

**STATE OF ILLINOIS**

*Tod Satterthwaite, Mayor*

**CITY OF URBANA**

*Phyllis D. Clark, City Clerk*



**URBANA CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
OCTOBER 21, 2002**

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The City Council of the City of Urbana, Illinois, met in regular session Monday, October 21, 2002 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 5 - Alderwoman Laura Huth  
Ward 6 - Alderman Joseph A. Whelan, Jr.  
Ward 7 - Alderman Milton Otto

**COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT**

Ward 4 - Alderwoman Danielle Chynoweth (excused)

**STAFF PRESENT**

Tod Satterthwaite; Phyllis Clark; Bruce Walden; Stephen Holz;  
Eddie Adair; Rex Mundt; Ronald Eldridge; William Gray; Elizabeth  
Tyler; Timothy Ross

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Members of the Media

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There being a quorum, Mayor Satterthwaite called the meeting of the Urbana City Council to order at 7:30 p.m.

**A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

October 7, 2002 - Alderman Hayes made a motion to approve the minutes of the October 7, 2002 Council meeting. Alderwoman Wyman seconded. The motion carried by voice vote.

**B. ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA**

Mayor Satterthwaite noted that item #2 under "New Business" stills need additional work and requested to remove it from the agenda. There were no objections. Ordinance No. 2002-10-124, "An Ordinance Approving and Authorizing the Execution of an Agreement with Conxxus, LLC, for Use of Right-Of-Way (Lincoln Avenue Between Stoughton Street and Hill Street, and Church Street Between Lincoln Avenue and Coler Avenue)", was removed from the agenda.

There were no additions to the agenda.

**C. PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS**

There was none.

**Council Member Input**

Alderwoman Wyman noted that Alderwoman Chynoweth had sent her an e-mail stating that she would be out of town this evening and unable to attend tonight's meeting.

Alderwoman Wyman congratulated the Urbana Free Library on their groundbreaking ceremony held yesterday. She also offered congratulations to staff on the "First Annual International Beer Tasting and Chili Cook-Off Championship" held last Saturday (October 19<sup>th</sup>) and commended Chief Mundt for his efforts in organizing the chili cook-off.

Alderman Hayes recognized City Clerk Phyllis Clark on her new appointment as President of the Municipal Clerks of Illinois (MCI). Ms Clark received this appointment at MCI's annual meeting held in Springfield last week. She is the first municipal clerk in Champaign County nominated to this office. She is also the first African-American in the State of Illinois to hold the office of Vice-President and now President of the Municipal Clerks of Illinois.

Alderman Hayes also noted that there would be a public input meeting held next Monday (October 28, 2002) at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers concerning funding ideas for a neighborhood community center in the King Park area.

Alderwoman Patt informed the Council that with the holidays approaching, the City Clerk's Office would like to know of any intended meeting cancellations so that they may prepare the calendar. At present the Council suggests canceling the December 23<sup>rd</sup> Committee Of The Whole meeting. Alderwoman Patt also noted that since Veteran's Day is November 11<sup>th</sup>, the Committee meeting scheduled for that day would be held on November 12<sup>th</sup> instead.

Alderman Whelan expressed words of thanks to Council Members and staff for their concerns during his absence due to illness.

**D. OLD BUSINESS**

There was none.

**E. REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES**

1. **Committee Of The Whole**

- a. Ordinance No. 2002-10-123: ***An Ordinance Revising the Annual Budget Ordinance (Police/Fire Pension Funds)***

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

Hayes - Aye	Whelan - Aye
Huth - Aye	Wyman - Aye
Otto - Aye	Mayor Satterthwaite - Aye
Patt - Aye	

**Disposition:** Ordinance No. 2002-10-123, "An Ordinance Revising the Annual Budget Ordinance (Police/Fire Pension Funds)", was approved by Council by a roll call vote (7\*-aye:0-nay). [*\*Requires Mayor vote.*]

- b. Ordinance No. 2002-09-117: **Annual Tax Levy Ordinance of the City of Urbana, Illinois, for the Year Beginning July 1, 2002 and Ending June 30, 2003**

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

Hayes - Aye	Patt - Aye
Huth - Aye	Whelan - Aye
Otto - Aye	Wyman - Aye

**Disposition:** Ordinance No. 2002-09-117, "Annual Tax Levy Ordinance of the City of Urbana, Illinois, for the Year Beginning July 1, 2002 and Ending June 30, 2003", was approved by Council by a roll call vote (6-aye:0-nay).

- c. Ordinance No. 2002-09-118: **An Ordinance Abating Tax Levy for \$5.705 Million General Obligation Bonds, Series 1994 (FY 2002-03)**

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

Hayes - Aye	Patt - Aye
Huth - Aye	Whelan - Aye
Otto - Aye	Wyman - Aye

**Disposition:** Ordinance No. 2002-09-118, "An Ordinance Abating Tax Levy for \$5.705 Million General Obligation Bonds, Series 1994 (FY 2002-03)", was approved by Council by a roll call vote (6-aye:0-nay).

With nothing further to report, Alderwoman Wyman stated that the next meeting of the Committee Of The Whole is scheduled for Monday, October 28, 2002 at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

**F. REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES**

There were none.

