
DATE: Monday, September 12, 2022
TIME: 7:00 p.m.
PLACE: 400 S. Vine Street, Urbana, IL 61801

The City Council of the City of Urbana, Illinois, met in regular session Monday, September 12, 2022, at 7:00 p.m.

ELECTED OFFICIALS PHYSICALLY PRESENT: Diane Wolfe Marlin, Mayor; Phyllis Clark, City Clerk; CM Maryalice Wu, CM Christopher Evans, CM Shirese Hursey, CM Jaya Kolisetty, CM Grace Wilken, CM James Quisenberry

ELECTED OFFICIALS ABSENT: CM Chaundra Bishop

STAFF PRESENT: Bourema Ouedraogo, Carol Mitten, Dave Wesner, Darcy Sandefur, John Zeman, Will Kolschowsky, Lilly Wilcock, Marcus Ricci, Scott Tess

OTHERS PRESENT: J.D. McLanahan & Ashlee McLaughlin, CCRPC;

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

With a quorum present, Mayor Marlin called this meeting of the Urbana City Council to order at 7 p.m.

2. Approval of the Minutes of the Previous Meeting

a. 08-22-2022 Public Hearing Minutes

Motion to approve by CM Wu and seconded by CM Hursey.

Voice vote:

AYE: Wu, Evans, Hursey, Kolisetty, Wilken, Quisenberry

NAY: None

3. Additions to the Agenda

None.

4. Presentations and Public Input

None.

5. Council Input and Communications

CM Wilken wanted a follow-up on the housing services available for the community. Wilken shared that they looking forward to the upcoming township presentation on housing options within the community. Asked the City staff to follow up on a resolution limiting police funding, exploring hybrid meetings, and possibly contracting with Buy Black Chambana. **Mayor Marlin** announced bike to work day would be Wednesday September 14, 2022. On Thursday, September 15, 2022 there will be a welcome week coffee in council chambers with the Mayor. The recruitment brochure for the Community Development Director and Police Chief has been published.

6. Unfinished Business

None.

7. Reports of Standing Committees

None.

8. Committee of the Whole (Council Members Shirese Hursey – Ward 3)

A. Consent Agenda

1. Resolution No. 2022-09-065R: Resolution of Support for an Application for Illinois Transportation Enhancement Program Funds (Bakers Lane Multi-Use Path) - PW

2. Resolution No. 2022-09-066R: Resolution of Support for an Application for Illinois Transportation Enhancement Program Funds (Florida Avenue Multi-Use Path - Lincoln to Race) - PW

Presented by CM Shirese Hursey.

Motion to approve consent agenda by CM Hursey and seconded by CM Wu.

Vote by roll call:

AYE: Wu, Evans, Hursey, Kolisetty, Wilken, Quisenberry

NAY: None

B. Regular Agenda

1. Resolution No. 2022-09-067R: Resolution of Support for an Application for Safe Streets for All Grant Program Funds (Champaign County Education, Encouragement, and Enforcement Campaign and Lincoln Avenue Project - Wascher to Killarney) - PW

Presented by CM Hursey. John Zeman the City Engineer presented follow-up information and responded to questions asked at the last meeting. Item lends Council support to a Safe Streets for All program grant application.

Questions and discussion ensued.

Motion to approve by CM Hursey and seconded by CM Kolisetty.

Vote by roll call:

AYE: Wu, Evans, Hursey, Kolisetty, Wilken, Quisenberry

NAY: None

2. Resolution No. 2022-09-068R: A Resolution Adopting the City of Urbana American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Concept Plan - Exec

Presented by CM Hursey. Will Kolschowsky of the executive department along with J.D. McLanahan and Ashlee McLaughlin of CCRPC were present with updates from last meeting and to answer questions. Item adopts the ARPA Concept Plan and officially launches the application window. Questions and discussion ensued. Please see attachment A handout for this item.

Straw Poll adopting language “if”. AYE: All. NAY: None.

