

STATE OF ILLINOIS

Laurel Lunt Prussing, Mayor

CITY OF URBANA

Phyllis D. Clark, City Clerk



***** SPECIAL MEETING *****
URBANA CITY COUNCIL
Monday, July 13, 2015

The City Council of the City of Urbana, Illinois, met in special session Monday, July 13, 2015 at 7 p.m. in the Council Chambers at the Urbana City Building.

ELECTED OFFICIALS PHYSICALLY PRESENT

Charles Smyth, Alderman Ward 1
Eric Jakobsson, Alderman Ward 2
Aaron Ammons, Ward 3
Dennis Roberts, Alderman Ward 5
Michael P. Madigan, Alderman Ward 6
Diane Marlin, Alderwoman Ward 7
Laurel Lunt Prussing, Mayor
Phyllis D. Clark, City Clerk

ELECTED OFFICIALS PRESENT VIA TELECONFERENCE

None

ELECTED OFFICIALS ABSENT

Bill Brown, Alderman Ward 4

STAFF PRESENT

Patrick Connolly; Kevin Garcia; Elizabeth Hannan; Christopher Marx;
Maximilliam Mahalek; Kelly Mierkowski; Mike Monson; Brian Nightlinger;
Lorrie Pearson; James Simon; Elizabeth Tyler

OTHERS PRESENT

Rev. Dr. Evelyn B. Underwood; Members of the Media.

PLEDGE OF ALLIANCE WAS RECITED

I. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

There being a quorum, Mayor Prussing called the meeting of the Urbana City Council to order at 7:23 p.m. * Late start due to prior meetings.

II. PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Rev. Dr. Evelyn B. Underwood addressed the council with concerns regarding Ordinance No. 2015-07-067.

III. Ordinance No. 2015-07-065: An Ordinance Approving a Major Variance (To allow a reduction of the required number of automobile parking spaces from between five and seven to four spaces in the City's B-1, Neighborhood Business District, at 303 West Griggs Street / ZBA Case No. 2015-MAJ-07)

****Alderman Smyth recused himself from 7:25-7:40 p.m. due to an abundance of caution.**

Planner II Kevin Garcia presented Ordinance No. 2015-07-065 to council with recommendation for approval.

After presentation and discussion Alderwoman Marlin made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 2015-07-065 as presented. Alderman Ammons seconded. Before the final vote Alderman Roberts added a friendly amendment to condition number two, to reduce the parking spaces to 3. After the friendly amendment the motion was carried by roll call vote. Votes were as follows:

Aaron Ammons - Aye	Diane Marlin - Aye
Eric Jakobsson - Aye	Dennis Roberts - Aye
Michael Madigan - Aye	Charles Smyth - Recuse

Disposition: Ordinance No. 2015-07-065 was approved by roll call vote (5-Ayes; 0-Nays)

IV. Ordinance No. 2015-07-066: An Ordinance Amending the Zoning Map of the City of Urbana, Illinois (Rezoning of a 0.187 acre parcel at 703 N. Matthews Avenue from the R-2, Single-Family Residential district to the R-4, Medium Density Multiple-Family Residential district - Plan Case 2259-M-15 / C-U at Home)

Planner I Christopher Marx and Planning Manager Lorrie Pearson presented Ordinance No. 2015-07-066.

After presentation and discussion, Alderman Smyth made a motion to send Ordinance No. 2015-07-066 to the next council meeting. Alderman Roberts seconded. Motion carried by voice vote.

Disposition: By unanimous vote Ordinance No. 2015-07-066 was sent to next council meeting.

V. Ordinance No. 2015-07-067: An Ordinance Approving A Special Use Permit (Special Use Permit to allow a "Home for Adjustment - Women's Shelter/Transitional Housing for Women" at 703 N. Matthews Avenue in the R-4, Medium Density Multiple-Family Residential Zoning District - Plan Case No. 2260-SU-15 / C-U at Home)

Planner I Christopher Marx and Planning Manager Lorrie Pearson presented Ordinance No. 2015-07-067.

