

STATE OF ILLINOIS

Laurel Lunt Prussing, Mayor

CITY OF URBANA

Phyllis D. Clark, City Clerk



**URBANA CITY COUNCIL MEETING
JANUARY 20, 2009**

The City Council of the City of Urbana, Illinois, met in regular session Tuesday*, January 20, 2009 in the Council Chambers at the Urbana City Building. [*Regular meeting held Tuesday due to holiday on Monday celebrating Martin Luther King birthday observed.]

ELECTED/APPOINTED OFFICIALS PHYSICALLY PRESENT

Charlie Smyth, Alderman Ward 1
David Gehrig, Alderman 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/APPOINTED OFFICIALS PRESENT VIA TELECONFERENCE

None

ELECTED/APPOINTED OFFICIALS ABSENT

None

STAFF PRESENT

Ronald O'Neal, Jr.; Michelle Brooks; Patrick Connolly; Michael Dilley;
William Gray; Elizabeth Tyler; John Schneider; Rebecca Bird

OTHERS PRESENT

Gabe Omo-Osagie; E. Wayne Johnson; Lisa Treul; Chris Stohr; Members of the Media

A. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Mayor Prussing called the meeting of the Urbana City Council to order at 7:01 p.m.

A ceremony swearing in Firefighters promoted to the positions of Engineers and Captains was done at this time, beginning with a brief video presented by Chief Mike Dilley as a tribute to firefighters for their services to the nation. Following the video, Mayor Prussing swore in the following servicemen of the Urbana Fire Department:

Promoted to Engineers: Mark Ashby, Rodney Butler, Lee Buxton, Phillip Edwards, Richard Ferriman, Randy Hausle, Thomas Long, Ryan McCarty, William Morfey, Andrew Rickords, Sean Roberts, Thomas Rushing, Gregory Smith, Michael Wallace, and Fred Westhoff

Promoted to Captains: Robert Mullins, Joel Scott Neal, and David Wisher

B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

December 15, 2008 - Alderwoman Barnes made a motion to approve the minutes of the meeting held December 15, 2008. Alderman Roberts seconded. The motion carried by voice vote.

C. ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

There were none.

D. PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Gabe Omo-Osagie, 123 W. Main, addressed the Council with personal concerns about City ordinances, particularly related to landlord liability and the way the City enforces its ordinances.

E. Wayne Johnson, 1810 S. Vine, addressed the Council in opposition to the Criminal Nuisance Property ordinance, the Lincoln-Busey Corridor Design Guidelines ordinance, and the Goodwin Avenue Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety Improvement Project resolution.

Lisa Treul, 714 W. Iowa, representing WUNA Steering Group, addressed the Council in support of the Lincoln-Busey Corridor Design Guidelines ordinance.

E. OLD BUSINESS

There was none.

F. REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

1. Committee Of The Whole

a. Ordinance No. 2009-01-001: An Ordinance Revising the Annual Budget Ordinance (Vine Street Lift Station Improvement)

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

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

Disposition: Ordinance No. 2009-01-001, "An Ordinance Revising the Annual Budget Ordinance (Vine Street Lift

Station Improvement)", was approved by Council by roll call vote (8*-aye:0-nay). [**Requires Mayor vote.*]

- b. **Ordinance No. 2009-01-002: An Ordinance Amending Schedule J of Section 23-183 of the Urbana Local Traffic Code Prohibiting Parking at All Times on Certain Streets (Boyden Street)**

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

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

Disposition: Ordinance No. 2009-01-002, "An Ordinance Amending Schedule J of Section 23-183 of the Urbana Local Traffic Code Prohibiting Parking at All Times on Certain Streets (Boyden Street)", was approved by Council by roll call vote (7-aye:0-nay).

- c. **Resolution No. 2009-01-001R: A Resolution Approving and Authorizing the Execution of an Agreement with the Illinois Department of Transportation (Goodwin Avenue Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety Improvement Project - Construction Phase)**

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

Disposition: Resolution No. 2009-01-001R, "A Resolution Approving and Authorizing the Execution of an Agreement with the Illinois Department of Transportation (Goodwin Avenue Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety Improvement Project - Construction Phase)", was adopted by Council by voice vote.

There was nothing further to report from the Committee Of The Whole. The next regular meeting of the Committee Of The Whole is scheduled for January 26, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

G. REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES

There were none.

H. REPORTS OF OFFICERS

John Schneider (Grants Management Division Manager) gave an update on the Annual Action Plan process and also informed the Council how the City is progressing with the closing of the Urban League of Champaign County.

I. NEW BUSINESS

1. **Ordinance No. 2009-01-003: An Ordinance Approving and Authorizing the Execution of an Annexation Agreement (1707 East Airport Road, Carl and Beverly Andres)**

Elizabeth Tyler (Community Development Director/City Planner) presented the staff report.

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

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

Disposition: Ordinance No. 2009-01-003, "An Ordinance Approving and Authorizing the Execution of an Annexation Agreement (1707 East Airport Road, Carl and Beverly Andres)", was approved by Council by roll call vote (8*-aye:0-nay). [**Mayor voted.*]

2. **Ordinance No. 2009-01-004: An Ordinance Approving Design Guidelines (The Lincoln-Busey Corridor Design Guidelines - Plan Case No. 2074-T-08)**

Rebecca Bird (Planner) presented the staff report.

Alderman Roberts made a motion to approve. Alderman Smyth seconded. Following debate, the vote was as follows:

Barnes - Aye	Roberts - Aye
Bowersox - Aye	Smyth - Aye
Gehrig - Aye	Stevenson - Nay
Lewis - Aye	

Disposition: Ordinance No. 2009-01-004, "An Ordinance Approving Design Guidelines (The Lincoln-Busey Corridor Design Guidelines, Plan Case No. 2074-T-08)", was approved by Council by roll call vote (6-aye:1-nay).

3. **Ordinance No. 2009-01-005: An Ordinance Approving a Text Amendment to the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Urbana, Illinois (Adding Section XI-15, "Design Review Board", to the Urbana Zoning Ordinance - Plan Case No. 2074-T-08)**

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

Chris Stohr, 405 E. High, representing HEUNA, addressed the Council in support of this ordinance.

Ms Bird presented the staff report.

Following debate, Alderman Bowersox made a motion to approve with the following amendment:

Under Section C, Membership, delete 1.e and 1.f. Create a new 1.e to read: "Three residents of Urbana. The residents shall include a representative from each design review district who resides in the district. If there is only one design review district, the second and third resident should reside elsewhere in the City."

Alderman Roberts seconded.

Following further debate, the vote was as follows:

Barnes - Aye	Roberts - Aye
Bowersox - Aye	Smyth - Aye
Gehrig - Aye	Stevenson - Nay
Lewis - Aye	

Disposition: Ordinance No. 2009-01-005, "An Ordinance Approving a Text Amendment to the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Urbana, Illinois (Adding Section XI-15, "Design Review Board", to the Urbana Zoning Ordinance - Plan Case No. 2074-T-08)", was approved by Council by roll call vote (6-aye:1-nay).

J. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the City Council, Mayor Prussing declared the meeting adjourned at 9:00 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: February 2, 2009