

STATE OF ILLINOIS

CITY OF URBANA

Laurel Lunt Prussing, Mayor

Phyllis D. Clark, City Clerk



URBANA CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
JULY 19, 2010

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The City Council of the City of Urbana, Illinois, met in regular session Monday, July 19, 2010 in the Council Chambers at the Urbana City Building.

**ELECTED OFFICIALS PHYSICALLY PRESENT**

Charlie Smyth, Alderman Ward 1  
David Gehrig, Alderman Ward 2  
Robert E. Lewis, Alderman Ward 3  
Dennis Roberts, Alderman Ward 5  
Heather Stevenson, Alderwoman Ward 6  
Diane W. Marlin, Alderwoman Ward 7  
Laurel Lunt Prussing, Mayor

**ELECTED OFFICIALS PRESENT VIA TELECONFERENCE**

Brandon Bowersox, Alderman Ward 4

**ELECTED OFFICIALS ABSENT**

Phyllis D. Clark, City Clerk [excused]

**STAFF PRESENT**

Mike Monson; Michael Bily; Michael Dilley; William Gray; Rebecca Bird;  
Kelly Hartford; Jennifer Gonzalez; Thomas Carrino; Robert Myers;  
Elizabeth Tyler; Deborah Roberts; John Schneider

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Dennis Kief; Gail Rost; Dr. Victor Mullins; Kent Williams; Members of  
the Media

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*PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE WAS RECITED*

**A. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL**

Mayor Prussing called the meeting of the Urbana City Council to order at 7:01 p.m.

*TELECONFERENCE CONNECTION WITH ALDERMAN BOWERSOX WAS LOST AT 7:03 P.M.*

**B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

June 21, 2010 - Alderman Roberts made a motion to approve the minutes of the meeting held June 21, 2010. Alderman Lewis seconded. The motion carried by voice vote.

**C. ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA**

There were no additions, but Mayor Prussing asked that her appointment of Fire Marshall Phillip Edwards be moved up to accommodate his family.

**D. PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS**

1. **Presentation: Local Motor Fuel Tax**

Dennis Kief, City Manager of Pekin, Illinois gave a presentation regarding increasing motor fuel taxes and its impact.

2. **Presentation: Champaign-Urbana Schools Foundation - CU Scholars**

Presentation was given by Gail Rost, CU Schools Foundation Executive Director and Dr. Victor Mullins, Chair of CU Scholars. Kent Williams, CU Scholars Board Chair was present in the audience. Discussion followed. Ms. Rost stated they would like to have a representative from the Council participate on the board.

Reverend Troy A. Burks, 904 N. Division Avenue, spoke to the Council of his concerns regarding the proposed increase in towing fees for certain crimes.

Alderman Roberts thanked the Fire Department for their actions taken earlier in the day when a gas line leaked and his home was threatened.

**E. OLD BUSINESS**

1. **Resolution No. 2010-06-020R: A Resolution Approving the 2010 Update of the Capital Improvement Plan for the City of Urbana**

William Gray (Public Works Director) gave the updated staff report. Alderman Roberts made a motion to approve. Alderman Smyth made a motion to amend the resolution to include the language from Council goals #5 into the resolution and approve.

Amended language should read: "WHEREAS, the City Council has adopted city goals, the Capital Improvement Plan will take into consideration the following items:

- 1) To adopt a complete street policy including alternative roadway configurations, such as bike boulevards, that give priority to pedestrian, bicycle and public transit modes. For intersection projects, include roundabouts and other technologies among the alternatives considered.
- 2) To improve safety for pedestrians and bicyclists at Windsor Road and Race Street.
- 3) To continue identifying and prioritizing improvements at problematic intersections."

Alderman Stevenson seconded the motion as amended. The resolution carried by a voice vote.

