

STATE OF ILLINOIS

CITY OF URBANA

Tod Satterthwaite, Mayor

Phyllis D. Clark, City Clerk



URBANA CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY, AUGUST 16, 1999

The City Council of the City of Urbana, Illinois, met in regular session Monday, August 16, 1999 in the Council Chambers at the Urbana City Building.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT

- Ward 1 - Alderwoman Esther Patt
- Ward 2 - Alderwoman Ruth Wyman
- Ward 3 - Alderman James H. Hayes, Jr.
- Ward 4 - Alderwoman Carolyn Kearns
- Ward 5 - Alderwoman Laura Huth
- Ward 6 - Alderman Joseph A. Whelan, Jr.
- Ward 7 - Alderman John C. Taylor

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT

None

STAFF PRESENT

Tod Satterthwaite; Phyllis Clark; Bruce Walden; Jack Waaler; Eddie Adair; April Getchius; Jeff McDuffey; James Kelly; Michael Loschen

OTHERS PRESENT

Members of the Media

Mayor Satterthwaite called the meeting to order at 7:32 p.m.

A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

August 2, 1999 - Alderman Whelan made a motion to approve the minutes of August 2, 1999. Alderwoman Kearns seconded.

Alderwoman Kearns noted a correction on page 3, paragraph 1. The meeting date for the Committee Of The Whole should read "**Monday, August 23, 1999**" vs. Monday, August 16, 1999. There were no objections.

The motion to approve the minutes of August 2, 1999 carried by voice vote, as amended.

B. ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

There were no additions to the agenda.

Mayor Satterthwaite noted that staff did not want to proceed with agenda item #E.1.c at this time and, therefore, requested that it be removed from the agenda. There were no objections. Agenda item #E.1.c, An Ordinance Authorizing The Purchase Of Certain Real Estate (1304 North Berkley), was removed from the agenda.

C. PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

There was no public input.

Council Member Input

Alderman Taylor noted that in last week's edition of "Letters to the Editor" in The News-Gazette, there was a letter commending Barb Stiehl (Secretary/Public Works Department) for her promptness regarding a parking meter. Mayor Satterthwaite acknowledge receipt of a copy of the newspaper article and indicated this action as "typical" of Barb's nature and what she does for the City. Ms Stiehl's efforts in providing good service on behalf of the City of Urbana are greatly appreciated.

Alderpersons Patt and Whelan addressed comments and concerns they had received from residents concerning the "Art in the Park" display. Suggestions made included having a mechanism for people to leave comments, and extend the time for viewing the display in order to allow people who are on vacation to see it upon their return. Alderwoman Patt also noted a complaint she received indicating that the sculpture would be too big and too close to the street.

Mayor Satterthwaite will direct staff to formalize the display area with a suggestion/comment box for the public to use.

Anyone wishing to view the "Art in the Park" display may do so at the City Building. The display is located outside the Council Chambers door.

D. OLD BUSINESS

1. Ordinance No. 1999-07-073: **An Ordinance Revising The Annual Budget Ordinance (Purchase of Brush Chippers)**

Alderwoman Wyman made a motion to approve. Alderman Taylor seconded. The vote on the motion was as follows:

Hayes - Aye	Taylor - Aye
Huth - Aye	Whelan - Aye
Kearns - Aye	Wyman - Aye
Patt - Aye	Mayor Satterthwaite - Aye

Disposition: The motion to approve carried by roll call vote (8*-aye:0-nay). Ordinance No. 1999-07-073, "An Ordinance Revising The Annual Budget Ordinance (Purchase of Brush Chippers)", was approved by Council. [**Requires Mayor vote.*]

2. Resolution No. 1999-07-033R: **A Resolution Accepting A Bid For Two Drum Style Brush Chippers**

Alderman Hayes made a motion to adopt the resolution. Alderwoman Kearns seconded. The vote on the motion was as follows:

Hayes - Aye	Taylor - Aye
Huth - Aye	Whelan - Aye
Kearns - Aye	Wyman - Aye
Patt - Aye	Mayor Satterthwaite - Aye

Disposition: The motion to adopt the resolution carried by roll call vote (8*-aye:0-nay). Resolution No. 1999-07-033R, "A Resolution Accepting A Bid For Two Drum Style Brush Chippers", was adopted by Council. [**Requires Mayor vote.*]

E. REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

1. **Committee Of The Whole**

a. Ordinance No. 1999-08-081: **An Ordinance Revising The Annual Budget Ordinance (Purchase Calcium Chloride Tank & Pump)**