Straw poll approving Option 1: AYE: All. NAY: None.

Straw poll for including question but not counting that question towards scoring. AYE: 5 NAY: None

Motion to approve by CM Hursey and seconded by CM Wu.

Vote by roll call:

AYE: Wu, Evans, Hursey, Kolisetty, Wilken, Quisenberry

NAY: None

9. Reports of Special Committees

None.

10. Reports of Officers

a. Illinois Bike Summit Strong Towns Guest Speaker - CD

Presented by Lilly Wilcock of the Planning Division. Wilcock announced that on October 11, 2022 there will be an Illinois Bike Summit Strong Towns event with key note speaker Chuck Marone. Marone will be speaking at 10 am at the Illinois Terminal, 2 pm with location to be determined, and 5:30 pm at the Illinois Terminal.

11. New Business

a. Ordinance No. 2022-09-036: An Ordinance Approving a Major Variance (Parking at 1009 Stoughton Street / Case No. ZBA-2022-MAJ-04) – CD

Presented by Marcus Ricci the Planner. Ricci shared a PowerPoint Presentation. Item requests the reduction of required parking for the construction of a multifamily unit at 1009 Stoughton Street. The previous multifamily unit at this address also had a variance allowing for less parking. Questions and discussion ensued.

Motion to return to Committee of the Whole by CM Wu and seconded by CM Hursey.

Vote by roll call:

AYE: Wu, Evans, Hursey, Kolisetty, Wilken, Quisenberry

NAY: None

b. Resolution No. 2022-09-069R: A Resolution Authorizing Execution of a Service Agreement with the Lowest Responsible Bidder for the Supply of Electricity for Residential and Small Commercial Retail Customers – PW

Presented by Scott Tess. Item authorizes the signing of a contract for a municipal electric aggregation for electrical supply. Tess provided a revised version of the previous Resolution with suggested edits from other municipalities who recently renegotiated, see attached. Notable changes include allowing the City Administrator to sign the agreement, and modifying the language from “lowest responsible bidder” so that the municipality may get the best deal based on the rapidly changing rates. Questions and discussion ensued.

Motion to approve as amended by CM Wu and seconded by CM Kolisetty.

Vote by roll call:

AYE: Wu, Evans, Hursey, Kolisetty, Wilken, Quisenberry

NAY: None

c. Resolution No. 2022-09-070R: A Resolution Approving a Professional Energy Consulting Services Agreement with Good Energy, L.P. – PW

Presented by Scott Tess. Item was presented with Resolution No. 2022-09-069R. Item authorizes contracting with Good Energy for professional energy consulting services.

Motion to approve by CM Wilken and seconded by CM Wu.

Vote by roll call:

AYE: Wu, Evans, Hursey, Kolisetty, Wilken, Quisenberry

NAY: None

12. Mayoral Appointments

1. Community Development Commission – term ending June 30, 2023

• **DeShawn Williams**

2. Urbana Free Library Board of Trustees – term ending June 30, 2024

• **Daniel Urban**

Presented by Mayor Marlin. Mayor Marlin read a brief bio and statement from both applicants.

Motion to approve by CM Quisenberry and seconded by CM Hursey.

Voice vote:

AYE: Quisenberry, Wu, Hursey, Evans, Wilken, Kolisetty.

NAY: None

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

Motion to enter closed session by CM Hursey and seconded by CM Wu.

Vote by roll call:

AYE: Wu, Evans, Hursey, Kolisetty, Wilken, Quisenberry

NAY: None

Entered closed session at 9:10 p.m.

Motion to return to open session by CM Quisenberry and seconded by CM Hursey.

Vote by roll call:

AYE: Wu, Evans, Hursey, Kolisetty, Wilken, Quisenberry

NAY: None

Returned to open session at 9:54 p.m.

14. Adjournment

With no further business before the Urbana City Council Mayor Marlin adjourned the meeting at 9:54 p.m.

