

CITY OF URBANA

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE - May 11, 2015 - 7:00 P.M.

CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS - 400 S. VINE STREET, URBANA, IL

The City Council Committee of The Whole of the City of Urbana, Illinois, met in regular session Monday, May 11, 2015 in the Council Chambers of the Urbana City Building.

ELECTED OFFICIALS PHYSICALLY PRESENT: Aaron Ammons; Bill Brown; Eric Jakobsson; Michael P. Madigan; Diane Marlin; Dennis Roberts; Charles Smyth; Wendy Hundley, Urbana City Clerk Pro-tem

ELECTED OFFICIALS PRESENT VIA TELECONFERENCE:

There were none

ELECTED OFFICIALS ABSENT:

Mayor Laurel Lunt Prussing

STAFF PRESENT: Patrick Connolly; Elizabeth Hannan; Sanford Hess; William Gray; Kelly Mierkowski; Mike Monson; Brian Nightlinger; James Simon; Scott Tess; and Elizabeth Tyler

OTHERS PRESENT: David Monk; Keith Rentschler; Paul Tatman; Bishop King James and Reverend Doctor Evelyn Underwood; Paula Vanier; David Zhao; Members of the Media

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

There being a quorum, Chair Diane Marlin called the meeting of the Committee of The Whole to order at 7:07 p.m., after which Wendy Hundley, Urbana City Clerk Pro-tem called the roll.

2. ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA AND STAFF REPORT

1. Chair Marlin proposed a rearrangement of the Agenda, placing items 11 and 12 to be presented after item 4. Alderman Smyth then made a motion to rearrange the agenda as proposed by Chair Marlin. Alderman Madigan seconded. Motion carried by voice vote.

2. Community Development Director Elizabeth Tyler made the following announcements:

1) On May 12, 2015 from 3:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m. there will be a presentation at Pizza M, located at 208 West Main Urbana, entitled "Welcoming Immigrant Owned Businesses, A Local Economic Development Strategy For Urbana" by the Urban and Regional Planning Departments;

2) That May 14, 2015 is "Bike to Work Day". Ms. Tyler gave the website to register for a friendly competition for City staff and the Urbana City Council members to retain a trophy. Alderman Smyth added information regarding the "Kickapoo Rail Trail", and gave an additional website to register for the "Bike to Work Day" event and contribute to the "Kickapoo Rail Trail" fundraiser. Mr. Smyth discussed that the Federal Government will match every dollar donated 4 to 1.

3) Saturday, May 16, 2015 is the date for the City's neighborhood cleanup that is for residents in the City's target area that received a ticket to do a semiannual clean up. The two locations are Fairview across from King School and the Solo

Cup/Dart parking lot from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Volunteers are welcome.

3. Presentation: "Performing Patterns" Transportation Corridor Design Project by Students of the UIUC Department of Landscape Architecture

Alderwoman Marlin introduced the presentation. After Ms. Marlin's introduction, Professor D. Fairchild Ruggles with the Department of Landscape Architecture at the University of Illinois gave an overview of the purpose and content of the presentation. Ms. Ruggles then introduced the students that participated in the project, being: Hanna Cusick; John Whalen; Madeline Schuette; Rene Gonzalez; Qingyi Zhao and A.J. Sus.

Following Ms. Ruggles overview and introduction, Hanna Cusick and John Whalen gave their presentation of possible future transportation options. Discussion with the Committee ensued following the presentation.

3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

1. April 27, 2015

Alderman Ammons made a motion to approve the April 27, 2015 minutes. Alderman Smyth seconded. Being no changes, the motion to approve the April 27, 2015 minutes was carried by voice vote.

4. **PUBLIC INPUT**

1. Keith Rentschler and Paul Tatman addressed the Committee in support of passing Ordinance No. 2015-04-043 to issue a G-2 liquor license to Trident Partners Urbana Five Points Commercial Center, LLC, d/b/a Ruby's IV, 510 N. Cunningham, Suite 12. Discussion with the Committee, Mr. Rentschler and Mr. Tatman then ensued.
2. David Monk addressed the Committee on the topic of Railroad closeouts and the Railbanking Act that deals with preservation of railroads.
3. Bishop King James and Reverend Doctor Evelyn Underwood submitted a public input card expressing that they did not wish to speak addressing the Committee, but asked that their concerns regarding Dr. Ellis Subdivision sewer issues be mentioned.
4. Urbana citizen Paula Vanier addressed the Committee in support of smoke free multi-unit apartment buildings.
5. David Zhao, President of Lacey's Place, LLC, d/b/a Lacey's Place addressed the Committee to discuss the proposed G-2 liquor license for Lacey's Place, presenting some of his personal history and the history of his other establishments. David Zhao remained at the presentation table, as proposed Ordinance No. 2015-05-52 for the Class G-2 liquor license for Lacey's Place would be the next item addressed.

