



DATE: Monday, March 20, 2023

TIME: 7:00 pm

PLACE: 400 South Vine Street, Urbana, IL 61801

The City Council Committee of The Whole of the City of Urbana, Illinois, met in regular session Monday, March 20, 2023, at 7:00pm.

**ELECTED OFFICIALS PRESENT**: Mayor Diane Wolfe Marlin; Phyllis D. Clark, City Clerk; CM Maryalice Wu, CM Christopher Evans, CM Shirese Hursey, CM Jaya Kolisetty, CM Chaundra Bishop, CM James Quisenberry

### **ELECTED OFFICIALS ABSENT**: CM Grace Wilken,

**STAFF PRESENT**: Carol Mitten, Bourema Ouedraogo, Dave Wesner, Demond Dade, Wynn Burroughs, Carla Boyd, John Zeman, Tim Cowan, John Zeman,

# OTHERS PRESENT: Lily Walton, HACC;

Chair: Jaya Kolisetty, Ward 4

### 1. Call to Order and Roll Call

With a quorum present, Chair Kolisetty called the meeting of the Committee of the Whole to order at 7 p.m.

# 2. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting

### 1. 02-06-2023 Minutes

Motion to approve minutes by CM Wu and seconded by CM Bishop

Voice vote:

**AYE:** Wu, Evans, Hursey, Kolisetty, Bishop, Quisenberry

NAY: None

# 3. Additions to the Agenda

None.

### 4. Public Input and Presentations

### a. UFD Promotions

Chief Dade explained the process for promotion within the Fire Department and began recognizing promotions within the Fire Department. Tonight there is one members being recognized for their promotions, Firefighter Wynn Burroughs. Mayor Marlin swore him in and congratulated him on his promotion

# b. Enforceability of the Human Rights Ordinance (as relates to source of income) – Carla Boyd and Lily Walton (HACC)

Presented by Carla Boyd the Human Rights and Equity Officer and Lily Walton the Executive Director of the Housing Authority of Champaign County. City Administrator Carol Mitten provided an introduction. Boyd reviewed the discrimination cases reviewed to date since she assumed office in May of 2021. Boyd explained the standards for employment and housing discrimination and the reference material utilized by the City for the purpose of investigations. Boyd reviewed the procedures utilized by the office as well as what steps the office will take moving forward including referring source of income housing discrimination cases to the State for adjudication. Questions and discussion ensued. Lily Walton and Dave Wesner the City Attorney helped respond to questions.

### c. Public Input

**David Huber** expressed concerns about the Downtown Public Realm Study that was presented at the last meeting.

# 5. Staff Report

None.

### 6. Unfinished Business

None.

#### 7. New Business

a. Ordinance No. 2023-03-006: An Ordinance Amending Chapter 21 of the Urbana City Code Pertaining to "Land Developments" – PW

Presented by John Zeman the City Engineer and Joe Fasuela. Item updates the City code to adopt a section to regulate the development of land and codify the current committee reviewing such changes. Zeman explained the composition of the committee involved with these recommended changes, the majority of which are updates provided by the State. Zeman reviewed a table of revisions to the code. Questions and discussion ensued. Motion to approve to regular agenda by CM Bishop and seconded by CM Quisenberry. Vote by roll call:

**AYE:** Wu, Evans, Hursey, Kolisetty, Bishop, Quisenberry

**NAY:** None

 Resolution No. 2023-03-014R: Supplemental Resolution for Improvement under the Illinois Highway Code (State Motor Fuel Tax for Boneyard Creek Crossing Bridge Repair Design) – PW

Presented by John Zeman the City Engineer. The next three items were all presented together. Zeman explained that this is a request for an additional \$33k to cover expenditures beyond the original budget amount following a higher estimate for repairs. Motion to approve to consent agenda by CM Wu and seconded by CM Quisenberry. Voice Vote:

**AYE:** Wu, Evans, Hursey, Kolisetty, Bishop, Quisenberry

**NAY:** None

c. Resolution No. 2023-03-015R: Supplemental Resolution for Improvement under the Illinois Highway Code (State Motor Fuel Tax for Savannah Green Alleys Rehabilitation Construction) –PW

Presented by John Zeman the City Engineer. Item authorizes \$200k to provide contingency for construction plans later this year to rehabilitate Savannah Green Alleys. Questions ensued.

Motion to approve to consent agenda by CM Bishop and seconded by CM Wu.

Voice Vote:

AYE: Wu, Evans, Hursey, Kolisetty, Bishop, Quisenberry

NAY: None

d. Resolution No. 2023-03-016R: Supplemental Resolution for Improvement under the Illinois Highway Code (State Motor Fuel Tax for Springfield Avenue from Wright Street to McCullough Street Resurfacing Design and Construction) – PW

Presented by John Zeman the City Engineer. Item authorizes \$1.49 million of State Motor Fuel tax funds to be utilized for the design phase of the resurfacing project on Springfield Avenue. Questions and discussion ensued.

Motion to approve to consent agenda by CM Bishop and seconded by CM Hursey.

Voice Vote:

**AYE:** Wu, Evans, Hursey, Kolisetty, Bishop, Quisenberry

**NAY:** None

### 8. Council Input and Communications

Mayor Marlin addressed comments about the Downtown Public Realm Study and explained that the project focused on an area much larger than the downtown mall. Marlin defined public realm as it appears on page 6 of the study and provide a summary of the process taken to complete the study. CM Quisenberry echoed the Mayors comments and discussed that the study was designed to challenge us to reconsider what has been done and what can be done differently. CM Evans reassured the public that the study was not the end of the design process but was a jump off point for ideas. Shared information about the upcoming model train show. CM Hursey reassured the public that the City has no plans or intentions to demolish Lincoln Square Mall.

### 9. Adjournment

With no further business before the committee of the whole Chair Kolisetty adjourned the meeting at 8:56 p.m.

# Darcy Sandefur

Recording Secretary

This meeting was video recorded and is viewable on-demand HERE. Minutes approved: 05-01-2023