



# City of Bloomington Common Council

## Legislative Packet

Regular Session

*followed by*

Committee of the Whole Discussion

25 March 2009

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## Packet Related Material

### Memo

### Agenda

### Calendar

### Notices and Agendas:

- **Notice of Internal Work Session** on Friday, March 27<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 a.m. in the McCloskey Room

### Legislation for Final Action:

- **Ord 09-04** To Amend Title 2 of the Bloomington Municipal Code Entitled “Administration and Personnel” (Adding Chapter 2.29 Entitled “Green Building Program”)  
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Councilmember Rollo at 349-3409 or [rollod@bloomington.in.gov](mailto:rollod@bloomington.in.gov)*

*Please see the [4 March 2009 Council Legislative Packet](#) for the legislation, summary and memo to the Council.*

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### Legislation and Background Material for First Reading:

*None*

### Minutes from Regular and Special Sessions:

- February 18, 2009 (Regular Session)
- March 11, 2009 (Special Session)

*(Over)*

## **Legislation for Discussion at the Committee of the Whole on March 25<sup>th</sup>:**

- **Ord 09-03** Approving the Issuance of Bonds of the Department of Public Parks of the City of Bloomington, Indiana in an Amount Not to Exceed \$6,500,000 to Finance Acquisition and Improvement of Certain Park Facilities (SportsPlex at 1700 West Bloomfield Road)  
*Contact: Mick Renneisen at 349-3700 or [renneism@bloomington.in.gov](mailto:renneism@bloomington.in.gov)*

*Please see the [11 March 2009 Council Legislative Packet](#) for the legislation, summary and memo to the Council.*

### **Memo**

**Reminder: Internal Work Session on Friday at 11:00 a.m.  
in the McCloskey Room**

**Regular Session Immediately Followed by Committee of the Whole on  
Wednesday, March 25<sup>th</sup>**

There will be a Regular Session immediately followed by a Committee of the Whole next Wednesday. One ordinance is ready for final action, no ordinances are ready to be introduced at the Regular Session and one ordinance is ready for discussion at the Committee of the Whole. The ordinances can be found in the packets indicated with the legislation listed at the beginning of this memo. The following paragraphs briefly discuss the status of any amendments and questions regarding those items.

### **Regular Session**

**Ord 09-04 – Amending Title 2 of the BMC by Establishing Green Building Program**

**Ord 09-04** (Amending Title 2 of the BMC by Establishing the Green Building Program) is scheduled for final action at the Regular Session next Wednesday. Earlier this week, Council members received a list of questions raised at the Committee of the Whole. Answers to those questions will be distributed by Tuesday of next week.

Please note that Chris Sturbaum intends to submit an amendment that would “phase-in” the Phase II evaluation of the 15 existing City buildings. Please recall that the Phase II evaluation evaluates building systems and assesses the costs and benefits

associated with upgrading those buildings and moves forward projects which pay for themselves within 10 years.

### **Committee of the Whole**

#### **Ord 09-03 – Authorizing the Purchase and Renovation of the SportsPlex and the Issuance of Revenue Bonds for that Purpose**

**Ord 09-03** (Authorizing the Purchase and Renovation of the SportsPlex and the Issuance of Revenue Bonds for that Purpose) will be discussed at the Committee of the Whole next week. Please recall that this item was introduced at the Special Session on March 11<sup>th</sup> and is scheduled for final action on April 1<sup>st</sup>. Many Council members have visited the facility, spoken with Mick Renneisen, and asked questions about this proposal. Mick will add questions from Council members to the sheet of questions raised by the public that appeared in the [March 11<sup>th</sup> Council Legislative Packet](#) (as well as online) and once received, I will forward it to all of you.

**Happy Birthday Chris Sturbaum (March 27<sup>th</sup>) !**

**NOTICE AND AGENDA  
BLOOMINGTON COMMON COUNCIL REGULAR SESSION  
AND COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE  
7:30 P.M., WEDNESDAY, MARCH 25, 2009  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
SHOWERS BUILDING, 401 N. MORTON ST.**

**I. ROLL CALL**

**II. AGENDA SUMMATION**

**III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR:** February 18, 2009 (Regular Session)  
March 11, 2009 (Special Session)

**IV. REPORTS FROM:**

- 1. Councilmembers**
- 2. The Mayor and City Offices**
- 3. Council Committees**
- 4. Public**