Alderman Whelan made a motion to approve. Alderwoman Patt seconded. The vote on the motion was as follows:

Hayes - Aye	Taylor - Aye
Huth - Aye	Whelan - Aye
Kearns - Aye	Wyman - Aye
Patt - Aye	Mayor Satterthwaite - Aye

Disposition: The motion to approve carried by roll call vote (8*-aye:0-nay). Ordinance No. 1999-08-081, "An Ordinance Revising The Annual Budget Ordinance (Purchase Calcium Chloride Tank & Pump)", was approved by Council. [**Requires Mayor vote.*]

b. Ordinance No. 1999-08-082: **An Ordinance Approving An Urbana HOME Consortium Recipient Agreement (Habitat for Humanity of Champaign County - East Water Street Improvements)**

Alderman Whelan made a motion to approve. Alderwoman Patt seconded. The vote on the motion was as follows:

Hayes - Aye	Taylor - Aye
Huth - Aye	Whelan - Aye
Kearns - Aye	Wyman - Aye
Patt - Aye	

Disposition: The motion to approve carried by roll call vote (7-aye:0-nay). Ordinance No. 1999-08-082, "An Ordinance Approving An Urbana HOME Consortium Recipient Agreement (Habitat for Humanity of Champaign County - East Water Street Improvements)", was approved by Council.

With nothing further to report, Alderman Whelan stated that the next meeting of the Committee Of The Whole is scheduled for Monday, August 23, 1999 at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

F. REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES

There were none.

G. REPORTS OF OFFICERS

There were none.

H. NEW BUSINESS

1. Ordinance No. 1999-08-084: ***An Ordinance Vacating A Portion Of California Avenue***

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

Hayes - Aye	Taylor - Aye
Huth - Aye	Whelan - Aye
Kearns - Aye	Wyman - Aye
Patt - Aye	Mayor Satterthwaite - Aye

Disposition: The motion to approve carried by roll call vote (8*-aye:0-nay). Ordinance No. 1999-08-084, "An Ordinance Vacating A Portion Of California Avenue", was approved by Council. [**Requires Mayor vote.*]

2. Ordinance No. 1999-08-085: ***An Ordinance Approving An Agreement With The Champaign County Regional Planning Commission (Illinois Recycling Grants Program)***

Jack Waaler (City Attorney) presented the staff report.

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

Hayes - Aye	Taylor - Aye
Huth - Aye	Whelan - Aye
Kearns - Aye	Wyman - Aye
Patt - Aye	

Disposition: The motion to approve carried by roll call vote (7-aye:0-nay). Ordinance No. 1999-08-085, "An Ordinance Approving An Agreement With The Champaign County Regional Planning Commission (Illinois Recycling Grants Program)", was approved by Council.

3. ***Motion Regarding Closed Minutes***

Alderman Taylor made a motion to release the minutes of the following closed sessions: May 3, 1999 regarding Cable Transfer;

July 6, 1999 regarding the Stratford Apartments and Collective Bargaining; June 21, 1999 that portion relating to Stratford Apartments. Taylor further moved that the Council find and determine that the need for confidentiality still exists as to all, or parts, of the following closed sessions: May 24, 1993, all collective bargaining; March 7, 1994, all collective bargaining; March 4, 1996, all collective bargaining; June 24, 1996, all collective bargaining; May 12, 1997, all collective bargaining; August 25, 1997, all collective bargaining; August 24, 1998, pending litigation (Wakeland and Langendorf); September 14, 1998, pending litigation (Wakeland and Langendorf); May 24, 1999, property acquisition; and June 21, 1999, property acquisition. Alderman Whelan seconded. The motion carried by voice vote.

Disposition: The Council approved the motion to release Closed Session minutes dated May 3, 1999, July 6, 1999, and June 21, 1999. Due to the need for confidentiality concerning the issue of collective bargaining, the following minutes will **not** be released at this time: May 24, 1993, March 7, 1994, March 4, 1996, June 24, 1996, May 12, 1997, August 25, 1997, August 24, 1998, September 14, 1998, May 24, 1999, and June 21, 1999. *[Point of clarity: The purpose of this vote was for the release of closed session minutes. Corrections and approval of the minutes will be made at the next regular Council meeting.]*

Alderman Taylor commended Phyllis Clark (City Clerk) and Jack Waaler (City Attorney) for their efforts in complying with the Statutes pertaining to the examination of closed session minutes and distributing them to the Council for review in the required six-month timeframe.

I. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the City Council, Mayor Satterthwaite declared the meeting adjourned at 7:53 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.