
DATE: Monday, February 24, 2020
TIME: 7:00 P.M.
PLACE: Urbana City Council Chambers, 400 S. Vine St, Urbana, IL 61801

The City Council of the City of Urbana, Illinois, met in regular session February 24, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at the Urbana City Building.

ELECTED OFFICIALS PHYSICALLY PRESENT: City Council Members (CM) Eric Jakobsson (Ward 2), Bill Brown (Ward 4), Dean Hazen (Ward 6), Shirese Hursey (Ward 3), Jared Miller (Ward 7), Maryalice Wu (Ward 1), Dennis Roberts (Ward 5), Charles A. Smyth (City Clerk), Diane Wolfe Marlin (Mayor)

ELECTED OFFICIALS PRESENT VIA TELECONFERENCE: None

ELECTED OFFICIALS ABSENT: None

STAFF PRESENT: Carol Mitten, James Simon, Lorrie Pearson, Elizabeth Hannan

OTHERS PRESENT: Rev. Dr. Evelyn B. Underwood, Allan Axelrod

A. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

There being a quorum present, Mayor Marlin called the meeting of the Urbana City Council to order at 7:00 p.m.

B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

City Council Member (CM) Wu made a motion to approve minutes from the February 10, 2020 regular meeting. The motion was seconded by CM Hursey, and passed by unanimous voice vote.

C. ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

There were none.

D. PRESENTATIONS AND PUBLIC INPUT

Rev. Dr. Underwood did not wish to speak but wanted the record to reflect continuing concern for the Dr. Ellis Subdivision sewer issues.

Mayor Marlin noted that this was CM Hazen's final meeting and presented him with a photo and thanked him for his service. She stated that she enjoyed working with Dean, noted his level of work and study, his willingness to ask questions, and appreciated his comments and perspective. CM Hazen stated that he appreciated his time on council and felt that he had gained a great deal from the experience. He noted the time conflicts with his current employer as the reason for his departure. He also appreciated the friendships established and promised to come visit on Mondays when he can.

E. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was none.

F. REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

1. Committee Of The Whole – (Council Member Bill Brown)

- a. **Ordinance No. 2020-02-005:** An Ordinance Amending Urbana City Code Chapter 3 – Alcoholic Liquor

For the committee, CM Brown moved approval of Ordinance 2020-02-005, seconded by CM Miller. City Attorney Simon noted that the ordinance as presented did not include the effective date of July 1, 2020. CM Brown restated the motion noting the effective date of July 1, 2020, and CM Miller concurred. CM Roberts commented that the changes are responsive to business needs and hopes to see new events out of the new format. CM

Brown clarified the All Ages rider noting that it's not routine but an occasional add-on. Mayor Marlin noted a new business proposal that will use the new incubator license with credit for the idea shared by CM Miller and Kate Brickman Levy. With no further discussion, the motion passed by roll call vote (7-0): Brown – Aye; Hazen – Aye; Hursey – Aye; Jakobsson – Aye; Miller – Aye; Roberts – Aye; Wu – Aye.

G. REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES

There were none.

H. REPORTS OF OFFICERS

There were none.

I. NEW BUSINESS

1. Mayoral Appointment to Boards and Commissions

a. Market at the Square Advisory Board, term ending June 30, 2022

1. Eric Luttrell

Mayor Marlin nominated Eric Luttrell to the Market at the Square Advisory Board. She read a short biography and noted that this fills a particular requirement of the board representing various vendor categories at the market.

CM Wu moved approval of the appointment of Mr. Luttrell, seconded by CM Miller. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

2. Closed Session: To Consider the Appointment, Employment, Compensation, Discipline, Performance, or Dismissal of Specific Employees or Legal Counsel, Pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2(c)1

CM Hazen moved to go into closed session to consider the appointment, employment, compensation, performance, or dismissal of specific employees or legal counsel, pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2/(c)1. The motion was seconded by CM Miller and passed by roll call vote (8-0): Brown – Aye; Hazen – Aye; Hursey – Aye; Jakobsson – Aye; Miller – Aye; Roberts – Aye; Wu – Aye; Mayor Marlin – Aye.

Council members, Mayor, and selected staff moved to the second floor Executive Council Room at 7:13 pm. Council members, Mayor, and staff returned to council chambers at 7:43 pm. CM Roberts moved to return to open session, seconded by CM Jakobsson. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

J. ADJOURNMENT

Additional public input was provided by Alan Axelrod. He reported an incident on Elm Street and asked that the police procedures used in police stop be reviewed. He then reviewed recent military activities and US involvement with Iran including deportation of Iranian students and new sanctions placed on Iran. He noted the war powers resolution recently passed in the US Senate that may be vetoed by the president. Despite hundreds of protests, only one city has issued a resolution opposing going to war with Iran and he asked that Urbana do likewise.

With no further business to come before the council, Mayor Marlin adjourned the meeting at 7:48 p.m.

Charles A. Smyth

City Clerk

This meeting was video recorded with website link (viewable on demand):

<https://www.urbanaininois.us/node/8357>

This meeting was broadcast on cable television (UPTV) and streamed live:

<http://urbanaininois.us/upty>

Minutes Approved: March 9, 2020