**F. REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES**

1. **Committee Of The Whole**

a. **Ordinance No. 2010-07-055: An Ordinance Annexing Certain Territory to the City of Urbana (203 South Dodson Drive / Angela Wade)**

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

Gehrig - Aye	Roberts - Aye
Lewis - Aye	Smyth - Aye
Marlin - Aye	Stevenson - Aye
Mayor Prussing - Aye	

**Disposition:** Ordinance No. 2010-07-055: An Ordinance Annexing Certain Territory to the City of Urbana (203 South Dodson Drive / Angela Wade), was approved by Council by roll call vote (7-aye:0-nay). [MAYOR VOTING]

b. **Ordinance No. 2010-07-056: An Ordinance Annexing Certain Territory to the City of Urbana (Annexation of Three Lots in Somerset Subdivision No. 3 / 2412, 2502 and 2505 Somerset Drive)**

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

Gehrig - Aye	Roberts - Aye
Lewis - Aye	Smyth - Aye
Marlin - Aye	Stevenson - Aye
Mayor Prussing - Aye	

**Disposition:** Ordinance No. 2010-07-056: An Ordinance Annexing Certain Territory to the City of Urbana (Annexation of Three Lots in Somerset Subdivision No. 3 / 2412, 2502 and 2505 Somerset Drive), was approved by Council by roll call vote (7-aye:0-nay). [MAYOR VOTING]

c. **Motion to Modify One of the Programs of the Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant**

Alderman Roberts moved to approve the motion. Alderman Marlin seconded. The motion carried by a voice vote.

d. **Ordinance No. 2010-07-052: An Ordinance Amending Chapter 23 of the Urbana City Code to Establish an Administrative Fee for Towing of Vehicles Used in the Commission of Certain Offenses**

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

Gehrig - Aye	Roberts - Aye
Lewis - Aye	Smyth - Aye
Marlin - Aye	Stevenson - Aye

**Disposition:** Ordinance No. 2010-07-052: An Ordinance Amending Chapter 23 of the Urbana City Code to Establish an Administrative Fee for Towing of Vehicles Used in the Commission of Certain Offenses, was approved by a roll call vote (6-aye:0-nay).

e. **Ordinance No. 2010-07-054: An Ordinance Amending Chapter 23, Article XIV, Section 23-192 of the Urbana Code of Ordinances (Parking Permits / Amending Hours and Area of Enforcement)**

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

Gehrig - Aye	Roberts - Aye
Lewis - Aye	Smyth - Aye
Marlin - Aye	Stevenson - Aye

**Disposition:** Ordinance No. 2010-07-054: An Ordinance Amending Chapter 23, Article XIV, Section 23-192 of the Urbana Code of Ordinances (Parking Permits / Amending Hours and Area of Enforcement), was approved by Council by roll call vote (6-aye:0-nay).

f. **Ordinance 2010-07-053: An Ordinance Adding Section 45.1 to Chapter 22 of the Urbana Municipal Code (Municipal Gas Use Tax)**

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

Gehrig - Aye	Roberts - Aye
Lewis - Aye	Smyth - Aye
Marlin - Aye	Stevenson - Aye

**Disposition:** Ordinance 2010-07-053: An Ordinance Adding Section 45.1 to Chapter 22 of the Urbana Municipal Code (Municipal Gas Use Tax, was approved by a roll call vote (6-aye:0-nay).

g. **Resolution No. 2010-07-021R: A Resolution for Improvement by Municipalities Under the Illinois Highway Code (North Lincoln Avenue / Bridge Replacement Construction)**

Alderman Roberts made a motion to approve. Alderman Lewis seconded. The resolution carried by a voice vote.

With nothing further to report, the next meeting of the Committee of the Whole is scheduled for Monday, August 9, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

**G. REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES**

There were none.

**H. REPORTS OF OFFICERS**

Alderswoman Marlin announced Saturday, July 24, 2010 from 10 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. is Family Fun Day at County Market on Philo Road. There will be many children's activities.

**I. NEW BUSINESS**

1. **Ordinance No. 2010-07-067: An Ordinance Amending the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Urbana, Illinois (Revising Article XII, Historic Preservation Ordinance - Plan Case No. 2125-T-10)**

Rebecca Bird (Planner) gave the staff report. She stated this had been approved by the Historic Preservation Commission and the Urbana Plan Commission. Alderman Roberts made a motion to approve. Alderman Smyth seconded. The vote was as follows:

Gehrig - Aye	Roberts - Aye
Lewis - Aye	Smyth - Aye
Marlin - Aye	Stevenson - Aye

**Disposition:** Ordinance No. 2010-07-067: An Ordinance Amending the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Urbana, Illinois (Revising Article XII, Historic Preservation Ordinance - Plan Case No. 2125-T-10), was approved by Council by roll call vote (6-aye:0-nay).

