
DATE: Monday, December 12, 2022
TIME: 6:00 p.m.
PLACE: 400 S. Vine Street, Urbana, IL 61801

The City Council of the City of Urbana, Illinois, met in regular session Monday, December 12, 2022, at 6:00 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 Grace Wilken, CM James Quisenberry

ELECTED OFFICIALS ABSENT: None

STAFF PRESENT: Bourema Ouedraogo, Carol Mitten, Darcy Sandefur, Dave Wesner, Stepheny McMahan, Darius White, Alyana Robinson, Elizabeth Hannan, Tim Cowan, Will Kolschowsky, Breden Belcher, Carla Boyd, Carmen Franks,

OTHERS PRESENT: None

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

With a quorum present, Mayor Marlin called this meeting of the Urbana City Council to order at 7:29 p.m. Mayor Marlin took a moment to honor the memory and life of Senator Scott Bennett who passed away suddenly on Friday. Marlin read the following statement into the record:

“Illinois State Senator Scott Bennett was the sort of person we long for in public office. He had a delightful sense of humor, the ability to work with people and politicians across the spectrum, and a pragmatic approach to the legislative process. His legal expertise coupled with his life experience and integrity made him perfect for his role as a State Senator.

I attended the candidate forum in the fall of 2015 showcasing a number of people vying for the appointment to the Senate seat vacated by Treasurer-elect Mike Frerichs. Each candidate made the case for themselves. All of them brought passion and ideas to the table but one person stood out for me, and that was Scott Bennett. It was clear that Scott had the ability to navigate both Champaign and Vermilion County. That proved to be very true.

What made him such a standout public servant was his presence in the district. He showed up, listened to his constituents, and did the work. You would find him across the table, in the audience, at the meetings and on the Senate floor working to find solutions. People felt a personal connection with Scott, and the only way you develop that is one conversation at a time.

We have lost a wonderful man way too soon. I deeply respected Senator Scott Bennett and more importantly, just plain liked Scott Bennett very much. On behalf of the City of Urbana, I extend my heartfelt condolences to his beloved family.”

2. Approval of the Minutes of the Previous Meeting

a. 11-21-2022 Minutes

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

Voice vote:

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

NAY: None

3. Additions to the Agenda

None.

4. Presentations and Public Input

None.

5. Council Input and Communications

CM Wu offered condolences to the family and friends of Lucas, the Urbana Middle School Student who suddenly passed away. Wu also to the family and friends of Urbana City Employee Shawn Green who also passed away unexpectedly. *CM Hursey* offered condolences to the family and friends of Shawn Green. Hursey offered condolences to the family of Scott Bennett. *CM Kolisetty* shared fond memories of working with Senator Scott Bennett and offered condolences. *CM Quisenberry* thanked Council and Mayor for their recognition of the profound losses in this community. Offered words honoring his friend Scott Bennett.

6. Unfinished Business

None.

8. Reports of Standing Committees

None.

9. Committee of the Whole (Council Member Jaya Kolisetty, Ward 4)

A. Consent Agenda

None.

B. Regular Agenda

1. Ordinance No. 2022-12-049: An Ordinance to approve an amended IGA for the Champaign County GIS Consortium - adding a new member: Village of St. Joseph - IT

Presented by CM Kolisetty. Item amends the Intergovernmental Agreement for the Champaign County GIS Consortium to add the Village of St. Joseph.

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

Vote by roll call:

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

NAY: None

10. Reports of Special Committees

None.

11. Reports of Officers

Mayor Marlin reminded that there will be no meeting on December 26 because of the Holidays.

12. New Business

a. Ordinance No. 2022-12-052: An Ordinance Levying Taxes for the Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 2022 and Ending June 30, 2023 – HRF

Presented by Elizabeth Hannan the Human Resources and Finance Director. Item adopts the final Tax Levy for the City of Urbana for the Tax year 2022 collectible 2023. Noted the difference between the draft and the final which is the final value on the pensions. Questions and discussion ensued.

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

Vote by roll call:

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

NAY: None

13. Adjournment

With no further business before the Urbana City Council Mayor Marlin adjourned the meeting at 7:47 p.m.

Darcy Sandefur

Recording Secretary

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

Minutes approved: 01-09-2023