

In the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building held on Wednesday, July 20, 1994, at 7:30 P.M. with Council President Sherman presiding over a Regular Session of the Common Council.

COMMON COUNCIL  
REGULAR SESSION  
JULY 20, 1994

Roll Call: Service, Pizzo, Sherman, Hopkins, White, Cole, Kiesling. Absent: White, Swain.

ROLL CALL

Sherman gave the agenda summation.

AGENDA SUMMATION

The minutes of June 1, June 22 and July 6, 1994 were approved by a voice vote.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Service commented on the recent letter to the editor regarding her and hoped that we could discuss public policy without getting into personalities. She admitted to being a little acidic at times and promised to curb her tendency to it and hoped that others would do so as well, thereby having a more constructive policy discussion.

MESSAGES FROM  
COUNCILMEMBERS

Hopkins welcomed the youth delegation from Nicaragua to Bloomington that is part of a Sister Cities exchange program.

Kiesling announced the GE Pollution Prevention Award given several weeks ago and how proud we are of them. Also the Crestmont Park Opening Celebrations took place last week that were very successful.

Sherman congratulated Tom and Aimee Klein on the birth of their son as well as Jane St. John and Bob Woolford on the birth of their daughter. The city family continues to grow. He also said goodbye to Tom and Ellen Ehrlich as they leave the IU presidency and thanked them both for the wonderful job they have done for the entire community.

Mayor Allison also wished the Ehrlichs the best as they leave Bloomington. They have been good to Bloomington and added so much to the entire community. She also announced that Explorer Scouts from all over the country are here in Bloomington this week. The theme for the program is Career Explorations for Teenagers.

MESSAGE FROM THE  
MAYOR

She also announced the awards that Randy Smith received at the GIS Conference. Randy and the city received the awards for originality (genius contest for best presentation and layout) and originality in interfaces.

The mayor presented an encomium for Evelyn Powers who is leaving Bloomington and thanked her for all the time, energy and caring she has provided in making Bloomington a better place to live. Evelyn thanked everyone and wished them well.

ENCOMIUM FOR  
EVELYN POWERS

Sherman presented Brad Wilhelm of Rhinos Teenage Club a check for \$5,000 as part of the council's social service annual allocation. Brad thanked everyone and especially former councilmember Regina Miller for her early support of the project. Sherman then presented a check for \$35,000 to Toby Strout on behalf of Middle Way House. Toby also thanked the council and said the money would be used as a down payment for 28 housing units that will soon become a reality for women in need of emergency housing. Sherman commented that it was a shame that the O.J. Simpson case had to occur to make us aware of domestic violence.

COUNCIL COMMITTEE

Tim Sutherlin talked about the need for affordable housing in Bloomington, outlining the goals of the Housing Affordability Task Force: 1) to define and question the current policies 2) define the housing inventory and establish objectives for affordable owner-occupied housing 3) identify barriers to create affordable housing. He asked that the task force include a majority of low income citizens.

PUBLIC INPUT

It was moved and seconded that Resolution 94-21 be introduced and read by title only. Clerk Williams read the resolution by title only.

LEGISLATION FOR  
SECOND READING  
RESOLUTION 94-21

It was moved and seconded that Resolution 94-21 be adopted. The synopsis and

committee recommendation of 5-0-1 was given.

Chris Spiek described the location of the property and the affordable housing objectives of the developers. He said the proposal received an unanimous approval from the Redevelopment Commission for a 10 year abatement as well as participating in the city's HOME project which runs ten years beyond the tax abatement. So over the years the taxes collected will be \$10,500 with about \$10,300 abated and the current value of the undeveloped property on the second year of the abatement will be generating more taxes than the current amount.

Roy Campbell and Gene Moncel were available for questions, thanked the council for their support and invited everyone to an Open House on July 29, 1994 for the W. Cottage Grove project approved earlier this year.

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

It was moved and seconded that Ordinance 94-34 be introduced and read by title only. Clerk Williams read the ordinance by title only. ORDINANCE 94-34

It was moved and seconded that Ordinance 94-34 be adopted. The synopsis and committee recommendation of 5-0-1 was given.

Susan Failey, Legal Department said that this EDTA is the companion piece to the previous tax abatement resolution previously heard. The Economic Development Commission approved this request and all the criteria complies with the ERA requirements for the property/project.

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

It was moved and seconded that Ordinance 94-12 be introduced and read by title only. Clerk Williams read the ordinance by title only. ORDINANCE 94-12

It was moved and seconded that Ordinance 94-12 be adopted. The synopsis and committee recommendation of 6-0. This is a legally advertised meeting.

Tim Mueller described the tract on Moores Pike. It is an old PUD done in 1979 and a short frontage road was required to avoid multiple street cuts onto Moores Pike. The density originally anticipated has never materialized and now there are three structures. The owners would like to vacate it and treat it as a private drive. The plan is consistent with current policy serving internal property owners and has no use as a public access road, and therefore, no maintenance obligations for the city.

Kiesling asked about other road improvements in the area. Mueller said Kerasotes Theaters was originally approved with a second entrance on Moores Pk and was deferred to a later phase after the intersection was completed. He said it was long overdue at this point and they have been contacted regarding this. At this time they are interested in expanding the theater and our intent is for a bond to be filed before that comes to the Plan Commission.