*****Ordinance No. 2015-05-052 was presented following Public Input, followed by Ordinance No. 2015-04-042. The remainder of the Agenda was then presented in the order the items appeared*****

11. **Ordinance No. 2015-05-052:** An Ordinance Amending Urbana City Code Chapter 3, Section 3-43(Increasing number of Class G-2 liquor licenses for Lacey's Place, LLC, d/b/a Lacey's Place, 201 E. University Avenue, Suite C) - MAYOR

*****Following Chair Marlin introducing Ordinance No. 2015-05-052, Alderman Madigan recused himself at 8:23 p.m. from participating in agenda items 11 and 12, as he is a liquor license holder in the City of Urbana, Illinois*****

Discussion with the Committee and Mr. Zhao ensued after Alderman Madigan recused himself. Chief of Police Patrick Connolly, Community Development Director Elizabeth Tyler and City Attorney James Simon addressed the Committee's questions and concerns.

Alderman Smyth made a motion to send Ordinance No. 2015-05-052 to Council with recommendation for approval. Alderman Jakobsson seconded. Chair Marlin verbally corrected the address for the business, stating the correct address of 110 East University Avenue, Suite C for the record, and verbally amending the same in the Ordinance. Alderman Smyth clarified that he moved the Ordinance with the address of 110 East University Avenue, Suite C. Discussion with the Committee then resumed. Ms. Tyler addressed the Committee's questions and concerns.

Following discussion, the motion to send Ordinance No. 2015-05-052 to Council with the corrected address to Council with recommendation for approval was carried by voice vote.

12. **Ordinance No. 2015-04-042:** An Ordinance Amending Urbana City Code Chapter 3, Section 3-43(Increasing number of Class G-2 liquor licenses for Trident Partners Urbana Five Points Commercial Center, LLC, d/b/a Ruby's IV, 510 N. Cunningham, Suite #12) (C.O.W. 04/27/15) - MAYOR

After Chair Marlin introduced Ordinance No. 2015-04-042 Alderman Smyth made a motion to send Ordinance No. 2015-04-042 to Council with recommendation for approval. Alderman Jakobsson seconded. Discussion with the Committee ensued following the motion. Paul Tatman, Keith Rentschler, and City Attorney James Simon addressed the Committee's questions and concerns.

Following discussion, the motion to send Ordinance No. 2015-04-042 to Council with recommendation for approval was carried by voice vote.

*****Chair Marlin called for a two-minute recess following the voice vote on Ordinance No. 2015-04-042 at 7:05 p.m. the meeting resumed with Ordinance No. 2015-05-048 at 7:07 p.m.*****

5. **Ordinance No. 2015-05-048:** An Ordinance Amending Urbana City Code Chapter 10, Section 10-50 (Pollution control facilities siting / 2015) - PW

Environmental Sustainability Manager Scott Tess presented the purpose of the proposed ordinance, being to bring the City of Urbana Code of Ordinances into conformity with the State statute regarding construction and demolition waste facilities. Following Mr. Tess's presentation, Alderman Smyth made a motion to send Ordinance No. 2015-05-048 to Council with a recommendation for approval. Alderman Ammons seconded.

Following the motion, a brief discussion with the Committee ensued. Mr. Tess addressed the Committee's question. Following the discussion, the motion to send Ordinance No. 2015-05-048 to Council with recommendation for approval was carried by voice vote.

6. **Resolution No. 2015-05-024R:** A Resolution to Authorize and Ratify the Execution of an Amended Intergovernmental Agreement Concerning the Area-Wide Records Management System (A.R.M.S.) Between The City of Urbana, The City of Champaign, The Board of Trustees of The University of Illinois, Champaign County (Including The Sheriff's Office), And The Village of Rantoul(Amended A.R.M.S. Agreement) - UPD

Urbana Chief of Police Patrick Connolly gave an overview of the purpose and function of the Area-Wide Records Management System (A.R.M.S.). Information Technology Director Sanford Hess elaborated on the how the A.R.M.S. system operates, and how the various police agencies enter and share the information managed by A.R.M.S. currently, and how the system can be utilized for "years to come".

