

AGENDA
COMMON COUNCIL REGULAR SESSION
7:30 PM. WEDNESDAY, MARCH 22, 1989
COUNCIL CHAMBERS

- I. ROLL CALL
- II. AGENDA SUMMATION
- III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR MARCH 1, 1989

- VI. REPORTS FROM:
 - 1. Councilmembers
 - 2. The Mayor and City Offices
 - 3. Council Committees

V. APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

VI. LEGISLATION FOR SECOND READING AND RESOLUTIONS

- 1. Ordinance 89-11 To Amend Ordinance 79-74 To Authorize Expenditures from the Special Non-Reverting Improvement Fund.

Committee Recommendation: Do Pass 7 - 0 - 1

- 2. Resolution 89-9 To Authorize Use of the Special Non-Reverting Improvement Fund.

Committee Recommendation: Do Pass 7 - 0 - 1

- 3. Resolution 89-12 To Approve an Agreed Modification of the Ambulance Agreement Among Bloomington Hospital, Monroe County and the City of Bloomington.

Committee Recommendation: Do Pass 8 - 0

- 4. Ordinance 89-12 To Transfer Appropriations Within the General Fund.

Committee Recommendation: Do Pass 8 - 0

- 5. Resolution 89-11 To Approve Statement of Benefits for the Tax Abatement Previously Awarded to Metropolitan Printing Service, Inc.

Committee Recommendation: Do Pass 8 - 0

- 6. Resolution 89-13 To Designate the Property Located at 313 North Lincoln Street as an "Economic Revitalization Area" (Lincoln Partnership, Petitioner).

Committee Recommendation: Do Pass 4 - 1 - 3

- 7. Resolution 89-7 Recommendations of the Mayor for Distribution of Community Development Funds. (PUBLIC HEARING FOR RESOLUTION 89-7)

Committee Recommendation: Do Pass 7 - 0 - 1

VII. LEGISLATION FOR FIRST READING

- 1. Appropriation Ordinance 89-2 To Specially Appropriate From the Cumulative Capital Development Fund and the Local Road & Street Fund Expenditures Not Otherwise Appropriated.
- 2. Ordinance 89-13 To Amend Title 15 of the Bloomington Municipal Code Entitled "Vehicles and Traffic."

VIII. PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR (This section of the Agenda will be limited to 45 minutes maximum, with each speaker limited to five (5) minutes.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

In the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building held on Wednesday, March 22, 1989, at 7:30 P.M. with Council President Regester presiding over a Regular Session of the Common Council.

COMMON COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
MARCH 22, 1989

Roll Call: Kiesling, Hogan, Gardner, Olcott, Regester, Young, Service, White, Fernandez.

ROLL CALL

Regester gave the Agenda Summation.

AGENDA SUMMATION

The minutes of March 1, 1989 were approved by a voice vote.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Kiesling gave the recycling schedule for the following Saturday.

MESSAGES FROM
COUNCIL MEMBERS

Gardner announced that she attended a Sexual Abuse Symposium in Alabama earlier in the month, thanked everyone from Bloomington who attended. She announced that April would be Child Abuse Prevention Month and invited everyone to a fund raiser for the Child Advocacy Center to be held at Binford School on April 22.

Olcott wished the I.U. Basketball team good luck in Denver as they begin the NCAA final games.

Service called attention to the art display in the council chambers as part of National Childrens Art Month and noted that our budding artists need a local art center right here in our community.

White reminded folks that Little 500 will soon be upon us and said that he would be meeting with a Student Advisory Group and the Mayor so that everyone has a safe and productive Little 500.

Fernandez welcomed special guest Perry Metz (fresh from a Traffic Commission meeting) and introduced him as the newly appointed I.U. Assistant Dean for External Affairs.

Mayor Allison said that we would be celebrating CDBG Week the week of March 24, and that we would be having a reception in the Council Chambers on March 28, at 7:30 P.M. She said the City began it's CDBG program in 1974 as a method for funding social service programs and she thanked all the staff and members of the committee for keeping the program going all these years.

MESSAGES FROM
THE MAYOR

The Mayor presented an encomium to Denise Miller, former Convention and Visitors Bureau Director here in Monroe County and recently appointed Tourism Director for the state.

Police Chief Sharp provided the Council with an overview of his department in the form of an annual report. He introduced members of the department, praising their efforts and involvement with the department and the community. He said his department has been awarded \$28,000 in federal grants for public safety education, has gathered \$3600 in private donations and made \$6300 in a recent auction of weapons. He highlighted Rick Helms, recently honored as Police Officer of the Year, Officer Jim Graft (Officer Friendly) for his work within the community with school children. In the months to come we can look forward to more cooperation as we tie into the county and the

REPORT FROM THE
POLICE DEPT.

university with a joint record keeping system and design a new training program for officers.