**V. APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS**

**VI. LEGISLATION FOR SECOND READING AND RESOLUTIONS**

1. Ordinance 09-04 To Amend Title 2 of the Bloomington Municipal Code Entitled "Administration and Personnel" (Adding Chapter 2.29 Entitled "Green Building Program")

Committee Recommendation: Do Pass 6 - 0 - 3

**VII. LEGISLATION FOR FIRST READING**

*None*

- VIII. PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR** (This section of the agenda will be limited to 25 minutes maximum, with each speaker limited to 5 minutes)

**IX. ADJOURN**

*(and immediately reconvene for)*

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

**Chair: Isabel Piedmont-Smith**

1. Ordinance 09-03 An Ordinance Approving the Issuance of Bonds of the Department of Public Parks of the City of Bloomington, Indiana in an Amount Not to Exceed \$6,500,000 to Finance Acquisition and Improvement of Certain Park Facilities (SportsPlex at 1700 West Bloomfield Road)

Asked to Attend: Mick Renneisen, Director of Parks and Recreation



**City of Bloomington  
Office of the Common Council**

To: Council Members  
From: Council Office  
Re: Calendar for the Week of March 23-27, 2009

**Monday, March 23, 2009**

12:00 pm BEAD Advisory Committee, McCloskey  
4:00 pm Board of Park Commissioners, Council Chambers  
5:30 pm Bloomington Human Right Commission, McCloskey

**Tuesday, March 24, 2009**

4:00 pm Board of Public Safety, McCloskey  
5:15 pm Solid Waste Management District Citizens Advisory Committee, McCloskey

**Wednesday, March 25, 2009**

9:30 am Tree Commission, Rose Hill Cemetery Office, 930 W Fourth Street  
10:00 am Metropolitan Planning Organization Technical Advisory Committee, McCloskey  
11:00 am Historic Preservation Committee Retreat, McCloskey  
2:00 pm Hearing Officer, Kelly  
4:00 pm Martin Luther King, Jr., Birthday Commission, McCloskey  
6:30 pm Metropolitan Planning Organization Citizens Advisory Committee, McCloskey  
7:30 pm Common Council Regular Session *immediately followed by* a Committee of the Whole, Council Chambers

**Thursday, March 26, 2009**

8:00 am Bloomington Housing Authority, Housing Authority, 1007 N. Summit, Community Room  
10:30 am County Address Coordination Meeting, McCloskey  
4:00 pm Common Council Jack Hopkins Social Services Funding Committee –  
Technical Assistance Meeting, McCloskey  
4:15 pm Commission on the Status of Black Males, Hooker Room

**Friday, March 27, 2009**

11:00 am Common Council Internal Work Session, McCloskey  
12:00 pm Economic Development Committee, Hooker Room

*Happy Birthday Councilmember Chris Sturbaum!*

*Posted and Distributed: Friday, March 20, 2009*



City of Bloomington  
Office of the Common Council

# **NOTICE**

## **STAFF-COMMON COUNCIL INTERNAL WORK SESSION**

**FRIDAY, 27 MARCH 2009  
11:00 A.M.  
McCLOSKEY ROOM (#135)**

**CITY HALL  
401 N. MORTON STREET**

These sessions are a forum for members of the Common Council to discuss anticipated legislative initiatives with City officials and staff. The work sessions may be held with as few as one and as many as nine members of the Council. Therefore, as a majority of the Council may be present, these sessions may constitute a meeting of the Common Council under the Indiana Open Door law. This notice alerts the public that these meetings will occur and that the public is welcome to attend, observe and record (but not comment upon) what transpires.

*Dated and Posted: Friday, 20 March 2009*

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In the Council Chambers of the Showers City Hall on Wednesday, February 18, 2009 at 7:30 pm with Council President Andy Ruff presiding over a Regular Session of the Common Council.

COMMON COUNCIL  
REGULAR SESSION  
February 18, 2009

Roll Call: Mayer, Piedmont-Smith, Rollo, Ruff, Sandberg, Satterfield, Sturbaum, Volan, Wisler

ROLL CALL

Council President Ruff gave the Agenda Summation

AGENDA SUMMATION

There were no minutes to be approved at this session.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Dave Rollo congratulated Christine Glaser, who will receive the Woman of the Year award from the Women's History Month Lunch Committee. He said he has known her for a long time as a sustainability activist in the city, and along with Lucille Bertuccio, helped found the Center for Sustainable Living. He noted that she served on the Peak Oil Task Force, the City Sustainability Commission and is very active in the Bloomington Peace Action Coalition. Rollo said that Glaser had been a huge inspiration to him and applauded her commitment and award.

