

STATE OF ILLINOIS

CITY OF URBANA

Laurel Lunt Prussing, Mayor

Phyllis D. Clark, City Clerk



**URBANA CITY COUNCIL MEETING
OCTOBER 1, 2007**

The City Council of the City of Urbana, Illinois, met in regular session Monday, October 1, 2007 in the Council Chambers at the Urbana City Building.

ELECTED OFFICIALS PHYSICALLY PRESENT

Danielle Chynoweth, Alderwoman Ward 2
Robert E. Lewis, Alderman Ward 3
Brandon Bowersox, Alderman Ward 4
Dennis Roberts, Alderman Ward 5
Heather Stevenson, Alderwoman Ward 6
Lynne C. Barnes, Alderwoman Ward 7
Laurel Lunt Prussing, Mayor
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ELECTED OFFICIALS PRESENT VIA TELECONFERENCE

Charlie Smyth, Alderman Ward 1

ELECTED OFFICIALS ABSENT

None

STAFF PRESENT

Ronald O'Neal, Jr.; Michael Bily; Michael Dilley; William Gray; Robert Myers; Thomas Carrino; Debbi Roberts

OTHERS PRESENT

Roger Woodbury; Tyler Fitch; Dianna Visek; Christopher Stohr; Gary Share; Bernadine Stake; Robert Dunn; Durl Kruse; Cynthia Hoyle; Betsy Cronan; Members of the Media

A. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Mayor Prussing called the meeting of the Urbana City Council to order at 7:12 p. m. [Note: The record recognizes Alderman Smyth present via teleconference.]

B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

September 17, 2007 - Alderwoman Stevenson made a motion to approve the minutes of the meeting held September 17, 2007. Alderman Lewis seconded.

Alderman Bowersox noted that the minutes being approved were for the date of September 17, 2007 and not September 4, 2007 as notated on the agenda.

The motion to approve the minutes of September 17, 2007 carried by voice vote, as amended.

C. ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

The Mayor made a request to move the appointments of Fire Chief and Division Chief forward in the agenda to follow petitions and communications to allow for the Fire staff to attend.

D. PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Cynthia Hoyle, 2207 S. Cottage Grove, addressed the Council on the topic of "Walk and Bike to School Day".

Proclamation announced by the Mayors of Urbana and Champaign for the date of October 3, 2007 as International Walk to School Day.

The following people did not wish to speak, but submitted public input cards requesting that their position be entered into the record in support of Neighborhood Conservation Districts.

Betsy Cronan, 305 W. High.

Durl Kruse, 2007 S. George Huff, addressed the Council on the topic of Instant Run-off Voting and recent petition drive to place on ballot of February 5, 2008 a referendum asking for consideration of change from singular plurality to instant run-off voting.

The following people addressed the Committee with their opposition to Neighborhood Conservation Districts:

Robert Dunn, 1910 S. Race St.

The following people addressed the Committee in favor of Neighborhood Conservation Districts:

Bernadine Stake, 304 W. Iowa St.

Mayoral Appointment of Fire Chief, Michael Dilley, was made by the Mayor. A motion was made by Alderwoman Stevenson and seconded by Alderwoman Chynoweth. Motion carried by voice vote.

Mayoral Appointment of Division Chief, Russell Chism, was made by the Mayor. A motion was made by Alderwoman Barnes and seconded by Alderman Roberts. Motion carried by voice vote.

E. OLD BUSINESS

1. Ordinance No. 2007-06-059: An Ordinance Approving a Text Amendment to the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Urbana, Illinois (Adding Section XIII-5, "Neighborhood Conservation Districts", to the Urbana Zoning Ordinance - Plan Case No. 2023-T-06)

Staff member, Robert Myers, addressed questions from the Council.

The following people addressed the Committee against Neighborhood Conservation Districts:

Gary Shae, 708 W. Florida Ave.
Dianna Visek, 608 W. Pennsylvania

The following people addressed the Committee in favor of Neighborhood Conservation Districts:

Roger Woodbury, 310 W. Iowa
Christopher Stohr, 405 E. High

The following people addressed the Committee as neutral in regards to Neighborhood Conservation Districts:

Tyler Fitch, 503 E. California.

