I. DECLARATION OF QUORUM

II. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES OF DECEMBER 14, 2009

III. ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

(P1) Ordinance 122-O-09 Amending Various Portions of the Zoning Ordinance Relating to the Creation of the “Resale Establishment” Use

Staff and Plan Commission (12/9/2009) recommend adoption of Ordinance 122-O-09: a text amendment to the Zoning Ordinance defines “Resale Establishments” as a use of land and allows such establishments in the Business, Commercial, Downtown, Research Park, and MXE Mixed Use Employment zoning districts. The proposed ordinance would allow Resale Establishments under 5,000 square feet in gross floor area as permitted uses in those districts, and would allow uses of 5,000 square feet or more to operate only by special use permit. Resale Establishments would not be allowed in any districts other than those listed. This item was introduced at Council and referred back to Committee on December 14, 2009.

(P2) Major Variance Application for 2433 Cowper Avenue

The Zoning Board of Appeals (12/1/2009) recommends denial of a proposed variance to establish an open parking space in the front yard of 2433 Cowper Avenue. This reverses the recommendation of the Site Plan and Appearance Review Committee (SPAARC) to approve the proposed variance with the condition that it be limited in effect to a “reasonable amount of time” based on the applicant’s family hardship, after which it would expire. SPAARC also recommended that such an expiration be eligible for extension upon application by the property owner. The proposal was heard before SPAARC on November 25, 2009.

(P3) Request from SHORE Services for up to $37,000 in HOME funds to Rehab their “Community Integrated Living Arrangement” Property on Brown Avenue

SHORE Community Services requests a HOME-funded forgivable loan to repair and improve a single family home for two disabled adults receiving housing and services through SHORE’s Community Integrated Living Arrangement (CILA) Program.
(P4) Request from Interfaith Housing Center of the Northern Suburbs for $25,000 in Affordable Housing funds for Foreclosure Prevention Counseling
Interfaith Housing Center is requesting funding that would supplement $104,000 from HUD, Cook County and other sources to expand the agency’s foreclosure prevention program and provide part time staffing at the Lorraine H. Morton Civic Center.

(P5) Request from Connections for the Homeless for $11,000 in matching funds for the Homeless Management Information System (HMIS)
Connections for the Homeless is requesting funding from the Affordable Housing Fund that would match a HUD grant of $41,640 to the Evanston Alliance on Homelessness for administration of its Homeless Management Information System administered by Connections for the Homeless.

IV. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

V. COMMUNICATIONS

VI. ADJOURNMENT