REPORTS:

- Council Members

Rollo noted that Indiana University had selected as their first Sustainability Director William Brown, an architect from Indianapolis who specializes in design and construction of environmentally sustainable buildings. He noted that Brown gave his first talk earlier that evening.

Rollo also reported on Peak Oil and noted that the current economic crisis was related to this. He read from an article written by Robert Hersh, an authority on energy consumption as follows:

The world is now in a period of epic economic chaos. People are disoriented and unsure of what it will take to restore their economies. Many serious economists, financiers and executives are loath to forecast when an economic recovery might begin. It's easier for me now to understand how my parents and grandparents must have felt during the 1930s. But the peak oil problem has not gone away. World liquid fuel production reached a plateau in mid 2004 and has fluctuated within a relatively narrow range in spite of mighty efforts to increase world production. This has become a back burner issue. It really shouldn't be, and we ought to be thinking a bit forward and not be complacent about the fact that oil has declined in price.

He showed a YouTube video

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=T7vGDwGLU7s> which illustrated interplay of supply, demand, and price while showing that even with low oil prices, there is still a crisis with supply.

Rollo added that he was excited about the economic stimulus package that is coming forward and that there were a lot of good things coming to this community. He added that, with the future price increases in oil, these projects should focus on transportation, energy savings, and sustainability.

Susan Sandberg promoted the Indiana University/City of Bloomington 25<sup>th</sup> Annual Arts Week that was to be held from February 19<sup>th</sup> to March 1<sup>st</sup>. She said the website, [www.artsweek.indiana.edu](http://www.artsweek.indiana.edu), had a list of all opportunities and projects that met with the theme of *Politics and the Arts*. Sandberg highlighted many of the events that would be held and encouraged all to attend.

Isabel Piedmont-Smith also noted the selection of Christine Glaser for Woman of the Year. She said that Glaser had contributed so much to



the community in the areas of peace activism, sustainability and environmental causes and was thrilled with her selection. Piedmont-Smith noted that Glaser would be given the award at the Annual Women's History Month Lunch on March 11<sup>th</sup>, at which time Anne Reese would also be posthumously honored with the Lifetime Achievement Award. She said that in addition, the Emerging Leader Award would be given to Melissa Britton at the Women's Leadership Development Conference to be held March 30<sup>th</sup> in City Hall. Piedmont-Smith noted that there would be other Women's History Month events during March, and invited citizens to attend.

Tim Mayer noted that Robert Richards had passed away the previous weekend. Mayer said that Richards' career was in banking, but he had a special love for children and young adults and worked on the Boys and Girls Club activities. He offered condolences to Richards' family and said he would be missed.

Mike Satterfield noted the work of area resident Ann Marie Thomson and her husband Dr. Calli in the Congo. He said that they were honored with an article in Bloom Magazine, and he recently had seen a short film that they brought back to Bloomington that showed people they had worked with there. He thanked them for their work, and noted that the group supporting them was called *Giving Back Africa* ([www.givingbackafrica.org](http://www.givingbackafrica.org)) and deserved consideration.

Chris Sturbaum noted that before the meeting he attended a "Green Drinks" meeting with a few council members and many, many citizens at the Upland Brewery. He called the attendees an exciting bunch of sustainable people. Bill Brown, new sustainability director for IU, noted that there was something special happening in the community for so many folks to attend this first meeting of the group. Brown spoke of green building and gave examples of buildings that actually produced more energy than they would use.

Steve Volan thanked citizens and customers who had expressed condolences on the closing of his business, The Cinemat. He said he had joined the ranks of folks who know how difficult running a retail establishment could be. He said for 7 years he had been able to create a place in downtown Bloomington where good natured people could spend time attending performances and talking about the performing arts. He said that he was actually looking forward to doing different work now.

Human Rights Commission Chair Valerie Haughton presented their 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Awards to honor individuals and organizations that make specific and significant contributions to improving civil rights. Helen Harrell was the individual recipient and *Voices and Visions: Islam and Muslims from a Global Perspective* was the organizational recipient. Dr. Hilary accepted the award for the organization.

- MAYOR and CITY OFFICES

City of Bloomington Volunteer Network Coordinator Bet Savich introduced her intern, Mercedes McDowell. They explained the *Be More Awards*, which the City will sponsor along with the Community Foundation of Bloomington and Monroe County, WTIU and United Way of Monroe County. Savich noted that these awards were formerly known as the *Community Volunteer Awards* and the ceremony would be held on April 21, 2009, at 7 pm at the Buskirk-Chumley Theater. McDowell explained each award category.

