



DATE: Monday, March 18, 2024
TIME: 6:30 PM
PLACE: 400 South Vine Street, Urbana, IL 61801

AGENDA

- A. Call to Order and Roll Call
- B. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting
 - 1. 01-02-24 City Council Minutes
 - 2. 01-02-24 Committee of the Whole Minutes
 - 3. 01-08-24 City Council Minutes
 - 4. 01-16-24 Committee of the Whole Minutes
 - 5. 02-05-24 Committee of the Whole Minutes
- C. Additions to the Agenda
- D. Presentation and Public Input
 - 1. Presentation: Skaters for a Skate Space - Andrew Valentine & Brian Dunn, CMs Evans & Wilken
 - 2. Presentation: City of Urbana & Urbana HOME Consortium Annual Action Plan FY 2024-2025 - CD
- E. Council Input and Communications
- F. Unfinished Business
- G. Reports of Standing Committees

H. Committee of the Whole (*Council Member Chaundra Bishop, Ward 5*)

1. Consent Agenda

- a. Ordinance No. 2024-03-012:** An Ordinance Amending Urbana City Code Chapter Three, Section 3-43 (Maintaining the Number of Class GC Liquor Licenses for Troon Beverages, Inc. d/b/a Atkins Golf Club at the University of Illinois, 2600 Stone Creek Boulevard, Urbana, Ill.) - Exec
- b. Ordinance No. 2024-03-013:** An Ordinance Vacating a Street and Alley (North Cottage Grove Avenue and East/West Alley Between Hickory Street and North Cottage Grove Avenue, Both North of East Park Street) - PW
- c. Resolution No. 2024-03-012R:** A Resolution Authorizing Execution of an Intergovernmental Agreement for Residential Electronics Waste Collection - PW

2. Regular Agenda

- a. Ordinance No. 2024-03-011:** An Ordinance Revising the Annual Budget Ordinance (Budget Amendment #7 - Omnibus) - HRF
- b. Resolution No. 2024-03-013R:** A Resolution Calling for the End of the Gaza War and a Lasting Peace - Exec

I. Reports of Special Committees

J. Reports of Officers

K. 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 the 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

Public comments must be received prior to the closing of the meeting record (at the time of adjournment unless otherwise noted) at the following: citycouncil@urbanaillinois.us. The subject line of the email must include the words "PUBLIC INPUT" and the meeting date. Your email will be sent to all City Council members, the Mayor, City Administrator, and City Clerk. Emailed public comments labeled as such will be incorporated into the public meeting record, with personal identifying information redacted. Copies of emails will be posted after the meeting minutes have been approved.

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 Clerk's Office at least 48 hours in advance so that special arrangements can be made using one of the following methods:

- Phone: 217.384.2366
- Email: CityClerk@urbanillinois.us

Why Urbana Should Dedicate A Parking Lot To Skateboarding



We request a space that...

- Is safe and anyone can skate without encountering any issues.
- We can build skate obstacles for all to use that can remain in the space.
- A space we can build to reflect the scene. We can change it to fit what skaters in the community are working on.
- Is paved and safe to skate.
- Urbana does not spend resources to tear the space down.

Our Favorite Option: 304 Central Ave, Urbana, IL 61801,
northwest of boneyard.



Our Next Choice: (40.1088329, -88.2059465) lot 24 south of Lincoln Square mall (But we'll take anything!)



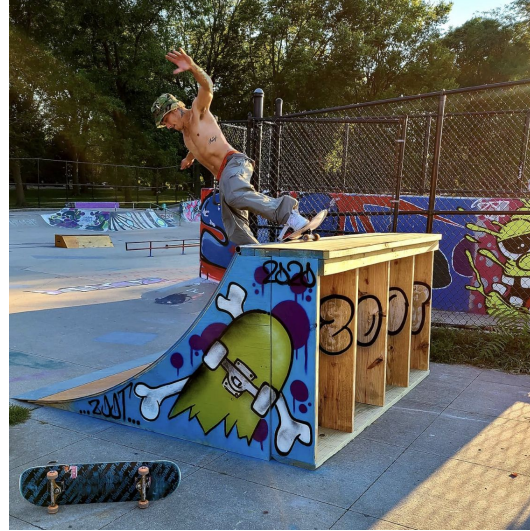
How we plan to use the space

- Skating! All wheels: skateboarding, roller blading, etc.
- Host community skate events and skate lessons.
- Mural location, a new opportunity for local artists.
- A space for people to find community.
- A place to create our own skate obstacles and improve the lot.

Examples around the community we are aiming to replicate



Sipyard



Spalding



Local artist acme

Barriers and obstacles to skateboarding in Urbana

- Not having a designated skate spot.
- The Civic Center used to be a good spot, but it is under construction and we've felt the loss of that spot. Since then, we've skated more in Champaign.
- Access to travel. Not everyone has a car. Transportation for Urbana residents and U of I students to the skateparks in Champaign is difficult.
- Fear of being kicked out by authorities.

Skateboarding in our community

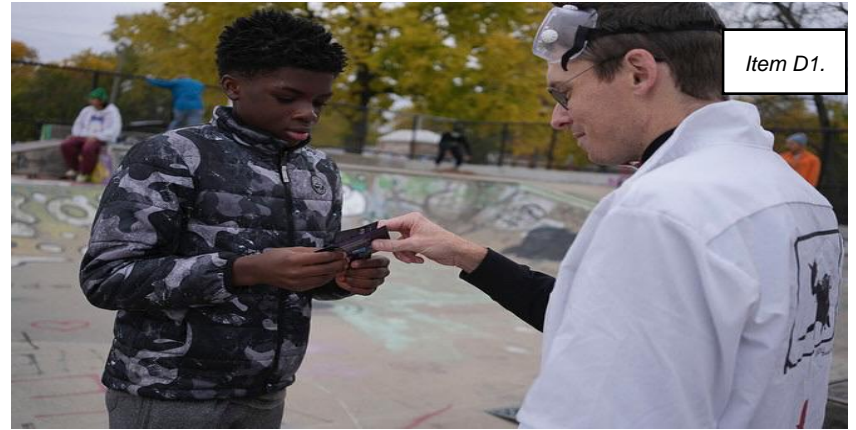
- Skateboarding brings people together and builds community.
- It's a positive hobby and healthy outlet.
- We have a vibrant skateboarding scene in Urbana. As seen by the turnout at the last city council meeting we showed up at.
- People from all across central IL get together to skate.
- Without any planning, a day with nice weather, we can almost be bumping shoulders at the skatepark with how busy it is.
- We are diverse. Skateboarding brings people of all ages, religions, races, genders, abilities, sexual orientations and identities together.
 - Skaters in our community range from 2 years old to 65.

Benefits of skateboarding and skateparks

- Therapeutic benefits to repetitive movements.
- Physical activity and exercise.
- Benefit of a “third space” - locations that facilitate social interaction outside of the people you live or work with.
- Uplifts the community and improves the mental health and substance use prevention of Urbana.
- Life long friendships.
- Skateboarding can define someone’s sense of being which in turn makes skateboarders incredibly dedicated and they will frequent the spot possibly daily.

