CITY OF Bloomington ILLINOIS

CITY OF BLOOMINGTON COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING NOVEMBER 16, 2020

COMPONENTS OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE AGENDA

On the third Thursday of each month at 6pm, the City Council meets as a Committee of the Whole. The purpose of this meeting is to present and consider agenda items that may be proposed for Regular City Council meetings, but that require further discussion before going in front of Council for an actual vote. The Committee of the Whole meeting is also a forum that allows the Mayor and Council Members to individually initiate proposed agenda items for discussion.

Council does not vote on any of this meeting's agenda items, outside of voting to approve the minutes of the previous Committee of the Whole meeting. Committee of the Whole agenda items discussed can be moved to a future regular City Council meeting agenda, if a consensus exists.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Each regular Committee of the Whole Meeting shall have a public comment period not to exceed 30 minutes. Every speaker is entitled to speak for up to 3 minutes. To be considered for public comment, please complete a public comment card at least 5 minutes prior to the start of the meeting. The Mayor will randomly draw from the cards submitted and call names of submitters to come forward to speak.

Public comment is a time for citizens to give comment. It is not a question and answer period and City Council Members do not respond to public comments. Speakers who engage in threatening or disorderly behavior will have their time ceased.

REGULAR AGENDA

All agenda items that provide Council an opportunity to listen to a presentation, ask questions of City Staff, deliberate, and seek additional information prior to making a decision will be placed on the Committee of the Whole Regular Agenda. No final action, beyond action on setting future agenda items and/or Agenda Initiatives, may be taken at a meeting of a Committee of the Whole unless it has been called as a Special Meeting.

A portion of the meeting is dedicated to previewing non-routine items. A non-routine agenda item shall include: (1) the expenditure of money over $250,000; (2) development agreements; (3) amending the City Code and/or (4) the implementation or modification of policies. The failure to preview a non-routine agenda item at a Committee of the Whole meeting shall not prohibit its consideration and/or action at a future meeting.

MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBERS

Mayor: Tari Renner

City Council Members:

Ward 1 - Jamie Mathy
Ward 2 - Donna Boelen
Ward 3 - Mboka Mwilambwe
Ward 4 - Julie Emig
Ward 5 - Joni Painter
Ward 6 - Jenn Carrillo
Ward 7 - Mollie Ward
Ward 8 - Jeff Crabill
Ward 9 - Kim Bray

City Manager: Tim Gleason
Deputy City Manager: Billy Tyus

CITY LOGO DESIGN RATIONALE

The CHEVRON Represents:
Service
Rank and Authority
Growth and Diversity
A Friendly and Safe Community
A Positive, Upward Movement and Commitment to Excellence!

MISSION, VISION, AND VALUE STATEMENT

MISSION
To lead, serve and uplift the City of Bloomington

VISION
A Jewel of the Midwest Cities

VALUES
Service-Centered,
Results-Driven,
Inclusive

STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS

- Financially Sound City Providing Quality Basic Services
- Upgrade City Infrastructure and Facilities Grow the Local Economy
- Strong Neighborhoods
- Great Place – Livable, Sustainable City
- Prosperous Downtown Bloomington

AGENDA

AMENDED

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING AGENDA
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
109 EAST OLIVE STREET, BLOOMINGTON, IL 61701
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2020, 6:00 P.M.

THIS MEETING WILL BE HELD VIRTUALLY. LIVE STREAM AVAILABLE AT:
www.cityblm.org/live

Prior to 15 minutes before the start of the meeting, 1) those persons wishing to provide public comment or testify at the meeting must register at www.cityblm.org/register, and/or 2) those persons wishing to provide written comment must email their comments to publiccomment@cityblm.org.

Members of the public may also attend the meeting at City Hall. Attendance will be limited to the lesser of 25 persons or 25% of room capacity and will require compliance with City Hall COVID-19 protocols and social distancing.

The rules for participation and attendance may be subject to change due to changes in law or to executive orders relating to the COVID-19 pandemic occurring after the publication of this agenda. Changes will be posted at www.cityblm.org/register.

1. **Call to Order**
2. **Roll Call of Attendance**
3. **COVID-19 Update by City Manager**
4. **Public Comment**

   This meeting is being held virtually via live stream. Public comment will be accepted up until 15 minutes before the start of the meeting. Written public comment must be emailed to publiccomment@cityblm.org and those wishing to speak Live must register at https://www.cityblm.org/register.

