

STATE OF ILLINOIS

CITY OF URBANA

Laurel Lunt Prussing, Mayor

Phyllis D. Clark, City Clerk



**URBANA CITY COUNCIL MEETING
AUGUST 16, 2010**

The City Council of the City of Urbana, Illinois, met in regular session Monday, August 16, 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
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ELECTED OFFICIALS PRESENT VIA TELECONFERENCE

Brandon Bowersox, Alderman Ward 4

ELECTED OFFICIALS ABSENT

None

STAFF PRESENT

Mike Monson; Patrick Connolly; Michael Dilley; William Gray; Rebecca Bird; Thomas Carrino; Jeff Engstrom; Elizabeth Tyler

OTHERS PRESENT

Bob Bosshart; Helen Miron; Chris Doxtator; Thomas Martin; David Rogers; Brenda Rogers; Leslie Cotton; Jeffery Branson; Chad May; Randy Brown; John Grubb; Michael Wilmore; Carl Webber; Laura Huth; Brendan McGinty; Bennie Drake, Jr.; Members of the Media

A. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Mayor Prussing called the meeting of the Urbana City Council to order at 7:02 p.m.

B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

July 19, 2010 - Alderman Lewis made a motion to approve the minutes of the meeting held July 19, 2010. Alderwoman Stevenson seconded. The motion carried by voice vote.

C. ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

Mayor Prussing announced the addition of two appointees to the Mayoral appointment list. There were no objections.

D. PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Bob Bosshart, 302 Dodson spoke to the Council in opposition of the proposed gasoline tax.

Helen Miron, 612 W. Nevada Street; Chris Doxtator, 2107 N. High Cross Road; Thomas Martin, 1721 Cindy Lynn Street; David Rogers, 1802 N. Concord Lane; Brenda Rogers, 1802 N. Concord Lane; Leslie Cotton, 1721 Cindy Lynn Street; Jeffery Branson, 1721 Cindy Lynn Street; Chad May, 2016 E. Vermont Avenue; Randy Brown, 1183 Count Road 2300 East, Sidney; John Grubb, 1902 Shelly Court; Carl Webber, 202 Lincoln Street spoke to the Council in support of the text amendment for residential rehab and recovery centers. Many spoke of their own successes with the Lifeline Connect program.

Michael Wilmore, 1403 E. Washington, of AFSCME Council 31, spoke to the Council in support of the proposed gasoline tax and the need to maintain City infrastructure.

Bennie Drake, Jr., 909 N. Linview did not speak to the Council, but asked that his position be entered into the record as in support of the proposed Olympian Drive/Lincoln Avenue projects.

Mayor Prussing read a proclamation which Alderman Roberts will deliver this week to the residents of Zomba, Malawi, a sister-city of Urbana. The proclamation announces "the City of Urbana in the United States of America is committed to working in friendship with the City of Zomba, Malawi on projects of mutual interest which will broaden the understanding and appreciation of each other's culture, traditions, and approach to solving current problems". Alderman Roberts announced he would be leaving Wednesday for Malawi as part of the African Urban Poverty Elimination Project.

E. OLD BUSINESS

There was none.

Alderman Gehrig requested item #2 from NEW BUSINESS to be handled ahead of REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES. There were no objections.

F. REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

1. Committee Of The Whole

a. Ordinance No. 2010-08-069: An Ordinance Approving and Authorizing the Execution of an Annexation Agreement (1401 East Perkins Road / Joyce Moody)

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

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

Disposition: Ordinance No. 2010-08-069: An Ordinance Approving and Authorizing the Execution of an Annexation

Agreement (1401 East Perkins Road / Joyce Moody, was approved by Council by roll call vote (7-aye:0-nay).

- b. **Ordinance No. 2010-08-068: An Ordinance Amending Schedule J of Section 23-183 of the Urbana Local Traffic Code Prohibiting Parking at All Times on Certain Streets (Grossbach Drive, Fairlawn Drive)**

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

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

Disposition: Ordinance No. 2010-08-068: An Ordinance Amending Schedule J of Section 23-183 of the Urbana Local Traffic Code Prohibiting Parking at All Times on Certain Streets (Grossbach Drive, Fairlawn Drive), was approved by Council by roll call vote (7-aye:0-nay).

- c. **Resolution No. 2010-08-022R: Resolution of Support for an Application for Illinois Transportation Enhancement Funds (Main Street Bike Lanes and Pedestrian Improvements)**

Alderwoman Stevenson moved to approve. Alderman Lewis seconded. The motion carried by a voice vote.

- d. **Ordinance No. 2010-08-070: An Ordinance Amending Chapter 22 of the Urbana City Code to Establish a Motor Fuel Tax**

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

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

Disposition: Ordinance No. 2010-08-070: An Ordinance Amending Chapter 22 of the Urbana City Code to Establish a Motor Fuel Tax, was approved by a roll call vote (4-aye:3-nay). [MAYOR VOTING]

G. REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES

There were none.

H. REPORTS OF OFFICERS

Thomas Carrino (Economic Development Manager) announced the market study of downtown will be available on the City website for the public viewing Tuesday, August 17, 2010.

Mayor Prussing announced the Illinois Municipal League will be meeting in Chicago on September 3, 2010.

William Gray (Public Works Director) announced the recent electronic recycling program was very successful. He stated Marco Steel, 302 S. Market Street, will start a six month pilot program for recycling electronics at no charge. He also announced there would be a community roundtable meeting of all stakeholders regarding Olympian Drive/Lincoln Avenue at the Civic Center on August 25, 2010 from 7-9 p.m.

