

**Planning & Development Committee
Minutes of January 22, 2007
Council Chambers – 6:30 p.m.
Evanston Civic Center**

Alderman Present: S. Bernstein, A. Hansen, D. Holmes, L. Jean-Baptiste, E. Moran, A. Rainey, E. Tisdahl, C. Wollin, M. Wynne

Staff Present: J. Wolinski, J. Burke, C. Brzezinski, K. Cox, R. Dahal, D. Jennings, V. Jones, C. Ruiz, J. Brownlee

Presiding Official: Alderman Jean-Baptiste

DECLARATION OF QUORUM

Chair Jean-Baptiste called the meeting to order at 6:54 p.m.

APPROVAL OF THE MEETING MINUTES OF JANUARY 8, 2007

Ald. Wynne moved approval of the January 8, 2007 minutes, seconded by Ald. Holmes. The vote was 9-0 in favor of the motion.

ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

Chair Jean-Baptiste changed the order of the agenda to hear the case that will take less deliberation than the others.

(P4) Ordinance 08-O-07 – Special Use Request for a Retail Services Establishment at 1908 Greenwood

Ald. Wynne motioned approval of Ordinance 08-O-07 to operate a dog daycare and training center at this location. Ald. Tisdahl seconded the motion and the vote was 9-0 in favor.

(P5) Planned Development Time Extension – 645 Custer Avenue

Mr. Wolinski explained that this was a planned development that was passed on July 25, 2005 and was to be built within a one-year time limit. The developer then request a six-month extension in 2006 and now the applicant's attorney, Mr. James Murray is here tonight asking for an additional six-month extension. Ald. Bernstein noted that it has already been one and a half years and questioned what the reason is for an additional time extension. In his opinion, the permits should have been applied for by this time. **Ald. Wollin moved approval, seconded by Ald. Moran. The vote was 8 in favor of the motion and 1 voting nay (Ald. Bernstein).**

(P6) Ordinance 09-O-07 – Major Variation Request for 800 Brummel/142-144 Elmwood

Chair Jean-Baptiste noted that the major variation request in the case is for three parking spaces. Mr. Wolinski explained that there are no parking spaces to the best of his knowledge on this site. Staff's recommendation is that this is a workable plan where the applicant proposes to locate the parking spaces and any time they can get cars off of the street especially in a crowded multi-family district such as 800 Brummel, staff would suggest approval.

Ald. Wynne moved approval of Ordinance 09-O-07, seconded by Ald. Holmes. Ald. Rainey said this project is in her ward and she can assure that for the 20 years she has been familiar with this building, the three parking spaces off the alley behind the building have always been parking

spaces. She encourages the Council's to support this. Also she noted that this is the first building south of the tracks to have balconies, which she is very excited about. The neighbors are all in support of this project as well.

The vote was 9-0 in favor of the motion.

(P1) Planned Development 1700-1722 Central Street - Recommended Denial from the Plan Commission

THIS ITEM WAS TRANSCRIBED BY COURT REPORTER, LEGRAND REPORTING & VIDEO SERVICES. PLEASE REFER TO THE TRANSCRIPT.

In summary: This item was introduced and referred back to Committee on February 12, 2007 meeting.

(PUBLIC HEARING)

(P2) Application Appealing the Preservation Commission's Denial of Certificate of Appropriateness for the Demolition of the Evanston Landmark at 1722 Central Street

This item was held in Committee for hearing on February 12, 2007. This item is still within the 45-day waiver requested by the applicant on January 8, 2007.

(P3) West Side Master Plan for Sub Areas 1, 2 and 3

Due to lack to time and in consideration of accommodating the consultants to make their presentations and also the allowance of efficient time for citizen comments and questions, a special meeting was scheduled to hear this item. After some discussion, the Committee came to a consensus to **hold the special meeting on Monday, January 29, 2007 at 6:15 p.m. in Room 2200 before the Human Services Committee meeting.**

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jacqueline E. Brownlee