SUMMARY MINUTES
PUBLISHED BY THE AUTHORITY OF THE CITY COUNCIL
OF BLOOMINGTON, ILLINOIS
MONDAY, October 23, 2017; 7:00 P.M.

The Council convened in Regular Session in the Council Chambers, City Hall Building, at 7:00 p.m., Monday, October 23, 2017.

The Meeting was called to order by Mayor Renner.

The Meeting was opened by Pledging Allegiance to the Flag followed by a moment of silent prayer.

Mayor Renner directed the City Clerk to call the roll and the following members of Council answered present:

Aldermen: Jamie Mathy, David Sage, Mboka Mwilambwe, Amelia Buragas, Scott Black, Joni Painter, Diana Hauman, Kim Bray, Karen Schmidt, and Mayor Tari Renner.

Staff Present: David Hales, City Manager, Steve Rasmussen, Assistant City Manager; Jeffrey Jurgens; Corporation Counsel, Cherry Lawson, City Clerk; Patti-Lynn Silva, Finance Director; Brendan Heffner, Chief of Police; Brian Mohr, Fire Chief, Scott Sprouls, IS Director, Nicole Albertson, Human Resource Director; Jim Karch, Public Works Director; Bob Yehl, Water Director; and other City staff were also present.

Recognition/Appointments

A. Recognition of Achievement to Colleen Winterland for earning a Certification from the Illinois Public Service Institute; American Public Works Association – Illinois Chapter.

B. Appointment of Mark Muehleck to the Planning Commission.

C. Appointment of the following individuals to the Public Safety and Community Relations Board William Bennett, Robert Bosquez, Surena Fish, Janet Lancaster, Sally Rudolph, Arthur Taylor, and Jeffery Woodard.

Public Comment

Angela Scott	Leon Kaeb	Lee Eutsey
Doug Rutter	Aaron LeNeve	Scott Stimeling
Donna Bolen	Judy Stearns	

Consent Agenda

*Items listed on the Consent Agenda are approved with one motion, and is provided in **BOLD**, and items that Council pull from the Consent Agenda for discussion are listed with a notation **Pulled from the Consent Agenda.***

Motion by Alderman Hauman and seconded by Alderman Bray that the Consent Agenda be approved, with the exception of Item No. 7H.

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

Ayes: Aldermen Painter, Mathy, Sage, Mwilambwe, Buragas, Schmidt, Black, Hauman and Bray.

Nays: None

Motion carried.

The following was presented:

Item 7A: Consideration of approving the Minutes of the October 9, 2017 Regular City Council Meeting. *(Recommend that the reading of the minutes be dispensed with and the minutes approved as printed.)*

The following was presented:

Item 7B: Consideration of Approving Bills, Payroll, Procurement Card Purchases, and Electronic Transfers in the amount of $ 6,912,197.33. *(Recommend that the Bills, Payroll, Procurement Card Purchases, and Electronic Transfers be allowed in the amount of* $ 6,912,197.33 *and orders drawn on the Treasurer for the various amounts as funds are available.)*

The following was presented:

Item 7C: Consideration of Approving Various Appointments to Boards and Commissions. *(Recommend Mark Muehleck be appointed to the Planning Commission and that William Bennett, Robert Bosquez, Surena Fish, Janet Lancaster, Sally Rudolph, Arthur Taylor, and Jeffery Woodard be appointed to the Public Safety and Community Relations Board.)*

The following was presented:

Item 7D: Consideration of a Resolution approving waiving the bidding that identifies Helena Chemical as a single source distributor, and enter into an Early Order Program for procurement of Syngenta, BASF, Bayer, Nufarm (the manufacturers) golf course chemicals and fertilizer products utilized in the management of turf-grass maintenance. *(Recommend approving a Resolution waiving the bidding requirements which identifies Helena Chemical as the local distributor for these products the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Arts Department to participate in the Syngenta, BASF, Bayer and Nufarm*

chemicals "early order discount program" for golf turf grass management for the 2018 golf season (City Fiscal Year 2019), and, further authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute the necessary documents.)