5. **Consent Agenda**

   Clerk-led Roll Call Vote

   A. Consideration and action to approve the Minutes of the October 12, 2020 Regular City Council Meeting, as requested by the City Clerk Department. *(Recommended Motion: The proposed Minutes be approved.)*

   B. Consideration and action to approve the Minutes of the October 19, 2020 Committee of the Whole Meeting, as requested by the City Clerk Department. *(Recommended Motion: The proposed Minutes be approved.)*

6. **Presentation, Discussion, and Direction on Future Agenda Topics**

A. Presentation and discussion of the proposed Library Expansion, as requested by the Bloomington Public Library. *(Recommended Motion: None; presentation only.) (Presentation by Jeanne Hamilton, Library Director, 15 minutes; and City Council discussion, 15 minutes.)*

B. **Council Initiatives**

i. Consideration and action on whether to move forward a Council Initiative submitted by Council Member Boelen to adopt a Resolution for the purpose of investigating and implementing the Welcoming America Initiative, a national non-for-profit established in 2009, to seek designation as a Welcoming America Community, as requested by Council Member Donna Boelen. *(Recommended Motion: To (1) have the initiative placed on a future City Council agenda for further consideration or action; (2) have staff evaluate and prepare an analysis on the proposed initiative and bring it back for further Council discussion; OR (3) deny the initiative being placed on a future agenda and/or having City staff evaluate and analyze the proposed initiative.) (Presentation by Donna Boelen, City Council Member, 3 minutes; and City Council discussion, 5 minutes.)*

ii. Consideration and action on whether to move forward a Council Initiative submitted by Council Member Crabill to adopt a Resolution finding utility shut-offs constitute a pandemic safety risk and calling on the Governor to enact a moratorium on utility disconnections under his emergency powers, 20 ILCS 3305/7 (12), as requested by Council Member Jeff Crabill. *(Recommended Motion: To (1) have the initiative placed on a future City Council agenda for further consideration or action; (2) have staff evaluate and prepare an analysis on the proposed initiative and bring it back for further Council discussion; OR (3) deny the initiative being placed on a future agenda and/or having City staff evaluate and analyze the proposed initiative.) (Presentation by Jeff Crabill, City Council Member, 3 minutes; and City Council discussion, 5 minutes.)*

7. City Manager's Report (5 minutes)

8. Executive Session - Cite Section

Clerk-led Roll Call Vote

9. Adjournment

Voice Vote

CONSENT AGENDA

CONSENT AGENDA ITEM NO. 5.A

FOR COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE: November 16, 2020

SPONSOR: City Clerk Department

WARD IMPACTED: City-Wide Impact

SUBJECT: Consideration and action to approve the Minutes of the October 12, 2020 Regular City Council Meeting, as requested by the City Clerk Department.

RECOMMENDED MOTION:
The proposed Minutes be approved.

STRATEGIC PLAN LINK:
-Goal 1. Financially Sound City Providing Quality Basic Services

STRATEGIC PLAN SIGNIFICANCE:
-Objective 1d. City services delivered in the most cost-effective, efficient manner

BACKGROUND: The minutes of the meetings provided have been reviewed and certified as correct and complete by the City Clerk. In compliance with the Open Meetings Act, Council Proceedings must be approved thirty (30) days after the meeting or at the second subsequent regular meeting whichever is later. In accordance with the Open Meetings Act, Council Proceedings are available for public inspection and posted to the City's web site within ten (10) days after Council approval.

COMMUNITY GROUPS/INTERESTED PERSONS CONTACTED: N/A

FINANCIAL IMPACT: N/A

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT IMPACT: N/A

Respectfully submitted for Council consideration.

Prepared by: Amanda Mohan, Records and Licensing Specialist

Reviewed by:

Leslie Yocum

Leslie Yocum, City Clerk 11/12/2020

Tara Henry

Tara Henry, Legislative Assistant 11/12/2020

Recommended by:

Tim Gleason, City Manager

Attachments:

- CLK 1 Draft 10-12-20 City Council Minutes

MINUTES
REGULAR SESSION CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2020, 6:00 P.M.

This meeting was conducted under Governor Pritzker's Executive Order 2020-07, Section 6 implemented in response to COVID-19, which suspended in-person attendance under the Open Meeting Act, 5 ILCS 120.

The City Council convened in regular session virtually via Zoom conferencing with the City Manager, Tim Gleason, and City Clerk, Leslie Yocum, in-person in City Hall's Council Chambers at 6:00 p.m., Monday, October 12, 2020. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Tari Renner.

Roll Call

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Tari Renner	Mayor	Remote	
Jamie Mathy	Ward 1	Remote	
Donna Boelen	Ward 2	Remote	
Mboka Mwilambwe	Ward 3	Remote	
Julie Emig	Ward 4	Remote	
Joni Painter	Ward 5	Remote	
Jennifer Jazmin Carrillo	Ward 6	Absent	
Scott Black	Ward 7	Remote	
Jeff Crabill	Ward 8	Remote	
Kim Bray	Ward 9	Remote	

COVID-19 Update by City Manager

Tim Gleason, City Manager, stated that the Police Department had continued performing COVID-19 compliance checks in the Downtown area with no violations resulting in the past few weeks. He let Council know that State Farm recently donated 5,000 masks to the City and he expressed gratitude on behalf of himself and staff. He then updated Council on the status of Community Development Block Grant ("CDBG") funds used for the Small Business Grant Program and the COVID-19 Direct Aid to Residents Program. He went on to state that, through multiple assistance programs in the community, almost $1 million dollars had been distributed to those in need, helping approximately 1,600 households. He concluded by noting possibilities of additional future use of CDBG funds.

Recognition/Appointments

A. Presentation of the City of Bloomington Police Department Police Officer's Commission Certificate to Officers Linden and Hallatt, upon their completion of an eighteen-month probation.

