

RESOLUTION OF THE URBANA CITY COUNCIL
CONCERNING REPAIRS TO BONEYARD

The City Council of the City of Urbana, Illinois, expresses its appreciation to the Urbana-Champaign Sanitary District for the District's responsiveness to the problem of stabilizing the banks of the Boneyard in the area immediately west of Lincoln Avenue. However, the Council wishes to communicate its concern in two respects:

1) The Council has twice in the past six months unanimously affirmed its interest in participating in a comprehensive analysis and plan for managing and redeveloping the Boneyard corridor and its watershed, and it is the hope of the Council that such a study will be initiated in the immediate future.

2) Because of 1), any remedies devised for dealing with individual problems relating to the Boneyard should be of a temporary and unbinding character so as to keep all remaining options open. Such remedies should be of minimum costs, so that monies of the Sanitary District and of the City of Urbana may be available to the greatest extent possible, both for supporting the comprehensive study itself and for implementing its recommendations.

Therefore, as temporary relief for the bank stabilization problem, the Council favors development of an alternative to the proposal for 125 linear feet of steel sheetpiling (250' if done on both sides) at a cost of approximately \$25,000. Instead, the Council suggests that more economical and equally practical short-term alternatives be explored. These would include (but not be limited to) use of a different material, such as wooden pilings (used as a temporary solution for the same reason by the City of Champaign at Fourth Street on the Boneyard three years ago and still serving adequately) and treating a lesser footage to handle only the immediate need. (This approach has already been favorably considered by the Council's Environment Committee.)

The Council directs the appropriate City personnel to cooperate with the Sanitary District in developing such temporary, economical alternatives and then presenting their recommendations to the Council for approval.

PASSED by the City Council this 6th day of August, 1973.

Duane Eckerty
Duane Eckerty, City Clerk

APPROVED by the Mayor this 7th day of August, 1973.

Hiram Paley
Hiram Paley, Mayor

