



State of Illinois

Minutes

City of Urbana

URBANA CITY COUNCIL – CLOSED SESSION 400 S. Vine, Urbana, IL 61801 (Pending Litigation Issues)

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January 20, 2009 6:00 p.m. – during Special City Council Meeting

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The Urbana City Council met in closed session at 6:15 p.m. (during the course of the Special City Council meeting) for the purpose of discussing pending litigation issues pursuant 5 ILCS 120/2 (c)(11).

Elected Officials present: Brandon Bowersox, David Gehrig, Robert Lewis, Dennis Roberts, Charlie Smyth, Mayor Prussing.

Elected Officials absent: Heather Stevenson

Lynne Barnes entered the meeting at 6:50 p.m.

Staff present: Ronald O'Neal, Jr., Michelle Brooks

Mayor Prussing called the closed session to order and stated the purpose of the closed session pursuant to the Illinois Compiled Statutes.

Ronald O'Neal, Jr. (City Attorney) gave an updated staff report regarding the franchise agreement with Comcast. The City is negotiating informally a new contract with Comcast, but is not going well due to Comcast being uncooperative as they want to impose specific guidelines in the contract which is not agreeable with the City. A needs assessment was given to the Council earlier to review which was completed by an outside attorney, Brian Grogan. Discussion followed. Staff recommends the City begin formal negotiations with Comcast since current agreement ends in February. No decision was needed by Council at this time.

With no more business to come before this closed session, it was moved and seconded to adjourn at 6:57 p.m. and return to open session.

Respectfully submitted,

Phyllis D. Clark City Clerk