RESOLUTION NO. 2017 – 41

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING WAIVING THE TECHNICAL BIDDING REQUIREMENTS AND APPROVING THE PURCHASE OF SYNGENTA, BASF, BAYER AND NUFARM CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS FROM HELENA CHEMICALS.

The following was presented:

Item 7E: Consideration of approving the purchase of Axon Taser conducted energy weapons to retire out of warranty weapons as a limited source justification. *(Recommend approving the purchase of 125 Axon Taser X2's from Axon in the amount of $181,168.75 over five (5) years be approved as a limited source, and the Purchasing Agent be authorized to issue a purchase order for same.)*

The following was presented:

Item 7F: Consideration of a Resolution approving a bid waiver to enter into an agreement with AccuMed Ambulance Billing Service. *(Recommend approving a Resolution authorizing waiving the Technical Bidding Requirements and approve the Agreement with AccuMed Billing Services for ambulance billing services, and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute the necessary documents.)*

RESOLUTION NO. 2017 – 42

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING WAIVING THE TECHNICAL BIDDING REQUIREMENTS AND APPROVING THE AGREEMENT WITH ACCUMED BILLING SERVICES.

The following was presented:

Item 7G: Consideration of review and approval of funding stabilization installation work at Lakes Evergreen and Bloomington, that includes stretches of reservoir shoreline near the Pump House at Evergreen Lake and near the Davis Lodge on Lake Bloomington, and tributary streambank in the T3 area through the City's Intergovernmental Agreement with McLean County, the Town of Normal, and the McLean County Soil and Water Conservation District. *(Recommend approving the proposal for the Evergreen Lake Pump House, T3 tributary streambank area, and Davis Lodge at Lake Bloomington stabilization project through the Watershed Conservation Intergovernmental Agreement that the project be approved in the amount of $162,029.60, and the Procurement Manager be authorized to issue a purchase order.)*

The following was presented:

Item 7H: Consideration of an Ordinance Amending Chapter 29 of the Bloomington City Code to Codify a Taxicab/TNC Vehicle Stand and Amending Provisions of said Chapter Pertaining to On-Street Accessible Parking Locations and Streets with Truck Traffic Prohibited. *(Recommend an Ordinance be Adopted to Codify a Taxicab/TNC Vehicle Stand and Amending Provisions of said Chapter Pertaining to*

On-Street Accessible Parking Locations and Streets with Truck Traffic Prohibited be adopted, and the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute the necessary documents.) ***(Pulled from the Consent Agenda for discussion)***

ORDINANCE NO. 2017-87

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING BLOOMINGTON CITY CODE CHAPTER 29
TO CODIFY A TAXICAB/TNC VEHICLE STAND AND AMENDING PROVISIONS OF SAID CHAPTER PERTAINING TO ON-STREET ACCESSIBLE PARKING STALL LOCATIONS AND STREETS WITH TRUCK TRAFFIC PROHIBITED

The following was presented:

Item 7I.Consideration of approving an Ordinance prohibiting the use of groundwater as a potable water supply by the installation or use of potable water supply wells or by any other method in a defined area near 802 North Main Street, Bloomington, Illinois. *(Recommend the Ordinance prohibiting the use of groundwater as a potable water supply by the installation or use of potable water supply wells or by any other method in a defined area near 802 North Main Street, Bloomington, Illinois and that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute the necessary documents.)*

ORDINANCE NO. 2017-88

AN ORDINANCE PROHIBITING THE USE OF GROUNDWATER
AS A POTABLE WATER SUPPLY BY THE INSTALLATION OR USE OF
POTABLE WATER SUPPLY WELLS OR BY ANY OTHER METHOD IN A DEFINED AREA
NEAR 802 NORTH MAIN STREET, BLOOMINGTON, ILLINOIS

The following was presented:

Item 7J: Consideration of an Ordinance approving a Zoning Map amendment for 1611 N. Hershey Road from C-2 Neighborhood Shopping District to B-2 General Business Service District. *(Recommend an Ordinance approving a Zoning Map amendment for 1611 N. Hershey Road from C-2 Neighborhood Shopping District to B-2 General Business Service District be adopted, and the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute the necessary documents.)*

ORDINANCE NO. 2017 - 89

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE ZONING MAP AMENDMENT FOR 1611 N. HERSHEY ROAD FROM C-2, NEIGHBORHOOD SHOPPING DISTRICT, TO
B-2, GENERAL BUSINESS SERVICE DISTRICT

The following was presented:

Item 7K: Consideration of approving Ordinances from RHP Investments, L.L.C., for the vacation of an existing Final Plat and approval of a replacement Final Plat for the Eagle View South Commercial Subdivision located east of Towanda Barnes Road and north of General Electric Road. *(Recommend that*

an Ordinance Approving the Vacation of the Public Streets and Easements in Eagle View South Commercial Subdivision and the subsequent Ordinance Approving the Re-subdivision of Eagle View South Commercial Subdivision both be approved and the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to sign the corresponding documents.)

ORDINANCE NO. 2017 - 90

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE FINAL PLAT FOR THE RESUBDIVISION OF EAGLE VIEW SOUTH COMMERCIAL SUBDIVISION

ORDINANCE NO. 2017 - 99

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE VACATION OF THE PUBLIC STREETS AND EASEMENTS IN EAGLE VIEW SOUTH COMMERCIAL SUBDIVISION

The following was presented:

Item 7L: Consideration of Suspending the Ordinance to Portions of Section 701 of Chapter 31 and Section 26(d) of Chapter 6 to allow moderate consumption of alcohol at Davis Lodge for the wedding reception request of Alan Burton and Chelsea Wiser on October 28, 2017. *(Recommend the Ordinance Suspending Portions of Section 701 of Chapter 31 and Section 26(d) of Chapter 6 of the City Code for a Wedding Reception at Davis Lodge on October 28, 2017 be approved, and that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute the necessary documents.)*

ORDINANCE NO. 2017 - 91

AN ORDINANCE SUSPENDING PORTIONS OF SECTION 701 OF CHAPTER 31 AND SECTION 26(d) OF CHAPTER 6 OF THE CITY CODE FOR A WEDDING RECEPTION ON OCTOBER 28, 2017 AT DAVIS LODGE

The following was presented:

Item 7M: Consideration of Suspending the Ordinance to Portions of Section 701 of Chapter 31 and Section 26(d) of Chapter 6 to allow moderate consumption of alcohol at Miller Park Pavilion for the wedding reception request of Jason Bader and Lydia Reitz on November 11, 2017. *(Recommend the Ordinance Suspending Portions of Section 701 of Chapter 31 and Section 26(d) of Chapter 6 of the City Code for a Wedding Reception at Miller Park Pavilion on November 11, 2017 be approved, and that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute the necessary documents.)*

ORDINANCE NO. 2017 - 92

AN ORDINANCE SUSPENDING PORTIONS OF SECTION 701 OF CHAPTER 31 AND SECTION 26(d) OF CHAPTER 6 OF THE CITY CODE FOR A WEDDING RECEPTION ON NOVEMBER 11, 2017 AT MILLER PARK PAVILION

The following was presented:

Item 7N: Consideration of Suspending the Ordinance to Portions of Section 701 of Chapter 31 and Section 26(d) of Chapter 6 to allow moderate consumption of alcohol at Davis Lodge for the wedding reception request of Jake Carls and Molly Davis on November 11, 2017. *(Recommend the Ordinance Suspending Portions of Section 701 of Chapter 31 and Section 26(d) of Chapter 6 of the City Code for a Wedding Reception at Davis Lodge on November 11, 2017 be approved, and that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute the necessary documents.)*