A motion was made by Alderwoman Barnes to postpone this ordinance for further review until the Council meeting on November 5, 2007. Alderman Lewis seconded. The motion carried by voice vote.

Disposition: Ordinance No. 2007-06-059: An Ordinance Approving a Text Amendment to the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Urbana, Illinois (Adding Section XIII-5, "Neighborhood Conservation Districts", to the Urbana Zoning Ordinance - Plan Case No. 2023-T-06), was postponed by the Council by voice vote.

F. REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

1. Committee Of The Whole

- a. **Ordinance No. 2007-09-109: An Ordinance Amending Schedule J of Section 23-183 of the Urbana Local Traffic Code Prohibiting Parking at All Times on Certain Streets (Smith Road Between Michigan Avenue and Rainbow View; Myra Ridge Drive, North of Windsor Road)**

Alderwoman Barnes made a motion to approve. Alderwoman Stevenson seconded. The vote was as follows:

Barnes - Aye	Roberts - Aye
Bowersox - Aye	Smyth - Aye
Chynoweth - Aye	Stevenson - Aye
Lewis - Aye	

Disposition: Ordinance No. 2007-09-109: An Ordinance Amending Schedule J of Section 23-183 of the Urbana Local Traffic Code Prohibiting Parking at All Times on Certain Streets (Smith Road Between Michigan Avenue and Rainbow View; Myra Ridge Drive, North of Windsor Road), was approved by Council by roll call vote (7-aye:0-nay).

- b. **Ordinance No. 2007-09-110: An Ordinance Deleting Section 23-38 of the Urbana Local Traffic Code Entitled "Neighborhood Electric Vehicles", and Establishing a New Section 23-38 Entitled "Neighborhood Vehicles"**

Alderman Barnes made a motion to approve. Alderman Roberts seconded. The vote was as follows:

Barnes - Aye	Roberts - Aye
Bowersox - Aye	Smyth - Aye
Chynoweth - Aye	Stevenson - Aye
Lewis - Aye	

Disposition: Ordinance No. 2007-09-110: An Ordinance Deleting Section 23-38 of the Urbana Local Traffic Code Entitled "Neighborhood Electric Vehicles", and Establishing a New Section 23-38 Entitled "Neighborhood Vehicles", was approved by Council by roll call vote (7-aye:0-nay)

c. **Resolution No. 2007-09-019R: A Resolution Approving the Purchase of Certain Real Estate with a Contribution of Tax Increment Financing Funds (911 North Lincoln Avenue)**

Alderman Barnes made a motion to approve. Alderman Roberts seconded. The vote was as follows:

Barnes - Aye	Roberts - Aye
Bowersox - Aye	Smyth - Aye
Chynoweth - Aye	Stevenson - Aye
Lewis - Aye	

Disposition: Resolution No. 2007-09-019R: A Resolution Approving the Purchase of Certain Real Estate with a Contribution of Tax Increment Financing Funds (911 North Lincoln Avenue), was approved by the Council by a roll call vote (7-aye:0-nay).

G. REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES

None.

H. REPORTS OF OFFICERS

Economic Development Manager, Tom Carrino, presented a overview of the ongoing projects, new businesses in Urbana, as well as new construction.

I. NEW BUSINESS

1. **Resolution No. 2007-10-020R: Resolution forming the Abraham Lincoln Bicentennial Commission of Champaign County**

Motion made by Alderman Chynoweth and seconded by Alderman Lewis. Motion carried by voice vote.

2. **Mayoral Appointment:**

Abraham Lincoln Bicentennial Commission of Champaign County:

- a. Barbara Wysocki, Champaign County Board Member
- b. Laurel Prussing, Mayor
- c. Todd Rent, Human Relations Officer

- d. Dennis Roberts, Alderman
- e. Anke Voss, Director of Champaign County Archives

Motion to approve by Alderman Bowersox and seconded by Alderwoman Barnes. Motion carried by voice vote.

J. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the City Council, Mayor Prussing declared the meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Laurel Lunt Prussing
Mayor

Phyllis D. Clark
City Clerk

This meeting was taped.

This meeting was broadcast on cable television.

Minutes Approved: October 15, 2007