
DATE: Monday, December 13th, 2021
TIME: 7:00pm
PLACE: *Virtually Via Zoom, 400 South Vine Street, Urbana, IL 61801

The City Council of the City of Urbana, Illinois, met in regular session Monday, December 13th, 2021, at 7:00pm.

ELECTED OFFICIALS PHYSICALLY PRESENT: Diane Wolfe Marlin, Mayor; Phyllis D. Clark, City Clerk

ELECTED OFFICIALS VIRTUALLY PRESENT: CM Maryalice Wu, CM Christopher Evans, CM Shirese Hursey, CM Jaya Kolisetty, CM Chaundra Bishop, CM Grace Wilken, CM James Quisenberry

ELECTED OFFICIALS ABSENT:

STAFF PRESENT: Darcy Sandefur, Bourema Ouedraogo, Carol Mitten, Sheila Dodd, Elizabeth Hannan

OTHERS PRESENT: Dr. Regina Parnell, First Followers; Karen Sims, CU TRI

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

With a quorum virtually present, Chair Mayor Marlin called the meeting of the Urbana City Council to order at 7:26 PM.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

November 22nd, 2021 Minutes and City Council Goal Setting Session Minutes December 2nd – 3rd, 2021

Motion to approve by CM Quisenberry Seconded by CM Kolisetty.
Vote by roll call:

AYE: Wu, Quisenberry, Evans, Hursey, Bishop, Wilken, Kolisetty
NAY: None

3. ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

None.

4. PRESENTATIONS AND PUBLIC INPUT

a. Empowering the Community to Combat Community Violence by First Followers – CMs Wilken and Bishop

Presented by Dr. Regina Parnell of First Followers. Thanked council and mayor for allowing time for the presentation this evening. Acknowledged the work of the late Mrs. Mitchel. Shared a PowerPoint presentation on First Followers plan to address community violence and explaining trauma. Questions and discussion ensued.

b. Current State of Local Support for Survivors by CU Trauma and Resiliency Initiative (CU TRI) – CMs Wilken and Bishop

Presented by Karen Sims of CU TRI. Presented a PowerPoint presentation on resources available to support survivors and community members impacted by community violence. Explained the structure and services of CU TRI. Questions and discussion ensued.

c. Public Input:

Mayor Marlin read the public input guidelines. *Allan Max Axelrod* provided an update on the utility shutoff moratorium campaign and urged Council to pass a resolution of support. *Corey Mallory* wanted to expand further upon First Followers presentation from earlier. *James Tygar Corbin* wanted to add more to the First Followers presentation and explained the impacts of trauma on individuals and how the program helps individuals address traumas. *Sarah Nixon* thanked council for this evening's organizational presentations. Spoke in support of CU TRI's work within the community. Stressed the importance of utilizing resources to address community violence. *Marlem Mitchel* thanked council for space given to First Followers to talk about their programs. Wanted to provide additional information about First Followers organization.

5. COUNCIL INPUT AND COMMUNICATIONS

CM Bishop wanted to convey gratitude to presenters and those who spoke about these issues this evening. Wants to see a supportive effort of these causes. *CM Kolisetty* thanked council members and presenters for having these important conversations. Wants to keep local voices and experts in mind. *CM Wilken* also thanked presenters. Hopes to support these types of organizations more to address community violence.

6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

7. REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Committee Of The Whole (Council Member James Quisenberry – Ward 7)

1. CONSENT AGENDA

- a. **Resolution No. 2021-12-047R:** A Resolution for Improvement Under the Illinois Highway Code (State Motor Fuel Tax for West Windsor Road Resurfacing Project) – PW
- b. **Resolution No. 2021-12-048R:** A Resolution for Improvement Under the Illinois Highway Code (State Motor Fuel Tax for Philo Road, Colorado Avenue, and Anderson Street Resurfacing Project) – PW
- c. **Resolution No. 2021-12-049R:** A Resolution Approving a Funding Agreement CU at Home Winter Shelter - CD
- d. **Ordinance No. 2021-12-049:** An Ordinance Amending Urbana City Code Chapter Three, Section 3-43 (Maintaining the number of Class P liquor licenses for Zeyad Salem LLC d/b/a Black Fox, 602 N Cunningham Ave, Urbana, IL) – Exec
- e. **Ordinance No. 2021-12-050:** An Ordinance Amending Urbana City Code Chapter Three, Section 3-43 (Increasing the number of Class R&T liquor licenses for Sakura Japanese Cuisine Inc d/b/a Sakura Japanese Cuisine, 132 W Main St, Urbana, IL) – Exec

- f. **Ordinance No. 2021-12-051:** An Ordinance Amending Urbana City Code Chapter Three, Section 3-43 (Increasing the number of Class GC liquor licenses for WELOCAVORE.COM LLC d/b/a Homegrown, 2600 Stone Creek Blvd, Urbana, IL) – Exec
- g. **Resolution No. 2021-12-050R:** A Resolution Authorizing Acceptance of an Illinois Arts Council Agency (IACA) Grant for Arts and Culture Program Operating Support – CD

Presented by CM Quisenberry.

Motion to approve consent agenda items by CM Quisenberry and seconded by CM Bishop.

Vote by roll call:

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

NAY: None.

2. REGULAR AGENDA

- a. **Ordinance No. 2021-11-048:** An Ordinance Revising the FY 2022 Annual Budget (Budget Amendment #4) – HR/Finance

Presented by Elizabeth Hannan the director of Finance and Human Resources.

Motion to approve by CM Quisenberry Seconded by CM Wu.

Questions and discussion ensued. Director of Community Development Sheila Dodd and City Administrator Carol Mitten helped answer questions.

Vote by roll call:

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

NAY: None

- b. **Ordinance No. 2021-12-052:** An Ordinance Levying Taxes for the Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 2021 and Ending June 30, 2022 – HR/Finance

Presented by Elizabeth Hannan the director of Finance and Human Resources.

Motion to approve by CM Quisenberry Seconded by CM Bishop.

Vote by roll call:

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

NAY: None

- c. **Ordinance No. 2021-12-053:** An Ordinance Directing the Champaign County Clerk to Abate the Tax Levy for the General Corporate Fund for the Tax Year Beginning July 1, 2021 and Ending June 30, 2022 – HR/Finance

Presented by Elizabeth Hannan the director of Finance and Human Resources.

Motion to approve by CM Quisenberry seconded by CM Wu.

Vote by roll call:

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

NAY: None

- d. **Ordinance No. 2021-12-054:** An Ordinance Directing the Champaign County Clerk to Abate a Portion of the 2021 Related General Obligation Bonds, Series 2014 – HR/Finance

Presented by Elizabeth Hannan the director of Finance and Human Resources.
Motion to approve by CM Quisenberry seconded by CM Bishop.
Vote by roll call:

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

NAY: None

9. REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES

None

10. REPORTS OF OFFICERS

Carol Mitten provided a reminder that the Council Goal-Setting session to create action items will be held on December 15th, 2021. Asked Council to respond to scheduling poll to secure a date for a subsequent January Goal-Setting closing session with facilitator Kevin James. Announced Lt. Cory Koker and team will be at the December 20th COW meeting to present on the Crisis Co-Responder teams first few months of operation. Question ensued. *Mayor Marlin* provided an update on a bill working its way through the House of Representatives that would grant additional flexibility to municipalities for allocations of ARPA spending.

11. NEW BUSINESS

None

12. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business before the Urbana City Council Chair Marlin adjourned this meeting at 9:38 P.M.

Darcy Sandefur
Recording Secretary

Minutes approved: 1/3/2022

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