ORDINANCE NO. 2017 - 93

AN ORDINANCE SUSPENDING PORTIONS OF SECTION 701 OF CHAPTER 31 AND SECTION 26(d) OF CHAPTER 6 OF THE CITY CODE FOR A WEDDING RECEPTION ON NOVEMBER 11, 2017 AT DAVIS LODGE

The following was presented:

Item 7O: Consideration of Suspending the Ordinance to Portions of Section 701 of Chapter 31 and Section 26(d) of Chapter 6 to allow moderate consumption of alcohol at Davis Lodge for the wedding reception request of Jeremy Baker and Sara Bailey on November 18, 2017. *(Recommend the Ordinance Suspending Portions of Section 701 of Chapter 31 and Section 26(d) of Chapter 6 of the City Code for a Wedding Reception at Davis Lodge on November 18, 2017 be approved, and that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute the necessary documents.)*

ORDINANCE NO. 2017 - 94

AN ORDINANCE SUSPENDING PORTIONS OF SECTION 701 OF CHAPTER 31 AND SECTION 26(d) OF CHAPTER 6 OF THE CITY CODE FOR A WEDDING RECEPTION ON NOVEMBER 18, 2017 AT DAVIS LODGE

The following was presented:

Item 7H: Consideration of an Ordinance Amending Chapter 29 of the Bloomington City Code to Codify a Taxicab/TNC Vehicle Stand and Amending Provisions of said Chapter Pertaining to On-Street Accessible Parking Locations and Streets with Truck Traffic Prohibited. *(Recommend an Ordinance be Adopted to Codify a Taxicab/TNC Vehicle Stand and Amending Provisions of said Chapter Pertaining to On-Street Accessible Parking Locations and Streets with Truck Traffic Prohibited be adopted, and the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute the necessary documents.)* ***(Pulled from the Consent Agenda for discussion)***

ORDINANCE NO. 2017-87

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING BLOOMINGTON CITY CODE CHAPTER 29
TO CODIFY A TAXICAB/TNC VEHICLE STAND AND AMENDING PROVISIONS OF SAID CHAPTER PERTAINING TO ON-STREET ACCESSIBLE PARKING STALL LOCATIONS AND STREETS WITH TRUCK TRAFFIC PROHIBITED

Mayor Renner wanted clarification on the changes that are coming forward under Chapter 29 pertaining to the bus locations downtown, and he had suggested that there were Bob's Blue Night was given some special attention.

Assistant Police Chief Ken Bays stated that was inaccurate and explained that he had spoken with the sergeant who is in charge of the detail to inquire about how Bob's Blue Night accesses the parking lot.

Motion by Alderman Black and seconded by Alderman Mwilambwe that an Ordinance be adopted to Codify a Taxicab/TNC Vehicle Stand and Amending Provisions of said Chapter Pertaining to On-Street Accessible Parking Locations and Streets with Truck Traffic Prohibited be adopted, and the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute the necessary documents.

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

Ayes: Aldermen Painter, Mathy, Sage, Mwilambwe, Buragas, Schmidt, Black, Hauman and Bray.

Nays: None

Motion carried.

Regular Agenda

The following was presented:

Item 8A: Consideration of a Motor Fuel Tax Resolution for an additional $900,000 for intersection design, plans, construction documents, right-of-way, utility relocation, and construction for intersection of Towanda Barnes Road and Ireland Grove Road. *(Recommend the Motor Fuel Tax Resolution for an additional $900,000 for intersection design, plans, construction documents, right-of-way, utility relocation, and construction for intersection of Towanda Barnes Road and Ireland Grove Road be approved and the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute the necessary documents.) (Presentation by Jim Karch, Public Works Director 5 minutes, Council discussion 10 minutes.)*

Mr. Karch stated this intersection has been brought to you in September of 2016. There were some preliminary discussions and an intergovernmental agreement that we talked about whenever we are trying to solve what is considered to be the worst crash rate intersection for McLean County.

