In the Council Chambers of the Showers City Hall, Bloomington, Indiana on Wednesday, October 10, 2019 at 6:30pm, Council President Dave Rollo presided over a Special Session of the Common Council.

Councilmembers present: Andy Ruff (arrived at 6:33 pm), Allison Chopra, Isabel Piedmont-Smith, Dorothy Granger, Dave Rollo, Stephen Volan, Jim Sims, Chris Sturbaum, Susan Sandberg
Councilmembers absent: None

ROLL CALL [6:30pm]

Rollo summarized the agenda and introduced the American Sign Language interpreter, Sandy Grisham, for the Council meeting.

Sims made a Disclosure of Conflict of Interest related to his wife, Doris Sims, who served as the Director of Housing and Neighborhood Development Department. Sims said that he would be able to vote on the budget fairly, objectively, and in the public's interest.

Volan moved and it was seconded to accept the conflict of interest disclosure. The council did not take a vote after Dan Sherman, Council Attorney, said it was not necessary.

LEGISLATION FOR SECOND READING AND RESOLUTIONS [6:35pm]

Volan moved and it was seconded that Ordinance 19-20 be read by title and synopsis only. The motion was approved by voice vote. Clerk Nicole Bolden read the legislation by title and synopsis, giving the committee do-pass recommendation of Ayes: 1, Nays: 0, Abstain: 7.

Ordinance 19-20: An Ordinance Fixing the Salaries of Officers of the Police and Fire Departments for the City of Bloomington, Indiana, for the Year 2020

Volan moved and it was seconded that Ordinance 19-20 be adopted.

Emily Fields, Assistant Director of Human Resources, presented the legislation.

There was council discussion related to contract negotiations, timing, organizational assessments, and legislative procedures.

Council questions:

Jeff Rodgers urged the Council not to pass Ordinance 19-20 until the Police department and the City had a meeting on October 24th.

Public comment:

Jacob Woods talked about staffing issues in the Police Department.

Paul Post, President of the Fraternal Order of Police Lodge 88, spoke about the retention rate of the Bloomington Police Department and how to improve it.

There was Council discussion related to what postponement or tabling of the legislation would do in terms of timing and salary impact.

Council comment:

Volan moved and it was seconded to table discussion on Ordinance 19-20.

The motion to table Ordinance 19-20 received a roll call vote of Ayes: 9, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0.

Vote to table Ordinance 19-20 [7:32pm]

Volan moved and it was seconded that <u>Ordinance 19-21</u> be read by title and synopsis only. The motion was approved by voice vote. Clerk Bolden read the legislation by title and synopsis, giving the committee do-pass recommendation of Ayes: 2, Nays: 2, Abstain: 4.

<u>Ordinance 19-21</u> An Ordinance Fixing the Salaries of Appointed Officers, Non-Union and A.F.S.C.M.E. Employees for All the Departments of the City of Bloomington, Monroe County, Indiana, for the Year 2020

Volan moved and it was seconded that <u>Ordinance 19-21</u> be adopted.

Fields presented the legislation.

There was council discussion about questions asked previously that had not been answered by the administration.
There was no public comment.

Council questions:

Public comment:

There was council discussion related to the legislation presentation, the need for a cabinet-level climate change position, and the need for collaboration with the administration.

Council comment:

The motion to adopt <u>Ordinance 19-21</u> received a roll call vote of Ayes: 9, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0.

Vote to adopt <u>Ordinance 19-21</u> [7:52pm]

Volan moved and it was seconded that <u>Ordinance 19-22</u> be read by title and synopsis only. The motion was approved by voice vote. Clerk Bolden read the legislation by title and synopsis, giving the committee do-pass recommendation of Ayes: 8, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0.

<u>Ordinance 19-22</u> To Fix the Salaries of All Elected City Officials for the City of Bloomington for the Year 2020

Sandberg moved and it was seconded that <u>Ordinance 19-22</u> be adopted.

Fields presented the legislation.

There were no Council questions.

