



URBANA CITY COUNCIL  
CLOSED SESSION



State of Illinois  
Diane Wolfe Marlin, Mayor

City of Urbana  
Charles A. Smyth, City Clerk

400 S. Vine St., Urbana, IL 61801  
To Consider the purchase or lease of property,  
Pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2 (c)(5)  
Monday, October 7, 2019  
6:30pm

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The Urbana City Council met in closed session Monday, October 7, 2019, at 6:30pm in the executive conference room on the second floor of the Urbana City Building to consider the purchase or lease of real property, pursuant 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(5).

**ELECTED OFFICIALS PHYSICALLY PRESENT:** Bill Brown, Shirese Hursey, Eric Jakobsson, Maryalice Wu, Diane Wolfe Marlin

**ELECTED OFFICIALS PRESENT VIA TELECONFERENCE:** None

**ELECTED OFFICIALS ABSENT:** Dean Hazen, Jared Miller, Dennis Roberts, Charles A. Smyth

**STAFF PRESENT:** Nick Hanson; Wendy Hundley; Carol Mitten; Lorrie Pearson; James Simon

**OTHERS PRESENT:** None

With a quorum present, Mayor Marlin called the closed session to order at 6:35 pm, stating the purpose of the closed session and noting everyone present.

Building Inspector II/New Construction Supervisor Nick Hanson gave brief background information about the property located at 2310B E. Main St.; the city has tried to contact the property owner without success. Mr. Hanson said that the property is now in foreclosure and owned by Fannie Mae.

The City has reached out to Fannie Mae to acquire the property for an amount no greater than \$5,000. If the council approves the purchase of this property, staff would apply for funds to cover the demolition cost. Staff mentioned that in the past any blight property purchase by the city was donated to Habitat for Humanity, which is not the case with this property, because the only access is via an easement that is not being maintained. Discussion ensued about possible uses, one being for the Rail Trail.

With no more business to come before this closed session, the council members exited the conference room at 6:52 pm and returned to the Council Chambers at 6:56 pm. Alderman Brown made the motion to go back into open session. Alderman Jakobsson seconded the motion. The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Wendy M. Hundley  
Deputy City Clerk

**Minutes Approved: January 13, 2020**

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