

- Mr. Dahal explained that the Streets and Sanitation staff are fine with the truck turning radius at this location
- Alley behind 1019 Hull Terrace
 - Mr. Dahal explained that the original location was on Oakton School parkway; City staff did not think it was appropriate. At new location it is by a wall and Streets and Sanitation prefers it on the south side of the alley for truck maneuvering.
- Parkway on Brummel Street across 200 Ridge Avenue by CTA
 - New location is by a fence, west of 200 Ridge; Chair Hallen noted that there is a large piece of parkway for screening and it is a significantly set back, away from residential property

Mr. Mytych commented that this was the most in depth process of review of any entity he has seen.

Chair Hallen commented that he is very impressed with the improvements made in all of the site relocations; they are less visible and obtrusive. He commended the participants in the process on a joint effort of City and AT&T staff.

Mr. Dahal thanked the staff and committee member Mr. Stelios Valavanis for participating and providing input.

The Committee voted unanimously to open the floor to public comment. The following was discussed:

- Mr. Steven Rogan, representing the owners of 1706 – 1710 Sherman Avenue, the site of the former Valencia Theater, said he has concerns about the placement in the alley between Sherman and Benson because the intent of the ownership is to create a venue there. The owner and City staff have discussed vacating the alley from the location of the box to Sherman Avenue to make an open pedestrian space. He asked whether the box could be moved in the future. Mr. Pilkington said if it is for a public space, AT&T would pay to move it; for private development, the owner would pay, according to federal law.
- Ms. Chambers said the City's Downtown Plan indicates that this alley should be a pedestrian open space
- Chair Hallen said the box could be easily concealed with landscaping if the alley were to be made a pedestrian way.
- The Committee agreed that there is no better location for the box.
- Ald. Holmes asked that none be placed in her ward.

Action:

The Committee voted unanimously to approve the process used except for the alley behind 1712 Sherman, which will be determined when the next 5 VRAD boxes' process is approved.

Other Business:

The Committee voted unanimously to approve the January 13, 2009 meeting notes.

The meeting adjourned at 3:11 p.m. The next SPAARC meeting will take place on Wednesday, January 27, 2010 unless otherwise noted.

Respectfully submitted,
Bobbie Newman