Youth Engagement

- Free and easily accessible.
- Doesn't rely on screens.
- Gives a feeling of agency.
- Social and emotional learning benefits:
 - learn to persevere
 - learn independently as well as in groups
 - connects to body
 - increases confidence
- Safe outlet for youth to express themselves.
- Free from the norms of society.



Economic impacts of a skate destination

- A skate destination will bring skate tourism to Urbana, including local foot traffic.
- Increased tourism will bring more to local businesses including downtown Urbana.
- Skating is international, therefore people from all walks of life, English speaking or not, can appreciate skating.
- Hosting events will bring media attention and sponsorships to Urbana.
- Any person passing nearby may make it a point to visit the skate space just because it's there.

Community funding

- The space will need a Skate at Your own Risk Sign, a trash can, and porta potty. We are happy to fundraise for these things.
- Fundraising events held by local skateboarding organizations such as Noboardleftbehind and Positive Push.
- Examples like Skeuwax and other local merchandise.



Urbana Park District Skatepark Plans

We are well are of the park district's plans for building a skatepark. We have been advocating with the park district for years about the skatepark. Our proposal to the City of Urbana will serve a different purpose than the park district skatepark. It will be centrally located in Urbana instead of on the outskirts. We hope to build it as a DIY and can adjust it throughout to meet our needs.

Sources

<https://www.cincinnatiimagazine.com/citywiseblog/newport-diy-skate-park/>

<https://healthyliferecovery.com/staying-active-in-recovery/skateboarding/>

Some ideas on Youth Engagement slide are taken from Kamila Glowacki's open comment to Urbana City Council on 11/27/2023.

CITY OF URBANA & URBANA HOME CONSORTIUM

ANNUAL ACTION PLAN

FY 2024 – 2025

OVERVIEW

- Part of 5-year Consolidated Plan
- Outlines goals & priorities for HUD funded activities
- Responds to community needs

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- Expected Resources & Budget

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- Annual Goals & Objectives

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- Proposed projects

EXPECTED RESOURCES

City of Urbana CDBG

\$498,343

HOME Consortium

Urbana, Champaign, & County

\$779,013

CDBG

- Public services (15% cap)
- Public facilities & infrastructure
- Housing rehabilitation
- Blight reduction

*All CDBG activities **must** primarily benefit low- to moderate- income residents of Urbana*

HOME

*All HOME activities **must** result in the creation or retention of an affordable housing unit*

- Tenant Based Rental Assistance
- Down-payment assistance
- Construction of affordable housing

COMMUNITY IMPACT

CDBG supports programs & helps improve neighborhoods

HOME invests in affordable housing development



CDBG

- Housing Rehab Program
- Youth Services Grant
- Neighborhood Cleanup
- Targeted Infrastructure Improvements



HOME

- RPC & Courage Connection TBRA Programs
- Bristol Place (Champaign)
- Community Housing Development Organizations

WHO IS BEING SERVED?

Family Size	30% MFI	50% MFI	^60% MFI	80% MFI	MFI
1 Person	20,310	33,850	40,620	54,160	67,700
2 Persons	23,220	38,700	46,440	61,920	77,400
3 Persons	26,130	43,550	52,260	69,680	87,100
4 Persons	29,010	48,350	58,020	77,360	96,700
5 Persons	31,350	52,250	62,700	83,600	104,500
6 Persons	33,660	56,100	67,320	89,760	112,200
7 Persons	36,000	60,000	72,000	96,000	120,000
8 Persons	38,310	63,850	76,620	102,160	127,700

^Rounded to the nearest \$100

SOURCE: U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development /

Effective 05/17/2023

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PUBLIC INPUT PROCESS

Public Hearings

- Two hearings to receive input on community needs & priorities

Comment period

- Feb 23 – March 25
- Community Needs Survey & mailing

Outreach to stakeholders

- Community meetings

TIMELINE

- CD Commission on March 25
- Committee of the Whole on April 15
- Final Council approval on April 22
- Submission to HUD on May 17
- Program year begins July 1, 2024



[Community Needs Survey]

SHARE YOUR THOUGHTS!

Draft Plan Available

- On City website
- Community Development Department, Clerk's Office, & Library

Contact Us:

- grants@urbanaininois.us
- (217) 384 – 2306

THANK YOU!

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ORDINANCE NO. _____

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING URBANA CITY CODE CHAPTER THREE, SECTION 3-43

(Maintaining the number of Class GC liquor licenses for Troon Beverages, Inc. d/b/a Atkins Golf Club at the University of Illinois, 2600 Stone Creek Boulevard, Urbana, Ill.)

WHEREAS, the City Council heretofore has adopted Urbana City Code Section 3-43 to establish limits on the number of liquor licenses issued in the City in this Class GC designation; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that the best interests of the City are served by maintaining the number of Class GC liquor licenses for Troon Beverages, Inc. d/b/a Atkins Golf Club at the University of Illinois, 2600 Stone Creek Boulevard, Urbana, Ill.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF URBANA, ILLINOIS, as follows:

Section 1.

Urbana City Code Chapter 3, "Alcoholic Liquors," Article III, "Retail License," Section 3-43, "Limitations on number issued," subsection 3-43(a), is hereby amended and as amended shall read as follows:

Sec. 3-43. - Limitations on number issued.

(a) The maximum number of liquor licenses authorized for the license classifications set forth below is as follows:

Classification	Number authorized
A	8
BYOB-R	0
CA	1
CS	0
FM	0
GC	1
GH	9
H	2
MB-1	0
MB-2	2
N	1
P	25
PB	0

R&T-1	14
R&T-2	10
TH	0
URO	0

Section 2.

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 3.

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 4.

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.

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:

Darcy E. Sandefur, City Clerk

APPROVED BY THE MAYOR this ___ day of _____, _____.

Diane Wolfe Marlin, Mayor



City of Urbana
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MEMORANDUM FROM THE OFFICE OF THE MAYOR TO THE URBANA CITY COUNCIL

Meeting: March 4, 2024, Committee of the Whole Meeting
Subject: Maintaining the Number of Class GC Liquor Licenses for Troon Beverages, Inc. d/b/a Atkins Golf Club at the University of Illinois, 2600 Stone Creek Boulevard, Urbana, Ill.

Summary

Action Requested

City Council is asked to approve the attached ordinance that would maintain the number of Class GC liquor licenses in the City of Urbana.

Brief Background

Troon Beverages, Inc., doing business as Atkins Golf Club at the University of Illinois, has applied for a Class GC (Golf Course) liquor license for their establishment at 2600 Stone Creek Boulevard in Urbana.

Under an agreement with the Board of Trustees of the University of Illinois, Troon Beverages, Inc. will lease and operate a restaurant and tavern at the mentioned location using their own liquor license.

The Class GC liquor license held by Welocavore.com, LLC d/b/a Homegrown at the same address expired on December 31, 2023. As a result of the expiration of this license, the current total of authorized Class GC liquor licenses remains the same at one.

