
DATE: Monday, December 8, 2025
TIME: 7:00 p.m.
PLACE: 400 S. Vine Street, Urbana, IL 61801

The City Council Committee of the Whole of the City of Urbana, Illinois, met in regular session Monday, December 8, 2025, at 8:07 p.m.

ELECTED OFFICIALS PHYSICALLY PRESENT: DeShawn Williams, Mayor; Darcy Sandefur, City Clerk; CM Maryalice Wu, CM Christopher Evans*, CM Shirese Hursey, CM Grace Wilken, CM James Quisenberry

***CM PRESENT REMOTELY**

ELECTED OFFICIALS ABSENT: CM Jaya Kolisetty, CM Chaundra Bishop

STAFF PRESENT: Bourema Ouedraogo, Bridget Broihahn, Vince Gustafson, Matt Roeschley, Darius White, Justin Swinford, Elizabeth Hannan, Olivia Jovine, John Zeman

OTHERS PRESENT:

Chair: *James Quisenberry, Ward 7*

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

With a quorum present, Chair Quisenberry called the meeting of the Urbana City Council to order at 8:07 p.m.

2. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting

- a. **11-03-2025 Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes**
- b. **11-10-2025 City Council Meeting Minutes**
- c. **11-10-2025 Special Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes**

City Clerk Sandefur noted the 11-03-2025 Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes will be corrected to properly note CM Wilken as attending remotely.

Motion to approve by CM Wu, seconded by CM Wilken.

Voice Vote:

AYE: Wu, Evans, Hursey, Wilken, Quisenberry

NAY: None.

3. Additions to the Agenda

Chair Quisenberry noted he will be chairing the meeting instead of CM Wu.

4. Presentations and Public Input

Karen Medina commended the City for their work on developing Ordinance No. 2024-12-042 regarding police surveillance technology.

5. Staff Report

None.

6. Unfinished Business

- a. **Ordinance No. 2025-11-034:** An Ordinance Revising the Annual Budget Ordinance (Budget Amendment #3B – FEMA Assistance to Firefighters Grant) – HRF

Presented by Tal Prendergast, Interim Fire Chief and Steven Doggett, Deputy Fire Chief with Matt Roeschley, City Attorney available for questions. The Ordinance amends the budget to make adjustments for the FEMA Assistance to Firefighters Grant to allow for the use of the funds. Steven Doggett stated the goal of originally applying for the grant was to bring alternative funding sources to the City and they are present today to answer further questions from Council. Questions and discussion followed.

Motion to approve to the regular agenda by CM Wu, seconded by CM Hursey.

Voice Vote:

AYE: Wu, Hursey, Quisenberry

NAY: Evans, Wilken

7. New Business

- a. **Ordinance No. 2025-12-035:** An Ordinance Authorizing the Purchase of Certain Real Estate (2302 Vance Road, Urbana, Illinois) – CD

Presented by Olivia Jovine, Director of Community Development Services. The Ordinance authorizes the purchase of 2302 Vance Road (PIN 91-21-04-100-008 and PIN 91-21-04-251-002) utilizing tax increment generated by Tax Increment District Four (TIF 4) in the total amount of \$915,000 and additionally allocating \$10,000 for the 2026 Farm Lease. Olivia Jovine summarized the item for the purchase of the property at 2302 Vance Road and noted no changes would be made to the purchase and sale agreement attached as an exhibit to the Ordinance upon approval. Questions and discussion followed.

Motion to approve to the regular agenda by CM Wu, seconded by CM Hursey.

Voice Vote:

AYE: Wu, Hursey, Wilken, Quisenberry

NAY: Evans

- b. Ordinance No. 2025-12-036:** An Ordinance Dissolving the Special Tax Allocation Fund and Terminating the Designation of The City of Urbana Tax Increment Redevelopment Project Area (TIF 4) – CD

Presented by Olivia Jovine, Director of Community Development Services. This Ordinance terminates the City’s TIF 4 and directs the City Treasurer to close the Special Allocation Fund no later than December 31, 2025. Olivia Jovine stated the Ordinance begins the formal process, required by state law, to close out TIF 4 by December 31, 2025. Questions and discussion followed.

Recess was called by Chair Quisenberry at 9:29p.m. to resolve technical issues.

With a quorum present, Chair Quisenberry reconvened the meeting at 9:33p.m.

Motion to approve to the regular agenda by CM Hursey, seconded by CM Wu.

Voice Vote:

AYE: Wu, Evans, Hursey, Wilken, Quisenberry

NAY: None.

- c. Resolution No. 2025-12-091R:** A Resolution Approving and Authorizing the Execution of an Amendment to a Grant Agreement for the FY23 Safe Streets and Roads for All Grant between the Champaign County Regional Planning Commission and the City of Urbana – PW

Presented by John Zeman, City Engineer with Justin Swinford, Assistant City Engineer available for questions. The Resolution approves and authorizes an amendment to a grant agreement with the Champaign County Regional Planning Commission (CCRPC) for the FY23 Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) grant, which includes the City of Urbana as a subrecipient for the Lincoln Avenue (Wascher to Killarney) complete streets demonstration. John Zeman stated the original SS4A grant agreement was approved by Council in February and this Resolution is to obligate funds for a temporary demonstration of a new road configuration, as per the terms of the original agreement. Stated the terms are mostly the same, but \$160,000 is now being obligated toward the demonstration instead of only the \$785,000 for CCRPC’s Safety Action Plan. Stated the amendment also includes minor updates to the timeline of the grant and a new term noting the U.S. Department of Transportation cannot require the grant recipient to cooperate with and not impede U.S. Immigrations and Customs Enforcement’s immigration enforcement due to a preliminary injunction in the case of State of California v. Duffy. Stated a final draft version of the agreement is expected to be received with the section on immigration enforcement removed and the new term in the amendment will be removed afterward.