Darcy Sandefur

Recording Secretary

This meeting was video recorded and is viewable [on-demand HERE](#).

Minutes approved: 10-10-2022

Options for Adding Geographic Restrictions to ARPA Concept Plan

Currently, geography is mentioned in the 'Required Acknowledgements' section of the application, where it says "Applicant's household, organization, and/or clients are located within the City of Urbana limits."

Below are five options for incorporating a more geographic focus into the Concept Plan.

Option 1: Revise an existing application question by adding a "in the City of Urbana" clause.

Option 2: Add a new question that address geographic focus of services.

Option 3: Add a new question that address geographic focus of services, mentioning service provider.

Option 4: Add a new question that address geographic focus of service providers in Urbana.

Option 5. Add additional language in the Concept Plan Introduction Section mentioning Urbana focus.

Option #1 – Revise Existing Question to Specify Geography

- Application Question
 - *Describe how your project will benefit the low-income, disadvantaged, or groups particularly impacted by the pandemic **in the City of Urbana**. Justification for this can be based on the qualification requirements for the proposed project, the service area of the project, the demographics of your organization's existing client base, or other information to indicate how the project will serve these groups. The Data and Demographics page on the Urbana ARPA website is one resource that may be helpful, providing maps and data on vulnerable populations in the City of Urbana.*
- Rubric Question
 - *Does this funding application prioritize historically underserved, marginalized, or disproportionately-impacted groups or sectors of the economy **in the City of Urbana**; or take place in a location of social vulnerability **in the City of Urbana** (defined by Qualified Census Tracts and Social Vulnerability Index, included in January 24 presentation to Council)?*

Option #2 – Add Additional Question to Measure Geographic Focus

- Application Question
 - *Describe how the City of Urbana will receive a benefit from this project that is proportionate to the funds you are requesting – i.e. how this project will benefit residents, employees, or employers located in the City of Urbana. Justification for this can be based on the qualification requirements for the proposed project, the service area of the project, the demographics of your organization's existing client base, or other information to indicate how the project will serve these groups.*
- Rubric Question
 - *Does this funding application provide a proportionate benefit to the City of Urbana and prioritize residents, employees, or employers located in the City of Urbana?*
- Rubric Measurements
 - *0 - Application provides no evidence of benefit to the City of Urbana and its residents, employees, or employers*
 - *1 - Application provides evidence of benefit to the City of Urbana and its residents, employees, or employers, but they are not the primary recipient of benefits*
 - *2 - The proposed program has a wide service population, but the City of Urbana and its residents, employees, or employers are nonetheless the primary beneficiaries*
 - *3 - The proposed program is targeted to meet the needs of the City of Urbana and its residents, employees, or employers*

Option #3 – Add Additional Question to Measure Geographic Focus, Including Service Provider

- Application Question
 - *Describe how the City of Urbana will receive a benefit from this project that is proportionate to the funds you are requesting – i.e. how this project will benefit residents, employees, or employers **(including, if applicable, your organization)** located in the City of Urbana. Justification for this can be based on the qualification requirements for the proposed project, the service area of the project, the demographics of your organization's existing client base, or other information to indicate how the project will serve these groups.*
- Rubric Question
 - *Does this funding application provide a proportionate benefit to the City of Urbana and prioritize residents, employees, or employers located in the City of Urbana?*
- Rubric Measurements
 - *0 - Application provides no evidence of benefit to the City of Urbana and its residents, employees, or employers*
 - *1 - Application provides evidence of benefit to the City of Urbana and its residents, employees, or employers, but they are not the primary recipient of benefits*
 - *2 - The proposed program has a wide service population, but the City of Urbana and its residents, employees, or employers are nonetheless the primary beneficiaries*
 - *3 - The proposed program is targeted to meet the needs of the City of Urbana and its residents, employees, or employers*

Option #4 – Add Additional Question to Measure Service Provider Capacity within Urbana

