

STATE OF ILLINOIS

CITY OF URBANA

Laurel Lunt Prussing, Mayor

Phyllis D. Clark, City Clerk



**URBANA CITY COUNCIL MEETING
January 22, 2013**

The City Council of the City of Urbana, Illinois, met in regular session Tuesday,* January 22, 2013 in the Council Chambers at the Urbana City Building. (*Monday was a holiday, Martin Luther King Jr. Day)

ELECTED OFFICIALS PHYSICALLY PRESENT

Charles Smyth, Alderman Ward 1
Eric Jakobsson, Alderman Ward 2
Robert E. Lewis, Alderman Ward 3
Brandon Bowersox-Johnson Ward 4
Dennis Roberts, Alderman Ward 5
Diane Marlin, Alderwoman Ward 7
Laurel Lunt Prussing, Mayor
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ELECTED OFFICIALS PRESENT VIA TELECONFERENCE

None

ELECTED OFFICIALS ABSENT

Heather Stevenson, Alderwoman Ward 6

STAFF PRESENT

Randy Burgett; Mike Dilley; William Gray; Janell Hardy; Kelly Mierkowski; Mike Monson; Robert Myers; James Simon; Richard Surles; Elizabeth Tyler

OTHERS PRESENT

Rex Bradfield; Carletta Donaldson; Susan Taylor; Carol McKusick; Gloria Hendricks; Bernadine Evans Stake; Viola Bradley Bias; Rev. Melinda Carr; Bishop King James Underwood; Etha Reid; Shirley Hursey; William Renfro; Dorothy Carter; Rev. Dr. Evelyn Burnett Underwood; Members of the Media

A. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

There being a quorum, Mayor Prussing called the meeting of the Urbana City Council to order at 7:00 p.m.

B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Alderman Roberts made a motion to approve the minutes of January 7, 2013. Alderman Jakobsson seconded. The motion carried by voice vote.

C. ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

There were none.

D. PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Rex Bradfield addressed the Council in support of Ordinance No. 2013-01-004.

Carletta Donaldson addressed the Council and thanked everyone who participated in the "Martin Luther King Jr. Day of Service". She expressed her concern about the Dr. Ellis Subdivision and her opposition with Ordinance 2013-01-004. She also informed the Council of different events that are coming up in the community.

Susan Taylor addressed the Council in opposition of Ordinance No. 2013-01-004.

Carol McKusick addressed the Council regarding Municipal Electric Aggregation Program.

Dorothy Carter, representing Dr. Ellis subdivision neighborhood crime watch addressed the Council in opposition of Ordinance No. 2013-01-004.

Rev. Dr. Evelyn Burnett Underwood addressed the Council in regards to Dr. Ellis Subdivision sewer problems and unsolved issues. She read a letter from the Dr. Ellis subdivision concerns citizen that was presented to the Mayor and Council members. She also expressed opposition to Ordinance No. 2013-01-004 on behalf of Dorothy Carter and Elaine Owens from the Dr. Ellis subdivision neighborhood crime watch.

Gloria Hendricks addressed the Council in opposition of Ordinance No. 2013-01-004. She would like to support Dr. Ellis subdivision sewer reimbursement revision.

Bernadine Evans Stake addressed the Council in opposition of Ordinance No. 2013-01-004.

Viola Bradley Bias addressed the Council in opposition of Ordinance No. 2013-01-004.

Rev. Melinda Carr, representing the Ministerial Alliance of Champaign-Urbana and Vicinity addressed Council in support of the Dr. Ellis subdivision reimbursement solution.

Last minute public input; the following residents wanted to express their support to the letter addressed to Mayor and Council members regarding the Dr. Ellis subdivision: Bishop King James Underwood, Shirley Hursey, Etha Reid and William Renfro.

E. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Mayor Prussing reported the outcome of the meeting with The City of Champaign. Study session will follow in order to determine how to better allocate funds. Discussion followed.

F. REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

1. **Committee Of The Whole**

- a. **Ordinance No. 2013-01-003:** An Ordinance Amending Urbana City Code Chapter Three, Section 3-43 (Increasing Number of

Class R-2 Liquor Licenses for Anahi Perez d/b/a Huaraches Moroleon, 805 Philo Road)

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

Bowersox-Johnson - Aye	Marlin - Aye
Jakobsson - Aye	Roberts - Aye
Lewis - Aye	Smyth - Aye

The motion carried by roll call vote (6-Aye:0-Nay).