I. NEW BUSINESS

1. Update: Olympian Drive/Lincoln Avenue

William Gray (Public Works Director) gave an updated report. Discussion followed.

Brendan McGinty, 805 Shurts spoke to the Council about his concerns regarding the Olympian Drive project including showing the public proof of demand, costs as they relate to finances and spending and the lack of engagement process with the public.

Laura Huth, 201 W. Green stated she was representing 21 clients who live or have property in the proposed area and recommended that more options be included in the study as much of the study was several years old.

No action was taken at this time.

2. Resolution No. 2010-08-023R: A Resolution of Protest Against a Proposed Text Amendment to the Champaign County Zoning Ordinance (Request by the Champaign County Zoning Administrator to Amend the Champaign County Zoning Ordinance Concerning Residential Recovery Centers / Plan Case No. CCZBA-668-AT-10)

THIS ITEM WAS HANDLED OUT OF SEQUENCE BEFORE REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES WITH ON OBJECTION.

Jeff Engstrom (Planner) presented the staff report. It was recommended to include language changes which show resident population not to exceed 30 and operation of recovery center to be handled by a church or temple of location. Alderwoman Marlin made a motion to approve with amendments in language as discussed. Alderman Lewis seconded. The motion carried by a voice vote.

3. Ordinance No. 2010-08-071: An Ordinance Amending the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Urbana, Illinois (Omnibus Zoning Ordinance Text Amendment - Plan Case No. 2122-T-10)

Jeff Engstrom (Planner) presented the staff report. Alderman Roberts made a motion to approve. Alderwoman Marlin seconded. The vote was as follows:

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

Disposition: Ordinance No. 2010-08-071: An Ordinance Amending the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Urbana, Illinois (Omnibus Zoning

Ordinance Text Amendment - Plan Case No. 2122-T-10), was approved by a roll call vote (7-aye:0-nay).

4. **Ordinance No. 2010-08-072: An Ordinance Amending Chapter 7 of the Urbana City Code to Modify Fence Height and Opacity Standards (Omnibus Zoning Ordinance Text Amendment - Plan Case No. 2122-T-10)**

Jeff Engstrom (Planner) gave the staff report. Alderman Roberts made a motion to approve. Alderman Gehrig seconded. The vote was as follows:

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

Disposition: Ordinance No. 2010-08-072: An Ordinance Amending Chapter 7 of the Urbana City Code to Modify Fence Height and Opacity Standards (Omnibus Zoning Ordinance Text Amendment - Plan Case No. 2122-T-10), was approved by a roll call vote (7-aye:0-nay).

5. **Ordinance No. 2010-08-073: An Ordinance Approving a Text Amendment to the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Urbana, Illinois (Revisions to Section XI-15.J.1.B, "East Urbana Design Review Overlay District" - Plan Case No. 2130-T-10)**

Rebecca Bird (Planner) gave the staff report and announced 504 ½ and 506 E. Elm Street would be added to the East Urbana Design Review District. Alderman Roberts made a motion to approve. Alderman Smyth seconded. The vote was as follows:

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

Disposition: Ordinance No. 2010-08-073: An Ordinance Approving a Text Amendment to the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Urbana, Illinois (Revisions to Section XI-15.J.1.B, "East Urbana Design Review Overlay District" - Plan Case No. 2130-T-10), was approved by a roll call vote (6-aye:1-nay).

6. **Mayoral Appointments:**

Mayor Prussing announced her recommendations as follows: Kim Smith to Design Review Board/MOR Development Review Board; Diane Marlin to C-U Scholars Advisory Committee; Rita Haber as Student Representative to Urbana Human Relations Commission; Stacy Harwood to Zoning Board of Appeals; Marie Polk to UPTV Commission; Marion Knight, Jr. to the Civil Service Commission and Bart Hagston as Environmental Sustainability Manager.

Alderwoman Stevenson made a motion to approve the appointments. Alderwoman Marlin seconded. The motion carried by a voice vote.

7. **Resolution No. 2010-08-024R: Resolution in Support of High Speed Rail**

Mayor Prussing announced a language addition in the last paragraph to include "Urbana" in the listing of cities linked by the high speed rail service. Alderman Smyth made a motion to approve as amended. Alderman Roberts seconded. The motion carried by a voice vote.

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

Alderman Smyth made a motion to go into closed session to discuss property acquisition issues, pursuant 5 ILCS 120/2 (c)(5). Alderman Gehrig seconded. The vote was as follows:

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

Teleconference connection with Alderman Bowersox was ended at 9:26 p.m.

The Council went into closed session at 9:27 p.m.

The Council resumed its regular session at 9:47 p.m. with all members present except for Alderman Bowersox.

10. **Ordinance No. 2010-08-074: An Ordinance Authorizing the Mayor to Execute an Extension Agreement (202 South Vine Street - Goodyear)**

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

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

Disposition: Ordinance No. 2010-08-074: An Ordinance Authorizing the Mayor to Execute an Extension Agreement (202 South Vine Street - Goodyear, was approved by a roll call vote (6-aye:0-nay).

J. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the City Council, Mayor Prussing declared the meeting adjourned at 9:48 p.m.

Laurel Lunt Prussing
Mayor

Phyllis D. Clark
City Clerk

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

Minutes Approved: September 20, 2010