

**CITY OF URBANA  
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE - NOVEMBER 26, 2006 - 7:00 P.M.  
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS - 400 S. VINE STREET, URBANA, IL**

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The City Council Committee Of The whole of the City of Urbana, Illinois, met in regular session Monday, November 26, 2007 in the Council Chambers of the Urbana City Building.

**ELECTED OFFICIALS PHYSICALLY PRESENT:** Brandon Bowersox (Chair); Lynne C. Barnes; Robert E. Lewis; Dennis Roberts; Charlie Smyth; Heather Stevenson; Laurel Lunt Prussing; Phyllis Clark

**ELECTED OFFICIALS PRESENT VIA TELECONFERENCE:** None

**ELECTED OFFICIALS ABSENT:** Danielle Chynoweth (Excused/Alderwoman Chynoweth will be out of the country until December 8, 2007)

**STAFF PRESENT:** Ronald O'Neal, Jr.; Michael Bily; Michael Dilly; Ronald Eldridge; William Gray; Robert Myers; Thomas Carrino; Barbara Stiehl; Gale Jamison; Bradley Bennett

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Steven O'Connor; Melvyn Skvarla; Gary Cziko; Members of the Media

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**1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL**

There being a quorum, Chair Bowersox called the meeting of the Committee Of The Whole to order at 7:21 p.m. *[Note: The meeting started at this hour due to a special City Council meeting held prior to.]*

**2. ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA AND STAFF REPORT**

There were no additions to the agenda.

William Gray (Public Works Director/City Engineer) reported on the following items:

- a. Leaf Pick-up extension. Due to a lot of leaves still on trees, another week has been added to the leaf pick-up schedule. This pick-up extension will occur the week of December 10-14. A notice will be published and Public Works staff has begun changing the signs.
- b. Philo Road beautification. The City's consultants, Shreiber, Anderson & Associates, will hold a workshop tomorrow at the Grace Methodist Church from 4-9:00 p.m. to obtain public input on the vision for Philo Road. A light dinner will be served. An Open House is scheduled for Thursday from 4-6:00 p.m. at the church where the ideas and concepts established at the workshop will be unveiled.

**3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

**November 13, 2007** - Ms Stevenson made a motion to approve the minutes of the Committee meeting held November 13, 2007. Mr. Lewis seconded. The motion carried by voice vote.

4. **PUBLIC INPUT**

Chair Bowersox noted that Gary Cziko had completed a public input card requesting to address the Committee at the time agenda item #11 (University District Lighting Project Concept) was presented. There were no objections.

5. **A MOTION DIRECTING THE PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR TO ISSUE A HOUSE MOVING PERMIT FOR THE MUMFORD HOUSE BARN LOCATED SOUTH AND WEST OF FLORIDA AVENUE AND GOODWIN AVENUE, UPON SATISFACTORY SUBMISSION OF ALL REQUIRED ITEMS**

[Point of record: Mr. Smyth left the meeting at 7:24 p.m. Although the request was not made proper, Mr. Smyth has requested that the record show he recused himself from discussions of this item due to a conflict of interest.]

Barbara Stiehl (Assistant to Public Works Director) presented the staff report. University of Illinois representatives, Steven O'Connor (Project Manager) and Melvyn Skvarla (Campus Historic Preservation Officer/Architect) were available to answer questions.

Ms Barnes moved to direct the Public Works Director to issue a house moving permit for the Mumford house barn located south and west of Florida Avenue and Goodwin Avenue, upon satisfactory submission of all required items. Mr. Lewis seconded. The motion carried by voice vote.

This item did not warrant further Council action at this time.

[Mr. Smyth returned to the meeting at 7:29 p.m.]

6. **ORDINANCE NO. 2007-11-124: AN ORDINANCE REVISING THE ANNUAL BUDGET ORDINANCE (PURCHASE OF CERTAIN CITY VEHICLES)**

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

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

7. **ORDINANCE NO. 2007-11-126: ANNUAL TAX LEVY ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF URBANA, ILLINOIS FOR THE YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2007 AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2008**

Agenda items #7, #8 and #9 were presented and acted on in omnibus fashion.

Ronald Eldridge (Comptroller) presented the staff report.

Mr. Roberts made a motion to send Ordinance Nos. 2007-11-126 and 2007-11-127, and Resolution No. 2007-11-027R to Council with a recommendation for approval. Mr. Lewis seconded. The motion carried by voice vote.

8. **ORDINANCE NO. 2007-11-127: AN ORDINANCE ABATING TAX LEVY FOR \$965,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, SERIES 2005 (FY 2007-08)**

(This item presented in omnibus fashion with item #7 and #9, and sent to Council with a recommendation for approval.)

9. **RESOLUTION NO. 2007-11-027R: A RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE CHAMPAIGN COUNTY CLERK TO ABATE THE TAX LEVY FOR THE GENERAL CORPORATE PURPOSE FOR THE YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2007 AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2008**

(This item presented in omnibus fashion with item #7 and #8, and sent to Council with a recommendation for approval.)

10. **ORDINANCE NO. 2007-11-133: EROSION AND SEDIMENT CONTROL ORDINANCE**

Gale Jamison (Assistant City Engineer) and Bradley Bennett (Civil Engineer) presented the staff report.

Following debate, Mr. Smyth made a motion to send this item to Council with a recommendation for approval. Mr. Lewis seconded. The motion carried by voice vote.

11. **DISCUSSION: UNIVERSITY DISTRICT LIGHTING PROJECT CONCEPT**

Mr. Gray presented the staff report.

Chair Bowersox acknowledged public input on this item at this time.

Gary Cziko, 506 W. Vermont, addressed the Committee in support of the proposed University District lighting project concept. Mr. Cziko also gave a brief PowerPoint presentation depicting current lights in the campus area along Green, John and Sixth Streets. [Note: These lights may be viewed online at [www.campuslights.com](http://www.campuslights.com).]

Following debate, Mr. Smyth made a motion directing staff to proceed with the proposed street light pole and fixture concept. Ms. Barnes seconded. The motion carried by voice vote.

12. **DISCUSSION: ILLEGAL SEWER CONNECTION POLICY**

Agenda items #12 and #13 were presented and acted on in omnibus fashion.

Mr. Gray presented the staff report. Messrs. Jamison and Bennett assisted.

Following debate, Mr. Smyth made a motion to direct staff to prepare the appropriate ordinances to: 1) develop an illegal sewer connection refund; and 2) develop laterals policy. Ms Barnes seconded. The motion carried by voice vote.

13. **DISCUSSION: MAINTENANCE OF SANITARY AND STORM SEWER SERVICE LATERALS**

[This item presented with #12. Staff directed to prepare appropriate ordinance to develop a laterals policy.]

14. **ORDINANCE NO. 2007-10-120: AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A TEXT AMENDMENT TO THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF URBANA, ILLINOIS (REPEALING SECTION VII-11, SPECIAL USE REQUIREMENTS FOR OASS; AMENDING ARTICLE IX, COMPREHENSIVE SIGN REGULATIONS; AND AMENDING ARTICLE X, NON-CONFORMITIES - PLAN CASE NO. 2050-T-07)**

Robert Myers (Planning Division Manager) presented the staff report.

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

15. **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Committee, Chair Bowersox declared the meeting adjourned at 8:38 p.m.

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Deborah J. Roberts  
Recording Secretary

This meeting was taped.

This meeting was broadcast on cable television.

Minutes Approved: December 10, 2007