Greg Scott, Interim Police Chief, addressed Council and provided brief backgrounds on Officers Jeffrey Linden and Taylor Hallatt.

Mayor Renner gave the floor to Officers Linden and Hallatt to address Council.

Officer Linden addressed Council where he named and thanked his Training Officers.

Mayor Renner thanked Officer Linden for his service.

Officer Hallatt addressed Council where he named and thanked his Training Officers and stated that he looked forward to a long career with Bloomington.

Mayor Renner thanked Officer Linden for his service.

B. Recognition of Appointments and Re-Appointment to various Boards and Commissions.

Leslie Yocum, City Clerk, recognized the appointments of Beck Altic, Citizens' Beautification Committee, and Willie Holton Halbert, John M. Scott Health Care Commission. She also recognized the re-appointment of Robert Fazzini to the Public Building Commission.

Mayor Renner thanked the individuals for volunteering their time for the community.

Public Comment

Mayor Renner opened the meeting for public comment and the following individuals spoke in-person: (1) Surena Fish; (2) Katherine Hoy; (3) Ed Neaves; (4) Meghan Reha; (5) Krystle Able; (6) Trevin Gaffney; and (7) Robert Garcia. City Clerk, Leslie Yocum, ended by reading the names of individuals who had emailed public comment prior to the meeting: (1) Kate Brunk; (2) Jacqueline Beyer; (3) RAK Jones; (4) Krystal Lewis; and (5) Cecelia Long.

Consent Agenda

Items listed on the Consent Agenda are approved with one motion; Items pulled by Council from the Consent Agenda for discussion are listed and voted on separately.

Council Member Boelen made a motion, seconded by Council Member Crabill, that the Consent Agenda be approved as presented with the exception of Item 8.A.

Mayor Renner directed the Clerk to call roll, which resulted in the following:

AYES: Mathy, Boelen, Mwilambwe, Emig, Painter, Black, Crabill, Bray

Motion carried.

Item 8.A. was pulled by Council Member Mathy.

Item 8.B. Consideration and action to approve Bills and Payroll in the amount of $7,774,531.59, as requested by the Finance Department. *(Recommended Motion: The proposed Bills and Payroll be approved.)*

Item 8.C. Consideration and action to approve a Contract with P.J. Hoerr, Inc. for construction of a building for local, state, and federally mandated evidence storage at the Police Training Facility, in the amount of $194,998.00, as requested by the Facilities Department and the Police Department. *(Recommended Motion: The proposed Contract be approved.)*

Item 8.D. Consideration and action on a Resolution Approving a Contract with Williams Architects for the Design of the O'Neil Park & Pool, as requested by the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Arts Department. *(Recommended Motion: The proposed Resolution be approved.)*

Items Pulled from the Consent Agenda

Item 8.A. Consideration and action to approve the Minutes of the August 24, 2020 Regular City Council Meeting, as requested by the City Clerk Department.

Council Member Mathy made a correction to Section 9A of the draft Minutes, noting the minutes stated, "Route 9" instead of "Route 150."

Council Member Mathy made a motion, seconded by Council Member Bray, that the Minutes be approved as amended.

Mayor Renner directed the Clerk to call roll, which resulted in the following:

AYES: Mathy, Boelen, Mwilambwe, Emig, Painter, Black, Crabill, Bray

Motion carried.

Regular Agenda

The following item was presented:

Item 9.A. Consideration and action on an Ordinance Amending the Bloomington City Code, including Chapter 10 Relating to the Adoption of the 2018 Editions of the International Code Council Building, Residential, Swimming Pool, Mechanical, Fire, Fuel Gas, Existing Building, and Energy Conservation; Chapter 15 Relating to the Adoption of the 2020 Edition of the National Electric Code; Chapter 34 on the Plumbing Code; and Chapter 45 of the City Code Adopting the International Property Maintenance Code, 2018 Edition , as requested by the Legal Department. *(Recommended Motion: The proposed Ordinance be approved as recommended by the Building Board of Appeals and Property Maintenance Review Board. Alternate Motion 1: That the Ordinance be adopted as presented, with the inclusion of Section 1103.5.1 of the International Fire Code requiring installation of sprinkler systems in Group A-2 occupancies where alcoholic beverages are consumed having an occupancy load of 300 or more persons. Alternate Motion 2: That the Ordinance be adopted as presented, with the inclusion of Section 1103.5.1 of the International Fire Code requiring installation of sprinkler systems in Group A-2 occupancies where alcoholic beverages are consumed having an occupancy load of 300 or more persons by January 1, 2024, to be shown as an amendment to Section 10-901.)*

Mr. Gleason stated that the information provided was a follow-up to an item presented at the previous Committee of the Whole meeting. He then asked Melissa Hon, Director of Economic & Community Development (ECD), to address Council.

Ms. Hon provided a brief history of the Code updates that had been presented at the September 23, 2020 Committee of the Whole meeting and then discussed the recommended motion and the alternative motions.

Council Member Boelen made a motion, seconded by Council Member Emig, that the Ordinance be adopted as presented, with the inclusion of Section 1103.5.1 of the International Fire Code requiring installation of sprinkler systems in Group A-2 occupancies where alcoholic beverages are consumed and having an occupancy load of 300 or more persons by January 1, 2024, to be shown as an amendment to Section 10-901.

