

REGULAR MEETING

May 15, 1962

THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BLOOMINGTON, INDIANA, met in the Council Chambers in City Hall, on Tuesday, May 15, 1962, at the hour of seven-thirty o'clock (7:30 P.M.) in regular session with Mayor Mary Alice Dunlap presiding.

Members present: Sikes, Chitwood, Peace, Graves, Faucett, and Hickman.

Members absent: Shertzer.

The meeting was opened with a prayer by Councilman Graves.

Councilman Peace moved, seconded by Councilman Faucett that the minutes of the last regular meeting of May 2, 1962 and the special meetings of May 1, 1962 and May 12, 1962 be approved as submitted to each individual councilman; motion unanimously carried.

The Clerk-Treasurer read the following letter:

May 15, 1962

Common Council
City of Bloomington
City Hall
Bloomington, Indiana

Dear Members of the Common Council,

You are no doubt aware that the Bloomington urban renewal program has entered the execution stage. It is likely that in the next few weeks, rapid strides will be made into the "meat" of the program.

Because of the administrative structure of the Redevelopment Department which renders it somewhat apart from the normal channels of local government, it is often difficult for you to keep abreast of our progress, our problems, and our policies.

Accordingly, we extend to you a cordial and permanent invitation to attend the Redevelopment Commission meetings, or to visit our offices at your convenience. The Commission meets at 7:00 p.m. in the Board of Works Room every first Monday of the month.

Cordially yours,
S/ Martin I. Knudson
Martin I. Knudson
Executive Director

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Councilman Peace presented the following letter:

May 15, 1962

Dear Councilmen:

Former Mayor Lemon, Mr. Peace, Lt. Simes, Sgt. Stephens, and I were on the study committee for the proposed directional change submitted for the alley which runs east from Walnut to Washington between 4th and 5th Streets. It was the decision of the group, in order to expedite traffic movement into the 4th Street Parking Lot, and to enhance the safety of the people using the alley for loading and unloading at the abutting stores, that this change be made. The nature of delivery vehicles, particularly those servicing Montgomery Ward, and the present method used, creates a definite pedestrian hazard for persons using the sidewalk on the east side of Walnut because they must walk out into Walnut to get around large trucks which extend out over the sidewalk. It will also be of greater safety value to have traffic enter from Walnut into the alley rather than enter Walnut from the alley. The change will necessitate minimum expense since most of it will be done with paint markings. The directional signs can be changed without material cost because they will merely need to be located at opposite ends of the alley.

We request the Council's immediate action on this and thank them for their consideration in the problem.

Sincerely,
S/ Chas. S. Fox
Charles S. Fox, Insp.
Bloomington Police Department
Bloomington, Indiana

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Councilman Peace moved, seconded by Councilman Hickman that the traffic schedule of the traffic ordinance be amended accordingly; motion unanimously carried.

Reports were received and placed on file for the month of April, 1962 from the Water Department and Sanitation Department and for the month of March, 1962 from the Police Department.

Councilman Chitwood moved, seconded by Councilman Graves that the claims presented for payment May 16, 1962 be allowed as submitted; motion unanimously carried.

Meeting adjourned.

Mary Alice Dunlap

Presiding Officer

ATTEST:

T. D. Ellis

Clerk-Treasurer