Relationship to City Services and Priorities

Impact on Core Services NA

Strategic Goals & Plans N/A

Previous Council Actions

In all instances, City staff first reviews the liquor license application. If it receives the Mayor's endorsement, it is then forwarded to the City Council for their final approval to grant the license.

Discussion

Additional Background Information

The Class GC liquor license is designed for establishments that are associated with a golf course. This license authorizes the sale and service of alcohol for on-site consumption at the clubhouse, snack bars, or refreshment stands within the designated golf course area, as well as from mobile carts operating in and around the golf course area.

Selling, serving, or letting others sell, serve, or offer alcoholic beverages in the city is not allowed without the required license or if it doesn't comply with the specific license class and its conditions.

Anyone responsible for a liquor-licensed premises must quickly report any disturbances, violence, or issues on the property to the police. License holders must also keep their premises, surrounding areas, and nearby spaces clean and free of litter. The Liquor Commissioner can issue a notice to address litter, and if it's not fixed within 24 hours, the license could be revoked, or other legal action may be taken.

Recommendation

City Council is asked to approve the Class GC liquor license for Troon Beverages, Inc. d/b/a Atkins Golf Club at the University of Illinois, 2600 Stone Creek Boulevard, Urbana, Ill.

Next Steps

If the attached ordinance is approved, the Deputy Liquor Commissioner will prepare and issue a Class GC liquor license for Troon Beverages, Inc. d/b/a Atkins Golf Club at the University of Illinois, 2600 Stone Creek Boulevard, Urbana, Ill. with an expiration date of June 30, 2024.

Attachments

1. An Ordinance Amending Urbana City Code Chapter Three, Section 3-43 (Maintaining the number of Class GC liquor licenses for Troon Beverages, Inc. d/b/a Atkins Golf Club at the University of Illinois, 2600 Stone Creek Boulevard, Urbana, Ill.)

Originated by: Kathryn B. Levy, Executive Coordinator/Deputy Liquor Commissioner

Reviewed: Diane Wolfe Marlin, Mayor/Liquor Commissioner

Approved: Carol J. Mitten, City Administrator



MEMORANDUM TO THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

Meeting: March 4, 2024 Committee of the Whole
Subject: An Ordinance Vacating a Street and an Alley (North Cottage Grove Avenue and an East/West Alley Between Hickory Street and North Cottage Grove Avenue, Both North of East Park Street)

Summary

Action Requested

City Council is being asked to approve the attached ordinance that would vacate a segment of North Cottage Grove Avenue, north of East Park Street, and an adjacent alley, located between Hickory Street and North Cottage Grove Avenue, north of East Park Street.

Brief Background

The segment of North Cottage Grove right-of-way (ROW) located north of East Park Street consists of pavement that functions as the private drive to the Northeast Plant of the Urbana-Champaign Sanitary District (UCSD) and the remainder is undeveloped lawn. The subject alley ROW consists of undeveloped lawn. The subject segments of street and alley ROW were each created via the subdivision process (see enclosed Attachment “A” - subdivision plat) in 1906, and neither has ever been improved or utilized as a public street or alley, respectively. Please note that North Cottage Grove Avenue was originally platted as “Oak Street”, but the name was changed in 1975 by Ordinance No. 7475-102. Please see Attachment “B” for the location of the proposed street and alley vacations.

Relationship to City Services and Priorities

Impact on Core Services

N/A

Strategic Goals & Plans

This action would further promote the current Mayor and Council Goal of improving the quality of current infrastructure by not dedicating additional public funds towards infrastructure assets that do not serve a public purpose.

Previous Council Actions

N/A

Discussion

Fiscal and Budget Impact

City ROW vacation policy (Resolution No. 9899-R2) states that abutting properties that are zoned residential may be vacated without monetary compensation, but benefitting non-residential properties are required to pay the land value of the vacated ROW. However, Council may waive such compensation or give credit for other consideration flowing to the City. Staff recommends no payment from any of the benefitting properties be collected in lieu of the financial benefits to the City in the form of reduced maintenance obligations. No replatting of the benefitting lots will be performed or is required.

Community Impact

If the proposed vacations are approved, the owners to the south of the alley will receive the entirety of the existing alley ROW adjacent to each of their properties, because said alley was created as a part of the subdivision to the south and was not a part of the land to the north. The entirety of the vacated street will go to the parcel (914 East Park Street) to the west of said street for the same reason. This parcel (914 East Park Street) is currently owned by UCSD.

Staff has contacted the utility companies and City department heads regarding the proposed ROW vacation. No objections were received to vacating this right-of-way, but a request for a general utility easement has been received and will be accommodated.

Staff notified all of the adjacent property owners via a letter to explain the proposed vacation and provided a vacation request petition to all adjacent owners for their consideration. The letter sent to all the adjacent owners stated that if the City received no response by January 12, 2024, it would be assumed there were no objections. The Urbana & Champaign Sanitary District was the only adjacent owner to respond. They returned a signed petition supporting the vacation (see Attachment "C" - petition signed by the Urbana & Champaign Sanitary District).

Recommendation

City Council is asked to pass the attached ordinance that would vacate a segment of North Cottage Grove Avenue, north of East Park Street, and an adjacent alley, located between Hickory Street and North Cottage Grove Avenue, north of E. Park Street.

Next Steps

If the attached ordinance is passed, staff will record said ordinance and send copies of the recorded document to all the adjacent owners involved for their records.

Attachments

1. “An Ordinance Vacating a Street and an Alley (North Cottage Grove Avenue and an East/West Alley Between Hickory Street and North Cottage Grove Avenue, Both North of East Park Street)”
2. Attachment A – Original Subdivision Plat
3. Attachment B –Proposed Alley ROW Vacation Map
4. Attachment C – Vacation Request Petition Form

Originated by: Daniel A. Rothermel, Land Surveyor

John C. Zeman, City Engineer

Reviewed: Tim Cowan, Public Works Director

Approved: Carol Mitten, City Administrator

ORDINANCE NO. 2024-03-___

**AN ORDINANCE VACATING A STREET AND ALLEY
(North Cottage Grove Avenue and an East/West Alley between Hickory Street and North
Cottage Grove Avenue, Both North of East Park Street)**

WHEREAS, the plat of the Cowley's 2nd Addition to the City of Urbana, recorded in Plat Book "B" at page 255 in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds, Champaign County, Illinois, depicts a certain public alley 13 feet in width running east/west along the north side of Lots 1 through 7 of the said Cowley's 2nd Addition and also a public street (originally named Oak Street) 34.5 feet in width running north/south along the east side of Lot 1 of the said Cowley's 2nd Addition; and

WHEREAS, this 13-foot-wide alley and 34.5-foot-wide street were apparently intended to be rights-of-way for the convenient access around said Lots; and

WHEREAS, the majority of adjacent neighbors have advised that they have no objections to abandoning these rights-of-way; and

WHEREAS, no paved surfaces were ever installed in the said Public Alley and Public Street rights-of-way by the City of Urbana; and

WHEREAS, the owners of Lots 1 through 7 of the Cowley's 2nd Addition to the City of Urbana, recorded in Plat Book "B" at page 255 in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds, Champaign County, Illinois, have requested that the City release, abandon, and vacate the said Public Alley and Public Street rights-of-way; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that the relief to the public from the further burden and responsibility of maintaining the alley and street herein vacated is just and adequate compensation for the benefits that will accrue to the said owners; and

WHEREAS, the Urbana City Council finds that it is in the best interests of all concerned that the said Public Alley and Public Street rights-of-way described below should be released, abandoned, and vacated and in accordance with statute, the title to the land over which the aforesaid alley and

street rights-of-way runs shall devolve and vest in the present owner of the land abutting to the south of said alley and to the west of said street thereon to the same extent as though the Public Alley and Public Street rights-of-way had been dedicated by a common law plat (as distinguished from a statutory plat) and as though the fee interest of the Public Alley and Public Street rights-of-way had been acquired by the owner as part of the land abutting on the Public Alley and Public Street rights-of-way.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council and the Mayor, being the Corporate Authorities of the City of Urbana, as follows:

Section 1.

