

**CITY OF URBANA  
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE - MAY 11, 2009 - 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, May 11, 2009 in the Council Chambers of the Urbana City Building.

**ELECTED OFFICIALS PHYSICALLY PRESENT:** Brandon Bowersox (Chair); David Gehrig; Robert E. Lewis; Diane Marlin; Dennis Roberts; Charlie Smyth; Heather Stevenson; Laurel Lunt Prussing; Phyllis Clark

**ELECTED OFFICIALS PRESENT VIA TELECONFERENCE:** None

**ELECTED OFFICIALS ABSENT:** None

**STAFF PRESENT:** Ronald O'Neal, Jr.; Michael Bily; Michael Dilley; William Gray; Elizabeth Tyler; Thomas Carrino; John Schneider; Anna Hochhalter; Rebecca Bird

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Jean Thompson; Steven Neill; Dennis Mohr; Members of the Media

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

Chair Bowersox called the meeting of the Committee Of The Whole to order at 7:08 p.m.

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

Chair Bowersox noted that he had been informed by the City Clerk that there was an error in the numbers of the ordinances presented in agenda items #8 and #9. Agenda item #8 should read Ordinance No. 2009-05-050 and #9 should read Ordinance No. 2009-05-051. The record will reflect this correction henceforth.

Anna Hochhalter (Public Arts Coordinator) informed Committee Members that staff wished to remove item #14 from the agenda at this time. Staff will be meeting with the artist within the next few days. There were no objections. Ordinance No. 2009-05-049, "An Ordinance Approving an Agreement with Frederic Beaugeard for the Design and Installation of a Newspaper Rack Located at 101 East Main Street / Champaign County Courthouse Site", was removed from the agenda and is not part of this record.

There was no staff report.

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

April 13, 2009 and April 20, 2009 (Special) - Ms Stevenson made a motion to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held April 13, 2009 and the special meeting held April 20, 2009. Mr. Gehrig seconded. The motion carried by voice vote.

**4. PUBLIC INPUT**

The following people addressed the Committee in opposition to the Casey's Retail Company proposal:

Jean Thompson, 203 N. Smith Road; and Steven Neill, 205 N. Smith Road. (Ms Thompson also submitted a letter from W. Hardin, a resident on North Smith Road, expressing opposition.)

**Council Member Input**

Chair Bowersox announced the start of "Bike to Work Week", May 11-15, 2009, and urged everyone to ride their bikes, wear helmets, and be safe.

5. **PRESENTATION: USE OF "ROUNABOUTS"**

The Honorable James Brainard, Mayor of Carmel, IN, gave a presentation on "Roundabouts". Roundabouts are an alternative to traditional intersections controlled by stop signs or traffic signals. Following his presentation, Mayor Brainard extended an invitation to Mayor Prussing, Council Members and city staff to be his guest for a tour of Carmel and the roundabout sites.

Mayor Prussing and members of the Council expressed gratitude toward Mayor Brainard and the effort he made in coming to Urbana to provide information on roundabouts and how they have benefited his city. They graciously accepted the invitation to visit Carmel, IN.

This item did not warrant Council action.

6. **RESOLUTION NO. 2009-03-011R: A RESOLUTION OF PROTEST AGAINST A PROPOSED MAP AMENDMENT TO THE CHAMPAIGN COUNTY ZONING MAP (A 1.04-ACRE TRACT OF LAND KNOWN AS 2218 EAST UNIVERSITY AVENUE/CASEY'S RETAIL COMPANY)**

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

Dennis Mohr, 2210 E. University, addressed the Committee in opposition to Casey's Retail Company's proposal.

Rebecca Bird (Planner) presented the staff report. Staff is requesting that this item be postponed to June 1, 2009. There were no objections from Committee Members. This item will appear on the June 1, 2009 agenda.

7. **ORDINANCE NO. 2009-03-024: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 8 OF THE CITY OF URBANA CODE OF ORDINANCES TO AUTHORIZE THE CHARGING OF COSTS OF CERTAIN FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICES TO NON-RESIDENT PARTIES**

Ronald O'Neal, Jr. (City Attorney) presented the staff report with the assistance of Michael Dilley (Fire Chief).

