
DATE: Monday, April 24, 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, April 24, 2023, at 7 p.m.

ELECTED OFFICIALS PHYSICALLY PRESENT: Diane Wolfe Marlin, Mayor; CM Maryalice Wu, CM Christopher Evans, CM Shirese Hursey, CM Jaya Kolisetty, CM Chaundra Bishop, CM Grace Wilken

ELECTED OFFICIALS ABSENT: CM James Quisenberry; Phyllis Clark, City Clerk;

STAFF PRESENT: Bourema Ouedraogo, Lily Wilcock, Andrea Ruedi, Sheila Dodd, Carol Mitten, Dave Wesner, Demond Dade, Will Kolschowsky, Kyle Hensch, Kimberly Smith,

OTHERS PRESENT: Bill Brown;

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

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

2. Approval of the Minutes of the Previous Meeting

03-27-2023 Minutes

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

Voice vote:

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

NAY: None

3. Additions to the Agenda

None.

4. Presentations and Public Input

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 member being recognized for their promotions. The following firefighter was promoted: Engineer Josh Fitzsimmons. Mayor Marlin administered the oath of office and congratulated him on the promotion

b. BPAC Annual Report - Bill Brown

Presented by Bill Brown, Chairs of the Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Commission. Brown shared a powerpoint presentation explaining the history and purpose of BPAC, reviewing the ways residents utilize transportation, and sharing the vision zero recommendations for safety improvements with Urbana.

Motion to extend presentation by five minutes by CM Wu and seconded by CM Kolisetty.

Vote by roll call:

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

NAY: *None*

Full report can be found [here](#).

c. Examine Urbana Development & Taxes Chapter - Carol Mitten

Presented by Carol Mitten the City Administrator. This chapter explores the history of taxes, the role of building codes and incentives in encouraging development, and the application of taxes. Mitten shared graphics showing the population per square mile and the trends that impacted development. Questions and discussion ensued.

d. Public Input

None.

5. Council Input and Communications

None.

6. Unfinished Business

None.

8. Reports of Standing Committees

None.

9. Committee of the Whole (Council Member James Quisenberry, Ward 7)

A. Consent Agenda

1. Resolution No. 2023-04-018R: A Resolution Approving and Authorizing the Execution of an ARPA Subrecipient Agreement (Urbana Free Library) – Exec

2. Resolution No. 2023-04-019R: A Resolution Approving and Authorizing the Execution of an ARPA Subrecipient Agreement (Eastern Illinois Foodbank) – Exec

3. Resolution No. 2023-04-020R: A Resolution Approving and Authorizing the Execution of an ARPA Subrecipient Agreement (Red Herring Restaurant) – Exec

4. Resolution No. 2023-04-021R: A Resolution Approving and Authorizing the Execution of an ARPA Subrecipient Agreement (Common Ground Food Co-op) – Exec

5. Resolution No. 2023-04-022R: A Resolution Approving and Authorizing the Execution of an ARPA Subrecipient Agreement (Habitat for Humanity of Champaign County) – Exec

6. Resolution No. 2023-04-023R: A Resolution Approving and Authorizing the Execution of an ARPA Subrecipient Agreement (Carle/Hope Village) – Exec
7. Resolution No. 2023-04-024R: A Resolution Approving and Authorizing the Execution of an ARPA Subrecipient Agreement (FirstFollowers) – Exec
8. Resolution No. 2023-04-025R: A Resolution Approving and Authorizing the Execution of an ARPA Subrecipient Agreement (Sola Gratia Farm) – Exec
9. Resolution No. 2023-04-026R: A Resolution Approving and Authorizing the Execution of an ARPA Subrecipient Agreement (The Well Experience) - Exec
10. Resolution No. 2023-04-027R: A Resolution Approving and Authorizing the Execution of an ARPA Subrecipient Agreement (Urbana Neighborhood Connections Center) – Exec
11. Resolution No. 2023-04-029R: CDBG Senior Repair Program Agreement, Between the City of Urbana and Champaign County Regional Planning Commission – CD
13. Resolution No. 2023-04-030R: A Resolution Approving the Transfer of Volume Cap in Connection with Private Activity Bond Issues, Single-Family Mortgage Revenue Bonds, and Related Matters (Private Bond Cap Allocation - EIEDA Programs, Series 2023) – CD
14. Resolution No. 2023-04-031R: A Resolution Approving the Transfer of Volume Cap in Connection with Private Activity Bond Issues, Single-Family Mortgage Revenue Bonds, and Related Matters (Private Bond Cap Allocation - IHDA, Series 2023) – CD

CM Wu presented the Consent agenda on behalf of CM Quisenberry. Motion to approve the consent agenda by CM Wu and seconded by CM Bishop.

