

STATE OF ILLINOIS

CITY OF URBANA

*Laurel Lunt Prussing, Mayor*

*Phyllis D. Clark, City Clerk*



**\*\*\* SPECIAL MEETING \*\*\***  
**URBANA CITY COUNCIL MEETING**  
**JUNE 22, 2009**

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The City Council of the City of Urbana, Illinois, met in special session Monday June 22, 2009 in the Council Chambers at the Urbana City Building.

**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  
Diane Marlin, Alderwoman Ward 7  
Laurel Lunt Prussing, Mayor  
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**ELECTED OFFICIALS PRESENT VIA TELECONFERENCE**

None

**ELECTED OFFICIALS ABSENT**

None

**STAFF PRESENT**

William Gray; Michelle Brooks; John Schneider; Gordon Skinner; Michael Bily

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Members of the Media

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**I. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL**

There being a quorum, Mayor Prussing called the special meeting of the Urbana City Council to order at 7:01 p.m.

**II. Petitions and Communications**

Mayor Prussing announced Champaign County representatives had contacted Urbana to help with funding of a Lincoln Museum in the courthouse as part of the "Looking for Lincoln" program. Alderman Roberts announced he found a second local site regarding Lincoln which was an old elm tree located on Main Street where Lincoln had given a speech. After

researching in the library, he was able to find documentation of the tree and speech.

**III. CLOSED SESSION: PROPERTY ACQUISITION ISSUES, PURSUANT 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(5)**

Alderman Bowersox made a motion to go into closed session to discuss property acquisition issues pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(5). Alderman Lewis seconded the motion. The vote was as follows:

Bowersox - aye	Roberts - aye
Gehrig - aye	Smyth - aye
Lewis - aye	Stevenson - aye
Marlin - aye	Prussing - aye

The motion to go into closed session to discuss property acquisition issues pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(5), was approved by a roll call vote (8-aye:0-nay).

The City Council went into closed session at 7:05 p.m.

The City Council resumed its special session at 7:15 p.m. with all members present.

**IV. Ordinance No. 2009-06-069: An Ordinance Authorizing the Purchase of Certain Real Estate (1405 West Beslin Street)**

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

Bowersox - aye	Roberts - aye
Gehrig - aye	Smyth - aye
Lewis - aye	Stevenson - aye
Marlin - aye	

**Disposition:** Ordinance No. 2009-06-069: An Ordinance Authorizing the Purchase of Certain Real Estate (1405 West Beslin Street), was approved by a roll call vote (7-aye:0-nay).

**V. Mayoral Appointments**

Mayor Prussing made a recommendation to appoint Morgan Johnston to the Bicycle & Pedestrian Advisory Commission with a term ending June 30, 2012. She also recommended the following intergovernmental appointments: Charlie Smyth, Economic Development with term ending June 20, 2011; Heather Stevenson, Convention and Visitors Board; Robert Lewis, Regional Planning Commission; Diane Marlin, Library Board.

Alderman Roberts made a motion to approve the appointments in omnibus fashion with the reappointments. Alderman Lewis seconded. The motion carried by a voice vote.

**VI. Mayoral Reappointments**

Mayor Prussing made recommendations for reappointment of Peter Resnick to the C-U Cable and Telecommunications Commission and UPTV; Fred Cobb, Anne Silvis and Theresa Michelson to Community Development Commission;

Barbara Gillespie, Mary Ellen Farrell and Lynn Wiley to Urbana Free Library Board; Scott Dossett to Historic Preservation Commission; Lisa Mosely and Peter Resnick to Human Relations Commission; Bernadine Stake and Tyler Fitch to Plan Commission; Patricia Sammann and Robert Lewis to Public Arts Commission; Gary Cziko to Sustainability Advisory Commission; Joe Schoonover to Zoning Board of Appeals. All terms will expire on June 30, 2012 except for Zoning Board of Appeals which will expire on June 30, 2014.

*This item was approved in omnibus fashion with the Mayoral appointments.*

**VII. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, Mayor Prussing declared the special meeting of the Urbana City Council adjourned at 7:17 p.m.

Laurel Lunt Prussing  
Mayor

Phyllis D. Clark  
City Clerk

This meeting was taped.

This meeting was broadcast on cable television.

Minutes Approved: July 20, 2009