There were no reports from council committees at this meeting.

COUNCIL COMMITTEES

Gabe Rivera spoke of ending the drug war and said he appreciated being able to practice freedom of speech. PUBLIC INPUT

Stonebelt CEO Leslie Green stressed the importance of funding support for the arts. She said that the Stonebelt clients had moved from manufacturing type work in their facilities to that of community employment for their clients. She said that within the last five years, the clients have been involved in the arts and this involvement had helped fill that void.

Michelle Cole said that Bloomington Transportation Options for People's 2009 *Livable Speaker Series* would continue with Dr. Vukan Vuchic from the University of Pennsylvania speaking on March 23, 2009, at 7 pm at IU's Maurer School of Law.

It was moved and seconded that the following people be reappointed to the following boards and commissions. All reappointments were approved by voice votes. BOARD AND COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS

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| Sarah Delone       | Animal Care and Control Commission.                   |
| Alain Barker       | Bloomington Arts Commission                           |
| Craig Widen        | Bloomington Arts Commission                           |
| Lynn Schwartzberg  | Bloomington Arts Commission                           |
| Gayle Stuebe       | Bicycle and Pedestrian Commission                     |
| Michael Gavin      | Bicycle and Pedestrian Commission                     |
| Eric Ost           | Bloomington Digital Underground<br>Advisory Committee |
| Mary Andrus Overly | Community and Family Resources Comm.                  |
| Gregg Miller       | Community and Family Resources Comm.                  |
| Susie Hamilton     | Housing Quality Appeals Board                         |
| Brent Thompson     | Housing Quality Appeals Board                         |
| Sheldon Gellar     | MLK Jr. Birthday Commission                           |
| Barbara Fuqua      | MLK Jr. Birthday Commission                           |
| Patricia Efiom     | MLK Jr. Birthday Commission                           |
| Nancy Obermeyer    | Public Transportation Commission                      |
| Mike Avila         | Traffic Commission                                    |
| George Hegeman     | Tree Commission                                       |
| Tom Coleman        | Tree Commission                                       |
| Gregory Tourner    | Commission on the Status of Black Males               |
| Raquel Anderson    | Hispanic and Latino Affairs Commission                |
| Aurturo Rodriquez  | Hispanic and Latino Affairs Commission                |
| Cathi Crabtree     | Commission on the Status of Women                     |
| Paul Schneller     | Sustainability Commission                             |

There was no legislation for second reading or final action at this meeting. LEGISLATION FOR SECOND READING

It was moved and seconded that the following legislation be introduced and read by title and synopsis only. Clerk Moore read the legislation by title and synopsis. LEGISLATION FOR FIRST READING

Appropriation Ordinance 09-01 To Specially Appropriate from the General Fund Expenditures Not Otherwise Appropriated (Appropriating from the General Fund Grant Monies for the Animal Care and Control Department.) APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE 09-01

There was no comment from members of the public at this point in the meeting. PUBLIC INPUT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:23 pm. ADJOURNMENT

APPROVE:

ATTEST:

Andy Ruff, PRESIDENT  
Bloomington Common Council

Regina Moore, CLERK  
City of Bloomington

For Approval

In the Council Chambers of the Showers City Hall on Wednesday, March 11, 2009 at 7:30 pm with Council President Andy Ruff presiding over a Special Session of the Common Council.

COMMON COUNCIL  
SPECIAL SESSION  
March 11, 2009

Roll Call: Mayer, Piedmont, Rollo, Ruff, Sandberg, Satterfield, Sturbaum, Volan, Wisler

ROLL CALL

Council President Ruff gave the Agenda Summation

AGENDA SUMMATION

It was moved and seconded that the following legislation be introduced and read by title and synopsis only. Dan Sherman read the legislation by title and synopsis.

LEGISLATION FOR FIRST  
READING

Ordinance 09-03 An Ordinance approving the Issuance of Bonds of the Department of Public Parks of the City of Bloomington Indiana in an amount not to exceed \$6,500,000 to Finance Acquisition and Improvement of Certain Park Facilities (Sportsplex at 1700 West Bloomfield Road).

Ordinance 09-03

The meeting was adjourned at 7:37 pm.

ADJOURNMENT

APPROVE:

ATTEST:

Andy Ruff, PRESIDENT  
Bloomington Common Council

Regina Moore, CLERK  
City of Bloomington

for approval