In the Council Chambers of the Showers Municipal Building held on Wednesday, November 6, 1996 at 7:30 PM with Council Vice-President Cole presiding over a Regular Session of the Common Council.

COMMON COUNCIL REGULAR SESSION NOVEMBER 6, 1996

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

ROLL CALL

Vice President Cole gave the agenda summation.

AGENDA SUMMATION

The minutes of October 2 and October 16, 1996 were approved by a voice vote.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Service congratulated Kiesling on her election for County Commissioner as well as former colleague Kirk White for that same office. She said the election of two Common Council members bodes well for city/county relations and she commended the election officials for the hard job they do and do it well with so many difficult issues that arise.

MESSAGES FROM COUNCIL MEMBERS

Sabbagh also congratulated Kiesling, all the other winners and commended everyone who runs for office.

Pizzo, in a brief medical update, reminded everyone to get their flu shots. He too thought the election will provide an excellent opportunity for city/county government to move forward.

Kiesling thanked the voters for their participation in the election process and for their confidence in her. She then reminded everyone of the county zoning ordinance hearing scheduled for November 13.

Banach also offered his congratulations to the election winners, commended those who did not win this time and he congratulated the Parks & Recreation Department for the wonderful Haunted City Hall that took place in the old municipal building.

Cole also offered congratulations to Kiesling, thanked her for her years of input and service, congratulated everyone who ran and everyone who participated in the process, especially the many young people who get involved.

Mayor Fernandez also congratulated Kiesling on her election success and everyone who ran and worked should be commended. The Mayor issued a statement regarding the county zoning ordinance provision that would permit 8 new billboards per mile lining our scenic roadway. He was very concerned that the billboard policy was being amended and this type of change has slipped in at this stage of the process and its clear that special interests have a little more clout than we might have thought. He said the city does not permit the billboards in our jurisdiction and if the county backslides on this policy and he urged the public to contact the county commissioners and plan commissioners and voice their concern.

MAYORAL MESSAGE

It was approved by voice vote that the following appointments be made:

APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS & COMMISSIONS

Animal Control Commission Board of Zoning Appeals Cary Wolfe Marc Cornett

The council thanked everyone who applied, noting that there were outstanding applicants and that applications would remain on file in the event of future vacancies.

Cole announced upcoming meetings dealing with applications for telecommunication funding. Cole, Kiesling and Pierce will be the council's appointments to this committee that reviews requests for telecommunication monies for various funding proposals.

LEGISLATION FOR SECOND READING AND VOTE

It was moved and seconded that Ordinance 96-31 be introduced and read by the Clerk by title only. Clerk Williams read the ordinance by title only.

ORDINANCE 96-31

It was moved and seconded that Ordinance 96-31 be adopted. The synopsis and committee recommendation of Do-Pass 6-1-1 was given.

Pierce said this ordinance allows the monies collected from franchise fees will go into a non reverting dedicated fund, rather than the current arrangement of funds reverting to the general fund. The synopsis of the ordinance detail the allocation percentages.

Sabbagh emphasized that a current grant/plan from the Department of Commerce to evaluate our "informational systems" is not part of this ordinance/appropriation.

Michael Flory, Legal Department, was available for questions.

Cole believed we need to put money aside and be prepared so that the resources are available when needed.

Banach said he passed last week, and despite being opposed to the franchise fee increase approved earlier this year, the establishment of this special fund allows him to support the ordinance. Also the fact that appropriations from this fund will require council approval.

The ordinance received a roll call vote of Ayes:7, Nays:0.

It was moved and seconded that Ordinance 96-44 be introduced and read by title only. Clerk Williams read the ordinance by title only.

ORDINANCE 96-44

It was moved and seconded that Ordinance 96-44 be adopted. The synopsis and committee recommendation of Do-Pass 8-0 was given.

Lynn Friedmyer, Planning Department, described the rezoning request for this location for use as a micro brewery for the front building (IL/IS to a PUD) and all the various industrial type uses that surround the site. The petitioner said that all uses will be compatible with the PUD zoning. Sidewalks and street trees will be put in place along with paved parking and the access road that comes in with not connect with the proposed truck route. Last week the council asked about sewer effluent and she said that it has been researched and there is nothing dangerous and harmful that would be discharged into the sewer system. The appropriate systems will be put in place.

Phil Tapp, representing the petitioner, was available for questions.

The ordinance received a roll call vote of Ayes:7, Nays:0

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

LEGISLATION FOR FIRST READING. ORDINANCE 96-7 Ordinance 96-7 To Amend Title 15 of the Bloomington Municipal Code, Entitled "Vehicles and Traffic" (Child Bicycle Safety Ordinance).

Ordinance 96-48 To Amend Title 2 of the Bloomington Municipal Code, Entitled "Personnel and Administration" (Amending Chapter 2.23 to Reflect the Renaming and Restructuring of the former Human Resources Department.

Service announced that the city of W. Lafayette did not rescind their human rights legislation dealing with sexual orientation. She commended "our colleagues up north" for their decision. Pizzo urged everyone to read the bicycle/helmet proposed legislation.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 PM.

ADJOURNMENT

APPROVE:

Patricia Cole, President

Bloomington Common Council

ATTEST:

Patricia Williams, CLERK

City of Bloomington