Council Member Mathy expressed concern that Alternative Motion 2 would impose a burden on existing businesses, including veteran and fraternal organizations. He suggested the City look into a cost sharing program with businesses to assist with the sprinkler updates.

Council Member Boelen explained the reasoning behind her motion, which included offsetting expenses for businesses through grant programs.

Council Member Crabill agreed with Council Member Boelen and noted an email that Council had received from Fire Chief Brian Mohr regarding sprinkler systems. He also addressed gender-neutral single occupancy bathrooms and asked about enforcement provisions. Chris McAllister, ECD Building Official, responded accordingly. Council Member Crabill then asked if Bloomington would be responsible for enforcing the 2021 International Energy Conservation Code once it was published. Mr. McAlister stated that they would.

Council Member Emig echoed comments made by Council Members Boelen and Crabill regarding safety.

Council Member Mathy also agreed that safety was important, but recognized the significant hardships that would be placed on businesses to comply.

Council Member Black asked Mayor Renner for confirmation on procedure if the motion failed. Mayor Renner responded. Council Member Black then asked for clarification on Alternative Motion 1 (see the above stated motions for detail). Council Member Mathy responded.

Mayor Renner directed the Clerk to call roll, which resulted in the following:

AYES: Boelen, Mwilambwe, Emig, Painter, Black, Crabill, Bray

NAYS: Mathy

Motion carried.

The following item was presented:

<u>Item 9.B. Consideration and action on a Resolution to Commit to Financial Support and Administration of Funds to Construct the Constitution Trail Southeast Extension: Lafayette Street to Hamilton Road Project with a 2020 Illinois Transportation Enhancement Program (ITEP) Grant, as requested by the Public Works Department. *(Recommended Motion: The proposed Resolution be approved.)*</u>

Mr. Gleason asked Kevin Kothe, Public Works Director, to address Council.

Mr. Kothe pointed out that the grant would allow an extension of the Constitution Trail from Lafayette Street to Hamilton Road and then introduced Craig Shonkwiler, City Engineer.

Mr. Shonkwiler stated that in order to fund the extension mentioned, the City would apply for an Illinois Transportation Enhancement Program ("ITEP") grant that provides funds for walking, biking, and trail projects. He then provided background on the ITEP application scoring process and walked Council through how the extension would occur. He mentioned multiple benefits including the connection of outer parts of Bloomington to Downtown Bloomington.

Council Member Boelen asked for clarification on how project funds would be received. Mr. Shonkwiler responded that, if selected, the City would enter into an intergovernmental agreement with IDOT and then be reimbursed. She then asked how the community score affected grant eligibility and Mr. Shonkwiler responded accordingly.

Council Member Crabill supported the item, but expressed concern with funding given the uncertainty of COVID-19 impacts on the budget.

Council Member Mathy discussed the funding process and emphasized the importance of a safe bicycle path in area.

Council Member Mathy made a motion, seconded by Council Member Boelen, that the proposed Resolution be approved.

Mayor Renner directed the Clerk to call roll, which resulted in the following:

AYES: Mathy, Boelen, Mwilambwe, Emig, Painter, Black, Crabill, Bray

Motion carried.

The following item was presented:

Item 9.C. Consideration and potential action regarding Ordinance 2020-18, An Ordinance Declaring a Local Emergency Due to the COVID-19 Virus & Enacting Various Emergency Measures, as requested by the Legal Department. *(Recommended Motion: No modifications recommended at this time.)*

No recommended updates were presented.

City Manager's Discussion

Mr. Gleason reminded the community to complete the 2020 Census and mentioned upcoming Halloween events. He stressed the importance of social distancing during festivities and went on to recognize multiple newly hired employees. He concluded by highlighting upcoming Downtown events.

Mayor's Discussion

Mayor Renner thanked City staff for their continued hard work and dedication and then discussed the recently announced resignation of Ward 7 Council Member Scott Black. He talked about the application and selection process that would be used to fill the Ward 7 seat.

Council Member's Discussion

Council Member Crabill thanked multiple staff members for their correspondence on his questions before the meeting and reminded the community of his upcoming Town Hall. He concluded with comments on the cost and value of the services being provided by Williams Architects in their assistance with the O' Neil Pool remodel.

Council Member Boelen recommended Ward 7 applicants reach out to current Council Members to ask questions and then encouraged citizens to get a flu shot.

Council Member Painter discussed the McLean County Triage Center and encouraged citizens who experience a mental health crisis to utilize the Center.

Council Member Mathy thanked Public Works for their work during the free fall bulk waste pick-up and recommended citizens review the map available on the City's website for collection dates. He stressed the importance of participating in the 2020 Census and the benefits it would have on the community.

Mayor Renner echoed the comments about the 2020 Census.

Executive Session - Cite Section

No Executive Session was held.

Adjournment

Council Member Mathy made a motion, seconded by Council Member Boelen, that the meeting be adjourned.

Motion carried (viva voce).

The meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

CITY OF BLOOMINGTON	**ATTEST**
Tari Renner, Mayor	Amanda Mohan, Deputy City Clerk

CONSENT AGENDA ITEM NO. 5.B

FOR COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE: November 16, 2020

SPONSOR: City Clerk Department

WARD IMPACTED: City-Wide Impact

SUBJECT: Consideration and action to approve the Minutes of the October 19, 2020 Committee of the Whole Meeting, as requested by the City Clerk Department.

RECOMMENDED MOTION:
The proposed Minutes be approved.

STRATEGIC PLAN LINK:
-Goal 1. Financially Sound City Providing Quality Basic Services

STRATEGIC PLAN SIGNIFICANCE:
-Objective 1d. City services delivered in the most cost-effective, efficient manner

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COMMUNITY GROUPS/INTERESTED PERSONS CONTACTED: N/A

FINANCIAL IMPACT: N/A

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT IMPACT: N/A

Respectfully submitted for Council consideration.

Prepared by: Amanda Mohan, Records and Licensing Specialist

Reviewed by:

Tara Henry

Tara Henry, Legislative Assistant 11/12/2020

Recommended by:

Tim Gleason, City Manager

Attachments:

- CLK 2 DRAFT 10-19-20 COW Minutes

MINUTES
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2020, 6:00 P.M.

This meeting was conducted under Governor Pritzker's Executive Order 2020-07, Section 6 implemented in response to COVID-19, which suspended in-person attendance under the Open Meeting Act, 5 ILCS 120.

The City Council convened in regular session virtually via Zoom conferencing with the City Manager, Tim Gleason, and City Clerk, Leslie Yocum, in-person in City Hall's Council Chambers at 6:00 p.m., Monday, October 19, 2020. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Tari Renner.

Roll Call

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Tari Renner	Mayor	Remote	
Jamie Mathy	Ward 1	Absent	
Donna Boelen	Ward 2	Remote	
Mboka Mwilambwe	Ward 3	Remote	
Julie Emig	Ward 4	Remote	
Joni Painter	Ward 5	Remote	
Jennifer Jazmin Carrillo	Ward 6	Remote	
Scott Black	Ward 7	Remote	
Jeff Crabill	Ward 8	Remote	
Kim Bray	Ward 9	Remote	

COVID-19 Update by City Manager

Tim Gleason, City Manager, updated Council on the $150,000 CARES Act Community Development Block Grant ("CDBG") funds allotted for the Small Business Grant Program. He discussed national and local spikes in COVID-19 case numbers and the actions being taken by McLean County to address the increased number of cases locally.

Public Comment

Mayor Renner opened the meeting for public comment. Leslie Yocum, City Clerk, stated that Krystle Able had registered to speak live in the meeting, but was not present. Mrs. Yocum stated the following individuals had emailed public comment prior to the meeting: Krystle Able and Jeanne Howard.

Consent Agenda

Items listed on the Consent Agenda are approved with one motion; Items pulled by Council from the Consent Agenda for discussion are listed and voted on separately.

Council Member Boelen requested an amendment to the minutes on page 4.

Council Member Boelen made a motion, seconded by Council Member Bray, that the Consent Agenda, including all items listed below, be approved as amended.

Mayor Renner directed the Clerk to call roll, which resulted in the following:

AYES: Boelen, Mwilambwe, Emig, Painter, Carrillo, Black, Crabill, Bray

Motion carried.

Item 5.A. Consideration and action to approve the Minutes of the September 14, 2020 Regular City Council Meeting, as requested by the City Clerk Department. *(Recommended Motion: The proposed Minutes be approved.)*

Presentation, Discussion, and Direction on Future Agenda Topics

The following item was presented:

Item 6.A. Discussion and direction on the creation of a Public Arts Commission, as requested by the Administration Department.

City Manager Gleason explained that the item was a continuation from the previous meeting where it had been tabled for additional discussion.

Deputy City Manager, Billy Tyus, reviewed the proposal and the proposed amendments discussed by Council at the previous meeting. He explained that the purpose of the Public Arts Committee ("PAC") as discussed, would be to create a formal process to support public art and noted that funding would be set as part of annual budgeting. He reminded Council that staff recommended the PAC be comprised of a member from the Bloomington Cultural Commission, a member from the Citizens' Beautification Committee, and three members of the public serving two-year terms to allow for turnover and diversity of opinions. Mr. Tyus noted that based on Council discussion, staff had also recommended two non-voting, ex-officio members be added to the board based on the ward location of the projects. He went on to discuss additional public input and the annual solicitation of private funds by the PAC for projects, and pointed out that the PAC would submit an annual Public Arts Program to Council for approval, identifying specific projects, goals, and a budget.

Council Member Bray believed that the community would benefit from art that unified the community. She expressed concerns on funding controls. Mr. Tyus responded that all funds would be held, owned, and distributed by the City. She then asked specifics on authority and with which department the PAC would most closely work. Mr. Tyus responded that the City Manager or the Deputy City Manager would oversee the PAC.

Council Member Black acknowledged the proposal and captured the conversation from the previous meeting. He commented on funding and stated that he liked that Council had the final say on funding. He believed the PAC was a good opportunity to involve residents more.

