

1 CITY OF URBANA
2 COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE - MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 1997 - 7:30 P.M.
3 CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS - 400 S. VINE STREET, URBANA, IL
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6 COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT: John Taylor (Chair); James Hayes,
7 Jr.; Laura Huth; Carolyn Kearns; Esther Patt; Joseph Whelan, Jr.;
8 Ruth Wyman
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10 COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT: None
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12 STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT: Tod Satterthwaite; Phyllis Clark; Bruce
13 Walden; Steven Holz; Eddie Adair; Jeff McDuffey; April Getchius;
14 William Gray; Craig Grant; Ron Eldridge
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16 OTHERS PRESENT: Earl O'Shea; Mike Lehman; Carl Webber; Myrna
17 Golden; Mielle Schwartz; Ilyse Fein; Barbara Pritchard; Jenny
18 Putman; Sue Johnson-Smith; Lester Pritchard; Naomi Jakobsson;
19 Eunice Buck; Media
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22 1. Call to Order
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24 Chair Taylor called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.
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26 2. Additions to the Agenda and Staff Report
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28 There were no additions to the agenda.
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30 Mayor Satterthwaite reminded everyone of the "Mayor's Race"
31 at Meadowbrook Park as part of a fundraiser for Project 18.
32 Performing in the race will be Mayor Dannel McCullum (City
33 of Champaign) and Mayor Tod Satterthwaite. *(Go, Tod Go!)*
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35 Mayor Satterthwaite also reported that the City was in
36 possession of a silver dollar coin which had been placed in
37 a cornerstone of the old city building. The coin is
38 estimated to be worth in the neighborhood of \$40,000 to
39 \$70,000 and is currently kept in a safety deposit box.
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41 Bruce Walden (Chief Administrative Officer) reported that
42 the City of Urbana would hold two open house public
43 informational meetings in this month to discuss the
44 realignment of North Lincoln Avenue between I-74 and Ford
45 Harris Road, and an extension of Airport Road West to North
46 Lincoln Avenue. Both public meetings will be held at the
47 Urbana Civic Center (108 E. Water Street, Urbana) on
48 September 24, 1997: North Lincoln Avenue public meeting at
49 5:00 p.m., and Airport Road at 6:30 p.m.
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51 3. Minutes of Previous Meeting
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53 August 25, 1997 -- Ms Wyman made a motion to approve the
54 minutes of August 25, 1997. Ms Patt seconded.
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56 Ms Huth requested that page 6 under "Adjournment" be
57 corrected to read "Chairperson Huth." There were no

7 The minutes of August 25, 1997 were approved, as amended, by
8 voice vote.
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10 **4. Public Input**
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12 Chair Taylor asked Committee Members if there was any
13 objection to hearing public input concerning the Building
14 Code and accessibility requirements after staff's
15 presentation. There were no objections.
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17 Earl O'Shea, 606-A Glover, addressed the Committee on the
18 topic of "government for the people", and expressed his
19 support on the subject.
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21 Mike Lehman, 608 E. Green, addressed the Committee in
22 support of economic development.
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24 Carl Webber, 202 Lincoln Square, attorney representing
25 PrimeCo Personal Communications, addressed the Committee in
26 support of the proposed telecommunications ordinance, and
27 was available to answer questions.
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29 At this time the Committee heard staff's presentation.
30 Craig Grant (Building Safety Division Manager) presented the
31 staff report to Committee. (See Attachment A: Staff
32 Report/Amendment of Building Code.)
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34 **Public Input (Cont'd)**
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36 The following people addressed the Committee in support of
37 Alderwoman Huth's proposed amendment to the Building Code
38 requiring choice in accessible living units for persons with
39 disabilities: Myrna Golden, 903 W. Oregon #10; Jenny
40 Putman, 402 W. Delaware Ave.; Sue Johnson-Smith,
41 representing PACE, 1317 E. Florida Ave. #27; Lester
42 Pritchard, 601 W. Pennsylvania; Naomi Jakobsson, 803 W.
43 Main.
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45 The following people did not address the Committee, but were
46 noted for the record as being in support of the proposed
47 amendment to the Building Code: Mielle Schwartz, 1109 W.
48 Church #3 (Champaign); Ilyse Fein, 2501 Grange; Barbara
49 Pritchard, 601 W. Pennsylvania; Eunice Buck, 1105 E. Oregon.
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51 **5. An Ordinance Amending Sections Of The National Building Code**
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53 Mr. Whelan made a motion to put this item on the floor for
54 discussion. Mrs. Kearns seconded.
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56 Mayor Satterthwaite presented the following motion to
57 Committee for consideration: *"To request that staff work*