Stated the draft is being presented for approval to implement the demonstration project during Spring by searching for bids in January. Questions and discussion followed.

Motion to approve to the consent agenda by CM Wu, seconded by CM Hursey.

Voice Vote:

AYE: Wu, Evans, Hursey, Wilken, Quisenberry

NAY: None.

- d. **Resolution No. 2025-12-092R:** A Resolution Approving and Authorizing the Execution of a License Agreement with Urbana School District #116 (On-Street Parking and a Bus Turnout at 1602 South Anderson Street) – PW

Presented by John Zeman, City Engineer with Justin Swinford, Assistant City Engineer available for questions. The Resolution approves and authorizes the execution of a license agreement with Urbana School District #116, allowing them to construct, maintain, operate, and repair two parking areas and a bus turnout within the public rights-of-way adjacent to their property at 1602 S. Anderson Street. John Zeman stated the Resolution came from discussions between the City and the School District on how the right-of-way has been historically used and how its use can be formalized alongside the new renovations to the Flossie Wylie Campus. Stated the agreement outlines the School District’s responsibilities and already has the okay from Dr. Jennifer Ivory-Tatum, Superintendent of Urbana School District #116 to move forward with the agreement. Questions and discussion followed.

Motion to approve to the consent agenda by CM Hursey, seconded by CM Wu.

Voice Vote:

AYE: Wu, Evans, Hursey, Wilken, Quisenberry

NAY: None.

- e. **Resolution No. 2025-12-093R:** A Resolution for Improvement Under the Illinois Highway Code (State Motor Fuel Tax for Vine Street and Washington Street) – PW

Presented by John Zeman, City Engineer and Justin Swinford, Assistant City Engineer. The Resolution appropriates \$50,000 of State Motor Fuel Tax (State MFT) funds for Preliminary Engineering for Vine Street and Washington Street, Section 18-00615-00-RS to reconcile a recently found deficit for services completed in 2020. John Zeman stated this Resolution is a part of the auditing process with the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) to ensure the Motor Fuel Tax funds are properly accounted for. Stated \$48,997.38 in State MFT funds were spent on design engineering that was not approved through a Resolution. Stated the Resolution reconciles the inconsistency through appropriating funds from the State MFT instead of shifting funds to the State MFT fund balance.

Motion to approve to the consent agenda by CM Hursey, seconded by CM Wu.

Voice Vote:

AYE: Wu, Evans, Hursey, Wilken, Quisenberry

NAY: None.

8. Discussion

- a. **Police Surveillance Technology Continuing Discussion (Ordinance No. 2024-12-042)**

CM Wilken shared the packet includes version 7.2 of the draft Ordinance with and without mark-ups as well as an updated list of definitions used regarding surveillance. Noted version 7.2 incorporates areas of agreement on versions 7.0 and 7.1 from previous discussions and straw polls.

Council reviewed changes to wording made from versions 7.1 to 7.2 to ensure consensus for changes collaboratively made by CMs Wilken and Wu in response to previous discussions. Council discussed the addition of Section 4. (c), how it can be reworded to align with existing City Code, and if it should raise the requirement to bring a reevaluation of a surveillance

technology to Council. Council discussed the approval and reevaluation process for a surveillance technology.

Council discussed the revisions to Section 5. (c) to ensure the wording is able to be clearly understood by the public as to state the City will not sell surveillance data.

Council discussed Section 7. and the criteria for how improperly collected surveillance data can be considered useful for a defendant in prosecution as well as how it will be retained in accordance with state and federal regulations.

CM Wilken highlighted the City Attorney has reviewed if Section 8. conflicts with City Code on the functions of the Human Rights Commission and the Civilian Police Review Board (CPRB). Further requested for their inclusion in the development of Ordinance No. 2024-12-042. Chair Quisenberry stated the Chair of the CPRB may have bias in making the CPRB more impactful through his involvement in the development of this Ordinance. CM Wilken stated the Chair of the CPRB is not seeking to expand the CPRB's control through the Ordinance as witnessed throughout the development of the Ordinance and as the involvement of the CPRB was added after the first draft per the recommendation of the American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU). CM Wu recommended a change in wording from "shall" to "may" for this section.

Chair Quisenberry requested the discussion return for next week's meeting.

9. Council Input and Communications

None.

10. Adjournment

With no further business before the committee of the whole Chair Quisenberry adjourned the meeting at 10:28 p.m.

Seok Hyun Cho

Deputy City Clerk

This meeting was video recorded and is viewable [on-demand HERE](#). **Minutes approved: 1/12/26**