That the portion of the Public Alley and Public Street rights-of-way shown on the plat of Cowley’s 2nd Addition to the City of Urbana, recorded in Plat Book “B” at page 255 in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds, Champaign County, Illinois, depicted a certain public alley 13 feet in width running east/ west along the north side of Lots 1 through 7 of the said Cowley’s 2nd Addition and also a public street running north/south along the east side of Lot 1 of the said Cowley’s 2nd Addition, being more fully described immediately below, is hereby released, abandoned and vacated upon the recording of a certified copy of this Ordinance with the Recorder of Deeds, Champaign County, Illinois:

Beginning at the northeast corner of Lot 1 of Cowley’s 2nd Addition to the City of Urbana, recorded in Plat Book “B” at page 255 in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds, Champaign County, Illinois, said point being on the west Right-of-Way line of North Cottage Grove Avenue (formerly Oak Street); thence west along the south Right-of-Way line of the 13 feet wide platted alley approximately 385 feet to the northwest corner of Lot 7 of the said Cowley’s 2nd Addition, said point being on the east Right-of-Way line of Hickory Street; thence north along the east Right-of-Way line of Hickory Street 13 feet to the northwest corner of said Cowley’s 2nd Addition; thence east along the north line of said Cowley’s 2nd Addition approximately 385 feet to a point on the west Right-of-Way line of North

Cottage Grove Avenue (formerly Oak Street); thence south along the west Right-of-Way line of North Cottage Grove Avenue (formerly Oak Street) 13 feet to the point of beginning, containing 5,005 square feet (0.115 acre), more or less.

And also:

Beginning at the southeast corner of Lot 1 of Cowley’s 2nd Addition to the City of Urbana, recorded in Plat Book “B” at page 255 in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds, Champaign County, Illinois, said point being on the north Right-of-Way line of East Park Street; thence north along the west Right-of-Way line of North Cottage Grove Avenue (formerly Oak Street) approximately 133 feet to a point on the north line of said Cowley’s 2nd Addition; thence east along the north line of said Cowley’s 2nd Addition 34.5 feet to the northeast corner of said Cowley’s 2nd Addition, said point being on the east Right-of-Way line of North Cottage Grove Avenue (formerly Oak Street); thence south along the east Right-of-Way line of North Cottage Grove Avenue (formerly Oak Street) approximately 133 feet to the southeast corner of said Cowley’s 2nd Addition, said point being the north Right-of-Way line of East Park Street; thence west along the north Right-of-Way line of East Park Street 34.5 feet to the point of beginning, containing 4,588.5 square feet (0.105 acre), more or less.

All situated in the City of Urbana, Champaign County, Illinois.

Section 2.

That the vacation of the above-described alley and street shall be subject to the condition that a perpetual easement upon said east/ west alley and north/ south street is hereby reserved for and granted to the City of Urbana, Illinois, any public utilities, and their successors and assigns to construct, install, reconstruct, repair, remove, replace, inspect, maintain, and operate their facilities in, under, across, along, over, and upon the vacated alley and street, together with the right of access thereto for the personnel and equipment necessary and required for such uses and purposes and the right to cut,

trim, or remove trees, bushes, and roots as may be reasonably required incidental to the rights herein given.

Section 3.

That the rights-of-way herein vacated shall attach to and become a part of the parcel numbers identified by PIN: 92-21-09-307-001; PIN: 92-21-09-307-002; PIN: 92-21-09-307-003; PIN: 92-21-09-307-004; and PIN: 92-21-09-307-005.

Section 4.

That the plat of vacation attached hereto is incorporated in this Ordinance by reference.

Section 5.

This Ordinance is hereby passed by the affirmative vote, the “ayes” and “nays” being called, of three-fourths of all the alderpersons then holding office (6 of 7 votes) of the City of Urbana, Illinois, at a duly noticed and convened meeting of the said corporate authorities.

PASSED BY THE CORPORATE AUTHORITIES this _____ Day of _____, 2024.

AYES:

NAYS:

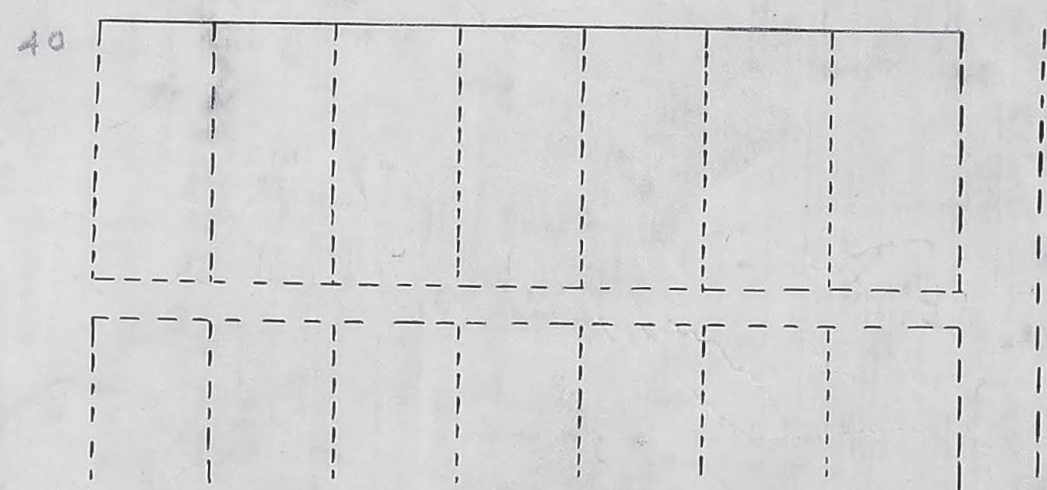
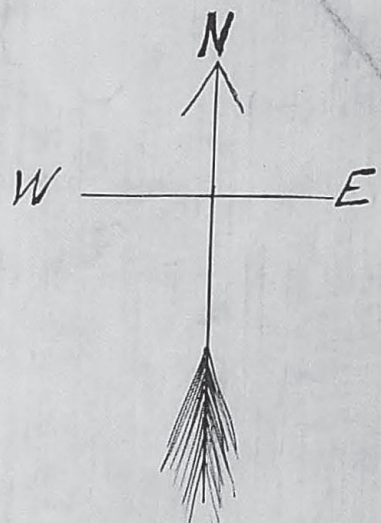
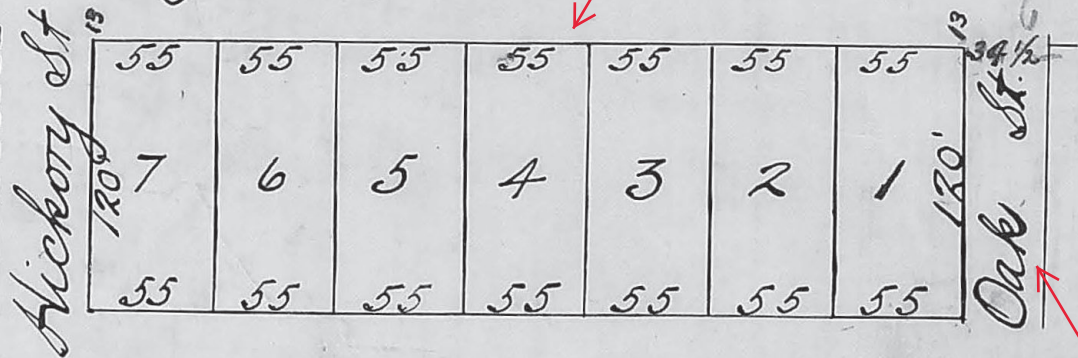
ABSTENTIONS:

