

**CITY OF URBANA
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE - AUGUST 12, 2013 - 7:00 P.M.
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS - 400 S. VINE STREET, URBANA, IL**

The City Council Committee Of The Whole of the City of Urbana, Illinois, met in regular session Monday, August 12, 2013 in the Council Chambers of the Urbana City Building.

ELECTED OFFICIALS PHYSICALLY PRESENT: Michael P. Madigan (Chair); Carol Ammons; Bill Brown; Eric Jakobsson; Diane W. Marlin; Dennis Roberts; Charlie Smyth; Laurel Lunt Prussing; Phyllis Clark

ELECTED OFFICIALS PRESENT VIA TELECONFERENCE: None

ELECTED OFFICIALS ABSENT: None

STAFF PRESENT: James Simon; Mike Monson; Patrick Connolly; Brian Nightlinger; William Gray; Elizabeth Tyler; Thomas Carrino; Robert Myers; John Schneider; Kelly H. Mierkowski; Rebecca Bird; Jennifer Gonzalez; Jenell Hardy; Craig Shonkwiler

OTHERS PRESENT: Brandon Bowersox-Johnson; Jeff Yockey; Barry Isralewitz; Cynthia Hoyle; Margaret O'Brien; Michael Pollock; Linda Patterson; Patrick Patterson; Bishop King James Underwood; Rev. Dr. Evelyn B. Underwood; Theresa Michelson; Nancy Uchtmann; Sarah McDougal; Alice Novak; Rebecca Nathanson; Rob McClintock; Bao Bui; Esther Patt; Victoria Gonzalez; Michael Vaughan; Members of the Media

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Chair Madigan called the meeting of the Committee Of The Whole to order at 7:30 p.m. *[Meeting start at this time due to Special Council meeting held prior.]*

2. ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA AND STAFF REPORT

There were no additions to the agenda.

William Gray (Public Works Director/City Engineer) informed the Committee and viewing audience that letters would be going out to residents later this week and the next several weeks regarding the new stormwater utility fee. The letter is not a bill, but information about what the stormwater utility fee is and how to obtain incentives and credits.

Thomas Carrino (Economic Development Division Manager) reviewed the July 2013 Economic Development Report distributed in Council packets. CM Jakobsson added that there is a very interesting "folk and routes" festival scheduled at the Landmark Hotel this weekend.

Mayor Prussing reported that she had a number of innovations in response to complaints received from residents of Southeast Urbana regarding poorly maintained properties. The City has done rental registrations and was able to hire another Building Inspector, and is also looking into raising the rental registration fees and fines amounts.

CM Smyth took this time to introduce Jeff Yockey (President/Champaign County Bikes) who explained the new bike map produced and sponsored by

the Cities of Champaign, Urbana and Savoy, the University of Illinois, the Park Districts, and MTD.

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

July 8, 2013 - CM Roberts made a motion to approve the minutes of the meeting held July 8, 2013. The motion was seconded by CM Marlin and carried by a voice vote.

4. **PUBLIC INPUT**

Bishop King James Underwood and Rev. Dr. Evelyn B. Underwood did not wish to address the Committee, but completed a public input card requesting that their position be entered into record as they are concerned about Dr. Ellis Subdivision sewer problem.

The following people addressed the Committee in support of more Building Code enforcement for poorly maintained properties:

Theresa Michelson; Nancy Uchtmann; and Sarah McDougal

Alice Novak addressed the Committee with concerns she had regarding the recent landmark failure for Zeta Tau Alpha Sorority House.

Rebecca Nathanson addressed the Committee in support of bike lanes on Broadway Avenue.

Rob McClintock addressed the Committee in opposition to the ordinance prohibiting parking Broadway Avenue.

Bao Bui addressed the Committee in support of more bike lanes in Urbana.

Esther Patt addressed the committee with concerns about a proposed recommendation to reduce mayoral authority in staff appointments.

5. **ORDINANCE NO. 2013-08-067: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING URBANA CITY CODE CHAPTER THREE, SECTION 3-43 (INCREASING NUMBER OF CLASS A LIQUOR LICENSES FOR V.I.P. BANQUET HALL, INC., 1506 NORTH CUNNINGHAM AVENUE)**

Chair Madigan asked CM Roberts to take the Chair and he recused himself from debate and action on agenda items #5, #6 and #7 due to conflict of interest. He left his seat at 8:28 p.m.

Chair Pro-tem Roberts acknowledged the staff report, which was presented by Mayor Prussing.

Chair Pro-tem Roberts recognized public input at this time for agenda items #5, #6 and #7.

Victoria Gonzalez addressed the Committee in support of the liquor license for V.I.P. Banquet Hall and was available to answer questions.

Michael Vaughan addressed the Committee in support of agenda item #6, which would allow increasing the number of BBB liquor licenses and allow such a license for the new Ruler store on Philo Road.

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

6. **ORDINANCE NO. 2013-08-068: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING URBANA CITY CODE CHAPTER THREE, SECTION 3-43 (INCREASING NUMBER OF CLASS BBB LIQUOR LICENSES FOR KROGER LIMITED PARTNERSHIP I D/B/A RULER #253, 2010 SOUTH PHILO ROAD)**

CM Smyth made a motion to send this item to Council with a recommendation for approval. CM Jakobsson seconded. The motion carried by voice vote.

7. **ORDINANCE NO. 2013-08-069: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING URBANA CITY CODE CHAPTER THREE, SECTION 3-43 (INCREASE IN THE NUMBER OF R-2 LIQUOR LICENSES FOR MATTHEW KITZMILLER D/B/A PIZZA M, 208 WEST MAIN STREET)**

CM Smyth moved to send this item to Council with a recommendation for approval. CM Jakobsson seconded and the motion carried by voice vote.

