

CITY OF URBANA

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE - JANUARY 10, 2005 - 7:30 P.M.

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

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT: James H. Hayes, Jr. (Chair); Christopher Alix; Danielle Chynoweth; Esther Patt; Dennis Roberts; Joseph A. Whelan, Jr.; Ruth Wyman

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT: None

STAFF PRESENT: Tod Satterthwaite; Phyllis Clark; Bruce Walden; Stephen Holz; Eddie Adair; Rex Mundt; William Gray; Elizabeth Tyler; Robert Kowalski; John Regetz; Rodney Fletcher

OTHERS PRESENT: Members of the Media

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Chair Hayes called the meeting of the Committee Of The Whole to order at 7:30 p.m.

2. ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA AND STAFF REPORT

There were no additions to the agenda.

John Regetz (Economic Development Coordinator) gave an economic development update on the following:

- TIF 2 Extension Plan Amendment; public hearing set for March 7, 2005.
- Council approved special use permit for Aldi's.
- Council approved a parking agreement for the Lincoln Square Village project.
- Council approved a development agreement prepared by staff for the County Plaza redevelopment.
- Staff prepared an agreement for the Gill redevelopment site with Bear Properties. *[This item on tonight's agenda.]*
- Philo Road Business Directory Published.
- Staff is working with a variety of businesses and developers on their expansion plans as well as new development plans and projects.
- Staff continues to be active with the UBA (Urbana Business Association), EDC (Economic Development Corporation), and the CVB (Convention and Visitors Bureau).
- Two TIF redevelopment incentive loans were processed for downtown with the American Legion and also Michelle's Bridal, which has now relocated to Anthony Drive.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

December 13, 2004 - Ms Wyman made a motion to approve the minutes of the Committee meeting held December 13, 2004. Ms Patt seconded. The motion carried by a voice vote.

4. **PUBLIC INPUT**

There was none.

Committee Member Input

Ms Wyman expressed concerns concerning a visibility obstruction at the corner of Elm and Vine Streets due to the County's brick façade at that location. These were also concerns expressed by Mr. Roberts at last week's meeting. Ms Wyman asked that the City Attorney look into any liability concerns that could be imposed on the city and requested staff review the site plan with the County and report back to Council. Mr. Roberts concurred.

Ms Wyman also mentioned that the Open Meetings Act had been updated and requested that the City Attorney inform the Council of any changes pertaining to that law or any other laws that the Council should know about.

5. **RESOLUTION NO. 2005-01-001R: A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE NATIONAL INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (NIMS)**

Rex Mundt (Fire Chief) presented the staff report.

Ms Patt moved to send this to Council with a recommendation for approval. Ms Wyman seconded. The motion carried by a voice vote.

6. **ORDINANCE NO. 2005-01-004: AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AGREEMENTS FOR USE OF RIGHTS-OF-WAY (701 SOUTH GREGORY PLACE)**

William Gray (Public Works Director/City Engineer) presented the staff report.

Ms Wyman moved to send this item to Council with a recommendation for approval and a request that the city attorney review the agreements to see if any additional provisions are needed. Ms Patt seconded. The motion carried by a voice vote.

7. **ORDINANCE NO. 2005-01-005: AN ORDINANCE REVISING THE ANNUAL BUDGET ORDINANCE (U-CART PURCHASE)**

Mr. Gray presented the staff report.

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

8. **ORDINANCE NO. 2005-01-006: AN ORDINANCE REVISING THE ANNUAL BUDGET ORDINANCE (TREE TRIMMING GRANT)**

Mr. Gray presented the staff report.

Mr. Roberts moved to send this item to Council with a recommendation for approval. Ms Patt seconded. The motion carried by a voice vote.

9. **ORDINANCE NO. 2005-01-007: AN ORDINANCE ANNEXING CERTAIN TERRITORY TO THE CITY OF URBANA (APPROXIMATELY 0.138 ACRES LOCATED AT 407 SOUTH DODSON - HOMESTEAD CORPORATION)**

Mr. Regetz presented the staff report.

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

10. **ORDINANCE NO. 2005-01-008: AN ORDINANCE APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN ANNEXATION AGREEMENT (2413 AND 2425 EAST ELM STREET, AND 504 MACARTHUR DRIVE - HOMESTEAD CORPORATION OF CHAMPAIGN-URBANA)**

Mr. Regetz presented the staff report.

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

11. **ORDINANCE NO. 2005-01-009: AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT WITH BEAR PROPERTIES, LLC**

Mr. Regetz presented the staff report. Tom Harrington was present and available to answer questions.

Following debate, Mr. Whelan moved to send this item to Council with a recommendation for approval. Mr. Alix seconded. Debate ensued.

Following further debate, the motion carried by a voice vote.

12. **PRESENTATION: COMPREHENSIVE PLAN STUDY SESSION**

Robert Kowalski (Planning Division Manager) gave a PowerPoint presentation to the Committee. (See attached.)

This item did not necessitate Council action at this time.

13. **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Committee, Chair Hayes declared the meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

Deborah J. Roberts
Recording Secretary

*This meeting was broadcast on cable television.

Minutes Approved: January 24, 2005