Darcy E. Sandefur, City Clerk

APPROVED BY THE MAYOR this _____ Day of _____, 2024.

Diane Wolfe Marlin, Mayor

Plat of
 Cowley's Second Addition to Urbana Illinois
 Scale 100 feet to 1 inch
 Joseph O'Brien
 County Surveyor



Proposed Street Vacation

Attachment "A"

SEE page 254 for Description

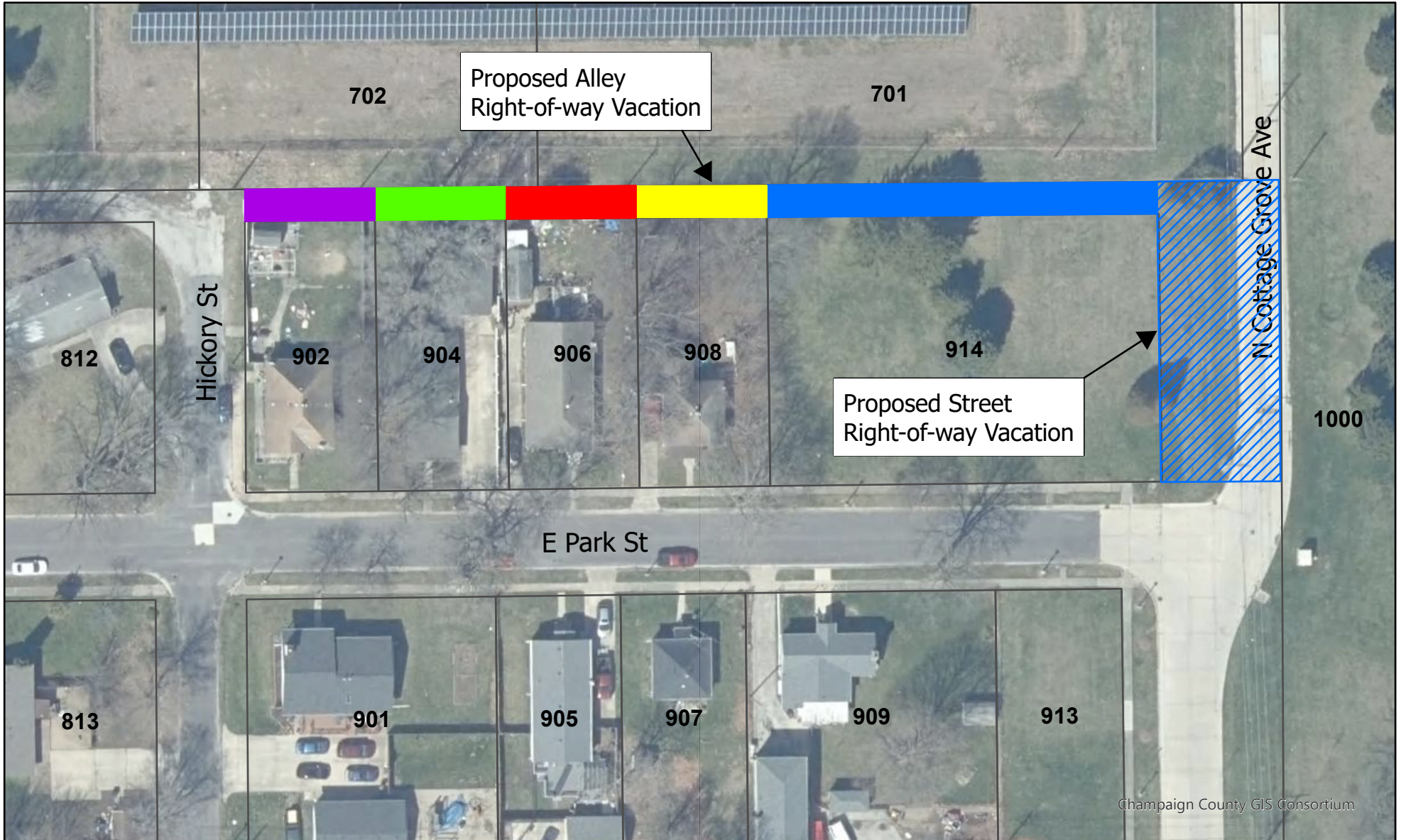
N. Cottage Grove Ave. and Alley

Proposed Rights-of-way Vacation

Item b.

Date created: 12/15/2023
Created by: Urbana Public Works, (217) 384-2342
Data source: CCGIS Consortium, Urbana Public Works

Attachment "B"



Champaign County GIS Consortium

N Scale: 1" = 60'

Public Rights-of-Way Vacation

We, the undersigned owners, petition to the City of Urbana and request vacation of the public street and alley rights-of-way, as shown on the adjacent map.

We, the undersigned, also understand that a right-of-way vacation is subject to City Council approval and would be subject to utility and public easements remaining within the subject vacated rights-of-way.

