

**STATE OF ILLINOIS**

*Laurel Lunt Prussing, Mayor*

**CITY OF URBANA**

*Phyllis D. Clark, City Clerk*



**URBANA CITY COUNCIL  
Monday, May 16, 2016**

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The City Council of the City of Urbana, Illinois, met in regular session Monday, May 16, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at the Urbana City Building.

**ELECTED OFFICIALS PHYSICALLY PRESENT**

- Charles Smyth, Alderman Ward 1
- Eric Jakobsson, Alderman Ward 2
- Aaron Ammons, Alderman Ward 3
- Bill Brown, Alderman Ward 4
- Dennis Roberts, Alderman Ward 5
- Laurel Lunt Prussing, Mayor
- Phyllis D. Clark, City Clerk

**ELECTED OFFICIALS PRESENT VIA TELECONFERENCE**

None

**ELECTED OFFICIALS ABSENT**

Michael P. Madigan, Alderman Ward 6; Diane Marlin, Alderwoman Ward 7

**STAFF PRESENT**

Brandon Boys; Patrick Connolly; William Gray; Natalie Kenny Marquez; Christopher Marx; Mike Monson; Brian Nightlinger; Lorrie Pearson; John Schneider; James Simon; Elizabeth Tyler

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Anna Barnes; Durl Kruse; Rachel Strom; Bishop King James Underwood; Rev. Dr. Evelyn B. Underwood; Members of the Media

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**A. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL**

There being a quorum, Mayor Prussing called the special meeting of the Urbana City Council to order at 7:13 p.m. **\*\*Started late due to prior Town Board Meeting\*\***.

**B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

Alderman Roberts made a motion to approve minutes from the meeting held on May 2, 2016. Alderman Jakobsson seconded. Motion carried by voice vote

**C. ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA**

There were none.

**D. PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS**

Durl Kruse voiced his thoughts to council members about TIF districts.

Bishop King James and Rev. Dr. Evelyn B. Underwood did not wish to speak, but asked that their position be entered into the record regarding the Dr. Ellis Subdivision sewer issues.

Anna Barnes spoke in support of a moratorium on gaming hall licenses in Urbana.

Rachel Storm voiced her concerns about the addition of a liquor license allowing a gaming hall on East Washington Street near the Lierman neighborhood.

Alderman Roberts read a letter from Robin Arbiter in which she spoke in favor of a moratorium on gaming halls.

Mayor Prussing proclaimed May 17 - May 23, 2016 as National Public Works Week in the City of Urbana.

Alderman Ammons announced a Day of Gratitude with Hakeem Salaam on May 26 at the Urbana Civic Center from 6:30pm to 8:30pm. He also announced a community event in celebration of the birthday of Carol Ammons on June 1 at King Park from 5:00pm to 7:00pm.

**1. Discussion - Budget Overview**

a. Executive Department

Finance Director Elizabeth Hannan and Mayor Prussing presented an overview of the Executive Department budget for fiscal year 2016-2017. There was discussion during which Ms. Hannan and the Mayor answered questions and concerns from council members.

b. Finance Department

Ms. Hannan went over the budget for the Finance Department with the council members. Ms. Hannan answered questions from council members and explained changes in the Finance Department budget.

c. Community Development

Community Development Director Elizabeth Tyler presented the budget for Community Development. As she went over the budget she spoke about staff and explained the duties of each division in Community Development. She also spoke about accomplishments of the department.

**E. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

There was none.

**F. REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES**

**1. Committee Of The Whole**

- a. **Resolution No. 2016-05-027R:** A Resolution Approving and Authorizing the Execution of a Promotional and Marketing Agreement for Pygmalion Festival (Fein-Bursoni, Inc., FY 2016-2017)

Alderman Brown made a motion to approve this resolution. Motion seconded by Alderman Ammons and carried by roll call. Votes were as follows:

Ammons - Aye	Roberts - Aye
Brown - Aye	Smyth - Aye
Jakobsson - Aye	

**Disposition:** Resolution No. 2016-05-027R was approved by roll call vote (5-Ayes; 0-Nay)

- b. **Resolution No. 2016-05-028R:** A Resolution Amending the City of Urbana Municipal Electric Aggregation Plan of Operation and Governance (Plan of Operations and Governance/2016)

Alderman Brown made a motion to approve this resolution. Motion seconded by Alderman Roberts and carried by roll call vote. Votes were follows:

Ammons - Aye	Roberts - Aye
Brown - Aye	Smyth - Aye
Jakobsson - Aye	

**Disposition:** Resolution No. 2016-05-028R was approved by roll call vote (5-Ayes; 0-Nay)

- c. **Ordinance No. 2016-05-033:** An Ordinance Amending Urbana City Code Chapter Fourteen, Section 14-7, Regarding Schedule of Fees Subsection A - "LIQUOR LICENSES" (July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017)

This item will be presented in a special meeting of City Council on June 13, 2016.

- d. **Ordinance No. 2016-05-034:** An Ordinance Amending Urbana City Code Chapter Fourteen, Section 14-7, Regarding Schedule of Fees Subsections B Through P - "Licenses and Permits," Excluding Liquor (July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017)

This item will be presented in a special meeting of City Council on June 13, 2016.

