Laurel Lunt Prussing, Mayor

Phyllis D. Clark, City Clerk



URBANA CITY COUNCIL Monday, February 15, 2016

The City Council of the City of Urbana, Illinois, met in regular session Monday, February 15, 2016 at 7 p.m. in the Council Chambers at the Urbana City Building.

ELECTED OFFICIALS PHYSICALLY PRESENT

Charles Smyth, Alderman Ward 1
Eric Jakobsson, Alderman Ward 2
Aaron Ammons, Ward 3
Bill Brown, Alderman Ward 4
Dennis Roberts, Alderman Ward 5
Michael P. Madigan, Alderman Ward 6
Diane Marlin, Alderwoman Ward 7
Laurel Lunt Prussing, Mayor

ELECTED OFFICIALS PRESENT VIA TELECONFERENCE

None

ELECTED OFFICIALS ABSENT

Phyllis D. Clark

STAFF PRESENT

Michelle Brooks; Patrick Connolly; Jeff Engstrom; William Gray; Wendy Hundley; Christopher Marx; Mike Monson; Brian Nightlinger; Lorrie Pearson; Scott Tess; Elizabeth Tyler

OTHERS PRESENT

Spencer Haydary; Rev. Dr. Evelyn B. Underwood; Members of the Media

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

A. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

There being a quorum, Mayor Prussing called the meeting of the Urbana City Council to order at 7:00 p.m.

B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Alderman Smyth made a motion to approve minutes from the meeting held on February 1, 2016. Alderman Ammons seconded. Alderman Brown made a correction to item D in Petitions and Communications, changing Laura Huth from being in support to being against Ordinance No. 2016-02-007. Alderman Smyth corrected his name in roll call vote for Ordinance No. 2016-02-009 from Charles Smyth to Smyth. Motion to approve the minutes with corrections was carried by voice vote.

C. ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

There were none.

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D. PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Bishop King James and Rev. Dr. Evelyn B. Underwood did not wish to speak, but asked that their position be entered into the record regarding the Dr. Ellis Subdivision sewer issues.

Spencer Haydary addressed the Council about a variety of concerns, including the student access bill, MAP funding, state budget and gun violence.

E. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was none.

F. REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

There were none.

G. REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES

There were none.

H. REPORTS OF OFFICERS

Community Development Director Elizabeth Tyler presented the newly formatted Business and Development report. She informed council members about upcoming events, including showings of the documentary "My Brooklyn", the Business and Development luncheon and the workshop on how to research your old house.

Mayor Prussing presented a report on the 911 system concerning closest responders to emergencies, specifically in reference to the fire departments of the City of Urbana, University of Illinois and City of Champaign.

Public Works Director Bill Gray informed council members about the temporary reduction in the speed limit to 25 miles-per-hour on certain campus streets. Council members discussed the possibility of permanently reducing the speed limit on certain campus streets for safety reasons.

I. NEW BUSINESS

1. **Resolution No. 2016-02-006R:** A Resolution of Protest Against a Proposed Amendment to the Champaign County Zoning Ordinance (To allow "Parking Lot" as a Special Use in the County CR, Conservation Recreation District, subject to certain conditions / CCZBA 819-AT-15)

Planner II Jeff Engstrom presented Resolution No. 2016-02-006R and recommended that the committee defeat the resolution of protest upon the condition the amendment is changed to explicitly disallow a parking garage in the CR district. He responded to concerns and questions from committee members. Alderwoman Marlin made a motion to defeat Resolution No. 2016-02-006R. Motion was seconded by Alderman Madigan, after which there was further discussion. Alderman Smyth made a motion to add a friendly amendment to the original motion with wording as follows: "upon the condition that the amendment is changed to explicitly disallow a parking garage in the CR District". The motion was seconded by Alderman Jakobsson and roll call vote was as follows:

Ammons - aye Marlin - aye
Brown - aye Roberts - aye
Jakobsson - aye Smyth - aye

Madigan - nay

Disposition: The amendment to Resolution No. 2016-02-006R was approved by roll call vote (6-aye; 1-nay)

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After discussion, the amended motion to defeat Resolution No. 2016-02-006R made by Alderwoman Marlin and seconded by Alderman Madigan and roll call vote was as follows:

Ammons - aye Marlin - aye
Brown - aye Roberts - aye
Jakobsson - aye Smyth - aye
Madigan - aye

Disposition: Resolution No. 2016-02-006R was approved by roll call vote (7-aye; 0-nay)

2. Ordinance No. 2016-02-010: An Ordinance Amending the Zoning Map of the City of Urbana, Illinois (A request by the City of Urbana Zoning Administrator to change the zoning of a number of properties in the City. - Plan Case 2271-M-16 / Urbana Zoning Administrator)

Planner I Christopher Marx presented Ordinance No. 2016-02-010. He responded to concerns and questions from committee members. Alderman Smyth made a motion to approve this ordinance. Motion seconded by Alderwoman Marlin and roll call vote was as follows:

Ammons - aye Marlin - aye
Brown - aye Roberts - aye
Jakobsson - aye Smyth - aye
Madigan - aye

Disposition: Ordinance No. 2016-02-010 was approved by roll call vote (7-aye; 0-nay)

3. Mayoral Appointments:

- a. Human Relations Commission:
 - 1. Stacie Burnett, end of term June 10, 2016
 - 2. Carol Bradford, end of term June 10, 2016

Alderman Smyth made a motion to approve the Mayoral appointments. Motion seconded by Alderman Brown and approved by voice vote.

Disposition: The appointments of Stacie Burnett and Carol Bradford to the Human Relations Commission were approved by voice vote.

J. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the City Council, Mayor Prussing declared the meeting adjourned at 8:26 p.m.

_Kay Meharry_____Kay Meharry

Recording Secretary

_Wendy Hundley Wendy Hundley Deputy Clerk

^{*}This meeting was taped.

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