Chair Madigan resumed his seat at 8:35 p.m.

8. **UPDATE: CUUATS - UNIVERSITY TRAFFIC DISTRICT STUDY**

Mr. Gray gave a brief history of CUUATS (Champaign Urbana Urbanized Area Transportation Study) for the benefit of newly elected Council members, and introduced Sharif Ullah (Sr. Transportation Engineer/RPC), who gave a PowerPoint presentation.

This item did not warrant Council action at this time.

9. **ORDINANCE NO. 2013-08-066: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SCHEDULE J OF SECTION 23-183 OF THE URBANA LOCAL TRAFFIC CODE PROHIBITING PARKING AT ALL TIMES ON CERTAIN STREETS (BROADWAY AVENUE)**

Craig Shonkwiler (Sr. Civil Engineer) presented the staff report.

Chair Madigan acknowledged public input at this time.

The following people addressed the Committee in support of the ordinance and allowing bicycle lanes:

Brandon Bowersox-Johnson; Jeff Yockey (representing Champaign County Bikes); Barry Isralewitz; and Cynthia Hoyle (representing C-U SRTS Project)

The following people addressed the Committee in opposition to the ordinance, prohibiting parking and allowing bike lanes:

Margaret O'Brien; Michael Pollock (representing the neighborhood); Linda Patterson; and Patrick Patterson

Following debate, CM Ammons moved to defer. The motion died for lack of a second. Debate ensued.

CM Smyth made a motion to keep this item in Committee for at least a couple of months in order to allow staff to get an accurate parking count when in use by students and residents. CM Jakobsson seconded. The motion carried by voice vote.

10. **COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION ITEMS:**

CM Ammons moved to act on agenda items #10.a, #10.b and #10.c in omnibus fashion. CM Marlin seconded and the motion carried by voice vote.

- a. **Resolution No. 2013-08-041R: A Resolution Approving a Community Development Block Grant Program Agreement (Champaign County Regional Planning Commission - Senior Services, Project No. 1314-CSSP-01)**

CM Roberts made a motion to send Resolution Nos. 2013-08-041R, "A Resolution Approving a Community Development Block Grant Program Agreement (Champaign County Regional Planning Commission - Senior Services, Project No. 1314-CSSP-01)", 2013-08-042R, "A Resolution Approving a Community Development Block Grant Program Agreement (Community Elements - Roundhouse Youth Shelter, Project No. 1314-CSSP-02)" and 2013-08-043R, "A Resolution Approving a Community Development Block Grant Program Agreement (Greater Community AIDS Project (GCAP), Project No. 1314-CSSP-03)", to Council with a recommendation for approval. CM Ammons seconded. The motion carried by voice vote.

- b. **Resolution No. 2013-08-042R: A Resolution Approving a Community Development Block Grant Program Agreement (Community Elements - Roundhouse Youth Shelter, Project No. 1314-CSSP-02)**

This item sent to Council with recommendation for approval.

- c. **Resolution No. 2013-08-043R: A Resolution Approving a Community Development Block Grant Program Agreement (Greater Community AIDS Project (GCAP), Project No. 1314-CSSP-03)**

This item sent to Council with recommendation for approval.

CM Smyth made a motion to act on agenda items #10.d, #10.e and #10.f in omnibus fashion. CM Marlin seconded and the motion carried by voice vote.

- d. **Resolution No. 2013-08-038R: A Resolution Certifying a Community Housing Development Organization for the Urbana HOME Consortium for FY 2013-2014 (August 2013 - Habitat)**

CM Roberts made a motion to send Resolution Nos. 2013-08-038R, "Resolution No. 2013-08-038R: A Resolution Certifying a Community Housing Development Organization for the Urbana HOME Consortium

for FY 2013-2014 (August 2013 - Habitat)", 2013-08-039R, "Resolution No. 2013-08-039R: A Resolution Approving and Authorizing the Execution of an Urbana HOME Consortium Community Housing Development Organization Agreement (Habitat CHDO Developer Affordable Homeownership Program, 810 E. Park Street)", and 2013-08-040R, "Resolution No. 2013-08-040R: A Resolution Approving and Authorizing the Execution of an Urbana HOME Consortium Community Housing Development Organization Agreement (Habitat CHDO Operating August 2013)", to Council with a recommendation for approval. CM Brown seconded. The motion carried by voice vote.

- e. **Resolution No. 2013-08-039R: A Resolution Approving and Authorizing the Execution of an Urbana HOME Consortium Community Housing Development Organization Agreement (Habitat CHDO Developer Affordable Homeownership Program, 810 E. Park Street)**

This item sent to Council with recommendation for approval.

- f. **Resolution No. 2013-08-040R: A Resolution Approving and Authorizing the Execution of an Urbana HOME Consortium Community Housing Development Organization Agreement (Habitat CHDO Operating August 2013)**

This item sent to Council with recommendation for approval.

11. **A MOTION PROVIDING DIRECTION THAT UPON BEING GRANTED AN EASEMENT FROM ALLEN STRONG ON 115 AND 119 NORTH RACE STREET, THE CITY WILL RELEASE ITS DEMOLITION LIEN ON THE TWO PARCELS**

Mr. Carrino presented the staff report.

CM Smyth moved to send this motion to Council. CM Roberts seconded. The motion carried by voice vote.

12. **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Committee, Chair Madigan declared the meeting adjourned at 11:00 p.m.

Deborah J. Roberts
Recording Secretary

This meeting was taped.

This meeting was broadcast on cable television.