- e. **Ordinance No. 2016-05-035:** An Ordinance Amending Urbana City Code Chapter 3.5 (Amendments to Ambulance Services Ordinance)

Alderman Brown made a motion to approve this ordinance. Motion seconded by Alderman Smyth. There was discussion about having a document available with the breakdown of what is included in this amendment. After discussion Ordinance No. 2016-05-035 was approved by roll call. Votes were as follows:

Ammons - Aye	Roberts - Aye
Brown - Aye	Smyth - Aye
Jakobsson - Aye	

**Disposition:** Ordinance No. 2016-05-035 was approved by roll call vote (5-Ayes; 0-Nay)

- f. **Ordinance No. 2016-05-036:** An Ordinance Amending Urbana City Code Sections 15-67 and 1-18-Possession of Cannabis Paraphernalia and Penalty (Reduction of Fine for Cannabis Paraphernalia Possession from \$300 to \$25)

Alderman Brown made a motion to approve this ordinance. Motion was seconded by Alderman Ammons and approved by roll call vote. Votes were as follows:

Ammons - Aye	Roberts - Aye
Brown - Aye	Smyth - Aye
Jakobsson - Aye	

**Disposition:** Ordinance No. 2016-05-036 was approved by roll call vote (5-Ayes; 0-Nay)

- g. **Ordinance No. 2016-05-037:** An Ordinance Amending Urbana City Code Section 1-17 - Settlement of Violations Prior to Suit Being Filed (Increase in Time for Settling Violations from 14 Days To 35 Days with an extension of 28 Days)

Alderman Brown made a motion to approve this ordinance. Alderman Smyth seconded the motion.

Alderman Smyth suggested a review of the fine schedule to look at the fine amounts charged for other offenses. He then made a motion to amend this ordinance to change the amount of time for settlement, changing the settlement time to 60 days, instead of 35 days with an extension of 28 days. He also added that the date this would take effect would be July 15, 2016 to allow for the change and ordering of new forms. There was discussion. Alderman Roberts seconded the motion. Motion to amend this ordinance was approved by voice vote.

This ordinance was approved by roll vote as amended. Votes were as follows:

Ammons - Aye	Roberts - Aye
Brown - Aye	Smyth - Aye
Jakobsson - Aye	

**Disposition:** Ordinance No. 2016-05-037 was approved as amended by roll call vote. (5-Ayes; 0-Nay)

- h. **Ordinance No. 2016-05-038:** An Ordinance Amending Urbana City Code Chapter 1 and Chapter 3 (Notice Requirement for Hearing on Class G-2 Liquor License Application, Fine for Basset Violation)

Alderman Brown made a motion to approve this ordinance. Motion was seconded by Alderman Roberts. There was discussion about some of the mailed notifications for public hearing being returned. After discussion this ordinance was approved by roll call vote. Votes were as follows:

Ammons - Aye	Roberts - Aye
Brown - Aye	Smyth - Aye
Jakobsson - Aye	

**Disposition:** Ordinance No. 2016-05-038 was approved by roll call vote. (5-Ayes; 0-Nay)

**G. REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES**

There were none

**H. REPORTS OF OFFICERS**

Planning Manager Lorrie Pearson announced upcoming events including a lecture on vernacular building types at the Urbana Free Library, a walking tour of historic east Urbana, and a lecture on antebellum houses

**I. NEW BUSINESS**

1. **Resolution No. 2016-05-029R:** A resolution To Authorize Execution of an Easement Agreement between the City of Urbana and the Board of Trustees of the University of Illinois (MCORE Project - Installation of Street Lights and related Equipment along Green Street between Wright Street and Lincoln Avenue

Public Works Director William Gray presented this resolution. Alderman Ammons made a motion to approve this ordinance. Motion was seconded by Alderman Smyth and approved by roll call vote. Votes were as follows:

Ammons - Aye	Roberts - Aye
Brown - Aye	Smyth - Aye
Jakobsson - Aye	

**Disposition:** Ordinance 2016-05-029R was approved by roll call vote: (5-Ayes; 0-Nay)

2. **Ordinance No. 2016-05-039:** An Ordinance Amending the Zoning Map of the City of Urbana, Illinois (Rezoning a 0.81 acre parcel at 805 North Lincoln Avenue from the B-1, Neighborhood Business zoning district to the B-3, General Business zoning district. - Plan Case 2278-M-16 / Lacey's Place LLC Series Urbana

Planner I Christopher Marx presented this ordinance. Mr. Marx answered questions and concerns from council members. After discussion Alderman Smyth made a motion to deny the zoning change. Motion was seconded by Alderman Ammons and approved by roll call vote. Vote was as follows:

Ammons - Aye	Roberts - Aye
Brown - Aye	Smyth - Aye
Jakobsson - Aye	

**Disposition:** Ordinance No. 2016-05-039 was denied by roll call vote:  
(5 Ayes; 0-Nay)

3. **Mayoral Appointment**

- a. Sustainability Advisory Commission

1. Stacy Gloss - term to expire June 30, 2018

- b. Public Arts Commission

1. Jenelle Orcherton - term to expire June 30, 2019

- c. Property Maintenance Code Board of Appeals

1. Daniel Harmon - term to expire June 30, 2019

Alderman Smyth made a motion to approve these Mayoral appointments. Motion seconded by Alderman Ammons. Motion approved by voice vote.

**Disposition:** The appointments of Stacy Gloss to the Sustainability Advisory Commission, Jenelle Orcherton to the Public Arts Commission and Daniel Harmon to the Property Maintenance Code Board of Appeals were approved by voice vote

4. **Discussion**

- a. Moratorium on gaming hall licenses in Urbana

Alderman Roberts introduced this topic. He voiced concerns about the number of gaming halls and possible location of future gaming halls. Discussion about the licenses, establishments and locations ensued. It was decided to continue dissuasion at a later date.

**J. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the City Council, Mayor Prussing declared the meeting adjourned at 10:19 p.m.

Kay Meharry  
Recording Secretary

Phyllis D. Clark  
City Clerk

\*This meeting was taped.

\*\*This meeting was broadcast on cable television

**Minutes Approved: June 6, 2016**