2. **Ordinance No. 2010-07-057: An Ordinance Approving a City of Urbana Community Development Block Grant Program Agreement (Greater Community AIDS Project (GCAP)/Project No. 1011-CSSP-01)**

*This item was handled in omnibus fashion with Ordinance Nos. 2010-07-058, 2010-07-059, and 2010-07-060.*

Kelly Hartford (Grants Coordinator) presented the staff report with additional information given by John Schneider (Grants Manager). Alderman Roberts made a motion to approve in omnibus fashion. Alderman Gehrig seconded. The vote was as follows:

Gehrig - Aye	Roberts - Aye
Lewis - Aye	Smyth - Aye
Marlin - Aye	Stevenson - Aye

**Disposition:** Ordinance No. 2010-07-057: An Ordinance Approving a City of Urbana Community Development Block Grant Program Agreement (Greater Community AIDS Project (GCAP)/Project No. 1011-CSSP-01), Ordinance No. 2010-07-058: An Ordinance Approving a City of Urbana Community Development Block Grant Program Agreement (Mental Health Center of Champaign County - Roundhouse Youth Shelter/Project No. 1011-CSSP-02), Ordinance No. 2010-07-059: An Ordinance Approving a City of Urbana Community Development Block Grant Program Agreement (Champaign County Regional Planning Commission - Senior Services/Project No. 1011-CSSP-03), Ordinance No. 2010-07-060: An Ordinance Approving a

City of Urbana Community Development Block Grant Program Agreement (Partnership Accounts for Individual Development (PAID)/Project No. 1011-CSSP-04), were approved by Council by roll call vote (6-aye:0-nay).

3. **Ordinance No. 2010-07-058: An Ordinance Approving a City of Urbana Community Development Block Grant Program Agreement (Mental Health Center of Champaign County - Roundhouse Youth Shelter/Project No. 1011-CSSP-02)**

*This item was handled in omnibus fashion with Ordinance Nos. 2010-07-057, 2010-07-059, and 2010-07-060.*

4. **Ordinance No. 2010-07-059: An Ordinance Approving a City of Urbana Community Development Block Grant Program Agreement (Champaign County Regional Planning Commission - Senior Services/Project No. 1011-CSSP-03)**

*This item was handled in omnibus fashion with Ordinance Nos. 2010-07-057, 2010-07-058, and 2010-07-060.*

5. **Ordinance No. 2010-07-060: An Ordinance Approving a City of Urbana Community Development Block Grant Program Agreement (Partnership Accounts for Individual Development (PAID)/Project No. 1011-CSSP-04)**

*This item was handled in omnibus fashion with Ordinance Nos. 2010-07-057, 2010-07-058, and 2010-07-059.*

6. **Ordinance No. 2010-07-061: An Ordinance Approving a Community Development Block Grant Program Agreement (Center for Women in Transition-A Woman's Place/Project No. 1011-AAP-01)**

*This item was handled in omnibus fashion with Ordinance Nos. 2010-07-062, 2010-07-063, and 2010-07-064.*

Kelly Hartford (Grant Coordinator) gave the staff report. Alderwoman Marlin made a motion to approve in omnibus fashion. Alderman Gehrig seconded. The vote was as follows:

Gehrig - Aye	Roberts - Aye
Lewis - Aye	Smyth - Aye
Marlin - Aye	Stevenson - Aye

**Disposition:** Ordinance No. 2010-07-061: An Ordinance Approving a Community Development Block Grant Program Agreement (Center for Women in Transition-A Woman's Place/Project No. 1011-AAP-01 and Ordinance No. 2010-07-062: An Ordinance Approving a Community Development Block Grant Program Agreement (Prairie Homes, Inc./Project No. 1011-AAP-02), Ordinance No. 2010-07-063: An Ordinance Approving a Community Development Block Grant Program Agreement (Mental Health Center - Elm Street Supported Apartments/Project No. 1011-AAP-03), Ordinance No. 2010-07-064: An Ordinance Approving a Community Development Block Grant Program Agreement (Mental Health Center - Lincolnshire Group Home/Project No. 1011-AAP-04), were approved by a roll call vote (6-aye:0-nay).

