

URBANA CITY COUNCIL REGULAR SESSION MEETING TUESDAY, AUGUST 15, 2023

President Hess called the City of Urbana Regular Session Meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

City Staff attending: Director of Finance Chris Boettcher, Director of Administration Kerry Brugger, Mayor Bill Bean, Director of Law Mark Feinstein, City Engineer Tyler Bumbalough, Police Chief Matt Lingrell, and Fire Chief Dean Ortlieb.

President Called Roll: Ms. Jumper, present; Mr. Scott, present; Mr. Paul, present; Ms. Truelove, present; Mr. Thackery, present; Mrs. Collier, present; and Mrs. Bean, present.

Minutes

Mr. Paul moved to put the minutes of August 1, 2023 on the floor for discussion and possible approval. Mr. Thackery seconded.

No comments/corrections from Council.

Voice vote on approval of the corrected minutes: all ayes; nays, none.

Communications:

- 1. City of Urbana 2022 Audit Report Release (E-mailed August 10, 2023)
- 2. CCCC 2nd Quarter 2023 Report (See Attached)

Mr. Paul stated that it was good that the City did not have to go through the entire audit process.

Voice vote on acceptance of communications: All ayes, nays none.

Administrative Reports - Board of Control:

1. The Board of Control recommends Council authorize an increase to purchase order number 30916 to SiteWorx Unlimited, LLC, in the amount of \$15,394.19 for the change orders to their contract for constructing or repairing curbs, gutters, driveway approaches and appurtenances on Miami St. and Bloomfield Ave. The original contract was approved for \$725,203.00, and with the change orders, the contract increases to \$740,597.19. (see attached) **VOTE: 2-0**

Ms. Jumper moved to put this request on the floor for discussion and possible approval. Mr. Paul seconded.

Mr. Bumbalough stated that a number of line items had to be adjusted for final quantities. Most of the costs dealt with extra concrete thickness. He added that the City also found an extra catch basin that needed to be adjusted.

Mr. Scott asked if most of these change orders were due to property owners changing their minds about taking the whole project out. Mr. Bumbalough answered that there were a few cases. One residence added a drive approach. Also there were curbs that wrapped around a corner a couple of times where hadn't planned it.

Mr. Paul stated he prefers having them done and do extra amount and not have to go back later.

Ms. Truelove asked where do the funds were coming from. Mr. Bumbalough stated primarily most of the funds were coming from the neighborhood curb and sidewalk fund, with repayment from the homeowners. He added the Stormwater fund also contributed for the extra catch basin.

Mr. Thackery asked if this should be the final figures. Mr. Bumbalough confirmed it was. Voice vote on approval; all ayes, nays none.

Citizen Comments: None

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

Third Reading: None

Second Reading: None

First Reading:

Resolution 2671-23: A resolution to authorize preliminary approval between the City of Urbana, Champaign County, Ohio and Ohio Department of Transportation for pavement planing and resurfacing of United States Route 68 from the northern corporation limits (SLM 8.640) to the Logan County Line (SLM 16.198), Reference PID No: 112484, County/Route/Section: CHP Pave FY25, and declaring an emergency. (One reading required)

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

Mr. Bumbalough stated this project primarily takes place outside the city limits, but ODOT requires approval when a project touches a corporation limit. This project is not asking the City from anything financially.

No comments/questions from Council.

Roll call on passage: Mr. Scott, yes; Mr. Paul, yes; Ms. Truelove, yes; Mr. Thackery, yes; Mrs. Collier, yes; Mrs. Bean, yes; and Ms. Jumper, yes.

Resolution passes 7-0.

Resolution 2672-23: A resolution authorizing the Director of Administration of the City of Urbana, to execute the Grant Agreement Offer, Grant No. 3-39-0080-028-2023 ("The Grant"), for the 2023 Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) Airport Improvement Program (AIP) at the Grimes Field Airport (I-74), and declaring an emergency. (One reading required)

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

Mr. Brugger first thanked Council Clerk Steffan and Mr. Feinstein for the last-minute hurdle to get this resolution as walk-in legislation. He received an email from the FAA that the City needed to sign the agreement and accept the grant money by August 25th. Council approved the City to apply for the grant last May. This project will rehabilitate taxi lanes E & F.

Mr. Paul asked what would happen if Council did not pass this resolution. Mr. Brugger stated that the City would not get the grant money and the airport project would not get completed. Mr. Paul asked for confirmation that the money for the project had already been set aside. Mr. Brugger confirmed, stating this resolution just allows him to sign the grant.

Roll call on passage: Mr. Paul, yes; Ms. Truelove, yes; Mr. Thackery, yes; Mrs. Collier, yes; Mrs. Bean, yes; Ms. Jumper, yes; and Mr. Scott, yes.

Resolution passes 7-0.

Department Liaison Reports: None

Miscellaneous Business:

Mr. Scott noticed the water work being done on Scioto Street. He asked if anybody knew why it was being blocked off. Mr. Brugger stated that it had been left open to repair an odd valve. The City had been concerned about where the shut-off was. The City opted to dig it out and fix it. Mr. Brugger added the latest update from Mr. Sampson was that it had been leveled and seeded.

Mr. Paul made statements about the Quarterly report. He asked how extensive were the big softball fields being used. Mr. Brugger stated the main one pretty was used pretty regularly during the week with sporadic league play. He added that it was not necessarily like it was back in the 60s and 70s.

Mr. Paul then asked how many police bikes UPD has. Ms. Boettcher stated she believed they have 4.

Finally, Mr. Paul stated it was good the City Council budget was on track.

Ms. Truelove stated that the smile on her face was due to the fact that 405 Gwynne Street was finally gone.

Mr. Thackery asked how the City should address homeless issue. He stated perhaps discuss further would be warranted at the next safety committee meeting.

Mr. Thackery also stated a farmer contacted him about refilling crop-dusters at the airport and that now he has to go to London. Mr. Brugger stated he was at the airport last week and they were filling tanks. He hadn't heard anything to the contrary.

Mrs. Collier was glad to see the extension on yellow lines.

Mr. Brugger commented that dirt continues to fly. In the 100 block of North Main, the east side of the street has new roof and siding. The other side has a lot of work going on the inside with eventual work on the façade. He also added a shout out to Mr. Bumbalough, Mr. Hall, Deb Aksenczuk and Clay Miller for properly coordinating things and keeping traffic flowing.

Finally, Mr. Brugger stated the pool closed on Sunday for last day of season. The City still does not have a full understanding of final numbers.

Mr. Bumbalough stated the asphalt program is in swing for streets designated to be milled. The full-depth reclamation is set for September.

Chief Ortlieb stated one of the firefighters lateral transferred to Jerome Township. In July, the City extended its list and set out interviews.

Mr. Feinstein asked that Council move to executive session pursuant to Ohio Revised Code 121.22(G)(1). Mr. Thackery moved to enter executive session. Mr. Paul seconded. Roll call on entering executive session: Ms. Truelove, yes; Mr. Thackery, yes; Mrs. Collier, yes; Mrs. Bean, yes; Ms. Jumper, yes; Mr. Scott, yes; and Mr. Paul, yes.

Urbana City Council entered executive session at 6:33 pm.

Mrs. Truelove moved to return to regular session at 6:58 pm. Mr. Paul seconded. Voice vote on return to regular session: all ayes, nays none. Motion passes 7-0.

Ms. Truelove moved to adjourn. Mr. Paul seconded. Voice vote on approval: all ayes, nays none. Motion passes 7-0.

ADJOURNED AT 6:58 p.m.

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING

September 5, 2023 at 6:00 p.m.

Council President