- b. **Motion Approving Staff's policy Recommendations Regarding Billing Issues Associated with the Stormwater Utility Fee to: 1) Allow the Option of Sending a Single Bill to Governmental Units that Own Multiple Properties Subject to the Stormwater Utility Fee; 2) Charge Owners of Condominium Units that have Individual Water Meters a Stormwater Utility Fee of One Equivalent Residential Unit (ERU); and 3) Send One Bill to Property Owners Who Own Adjacent parcels Where One Parcel Does Not Have a Water Meter**

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

Bowersox-Johnson - Aye	Marlin - Aye
Jakobsson - Aye	Roberts - Aye
Lewis - Aye	Smyth - Nay

The motion carried by roll call vote (5-Aye:1-Nay).

- c. **Ordinance No. 2012-12-112: An Ordinance Approving an Agreement for use of Right-Of-Way (Heart Vascular Institute Shuttle Bus Drop-Off, Church Street between Coler Avenue and Orchard Street)**

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

Bowersox-Johnson - Aye	Marlin - Aye
Jakobsson - Aye	Roberts - Aye
Lewis - Aye	Smyth - Aye

The motion carried by roll call vote (6-Aye:0-Nay).

G. REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES

There were none

H. REPORTS OF OFFICERS

Alderman Roberts reported that Urbana Sister Cities Committee Program is sending a delegation to Malawi this week. This is to initiate work on the one year Sino-African Initiative grant awarded to Urbana by Sister Cities International. The purpose of the trip is to address and improve waste management practice in Zomba City. Representing Urbana Sister Cities Committee are Mr. Christopher Storm, John Dimit, Scott Tess and Sam Smith

I. NEW BUSINESS

1. Mayoral Appointments

- a. **Market Advisory Board:** Hans Bishop, Kent Miles, Robert Kleiss, Cynthia Johnson, and Stan Schutte

Alderman Smyth made a motion to approve appointment. Alderman Lewis seconded. Motion carried by voice vote.

- b. **Tree Commission:** Carol Augspurger

Alderman Smyth made a motion to approve appointment. Alderman Roberts seconded. Motion carried by voice vote.

2. Ordinance No. 2013-01-004: An Ordinance Amending the Zoning Map of the City of Urbana, Illinois (Rezoning of 11 Parcels Comprising 1.82 Acres Located South of Hill Street and West of Lincoln Avenue from R-2, Single-Family Residential Zoning District, to B-2, Neighborhood Business-Arterial, Zoning District/Plan Case No. 2195-M-12, Howard Wakeland)

Robert Myers, Planning Manager, presented Ordinance 2013-01-004 with two options, 1) Approve B-2, Neighborhood Business-Arterial zoning for the subject properties, or 2) Deny the rezoning application. There were two residents who contacted his office with opposition of the rezoning. Discussion followed.

The following residents chose not to speak but wanted to express their position in this matter. Etha Reid, Shirley Hursey and Bishop, King James Underwood. They are Opposing the approval of Ordinance 2013-01-004.

Alderman Roberts made a motion to defeat Ordinance 2013-01-004. Alderman Jakobsson seconded. Vote was as follows:

Bowersox-Johnson - Aye	Marlin - Aye
Jakobsson - Aye	Roberts - Aye
Lewis - Aye	Smyth - Aye

The motion to defeat carried by roll call vote (6-Aye:0-Nay).

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

Alderman Smyth made a motion to go into a closed session at 8:50 p.m. to discuss Property Acquisition Issues. Alderman Jakobsson seconded. Vote was as follows:

Bowersox-Johnson - Aye	Marlin - Aye
Jakobsson - Aye	Roberts - Aye
Lewis - Aye	Smyth - Aye

The motion carried by roll call vote (*7-Aye:0-Nay). {*Mayor voted}

The Council resumed the regular meeting at 9:04 p.m. Alderman Smyth made a motion to go back into regular session. Alderman Roberts Seconded. Vote was as follows:

Bowersox-Johnson - Aye	Marlin - Aye
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Jakobsson - Aye
Lewis - Aye

Roberts - Aye
Smyth - Aye

The motion carried by roll call vote (*7-Aye:0-Nay). {*Mayor voted}

4. Ordinance No. 2013-01-005: An Ordinance Authorizing the Purchase of Certain Real Estate (1208½ West Dublin Street)

Alderman Marlin made a motion to approved Ordinance. Alderman Roberts seconded. Vote was as follows:

Bowersox-Johnson - Aye
Jakobsson - Aye
Lewis - Aye

Marlin - Aye
Roberts - Aye
Smyth - Aye

The motion carried by roll call vote (*7-Aye:0-Nay). {*Mayor voted}

J. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the City Council, Mayor Prussing declared the meeting adjourned at 9:05 p.m.

Wendy M. Hundley
Recording Secretary

Phyllis D. Clark
City Clerk

*This meeting was taped.

**This meeting was broadcast on cable television.

Minutes Approved: February 4, 2013