Mayor Renner asked for clarification as we are not talking about the worst anywhere in the City of Bloomington, just outside of Bloomington and Normal in areas that are lightly populated.

Mr. Karch stated, this would not be within the City of Bloomington's top ten crash rate intersections, but for the County outside of the City of Bloomington, that is correct. When we first discussed this in 2016, that was before we had to comply with a lot of different Motor Fuel Tax intersection design City requirements and were hoping to be able to make this intersection a lot easier to be able to solve some of the traffic concerns that we were seeing.

Alderman Mwilambwe asked about the impact on the intersection of Ireland Grove and Stride Drive, and stated he had received a number of concerns about that.

Alderman Black stated one of the things he tries to do when prioritizing projects is to review the comments from the public feedback. He would rather see some of that $700,000 that we have already budgeted and potentially up to $900,000 and go towards multiple projects that we could do throughout our community that make a big impact and stated he would be voting no on this.

Alderman Schmidt state she had been receiving a lot of negative feedback on this and was inclined to make a motion to send this back to our own Transportation Commission.

Alderman Painter asked Mr. Karch to explain what the City could spend most fuel tax money and wanted to know if it could be used to repave our roads.

Mr. Karch responded, traditionally the City of Bloomington has utilized motor fuel tax for our larger infrastructure jobs, but there are a lot of things the City can use Motor Fuel Tax funds on and stated that it could be used to repave road in the City.

Alderman Mathy asked Mr. Karch if knew how many of the crashes were caused by people who were speeding on that road. Mr. Karch replied that he did not know.

Alderman Mathy wondered if this was an overreaction and if there were things we could do like flashing signs that say there is congestion ahead to try to get people to slow down and raise awareness of what we are doing because this is a lot of money to spend on the fringe of the community.

Alderman Bray stated that she felt when talking about public safety and our roads, this is infrastructure. This is the priority. If we need to do things to slow down the speed limit through there, then perhaps that is something we need to do. She added that she would be supportive of sending this back but at the same time, did not see this as some kind of a luxury non-need when again we have heard time and again from our citizens that they prioritize infrastructure and this is it.

Alderman Mwilambwe referenced Alderman Schmidt's proposal to send it back to the Transportation Committee and wanted to be sure in terms of timelines. He echoed what Alderman Bray said in terms of infrastructure and safety because looking at the crash data, we have had one fatality. If this happened to be a school bus, we would have a different conversation. It would include a lot more people so that is something we need to keep in mind, as well.

Jim Karch answered there was a joint intergovernmental meeting today where staff had an opportunity to speak with Chairman McIntyre and the Mayor. They were supportive of allowing some additional vetting of this. From a project perspective, we have discussed with the county engineer, we are still able to, and it is not definitive if it is not tonight.

Alderman Black questioned the motion that has been made. If this were to pass and it gets sent back to the Transportation Commission, what would their charter be to review and make a recommendation on what is presented or to come with alternatives to what has been presented? What does that do to the County's timeline? I do not want to vote on something without thinking about our governmental partners.

Mr. Karch stated, staff would add the item to the next agenda. It would be added to the November Transportation Commission agenda for discussion, and we would ask for them to take some action on it so we can bring that back to the Council for some additional discussion in the next 30, 60 to 90 days.

Mr. Hales stated, it would be helpful for the Transportation Commission to receive a copy of the engineering report that was done and for them look at other City of Bloomington intersections and show the comparative crash data on an annual basis.

Alderman Black recommended including the Transportation Commission bids from the County that were provided.

Alderman Mathy commented that he would like to see some information on what the additional ongoing maintenance costs of doubling the size of the intersection would be.

Motion by Alderman Schmidt seconded by Alderman Mathy to send this item to the City of Bloomington Transportation Commission to review the engineering report and understand the safety issues regarding Towanda Barnes and Ireland Grove Roads intersections, review the City of Bloomington interactions and compare the five year crash data as well as cost factors for ongoing maintenance of these roads.