7. **Ordinance No. 2010-07-062: An Ordinance Approving a Community Development Block Grant Program Agreement (Prairie Homes, Inc./Project No. 1011-AAP-02)**

*This item was handled in omnibus fashion with Ordinance Nos. 2010-07-061, 2010-07-063 and 2010-07-064.*

8. **Ordinance No. 2010-07-063: An Ordinance Approving a Community Development Block Grant Program Agreement (Mental Health Center - Elm Street Supported Apartments/Project No. 1011-AAP-03)**

*This item was handled in omnibus fashion with Ordinance Nos. 2010-07-061, 2010-07-062 and 2010-07-064.*

9. **Ordinance No. 2010-07-064: An Ordinance Approving a Community Development Block Grant Program Agreement (Mental Health Center - Lincolnshire Group Home/Project No. 1011-AAP-04)**

*This item was handled in omnibus fashion with Ordinance Nos. 2010-07-061, 2010-07-062 and 2010-07-063.*

10. **Ordinance No. 2010-07-065: An Ordinance Approving an Authorizing the Execution of an Urbana Home Consortium Community Housing Development Organization Agreement (Ecological Construction Laboratory CHDO Operating FY 2010-2011)**

*This item was handled in omnibus fashion with Ordinance No. 2010-07-066.*

Jennifer Gonzalez (HOME Grant Coordinator) gave the staff report. Additional information was given by John Schneider (Grants Manager). Alderman Smyth made a motion to approve this ordinance in omnibus fashion. Alderman Gehrig seconded. The vote was as follows:

Gehrig - Aye	Roberts - Aye
Lewis - Aye	Smyth - Aye
Marlin - Aye	Stevenson - Aye

**Disposition:** Ordinance No. 2010-07-065: An Ordinance Approving an Authorizing the Execution of an Urbana Home Consortium Community Housing Development Organization Agreement (Ecological Construction Laboratory CHDO Operating FY 2010-2011), and Ordinance No. 2010-07-066: An Ordinance Approving and Authorizing the Execution of an Urbana Home Consortium Community Housing Development Organization Agreement (Homestead Corporation of Champaign-Urbana CHDO Operating FY 2010-2011), were approved by a roll call vote (6-aye:0-nay).

11. **Ordinance No. 2010-07-066: An Ordinance Approving and Authorizing the Execution of an Urbana Home Consortium Community Housing Development Organization Agreement (Homestead Corporation of Champaign-Urbana CHDO Operating FY 2010-2011)**

*This item was handled in omnibus fashion with Ordinance No. 2010-07-065.*

12. **Mayoral Appointments and Re-Appointments**

*The Mayoral appointment of Phillip Edwards was handled out of sequence during petitions and communications.*

Mayor Prussing presented her recommendation of Phillip Edwards as Fire Marshall. Chief Dilley presented Mr. Edwards and his family to the audience. Alderman Smyth made a motion to approve the appointment of Phillip Edwards as Fire Marshall. Alderwoman Stevenson seconded. The motion carried by a voice vote.

Mayor Prussing presented her recommendations for re-appointments of Susan Jones to Bicycle & Pedestrian Commission; Clark Bullard as Boneyard Creek Commissioner; Willard Broom to Civil Service Commission; Chris Diana and Jerry Moreland to Community Development Commission; Diane Marlin to Free Library Board; Aisha Sobh to Human Relations Commission; J. Kevin Fahey to Property Maintenance Code Board of Appeals; and Ilona Matkovszki to Public Arts Commission. Alderman Smyth made a motion to approve the re-appointments as recommended. Alderman Roberts seconded. The motion carried by a voice vote.

13. **Closed Session: Property Acquisition Issues, Pursuant 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(5)**

Alderman Gehrig made a motion to go into closed session to discuss Property Acquisition Issues, Pursuant 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(5). Alderman Lewis seconded. The vote was as follows:

Gehrig - Aye	Roberts - Aye
Lewis - Aye	Smyth - Aye
Marlin - Aye	Stevenson - Aye
Mayor Prussing - Aye	

The motion passed by a roll call vote (7-aye:0-nay).

The Council went into closed session at 8:40 p.m.

The Council resumed regular session at 9:34 p.m. with all members present except for Alderman Bowersox and Phyllis D. Clark.

**J. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the City Council, Mayor Prussing declared the meeting adjourned at 9:35 p.m.

Laurel Lunt Prussing  
Mayor

Phyllis D. Clark  
City Clerk

This meeting was taped.  
This meeting was broadcast on cable television.

Minutes Approved: August 16, 2010