**G. REPORTS OF OFFICERS**

Bruce Walden (Chief Administrative Officer) gave the following report:

1. Fall Leaf Collection. Fall leaf collection began today and the City will provide this service to residents for four weeks using the following pick-up schedule: October 21-25, November 4-8, November 18-22, and December 2-6. Leaves should be put in paper lawn bags and must be placed at the curb for pick-up on your normal U-Cycle collection day.
2. Trick-or-Treat. Trick-or-Treat hours for Halloween will be Thursday, October 31<sup>st</sup> from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
3. Pumpkin Fest. This event will take place this Saturday, October 26<sup>th</sup> from 7:00 a.m. to noon at the Farmer's Market on the Lincoln Square parking lot.
4. Website. Efforts are continuously being made to enhance and update the City's website. New to the website are: Press Releases, Economic Development (listing an inventory of available commercial and industrial sites in Urbana), UPTV listing (not fully available to date), and calendar of upcoming events. The City of Urbana's website address is [www.city.urbana.il.us](http://www.city.urbana.il.us).

Mayor Satterthwaite presented an award to Ronald Eldridge (Comptroller) from GFOA (Government Finance Officers Association). Mr. Eldridge has received the "Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting" for 16 consecutive years at the City of Urbana.

Mayor Satterthwaite also presented an award to Bruce Walden from ICMA (International City Management Association) for 25 years of service to municipal government.

Rex Mundt (Fire Chief) elaborated on the "Change of Clock, Change of Battery Program" sponsored by the Fire Department. Daylight Savings Time ends this weekend and Chief Mundt encouraged everyone to remember to change the batteries in their smoke detectors when turning the clocks back. The Fire Department will also assist a local pizza establishment in delivering pizza to homes this weekend as part of their initiative to encourage residents to practice safety in their homes. The name of the pizza establishment was not given, however, Chief Mundt indicated that firefighters would be anxiously standing by to make the deliveries. Residents are just asked to allow the firefighters in to observe that their homes are equipped for fire safety with working smoke detectors. With this being "Fire Safety Month" it is also a good time for young children to remind their parents to change batteries and have practice fire drills at home.

#### H. NEW BUSINESS

1. Ordinance No. 2002-10-120: ***An Ordinance Vacating a Portion of Clark Street (Between Harvey Street and Goodwin Avenue)***

Aldерwoman Wyman made a motion to approve. Alderman Hayes seconded. The vote was as follows:

Hayes - Aye	Patt - Aye
Huth - Aye	Whelan - Aye
Otto - Aye	Wyman - Aye

**Disposition:** Ordinance No. 2002-10-120, "An Ordinance Vacating a Portion of Clark Street (Between Harvey Street and Goodwin Avenue)", was approved by Council by roll call vote (6-aye:0-nay).

3. Ordinance No. 2002-10-126: ***An Ordinance Approving a Special Use Permit (To Establish a Warehouse, Self-Storage Facility on the Parcel Located Along the North Side of the 1600 Block of East Colorado Avenue in the B-3, General Business, Zoning District - Plan Case No. 1841-SU-02)***

Timothy Ross (Senior Planner) presented the staff report.

Alderwoman Wyman made a motion to approve with the recommendation made by staff in the October 16, 2002 memo. Alderman Hayes seconded. The vote was as follows:

Hayes - Aye	Patt - Aye
Huth - Aye	Whelan - Aye
Otto - Aye	Wyman - Aye

**Disposition:** Ordinance No. 2002-10-126, "An Ordinance Approving a Special Use Permit (To Establish a Warehouse, Self-Storage Facility on the Parcel Located Along the North Side of the 1600 Block of East Colorado Avenue in the B-3, General Business, Zoning District - Plan Case No. 1841-SU-02)", was approved by Council by a roll call vote (6-aye:0-nay).

4. Ordinance No. 2002-10-125: ***An Ordinance Authorizing the Issuance of the City of Urbana, Illinois Variable Rate Demand Multi-Family Housing Refunding Revenue Bonds, Series 2002 (Prairie Green II Apartments Project) in the Aggregate Principal Amount of Not to Exceed \$1,400,000 in Connection Therewith; Authorizing the Execution and Delivery of a Loan Agreement Between the City of Urbana, Illinois and the Borrower; Authorizing the Execution and Delivery of an Indenture of Trust Securing Said Bonds; Authorizing the Execution and Delivery of an Amended and Restated Land Use Restriction Agreement; Authorizing the Execution and Delivery and Delivery of a Bond Purchase Agreement; and Related Matters***

Mr. Walden presented the staff report. [This relates to Prairie Green Apartments.]

Alderman Hayes made a motion to approve. Alderwoman Huth seconded. The vote was as follows:

Hayes - Aye	Patt - Aye
Huth - Aye	Whelan - Aye
Otto - Aye	Wyman - Aye

**Disposition:** Ordinance No. 2002-10-125, "An Ordinance Authorizing the Issuance of the City of Urbana, Illinois Variable Rate Demand Multi-Family Housing Refunding Revenue Bonds, Series 2002 (Prairie Green II Apartments Project) in the Aggregate

Principal Amount of Not to Exceed \$1,400,000 in Connection Therewith; Authorizing the Execution and Delivery of a Loan Agreement Between the City of Urbana, Illinois and the Borrower; Authorizing the Execution and Delivery of an Indenture of Trust Securing Said Bonds; Authorizing the Execution and Delivery of an Amended and Restated Land Use Restriction Agreement; Authorizing the Execution and Delivery and Delivery of a Bond Purchase Agreement; and Related Matters", was approved by Council by a roll call vote (6-aye:0-nay).

Before the meeting was adjourned, Alderman Hayes asked that Ms Tyler give a brief report on the "neighborhood clean-up" that took place this past weekend. Elizabeth Tyler (Community Development Director) reported that this event was a great success. Residents were able to get rid of old items they were not using. She thanked Alderman Hayes for his assistance and other City staff who participated in this effort.

**I. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the City Council, Mayor Satterthwaite declared the meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

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Deborah J. Roberts  
Recording Secretary

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Phyllis D. Clark  
City Clerk

\*This meeting was taped.

\*\*This meeting was broadcast on cable television.

**Minutes Approved: November 4, 2002**