Clerk Williams announced the creation of a special fund for Debbie Eubanks, a city employee recently injured in a very serious traffic accident, to help her with financial responsibilities.

MESSAGE FROM
THE CLERK

Kathy Saunders, Council Administrator, introduced Jim McNamara, recently hired interm for the Council Office.

MESSAGE FROM
COUNCIL ATTORNEY

Mike Davis said that the third Bloomington Tomorrow would be on May 12 and that the City would again participate in the VITAL QUIZ BOWL on April 11-14.

MESSAGE FROM THE
ASST. TO MAYOR

It was moved and seconded and approved by a voice vote that the following persons be appointed to the following boards:

APPOINTMENTS TO
BOARDS AND
COMMISSIONS

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| Human Resources | Leslie Lacey | 2 years |
| | J. Brett Davis | 2 years |

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| HQAB | James Coveney | 2 years |
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Gardner left the meeting as announced earlier to pick up the German exchange student who will be with them for three weeks.

It was moved and seconded that Resolution 89-7 be introduced and read by title only. Clerk Williams read the resolution.

LEGISLATION FOR
SECOND READING
RESOLUTION 89-7

It was moved and seconded that Resolution 89-7 be adopted. The committee report was 7-0-1. Regester announced that this was a legally advertised public hearing on the CDBG resolution.

Glenda Morrison thanked everyone who served on the Citizens Advisory Council. At last week's committee meeting several questions were raised and here are the answers: Funding for lights in the Housing Authority will be lights that are owned and operated by the Housing Authority and Mr. Stokes will take responsibility for them. And the funding for the First Street project is for design only and the RR track was redesigned and improved to reduce the hump at the track crossing.

Jewel Echelbarger, Area 10 Agency for the Aging addressed the Citizens Prescription Drug Program, told the Council that the Township Trustees are asking for two times their usual appropriation to try to keep this program going, that they will be \$3,758 in the red by the end of May and \$6500 by the end of the budget year.

Grace Jones said that over 65 of the users of the program live in Monroe County and receive \$30 a month. Last year the program served 52 clients in the City and in 1989 so far there are 42 clients.

White said he talked with Bloomington Trustee Jim Dawson who thought they might be able to keep the program going.

Bea Johnson said that the reduction in the program creates a desperate situation for many people.

Hogan suggested pursuing drug companies for assistance and Echelbarger said that the pharmacies are already giving a 10% discount.

Sue Wheeler said that drug companies often donate

sample drugs but the distribution channels are not well established for that type of program.

Regester suggested United Way assistance and Echelbarger said that they were reluctant to solicit funds from a sister agency.

Fernandez, in attempting to evaluate other funding possibilities, asked how many kids the Monroe County United Ministries served. Glenda did not have the exact number.

Kiesling said the receiving agencies were put on notice that funding would be decreased in all likelihood.

Fernandez disagreed with the idea of budgeting monies for a downtown study for a convention center and programs like this are in jeopardy despite the percentage allowed for social services and the fact that monies cannot be moved from one category to another.

Kiesling asked for greater progress on the sidewalk program and wondered if CDBG monies could be used for housing projects.

Service suggested the sidewalk on 6th between Indiana and Dunn might be put on some "re-do" list.

The resolution received a roll call vote of Ayes:7
Nays:1 (Fernandez)

It was moved and seconded that Ordinance 89-11 be introduced and read by title only. Clerk Williams read the ordinance.

It was moved and seconded that Ordinance 89-11 be adopted. The committee report was 7-0-1.

ORDINANCE 89-11

Pat Patterson said that we would be addressing neighborhood associations about the various street projects planned for the coming year and that there would be public hearings before launching the petition drive.

Fernandez asked about westward annexation plans and the use of those funds for their original purposes.

Pat Patterson said that past councils have had various philosophies regarding the use of west side in lieu of annexation funds especially for projects that are rather indirectly related to the west side geographically. The Plan Department is currently preparing a plan citing future annexations.

Hogan asked what the monies have been spent on so far: Park 48, West Third lift station, Industrial Incentive Loans, the Vernal Pike project and financing the analysis for annexing purposes.

Fernandez expressed concern about collecting funds in lieu of general taxes. He thought this money should be spent like other tax dollars. Mayor Allison heartily agreed with him.

Hogan wondered if we were locking ourselves into a bonding position by passing this ordinance. Pat Patterson said that if the ordinance and resolution are adopted and if the city proceeds with the projects and spends the money (\$700,000) and not bond to repay it, there would be an impact on the number of projects that could be completed. The

campaign is for the purpose of gathering support for the bond.

Kiesling suggested the need for full understanding of the process and are we locking ourselves into a specific plan. She called for broader public participation. She also stressed the need for really complete plans for the future not just plans that take care of our immediate crisis situations.

Dean Behnke assured the Council that future traffic projections were taken into consideration when making the projections.