Council questions:

Daniel Bingham spoke about the importance of collaboration between the council and the administration to address climate change.

Public comment:

There was brief council discussion related to council officer pay.

Council comment:

The motion to adopt <u>Ordinance 19-22</u> received a roll call vote of Ayes: 9, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0.

Vote to adopt <u>Ordinance 19-22</u> [7:58pm]

Volan moved and it was seconded that <u>Appropriation Ordinance 19-05</u> be read by title and synopsis only. The motion was approved by voice vote. Bolden read the legislation by title and synopsis, giving the committee do-pass recommendation of Ayes: 1, Nays: 1, Abstain: 6.

<u>Appropriation Ordinance 19-05</u> An Ordinance for Appropriations and Tax Rates (Establishing 2020 Civil City Budget for the City of Bloomington)

Granger moved and it was seconded that <u>Appropriation Ordinance 19-05</u> be adopted.

Jeff Underwood, City Controller, presented the legislation.

There were no Council questions.

Council questions:

Daniel Bingham spoke about climate change and policies he would like to see the council and administration enact.

Public comment:

Greg Alexander spoke about sidewalks and the budget.

Sylvia Lombardo talked about climate change and the need for a Climate Change director position.

Wesley Cammenga commented on the how climate change was addressed in the budget.

There was extensive Council discussion related to what councilmembers liked and disliked in the budget.

The motion to adopt Appropriation Ordinance 19-05 received a roll call vote of Ayes: 9, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0.

Volan moved and it was seconded that Appropriation Ordinance 19-06 be read by title and synopsis only. The motion was approved by voice vote. Bolden read the legislation by title and synopsis, giving the committee do-pass recommendation of Ayes: 8, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0.

Volan moved and it was seconded that Appropriation Ordinance 19-06 be adopted.

Vic Kelson, Director of Utilities, presented the legislation.

There was brief Council discussion.

There was no public comment.

The motion to adopt Appropriation Ordinance 19-06 received a roll call vote of Ayes: 9, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0.

Volan moved and it was seconded that Appropriation Ordinance 19-07 be read by title and synopsis only. The motion was approved by voice vote. Bolden read the legislation by title and synopsis, giving the committee do-pass recommendation of Ayes: 8, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0.

Volan moved and it was seconded that Appropriation Ordinance 19-07 be adopted.

Lew May, General Manager of Bloomington Transit, presented the legislation.

There was brief Council discussion.

There was no public comment.

The motion to adopt Appropriation Ordinance 19-07 received a roll call vote of Ayes: 9, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0.

Sherman reviewed the upcoming schedule for the council.
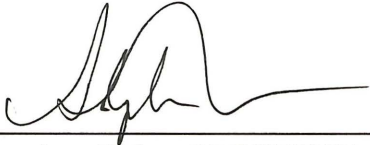
Volan moved and it was seconded to adjourn. The motion was approved by voice vote.

Appropriation Ordinance 19-05 (*cont'd*)

Council comment:

Vote to adopt Appropriation Ordinance 19-05 [8:43pm].

Appropriation Ordinance 19-06 An Ordinance Adopting a Budget for the Operation, Maintenance, Debt Service and Capital Improvements for the Water and Wastewater Utility Departments of the City of Bloomington, Indiana for the Year 2020

Council comment:

Public comment:

Vote to adopt Appropriation Ordinance 19-06 [9:05pm].

Appropriation Ordinance 19-07 Appropriations and Tax Rates for Bloomington Transportation Corporation for 2020

Council comment:

Public comment:

Vote to adopt Appropriation Ordinance 19-07 [9:13pm].

COUNCIL SCHEDULE [9:13pm]

ADJOURNMENT [9:16pm]

APPROVED by the Common Council of the City of Bloomington, Monroe County, Indiana upon this 4th day of NOVEMBER , 2020.

APPROVE: ATTEST:

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Stephen Volan, PRESIDENT   Nicole Bolden, CLERK
Bloomington Common Council   City of Bloomington