After presentation and discussion Alderman Smyth made a motion to send Ordinance No. 2015-07-067 to the next council meeting. Alderman Roberts seconded. Motion carried by voice vote.

Melany Jackson from C-U Home addressed the council to answer their questions and concerns.

Disposition: By unanimous vote Ordinance No. 2015-07-067 was sent to next council meeting.

VI. Ordinance No. 2015-07-068: An Ordinance Approving and Authorizing the Execution of an Annexation Agreement (3106 N. Cunningham Avenue / Green Vistas, LLC / DGS Properties, LLC / Stark Excavating, Inc.)

Planning Intern Maximillian Mahalek presented Ordinance No. 2015-07-068 with recommendation for approval. After presentation, there was no vote, and this ordinance was deferred to August 3, 2015 city council meeting.

Disposition: Ordinance No. 2015-07-068 was deferred to August 3, 2015 in order to allow for a public hearing.

VII. Ordinance No. 2015-07-078: An Ordinance Revising the Fiscal Year 2014-2015 Annual Budget (TIF 3 Surplus)

Finance Director Elizabeth Hannan presented Ordinance No. 2015-07-078 to council with recommendation for approval. Discussion ensued.

After presentation Alderman Ammons made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 2015-07-078 as presented. Alderman Roberts seconded. Motion carried by roll call vote. Votes were as follows:

Aaron Ammons - Aye	Diane Marlin - Aye
Eric Jakobsson - Aye	Dennis Roberts - Aye
Michael Madigan - Aye	Charles Smyth - Aye

Disposition: Ordinance No. 2015-07-078 was approved by roll call vote (6-Ayes; 0-Nays)

VIII. Mayoral Staff Appointments

1. Finance Department
 - a. City Accountant - Sophie Pham
 - b. Accounting Supervisor - Kris Francisco

IX. Mayor Appointments to Boards and Commissions

1. Human Relations Commission - term to expire June 30, 2018
 - a. Jeniece Mitchell
2. Plan Commission - term to expire June 30, 2018
 - a. Barry J. Ackerson, Ph. D

3. Zoning Board of Appeals - Chair
 - a. Harvey Welch
4. Zoning Board of Appeals - term to expire June 30, 2020
 - a. Jonah Weisskopf
 - b. Matthew Cho

X. Mayoral Re-Appointments to Boards and Commissions

1. Design Review Board - term to expire June 30, 2018
 - a. Kim Smith - Appointed 11/02/09
2. Free Library Board - term to expire June 30, 2018
 - a. Geoffrey Bant - Appointed 10/06/14
 - b. Mel Ferrell - Appointed 09/20/93
 - c. Anna Merrit - Appointed 08/20/12
3. MOR Development Review Board - term to expire June 30, 2018
 - a. Kim Smith - Appointed 11/02/09
4. Plan Commission - term to expire June 30, 2018
 - a. Tyler Fitch - Appointed 04/02/07
5. Public Arts Commission - term to expire June 30, 2018
 - a. Jason Patterson - Appointed 02/02/15
6. Public Arts Commission - term to expire June 30, 2016
 - a. John Morrison - Appointed 7/2/12
7. Tree Commission - term to expire June 30, 2018
 - a. Jeffrey Dawson - Appointed 03/16/81
8. Zoning Board of Appeals - term to expire June 30, 2020
 - a. Nancy Uchtman - Appointed 11/18/04

Mayor Prussing presented the following items for approval:

1. Mayoral Staff Appointments
2. Mayoral Appointments to Boards and Commissions

3. Mayoral Re-Appointments to Boards and Commissions

After presentation, Alderwoman Marlin made a motion to approve all appointments as presented. Alderman Ammons seconded. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Disposition: Mayoral Appointments were approved as presented.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the City Council, Mayor Prussing declared the meeting adjourned at 8:55 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: July 20, 2015