The ordinance received a roll call vote of Ayes:8, Nays:0

It was moved and seconded that Resolution 89-9 be introduced and read by title only. Clerk Williams read the resolution. It was moved and seconded that Resolution 89-9 be adopted. The committee report was 7-0-1.

RESOLUTION 89-9

Pat Patterson was available for questions. Young asked how many parcels along S. Walnut street were involved in the project. Patterson said 131.

Hogan said he has concerns similar to Kiesling about the essential need for long range planning. Behnke said that the design is based on 20 year projections. Behnke said that in urban areas it is the intersections that determine growth factors and used Hillside and Moores Pike as an example of projects that actually cover five points.

The resolution received a roll call vote of Ayes:7, Nays: 1 (Fernandez). Fernandez later changed the vote to Aye and with the consent of the Council the vote was recorded as Ayes: 8, Nays:0.

It was moved and seconded that Resolution 89-12 be introduced and read by title only. Clerk Williams read the resolution. It was moved and seconded that Resolution 89-12 be adopted. The committee report was 8-0.

RESOLUTION 89-12

There was no significant discussion and the resolution received a roll call vote of Ayes:8, Nays:0.

It was moved and seconded that Ordinance 89-12 be introduced and read by title only. Clerk Williams read the ordinance. It was moved and seconded that Ordinance 89-12 be adopted. The committee recommendation was 8-0.

ORDINANCE 89-12

Kiesling asked the Mayor to review the city's policies regarding parental leave and also look into what the university is doing in that area. Allison agreed to do so.

The ordinance received a roll call vote of Ayes:8, Nays:0.

It was moved and seconded that Resolution 89-11 be introduced and read by title only. Clerk Williams read the resolution. It was moved and seconded that Resolution 89-11 be adopted. The committee recommendation was 8-0.

RESOLUTION 89-11

This resolution reflects statutory changes requiring a Statement of Benefits, said Linda Williamson. She

said that Metropolitan Printing has made an investment of \$270,000 with improvements valued at \$35,000. The original abatement was for five years. Tad Wilson was available for questions.

The resolution received a roll call vote of Ayes:8, Nays:0.

It was moved and seconded that Resolution 89-13 be introduced and read by title only. Clerk Williams read the resolution.

RESOLUTION 89-13

It was moved and seconded that Resolution 89-13 be adopted. The committee report was 4-1-3.

Linda Williamson said this proposal received a 4-0 approval from the Redevelopment Commission, with a recommendation of a three year abatement, that it meets the necessary tax abatement requirements for the area, has received a use variance from the Board of Zoning Appeals and that the tax rate would not be affected.

Frank Barnhart, the petitioner, said that the lot has been vacant for 16 years and that the previous property had not been well maintained. He said the Ralston Accounting Firm will be located in the building and there could be a total of three new employees.

Elizabeth Burnham objected to the abatement and asked for a year to year breakdown. As follows:

1st year \$6,405

2nd year \$4,274

3rd year \$2,137

for a total of \$12,886 over a three year period.

Hogan said this request meets the requirements and is an attempt to encourage people to stay in the downtown. If there are problems with granting abatements in this area, then we need to change the requirements.

Fernandez disagreed; noting that this is not an entitlement program and that just because requirements are met it is not an automatic approval; the council does have discretion on each proposal. This project will be built with or without tax abatement.

Glenda Morrison said that Fernandez was correct on the reasons for approval/disapproval by the council, but that in reality the City has not denied abatement within the downtown.

Barnhart argued that he charges the lowest fees and does civic work and that this project is stretching their capabilities.

Service said that the downtown development is a high priority even though she agreed with Fernandez. "The message has been sent many times, that if you want to locate in the downtown, we bend over backwards," she said.

The resolution received a roll call vote of Ayes:6, Nays:2 (Kiesling, Fernandez).

It was moved and seconded that the following ordinances be introduced and read by title only for first reading by the Clerk. Clerk Williams read the ordinances.

FIRST READINGS

Appropriation Ordinance 89-2 To Specially
Appropriate from the Cumulative Capital Development
Fund and Local Road and Street Fund Expenditures Not
Otherwise Appropriated.
Ordinance 89-13 To Amend Title 15 of the BMC
Entitled "Vehicles and Traffic".

There were no petitions or communications.

PETITIONS AND
COMMUNICATIONS


It was determined that the Council would not meet
next week.

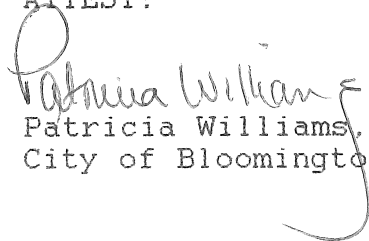
The meeting was adjourned at 10:30 P.M.

ADJOURNMENT

APPROVE:

ATTEST:


James C. Regester
Common Council President


Patricia Williams, CLERK
City of Bloomington