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

Ayes: Aldermen Painter, Mathy, Sage, Mwilambwe, Schmidt, Black, Hauman and Bray.

Nays: None

Recuse: Alderman Amelia Buragas

Motion carried.

The following was presented:

Item 8B: Consideration of an Ordinance providing for the City to petition to annex certain properties located in the City of Bloomington into the Bloomington Normal Water Reclamation District. *(Recommend an Ordinance providing for the City to petition the Bloomington Normal Water Reclamation District to annex the City owned properties Ewing Park I, Ewing Park II and the adjacent City bridle path and further providing and allowing for certain other properties located in said area to join said Annexation Petition and that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute the necessary documents. (Presentation George Boyle, Assistant Corporation Counsel 5 minutes, Council discussion 10 minutes.)*

ORDINANCE NO. 2017- 95

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AN ANNEXATION PETITION FOR CERTAIN PROPERTIES LOCATED IN THE CITY OF BLOOMINGTON INTO THE BLOOMINGTON NORMAL WATER RECLAMATION DISTRICT

Mr. Boyle stated that staff is recommending Council pass the ordinance allowing for the City to petition to annex certain city-owned properties known at Ewing Park I and II into the Bloomington Normal Water Reclamation District known as BNWRD. These properties receive BNWRD sanitary sewer services and the district by state law and its own ordinance is prohibited from providing sanitary sewer services to property that is outside of its boundaries and this would allow for those properties to continue to receive services.

Alderman Painter thanked Mr. Boyle stating this was her Ward, and it is long overdue.

Motion by Alderman Painter seconded by Alderman Schmidt to an Ordinance providing for the City to petition the Bloomington Normal Water Reclamation District to annex the City owned properties Ewing Park I, Ewing Park II and the adjacent City bridle path and further providing and allowing for certain other properties located in said area to join said Annexation Petition and that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute the necessary documents.

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

Ayes: Aldermen Painter, Mathy, Sage, Mwilambwe, Schmidt, Black, Hauman and Bray.

Nays: None

Recuse: Alderman Amelia Buragas

Motion carried.

The following was presented:

Item 8C: Consideration of adopting an Ordinance Amending the City Code to rename "Planning and Code Enforcement" as the "Community Development Department" and to change the location for filing certain applications with the Community Development Department instead of the City Clerk. *(Recommend an Ordinance amending the City Code to rename "Planning and Code Enforcement" as the "Community Development Department" and to change the location for filing certain applications with the Community Development Department instead of the City Clerk be adopted, and the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute the necessary documents.) (Presentation by David Hales, City Manager 5 minutes, and Council discussion 10 minutes.)*

ORDINANCE 2017 – 96

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A TEXT AMENDMENT TO THE CITY OF BLOOMINGTON ZONING CODE AND CITY CODE TO RENAME THE PLANNING AND CODE ENFORCEMENT DEPARTMENT
AS THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT AND TO CHANGE THE LOCATION FOR FILING CERTAIN APPLICATIONS WITH THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT INSTEAD OF THE CITY CLERK

Mr. Hales stated this has been long overdue.

Katie Simpson stated this is pretty straightforward, changing the name from PACE to Community Development and then also bringing land use applications into the Community Development Department instead of the clerk's office.

Motion by Alderman Hauman seconded by Alderman Buragas to an Ordinance amending the City Code to rename "Planning and Code Enforcement" as the "Community Development Department" and to change the location for filing certain applications with the Community Development Department instead of the City Clerk be adopted, and the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute the necessary documents.

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

Ayes: Aldermen Painter, Mathy, Sage, Mwilambwe, Schmidt, Buragas, Black, Hauman and Bray.

Nays: None

Motion carried.

