

APPROVED AT COMMITTEE MEETING JAN. 10, 2000

CITY OF URBANA

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE - MONDAY, DECEMBER 13, 1999 - 7:30 P.M.

CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS - 400 S. VINE STREET, URBANA, IL

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT: Laura Huth (Chair); James H. Hayes, Jr.; Carolyn Kearns; Esther Patt; John Taylor; Joseph A. Whelan, Jr.; Ruth Wyman

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT: None

STAFF PRESENT: Tod Satterthwaite; Phyllis Clark; Bruce Walden; Stephen Holz; Eddie Adair; April Getchius; William Gray; Ronald Eldridge

OTHERS PRESENT: Eric Jones; Members of the Media

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Chair Huth called the meeting of the Committee Of The Whole to order at 7:36 p.m.

2. ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA AND STAFF REPORT

There were none.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

November 22, 1999 - Mr. Whelan made a motion to approve the minutes of the November 22, 1999 meeting. Ms Patt seconded.

Ms Patt requested to delete "and, therefore, are deleted" on page 2 under "Point of clarity", second sentence. There were no objections.

The motion to approve the minutes of November 22, 1999 carried by voice vote, as amended.

4. PUBLIC INPUT

Eric Jones, 911 W. Main Street, addressed the Committee with a request that they rescind the leash law passed by the City Council December 6, 1999 as outlined in Ordinance No. 1999-11-122 ("An Ordinance Repealing Chapter 4 'Animals and Fowl' and Enacting in its Place a Revised Chapter 4, 'Animals and Fowl'").

Committee Member Input

Mrs. Kearns reminded Committee Members of the Joint Champaign-Urbana Cable Commission meeting to be held this Wednesday (December 15, 1999) at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

Mrs. Kearns commended the Public Works and Community Development Services Departments for their efforts with holiday parking in downtown Urbana, and the Urbana Police Department for the "Shop with Cops" program.

Ms Wyman offered words of gratitude to Chief Adair for the traffic stop data submitted to Committee Members.

Before proceeding with other issues on the agenda, Chair Huth noted a request from staff that item #12 (Ord. No. 1999-12-117: An Ordinance Adopting a Limited Amendment to the Schedule of Fees) be removed from the agenda. There were no objections.

5. **CARLE MASTER PLAN UPDATE**

April Getchius (Community Development Director) introduced Mr. Tim Ols, Vice President of Carle Foundation, to Committee Members. Mr. Ols gave an update on the progress of the Carle Master Plan, which included a slide presentation.

6. **ORD. NO. 1999-12-124: AN ORDINANCE REVISING THE ANNUAL BUDGET ORDINANCE (COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FEMA PROJECT IMPACT GRANT)**

Ms Getchius presented the staff report.

Ms Patt made a motion to send this item to Council for approval. Ms Wyman seconded. The motion carried by voice vote.

7. **RES. NO. 1999-12-041R: A RESOLUTION APPROVING AN EXTENSION AGREEMENT WITH COMMUNITY FOUNDATION OF CHAMPAIGN COUNTY (ART IN THE PARK)**

Mayor Satterthwaite presented the staff report.

Ms Wyman made a motion to send this item to Council for approval. Mr. Whelan seconded. The motion carried by voice vote.

[Agenda items 8, 9 and 10 were presented together.]

8, 9 & 10. **RES. NO. 1999-12-042R: A RESOLUTION APPROVING AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT WITH CHAMPAIGN COUNTY, ILLINOIS, CITY OF CHAMPAIGN, VILLAGE OF MAHOMET, VILLAGE OF LUDLOW, AND THE UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS (COPS MORE MDC); and RES. NO 1999-12-043R: A RESOLUTION APPROVING A CONTRACT WITH THE CHAMPAIGN COUNTY REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION (CONTRACT FOR TECHNICAL AND ADVISORY PLANNING SERVICES); and ORD. NO. 1999-12-125: AN ORDINANCE REVISING THE ANNUAL BUDGET ORDINANCE (COPS MORE GRANT)**

Bruce Walden (Chief Administrative Officer) presented the staff report.

Ms Patt made a motion to send these three items to Council for approval. Ms. Wyman seconded. The motion carried by voice vote.

[Note: It was previously stated that staff requested the removal of agenda item #12. This was a mistake on the part of staff. For clarity, staff is requesting that item #11 (Ord. No. 1999-12-116: An Ordinance Adopting Amendments to the Schedule of Fines Relating to Parking) be removed and #12 remain. There were no objections. The next item to appear on the agenda is #12.]

12. **ORD. NO. 1999-12-117: AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING A LIMITED AMENDMENT TO THE SCHEDULE OF FEES**

Stephen Holz (Assistant City Attorney) presented the staff report.

Following debate, Mr. Walden suggested postponing this issue until the next Committee meeting.

Ms Patt made a motion to table this item to the next Committee meeting scheduled for January 10, 2000. Ms Wyman seconded. The motion carried by voice vote.

13. **DOGS USED IN CONJUNCTION WITH CRIMINAL OFFENSES**

Ms. Holz presented the staff report.

Mr. Taylor made a motion to send this item, Sections 4-9 and 4-10, to Council for approval. Ms Patt seconded.

Mr. Taylor moved an amendment to Section 4-9, deleting all of the second sentence, to read: *"No person who owns, possesses, or controls any dog shall use the dog to further a criminal act, nor suffer or permit the dog to be so used. In addition to forfeiture of the dog, any person violating this section shall be fined no less than \$500."* Mr. Whelan seconded. Debate ensued.

Ms Patt made a friendly amendment to add a third sentence to be inserted following the first sentence, to read: *"If the dog's behavior impedes law enforcement efforts to investigate or stop criminal activity, to make any stop or arrest, or to serve any warrant or execute any search or seizure, the dog shall be irrebutably presumed to have been so used."* Mr. Whelan seconded. Mr. Taylor accepted. The amendment now reads: *"No person who owns, possesses, or controls any dog shall use the dog to further a criminal act, nor suffer or permit the dog to be so used. If the dog's behavior impedes law enforcement efforts to investigate or stop criminal activity, to make any stop or arrest, or to serve any warrant or execute any search or seizure, the dog shall be irrebutably presumed to have been so used. In addition to forfeiture of the dog, any person violating this section shall be fined no less than \$500."*

Following debate, the motion to amend carried by voice vote.

The motion to send this item to Council for approval carried by voice vote, as amended.

14. **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Committee, Chair Huth declared the meeting adjourned at 9:12 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Deborah J. Roberts
Recording Secretary

*This meeting was broadcast on cable television.

Minutes Approved: January 10, 2000