

Tod Satterthwaite
Mayor



Phyllis D. Clark
City Clerk

**URBANA CITY COUNCIL MEETING
JANUARY 20, 1998**

The City Council of the City of Urbana, Illinois met in regular session on Tuesday, January 20, 1998, in the Council Chambers at the Urbana City Building.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:

Hayes, James (Alderman Ward 3)
Huth, Laura (Alderwoman Ward 5)
Kearns, Carolyn (Alderwoman Ward 4)
Patt, Esther (Alderwoman Ward 1)
Taylor, John (Alderman Ward 7)
Wyman, Ruth (Alderwoman Ward 2)
Whelan, Joseph (Alderman Ward 6) (7:35 p.m.)

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT:

None

STAFF PRESENT: Tod Satterthwaite; Phyllis Clark; Bruce Walden; Steve Holz; Eddie Adair; William Pessemier; April Getchius; William Gray; Kimberly Gerstein

OTHERS PRESENT: Gerard Archibald; Michael Langendorf; Amir Malik; Anthony Lewis; Peter Borich; Media

There being a quorum present, Mayor Satterthwaite called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

A. Minutes Of Previous Meeting

January 5, 1998 -- Alderman Hayes made a motion to approve the minutes of January 5, 1998. Alderwoman Patt seconded.

Alderwoman Kearns noted that on page 2 under "REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES" she did make the motion to approve Resolution 9798-R19, however, the minutes should reflect that the motion was seconded by Alderwoman **Patt** and not Kearns. Alderwoman Patt agreed and there were no objections.

The motion to approve the minutes, as corrected, carried by voice vote.

B. Additions To The Agenda

There were no additions to the agenda.

C. Petitions And Communications

Audience Participation

The following people addressed the Council with concerns on the topic of the Southeast Urbana Cinema multi-plex development: Gerard Archibald, 1105 E. Oregon, representing Citizen's Board (see Attachment A: Petitions & Communications/Gerard Archibald); and Michael Langendorf, 1508 Trails Dr., representing Deerfield Trails Homeowners' Association.

The following people addressed the Council concerning their opposition to the towing of vehicles in their neighborhood for the purpose of street cleaning: Amir Malik, 502 W. Elm #10; and Anthony Lewis, 502 W. Elm #9.

Peter Borich, 411 E. Washington, addressed the Council in support of the general variance request concerning his property.

Council Member Participation

Alderman Kearns informed the Council that this Thursday, January 22nd, at 7:30 a.m. there will be a meeting of the Rules & Procedures Committee for the Champaign-Urbana Joint Cable Telecommunications Commission at The Original Pancake House in Champaign. Also next week on Wednesday, January 28th, at 7:30 p.m. the Joint Commission will meet in the Champaign City Council Chambers.

Alderman Whelan stated that he had received a number of phone calls from his constituents regarding the traffic at Lierman Avenue and Washington Street. He would like the Traffic Commission to look into this issue and put it on their next agenda.

D. Old Business

1. *Report On The Notification Of No Parking Restrictions For The Purpose Of Street Cleaning*

[Note: A motion to void tickets issued to 54 of 570 cars towed and reimburse owners for the towing charges they incurred remains on the floor. The motion was made by Alderwoman Wyman and seconded by Alderwoman Patt at the January 5, 1998 City Council meeting.]

Alderwoman Wyman moved to substitute the motion on the floor with a "Sense of the Council Motion" which reads: "Be it resolved that the Urbana City Council recommends to Mayor Satterthwaite that he waive all tickets issued to the owners of the 54 vehicles towed for the purpose of street cleaning in the City on December 4 and 5, 1997." The motion carried by a show of hands: 4-aye:3-nay.

Debate ensued.

Alderman Hayes took the Chair at 8:28 p.m. and Mayor Satterthwaite entered debate.

The main motion on the floor carried by a show of hands: 4-aye:3-nay.

Mayor Satterthwaite resumed the Chair at 8:31 p.m.

E. Reports of Standing Committees

With nothing to report from Committee Of The Whole, Alderwoman Patt stated that the next meeting of the Committee is scheduled for January 26, 1998 at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

F. REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES

There were none.

G. REPORTS OF OFFICERS

Fire Chief, William Pessemier, gave a brief overview to the Council regarding the University of Illinois' fire services plan. (See Attachment B: Pessemier Report/Fire Services Planning Team.)

H. New Business

1. Ordinance No. 9798-80: *An Ordinance Approving A General Variance (To Reduce The Minimum Required Front Yard Setback To Allow For The Construction Of A Fence At 411 East Washington Street - Case No. ZBA-97-GV-10)*

Kimberly Gerstein (Planner) presented the staff report. (See Attachment C: Staff Report/General Variance (411 E. Washington.)

Alderwoman Wyman made a motion to approve and was seconded by Alderwoman Patt. The vote on the motion was as follows:

Hayes - Aye	Taylor - Aye
Huth - (Absent*)	Whelan - Aye
Kearns - Aye	Wyman - Aye
Patt - Aye	

Disposition: The motion carried by roll call vote (6-aye:0-nay).

Ordinance No. 9798-80, "An Ordinance Approving A General Variance (To Reduce The Minimum Required Front Yard Setback To Allow For The Construction Of A Fence At 411 East Washington Street - Case No. ZBA-97-GV-10)", was approved by Council. [*Alderwoman Huth left the meeting at approximately 8:30 p.m. and, therefore, was absent when the vote was taken.]

I. Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the City Council, Mayor Satterthwaite declared the meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Deborah J. Roberts
Recording Secretary

Phyllis D. Clark, City Clerk

*This meeting was taped.

**This meeting was broadcast on cable television.