

**SUMMARY MINUTES OF THE  
WORK SESSION CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
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OF BLOOMINGTON, ILLINOIS  
MONDAY, JANUARY 14, 2013; 6:10 PM**

The Council convened in regular Session in Council Chambers, 109 East Olive Street, at 6:10 p.m., Monday, January 14, 2013.

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

The Meeting was called to order by Mayor Stephen Stockton who directed the City Clerk to call the roll and the following members answered present:

**2. ROLL CALL**

Aldermen: Mboka Mwilambwe, Judy Stearns, Karen Schmidt, Jamie Mathy, Steven Purcell, Robert Fazzini, Jim Fruin, Mayor Stephen Stockton.

Absent: Aldermen Bernard Anderson and David Sage

Staff: David Hales, City Manager, Tracey Covert, City Clerk, Alex McElroy, Assistant to the City Manager, Scott Sprouls, Information Services Director.

**3. SOLID WASTE INTERIM REPORT**

David Hales, City Manager referred to the Solid Waste Interim Report. He discussed an overview of the report and spoke about the in-depth survey, other Central Illinois communities, and the number of cities that have left solid waste collection. Some have privatized.

There was an in-depth cost analysis for direct/indirect services, including solid waste, bulk waste, and leaf collection. The City was converting from a manual service to an automated service. The conversion would take place fall 2013. He cited benefits of reduced injuries and efficient services.

Alex McElroy, Assistant to the City Manager addressed the Council. The proposal discussed the increase of the bulk waste fee for one (1) bucket from \$30 from \$25. The tipping fee trends were currently thirteen percent (13%) below national and twenty-one percent (21%) below state. General feedback from the Council, media, and public surveys were required to formulate good data on costs and alternatives.

Mr. McElroy noted that five (5) units or more would have the recycling service only. Landlords would have the ability to opt-out, should they have space or logistics issues. There were sixty-two (62) buildings comprised of 413 units that had been identified.

Mayor Stockton requested public input, and believed this was a role for the infrastructure committee. Mr. Hales noted that Infrastructure Committee met once a month. He noted that there were a number of issues to address, appreciated the input, staff would move forward with public input and provide additional cost information.

#### **4. CHAMBER CAMERA/VIDEO OVERVIEW**

Mayor Stockton noted that live streaming of Council meetings would be a phased project. Scott Sprouls, Information Services Director stated that there would be four (4) cameras recording the Council meetings. Staff would turn recording into a professional archive piece during post production. Mayor Stockton noted that the filming would be controlled by speech, so the Council needed to speak clearly into the microphones. Council would be provided training on microphone use.

Mr. Sprouls stated that the cameras were networked and would be recording all of the time. Some could be added for the City's camera network which the Police Department's viewing.

Mayor Stockton thanked staff for their efforts. Citizens could watch meetings in the comfort of their home. He believed same assisted with transparency.

#### **5. ADJOURNMENT**

No motion was noted. Meeting adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

**CITYOF BLOOMINGTON**

**ATTEST**

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Tari Renner, Mayor  
for Stephen Stockton, former Mayor

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Cherry L. Lawson, City Clerk  
for Tracey Cover, former City Clerk