

In the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building held on Wednesday, October 5, 1994 at 7:30 P.M. with Council President Sherman presiding over a Regular Session of the Common Council.

COMMON COUNCIL
REGULAR SESSION
OCTOBER 5, 1994

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

ROLL CALL

Sherman gave the Agenda Summation.
There were no minutes for approval.

AGENDA SUMMATION

Service complimented Lee Huss City Landscaper for the beautiful fall flowers that are all over the public planting areas of the city:

MESSAGES FROM
COUNCILMEMBERS

Bonnell introduced Talisha Coppock who talked about the Indiana Main Street Award presented to the Commission for Bloomington Downtown for the brochure " Guide to Bloomington on the Square". She then introduced Duncan Campbell and he displayed the Main Street plaque that Joe Harrell received for his successful Johnson Creamery renovation project. On behalf of Harrell he thanked the city for their support and the huge success of this wonderful project.

Bonnell also commended the White River Labor Council for their Move a Mountain campaign urging people to vote. He apologized to Dr. Bill Nice for making what he thought was a good point regarding the councils' responsibility on tax abatement in general and it was not directed toward his particular project in particular. He suggested clarifying the city standards that often leave the council without the ability to base a decision on approval and left without the public good to be debated. "We are giving up public tax dollars, when these are granted", Bonnell said.

Hopkins said that the Critical Mass Bike Rallys real message is that this is not a safe town to ride a bike in and that we should get serious about safe bike routes and that perhaps we should do less streets until we can do them right.

White said how nice it was to visit with the delegation from Chapel Hill, N.C this week and exchange some very useful and informational ideas. He noted that he will be attending the IACT conference next week and that sewers ~~are currently being~~ ^{will be} installed on N. Kinser Pk and the By-Pass.

Kiesling also commented on how beautiful the city looks and urged people to ride bicycles safely while obeying the same traffic laws that apply to automobiles.

She announced the meetings with the various signatories to the Consent Decree that are currently taking place and said in the final analysis Bloomington has a lot to be proud of.

Sherman said the visit by Chapel Hill officials was a wonderful opportunity for us as a city, and he felt that when they left, they were impressed by Bloomington. He noted that they were most surprised by the number of industries that are located here in Bloomington.

Hopkins said that as a graduate of the University of North Carolina he thought that was high praise.

Allison said our Carolina visitors were most impressed by the comparatively low cost of housing here (\$150,000 in N.C.) and were surprised at all our affordable housing.

MESSAGES FROM
CITY DEPARTMENTS

Mary Forester-Kinzer, Monroe County Commissioner, read a proclamation for October as Domestic Violence Month and Toby Strout announced the various activities that will take place to inform people about this difficult problem.

Dr. Carol Touloukian, representing all the pediatricians in Monroe County also talked about October as Child Health Month.

Lee Huss showed the council the award he received as the State Urban Forester of the Year.

Sue Wheeler introduced Janet Shirley who discussed a mentoring program that will soon start in the Monroe County School system using community volunteers.

Larry Fleener, Fire Chief, also proclaimed this week as Fire Prevention Week and said various school visits and open houses would take place.

It was moved and seconded that Resolution 94-32 be introduced and read by title only. Clerk Williams read the resolution by title only. RESOLUTION 94-32

It was moved and seconded that Resolution 94-32 be adopted. The synopsis and committee recommendation of 6-0-1 was given.

Nancy Brinegar, Redevelopment Department described the incubator project located in the Enterprize Zone as a 3,000 sqft building that will be constructed and connect two existing buildings. One building will have office type tenants while the other will be remodeled to accommodate manufacturing and distribution type businesses and the entire area will be upgraded. Each business will have up to 30 new businesses with a job creation potential of 1 to 10 employees and hiring enterprize zone residents will be a priority. A 10 year abatement is requested.

David Miller, director of the program, said the whole intent is to help small businesses to grow and create jobs.

Bonnell asked Miller for the names of the persons who make up the LLC (Limited Liability Corporation). Miller said he was not sure he could name the persons at this time without their permission. Bonnell asked him to do so before the reconfirm resolution.

White thought we always have to be careful about tax abatement and we have to look at them carefully, however, this is a great idea and the potential for growth is tremendous and he was glad that the city could be a team player in this project.

