
DATE: Tuesday, June 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 Tuesday, June 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 Grace Wilken, CM Chaundra Bishop,

ELECTED OFFICIALS ABSENT: CM Jaya Kolisetty, CM James Quisenberry

STAFF PRESENT: Bourema Ouedraogo, Carol Mitten, Nick Hanson, Alyana Robinson, Elizabeth Hannan, John Zeman, Tim Cowan, Marcus Ricci

OTHERS PRESENT: None

Chair: *Chaundra Bishop, Ward 5*

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

With a quorum present, Chair Bishop called the meeting of the Committee of the Whole to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting

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

Voice vote:

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

NAY: None

3. Additions to the Agenda

None.

4. Public Input and Presentations

a. Public Input

Zuri White expressed disappointment about the Savannah Green Neighborhood repairs being delayed. *Esther Patt* spoke in support of the changes presented by Mayor Marlin and staff to the Building Codes to allow for discretion. *Jen Heardesty* spoke to the need for improvements to the Savannah Green roads and alleyways. *CM Wilken shared that there were multiple emails received in regards to the Savannah Green infrastructure improvements.*

5. Staff Report

Mayor Marlin announced the Urbana Park District Event at Crestwood Park celebrating the 190th birthday of the City of Urbana.

6. Unfinished Business

- a. **Ordinance No. 2023-05-014: An Ordinance Adopting the International Code Council's 2021 Code Series – CD**

Presented by Nick Hanson the Building Safety Supervisor. Item adopts the International Code Council 2021 series and revises the City Building Safety Codes. Hanson reviewed the specific changes following previous Council feedback. Questions and discussion ensued. Following discussion staff was directed to modify language for clarity.

Motion to approve as amended to the regular agenda by CM Wilken and seconded by CM Hursey.

Vote by roll call:

AYE: Wu, Evans, Hursey, Bishop, Wilken

NAY: None

7. New Business

- a. **Ordinance No. 2023-06-018: An Ordinance Revising the Annual Budget Ordinance (Budget Amendment #8 - Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Estimate) - HRF**

Presented by Alyana Robinson the financial analyst and Elizabeth Hannan the Human Resources and Finance Director. Item revises the annual budget for FY 2023 to reflect changes made by the Capital Improvement Plan and to ensure that funds not yet spent are still appropriately allocated in FY 2024. Questions and discussion ensued.

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

Vote by roll call:

AYE: Wu, Evans, Hursey, Bishop, Wilken

NAY: None

- b. **Ordinance No. 2023-06-019: An Ordinance Adopting the Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Annual Budget - HRF**

Presented by Alyana Robinson the Financial Analyst and Elizabeth Hannan the Human Resources and Finance Director. Item approves the FY 2024 budget. Robinson reviewed the changes to this budget compared to the previous year's budget. Questions and discussion ensued.

Motion to approve to regular agenda by CM Wu and seconded by CM Hursey.

Vote by roll call:

AYE: Wu, Evans, Hursey, Bishop, Wilken

NAY: None

- c. **Resolution No. 2023-06-072R: A Resolution Approving the Capital Improvement Plan (Fiscal Years 2024-2028) - PW**

Presented by John Zeman the City Engineer and Tim Cowan the Public Works Director. Item adopts the Capital Improvement Plan for FY 2024-2028. Cowan shared a timeline of the project planning to date. Zeman reviewed the changes made to the project following public engagement and council feedback since the plan was last presented to Council.

Changes include progress towards the new fire stations, the Storm water Utility Fee, Savannah Green Alley scope modification, and Shared-Use path projects. Questions and discussion ensued.

Motion to approve to the regular agenda by CM Wu and seconded by CM Hursey. Further discussion ensued.

Voice vote:

AYE: Wu, Evans, Hursey, Bishop, Wilken

NAY: None

d. Resolution No. 2023-06-073R: A Resolution Approving an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Board of Trustees of the University of Illinois Concerning Certified Housing Inspections (Term of 2023 to 2026) - CD

Presented by Nick Hanson the Building Safety Supervisor. Item authorizes the renewal for the City to preform certified housing inspections on the University of Illinois campus. Contract will be for 3 years. Questions and discussion ensued.

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

Voice vote:

AYE: Wu, Evans, Hursey, Bishop, Wilken

NAY: None

e. Ordinance No. 2023-06-020: An Ordinance Approving a Major Variance (410 West California Avenue, LLC at 410 West California Avenue / Case No. ZBA-2023-MAJ-01) - CD

Presented by Marcus Ricci the Planner. Item is requesting the access drive (driveway) be increased at 410 West California Avenue by constructing a new house with a driveway in front of the property leading up to the garage. Zoning Board sent to council with a recommendation for approval. Questions and discussion ensued.

Motion to send to the regular agenda by CM Wu and seconded by CM Evans.

Vote by roll call:

AYE: Wu, Evans, Hursey, Bishop, Wilken

NAY: None

8. Discussion

a. Council Discussion on Budget and Budget Side Letter - CMs Wilken & Evans

Presented by CM Evans and CM Wilken. CM Evans explained that at a previous meeting, CM Wilken proposed a side letter to prevent ALPR ever being purchased in the future. CM Wilken shared her reasoning for wanting this side letter and the draft language. Discussion ensued about the purchase of new technology needing to come before Council for review. CM Wilken expressed that she intends to submit this for action before Council at the next meeting.

9. Council Input and Communications

CM Wu shared that there are many upcoming opportunities to prioritize City budget through the balancing act activity. *CM Hursey* shared that there was a meeting for Imagine Urbana at King School in Ward 3 this evening that was under attended. Encouraged residents to attend other upcoming meetings.

10. Adjournment

With no further business before the committee of the whole Chair Bishop adjourned the meeting at 9:26 p.m.

Darcy Sandefur

Recording Secretary

This meeting was video recorded and is viewable [on-demand HERE](#). **Minutes approved: 09-05-2023**