

STATE OF ILLINOIS

Laurel Lunt Prussing, Mayor

CITY OF URBANA

Phyllis D. Clark, City Clerk



URBANA CITY COUNCIL
Monday, March 21, 2016

The City Council of the City of Urbana, Illinois, met in regular session Monday, March 21, 2016 at 7 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
Bill Brown, Alderman Ward 4
Dennis Roberts, Alderman Ward 5
Michael P. Madigan, Alderman Ward 6
Diane Marlin, Alderwoman Ward 7
Laurel Lunt Prussing, Mayor

ELECTED OFFICIALS PRESENT VIA TELECONFERENCE

None

ELECTED OFFICIALS ABSENT

Aaron Ammons; Phyllis D. Clark

STAFF PRESENT

Alex Bautista; Brandon Boys; Patrick Connolly; William Gray; Wendy Hundley; Mike Monson; Derrick Odle; Lorrie Pearson; Elizabeth Tyler

OTHERS PRESENT

Elderess Melinda Carr; Dan Linn; Benjamin Stone; Linda Turnbull; Rev. Dr. Evelyn B. Underwood; Henry Washington; Members of the Media

A. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

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

B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Alderman Roberts made a motion to approve minutes from the meeting held on March 7, 2016. Alderman Jakobsson seconded. Motion to approve the minutes was carried by voice vote.

C. ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

There were none.

D. PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Linda Turnbull spoke about drone sightings in Urbana and would like someone to look into it.

Henry Washington also spoke about drone sightings and would like someone to look into it.

Dan Linn spoke in support of lowering the fines for cannabis possession and is in favor of legalizing cannabis.

Benjamin Stone spoke in support of lower fines for cannabis possession. Elderess Melina Carr read a passage from the writings of Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. She also voiced her concerns regarding the Dr. Ellis Subdivision sewer issues.

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.

E. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was none.

F. REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

1. **Committee Of The Whole**

- a. **Ordinance No. 2016-03-017:** An Ordinance Revising the Fiscal Year 2015 - 2016 Annual Budget (Meijer Development Agreement - Final Payment)

Alderman Madigan made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 2016-03-017. Motion was seconded by Alderwoman Marlin. Roll call vote was as follows:

Brown - aye	Roberts - aye
Jakobsson - aye	Smyth - aye
Madigan - aye	Prussing - aye
Marlin - aye	

Disposition: Ordinance No. 2016-03-017 was approved by roll call vote (7-aye; 0-nay)

- b. **Ordinance No. 2016-03-018:** An Ordinance Authorizing the Acquisition of Certain Real Estate Property by Eminent Domain for the Extension of North Lincoln Avenue from Saline Court to Olympian Drive (Acquisition of right-of-way for Constructing the North Lincoln Avenue Extension)

Alderman Madigan made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 2016-03-18. Motion seconded by Alderman Smyth. Roll call vote was as follows:

Brown - aye	Roberts - aye
Jakobsson - aye	Smyth - aye
Madigan - aye	Prussing - aye
Marlin - aye	

Disposition: Ordinance No. 2016-03-018 was approved by roll call vote: (7-aye; 0-nay)

- c. **Ordinance No. 2016-03-019:** An Ordinance Authorizing the Purchase of Certain Real Estate (A Portion of a Real Estate Parcel with Permanent Index Number 25-15-29-300-004)

Alderman Madigan made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 2016-03-19. Motion seconded by Alderman Roberts. Roll call vote was as follows:

Brown - aye	Roberts - aye
Jakobsson - aye	Smyth - aye
Madigan - aye	Prussing - aye
Marlin - aye	

Disposition: Ordinance No. 2016-03-019 was approved by roll call vote: (7-aye; 0-nay)

- d. **Resolution No. 2016-03-011R:** A Resolution Approving a Local Agency Agreement for Federal Participation with the Illinois Department of Transportation (Lincoln Avenue Construction from Olympian Drive to Saline Court Section Number 11-00334-01-PV)
- Alderman Madigan made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2016-03-011R. Motion was seconded by Alderman Smyth. Roll call vote was as follows:
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| Brown - aye | Marlin - aye |
| Jakobsson - aye | Roberts - aye |
| Madigan - aye | Smyth - aye |
- Disposition:** Resolution No. 2016-03-011R was approved by roll call vote (6-aye; 0-nay)
- e. **Resolution No. 2016-03-016R:** A Resolution for Improvement by Municipality under the Illinois Highway Code (North Lincoln Avenue Improvements - Construction, Engineering and Utilities)
- Alderman Madigan made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2016-03-016R. Motion was seconded by Alderwoman Marlin. Roll call vote was as follows:
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| Brown - aye | Marlin - aye |
| Jakobsson - aye | Roberts - aye |
| Madigan - aye | Smyth - aye |
- Disposition:** Resolution No. 2016-03-016R was approved by roll call vote (6-aye; 0-nay)
- f. **Resolution No. 2016-03-012R:** A Resolution Approving an Amendment to a Subrecipient Agreement between the Urbana Home Consortium and Habitat for Humanity of Champaign County (FY 2014-2015)
- Alderman Madigan made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2016-03-012R. Motion was seconded by Alderman Jakobsson. Roll call vote was as follows:
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| Brown - aye | Marlin - aye |
| Jakobsson - aye | Roberts - aye |
| Madigan - aye | Smyth - aye |
- Disposition:** Resolution No. 2016-03-012R was approved by roll call vote (6-aye; 0-nay)
- **NOTE: Chair Madigan recused himself from 7:39pm to 7:42pm, and asked Alderwoman Marlin to present the following two items due to possible conflict as he is a liquor license holder in the City of Urbana, Illinois.****
- g. **Ordinance No. 2016-03-020:** An Ordinance Amending Urbana City Code Chapter Three, Section 3-43 (Increasing number of Class C liquor licenses for UM, Inc., d/b/a Mr. Gas Plus, 808 E. Main Street)
- Alderwoman Marlin made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 2016-03-20. Motion seconded by Alderman Jakobsson. Roll call vote was as follows:
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| Brown - aye | Marlin - aye |
| Jakobsson - aye | Roberts - aye |
| Madigan - recuse | Smyth - aye |
- Disposition:** Ordinance No. 2016-03-020 was approved by roll call vote: (5-aye; 0-nay)

