

In the Common Council Chambers held on August 30, 1976, in Special Session in the Common Council Chambers of the Municipal Building with Councilpresident Blume presiding.

SPECIAL SESSION
COMMON COUNCIL

Present: Councilmembers Blume, Kinzer, Middleton, Morrison, Olcott, Richardson, De St. Croix, Towell, and Young.

ROLL CALL

Present: Michael Corbett, Mayoral Aide; Steve Richardson, City Attorney; Bruce Wackowski, Human Rights Commission Attorney; Bill Finch, Personnel Director; Leo Burke, Human Resources Director; John Komoroske, Council Administrator; Karel Dolnick, City Clerk; Carl Chambers, Chief of Police; Jean Strohm, Executive Secretary, Board of Public Works; Debbie Mantell, Mayoral Aide; Mayor Frank McCloskey.

CITY OFFICIALS PRESENT

Agenda Summation: For Second Reading, consideration of Ordinance 76-45, vetoed by the Mayor 8/24/76; and Appropriation Ordinance 76-17, City Budget for 1977.

AGENDA SUMMATION

Councilmembers Kinzer, De St. Croix, Middleton, Olcott and Richardson then thanked John Komoroske for the work he has done for the Council, and wished him well in Washington. Councilpresident Blume then presented John Komoroske with a gift from the Council.

MESSAGES FROM
COUNCILMEMBERS

Councilmember Towell moved and Councilmember Morrison seconded a motion to override the Mayor's veto of Ordinance 76-45.

ORDINANCE 76-45
City Employees Residency
Requirements - Motion
to Override Veto

The Mayor's veto of Ordinance 76-45 was then overridden by a ROLL CALL VOTE of Ayes: 7, Nays: 2. Nays: Councilmembers Young and Richardson.

Councilmember De St. Croix moved and Councilmember Morrison seconded a motion to suspend the rules to give Ordinance 76-64 first reading.

ORDINANCE 76-64
To Require Submission
of the Budget to the
Common Council by July
1, 1976 of each Calendar
Year

The rules were then suspended by a ROLL CALL VOTE of Ayes: 9, Nays: 0.

Councilmember De St. Croix moved and Councilmember Kinzer seconded a motion to introduce and read Ordinance 76-64 in entirety.

Councilpresident Blume then read the legislative synopsis for Ordinance 76-64.

Councilmember De St. Croix moved and Councilmember Morrison seconded a motion to introduce and read Appropriation Ordinance 76-17 by title only.

APPROPRIATION
ORDINANCE 76-17
1977 City Budget

Clerk Dolnick then read Appropriation Ordinance 76-17 by title only.

Councilmember De St. Croix moved and Councilmember Morrison seconded a motion to adopt Appropriation Ordinance 76-17.

Councilpresident Blume then read the legislative synopsis for Appropriation Ordinance 76-17.

Councilmember Young moved and Councilmember Morrison seconded a motion to amend Appropriation Ordinance 76-17 as follows: Legal Department, line 113, Deputy City Attorney, reduce from \$4,375 to \$4,259; Board of Public Works, line 214, Telephone, reduce from \$41,000 to \$38,000; line 215 Photocopy, from \$15,600 to \$12,500;

line 263, Special Services, from \$10,000 to \$7,000; line 331, Household and Cleaning, from \$2,520 to \$2,000; line 263, Other Office Supplies; from \$7,000 to \$5,500. Board of Safety, line 213, Travel, from \$100 to 0. Personnel Department; line 21, Communication and Transportation, from \$1,300 to \$1,000; line 23, Instruction, from \$00 to 0; line 26, Other Contractual Services, from \$2,520 to \$1,920; line 55, Subscriptions and Dues; from \$1,205 to \$1,000; line 111, Personnel Director from \$5,250 to \$5,075. Under Transit, to put six cents on tax base.

Councilmember Young's amendments were then adopted by a ROLL CALL VOTE of Ayes: 8, Nays: 1. Nay: Councilmember Olcott.

Councilmember De St. Croix moved and Councilmember Kinzer seconded a motion to adopt Appropriation Ordinance 76-17 as amended.

Councilmember Towell remarked that the Mayor has left very little room for flexibility in his budget, and added that he had thought he would vote no on the budget but decided after looking at the financial situation of the city, he said he would vote yes. He added that if the procedure for the budget does not change next year, they may have to say no and adopt their own budget.

Councilmember Olcott commented that he felt the budget was shoved down his throat, noting that Councilmembers did not make line by line cuts, saying he would vote no.

Councilmember Morrison said that the Mayor submitted a good budget, noting that there really weren't that many cuts to be made since it was already so low. He added that he thinks the city is overstaffed, and that there are some boards and commissions that should go.

Councilmember Richardson reiterated Councilmember Olcott's remark that he felt the budget was shoved down his throat, noting that it is difficult for new Councilmembers to tell what the proper procedure is for adopting a budget, but felt the procedure should have been more thoroughly explained. He said what he hopes will happen is that perhaps an air of cooperation could exist between the Mayor and the Council.

Councilmember Middleton said he also hopes that from now on there will be a cooperative effort between the Mayor and Council that is so necessary for good government.

Councilmember Towell remarked that the cuts made in the Planning budget were too severe, noting that now the city will have a caretaker Planning Department with no time for real planning. He added that with only one and one half secretaries, the public will not be served as well in Planning or Engineering. He said these were the kinds of cuts he would have liked to have been in on in the planning stages.

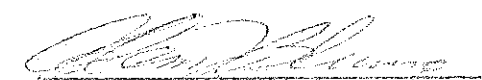
Councilmember De St. Croix said he would vote no, as the Council had little voice in the decision making process. He explained his sponsorship of Ordinance 76-64.


Appropriation Ordinance 76-17 was then adopted by a ROLL CALL VOTE of Ayes: 8, Nays: 1. Nay: Councilmember De St. Croix.

The meeting was then adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

APPROVE:

ATTEST:


Clem J. Blume, President
Bloomington Common Council


Nora M. Connors, Deputy City Clerk