NAME: Naomi Ruth Slade Hawn

ADDRESS: 902 E. Park Street

Urbana, IL 61802

P.I.N.#: 91-21-09-307-001

PHONE: _____

(NO RESPONSE)

OWNER'S SIGNATURE(S)

OWNER'S SIGNATURE(S)

NAME: Ariah Investment Group, LLC

ADDRESS: 904 E. Park Street

Urbana, IL 61802

P.I.N.#: 91-21-09-307-002

PHONE: _____

(NO RESPONSE)

OWNER'S SIGNATURE(S)

OWNER'S SIGNATURE(S)

NAME: Karen M. James

ADDRESS: 906 E. Park Street

Urbana, IL 61802

P.I.N.#: 91-21-09-307-003

PHONE: _____

(NO RESPONSE)

OWNER'S SIGNATURE(S)

OWNER'S SIGNATURE(S)

NAME: Therese A. Catanach

ADDRESS: 908 E. Park Street

Urbana, IL 61802

P.I.N.#: 91-21-09-307-004

PHONE: _____

(NO RESPONSE)

OWNER'S SIGNATURE(S)

OWNER'S SIGNATURE(S)

NAME: U&CSD

ADDRESS: 914 E. Park Street

Urbana, IL 61802

P.I.N.#: 91-21-09-307-005

PHONE: 217-367-3409

Ruth Manner
OWNER'S SIGNATURE(S)

OWNER'S SIGNATURE(S)

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

P.I.N.#: _____

PHONE: _____

OWNER'S SIGNATURE(S)

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

P.I.N.#: _____

PHONE: _____

OWNER'S SIGNATURE(S)

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

P.I.N.#: _____

PHONE: _____

OWNER'S SIGNATURE(S)

Please Return This Petition (With Signatures) To:

Dan Rothermel, L.S. – (217) 384-2396
Land Surveyor
City of Urbana Public Works Department
706 Glover Avenue, Urbana, IL 61802



MEMORANDUM TO THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

Meeting: March 4, 2024 Committee of the Whole
Subject: Intergovernmental Agreement for Electronics Waste Collection Events

Summary

Action Requested

Staff is seeking approval of an Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) for 2024 electronics waste collection events.

Relationship to City Services and Priorities

Strategic Goals & Plans

To properly manage electronics waste banned from placement in landfills, the City of Urbana has partnered with Champaign County, City of Champaign, and the Village of Savoy to conduct semi-annual electronics recycling collection events since the early 2010s. These events are very popular public events. As an example, the electronics recycling event in Fall 2023 collected 79,239 pounds of electronic devices, the majority being televisions.

Discussion

Fiscal and Budget Impact

Costs are divided by relative population; the City of Urbana's cost share is 18.6%. The maximum share in 2024 for two electronics recycling collection events is up to \$8,658.30 for Urbana.

Recommendation

Staff recommends that the IGA be approved.

Attachments

1. A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT FOR RESIDENTIAL ELECTRONICS WASTE COLLECTION
2. AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL COST SHARING AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF CHAMPAIGN, THE CITY OF CHAMPAIGN, THE CITY OF URBANA, AND THE VILLAGE OF SAVOY FOR RESIDENTIAL ELECTRONICS COLLECTIONS IN 2024

Originated by: Courtney Kwong, Recycling Coordinator
Reviewed: Scott Tess, Sustainability & Resilience Officer
Tim A. Cowan, Public Works Director
Approved: Carol J. Mitten, City Administrator

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT FOR RESIDENTIAL ELECTRONICS WASTE COLLECTION

WHEREAS, the City of Urbana (hereinafter, the “City”) is an Illinois home rule unit of local government pursuant to Section 6 of Article VII of the Illinois Constitution of 1970 and the Statutes of the State of Illinois; and

WHEREAS, the Intergovernmental Cooperation Act (5 ILCS 220/) allows the City “to combine, transfer, or exercise any powers, functions, privileges, or authority which any of the public agencies entering into the contract is authorized by law to perform, provided that such contract shall be approved by the governing bodies of each party”; and

WHEREAS, the City Council, after due consideration, finds that the expeditious provision of electronics waste collection services is best provided by intergovernmental agreement with other public agencies.

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

Section 1.

That an Intergovernmental Agreement providing for collection of electronics wastes among the City of Urbana, City of Champaign, Village of Savoy, and Champaign County in substantially the form of the copy of said Agreement attached hereto and hereby incorporated by reference, be and the same is hereby authorized and approved.

Section 2.

That the Mayor and the City Administrator of the City of Urbana, Illinois, be and the same are hereby authorized to execute and the City Clerk of the City of Urbana, Illinois, be and the same is hereby authorized to attest to said execution of said Intergovernmental Agreement.

PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL this ____ day of _____, _____.

AYES:

NAYS:

ABSTENTIONS:

Darcy E. Sandefur, City Clerk

APPROVED BY THE MAYOR this ____ day of _____, _____.

Diane Wolfe Marlin, Mayor

AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL COST SHARING AGREEMENT
 BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF CHAMPAIGN,
 THE CITY OF CHAMPAIGN, THE CITY OF URBANA, AND THE VILLAGE OF SAVOY
 FOR RESIDENTIAL ELECTRONICS COLLECTIONS IN 2024

THIS AGREEMENT is made and entered into by and between the County of Champaign and the following Illinois municipal corporations: the City of Champaign, the City of Urbana, and the Village of Savoy, effective on the last date signed by a party hereto. The foregoing entities will hereafter be noted as “the parties.”

WHEREAS, Section 10 of Article VII of the Illinois Constitution of 1970, and 5 ILCS 220/1, *et seq.* enable the parties to enter into agreements among themselves and provide authority for intergovernmental cooperation; and

WHEREAS, the parties find it to be most cost effective to mutually combine efforts and to share in the costs associated with Residential Electronics Collections to be held on May 17-18, 2024 and October 11-12, 2024 at Parkland College campus in Champaign, Illinois. These costs include:

- a) A one-time flat-rate collection fee payment of up to \$23,000 to A-Team Recyclers due by the end of the day on the start date of each event.
- b) The cost of two golf carts at \$275 per two-days at each event.

WHEREAS, the cost contribution required of each party is provided in this Agreement;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants contained herein, the parties agree as follows:

Section 1. Purpose

- 1-1. This Agreement outlines a cost-sharing arrangement between the parties for the purpose of administering the events in 2024. Costs will include:
 - a. Payment of a flat-rate collection fee of up to \$23,000 to A-Team Recyclers due by the end of the day on the start date of each event.
 - b. Payment for rental of two golf carts at \$275 per two-days at each event.

Section 2. Terms

- 2-1. The terms of this Agreement shall be from the date last signed by the parties until 60 days following the final event, unless amended by agreement of the parties.

Section 3. Responsibilities

- 3-1. The parties understand and agree that of the parties to this Agreement, only the County of Champaign shall enter into a contract with the A-Team Recyclers and with Parkland College for the Residential Electronics Collections. However, the County of Champaign shall be entering into said contract on behalf of the other parties as well, and Champaign County agrees that it shall not enter into said contract unless it specifically names the other parties to this agreement as third party beneficiaries of that contract. Champaign County shall obtain approval of the form of said

contract with the contact from each of the parties to this Agreement prior to executing said contract.

- 3-2. Each party is responsible for contributing its share of the total costs for the events under this Agreement, according to the percentages and up to the maximums specified in Section 4 (Cost-Sharing) of this Agreement.
- 3-3. Each party is also responsible for coordinating information requests from the other parties in a timely manner.

