In the Council Chambers of the Showers City Hall on Wednesday, December 3, 1997 at 7:30 PM with Council President Pizzo presiding over a Regular Session of the Common Council.

COMMON COUNCIL REGULAR SESSION DECEMBER 3, 1997

Roll Call: Banach, Mayer, Cole, Pizzo, Service, Sabbagh, Sherman, Pierce. Absent: Young.

ROLL CALL

Pizzo gave the Agenda Summation.

AGENDA SUMMATION

There were no minutes for approval.

MINUTES FOR APPROVAL

Pierce commented on the recent news about TCI (our cable provider) entering into a partnership with Insight, a new cable provider. He said he felt positive about the change as smaller companies have traditionally been more responsive to their users than the giant, 14 million subscriber based companies. He hoped that this new partnership will create a clean slate and hopefully allow us to clear the air and begin anew with cable issues and concerns.

MESSAGES FROM COUNCILMEMBERS

Sabbagh congratulated both BHS North and South for their efforts to collect food for the needy as part of the Fat Cat Collection competition. He also congratulated BHS South on their wonderful football season and the strong showing last Saturday in the state finals. He also hoped that we could get beyond thinking that cable TV is the only consideration that our Telecommunications Council addresses and that we need to be looking forward to discuss some other needs and issues.

Service announced upcoming Board and Commission openings and urged people to take the step and get involved with city government. She also commented on a recent visit to Toronto, Canada and the wonderful diverse ethnic population, low crime level, wonderful restaurants and downtown and a "Space-port type City Hall"

Cole commented on the recent newspaper articles and letters regarding the traffic calming devices along East First Street in the form of speed bumps and after driving on them, believed that they work very well, look good and make a lot of sense and do exactly what they are intended to do.

Mayer recognized our city street department for the great job they do and in particular the good job they are doing cleaning the leaves from the storm drain grates.

Mayor Fernandez gave the council copies of the Sanitation mailings that will go out next week for next years recycling schedules as well as the magnets that people have found to be such helpful reminders. He said that some of the spring/fall cleanups would be adjusted to accommodate the big traditional moving schedules in our university community.

MESSAGES FROM THE MAYOR

Steve Sanders, Chairman of the Human Rights Commission, said that this year, the commission voted to create a Human Resources Award to be awarded annually and would recognize people or organizations in our community who are making improvements toward civil rights, civility and human relations. This year Susan Beerman, Principal at BHS North and her committee are the recipients of this award. Several years ago, racial conflicts at the school prompted the creation of a committee to look into racism, the decision to establish a Martin Luther King Birthday celebration, another group called US made up of gay/lesbian support groups was also established in response to some harassment incidents and how incidents have been considered in a fair and equitable manner for everyone concerned. He also highlighted some other successful positive programs that have been

MESSAGES FROM CITY COMMITTEES

established at north in lieu of the more traditional school suspension process. New multi-cultural classes will become part of the curriculum.

Dr. Beerman accepted the award and shared the school's vision statement with the council.

Angela Mullins, an IU student and BHS North graduate also recognized and thanked Katherine Gray who nominated BHS North for this award and Pastor Lee Ames for their tremendous input and support.

PUBLIC INPUT

LEGISLATION FOR

READING

APP ORD 97-04 ORDINANCE 97-52

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SECOND READING/NONE

LEGISLATION FOR FIRST

Keith Dayton said that next week the Community and Family Resources Department will sponsor a program discussing the Shifting Strategies with regarding to funding Social Service programs and invited everyone to attend.

There was no legislation for Second Reading.

It was moved and seconded that the following legislation be introduced and read by title only before the Bloomington Common Council for First Reading. Clerk Williams read the legislation by title only.

- 1. Appropriation Ordinance 97-4 To Specially Appropriate from the General Fund, Sanitation Fund, and Park General Fund Expenditures Not Otherwise Appropriated (End of Year Transfers)
- 2. Ordinance 97-52 To Amend Ordinance 97-30 which Fixes the Salaries of Appointed Officers & Employees of the Utilities Department for the year 1998 re: Assistant Director of T&D.
- 3. Ordinance 97-53 To Amend Ordinance 97-29 which Fixes the Salaries of Appointed Officers and Employees for the Year 1998 re: Parks & Recreation, Community & Family Resources, and Information Services Department.
- 4. Ordinance 97-54 To Amend the Preliminary Plan re: 3630 East 10th Street (CarDon & Assoc, Petitioners)
- 5. Ordinance 97-55 To Modify and Extend the 1987 Agreements Between the City of Bloomington and Certain Industries.

There was no public input.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:05 PM and the council reconvened as the Council Committee of the Whole.

PUBLIC INPUT ADJOURNMENT

APPROVE:

Timothy Mayer, President

Bloomington Common Council

ATTEST:

Patricia Williams, CLERK City of Bloomington