

In the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building held on Wednesday, November 6, 1991, at 7:30 P.M. with Council President Fernandez presiding over a Regular Session of the Common Council.

COMMON COUNCIL
REGULAR SESSION
NOVEMBER 6, 1991

Roll Call: House, Kiesling, Foley, Fernandez, Regester, White, Service. Absent; Olcott, Hogan.

ROLL CALL

Fernandez gave the agenda summation.

AGENDA SUMMATION

Fernandez announced that Resolution 91-30 has been withdrawn by the sponsor and will not be discussed this evening.

The minutes of October 2 and October 16, 1991 were approved by a voice vote.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Service pointed out the art exhibit by Tim Anderson and she thanked everyone who voted yesterday in the city elections. She looks forward to the next four years and now that the elections are over we can go back to being less partisan. She told White she appreciated his commitment to constituents and looked forward to working with him.

MESSAGES FROM
COUNCILMEMBERS

White thanked Service for her kind words and said that he has been offered both congratulations and condolences and he hoped that in the new city hall he hoped there would be a small spot for the "minority leader" and he too thanked everyone for participating on every level; volunteer, voter as well as candidate. Regarding the resolution that was just withdrawn, he said that Hogan asked him to mention that since the council gave it more or less a No-Recommendation last week and that we will have a new council that will debate these issues in the next term; that it would be best to withdraw it at this time. He announced the dedication of the Griffy Lake Nature Preserve this weekend.

Regester congratulated anyone who was involved in the election process, the Democratic Chairman and all the new colleagues that will serve on the council next year. He also said that Amy and Jennifer Regester (twin daughters of Gloria and Jim Regester) are not quite ready to register to vote but they will when the time comes!

Kiesling also thanked everyone who voted and said there would be a public hearing on the Monroe County Solid Waste District plan for trash tomorrow evening. The public comment period will be open for a week or so. The Citizens Information Committee will meet on Monday, November 18 at 7 P.M. in Jordan Hall Room 123.

Foley congratulated everyone for yesterdays election and wished that more of the electorate complemented the energy and ideas that candidates have tried to bring to the community. A tradition of bi-partisanship exists in Bloomington at the decision making level and he said he knew that would continue.

House congratulated White and wished all the newly elected councilmembers well.

Fernandez said he was glad the election was finally over. IDEM will have a public hearing on the Westinghouse permit application dealing with discharges into Conards Branch on November 25 at 7 P.M.

Mayor Allison commended Andy Dodds and the "Gift of Warmth" program that the Heating and Air-Conditioning Association of Monroe County spearheads in conjunction with the Community Action Program. They inspect the heating units for people who cannot afford this service. Dodds said that this year, as an added benefit, they have provided homes with smoke detectors. They serviced 64 homes this year, a 50% increase over

MESSAGE FROM THE
MAYOR

last year and he thanked CAP for their assistance in locating people and homes for the program. Bloomington High School South Football has advanced to the Sectionals after beating Martinsville and the mayor said that said that this Monday is Veterans Day and invited everyone to participate in the Courthouse ceremonies on that day. The Mayor also read a list of all the city employees who have served in the armed forces of our country and noted that they are still contributing to their country and community by service in the public sector.

It was moved and seconded that Ordinance 91-54 be introduced and read by title only. Clerk Williams read the ordinance by title only.

LEGISLATION
FOR SECOND READING
VOTE

It was moved and seconded that Ordinance 91-54 be adopted. They synopsis and committee recommendation of 7-1 was given.

ORD 91-54

Chief Sharp said he had no problem with amending the ordinance this evening so that the skateboard restriction would pertain to just the fountain area of the 3rd St Park.

It was moved and seconded that the ordinance be amended to read 3rd St Park Fountain Circle area rather than the park as a whole.

Service said the initial concern was the new fountain area with the circular slopes and the attraction it would be for skateboarders but it was never intended to prevent people from crossing through the park on boards.

Fernandez supported the amendment because he thought the original ordinance was a little bit overdrawn. Regester said that if this is too restrictive, it can always be expanded at a later time.

Dan Sherman asked if this amendment includes the sidewalk around the fountain. Service said the part that is above and outside the fountain would take in a small segment and people who are actually going through the park can't really avoid that.

Service said that skateboard activity in the circular area is what is not wanted.

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

Service said she would not support the ordinance because she voted against the original skateboard ban, that the downtown is everyone's downtown, and if there is abuse and damage, then we look at it. She thought we should err on the side of inclusiveness rather than exclusiveness.

Tonia Matthew said that while she is supportive of skateboarding activity she works at a Kirkwood location and there are skaters that don't honor other people's property and they do operate in a destructive manner. She hoped that the city would provide more space for skateboarders for what we have is too small for the number of people participating in the sport.

Fernandez did not think that this was the right message to send to our young people. There is no evidence of damage and we should deal with it when necessary. There are other laws dealing with the destruction of property and we don't need more laws that are not enforced or ignored

The ordinance, as amended, received a roll call vote of
Ayes:5, Nays:2(Service, Fernandez).

It was moved and seconded that the following ordinances be introduced and read by title only by the clerk for first reading. Clerk Williams read the legislation for first reading.

LEGISLATION FOR
FIRST READING

Ordinance 91-56 An Ordinance to Amend Title 20 of the
Bloomington Municipal Code Entitled "Zoning".

ORD. 91-56

Ordinance 91-57 An Ordinance to Designate and Economic
Development Target Area.

ORD. 91-57

Ordinance 91-58 An Ordinance to Amend the Outline Plan
and Grant PUD Designation re: Property located at 2300
W. Second St. (Bruce Furr, Petitioner).

ORD. 91-58

Ordinance 91-59 An Ordinance to Title 15 of the
Bloomington Municipal Code Entitled Vehicles and
Traffic.

ORD. 91-59

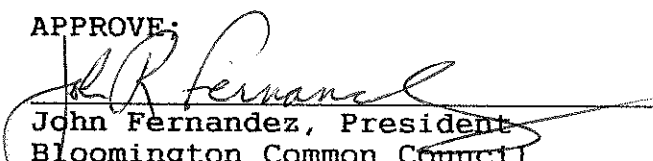
Paul Otto addressed the council about the university
parking regulations that were withdrawn earlier in the
evening. He was interested in this subject and Clerk
Williams said that she would get in touch with him when
the resolution or subject was to be discussed.

PETITIONS

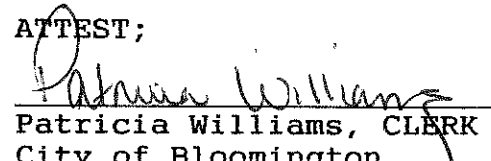
The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 P.M.

ADJOURNMENT

APPROVE:


John Fernandez, President
Bloomington Common Council

ATTEST;


Patricia Williams, CLERK
City of Bloomington