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

It was moved and seconded that Resolution 94-33 be introduced and read by title only. Clerk Williams read the resolution by title only. RESOLUTION 94-33

It was moved and seconded that Resolution 94-33 be adopted. The synopsis was given.

Nancy Brinegar explained the confirming resolution process that is always required when tax abatement is required and provided the same information as provided at the time of the original resolution approval.

Ted Ferguson said this project fulfills a goal for more housing in the downtown as requested by the Mayor's Task Force. The tax abatement is necessary for this project. Jim Murphy showed renderings of the proposed plan for the 8 units (instead of 10 as originally proposed last year) and said they will be owner occupied. The tax abatement for 10 years will then transfer to the property owners.

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

It was moved and seconded that Resolution 94-34 be introduced and read by title only. Clerk Williams read the resolution by title only. RESOLUTION 94-34

It was moved and seconded that Resolution 94-34 be adopted. The synopsis was given.

Again Nancy Brinegar explained the confirming resolution process that is always required when tax abatement is required. The abatement request is for 3 years.

Dr. Nice thanked the council for their support and was available for questions.

The resolution received a roll call vote of Ayes:6, Nays:0.

It was moved and seconded that Ordinance 94-46 be introduced and read by title only. Clerk Williams read the ordinance by title only.

ORDINANCE 94-46

It was moved and seconded that Ordinance 94-46 be adopted. The synopsis and committee recommendation of 6-0-1 was given. This is a legally advertised meeting.

Nancy Hiestand, Planning Department, described the tract as a 6' platted alley. All utilities have approved the vacation and Ameritech will work with the petitioner to relocate their lines. The one developable RS parcel can be accessed from 16th St. and all the other surrounding alleys have also been vacated. There is no public utility to this alley being substandard in size. Staff supports the vacation request.

Pete Dunn was available for questions.

White said the council is often hesitant to vacate city property but in this case it makes sense to do so and help the project continue.

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 by the Clerk for first reading before the Common Council.

LEGISLATION FOR FIRST READING

1. Ordinance 94-47 To Amend the Bloomington Zoning Maps from RE to RS, Grant PUD Designation, and Approve Outline Plan - Re: 900 W. S.R. 45 Bypass (Robert Shaw, Stone Lake Development Corp., Petitioner)
2. Ordinance 94-52 An Ordinance Concerning the Annexation of Adjacent and Contiguous Territory (Northwood Estates, Phases IV & V)
3. Ordinance 94-53 An Ordinance Concerning the Annexation of Adjacent and Contiguous Territory (Grandview Area)
4. Ordinance 94-54 An Ordinance Concerning the Annexation of Adjacent and Contiguous Territory (North Kinser Residences)
5. Ordinance 94-55 An Ordinance Concerning the Annexation of Adjacent and Contiguous Territory (Hoosier Court Area)
6. Ordinance 94-56 An Ordinance Concerning the Annexation of Adjacent and Contiguous Territory (Cascade Park Area)
7. Ordinance 94-57 An Ordinance Concerning the Annexation of Adjacent and Contiguous Territory (Basswood/Bradford Ridge/Twin Lakes Area)
8. Ordinance 94-58 An Ordinance Concerning the Annexation of Adjacent and Contiguous Territory (Oakdale Square Area)
9. Ordinance 94-59 An Ordinance Concerning the Annexation of Adjacent and Contiguous Territory (Walnut Springs)
10. Ordinance 94-60 An Ordinance Concerning the Annexation of Adjacent and Contiguous Territory (Rockport Area)
11. Ordinance 94-61 An Ordinance Concerning the Annexation of Adjacent and Contiguous Territory (Sunny Slopes/Pinewood Area)
12. Ordinance 94-62 An Ordinance Concerning the Annexation of Adjacent and Contiguous Territory (Gentry Estates Area)
13. Ordinance 94-63 An Ordinance Concerning the Annexation of Adjacent and Contiguous Territory (Whitehall Plaza)

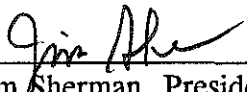
There was no public input.

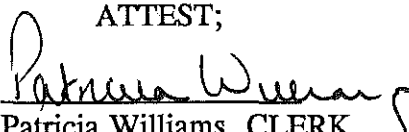
The meeting was adjourned at 9:10 P.M.

ADJOURNMENT

APPROVE;

ATTEST;


Jim Sherman, President
Bloomington Common Council


Patricia Williams, CLERK
City of Bloomington