

# CITY OF URBANA BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMISSION MEETING

DATE: Tuesday, October 17, 2023TIME: 7:00 PMPLACE: 400 South Vine Street, Urbana, IL 61801

## AGENDA

- A. Call to Order and Roll Call
- B. Changes to the Agenda
- C. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting
- D. Public Input

## E. Unfinished Business

- 1. E-Bike Regional Coordination Resolution Bruce Michelson
- 2. Marked Walking Trail through Downtown Urbana (Sage Trail) Annie Adams
- 3. Draft 2024 Annual Goals Audrey Ishii
- 4. No Parking in Bike Lanes Ordinance John Zeman
- F. Reports of City Officials and Staff and Reports of Committees
- G. New Business
  - 1. Lincoln Avenue Corridor Study Audrey Ishii
- H. Announcements
- I. Future Topics
- J. Adjournment

## PUBLIC INPUT

The City of Urbana welcomes Public Input during open meetings of the City Council, the City Council's Committee of the Whole, City Boards and Commissions and other City-sponsored meetings. Our goal is to foster respect for the meeting process, and respect for all people participating as members of the public body, city staff, and general public. The City is required to conduct all business during public meetings. The presiding officer is responsible for conducting those meetings in an orderly and efficient manner. Public

Input will be taken in the following ways:

## Email Input

In order to be incorporated into the record, emailed public comments must be received prior to 5:00 pm on the day preceding the meeting and sent following email address: jczeman@urbanaillinois.us.

The subject line of the email should include "PUBLIC INPUT", the board/commission name, and the meeting date. Emailed public comments labeled as such will be incorporated into the public meeting record, with personal identifying information redacted.

## Written Input

Any member of the public may submit their comments addressed to the members of the public body in writing. If a person wishes their written comments to be included in the record of Public Input for the meeting, the writing should so state. Written comments must be received prior to the closing of the meeting record (at the time of adjournment unless otherwise noted).

## Verbal Input

Protocol for Public Input is one of respect for the process of addressing the business of the City. Obscene or profane language, or other conduct that threatens to impede the orderly progress of the business conducted at the meeting is unacceptable. Public comment shall be limited to no more than five (5) minutes per person. The Public Input portion of the meeting shall total no more than two (2) hours, unless otherwise shortened or extended by majority vote of the public body members present. The presiding officer or the city clerk or their designee, shall monitor each speaker's use of time and shall notify the speaker when the allotted time has expired. A person may participate and provide Public Input once during a meeting and may not cede time to another person, or split their time if Public Input is held at two (2) or more different times during a meeting. The presiding officer may give priority to those persons who indicate they wish to speak on an agenda item upon which a vote will be taken. The presiding officer or public body members shall not enter into a dialogue with citizens. Questions from the public body members shall be for clarification purposes only. Public Input shall not be used as a time for problem solving or reacting to comments made but, rather, for hearing citizens for informational purposes only. In order to maintain the efficient and orderly conduct and progress of the public meeting, the presiding officer of the meeting shall have the authority to raise a point of order and provide a verbal warning to a speaker who engages in the conduct or behavior proscribed under "Verbal Input". Any member of the public body participating in the meeting may also raise a point of order with the presiding officer and request that they provide a verbal warning to a speaker. If the speaker refuses to cease such conduct or behavior after being warned by the presiding officer, the presiding officer shall have the authority to mute the speaker's microphone and/or video presence at the meeting. The presiding officer will inform the speaker that they may send the remainder of their remarks via e-mail to the public body for inclusion in the meeting record.

## Accommodation

If an accommodation is needed to participate in a City meeting, please contact the City at least 48 hours in advance using one of the following methods:

Phone: 217.384.2455 Email: <u>hro@urbanaillinois.us</u>

## Watching the Meeting via Streaming Services

The meeting will be streamed live at <u>https://livestream.com/urbana</u>. The recorded video will be available on the City's website.

### [Proposed resolution]

Because e-bikes and e-scooters are a rapidly evolving component of US transportation and recreation, uncertainty prevails with regard to their accommodation and regulation for the safety of operators and pedestrians. Locally, at least six entities are impacted: the cities of Urbana and Champaign; the Urbana and Champaign Park Districts, the University of Illinois, and the Champaign County Forest Preserve.

Recognizing the importance of clear and consistent accommodations, policies, and regulations across the region, the Urbana Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee recommends that City officials open and sustain interactions among these six entities to (1) share information about conditions and challenges with regard to e-transportation, (2) confer about e-transportation initiatives and adjustments adopted by comparable governments and campuses, and (3) collaborate to develop, review, and update policies, regulations and practices as e-transportation evolves.