Council Member Boelen echoed funding and staff involvement comments. She was supportive of public input, but questioned the need of non-voting, ex-officio members.

Council Member Carrillo believed that the addition of more public input and ex-officio members was beneficial. She thought the ex-officio members should have voting rights.

Council Member Mwilambwe was supportive of the PAC and discussed term limits with Deputy Tyus.

Mayor Renner asked Jeff Jurgens, Corporation Counsel, questions on term limits and Mr. Jurgens responded accordingly.

Council Member Painter supported the formation of the PAC, but expressed concerns with funding. She expressed interest in requiring the PAC to secure private funding as well. She also reminded Council that revitalization of the Creativity Center, which was intended as a source of art, should receive public funding before the PAC because the City was already committed to that project.

Council Member Emig supported the proposal as presented, noting the written direction to seek out private funding and add ex-officio members.

Council Member Bray noted Section D of the proposal and suggested an incremental approach to make tasks more manageable. She made suggestions that tasks be staff-driven or be removed from the Commission's duties. Mr. Tyus responded that the call for artists was a key function and recommended it not be eliminated; he pointed out, however, that staff would prepare items such as request for proposals (RFPs) for the PAC to review and approve. Council Member Bray suggested more clearly defining staff roles verses the PAC's roles.

Council Member Boelen expressed issue with the funding process and compared it to the process associated to Connect Transit's annual budget.

Mayor Renner reiterated that funding would follow normal budgeting processes.

Council Member Bray motioned, seconded by Council Member Emig, to extend the time by 10 minutes.

Mayor Renner directed the Clerk to call roll, which resulted in the following:

AYES: Boelen, Mwilambwe, Emig, Painter, Carrillo, Black, Crabill, Bray

Motion carried.

Council Member Crabill supported the proposal and believed it was comprehensive. He commented to private funding and the potential for economic development benefits.

Council Member Carrillo asked what the next step was to adopt the proposal. City Manager Gleason responded accordingly.

Council Member Painter asked for additional details on how the ex-officio members would be included. Mr. Tyus responded accordingly.

Council Initiatives

The following item was presented:

<u>Item 6.B.1. Discussion on Council Member Mwilambwe's Agenda Initiative Proposal to make Juneteenth a City holiday, as requested by the Administration Department.</u>

Mr. Gleason stated his support in the item and asked Mr. Tyus to address Council.

Mr. Tyus provided history on the item. He stated that Council had requested staff review the cost associated to making Juneteenth a City observed holiday. He stated that the Human Resources Department had reported the total salary cost with holiday pay, but not including overtime, as approximately $165,000 for the City and Library. He pointed out that should Council decide to move forward, at least a $63,000 budget increase would be required. He finished by discussing next steps.

Council Member Black asked if Council needed to weigh-in on paid verses unpaid in the meeting. Mr. Tyus responded that a decision did not need to be made immediately.

Council Member Boelen asked Council Member Mwilambwe his thoughts on the options presented. Council Member Mwilambwe believed a day of reflection was beneficial. He wanted programming to be the focus. He recommended the celebration be on a weekend to encourage attendance and suggested closing offices early as an alternative to a full day off.

Council Member Bray agreed with weekend programming.

Mayor Renner pointed out that not choosing to observe Juneteenth as a paid holiday could suggest that Council felt it was less important than other holidays.

Council Member Carrillo echoed Mayor Renner and believed that Council should make it a paid day off. She suggested that these considerations also be used for consideration of her Council Initiative for Indigenous Peoples Day.

Council Member Emig commended the local Black History Project associated with the McLean County Historical Society as a remarkable Juneteenth advocate, and encouraged the Human Relations Commission to reach out to discuss programming options.

Council Member Mwilambwe echoed appreciation for the Black History Project.

City Manager's Report

Mr. Gleason recognized the YWCA McLean County's 2020 Women of Distinction highlighting Ashley Stacey, Bloomington Police Officer, as being nominated. He reminded the community to complete the 2020 Census and mentioned the upcoming Downtown Farmer's Market and Halloween activities. He stressed the importance of social distancing during festivities. He went on to discuss early voting at Grossinger Motors Arena and stated that Council Member Carrillo's Council Initiative on Indigenous Peoples Day would be discussed again in November. He concluded by celebrating that, according to zippia.com, Bloomington was named the Happiest City in the United States!

Executive Session - Cite Section

No Executive Session was held.

Adjournment

Council Member Carrillo made a motion, seconded by Council Member Bray, that the meeting be adjourned.

Motion carried (viva voce).

The meeting adjourned at 7:03 p.m.

CITY OF BLOOMINGTON **ATTEST**

Tari Renner, Mayor

Amanda Mohan, Deputy City Clerk

PRESENTATION, DISCUSSION, AND DIRECTION ON FUTURE AGENDA TOPICS

CITY OF Bloomington ILLINOIS

PRESENTATION, DISCUSSION, AND DIRECTION ON FUTURE AGENDA TOPICS
ITEM NO. 6.A

FOR COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE: November 16, 2020

SPONSOR: Bloomington Public Library

WARD IMPACTED: City-Wide Impact

SUBJECT: Presentation and discussion of the proposed Library Expansion, as requested by the Bloomington Public Library.

