
DATE: Monday, November 19, 2018
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 Monday, November 19, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at the Urbana City Building.

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

ELECTED OFFICIALS PRESENT VIA TELECONFERENCE: None

ELECTED OFFICIALS ABSENT: None

STAFF PRESENT: Carol Mitten, John Schneider, Lorrie Pearson, Jim Simon, Jason Liggett

OTHERS PRESENT: News-Gazette, Jonah Weiskopf

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 7:03 p.m. following the Pledge of Allegiance.

B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

City Council Member (CM) Ammons made a motion to approve minutes from the November 5, 2018 regular meeting, seconded by CM Hazen, and passed by unanimous voice vote.

C. ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

There were no additions.

D. PUBLIC INPUT

There was no public input.

E. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was none.

F. REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

1. **Committee Of The Whole** – (*Council Member Maryalice Wu*) – *Consent Agenda*
 - a. **Ordinance No. 2018-11-077:** An Ordinance Repealing Ordinance No. 2018-08-054 and Amending Urbana City Code Regarding Changes in Administrative Officer Positions
 - b. **Resolution No. 2018-11-053R:** A Resolution Approving Amendment No. 1 to a Non-Endowed Fund Agreement with the Community Foundation of East Central Illinois (Legacy Tree Program)

CM Wu read Ordinance 2018-11-077 and Resolution 2018-08-054 indicating that the committee sent them to Council with a recommendation for approval in omnibus fashion (Consent Agenda). It was noted that there were no public input requests for these items. Asking and seeing no requests to separate the items, CM Wu moved consideration of the consent agenda, seconded by CM Miller. The motion passed by unanimous consent of the Corporate Authorities. CM Wu then moved passage of the consent agenda, seconded by CM Ammons.

The motion passed by roll call vote (7-0): Ammons – Aye; Brown – Aye; Hazen – Aye; Jakobsson – Aye; Miller – Aye; Roberts – Aye; Wu – Aye

2. **Committee Of The Whole** – (*Council Member Maryalice Wu*)

- a. **Resolution No. 2018-11-052R:** A Resolution Estimating the Tax Levy (Fiscal Year 2018 – 2019)

For the committee, CM Wu moved passage of Resolution 2018-11-052R, seconded by CM Roberts. With no discussion, the motion was approved by roll call vote (8-0): Ammons – Aye; Brown – Aye; Hazen – Aye; Jakobsson – Aye; Miller – Aye; Roberts – Aye; Wu – Aye; Marlin – Aye.

- b. **Ordinance No. 2018-11-076:** An Ordinance Revising the Annual Budget Ordinance (Budget Amendment #7 – Omnibus) – Finance

For the committee, CM Wu moved passage of Ordinance 2018-11-076, seconded by CM Jakobsson. With no discussion, the motion was approved by roll call vote (8-0): Ammons – Aye; Brown – Aye; Hazen – Aye; Jakobsson – Aye; Miller – Aye; Roberts – Aye; Wu – Aye; Marlin – Aye.

G. REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES

There were none.

H. REPORTS OF OFFICERS

CM Roberts reported that a delegation from the City of Urbana Sister Cities Committee, led by Michael Kilcullen would be visiting Thionville, France in the coming week.

Mayor Marlin noted the birthdays of CM Jakobsson and Jason Liggett.

I. NEW BUSINESS

1. **Ordinance No. 2018-11-078:** An Ordinance Amending the Urbana Zoning Map (Rezoning 206 South Cedar from R-6 to B-4 / Jonah Weisskopf – Plan Case 2352-M-18)

Planning Manager Lorrie Pearson presented the staff memo on the rezoning request for 206 S. Cedar to B4. This property is part of the Library Block as illustrated by Ms. Pearson with a projected map. She noted that this is the only lot with an R6 designation and the proposed change would bring it in line with the adjacent zoning as well as with the recommendations of the Comprehensive Plan as Central Business. The Plan Commission reviewed the LaSalle and Sinclair criteria met and voted unanimously 6-0 in favor. Questions followed.

CM Wu, noting the potential use as a café and music venue as described in the memo, asked if it could continue as residential. Ms. Pearson confirmed that Multifamily Residential could continue as a permitted use but that the current R6B does not allow a music venue. The commercial aspect of B4 does not require parking.

In response to CM Roberts, Jonah Weiskopf, the applicant, spoke to his proposal of a café and music venue noting that he plans to keep using it as residential. He stated that he had received a 70 page dossier for a café on the first floor, residential 2nd floor from the previous owners that document described the need for B4 zoning. His request is to secure future flexibility for the building and does not have a specific plan currently. He noted that changes in zoning in nearby areas triggered thinking on this. CM Roberts noted his concern about demolition and the relation to the library block. Mr. Weiskopf indicated he had no plans to tear down the building but is planning more for future commercial use noting the parking required of current zoning limits business aspect use. Discussion of the current 1 car driveway and the historical fact of the structure being a single family home relocated there and converted to 3 units followed.

CM Roberts moved approval of Ordinance 2018-11-078, seconded by CM Ammons. CM Brown stated that he thought it appropriate to change the zoning given the rest of the block and agreement with the Comprehensive Plan and noting that the Library did not buy the property when they had right of first refusal.

With no further discussion, the motion was approved by roll call vote (7-0): Ammons – Aye; Brown – Aye; Hazen – Aye; Jakobsson – Aye; Miller – Aye; Roberts – Aye; Wu – Aye.

J. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Marlin notified council members that Broadway Food Hall Variance case would not be on next week's committee agenda to allow staff and the owners to continue discussions. With no further business to come before the council, Mayor Marlin adjourned the meeting at 7:18 p.m.

Charles A. Smyth

City Clerk

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

<https://www.urbanaininois.us/node/7328>

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

<http://urbanaininois.us/uptv>

Minutes Approved: December 3, 2018