
DATE: Monday, May 23, 2022
TIME: 7 p.m.
PLACE: 400 S. Vine Street, Urbana, IL 61801

The City Council of the City of Urbana, Illinois, met in regular session Monday, May 23, 2022, at 7 p.m.

ELECTED OFFICIALS PHYSICALLY PRESENT: Diane Wolfe Marlin, Mayor; Phyllis Clark, City Clerk; CM Maryalice Wu, CM Christopher Evans, CM Grace Wilken, CM Chaundra Bishop, CM Jaya Kolisetty, CM James Quisenberry

ELECTED OFFICIALS ABSENT: CM Shirese Hursey

STAFF PRESENT: Bourema Ouedraogo,

OTHERS PRESENT: None

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

With a quorum present, Chair Mayor Marlin called the meeting of the Urbana City Council to order at 7 p.m.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

May 2, 2022 Special Meeting and May 9, 2022
Motion to approve by CM Wu and seconded by CM Wilken.
Voice vote:
AYE: Wu, Evans, Kolisetty, Bishop, Wilken, Quisenberry
NAY: None

3. ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

None.

4. PRESENTATIONS AND PUBLIC INPUT

Mayor Marlin read a proclamation for the Historic Preservation Month recognizing the Urbana Historic Preservation Commission and the importance of their contributions to the community.

There was no public input or other presentations.

5. COUNCIL INPUT AND COMMUNICATIONS

CM Wilken asked about an ARPA accelerated track update and hopes to have a logistics discussion on the legality of hybrid meetings. The Contracts and Connections mixer will be on May 24, 2022 with check in starting at 7:30 and an 8 o'clock start time at the Phillips recreation center. *Mayor Marlin* shared that there will be an upcoming update on the ARPA accelerated track and that a memo is coming out later regarding hybrid meetings.

6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

7. REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Committee Of The Whole (Council Member Jaya Kolisetty – Ward 4)

1. CONSENT AGENDA

- a. **Resolution No. 2022-05-040R:** A Resolution Authorizing Intervention in a Pending Property Tax Assessment Appeal Before the Illinois Property Tax Appeal Board (Family Video Movie Club, 1901 South Philo Road) – Exec.
- b. **Resolution No. 2022-05-041R:** A Resolution Authorizing Intervention in a Pending Property Tax Assessment Appeal Before the Illinois Property Tax Appeal Board (Walgreens, 302 East University Avenue) – Exec
- c. **Resolution No. 2022-05-042R:** A Resolution Authorizing Intervention in a Pending Property Tax Assessment Appeal Before the Illinois Property Tax Appeal Board (Nabor House Fraternity, 1002 South Lincoln Avenue) – Exec

Presented by CM Kolisetty. Motion to approve by CM Kolisetty and seconded by CM Bishop.

Vote by roll call:

AYE: Wu, Evans, Kolisetty, Bishop, Wilken, Quisenberry

NAY: None

2. REGULAR AGENDA

- a. **Ordinance No. 2022-05-015:** An Ordinance Amending the Urbana Zoning Ordinance (R-7, University Residential Text Amendment / Plan Case 2438-T-22) –CD

Presented by CM Kolisetty. Motion to approve by CM Kolisetty and seconded by CM Wu. Item was previously presented at Committee of the Whole and amends the Urbana Zoning Ordinance regarding R-7 properties such as Greek houses. Discussion ensued.

Vote by roll call:

AYE: Wu, Kolisetty, Evans, Quisenberry, Bishop, Wilken

NAY: None

- b. **Ordinance No. 2022-05-018:** An Ordinance Amending the Urbana Zoning Ordinance (Solar Energy System Text Amendment / Plan Case 2425-T-21 – CD

Presented by CM Kolisetty. Item creates code to regulate solar developments and to conform to the County's ordinance.

Motion to approve by CM Kolisetty and seconded by CM Bishop. Discussion ensued.

Voice vote:

AYE: Evans, Kolisetty, Wu, Bishop, Wilken, Quisenberry

NAY: None

8. REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES

None.