RECOMMENDED MOTION:
None; presentation only.

STRATEGIC PLAN LINK:
-Goal 6. Prosperous Downtown Bloomington
-Goal 5. Great Place – Livable, Sustainable City
-Goal 2. Upgrade City Infrastructure and Facilities

STRATEGIC PLAN SIGNIFICANCE:
-Objective 6c. Downtown becoming a community and regional destination
-Objective 5d. Appropriate leisure and recreational opportunities responding to the needs of residents
-Objective 2e. Investing in the City's future through a realistic, funded capital improvement program
-Objective 2d. Well-designed, well maintained City facilities emphasizing productivity and customer service

BACKGROUND: The existing Library building was built in 1976, designed for a population of 41,000. While the population has increased 87%, the space has only increased by 25% (with a small addition and renovation in 2006). The community usage and demand has outgrown the facility. Since 2000, the Library has invested time and money in a variety of planning projects to address the community need for a library expansion. In July, the Library Board and staff began working with Engberg Anderson architects to develop preliminary designs focused on reducing the estimated costs from previous proposals while also creating an inviting, engaging, future-friendly library that meets the community's needs.

The presentation and any additional materials will be made available at the meeting.

COMMUNITY GROUPS/INTERESTED PERSONS CONTACTED: A public input session and website survey was conducted in Fall 2015. The new designs incorporate feedback gained since 2015 from the Council, City Staff, Library Staff, and the community. They have been informally reviewed by City Staff.

FINANCIAL IMPACT: N/A. Presentation purposes only.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT IMPACT: N/A

Respectfully submitted for Council consideration.

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Recommended by:

Tim Gleason, City Manager

CITY OF Bloomington ILLINOIS

PRESENTATION, DISCUSSION, AND DIRECTION ON FUTURE AGENDA TOPICS ITEM NO. 6.B.1

FOR COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE: November 16, 2020

SPONSOR: City Council

WARD IMPACTED: City-Wide Impact

SUBJECT: Consideration and action on whether to move forward a Council Initiative submitted by Council Member Boelen to adopt a Resolution for the purpose of investigating and implementing the Welcoming America Initiative, a national non-for-profit established in 2009, to seek designation as a Welcoming America Community, as requested by the City Council.

RECOMMENDED MOTION: To (1) have the initiative placed on a future City Council agenda for further consideration or action; (2) have staff evaluate and prepare an analysis on the proposed initiative and bring it back for further Council discussion; OR (3) deny the initiative being placed on a future agenda and/or having City staff evaluate and analyze the proposed initiative.

STRATEGIC PLAN LINK:
-Goal 5. Great Place – Livable, Sustainable City
-Goal 4. Strong Neighborhoods

STRATEGIC PLAN SIGNIFICANCE:
-Objective 5b. City decisions consistent with plans and policies
-Objective 4e. Strong partnership with residents and neighborhood associations

BACKGROUND: Per Chapter 2, Section 18.2A(2): Agenda items and voting, the Mayor and Council Members may put forth agenda initiatives by completing an Agenda Initiative Form and submitting it to the City Clerk. Upon submission, the form is added to the agenda of the next Committee of the Whole for consideration.

At the Committee of the Whole, a majority of the Council Members present can vote to: (1) have the initiative placed on a future City Council agenda for further consideration or action; (2) have staff evaluate and prepare an analysis on the proposed initiative and bring it back for further Council discussion; or (3) deny the initiative being placed on a future agenda and/or having City staff evaluate and analyze the proposed initiative. The same agenda initiative cannot be brought forward more than once in a six-month period unless two-thirds of the City Council votes to place the agenda initiative back on the table for consideration.

The attached Council Initiative by Council Member Boelen has been timely submitted to the City Clerk for consideration.

COMMUNITY GROUPS/INTERESTED PERSONS CONTACTED: N/A

FINANCIAL IMPACT: N/A

<u>COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT IMPACT</u>: N/A

Respectfully submitted for Council consideration.

Prepared by: Leslie Yocum, City Clerk

Attachments:

- CC 1B Mayor and Council Member Agenda Initiative Proposal Form (Donna Boelen)

CITY OF Bloomington ILLINOIS

MAYOR & COUNCIL MEMBER
AGENDA INITIATIVE PROPOSAL FORM

SPONSOR: _Donna Boelen, Ward 2_

PROPOSED INITIATIVE:

Adopt a Resolution for the purpose of investigating and implementing the Welcoming America Initiative, a national non-for-profit established in 2009, to seek designation as a Welcoming America Community. By using the roadmap and tool kit of Welcoming America for creating inclusive communities, the Resolution will become a unique assertion of our community values of compassion and collaboration with all residents of Bloomington, regardless of their country of birth. Through these activities, we will engage fully with one another to build a community that is safe and welcoming.

Through this Resolution, the Bloomington City Council calls upon broad segments of our community, including but not limited to, religious groups, not-for-profits, judiciary, police, higher education institutions, the EDC, and the Chamber of Commerce to serve as conduits for individuals in all aspects of their lives, supporting vulnerable members of our community with education, information and guidance. Mobilizing established community resources will help make our city a place where newcomers can thrive and flourish.