Steve Smith said that the road was not platted as a public road in 1979 but he assured everyone it is there and the vacation would allow for a better flow of traffic for residents of that area as well as providing an attractive green space.

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

It was moved and seconded that Ordinance 94-33 be introduced and read by title only. Clerk Williams read the ordinance by title only. ORDINANCE 94-33

It was moved and seconded that Ordinance 94-33 be adopted. The synopsis and committee recommendation of 7-0-1.

It was moved, seconded and approved by a roll call vote that the address be corrected to 303 E. Kirkwood. The roll call vote on this amendment was Ayes:7, Nays:0.

Tim Mueller said the vacations are needed for the expansion of the building into the entire block to the east and these vacations have always been part of the library expansion discussions for this particular site.

Dave Bucove, Library Director, thanked the council for their consideration of this request. Kiesling asked about Utility approvals and Mueller said that the library has filed a letter that states that they know that there will be costs and that the utilities have granted their consent subject to the library paying the costs and that they(the library) pay the amount due for each utility relocation.

Bucove presented plans for the library and discussed them in detail with the council.

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

It was moved and seconded that Ordinance 94-26 be introduced and read by title only. Clerk Williams read the ordinance by title only. ORDINANCE 94-26

It was moved and seconded that Ordinance 94-26 be adopted. The synopsis and committee recommendation of 6-0-1 was given.

Tim Mueller described the site for the requested designation and reminded the council that the effect of the designation is that no physical change to the property can take place without a review by the Historic Committee and approval of the Plan Commission of the Certificate of Appropriateness. Service reminded him that the restrictions apply only to the exterior of the building.

Dee McIntire was also available for questions and a discussion ensued regarding the temporary "Save the Building" signs that are currently tacked to the building.

Marjorie Hudgins, petitioner, said that she would be happy to take the signs down, leave them up, or donate them to the museum as historic items.

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

It was moved and seconded that Ordinance 94-28 be introduced and read by title only. Clerk Williams read the ordinance by title only. ORDINANCE 94-28

It was moved and seconded that Ordinance 94-28 be adopted. The synopsis and committee recommendation of 7-0 was given.

Tim Mueller said that the details of this request are similar to the previous petition. Numerous recommendations of the Historic Designation Committee were made with the understanding that a list of changes would be undertaken within a year and it was further recommended that the designation be removed if those changes did not occur. Work is already in progress to comply with those requests so the concern is probably mute. It should be noted that a removal of designation would not be automatic, it would have to go through the required process.

Dee McIntire discussed the various exterior changes that occurred in the past and how it is now being restored.

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 Common Council. Clerk Williams read the legislation by title only.

LEGISLATION FOR  
FIRST READING

1. Appropriation Ordinance 94-04 An Ordinance for Appropriations and Tax Rates (1995 Civil City Budget for the City of Bloomington)
2. Appropriation Ordinance 94-05 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
3. Ordinance 94-35 To Fix the Salaries of All Elected City Officials for the City of Bloomington
4. Ordinance 94-36 An Ordinance Fixing the Salaries of the Officers of the Police and Fire Departments for the City of Bloomington, Indiana, for the Year 1995
5. Ordinance 94-37 An Ordinance Fixing the Salaries of Appointed Officers and Employees of the City of Bloomington, Monroe County, Indiana, for the Year 1995
6. Ordinance 94-38 An Ordinance Fixing the Salaries of Appointed Officers and Employees of the Utilities Department for the City of Bloomington, Monroe County, Indiana, for the Year 1995
7. Ordinance 94-39 An Ordinance Reviewing and Modifying the Budget of the Bloomington Public Transportation Corporation
8. Ordinance 94-40 To Amend Title 9 of the Bloomington Municipal Code, Entitled, "Water"
9. Ordinance 94-41 To Amend Chapter 10.08 of the Bloomington Municipal Code, Entitled, "Wastewater Rates and Charges"
10. Ordinance 94-42 An Ordinance Concerning the Construction of Certain Waterworks Projects, the Issuance of Revenue Bonds to Pay for those Projects, and Other Related Matters
11. Ordinance 94-43 An Ordinance Authorizing the Issuance of Sewage Revenue Bonds for Funding Certain Sewage Works Capital Projects and Other Related Actions
12. Ordinance 94-30 To Amend the Bloomington Zoning Maps from RE to RS, Grant PUD Designation, and Outline Plan Approval - Re: 711 S. Smith Rd. (Gentry Estates Development Corp., Petitioner)

There were no petitions from the public.

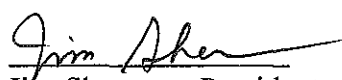
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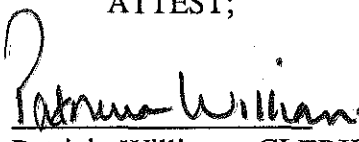
The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 P.M.

ADJOURNMENT

APPROVE;

ATTEST;

  
Jim Sherman, President  
Bloomington Common Council

  
Patricia Williams, CLERK  
City of Bloomington

Approved this 3rd day of August, 1994