- h. **Ordinance No. 2016-02-014:** An Ordinance Amending Urbana City Code Chapter Three, Article III, Section 3-40 and Adding New Section 3-51 Providing for Compliance with New State Statute Concerning Responsible Alcoholic Beverage Server Training - Mayor [COW 02/15/16; 03/14/16]

Alderwoman Marlin made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 2016-03-14. Motion seconded by Alderman Smyth. Alderman Jakobsson added a friendly amendment to the ordinance clarifying that certification could also be done online with a program licensed by the State of Illinois. Roll call vote was as follows:

Brown - aye	Marlin - aye
Jakobsson - aye	Roberts - aye
Madigan - recuse	Smyth - aye

Disposition: Ordinance No. 2016-03-014 was approved by roll call vote: (5-aye; 0-nay)

- i. **Resolution No. 2016-03-013R:** Resolution to Support Reform of Binding Arbitration in Illinois

Alderman Madigan made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2016-03-013R. Motion was seconded by Alderman Roberts. Roll call vote was as follows:

Brown - aye	Marlin - aye
Jakobsson - aye	Roberts - aye
Madigan - aye	Smyth - aye

Disposition: Resolution No. 2016-03-013R was approved by roll call vote (6-aye; 0-nay)

- j. **Resolution No. 2016-03-014R:** Resolution in Support of Funding for Higher Education in Illinois

Alderman Madigan made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2016-03-014R. Motion was seconded by Alderman Smyth. Roll call vote was as follows:

Brown - aye	Marlin - aye
Jakobsson - aye	Roberts - aye
Madigan - aye	Smyth - aye

Disposition: Resolution No. 2016-03-014R was approved by roll call vote (6-aye; 0-nay)

- k. **Resolution No. 2016-03-015R:** A Resolution Approving an Intergovernmental Agreement Regarding Intervention in a Proposed Illinois-American Water Company Water and Sewer Rate Increase Case (Docket No. 16-0093)

Alderman Madigan made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2016-03-015R. Motion was seconded by Alderman Roberts. Roll call vote was as follows:

Brown - aye	Marlin - aye
Jakobsson - aye	Roberts - aye
Madigan - aye	Smyth - aye

Disposition: Resolution No. 2016-03-015R was approved by roll call vote (6-aye; 0-nay)

G. REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES

There were none.

H. REPORTS OF OFFICERS

Brandon Boys, Economic Development Manager, presented the new "Think Urbana" Program. He explained that the program provides property tax abatement and sales tax exemptions on materials for new single family residential construction. There was discussion during which Mr. Boys responded the questions and concerns from council members.

Mr. Boys informed council members that April 26 will be the tentative date for TWG development announcement and meeting for public input. He updated the council on the progress of various Urbana businesses and informed them about the Boneyard Public Arts Festival which will take place April 9.

I. NEW BUSINESS

1. **Ordinance No. 2016-03-021:** An Ordinance to allow a front canopy that will encroach seven feet into the required front yard in the City's B-1, Neighborhood Business District, at 303 West Griggs Street / ZBA Case No. 2016-MAJ-01

Lorrie Pearson, Planning Manager, presented this ordinance and answered questions and concerns from council members. After discussion Alderman Brown made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 2016-03-021. Motion seconded by Alderman Jakobsson. Roll call vote was as follows:

Brown - aye	Marlin - aye
Jakobsson - aye	Roberts - aye
Madigan - aye	Smyth - aye

Disposition: Ordinance No. 2016-03-021 was approved by roll call vote (6-aye; 0-nay)

2. **Mayoral Appointments:**

- a. **Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Commission**

1. Annie Adams - term to expire June 30, 2017
2. Lily Wilcock - term to expire June 30, 2018

Alderman Smyth made a motion to approve the Mayoral appointments. Motion seconded by Alderman Jakobsson and approved by voice vote.

Disposition: The appointments of Annie Adams and Lily Wilcock to the Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Commission were approved by voice vote.

- b. **Public Arts Commission**

1. Sara Jones - term to expire June 30, 2018

Alderman Jakobsson made a motion to approve the Mayoral appointment. Motion seconded by Alderman Smyth and approved by voice vote.

Disposition: The appointment of Sara Jones to the Public Arts Commission was approved by voice vote.

- c. **Market at the Square Advisory Board**

1. Brian Kerlin - term to expire June 30, 2018

Alderman Marlin made a motion to approve the Mayoral appointment. Motion seconded by Alderman Smyth and approved by voice vote.

Disposition: The appointment of Brian Kerlin to the Market at the Square Advisory Board was approved by voice vote.

J. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the City Council, Mayor Prussing declared the meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Kay Meharry
Kay Meharry
Recording Secretary

Wendy Hundley
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Deputy Clerk

*This meeting was taped.

**This meeting was broadcast on cable television.

Minutes Approved: April 4, 2016