

 APPROVED

**URBANA CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR SESSION MEETING  
TUESDAY, APRIL 7, 2020**

President Pro Tem Paul called the City of Urbana Regular Session Meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. City staff attending: Director of Administration Kerry Brugger, and Community Development Director Doug Crabill.

**PRESIDENT CALLED ROLL:** Mr. Fields, present; Mr. Hoffman, present; Mr. Paul, present; Mr. Scott, present; Mr. Thackery, present; Mrs. Collier, present; and Mr. Ebert, present.

**MINUTES**

None

**COMMUNICATIONS**

Mr. Ebert motioned to accept Mayor Bill Bean's Declaration of State of Emergency for the City. Mr. Thackery seconded. Voice vote on approval: all ayes; nays, none. Motion passed 7-0.

**ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS – BOARD OF CONTROL**

**1. Public Entities Pool - \$159,608.00 (Departmental Insurance Accounts)**

Mr. Brugger stated this item is routine. He stated that periodically, the City has to review the hard assets. This year, there is an increase of 2.51% to the annual premium.

Mr. Thackery moved to put this item on the floor for further discussion and possible passage. Mr. Ebert seconded. Voice vote on approval: all ayes; nays, none.

Motion passed 7-0.

**2. Howell Buildings - \$105,577.00 (Sewer Fund)**

Mr. Brugger said this item was for new construction adjacent to the Vactor Building at the Water Reclamation Facility. He advised that Mr. Hall worked diligently on getting this project started and received four responses and one did not meet the requirement. He added that this building project was put on the budget for this year.

Mr. Thackery moved to put this item on the floor for further discussion and possible passage. Mr. Ebert seconded. Voice vote on approval: all ayes; nays, none.

Motion passed 7-0.

## **CITIZEN COMMENTS**

None

## **Ordinances and Resolutions**

### **First Reading –**

#### **Resolution No. 2580-20**

A Resolution authorizing the Director of Administration to apply for, accept, and enter into a cooperative agreement for the construction, maintenance, and operation of the Phase 2A Sanitary Sewer Replacement project between the City of Urbana and the Ohio Water Development Authority, and declaring an emergency.

Mr. Crabill stated that this was discussed with Council previously and recapped the project. He stated the sanitary part was brought in later in the project plan. He added it would include Scioto Street, from Jefferson Avenue to the 29-36 split. He added that this project should be done in November and the paving would be done by ODOT in the spring of next year. He further stated that the City would apply for a loan from the Ohio Water Development Authority (OWDA) to finance costs of the construction for approximately \$1,456,000.00. He added that sewer is 24% of this project. He also stated that the interest currently is at 2.17% and it would be for a term of 20 years. He advised that this Resolution authorizes the City to apply for the loan and move forward. He said that the goal is to have approval in June and begin the project in July.

Mr. Fields moved to put this Resolution on the floor for discussion and possible passage, Mr. Thackery seconded.

President Pro Tem Paul called for a roll call for passage: Mr. Hoffman, yes; Mr. Paul, yes; Mr. Scott, yes; Mr. Thackery, yes; Mr. Ebert, yes; Mrs. Collier, yes; and Mr. Fields, yes.

Resolution passes 7-0.

**Second Reading –**

**Ordinance No. 4520-20**

An Ordinance to authorize and designate a Revitalization District within the City of Urbana pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 4301.81. (Tabled at 3/17/20 meeting by Councilman Thackery)

Mr. Thackery moved to take this Ordinance off the table. Mr. Fields seconded. Voice vote on approval: all ayes; nays, none.

Motion passed 7-0, Ordinance off the table.

Mr. Crabill stated there was a conference call including Director of Administration Brugger, Law Director Feinstein, and Michael Ambrose, regarding the Revitalization District. He advised that Mr. Ambrose gave his opinion as what was proposed looks fine. Mr. Crabill advised Council that any Sunday sales of beer, wine and or liquor must go to the ballot for this must be followed. He added that once a Revitalization District is established, it could potentially have to be a district vote, not an individual one. Additionally, once the district is established, in cannot go on the ballot to make the district dry again. He also advised that there are 6 D5's in the district and all are in use. There would be 12 D5L's available, and if a D5 permit holder wishes to release their D5 and apply for the D5L, this could be done and there is a process for that. He added that any changes for this Ordinance that are made, it would have to go back for a second reading. Mr. Hoffman stated that when you head north in the City limits, there is some real estate and opportunities there, and wanted to make sure the City can add to this in the future. Mr. Scott said that in having the D5L, 75% of the business' profits must come from food sales.

President Pro Tem Paul declared this Ordinance to have its second reading.

**Third Reading –**

**Ordinance No. 4521-20**

An Ordinance to amend Chapter 1126.09 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Urbana.

Mr. Thackery moved to put this Ordinance on the floor for discussion and possible passage. Mr. Ebert seconded.

President Pro Tem Paul called for a roll call for passage: Mr. Paul, yes; Mr. Scott, yes; Mr. Thackery, yes; Mr. Ebert, yes; Mrs. Collier, yes; Mr. Fields, yes; and Mr. Hoffman, yes.

Ordinance passed 7-0.

**MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS/WORK SESSION**

Mr. Thackery stated that he was glad to see everyone working around the Corona Virus issue, and the he would hate to see the downtown stifle in growth. He also said that he was seeing sidewalks on Scioto Street being repaired.

Mr. Hoffman asked if Council was going to continue to have in person meetings during the Corona Virus issue. President Pro Tem Paul stated the Council Meetings were limited to 10 people in attendance. Should there be more than the 10 allotted, we would ask for volunteers from Council to go home. President Pro Tem Paul also stated that digital meetings were permissible. Mr. Brugger added that conference calls are now available. Mr. Crabill stated the key is trying to keep the City business going. Mr. Ebert stated that he took the initiative to look at places to purchase a camera to put the meetings on YouTube and on the website, and B&H had the best deal.

Mr. Ebert moved to purchase the camera and the equipment to make meetings available to the public by the City’s website and YouTube. Mr. Fields seconded motion. Voice vote on approval: 5 ayes; 2 nays, from Mrs. Collier and Mr. Scott.

Motion passed 5-2.

Mr. Ebert spoke about the email from Lyndsay Evans, the 5G towers going up, and he wondered if there were any contractors working on this. Mr. Brugger advised that no one could do this without a permit and that he would be following up with Ms. Evans. Mr. Crabill added that the equipment is very small, and the City cannot forbid them going up.

Mr. Scott advised Council he had received a complaint about the Crescent Dr. curb, gutter, sidewalk project. He stated that he advised her that he wished he could help her, but she is going to have to pay for her portion of the project.


Mr. Thackery moved to adjourn and Mr. Scott seconded. Voice vote on approval: 6 ayes; 1 nay, from Mr. Hoffman.

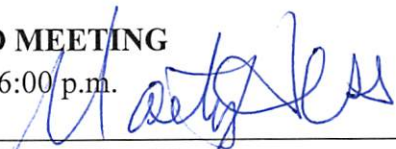
Motion passes 6-1.

**ADJOURN AT 6:55 p.m.**

**NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING**

April 21, 2020, at 6:00 p.m.

  
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Council Clerk

  
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Council President