

In the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building held on Wednesday June 3, 1992 at 7:30 p.m. with the Council President Service presiding over a Regular Session of the Common Council.

Common Council
Regular Session
June 3, 1992

Roll Call: Hopkins, Swain, Miller, Fernandez, Service, Kiesling, Cole, Sherman
Absent: White

Roll Call

The agenda summation was given by Service.

Agenda Summation

The minutes for May 6 and May 20, 1992 were approved by a voice vote.

Approval of Minutes

Councilmember Swain informed the public about the Bloomington Black History Committee. Information concerning this Committee was given for interested volunteers.

Messages From
Councilmembers

Councilmember Miller offered best wishes to the group presently travelling to Charlotte, NC for Bloomington's All America City presentation.

Councilmember Kiesling called for public input on the recent Monroe County Solid Waste District's public hearing. She offered information to the public about her recent dealings with a parking program in Alexandria, VA. Regrets were made for an engagement she has which will not enable her to attend the June 10, 1992 committee meeting. In reference to Wal Mart Kiesling offered her feelings concerning the environmental issues and the jobs that could be created as a result of the development.

Councilmember Cole commented on the importance of motorists to keep a watchful eye out for bicyclists.

Councilmember Hopkins offered a brief report on his recent visit to Nicaragua for the International Conference of Sister Cities. Also commented on the wonderful reviews the optometry team received from the Nicaraguans.

Councilmember Service made a public note that Councilmember Sherman and Councilmember Hopkins have switched seats. Service also commented on some of the comments concerning the active role the Environmental Commission is taking in working with the planning staff. For the benefit of the public she stated that in Bloomington the Environmental Commission has the role of an advisory commission.

There were not any messages from the Mayor's office.

Tim Mueller came before the council to provide them with a progress report concerning Wal Mart. He explained that the ordinance asks the council for permission to allow Wal Mart to extend onto a portion of land which is not zoned the same as the adjacent piece of property. Another progress report will be given at the June 10, 1992 committee meeting. He commented that the Planning staff working with the Environmental Commission has been done in the past and worked well for both parties. He noted that Howard Young is making a request to revise a condition of approval dealing with the road out to Smith Road concerning the Hyde Park expansion. He informed the councilmembers that additional information can be obtained from the staff reports.

Councilmember Sherman questioned Mueller as to the process used for the petitioner and the planning staff and the Environmental Commission working together. He asked who if anyone served as the liaison?

Mueller responded that in an effort to eliminate another step into the approval process the planning staff often will work as a liaison between the three parties.

Councilmember Miller reported on the May 27, 1992 Committee of the Whole meeting. The committee voted 5:0 on Ordinance 92-13 in order to give the developer time to address the environmental concerns. This means that Wal Mart will be discussed in the committee discussion on June 10 and final hearing on June 17, 1992.

Committee Report

Dee Vincent commented that there were not any recycling bins in any of the Little League and Babe Ruth Parks. Concerning Wal Mart she felt that since the plot is already zoned for this type of business; even with the strong environmental concerns Wal Mart should be allowed to build on the proposed sight.

Tom Vincent addressed the council pertaining to the Wal Mart ordinance and he told the council that the economy would not improve without creating new jobs.

Beth Coleman thanked the council for delaying the final vote on the Wal Mart ordinance in order to have more time to consider the environmental concerns.

Sharon Hall commented that as a resident of the west side she would like to see Wal Mart on the west side.

Joe Anderson thanked Councilmember Cole for her comments on bicycling in the summer months. He also commented that Wal Mart should go on the westside and that solutions need to be found for the environmental concerns.

Dave Porter came before the council to address the environmental concerns of placing Wal Mart and Sams on the proposed sights. He provided the Council with maps and a video which clearly demonstrated the effects of development in these areas over the past twenty years. The time for this portion of the meeting ran a little long and Porter was asked to continue his presentation at the next section for public input.

It was moved and seconded that the following ordinances be introduced and read by titles only for first reading before the Bloomington Common Council by the Clerk. Deputy Clerk Burris read the ordinances by title only. Legislation For
First Reading

Ordinance 92-15 To Amend the Bloomington Zoning Maps From RS to RL, Grant PUD Designation, and to Approve Outline Plan - RE: 888 E. Hillside (Terry Elkins, Petitioner)

Ordinance 92-16 To Amend Zoning Maps From RS to RL, Grant PUD Designation and to Approve Outline Plan - RE: Miller Drive Barclay Additions, Lots 60, 61, 63, 64, 65, 66 & 67 (David Shields, Kevin Spicer and Black Jack Rentals, Petitioners)

Ordinance 92-17 To Amend Zoning Maps BA to RL, Grant PUD Designation and to Approve Outline Plan - RE: 4300 Morningside Drive (Jeff Jones, Petitioner)

Ordinance 92-18 To Amend Bloomington Zoning Maps to Grant PUD Designation and to Approve Outline Plan - RE: 1420 and 1430 S. Curry Pike (Hutchcraft, Petitioner)

Dave Porter again came before the council to continue his presentation concerning the environmental hazards of building on the proposed sight for Wal Mart and Sams. This portion of his presentation contained an informative Petitions video of the many different creatures and various forms of vegetation which live in the proposed sight.

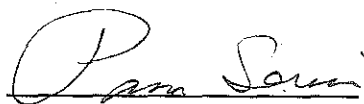
Esther Richert asked the council to pay special attention to the soil maps they are a great source of information.

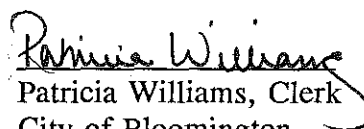
The meeting was adjourned at 8:55 P.M.

Adjournment

APPROVE:

ATTEST:


Pam Service, President
Bloomington Common Council


Patricia Williams, Clerk
City of Bloomington