Discussion with the Committee ensued following the presentation. Chief Connolly and Mr. Hess addressed the Committee's questions and concerns.

Following discussion, Alderman Smyth made a motion to send Resolution No. 2015-05-024R to Council with recommendation for approval. Alderman Madigan seconded. Being no further discussion, the motion to send Resolution No. 2015-05-024R to Council with recommendation for approval was carried by voice vote.

7. **Ordinance No. 2015-05-049:** An Ordinance Amending Urbana City Code Chapter 22, Sections 22-31, 22-45.1, and 22-61(Local Motor Fuel Tax, Municipal Gas Use Tax, and Hotel/Motel Use Tax / 2015) - FINANCE

Finance Director Elizabeth Hannan presented the proposed revenue increases, briefly discussing each increase and the combined fiscal impact. Discussion with the Committee ensued following Ms. Hannan's presentation. Ms. Hannan, City Attorney James Simon, and Urbana Police Chief Patrick Connolly addressed the Committee's questions and concerns.

Alderman Madigan made a Motion to keep Ordinance No. 2015-05-049 in Committee. Alderman Ammons seconded. Discussion continued after the

motion. Following further discussion, the motion to keep Ordinance No. 2015-05-049 in Committee was carried by voice vote.

8. **Ordinance No. 2015-05-050:** An Ordinance Amending Urbana City Code Chapter 22, Section 22-91(Tax on purchase of prepared food and certain alcoholic liquor / 2015) - FINANCE

Prior to Chair Marlin introducing Ordinance No. 2015-05-050, Alderman Ammons made a motion to keep Ordinance No. 2015-05-050 in Committee. Alderman Brown seconded. Being no discussion, the motion to keep Ordinance No. 2015-05-050 in Committee was carried by voice vote.

*****Alderman Madigan acknowledged via electronic mail communication to Urbana City Clerk Phyllis Clark on May 12, 2015 at 9:45 a.m. that as at the May 11, 2015 Committee of the Whole meeting, Alderman Ammons moved to keep Ordinance No. 2015-05-050 in Committee prior to the item being introduced by Chair Marlin, he did not have an opportunity to recuse himself over the microphone. Therefore, pursuant to the same electronic mail communication, Alderman Madigan asked that it be reflected in the minutes that he moved back from the table during this agenda item, and did let his recusal be known for the record via electronic communication*****

9. **Resolution No. 2015-05-025R:** A Resolution Authorizing the Execution of an Agreement with Habitat for Humanity of Champaign County - CD

Grants Management Division Manager Kelly Mierkowski presented the purpose for the Champaign Urbana Attorney General Revitalization Grant, and briefly discussed the goals to be met through an agreement between Habitat for Humanity of Champaign County and the City of Urbana regarding administration of the grant. A brief discussion with the Committee ensued following the presentation. Ms. Mierkowski and Executive Director of the Champaign County Habitat for Humanity Sheila Dodd addressed the Committee's questions and concerns.

Alderman Smyth made a motion to send Resolution No. 2015-05-025R to Council with a recommendation for approval. Alderman Jakobsson seconded. Being no additional discussion, the motion to send Resolution No. 2015-05-025R to Council with a recommendation for approval was carried by voice vote.

10. **Ordinance No. 2015-05-051:** An Ordinance Further Amending Ordinance No. 8485-38 by Extending the Term of the Urbana Enterprise Zone An Additional Six Months - CD

Community Development Director Elizabeth Tyler presented that the proposed amendment would provide partial coverage of a potential gap in the Enterprise Zone benefits if Urbana and Champaign County are not awarded a new Enterprise Zone this annual cycle. Following Ms. Tyler's presentation, Alderman Roberts made a motion to send Ordinance No. 2015-05-051 to Council with recommendation for approval. Alderman Smyth seconded. Discussion with the Committee ensued following the motion. Ms. Tyler and City Attorney James Simon addressed the Committee's questions and concerns.

Following discussion, the motion to send Ordinance No. 2015-05-051 to Council with recommendation for approval was carried by voice vote.

13. **Adjournment**

There being no further business to come before the Committee, Chair Diane Marlin declared the meeting adjourned at 10:16 p.m.

Vicky A. Osborn
Recording Secretary

*This meeting was taped.

**This meeting was broadcast on cable television.

Minutes Approved: MAY 26, 2015