COMMON COUNCIL
ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING
January 11, 2017

In the Council Chambers of the Showers City Hall, Bloomington, Indiana on Wednesday, January 11, 2017 at 6:33pm with Council President Andy Ruff presiding over the Organizational Meeting of the Common Council.

ROLL CALL

Roll Call: Granger, Sturbaum, Mayer, Sandberg, Ruff, Volan, Piedmont-Smith, Chopra, Rollo
Absent: None

AGENDA SUMMATION

Council President Ruff gave the Agenda Summation.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES
December 7, 2016 (Regular Session)
December 14, 2016 (Special Session)

It was moved and seconded to approve the minutes from December 7, 2016 and December 14, 2016.

The motion to approve the minutes was approved by voice vote.

REPORTS

- COUNCIL MEMBERS

Councilmember Dave Rollo spoke about the effects and current state of climate change, and stressed the importance of taking action.

Councilmember Isabel Piedmont-Smith spoke about the upcoming inauguration, and encouraged people to look at the website inauguratetherevolution.com. She provided details about an upcoming march and rally, noting that the events would be a chance to stand together for social justice, inclusion, and peace.

Councilmember Steve Volan talked about parliamentary procedure and the structure of the organizational meeting. He encouraged those people who wanted to speak to speak during the public comment portion of the meeting.

Councilmember Dorothy Granger wished everyone a Happy New Year and said that she hoped for peace.

Councilmember Tim Mayer said Happy New Year and hoped that 2017 would be better than the previous year.

Councilmember Susan Sandberg commented that there were many opportunities for citizen involvement, and noted a march on Washington that she planned to attend on January 21, 2017. She encouraged others to do the same and reminded folks to be active and to be vocal.

Ruff thanked all of his council colleagues for their support during his tenure as president over the last year. He thanked the Clerk's office, the Mayor's office, and the Council staff as well.

- The MAYOR AND CITY OFFICES

Bethany Emenheiser, HAND, informed the Council that the Matlock Heights Conservation District had held its vote recently, and would elevate to a historic district in February.

- COUNCIL COMMITTEES

The Council opened two proposals regarding conservation measures through a Guaranteed Savings Contract from Johnson Controls and Energy System Group.

- PUBLIC

Ruff called for public comment.

- PUBLIC (*cont'd*)

It was moved and seconded to combine both of the public comment periods into one single period at the beginning of the meeting.

The motion was approved by voice vote.

Several members of the public (Penny Caudill, Claire Detrich, Alicia Sweet, Sarah Cahillane, Jackie Warren, Chris Abert, Steven Leszyk, and Shelia Evans) spoke about the Indiana Recovery Alliance (IRA), which was a harm reduction project aimed toward protecting people from the negative effects of addiction, homelessness, incarceration, sex work, and mental health issues.

It was moved and seconded to take a two minute recess. The motion was approved by voice vote.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

It was moved and seconded that the following slate of officers be elected:

President: Susan Sandberg
Vice President: Dorothy Granger
Parliamentarian: Tim Mayer

The slate was approved by a voice vote

The councilmembers took new seats as assigned by the new president. Council President Sandberg presided for the remainder of the meeting and presented outgoing President Ruff with a gavel to commemorate his term as president.

APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

It was moved and seconded that Council appointments to the following list of Boards and Commissions be approved:

Citizens Advisory Committee-Community Development Block Grants (CDBG)-Social Services ***Sandberg***
CDBG-Physical Improvements ***Mayer***
Commission for Bloomington Downtown ***Mayer***
Economic Development Commission (City) ***Granger***
Economic Development Commission (County) ***Chopra***
Environmental Resource Advisory Committee ***Rollo***
Metropolitan Planning Organization ***Ruff***
Plan Commission ***Piedmont-Smith***
Solid Waste Management District ***Volan***
Urban Enterprise Association Board ***Sturbaum***
Utilities Services Board ***Mayer***
Bloomington Economic Development Corporation ***Chopra***
Bloomington Commission on Sustainability ***Rollo***
Parking Commission ***Volan***
PS LIT Allocation Committee ***Chopra, Granger, Sandberg, and Piedmont-Smith***
The nominations were approved by a voice vote.

The following councilmembers were appointed to the Jack Hopkins Social Services Funding Committee:
Chopra, Granger, Mayer, Piedmont-Smith, and Sandberg

The following councilmembers were appointed to the Council Sidewalk Committee:
Granger, Mayer, Rollo, and Sturbaum

President Sandberg noted that the Board and Commission Interview Committee assignments would remain the same:

A- ***Chopra, Mayer, Sturbaum***
B- ***Granger, Volan, Ruff***
C- ***Piedmont-Smith, Rollo, Sandberg***

It was moved and seconded to assign the Parking Commission to Interview Committee C.

The motion was approved by voice vote.

There was no legislation for second reading.

LEGISLATION FOR SECOND READING AND RESOLUTIONS

LEGISLATION FOR FIRST READING

It was moved and seconded to accept the petitioner's request for withdrawal of Ordinance 17-01 from consideration by the Council.

The motion to remove Ordinance 17-01 from consideration received a roll call vote of Ayes: 9, Nays: 0.

Ordinance 17-01 To Amend the Zoning Maps by Rezoning a Property from Institutional (IN) to Residential High-Density Multifamily (RH) - Re: 900-902 E. Cottage Grove Avenue (Douglas M. McCoy, Petitioner)

It was moved and seconded that Ordinance 17-02 be introduced and read by title and synopsis only. Clerk Bolden read the legislation and synopsis.

Ordinance 17-02 To Amend Ordinance 16-25, Ordinance 16-26, and Ordinance 16-45 Which Fixed the Salaries of Officers of the Police and Fire Departments and Which Fixed the Salaries of Appointed Officers, Non-Union, and A.F.S.C.M.E. Employees for the City of Bloomington for the Year 2017 - Re: Reflecting Collective Bargaining Agreement Affecting Positions in the Fire Department and Resolution of Grievance Affecting Positions in the Fire Prevention Division

There were no comments in this segment of the meeting.

ADDITIONAL PUBLIC COMMENT

It was moved and seconded to hold a Special Session on January 25, 2017 before the Committee of the Whole.

The motion received a roll call vote of Ayes: 9, Nays: 0.

COUNCIL SCHEDULE

The meeting was adjourned at 7:48pm.

ADJOURNMENT

APPROVED by the Common Council of the City of Bloomington, Monroe County, Indiana upon this 18 day of January, 2017.

APPROVE:

Susan Sandberg, PRESIDENT
Bloomington Common Council

ATTEST:

Nicole Bolden, CLERK
City of Bloomington

Attachment: Board and Commission Interview Team Members for 2017