Following debate, Mr. Smyth moved to send this item to Council, with a request that staff present a new version of the ordinance that reflects a change in the definition of non-resident to mean persons residing outside of Champaign County. Mr. Lewis seconded. The motion carried by voice vote.

8. **ORDINANCE NO. 2009-05-050: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SCHEDULE J OF SECTION 23-183 OF THE URBANA LOCAL TRAFFIC CODE PROHIBITING PARKING AT ALL TIMES ON CERTAIN STREETS (COLORADO AVENUE)**

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

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

9. **ORDINANCE NO. 2009-05-051: AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE CHAMPAIGN-URBANA SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL SYSTEM ANNUAL BUDGET (FY 2009-2010)**

Mr. Gray presented the staff report.

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.

10. **ORDINANCE NO. 2009-05-047: AN ORDINANCE REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 2003-03-024, AND APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF CERTAIN REAL ESTATE (1107 NORTH GREGORY STREET AND 1109 NORTH GREGORY STREET / HOMESTEAD CORPORATION OF CHAMPAIGN-URBANA)**

John Schneider (Grants Management Division Manager) presented the staff report.

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. **RESOLUTION NO. 2009-05-019R: A RESOLUTION CERTIFYING A COMMUNITY HOUSING DEVELOPMENT ORGANIZATION FOR THE URBANA HOME CONSORTIUM FOR FY 2009-2010 (HOMESTEAD CORPORATION OF CHAMPAIGN-URBANA)**

[Agenda items #11 and #12 were presented in omnibus fashion.]

Mr. Schneider presented the staff report.

Mr. Smyth made a motion to send Resolution Nos. 2009-05-019R, "A Resolution Certifying a Community Housing Development Organization for the Urbana HOME Consortium for FY 2009-2010 (Homestead Corporation of Champaign-Urbana)", and 2009-05-020R, "A Resolution Certifying a Community Housing Development Organization for the Urbana HOME Consortium for FY 2009-2010 (Ecological Construction Laboratory)", to Council with a recommendation for approval. Ms Marlin seconded. The motion carried by voice vote.

12. **RESOLUTION NO. 2009-05-020R: A RESOLUTION CERTIFYING A COMMUNITY HOUSING DEVELOPMENT ORGANIZATION FOR THE URBANA HOME CONSORTIUM FOR FY 2009-2010 (ECOLOGICAL CONSTRUCTION LABORATORY)**

[Agenda items #11 and #12 were acted on in omnibus fashion.]

This item sent to Council with a recommendation for approval.

13. **ORDINANCE NO. 2009-05-048: AN ORDINANCE APPROVING AN AGREEMENT WITH CHAMPAIGN COUNTY FOR THE PLACEMENT OF A NEWSPAPER RACK LOCATED AT 101 EAST MAIN STREET / CHAMPAIGN COUNTY COURTHOUSE SITE**

Ms Hochhalter presented the staff report.

Following input from other Committee Members, at 9:32 p.m. Chair Bowersox asked Mr. Roberts to take the Chair and he entered debate.

Mr. Bowersox resumed the Chair at 9:34 p.m.

Mr. Smyth made a motion to send this item to Council. Mr. Gehrig seconded. The motion carried by voice vote.

15. **BUDGET REVIEW**

Mayor Prussing gave an introduction of the proposed budget plan for Fiscal Year 2009-2010, noting that the cover letter she prepared dated May 8, 2009 accurately indicates revenues to exceed expenditures of the current fiscal year by \$750,000. The previous letter had a typo which indicated \$750,000,000.

Ronald Eldridge (Comptroller) gave a brief PowerPoint presentation on the budget. Departments will begin their budget presentations at the May 26, 2009 Committee meeting.

This item did not warrant Council action at this time.

16. **ADJOURNMENT**

Prior to adjournment, Chair Bowersox recognized Mr. Smyth who commended Mr. Gray on the "Council Orientation Packet" prepared by the Public Works Department.

Mayor Prussing read a proclamation proclaiming the month of May "Bike Month".

There being no further business to come before the Committee, Chair Bowersox declared the meeting adjourned at 10:01 p.m.

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Deborah J. Roberts  
Recording Secretary

This meeting was taped.

This meeting was broadcast on cable television.

Minutes Approved: May 26, 2009