Section 4. Cost Sharing

4.1 The parties agree to share, according to the percentages shown in Table 4.1, total costs not to exceed the Maximum Total Cost shown for each event:

Table 4.1

Event Date	Champaign County Maximum Share (% of total)	City of Champaign Maximum Share (% of total)	City of Urbana Maximum Share (% of total)	Village of Savoy Maximum Share (% of total)	Maximum Total Cost
May 17-18, 2024	\$7960.05 (34.2)	\$9,984.98 (42.9)	\$4,329.15 (18.6)	\$1,000.82 (4.3)	\$23,275
October 11-12, 2024	\$7960.05 (34.2)	\$9,984.98 (42.9)	\$4,329.15 (18.6)	\$1,000.82 (4.3)	\$23,275

Section 5. Invoices and Payments

5.1 To facilitate payment for services described in Section 1.1 of this Agreement, following each event held and within 30 days of receipt of an invoice from Champaign County, each party agrees to provide its share of funds as shown in Table 4.1, payable to ‘Champaign County’ to the attention of John Hall, Director, Champaign County Department of Planning and Zoning, 1776 E. Washington Street, Urbana, IL 61802.

Section 6. Amendments.

This agreement may be amended only in writing signed by all parties.

Section 7. Survival of Provisions.

Any terms of this Agreement that by their nature extend after the end of the Agreement, whether by way of expiration or termination, will remain in effect until fulfilled.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have caused this Agreement to be executed on the date and year indicated herein.

CHAMPAIGN COUNTY

CITY OF CHAMPAIGN
An Illinois Municipal Corporation

By: _____

By: _____

Date: _____

Date: _____

ATTEST: _____

ATTEST: _____

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

State's Attorney's Office

City Attorney

CITY OF URBANA
An Illinois Municipal Corporation

VILLAGE OF SAVOY
An Illinois Municipal Corporation

By: _____

By: _____

Date: _____

Date: _____

ATTEST: _____

ATTEST: _____

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

City Attorney

Village Attorney



City of Urbana
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MEMORANDUM TO THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

Meeting: March 4, 2024 Committee of the Whole
Subject: FY2024 Budget Amendment #7 - Omnibus

Summary

Action Requested

Staff recommends that, at the March 4, 2024 Committee of the Whole meeting, Council forward the budget amendment authorizing these adjustments for approval at the March 11, 2024 City Council meeting. This budget amendment requires six affirmative votes, including the Mayor, in order to pass.

Brief Background

This Ordinance seeks Council action to amend the FY2024 Annual Budget. The proposed adjustments include a \$149,000 increase to Equipment Services for repairs to the Fire Department's tower ladder truck; \$135,000 additional funding for the Main Street Brick Arch Storm Sewer Project; a sewer funds reallocation as discussed below, and a \$190,000 increase in the budget for sidewalk and street light repairs that are part of the Equity and Quality of Life (EQoL) project from the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Fund.

Relationship to City Services and Priorities

Impact on Core Services

The requested items are intended to allow City staff to better serve Urbana residents.

Strategic Goals & Plans

The proposed changes related to capital projects align with the Mayor and Council goal of improving quality of current infrastructure assets and enhancing sustainability and climate resiliency on City-owned property and facilities ([Strategic Area #3: Infrastructure](#)).

Proposed changes related to the repair of the tower ladder truck align with the Mayor and Council goal of enhancing public safety and well-being ([Strategic Area #1: Public Safety and Well-being](#)).

Previous Council Actions

The City Council approved the City's [FY2024 Annual Budget](#) and the [Capital Improvement Plan for FY2024-FY2028](#) on June 26, 2023.

Discussion

Additional Background Information

In the Fire Department, a total of \$149,000 would be transferred from the General Fund to the Equipment Services Fund to cover necessary repairs to the tower ladder truck. This change also impacts the Equipment Services Fund, which will receive the transfer and pay for repairs.

In the Stormwater Fund, an increase of \$135,000 would go towards the Main Street Brick Arch Storm Sewer project to cover additional pavement removal and replacement that is more extensive than previously anticipated. In the Sanitary Sewer Fund, \$50,000 would be reallocated from the sanitary sewer televising project, which came in under budget, to provide a \$35,000 increase in the Sanitary Sewer Lining Program and a \$15,000 increase to repair the pavement within the right-of-way that was damaged during lateral repairs and replacements during the Sanitary Sewer Lining Program.

In the CD Grants Fund, \$190,000 of this year's Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds would be used to supplement the estimated construction cost for Equity and Quality of Life (EQoL) projects. Specifically, the increase would provide \$120,000 and \$70,000 to sidewalks and street lights, respectively.

Operations Impact

The increases and reallocations for capital improvement projects would provide the necessary funds to ensure repairs and progress are made in the respective projects listed above, and repairing the tower ladder truck would improve its performance and reliability.

Policy or Statutory Impacts

None.

Fiscal and Budget Impact

The new estimated ending fund balance in the General Operating Fund would be \$24,065,472. Excluding the \$7 million assigned for future transfers for capital improvements, including Equity and Quality of Life (EQoL) projects, the fund balance would be \$17,065,472; which is 42.38 percent of recurring expenditures.

While the Capital Improvement and Replacement Fund is showing a negative fund balance, this is a function of the timing of purchase orders being issued for projects. Purchase orders are issued and funds are reserved at the time a contract is awarded. Staff does not expect to have a negative cash balance in this fund.

Community Impact

All of these requests are designed to better serve Urbana residents either directly or indirectly.

Recommendation

Forward the budget amendment authorizing these adjustments to the FY2024 budget for approval at the March 11, 2024 City Council meeting.

Next Steps

If the proposed adjustments mentioned above are approved, the revisions included in the exhibit will be made to the FY2024 Annual Budget.

Attachments

1. An Ordinance Revising the Annual Budget Ordinance

Originated: Kyle Kapper, Interim Financial Analyst
Reviewed: Elizabeth Hannan, HR & Finance Director / CFO
Approved: Carol Mitten, City Administrator

ORDINANCE NO. _____

AN ORDINANCE REVISING THE ANNUAL BUDGET ORDINANCE

(Budget Amendment #7 –Omnibus)

WHEREAS, the City of Urbana (“City”) is a home rule unit of local government pursuant to Article VII, Section 6, of the Illinois Constitution of 1970, and may exercise any power and perform any function pertaining to its governmental business and affairs, and the passage of this Ordinance constitutes an exercise of the City’s home rule powers and functions as granted by the Illinois Constitution of 1970; and

WHEREAS, the corporate authorities of the City heretofore did approve the annual budget ordinance of and for the City of Urbana for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2023 and ending June 30, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the said corporate authorities find that revising the annual budget ordinance by deleting, adding to, changing, or creating sub-classes within object classes and object classes themselves is in the best interests of the residents of the City and is desirable for the welfare of the City’s government and affairs; and

WHEREAS, funds are available to effectuate the purpose of such revision; and

WHEREAS, the Budget Director may not make such revision under the authority so delegated to the Budget Director pursuant to 65 ILCS 5/8-2-9.6 or Urbana City Code Section 2-133.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL AND THE MAYOR, BEING THE CORPORATE AUTHORITIES OF THE CITY OF URBANA, ILLINOIS, as follows:

Section 1.

