Laurel Lunt Prussing, Mayor

Phyllis D. Clark, City Clerk



URBANA CITY COUNCIL MEETING NOVEMBER 3, 2008

The City Council of the City of Urbana, Illinois, met in regular session Monday, November 3, 2008 in the Council Chambers at the Urbana City Building.

ELECTED/APPOINTED OFFICIALS PHYSICALLY PRESENT

Charlie Smyth, Alderman Ward 1
David Gehrig, Alderman 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/APPOINTED OFFICIALS PRESENT VIA TELECONFERENCE

None

ELECTED/APPOINTED OFFICIALS ABSENT

None

STAFF PRESENT

Ronald O'Neal, Jr.; William Gray; Thomas Carrino; Robert Myers; Elizabeth Tyler; Michael Dilley; Jeff Engstrom; Patrick Connolly

OTHERS PRESENT

John Snyder; Gretchen Robbins; Paul Wiese; Members of the Media

A. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Mayor Prussing called the meeting of the Urbana City Council to order at $7:10~\mathrm{p.m.}$

B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

October 20, 2008 - Alderwoman Stevenson made a motion to approve the minutes of the meeting held October 6, 2008. Alderwoman Barnes seconded. The motion carried by voice vote.

C. ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

There were none.

D. PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

John Snyder, Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer of Carle Foundation Hospital, spoke to the Council about his concerns about the proposed wording revisions being considered in regards to the Urbana City Council Minutes: November 3, 2008 Page 2 of 5

Carle expansion program and the City's desire for one-to-one replacement housing.

E. OLD BUSINESS

There was none.

F. REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

1. Committee Of The Whole

a. Ordinance No. 2008-10-123: An Ordinance Approving a Third Amendment to a Redevelopment Agreement with Allen Strong (395 N. Race Street)

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

Barnes - Aye

Bowersox - Aye

Gehrig - Aye

Lewis - Aye

Roberts - Aye

Smyth - Aye

Stevenson - Aye

Disposition: Ordinance No. 2008-10-123: An Ordinance Approving a Third Amendment to a Redevelopment Agreement with Allen Strong (395 N. Race Street), was approved by Council by roll call vote (7-aye:0-nay).

b. Ordinance No. 2008-10-126: An Ordinance Amending Schedule H of Section 23-93 of the Urbana Local Traffic Code Requiring Stop Signs at a Certain Intersection (Cyprus Pointe at Stone Creek Boulevard; Stillwater Landing at Stone Creek Boulevard; Stonebrooke Lane at Stone Creek Boulevard; Stonebrooke Court at Stone Creek Boulevard; and Prairie Winds Drive at Colorado Avenue)

Alderman Gehrig made a motion to approve the ordinance. Alderwoman Stevenson seconded. The vote was as follows:

Barnes - Aye Roberts - Aye
Bowersox - Aye Smyth - Aye
Gehrig - Aye Stevenson - Aye

Lewis - Aye

Disposition: Ordinance No. 2008-10-126: An Ordinance Amending Schedule H of Section 23-93 of the Urbana Local Traffic Code Requiring Stop Signs at a Certain Intersection (Cyprus Pointe at Stone Creek Boulevard; Stillwater Landing at Stone Creek Boulevard; Pebblebrooke Lane at Stone Creek Boulevard; Stonebrooke Court at Stone Creek Boulevard; and Prairie Winds Drive at Colorado Avenue), was approved by Council by a roll call vote (7-aye:0-nay).

C. Ordinance No. 2008-10-127: An Ordinance Vacating a Public Alley (Block Between California Avenue, Urbana Avenue, Illinois Street, and Maple Street

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

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Barnes - Aye

Bowersox - Aye

Gehrig - Aye

Lewis - Aye

Roberts - Aye

Smyth - Aye

Stevenson - Aye

Disposition: Ordinance No. 2008-10-127, An Ordinance Vacating a Public Alley (Block Between California Avenue, Urbana Avenue, Illinois Street, and Maple Street, was approved by a roll call vote (7-aye:0-nay).

d. Ordinance No. 2008-10-128: An Ordinance Revising the Annual Budget Ordinance (Fire Truck Purchase - 2008)

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

Barnes - Aye

Bowersox - Aye

Gehrig - Aye

Lewis - Aye

Roberts - Aye

Smyth - Aye

Stevenson - Aye

Disposition: Ordinance No. 2008-10-128: An Ordinance Revising the Annual Budget Ordinance (Fire Truck Purchase - 2008), was approved by a roll call vote (7-aye:0-nay)

There was nothing further to report from the Committee Of The Whole. The next meeting of the Committee Of The Whole is scheduled for Monday, November 10, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

G. REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES

There were none.