9. REPORTS OF OFFICERS

Mayor Marlin provided COVID updates within the community and how it impacts the City. Announced the start of interviewing agencies to assist in the recruitment and hiring process for the vacant department head positions. Shared that the City is now able to apply for the second portion of ARPA funds. Questions ensued.

10. NEW BUSINESS

- a. **Ordinance No. 2022-05-019:** An Ordinance Repealing Ordinance No. 2020-12-069 Pertaining to Ratification of Emergency Order 20-12

Presented by Mayor Marlin. Item repeals previous emergency order passed during 2020 in response to the COVID-19 pandemic that granted financial assistance in paying sanitary sewer utility fees alongside City of Champaign. This emergency order is no longer needed because another funding source has become available to assist residents with their fees. Questions and discussion ensued.

Motion to approve by CM Wu and seconded by CM Quisenberry.

Vote by roll call:

AYE: Quisenberry, Wu, Kolisetty, Bishop, Evans, Wilken

NAY: None

- b. **Ordinance No. 2022 -05-020:** An Ordinance Repealing Ordinance No. 2020-07-037 Pertaining to Ratification of Emergency Order 20-06

Presented by Mayor Marlin. Item repeals previous emergency order passed during 2020 in response to the COVID-19 pandemic that temporarily waived use of public right of way and parking to allow businesses to have additional flexibility with utilizing outdoor space. Questions and discussion ensued.

Motion to approve by CM Bishop and seconded by CM Quisenberry. Questions and discussion ensued.

Vote by roll call:

AYE: Wu, Evans, Bishop, Quisenberry

NAY: Kolisetty, Wilken

- c. **Resolution No. 2022-05-043R:** A Resolution Authorizing Intervention in a Pending Property Tax Assessment Appeal Before the Illinois Property Tax Appeal Board (Hampton Inn, 1200 West University Avenue) – Exec

Presented by Mayor Marlin. This item allows the City to pursue an appeal for the commercial property value for the Hampton Inn. It should have been included with the other items pertaining to commercial property tax appeals presented at Committee previously. Questions and discussion ensued.

Motion to approve by CM Bishop and seconded by CM Kolisetty.

Vote by roll call:

AYE: Wu, Evans, Kolisetty, Bishop, Wilken, Quisenberry

NAY: None

11. MAYORAL APPOINTMENTS AND REAPPOINTMENTS

a. Appointments

Civilian Police Review Board – terms ending June 30, 2025

- Peggy Patten

- Ashley Withers

Presented by Mayor Marlin. Mayor explained the application process and then read brief biographies of the two appointments.

Motion to approve by CM Wu and seconded by CM Kolisetty. Discussion ensued.

Voice Vote:

AYE: Wu, Evans, Kolisetty, Bishop, Wilken, Quisenberry

NAY: None

b. Reappointments

Arts & Culture Commission – terms ending June 30, 2025

- Barbara Hedlund

- Luis ‘Gonzalo’ Pinilla

Civil Service Commission – term ending June 30, 2025

- Traci E. Nally

Design Review Board – term ending June 30, 2025

- Adam Rusch

Firemen’s Pension Fund Board of Trustees – term ending June 30, 2025

- Elizabeth Hannan

Historic Preservation Commission – term ending June 30, 2025

- Alice Novak

Building Safety Code Board of Appeals – term ending June 30, 2025

- Gary Burgett

Sustainability Advisory Commission – term ending June 30, 2025

-Tomas Delgado
-Jessica Lehmkuhl

The Urbana Free Library Board of Trustees – terms ending June 30, 2025

-Beth Shied
-Gloria Yen
-Urbana City Council Representative – Shirese E. Hursey

Presented by Mayor Marlin. These individuals have all previously served and wish to continue to serve on their respective Boards and Commissions.

Motion to approve by CM Bishop and seconded by CM Quisenberry. Questions and discussion ensued.

Vote by roll call:

AYE: Wu, Evans, Kolisetty, Bishop, Wilken, Quisenberry

NAY: None

12. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business before the Urbana City Council Chair Marlin adjourned this meeting at 7:36 p.m.

Darcy Sandefur

Recording Secretary

This meeting was video recorded and is viewable [on-demand HERE](#).

Minutes approved: 06-13-2022