The annual budget ordinance shall be and the same is hereby revised as set forth in the exhibit appended hereto and made a part hereof as if fully set forth herein.

Section 2.

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 (65 ILCS 5/1-2-4).

This Ordinance is hereby passed by the affirmative vote, the “ayes” and “nays” being called, of two-thirds of the corporate authorities then holding office (6 of 8 votes) of the City of Urbana, Illinois, at a duly noticed and convened meeting of the said corporate authorities.

PASSED BY THE CORPORATE AUTHORITIES this __ Day of _____, 20__.

AYES: _____

NAYS: _____

ABSTENTIONS: _____

Darcy E. Sandefur, City Clerk

APPROVED BY THE MAYOR this __ Day of _____, 20__.

Diane Wolfe Marlin, Mayor

Budget Amendment 2023/24 - 07 - Exhibit A

General Ledger Code	Project String	Description	Current Budget	Revised Budget	Difference	Reason
GENERAL OPERATING FUND (100)						
<u>Expenditures</u>						
10030300-59600		FIRE OPERATIONS - TFR TO EQPT SVCS	250,351	399,351	149,000	TOWER LADDER TRUCK REPAIRS
Total Expenditures			47,116,362	47,265,362	149,000	
Ending Fund Balance (estimated)			24,214,472	24,065,472	(149,000)	
STORMWATER FUND (201)						
<u>Expenditures</u>						
20140470-53303-40417	40417-CONST	STORM SEWER RECONSTRUCTION	251,260	386,260	135,000	MAIN ST BRICK ARCH STORM SEWER
Total Expenditures			25,016,344	25,151,344	135,000	
Ending Fund Balance (estimated)			(1,645,965)	(1,780,965)	(135,000)	
SANITARY SEWER FUND (204)						
20440470-53304-40510	40510-CONST	SANITARY SEWER TELEVISION	231,000	181,000	(50,000)	TELEVISION COMPLETE
20440470-52999-40505	40505-OTHER	SEWER LATERAL REIMBURSEMENT	50,000	65,000	15,000	ADD'L \$ NEEDED FOR LATERAL PVMT REP
20440470-53304-40511	40511-CONST	SANITARY SEWER LINING	514,068	549,068	35,000	ADD'L \$ NEEDED FOR SEWER LINING
			4,143,512	4,143,512	-	
			1,763,352	1,763,352	-	
COMMUNITY DEV BLOCK GRANT (331)						
<u>Expenditures</u>						
33150531-53303-40170	40170-CONST	CDBG SIDEWALKS	217,598	337,598	120,000	SUPPLEMENT EQoL PROJECTS
33150531-53305-40174	40174-CONST	CDBG STREET LIGHTING	135,000	205,000	70,000	SUPPLEMENT EQoL PROJECTS
Total Expenditures			4,919,742	5,109,742	190,000	
Ending Fund Balance (estimated)			(640,084)	(830,084)	(190,000)	
EQUIPMENT SERVICES FUND (600)						
<u>Revenues</u>						
600-49100		TFR FROM GENERAL FUND	1,056,357	1,205,357	149,000	TOWER LADDER TRUCK REPAIRS
Total Revenues			1,220,310	1,369,310	149,000	
<u>Expenditures</u>						
60040460-52205		EQUIPMENT REPAIR & MAINT	163,005	312,005	149,000	TOWER LADDER TRUCK REPAIRS
Total Expenditures			1,279,637	1,428,637	149,000	
Ending Fund Balance (estimated)			12,011	12,011	-	



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MEMORANDUM TO THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

Meeting: March 4, 2024 Committee of the Whole
Subject: A Resolution Calling for the End of the Gaza War and a Lasting Peace

Summary

The Council is asked to consider passage of the attached Resolution which calls for an end to the war in Gaza and promotion of steps toward a just and lasting peace.

For several weeks, members of the local community have expressed deep concern regarding the ongoing war between Hamas and Israel which has resulted in devastating loss of life and destruction of public infrastructure. This conflict impacts the wellbeing of the local Muslim, Jewish, Israeli and Palestinian communities as well as other Urbana residents.

Relationship to City Services and Priorities

Impact on Core Services: N/A

Strategic Goals & Plans: N/A

Previous Council Actions: N/A

Discussion

Action on this Resolution would be a response to the deep concern expressed by the community over the war between Hamas and Israel.

Recommendation

The City Council is asked to consider passage of Resolution.

Attachments

1. A Resolution Calling for the End of the Gaza War and a Lasting Peace

Originated by: Diane Wolfe Marlin, Mayor

Approved: Carol J. Mitten, City Administrator

RESOLUTION NO. _____

**A RESOLUTION CALLING FOR THE END OF THE GAZA WAR AND
A LASTING PEACE**

WHEREAS, the Urbana City Council is concerned for the wellbeing of residents who are hurting and divided by the ongoing conflict in the Middle East; and

WHEREAS, the Urbana City Council condemns the killing of innocent civilians and destruction of community infrastructure including but not limited to the attacks by Hamas in Israel and the bombing of Gaza by the state of Israel; and

WHEREAS, the Urbana City Council condemns acts of terror and terrorist organizations around the world; and

WHEREAS, the Urbana City Council believes that Palestinian and Israeli people have the right to self-determination and to live in safety and peace; and

WHEREAS, the Urbana City Council urges national and international leaders to promote a peaceful resolution of this conflict; and

WHEREAS, the Urbana City Council denounces actions that promote anti-Semitism and Islamophobia and incite acts of racially and ethnically-motivated violence and hate crimes.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council, of the City of Urbana, Illinois as follows:

1. Call for the immediate return of all hostages taken by Hamas, living and deceased, and for release of Palestinians unjustly held by Israel.
2. Call for just and lasting peace between Israel and Palestine, by an immediate and permanent cessation of all violence between Israel and Hamas, along with delivery of urgently needed humanitarian aid to Gaza as necessary step in that process.
3. Support a solution that recognizes the sovereignty of both Israeli and Palestinian states and embraces free elections for the Knesset and Palestinian Legislative Council to promote self-determination in each.
4. Urge all parties to abide by the decisions of the International Court of Justice.
5. Urge local leaders and community members to acknowledge the history, experience, pain, and perspective of all Urbana residents and take steps to unify the community, not divide it.
6. Urge the United States government and international community to prioritize funding tools of peace over weapons of war to create conditions for reconciliation between Israel and Palestine, which is the foundation for a just, secure, and lasting peace.
7. Finally, be it resolved that we direct the City Clerk to immediately send copies of this resolution to President Joe Biden, Vice President Kamala Harris, Senator

Richard Durbin, Senator Tammy Duckworth, Representative Nikki Budzinski,
and Secretary of State Antony Blinken.

PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL this ____ day of _____, _____.

AYES:

NAYS:

ABSTENTIONS:

Darcy E. Sandefur, City Clerk

APPROVED BY THE MAYOR this ____ day of _____, _____.

Diane Wolfe Marlin, Mayor