ESTIMATED CITY STAFF TIME TO RESEARCH & PREPARE FULL COUNCIL MEMO ON PROPOSED INITIATIVE, INCLUDING BACKGROUND AND ANY NECESSARY RESEARCH:

_____ Nominal (less than 5 hours)

__X__ Moderate (5 to 10 hours)

_____ Significant (more than 10 hours)

ESTIMATED COST OF PROPOSED INITIATIVE: __None__

WILL THE PROPOSED INITIATIVE REQUIRE A BUDGET AMENDMENT?

_____ Yes

__X__ No

WHAT CITY PROGRAMS OR STAFF ACTIVITIES ARE PROPOSED TO BE CUT OR REDUCED IN LIEU OF THE PROPOSED INITIATVE, IF ANY: __None___

_Donna M. Boelen___________ ____11/8/20__________
SPONSOR SIGNATURE DATE SUBMITTED

PRESENTATION, DISCUSSION, AND DIRECTION ON FUTURE AGENDA TOPICS
ITEM NO. 6.B.2

FOR COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE: November 16, 2020

SPONSOR: City Council

WARD IMPACTED: City-Wide Impact

SUBJECT: Consideration and action on whether to move forward a Council Initiative submitted by Council Member Crabill to adopt a Resolution finding utility shut-offs constitute a pandemic safety risk and calling on the Governor to enact a moratorium on utility disconnections under his emergency powers, 20 ILCS 3305/7 (12), as requested by the City Council.

RECOMMENDED MOTION: To (1) have the initiative placed on a future City Council agenda for further consideration or action; (2) have staff evaluate and prepare an analysis on the proposed initiative and bring it back for further Council discussion; OR (3) deny the initiative being placed on a future agenda and/or having City staff evaluate and analyze the proposed initiative.

STRATEGIC PLAN LINK:
-Goal 5. Great Place – Livable, Sustainable City
-Goal 4. Strong Neighborhoods

STRATEGIC PLAN SIGNIFICANCE:
-Objective 5b. City decisions consistent with plans and policies
-Objective 4e. Strong partnership with residents and neighborhood associations

BACKGROUND: Per Chapter 2, Section 18.2A(2): Agenda items and voting, the Mayor and Council Members may put forth agenda initiatives by completing an Agenda Initiative Form and submitting it to the City Clerk. Upon submission, the form is added to the agenda of the next Committee of the Whole for consideration.

At the Committee of the Whole, a majority of the Council Members present can vote to: (1) have the initiative placed on a future City Council agenda for further consideration or action; (2) have staff evaluate and prepare an analysis on the proposed initiative and bring it back for further Council discussion; or (3) deny the initiative being placed on a future agenda and/or having City staff evaluate and analyze the proposed initiative. The same agenda initiative cannot be brought forward more than once in a six-month period unless two-thirds of the City Council votes to place the agenda initiative back on the table for consideration.

The attached Council Initiative by Council Member Jeff Crabill has been timely submitted to the City Clerk for consideration.

COMMUNITY GROUPS/INTERESTED PERSONS CONTACTED: N/A

FINANCIAL IMPACT: N/A

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT IMPACT: N/A

Respectfully submitted for Council consideration.

Prepared by: Leslie Yocum, City Clerk

Attachments:

- CC 2B Mayor and Council Member Initiative Proposal Form (Jeff Crabill)

CITY OF Bloomington ILLINOIS

MAYOR & ALDERMANIC
AGENDA INITIATIVE PROPOSAL FORM

SPONSOR: Jeff Crabill

PROPOSED INITIATIVE:

Create resolution finding utility shut-offs constitute a pandemic safety risk and calling on the Illinois Governor to enact moratorium on utility disconnections under his emergency powers, 20 ILCS 3305/7 (12). Urbana passed a similar resolution. Resolution should also demand that the McLean County Health Department request disconnect notices from utilities. In addition, amend city code to grant emergency powers to mayor/city manager to require the continuation of natural gas, electrical power, water, sewer, communication or other public utilities or infrastructure during an emergency. Champaign mayor has this power, Section12-39 (26). State filings show that at least 16,165 Illinois households were disconnected in September alone, with the majority of shut-offs from Ameren and Commonwealth Edison.

ESTIMATED CITY STAFF TIME TO RESEARCH & PREPARE FULL COUNCIL MEMO ON PROPOSED INITIATIVE INCLUDING BACKGROUND AND ANY NECESSARY RESEARCH:

- ○ Nominal (less than 5 hours)
- ◉ Moderate (5 to 10 hours)
- ○ Significant (more than 10 hours)

ESTIMATED COST OF PROPOSED INITIATIVE: $0

WILL THE PROPOSED INITIATIVE REQUIRE A BUDGET AMENDMENT:

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No

WHAT CITY PROGRAMS OR STAFF ACTIVITIES ARE PROPOSED TO BE CUT OR REDUCED IN LIEU OF THE PROPOSED INITIATIVE, IF ANY:

None

DATE SUBMITTED: 11/10/20

Jeff Crabill

SIGNATURE