In Bloomington, Indiana on Wednesday, June 10, 2020 at 6:30pm, Council President Stephen Volan presided over a Special Session of the Common Council. Per the Governor’s Executive Orders, this meeting was conducted electronically.

Council members present via teleconference: Matt Flaherty, Isabel Piedmont-Smith, Dave Rollo, Kate Rosenbarger, Susan Sandberg, Sue Sgambelluri, Jim Sims, Ron Smith, Stephen Volan

Council members absent: None

Council President Stephen Volan summarized the agenda.

Rosenbarger moved and it was seconded to add public comment to the agenda.

The motion received a roll call vote of Ayes: 9, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0.

Mayor John Hamilton discussed the importance of the peaceful protests held in Bloomington regarding the Black Lives Matter movement. Hamilton also provided an update on COVID-19 regarding health policies and the status of those infected.

Alex Crowley, Director of Economic and Sustainable Development, discussed the progress of the Economic Stabilization Working Group regarding three goals: the rapid response fund, the reopening process of businesses, and long-term planning. Crowley introduced Brian Payne, the Director of Community Development Financial Institutions (CDFI) Friendly Bloomington.

Payne explained Community Development Financial Institutions (CDFIs) and discussed previous CDFI lending in Bloomington. Payne also spoke of the application and review process. There was council discussion following the report.

Allison Quantz spoke of the need to defund the police.

Jim Shelton spoke about the Monroe County Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) program.

Piedmont-Smith moved and it was seconded to hire Stephen Lucas, current Deputy Administrator/Attorney of the council, to become the Administrative Attorney no later than August 1, 2020.

The motion to hire Lucas as Council Administrator Attorney received a roll call vote of Ayes: 9, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0.

Piedmont-Smith moved and it was seconded that Ordinance 20-11 be introduced and read by title and synopsis only. The motion was approved by voice vote. Deputy Clerk Nico Sigler read the legislation by title and synopsis.

Volan referred Ordinance 20-11 to the Sustainable Development Committee for further discussion.

Stephen Lucas, Deputy Administrator/Attorney, reviewed the council schedule.
There was council discussion related to upcoming committee meetings.

Sims moved and it was seconded to adjourn. The motion was approved by voice vote.

ADJOURNMENT [7:32pm]

APPROVED by the Common Council of the City of Bloomington, Monroe County, Indiana upon this 15th day of DECEMBER, 2020.

APPROVE:

Stephen Volan, PRESIDENT
Bloomington Common Council

ATTEST:

Nicole Bolden, CLERK
City of Bloomington