

DATE: Monday, August 3, 2026
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, August 3, 2026, at 8:40 p.m.

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

ELECTED OFFICIALS ABSENT:

STAFF PRESENT: Bourema Ouedraogo, Darius White, Matt Roeschley, Seok Hyun Cho

OTHERS PRESENT:

Chair: *Maryalice Wu, Ward 1*

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

With a quorum present, Chair Wu called the meeting of the Urbana City Council to order at 8:40 p.m.

2. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting

None.

3. Additions to the Agenda

None.

4. Presentations and Public Input

None.

5. Staff Report

None.

6. New Business

- a. **Resolution No. 2026-08-44R:** A Resolution Approving an Increase in the Number of Liquor Licenses in the Class A Designation for APLUSDRIFT Karaoke LLC d/b/a Aplus Karaoke, 214 West Main Street, Urbana, Ill. – Exec

Presented by Mayor Williams. The Resolution increases the number of Class A (Retailer's on-premises) liquor licenses for their establishment located at 214 West Main Street. Mayor Williams stated a new liquor license is required due to a change in ownership. Questions and discussion followed.

Motion to approve to the regular agenda by CM Wilken, seconded by CM Quisenberry.

Voice Vote:

AYE: Wu, Evans, Hursey, Jones, Cockrell, Wilken, Quisenberry

NAY: None.

- b. **Resolution No. 2026-08-045R:** A Resolution Approving an Increase in the Number of Liquor Licenses in the Class A Designation for The Old Sipyard LLC d/b/a The Old Sipyard, 204 West Main Street, Urbana, Ill. – Exec

Presented by Mayor Williams. The Resolution increases the number of Class INC (Incubator) liquor licenses for their establishment located at 204 West Main Street. Mayor Williams shared the business owner is working to renovate and reopen The Sipyard. Questions and discussion ensued.

Motion to approve to the regular agenda, with a correction to indicate the license designation as Class INC, by CM Wilken, seconded by CM Quisenberry.

Voice Vote:

AYE: Wu, Evans, Hursey, Jones, Cockrell, Wilken, Quisenberry

NAY: None.

8. Council Input and Communications

CM Jones expressed appreciation for the recent community basketball tournament supported by the Urbana Police Department's Community Engagement Team.

9. Adjournment

With no further business before the committee of the whole Chair Cockrell adjourned the meeting at 8:47 p.m.

Seok Hyun Cho

Deputy City Clerk

This meeting was video recorded and is viewable [on-demand HERE](#). **Minutes approved: 9/8/26**