1 with PACE and the City of Champaign to consider PACE's
2 proposal to make the second floor apartments of apartment
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9 buildings larger than four units accessible when parking
10 occupies a portion of the ground floor underneath the
11 building."
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13 Ms Huth moved to amend the proposed motion to add: "Whenever
14 a multifamily dwelling is designed to include a parking area
15 that is contained within the footprint of the building, the
16 floor above should be made accessible and the units on that
17 floor should be adaptable for use by persons with
18 disabilities." Ms Wyman seconded.
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20 Following debate, Mr. Whelan made a motion to table Ms
21 Huth's motion to amend until after the main motion has been
22 voted on. Mrs. Kearns seconded. The motion carried by a
23 show of hands (4-aye:3-nay). Ms Huth's motion was tabled.
24 Debate ensued.
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26 Mr. Whelan moved for question. Mrs. Kearns seconded. The
27 motion failed by a show of hands (4-aye:3-nay). [Note: This
28 requires a 2/3 majority vote.]
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30 Following further debate, the main motion on the floor
31 passed with a show of hands (4-aye:3-nay).
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33 Mr. Whelan made a motion that staff work PACE and the City
34 of Champaign to consider PACE's proposal to make the second
35 floor apartments of apartment buildings larger than four
36 units accessible when parking occupies a portion of the
37 ground floor underneath the building. Mrs. Kearns seconded.
38 The motion carried by voice.
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40 At this time, the Committee acted on the previous motion
41 made by Ms Huth. Ms Huth requested a roll call vote. The
42 vote on the motion was as follows:
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44 Hayes - Nay	Huth - Aye	Kearns - Nay
45 Patt - Aye	Taylor - Nay	Whelan - Nay
46 Wyman - Aye		

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48 The motion failed by a roll call vote of 3-aye:4-nay.
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50 **6. An Ordinance Revising The Annual Budget Ordinance**
51 **(Contributions From METRO Agencies)**
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53 Eddie Adair (Chief of Police) presented the staff report to
54 Committee. There will be a centralized recordkeeping
55 process and Urbana will maintain all of the training
56 records.
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1 Mr. Hayes made a motion to send this item to Council for
2 approval. Mrs. Kearns seconded. The motion carried by
3 voice vote.

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10 **7. Telecommunications Discussion**

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12 April Getchius (Community Development Director) presented
13 staff's report on the Telecommunications Ordinance, which
14 would approve a text amendment to the Urbana Zoning
15 Ordinance. (See Attachment B: Staff Report/Plan Case No.
16 1661-T-97 Telecommunications Ordinance.)
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18 Following Ms Getchius' presentation and questions of
19 Committee Members, Steven Holz (Assistant City Attorney)
20 presented the staff's report on the Telecommunications
21 Ordinance which pertained to registration and licensing
22 requirements of certain telecommunications providers. (See
23 Attachment C: Staff Report/Urbana Master Telecommunications
24 Ordinance.)
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26 Chair Taylor noted the lateness in the hour and called for a
27 motion to extend the meeting.
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29 Ms Patt made a motion to extend the meeting to 11:30 p.m.
30 The motion was seconded by Mrs. Kearns and carried by voice
31 vote.
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33 **8. A Resolution Determining The Amounts Of Money Necessary To**
34 **Be Raised By The Tax Levy (1997)**
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36 Mr. Walden and Ron Eldridge (Comptroller) presented the
37 staff report to Committee.
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39 Mrs. Kearns made a motion to send this item to Council for
40 approval. Ms Patt seconded. The motion carried by voice
41 vote.
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43 **9. An Ordinance Revising The Annual Budget Ordinance (Police**
44 **Area Records Management (ARMS))**
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46 Mr. Hayes made a motion to send this item to Council for
47 approval. Ms Patt seconded. The motion carried by voice
48 vote.
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50 **10. An Ordinance Amending Ordinance No. 9798-8 Entitled "An**
51 **Ordinance Vacating A Portion Of Alley Lying South Of**
52 **University Avenue And West Of McCullough Street (Tri-Star)"**
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54 Ms Wyman made a motion to send this item to Council for
55 approval. Ms Patt seconded. The motion carried by voice
56 vote.
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1 11. **Closed Session Regarding Abandoned Railroad Property: Area**
2 **Between Washington And Main Streets**
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4 Ms Patt made a motion to go into closed session for the
5 purpose of discussing abandoned railroad property for the
6 area between Washington and Main Streets. Ms Wyman
7 seconded.
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14 The vote on the motion was as follows:
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16 Hayes - Aye	Huth - Aye	Kearns - Aye
17 Patt - Aye	Taylor - Aye	Whelan - Aye
18 Wyman - Aye		

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20 The motion carried by a roll call vote of 7-aye:0-nay.
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22 Prior to going into closed session, Chair Taylor noted the
23 time and called for a motion to extend the meeting.
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25 Ms Patt made a motion to extend the meeting time to
26 midnight. Ms Wyman seconded. The motion carried by voice
27 vote.
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29 The Committee went into closed session at 11:27 p.m.
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32 **Adjournment**
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34 The Committee resumed its regular session at 12:00 a.m.
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36 With no further business to come before the Committee, Chair
37 Taylor adjourned the meeting at midnight.
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41 Respectfully submitted,
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46 Deborah J. Roberts
47 Recording Secretary
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51 *This meeting was broadcast on cable television.