H. REPORTS OF OFFICERS

Thomas Carrino (Economic Development Manager) announced there would be a meeting held on November 11, 2008 at the Illinois Terminal at 6 p.m. to discuss the University Avenue Corridor and Springfield Corridor studies.

He mentioned that the Market at the Square was coming to a close for this season and attendance had been higher than previous years. He told the Council they would be reviewing the Build Urbana Program in the near future as well as the Urbana Development Group Loan Program. Upon questioning, he updated Council on the Lincoln Square projects. Renovations are currently going on inside the hotel and this is crucial to securing a tentative contract with a national hotel chain, as well as a restaurant chain.

Elizabeth Tyler (Community Development Director/City Planner) gave the Council some updated information regarding recent actions taken by the City as Meijer's to alleviate the noise concerns of residents living nearby. She informed the Council new fencing, grading, landscaping and operational changes had been made to help with the noise situation, as well as some lighting changes.

Mayor Prussing announced her concerns about the Carle inititive and the current wording as being vague concerning the replacement housing and the City's sustainability commitments.

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Alderman Bowersox asked Patrick Connolly (Assistant Chief) if he could explain why residents had noticed so many helicopters in the air over the weekend. Assistant Chief Connolly stated there were several flying over the weekend due to recent threats received and the University football game. It was also mentioned parachuting was also taking place over the weekend as well.

I. NEW BUSINESS

 Motion to Allow Sanitary Sewer Connection for 2003 East Illini Airport Road Under the Urgency Provision of Resolution No. 9394-R-13

Robert Myers (Planning Manager) presented the staff report. Alderman Smyth made a motion to approve. Alderwoman Barnes seconded. The motion was approved by a voice vote.

Alderwoman Barnes recused herself from the meeting at 7:38 p.m. due to a conflict of interest with the next item on the agenda.

2. Ordinance No. 2008-11-129: An Ordinance Amending the City of Urbana Comprehensive Plan 2005 (Crystal Lake Neighborhood Plan Amendment - Plan Case No. 2088-CP-08

Jeff Engstrom (Planner I) gave the staff report. Additional information was provided by Elizabeth Tyler (Community Development Director/City Planner), Ronald O'Neal, Jr. (City Attorney) and Alderman Robert Lewis.

Alderwoman Stevenson made a motion to change the wording from "encourage" to "collaborate" and approve. Alderman Smyth seconded. After discussion, Alderwoman Stevenson withdrew her motion with no objections.

Alderwoman Stevenson then made a motion to send this item to Committee for more discussion and review of the language. Alderman Smyth seconded. The motion carried by a voice vote.

This item was sent to the next Committee meeting on November 10, 2008 for review.

Alderwoman Barnes returned to the meeting at 8:12 p.m.

3. Ordinance No. 2008-11-130: An Ordinance Authorizing the Subordination of Lien on Allen Strong Property (395 North Race Street)

Ronald O'Neal, Jr. (City Attorney) presented the staff report. Alderman Gehrig made a motion to approve. Alderwoman Stevenson seconded. The vote was as follows:

Barnes - Aye

Bowersox - Aye

Gehrig - Aye

Lewis - Aye

Roberts - Aye

Smyth - Aye

Stevenson - Aye

Disposition: Ordinance No. 2008-11-130: An Ordinance Authorizing the Subordination of Lien on Allen Strong Property (395 North Race Street), was approved by a roll call vote (7-aye:0-nay).

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4. Mayoral Appointment

a. Bicycle & Pedestrian Advisory Commission - Bryan Lake

Mayor Prussing made a recommendation to appoint Bryan Lake to the Bicycle & Pedestrian Advisory Commission with a term to end on June 30, 2011. Alderman Smyth made a motion to approve. Alderwoman Barnes seconded. The motion carried by a voice vote.

J. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the City Council, Mayor Prussing declared the meeting adjourned at 8:24 p.m.

Laurel Lunt Prussing Mayor

Phyllis D. Clark City Clerk

This meeting was taped.

This meeting was broadcast on cable television.

Minutes Approved: November 17, 2008