November 13, 2007 for a possible ordinance regarding sharing costs with property owners with consideration for retroactivity to the date of August 1, 2007.

10. Maintenance of Sanitary and Storm Sewer Service Laterals Discussion:

Bill Gray, Public Works Director, presented staff report with additional input from Gale Jamison, Assistant City Manager, and Brad Bennett, Engineer.

After discussion, a motion was made by Ms. Barnes to have staff prepare an ordinance for the next Committee of the Whole meeting on November 13, 2007 which would exempt property owners with laterals located under street pavements or sidewalks from paying for replacements resulting from sanitary/storm sewer lateral maintenance. Mr. Bowersox seconded. Motion passed by voice vote.

11. Discussion: Website Redesign Report

Bill DeJarnette, Information Services Manager, presented staff report.

After discussion, it was advised that some changes be made to the website immediately and review other options for a joint presentation at the next Committee of the Whole meeting on November 13, 2007.

12. Discussion: Update on Cable Negotiations and Fiber Connectivity to Library.

Mr. Smyth, Council Member, and Bill DeJarnette, Information Services Manager, presented an updated report. Additional input was also given by Ron O'Neal, Interim City Attorney. No action was taken at this time.

13. Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Committee, Chair Smyth declared the meeting adjourned at 9:01 p.m.

Joan M. Ryan Recording Secretary

Minutes Approved: November 13, 2007

^{*}This meeting was taped.

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