#### ORDINANCE NO. 2023-10-

## AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 23, ARTICLE XII – Stopping, Standing, or Parking Prohibited in Specified Places

**WHEREAS**, the City of Urbana ("City") is a home rule unit of local government pursuant to Article VII, Section 6, of the Illinois Constitution, 1970, and may exercise any power and perform any function pertaining to its government and affairs, including the power to regulate for the protection of the public health, safety, and welfare; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council established the Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Commission (BPAC) to address issues and concerns involving or affecting pedestrians and bicyclists within the community; and

**WHEREAS**, BPAC held open discussions to address the concern of vehicles driving, stopping, standing, and parking within bike lanes; and

**WHEREAS**, BPAC determined that the City does not have an ordinance prohibiting driving, stopping, standing, or parking within bike lanes; and

**WHEREAS**, BPAC adopted a Resolution requesting the City Council amend the City Code to include a prohibition on driving, stopping, standing, and parking within bike lanes; and

**WHEREAS,** Article XII of the City Code provides regulations prohibiting stopping, standing, and parking in specified places; and

**WHEREAS,** Article XII of the City Code does not address or prohibit driving, stopping, standing or parking within bike lanes within the City; and

**WHEREAS**, the Urbana City Council desires to amend Chapter 23, Article XII of the City Code (and related sections) to specifically prohibit stopping, standing, and parking within bike lanes within the City, as well as provide the penalties therefor.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the City Council of the City of Urbana, Champaign County, Illinois, as follows:

#### Section 1.

Urbana City Code Chapter 23, "Local Traffic Code"; Article XII, "Stopping, Standing or Parking Prohibited in Specified Places" shall be and hereby is amended by adding Section 23-161 as set forth hereinafter:

#### Sec. 23-161. – No stopping, standing or parking in bike lanes.

Except when necessary to avoid conflict with other traffic, or in compliance with law or the directions of a police officer, no person shall stand or park a vehicle, whether occupied or not, within a marked on-street bicycle lane.

### Section 2.

Urbana City Code Chapter 23, "Local Traffic Code"; Article XIX, "Towing" shall be and hereby is amended by amending Subsection 23-273(b) as set forth hereinafter (added language is <u>underlined</u>):

#### Sec. 23-273. – Traffic hazards – Parking.

(b) Any vehicle parked in violation of any of the provisions of sections 23-151, 23-152, 23-158, <u>23-161</u>, or 23-187 of this traffic code, as amended, shall be presumed to be creating a traffic hazard and may be ordered to be towed away and impounded at the expense of the registered owner, regardless of whether tow away signs are erected. Nothing in section 23-271 of this traffic code pertaining to inoperable or abandoned vehicles shall be applicable to vehicles parked in violation of the above said sections.

#### Section 3.

Urbana City Code Chapter 1, "General Provisions"; Section 1-10, "General penalty; continuing violations"; Subsection (j) shall be and hereby is amended by amending the "Schedule of Fines for Certain Local Traffic Code Violations" as set forth hereinafter:

	<u>Fine Amount</u> if paid within 7 days	if paid after 7 days	if paid after 30 days
Prohibited Parking	\$30.00	<b>\$</b> 40.00	\$50.00

Article XII, Section 23-161

#### Section 4.

Those sections, paragraphs, and provisions of the Urbana City Code that are not expressly amended or repealed by this Ordinance are hereby re-enacted, and it is expressly declared to be the intention of this Ordinance not to repeal or amend any portions of the Urbana City Code other than those expressly set forth as amended or repealed in this Ordinance. The invalidity of any section or provision of this Ordinance hereby passed and approved shall not invalidate other sections or provisions thereof.

#### Section 5.

This Ordinance shall not be construed to affect any suit or proceeding pending in any court, or any rights acquired, or a liability incurred, or any cause or causes of action acquired or existing prior to the effective date of this Ordinance; nor shall any right or remedy of any character be lost, impaired, or affected by this Ordinance.

#### Section 6.

The City Clerk is directed to publish this Ordinance in pamphlet form by authority of the corporate authorities, and this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and publication in accordance with Section 1-2-4 of the Illinois Municipal Code.

This Ordinance is hereby passed by the affirmative vote, the "ayes" and "nays" being called, of a majority of the members of the Council of the City of Urbana, Illinois, at a meeting of said Council.

PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_\_,

AYES:

NAYS:

**ABSTENTIONS:** 

Phyllis D. Clark, City Clerk

APPROVED BY THE MAYOR this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_\_,

Diane Wolfe Marlin, Mayor