

STATE OF ILLINOIS

CITY OF URBANA

Laurel Lunt Prussing, Mayor

Phyllis D. Clark, City Clerk



**URBANA CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MAY 2, 2011**

The City Council of the City of Urbana, Illinois, met in regular session Monday, May 2, 2011 in the Council Chambers at the Urbana City Building.

ELECTED OFFICIALS PHYSICALLY PRESENT

Eric Jakobsson, Alderman Ward 2
Robert E. Lewis, Alderman Ward 3
Brandon Bowersox, Alderman Ward 4
Dennis Roberts, Alderman Ward 5
Diane W. Marlin, Alderwoman Ward 7
Laurel Lunt Prussing, Mayor
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ELECTED OFFICIALS PRESENT VIA TELECONFERENCE

Heather Stevenson, Alderwoman Ward 6

ELECTED OFFICIALS ABSENT

Charles Smyth, Alderman Ward 1 [excused]

STAFF PRESENT

Mike Monson; Michael Dilley; William Gray; Elizabeth Tyler; Curt Borman; Kelly Hartford; Patrick Connolly; Beth Beaty; Ron Eldridge

OTHERS PRESENT

Carol McKusick; Members of the Media

A. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Mayor Prussing called the meeting of the Urbana City Council to order at 7:06 p.m.

B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

April 18, 2011 - Alderman Bowersox made a motion to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held April 18, 2011 with a correction to the date in the first paragraph from "April 4, 2011" to "April 18, 2011". Alderman Roberts seconded. The motion to approve the minutes of April 18, 2011 as amended was carried by a voice vote.

C. ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

There were none.

D. PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Carol McKusick, 403 W. University, spoke to the Council regarding her concerns about lids being replaced by commercial refuse haulers. She also discussed her concerns regarding posting videos of governmental meetings online and stated she was addressing her concerns directly with Bill Dejarnette (Information Services Manager).

Alderman Roberts announced that Saturday, May 7, 2011 from 9:00 a.m. until noon would be the first street clean-up day for the season. Volunteers would be working on cleaning up Lierman and Washington Streets. Bags will be provided by Public Works and food was also being provided. He said the Lierman Neighborhood Advisory Committee had recently joined the "Adopt Urbana" program.

Alderman Roberts also gave an updated report regarding the Sister Cities program. He stated Thursday, May 5, 2011, Christopher Stohr would be traveling to Malawi to help review the bidding documents. Construction should begin soon after on water units and latrines.

Alderman Marlin asked if the City should consider giving a formal response to Governor Quinn regarding the proposed cut in revenues to cities. Discussion followed. Mayor Prussing stated individual contact would probably be more effective, but if the Council wished to propose a resolution, they could present a draft.

E. OLD BUSINESS

1. Committee of the Whole

a. Ordinance No. 2011-03-016: An Ordinance Amending Chapter Fourteen of the Code of Ordinances, City of Urbana, Illinois, Regarding the Schedule of Fees (July 1, 2011 Through June 30, 2012)

Beth Beaty (Office Manager/Parking Supervisor), Elizabeth Tyler (Community Development Director/City Planner) and Ronald Eldridge (Comptroller) provided information regarding language changes made to a few of the fee schedules involving plumbing, mechanical and sewer. Alderman Marlin made a motion to approve with language amendments as discussed. Alderman Roberts seconded. The vote was as follows:

Bowersox - aye	Marlin - aye
Jakobsson - aye	Roberts - aye
Lewis - aye	Stevenson - aye

Disposition: Ordinance No. 2011-03-016: An Ordinance Amending Chapter Fourteen of the Code of Ordinances, City of Urbana, Illinois, Regarding the Schedule of Fees (July

1, 2011 Through June 30, 2012), was approved by a roll call vote (6-aye:0-nay).

b. **Ordinance No. 2011-04-023: An Ordinance Approving the City of Urbana and Urbana/Champaign/Champaign County HOME Consortium FY 2011-2012 Annual Action Plan**

Alderman Marlin made a motion to approve. Alderman Lewis seconded. This motion died for lack of a vote.

Kelly Hartford (Acting Grants Manager) announced the City had received notice from the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) of a change to the City's allocation and is now projected to receive \$421,450 which represents a 16% reduction from last year's allocation. The Urbana HOME Consortium allocation from HUD is now projected to be \$1,000,600 for FY 2011-2012 which is about a 12% reduction from last year. Staff is recommending this item be postponed until a Special Council Meeting can be held on May 9, 2011 as they will be re-working the budget with the new funding figures. Alderman Roberts made a motion to postpone definitely until May 9, 2011. Alderman Lewis seconded. The motion carried by a voice vote.

c. **Resolution No. 2011-04-011R: A Resolution Amending an Intergovernmental Agreement with the City of Champaign and the County of Champaign for the Design of Olympian Drive**

William Gray (Public Works Director) told Council that the North Lincoln Avenue proposal would be considered by Champaign County Board on May 19, 2011 and would be presented at a future date to the City Council.

