

Zoning Session - Common Council  
March 19, 1973 - 7:30 p.m. to 11:45 p.m.  
with Council President Charlotte Zietlow presiding,  
in the Council Chambers.

Present: Richard Behen, James Ackerman, Wayne Fix, Hubert Davis,  
Alfred Towell, Shrwinn Mizell, Brian De St. Croix, Charlotte Zietlow

Absent: Jack Morrison

Others present: Tom Crossman, Planning Director; Grace  
Johnson, City Clerk; James Regester, Corporate Counsel; and  
about 30 people including members of the press.

Councilman Towell moved that family not be defined in the  
zoning ordinance - that the definition of family be stricken  
from the text. Councilman Behen seconded the motion. The  
motion was discussed at length.

Councilman Ackerman moved the previous question; councilman  
Behen seconded the motion. The motion was carried by a  
ROLL CALL VOTE OF Ayes 8, Nays 0.

The question was called on the motion to strike the  
definition of family. THE MOTION FAILED BY A ROLL CALL  
VOTE OF AYES 4, Nays 4 (Nay: Mizell, Davis, Ackerman, Fix).

Councilman De St. Croix moved that the definition of family be  
amended by inserting a period after the phrase "single housekeeping  
unit." and the rest of the definition be deleted. Councilman Towell  
seconded the motion.

Councilman Fix moved to amend the motion by adding a phrase  
"as defined by the BOCA Housing code" which would reference  
the zoning ordinance definition of family to the housing  
code. The motion was seconded by Councilman Mizell.

After some discussion the question was called on the motion  
to amend the motion. THE MOTION TO AMEND FAILED BY A ROLL  
CALL VOTE OF Ayes 3, Nays 5 (Aye: Mizell, Ackerman, Fix)

After further discussion, Councilman Ackerman moved the previous  
question (to close debate). Councilman Behen seconded the  
motion. The motion to close debate was carried by a ROLL  
CALL VOTE OF AYES 8, Nays 0.

The question was called on Councilman De St. Croix's motion.  
THE MOTION FAILED BY A ROLL CALL VOTE OF AYES 4, Nays 4 (Nay: Mizell,  
Davis, Ackerman, Fix)

Councilman Towell moved that the definition of family in the  
text of the zoning ordinance, as sent to the council by the  
plan commission, be approved. Councilman De St. Croix seconded  
the motion.

Councilman Mizell moved that the motion be amended by inserting  
a period after the phrase "other domestic bond" and deleting the  
following words. Councilman Fix seconded the motion.

Councilman Towell moved to further amend the motion by adding a  
definition of domestic bond: a domestic relationship existing for  
the purposes of facilitating a joint living arrangements including  
but not limited to arrangements to jointly lease or rent a dwelling.  
Councilman De St. Croix seconded the motion.

After some discussion, Councilman De St. Croix moved the previous  
question, a motion which was seconded by Councilman Davis and  
carried by a ROLL CALL VOTE OF AYES 8, Nays 0.

Councilman Towell's motion to amend the motion was DEFEATED  
BY A ROLL CALL VOTE OF Ayes 2, Nays 6 (Aye: Towell, De St. Croix)

After further discussion, Councilman Mizell moved the previous  
question, a motion which was seconded by Councilman Behen and  
carried by a ROLL CALL VOTE OF AYES 6, Nays 2 (Nay: Towell, De St. Croix)

Councilman Mizell's motion to amend the motion was DEFEATED BY A ROLL CALL VOTE OF AYES 1, Nays 6, Abstention 1 (Aye: Mizell, Abstention: Fix)

After further discussion, Councilman Davis moved that the motion be tabled. Councilman Ackerman seconded the motion.

Councilman Mizell suggested that Councilmen Fix and Towell work with Mr. Crossman and try to come up with a draft of the consensus of the meeting.

After further discussion, Councilman Ackerman moved the previous question. Councilman Behen seconded the motion and the motion was CARRIED BY A ROLL CALL VOTE OF Ayes 8, Nays 0

THE MOTION WAS CARRIED BY A ROLL CALL VOTE OF AYES 6, Nays 2 (Nay: De St. Croix, Zietlow)

Council President Zietlow announced that the next sessions on zoning will be March 26 and 27.

Al Ruesink presented a letter to the council from the neighborhood associations.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:45 p.m.

  
Amy G. Mann, Council Secretary