The following was presented:

Item 8D: Discussion and Possible Action on an Ordinance Amending the City Code to Adopt Procedures on City Council Expenses and Reimbursements. *(Recommend an Ordinance Amending the City Code to Adopt Procedures on City Council Expenses and Reimbursements be approved and the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to sign the ordinance.) (Council discussion 15 minutes.)*

ORDINANCE NO. 2017-97

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CITY CODE TO ADOPT PROCEDURES ON CITY COUNCIL EXPENSES AND REIMBURSEMENTS

Mr. Rasmussen gave a short presentation on expense reimbursement policy and procedures and stated there were a few minor changes that were made that would be outlined in the Council memo.

Motion by Alderman Sage seconded by Alderman Bray to approve an Ordinance Amending the City Code to Adopt Procedures on City Council Expenses and Reimbursements be approved and the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to sign the ordinance.

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

Ayes: Aldermen Painter, Mathy, Sage, Mwilambwe, Schmidt, Buragas, Black, Hauman and Bray.

Nays: None

Motion carried.

The following was presented:

Item 8E: Discussion and action on an Ordinance Amending the City Code to Clarify Provisions on Public Comment. *(Recommend an Ordinance Amending the City Code to Clarify Provisions on Public Comment be approved and the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to sign the ordinance.) (Presentation by Jeffrey Jurgens, Corporation Counsel 5 minutes, Council discussion 10 minutes.)*

ORDINANCE NO. 2017-98

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CITY CODE TO CLARIFY PROVISIONS ON PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Jurgens presented a brief amendment to our public comment rules. We no longer use the City Council at City BLM email address to be able to communicate with all of the Council at once and so we have removed that provision from our rules.

Alderman Mathy asked why we removed that City Council at City BLM email address.

Motion by Alderman Schmidt seconded by Alderman Painter to approve an Ordinance Amending the City Code to Clarify Provisions on Public Comment be approved and the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to sign the ordinance.

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

Ayes: Aldermen Painter, Mathy, Sage, Mwilambwe, Schmidt, Buragas, Black, Hauman and Bray.

Nays: None

Motion carried.

City Manager's Discussion

Mr. Hales thanked Beth Oakley and other members of the City Manager's office for the preparation for the Citizen Volunteer Reception held last week. He also mentioned that with Tom Dabareiner's leaving, Steve Rasmussen will be serving as that interim Community Development Director until such time as we either come up with a full-time replacement or secure some other interim Community Development Director.

Mayor's Discussion

Mayor Renner thanked everyone for stepping up to the plate and does a lot of hard work that help not only the City, but the City Council, the Mayor, the Manager and staff. He thanked Mr. Hales and wished him the best of luck on his move to Joliet. He stated there would be a going-away party on November 7th.

City Aldermen's Discussion

Alderman Hauman stated that over the past several weeks, the members of our City Council have been asked by many members of our community to address the negative actions and statements from Mayor Renner. The majority of Council members have chosen to write a formal letter to Mayor Renner that states our concerns and reaffirms our expectations, and we are delivering the letter to him this evening. A copy of the letter will be shared with the media.

Alderman Mwilambwe thanked Mr. Hales for personally being very helpful to him as a new Alderman and throughout his tenure and wished him the best of luck in Joliet.

Alderman Sage thanked Mr. Hales and stated it had been a real pleasure to have had the opportunity to work with him the past eight years.

Motion to enter into Closed Session Meeting

Motion by Alderman Schmidt seconded by Alderman Bray to enter into a Closed Session Meeting for the purpose of Personnel – Section (c) (1) of 5 ILCS 120/2).

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

Ayes: Aldermen Painter, Mathy, Sage, Mwilambwe, Schmidt, Buragas, Black, Hauman and Bray.

Nays: None

Motion carried.

Executive Session – Personnel – Section 2(c) (1) of 5 ILCS 120/2 ***(30 mins.)***

Adjournment

Motion by Alderman Black seconded by Alderman Hauman adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 8:45 PM.

Motion carried. (Viva Voce)

CITY OF BLOOMINGTON

Tari Renner, Mayor

ATTEST

Cherry L. Lawson, City Clerk