Alderman Marlin made a motion to approve the resolution. Alderman Roberts seconded. The motion passed by a voice vote.

d. **Ordinance No. 2011-04-027: An Ordinance Authorizing the Lease of Certain Real Estate (909 North Lincoln Avenue)**

Alderman Marlin made a motion to approve. Alderman Lewis seconded. The vote was as follows:

Bowersox - aye	Roberts - aye
Jakobsson - aye	Stevenson - aye
Lewis - aye	Mayor Prussing - aye
Marlin - aye	

Disposition: Ordinance No. 2011-04-027: An Ordinance Authorizing the Lease of Certain Real Estate (909 North Lincoln Avenue), was approved by a roll call vote (7-aye:0-nay) [MAYOR VOTING].

- e. **Ordinance No. 2011-04-028: An Ordinance Amending Schedule J of Section 23-183 of the Urbana Local Traffic Code Prohibiting Parking at All Times on Certain Streets (Thompson Drive; Lydia Court)**

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

Bowersox - aye	Marlin - aye
Jakobsson - aye	Roberts - aye
Lewis - aye	Stevenson - aye

Disposition: Ordinance No. 2011-04-028: An Ordinance Amending Schedule J of Section 23-183 of the Urbana Local Traffic Code Prohibiting Parking at All Times on Certain Streets (Thompson Drive; Lydia Court), was approved by a roll call vote (6-aye:0-nay).

- f. **Ordinance No. 2011-04-029: An Ordinance Amending Schedule D of Section 23-73 of the Urbana Local Traffic Code Requiring Obedience to No-Turn Signs (Lincoln Avenue Between Iowa Street and Nevada Street)**

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

Bowersox - aye	Marlin - aye
Jakobsson - aye	Roberts - aye
Lewis - aye	Stevenson - aye

Disposition: Ordinance No. 2011-04-029: An Ordinance Amending Schedule D of Section 23-73 of the Urbana Local Traffic Code Requiring Obedience to No-Turn Signs (Lincoln Avenue Between Iowa Street and Nevada Street), was approved by a roll call vote (6-aye:0-nay).

- g. **Ordinance No. 2011-04-030: An Ordinance Amending Schedule 23-72 of the Urbana Local Traffic Code Entitled "Authority to Place Restricted Turn Signs"**

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

Bowersox - aye	Marlin - aye
Jakobsson - aye	Roberts - aye
Lewis - aye	Stevenson - aye

Disposition: Ordinance No. 2011-04-030: An Ordinance Amending Schedule 23-72 of the Urbana Local Traffic Code Entitled "Authority to Place Restricted Turn Signs", was approved by a roll call vote (6-aye:0-nay).

h. Ordinance No. 2011-04-031: An Ordinance Approving an Agreement for Use of Right-Of-Way (Windstream KDL, Inc.: High Cross Road, Windsor Road, Lincoln Avenue, Clark Street, Sassafrass Alley, Orchard Street and Broadway Avenue)

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

Bowersox - aye	Marlin - aye
Jakobsson - aye	Roberts - aye
Lewis - aye	Stevenson - aye

Disposition: Ordinance No. 2011-04-031: An Ordinance Approving an Agreement for Use of Right-Of-Way (Windstream KDL, Inc.: High Cross Road, Windsor Road, Lincoln Avenue, Clark Street, Sassafrass Alley, Orchard Street and Broadway Avenue), was approved by a roll call vote (6-aye:0-nay).

G. OATH OF OFFICE AND SWEARING IN OF NEW COUNCIL MEMBER

Mayor Prussing administered the oath of office to the new Council member, Eric Jakobsson, Alderman Ward 2.

H. REPORTS OF OFFICERS

Elizabeth Tyler (Community Development Director/City Planner) announced that May 3, 2011 was the date for the second annual "C-U Bike to Work Day". City of Urbana Planning staff is involved in the community's second annual event, partnering with Champaign County Bikes, the City of Champaign, and the University of Illinois. The event is designed to encourage hundreds of new and seasoned bike commuters to bike to work or to school.

To entice riders, Bike Stations will be located in downtown Urbana, downtown Champaign, three locations on Campus, the Brookens Center in East Urbana, Wolfram Research in Champaign, the Urbana Middle and High School Campus, Parkland College and the Savoy Recreational Center during the morning commute, from 7am-10am. Each station will welcome pre-registered riders with snacks, other giveaways, and cycling information and services.

She also mentioned that Thomas Carrino (Economic Development Manager) had forwarded the Economic Development report and she would be available to answer any questions.

Mayor Prussing announced she had attended the Midwest High Speed Rail Association meeting in Chicago over the weekend. She said that the connection between Chicago and Champaign to St. Louis had been upgraded and was more viable. She stated there was an expert in railroads who also was an engineering professor at the University of Illinois from Taiwan who would be meeting with Urbana and Champaign to help develop plans.

Kelly Hartford (Acting Grants Manager) discussed the Consolidated Social Services funding plans and guidelines. Alderman Jakobsson discussed the time frame and stated the spread sheets were ready to go out soon.

I. NEW BUSINESS

There was none.

J. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the City Council, Mayor Prussing declared the meeting adjourned at 7:46 p.m.

Laurel Lunt Prussing
Mayor

Phyllis D. Clark
City Clerk

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

Minutes Approved: May 16, 2011