
DATE: Monday, August 14, 2023
TIME: 7:00 p.m.
PLACE: 400 S. Vine Street, Urbana, IL 61801

The City Council of the City of Urbana, Illinois, met in regular session Monday, August 14, 2023, at 7 p.m.

ELECTED OFFICIALS PHYSICALLY PRESENT: Diane Wolfe Marlin, Mayor; Phyllis 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: Bourema Ouedraogo, Dave Wesner, Carol Mitten, Celeste Choate, Rachel Fuller, Andrea Ruedi, Tarek Azim, Richard Surles, Melissa Hendrian,

OTHERS PRESENT:

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

With a quorum present, Mayor Marlin called the meeting of the Urbana City Council to order at 7 p.m.

2. Approval of the Minutes of the Previous Meeting

None.

3. Additions to the Agenda

Mayor Marlin noted duplicate Item H-2c be disregarded. CM Hursey motioned to add a presentation with CM Hursey and Rev. Robert Lewis after the oath of office for Larry Boone Chief of Police, seconded by CM Wu.

Voice vote:

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

NAY: None

4. Presentations and Public Input

a. Presentation: The Urbana Free Library Annual Report to the City Council per 75 ILCS 5/4-10

Celeste Choate and Rachel Fuller from the Urbana Free Library shared the annual report. Choate detailed services rendered year to date, revenues and expenditures, as well as upcoming events and plans for the upcoming year. Questions and discussion ensued.

b. Presentation: Comprehensive Plan Update - Exec

Presented by Andrea Ruedi and Tarek Azim. Ruedi shared information about where in the plan the City is in gathering community engagement including a budget spending prioritization project. Ruedi identified the top three priorities shown in the public feedback including: Affordable & Diverse

Housing, Safe & Healthy Community, and Strong Local Economy. Ruedi explained what's next for the Comprehensive Plan and how the City plans to incorporate this data into future plans. Questions and discussion ensued.

c. Presentation: Annual Use of Force Report – PD

Presented by Richard Surles the Deputy Chief of Police and Melissa Hendrian the Crime Analyst. Surles provided working definitions for the types of force utilized, internal policies, and reporting guidelines. Surles shared data on the types of force used to date. Questions and discussion ensued.

d. Public Input

None.

5. Council Input and Communications

CM Evans announced the upcoming community meeting at the Phillips Recreation Center on Thursday August 17th, 6-8 pm about the Mid-Barrier Men's shelter.

6. Unfinished Business

None.

7. Committee of the Whole (Council Member Chaundra Bishop – Ward 5)

Consent Agenda

a. Resolution No. 2023-07-075R: A Resolution Authorizing City Intervention in Pending Property Tax Assessment Appeals Before the Illinois Property Tax Appeal Board (Hunsinger Enterprises, PTAB Docket #2022-02834) - Exec

b. Ordinance No. 2023-08-024: An Ordinance Vacating an Alley (between 714 and 802 Wabash Avenue) - PW

c. Ordinance No. 2023-08-025: An Ordinance Vacating an Alley (within Victory Park) - PW

d. Ordinance No. 2023-08-026: An Ordinance Amending Schedule M of Section 23-190 of the Urbana Local Traffic Code Tow Away Zones (Green Street from Wright Street to Lincoln Avenue) - PW

e. Ordinance No. 2023-08-027: An Ordinance Amending Urbana City Code Chapter Three, Section 3-43 (Modifying the number of Class R&T-1 liquor licenses for Encanto Restaurant & Bar, LLC d/b/a Encanto Restaurant & Bar, 115 West Main Street, Urbana, IL) - Exec

Presented by CM Bishop.

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

Vote by roll call:

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

NAY: None

Regular Agenda

None.

9. Reports of Special Committees

None.

10. Reports of Officers

Carol Mitten announced NARCAN drive through event on August 31st at CU Public Health. **Mayor Marlin** recognized Senator Faraci and Representative Ammons for organizing a mobile DMV center here at the City of Urbana last week.

11. New Business

None.

12. Discussion

None.

13. Mayoral Appointments

Mayoral Appointments to Boards and Commissions

Urbana Free Library Board of Trustees (Term 8/14/2023 – 06/30/2024)

- Glen Layne-Worthey

Mayor Marlin read the biography of the new appointee and shared some background information.

Motion by CM Hursey to approve the appointments and seconded by CM Wu.

Vote by roll call:

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

NAY: None

14. Adjournment

With no further business before the Urbana City Council Mayor Marlin adjourned the meeting at 8:23 p.m.

Darcy Sandefur

Recording Secretary

This meeting was video recorded and is viewable [on-demand HERE](#).

Minutes approved: 12-18-2023