- Application Question
 - *Please describe the relationship of the applicant organization to the City of Urbana (examples could include, being located in the City of Urbana, the proportion of its services the applicant provides in the City of Urbana, the percent of employees living in the City of Urbana, etc)*
- Rubric Question
 - *Will this project increase the capacity for service providers located within or consistently providing services within the City of Urbana?*
- Rubric Measurements
 - *0 – Applicant demonstrates no previous relationship with the City of Urbana*
 - *1 – Applicant demonstrates minimal relationship to the City of Urbana (i.e. some previous work in the city, some city residents as clients)*
 - *2 - Applicant demonstrates substantial relationship to the City of Urbana (substantial previous work in the city, facilities in the city, substantial numbers of employees living in the city)*
 - *3 – Applicant demonstrates that, through funding the applicant organization, the city will provide support to a significant local service provider / taxpayer / employer / community institution.*

Option #5 - Concept Plan Additional Language

These funds are intended to provide services to the City of Urbana, its residents, employers, and workers. While ARPA funds can be used to collaborate or fund services at the regional level, the City of Urbana should receive benefits from these services that are proportionate to the funding that it is allocating.

'Good Standing' language to include in Concept Plan 'Required Acknowledgements' Section

If the applicant organization is a corporation, not-for-profit corporation, limited partnership, limited liability company, or limited liability partnership, then this organization is in good standing with the Office of the Illinois Secretary of State or the relevant office in its state of incorporation.

RESOLUTION NO. 2022-09-069R

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A SERVICE AGREEMENT
WITH THE LOWEST RESPONSIBLE BIDDER FOR THE SUPPLY OF
ELECTRICITY FOR RESIDENTIAL AND SMALL COMMERCIAL RETAIL
CUSTOMERS**

(Municipal electric aggregation/2022)

WHEREAS, Section 1-92 of the Illinois Power Agency Act, 20 ILCS 3855/1-92, permits a municipality, if authorized by referendum, to adopt an ordinance by which it may operate a program to solicit bids and enter into service agreements for the sale and purchase of electricity and related services and equipment to residential and small commercial customers who do not opt-out of such a program; and

WHEREAS, the City of Urbana ("City"), in a referendum held on March 20, 2012, submitted the public question of whether it should operate the program as an opt-out program; and

WHEREAS, the referendum passed by a majority vote of the qualified electors voting on the question; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that the best interests of the City are served by entering into an agreement with the lowest responsible bidder, pursuant to 20 ILCS 3855/1-92, to aggregate the residential and small commercial retail electric loads located within the City and to arrange for competitive electric supply to these retail electrical accounts; and

WHEREAS, because electricity is a commodity for which supply bids typically are made each morning and expire the same day at the close of business, the City must act promptly to accept any such desired bid in order to contractually guarantee a per kilowatt hour electric rate for its residential and small commercial customers; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Urbana, Champaign County, Illinois, as follows:

Section 1.

The Mayor and the City Administrator of the City of Urbana, Illinois, be and the same ~~is~~ are hereby authorized to execute and deliver and the City Clerk of the City of Urbana, Illinois, be and the same ~~is~~ are hereby authorized to attest to said execution of a service agreement ~~with the lowest responsible bidder~~ for the supply of electricity for residential and small commercial retail customers who do not opt out of such a program, said execution and attestation to take place within the applicable time constraints required by the bidder; provided, however, that the energy price to be paid per kilowatt hour pursuant to the agreement is ~~less than the default rate currently in effect, resulting predicted to result in~~ savings for the City's residential and small commercial retail customers over the term of the agreement.

Section 2.

This Resolution shall be effective immediately and shall terminate June 30 2023.

Motion was made by Alderman _____, seconded by Alderman _____ that the Resolution be adopted.

PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL this ____ day of _____, _____.

Phyllis D. Clark, City Clerk

APPROVED BY THE MAYOR this ____ day of _____, _____.

Diane Wolfe Marlin, Mayor