Vote by roll call:

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

NAY: None

B. Regular Agenda

1. Resolution No. 2023-04-028R: A Resolution Approving an Intergovernmental Agreement Concerning Boneyard Creek Project - PW

Presented by CM Wu. Item authorizes an intergovernmental agreement with the Urbana Champaign Sanitary District to provide maintenance and stabilization efforts to preserve the Boneyard Creek. Discussion ensued.

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

Vote by roll call:

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

NAY: None

2. Resolution No. 2023-04-032R: A Resolution Approving the City of Urbana and Urbana Home Consortium (Champaign/Urbana/Champaign County) Annual Action Plan for Fiscal Year 2023-2024 - CD

Presented by CM Wu. Item approves the City of Urbana and Urbana Home Consortium Annual Action Plan for FY 2023-2024. Questions ensued.

Motion to approve by CM Wilken and seconded by CM Bishop.

Vote by roll call:

AYE: Wu, Evans, Hursey, Bishop, Wilken

NAY: None

PRESENT: Kolisetty

10. Reports of Special Committees

None.

11. Reports of Officers

Mayor Marlin announced a moderated Town Hall on May 2nd with the Police Chief Candidate Finalist, as well as a Facilitated Town Hall on May 9th with Berry Dunn Consulting to receive public input on public safety. Marlin is glad that the ARPA agreements are being approved as there is Federal efforts to recoup unallocated funds. Marlin shared information about having attended the lobbying session with Champaign County Frist in Washington D.C., a summary is attached.

12. New Business

None.

13. Adjournment

With no further business before the Urbana City Council Mayor Marlin adjourned the meeting at 7:56 p.m.

Darcy Sandefur
Recording Secretary

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

Minutes approved: 08-28-2023

TO: Urbana City Council
 FROM: Mayor Diane W. Marlin
 RE: Champaign County First Washington DC Advocacy
 DATE: April 24, 2023

BACKGROUND

Champaign County First (CC1,) coordinated by the Champaign County Chamber of Commerce, is a public-private community partnership focused on investment in local infrastructure as a key component for economic development and job creation. The group makes an annual trip to Washington DC to meet with federal agencies and elected officials to advocate for local projects.

The organizations and governmental units represented on this year’s trip included: Cities of Champaign and Urbana; Villages of Mahomet, Savoy and Rantoul; Champaign-Urbana Mass Transit District; Parkland College; Champaign County Economic Development Corporation; Champaign County Regional Planning Commission; University of Illinois; Visit Champaign County; and the Champaign County Chamber of Commerce.

2023 PROJECTS and SPONSORS

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| Florida Avenue Corridor Reconstruction-Urbana, Mass Transit District |
| Curtis Road Grade Separation-Savoy |
| Safe Streets for All/Vision Zero-Champaign, Urbana, UIUC |
| AMTRAK Passenger Rail Service-Regional |
| High-Speed Rail-Regional |
| Hydrogen Fuel Cell Electric Buses-Mass Transit District |
| Mahomet Aquifer Mapping-University of Illinois |
| South Mahomet Connection-Mahomet |
| Illinois Autonomous and Connected Track-University of Illinois |
| Champaign County African American Heritage Trail-Visit Champaign County |

2023 MEETINGS WITH AGENCIES AND INDIVIDUALS

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| Department of Transportation, Office of Public Engagement |
| Federal Railroad Administration, Administrator Amit Bose |
| Cardinal Infrastructure, Auke Mahar-Piersma |
| State of Illinois Federal Affairs, Deputy Chief of Staff Sam LaPaille |
| AMTRAK |
| Congresswoman Nikki Budzinski |
| Congresswoman Robin Kelly |
| Congresswoman Mary Miller |
| Senator Tammy Duckworth |
| Senator Dick Durbin |

RECENT SUCCESS STORIES

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| Mahomet Aquifer Mapping-Phase One-\$1 million |
| Village of Royal Downtown Contained Waste/Sewer System \$200,000 |
| Multimodal Corridor Enhancement Project (MCORE)-\$47.6 million |
| High Speed Rail Viability Study |
| Kickapoo Rail Trail-Urbana-St. Joseph |