CITYOF EVANSTON, ILLINOIS
LORRAINE H. MORTON CIVIC CENTER
JAMES C. LYLTE COUNCIL CHAMBERS
Monday, March 13, 2017

Roll Call:  
Alderman Fiske  Alderman Tendam
Alderman Wynne  Alderman Revelle
Alderman Wilson  Alderman Rainey
Alderman Holmes  Alderman Miller

Absent:  
Alderman Braithwaite

Presiding:  
Mayor Elizabeth B. Tisdahl

Mayor Tisdahl called the Regular Meeting of the City Council to order at 7:08 PM.

Mayor Public Announcements:
Mayor Tisdahl announced the renaming and ribbon-cutting ceremony for the Post Office to be the Abner J. Mikva. THE Mayor’s Summer Youth Program netted 863 students who came out in search of job potential. She stated there was a 26% increase over the previous year with 1000 available jobs. She then gave a breakdown of how many students were from each ward.

City Manager Public Announcements:
The City Manager announced the success of Northwestern Transit Planning 4 All Survey

Communications: City Clerk
City Clerk had no communications.

Public Comment
Mike Vasilko, expressed his concern with the procedure the city uses in awarding companies with contracts for projects in the city. He believed he was overlooked because of his whistle blowing last year.
Junad Rizki, spoke of the conflict of interest and ethics of a Mayoral candidate as the President of First Bank & Trust. He also agreed with Mr. Vasilko to table the A3.13 item on the Consent Agenda.

Heather Sweeney, stressed the point of stop advertising in Evanston Now because of its history of divisive reporting and not in line of serving all of Evanston, and she has a petition that many Evanston residents signed to request funding to Evanston be stopped.

Stephanie Ternycz, she too spoke on stopping spending funds in publications and censorship or is it beneficial to the city. If it does more harm than good it should be stopped.

Lisa Applegate, a journalist for many years and it’s the reporter’s obligation to strive for accurate facts with an unbiased reported attitude.

Madelyn Ducre’, she apologized to the Law Department, Mayor and her secretary. She wanted to know if the election is ethical or not, and asked the Aldermen how do you separate and distinguish people you stop and frisk.

**Items not approved on Consent AGENDA:**

(A2) City of Evanston Bills – March 14, 2017 $ 3,315,207.85

(A3.13) **Howard Street Theatre Architectural Services Contract with Ross Barney Architects, LLC**

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**For Action**

(A3.15) **Report Regarding Northwestern University’s Voluntary Annual Payments Referenced in its January 31, 2017 Letter to the City**

Staff recommends City Council receive this report regarding a recent Northwestern University property acquisition of 1840 Oak Avenue and a status report on the remaining properties owned by Northwestern in the Research Park district.

**For Action: Accept and Place on File**

(A6) **Ordinance 23-O-17, Lease of City-Owned Property Located at 721-723 Howard Street to Theo Ubique**

Staff recommends that City Council adopt Ordinance 23-O-17, authorizing the City Manager to execute a lease of City-owned real property located at 721-723 Howard Street with Theo Ubique. The lease would be for ten years and includes four, five-year options for additional lease periods. Rent is proposed to be $3,500 per month or $42,000 annually for the first three years. Theo Ubique will make
six payments totaling $204,450 to the City to cover a portion of the costs associated with renovating the building. A two-thirds majority of City Council is required to adopt Ordinance 23-O-17.

For Introduction

CONSENT AGENDA

(M1) Approval of Minutes of the Regular City Council Meetings February 27, 2017
For Action

ADMINISTRATION & PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

(A1) Payroll – February 6, 2017 through February 19, 2017 $3,007,215.30
For Action

Staff recommends City Council accept and place the Fourth Quarter Financial Report for FY 2016 on file.
For Action: Accept and Place in File

(A3.2) Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus Purchase with Municipal Emergency Services, Inc.
Staff recommends City Council approval for the purchase of 38 Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus from Municipal Emergency Services, Inc., (124 East First Street, Deer Park, IL 61733). The cost of the purchase is $243,200. The funding will come in part from a grant competition through which the Fire Department won an award of $221,091 from the Department of Homeland Security’s Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program. The City of Evanston is responsible for 10% of that amount ($22,109) under the terms of the grant. The grant match funding source will come from funds budgeted to 100.23.2305.62670.
For Action

(A3.3) Professional Service Agreement with Connelly’s Academy for Martial Arts Instruction at the Levy Center
Staff recommends that City Council authorize the City Manager to execute a sole source agreement with Connelly’s Academy (9750 Karlov Avenue, Skokie, IL) through December 2018 for a martial arts program services at the Levy Senior Center. Revenue from program registrations are deposited into the General Fund Account, Levy Senior Center 100.30.3055.53565 and expenses for instruction paid from 100.30.3055.62505. Compensation for the vendor is based on the following percentages of revenue collected: 60% Vendor Revenue, 40% City Revenue. Staff projects total 2017 expenditure payments to Connelly’s Academy at $32,400 and revenues of $54,000.00, based on anticipated participation.
For Action

(A3.4) Single Source Purchase of Ford Original Equipment Manufacturer Parts and Vehicle Service from Golf Mill Ford
Staff recommends City Council approval of a single source purchase of Original Equipment Manufacturer (OEM) parts and service with Golf Mill Ford Inc. (9401 N. Milwaukee Avenue, Niles, IL) in the amount of $86,500 through March of 2018. In April of 2012, the City went out for bid and Golf Mill Ford was selected as the lowest and only responsive bidder. Golf Mill Ford is the closest OEM dealer and will provide the City with a 30% discount off list price for parts. Funding for this purchase will be from the Major Maintenance, Materials to Maintain Autos Fund (Account 600.26.7710.65060), with a breakdown as follows: $69,500 for FY 2017 (with a budget of $1,050,000), and $17,000 for January – March 2018.

For Action

(A3.5) Contract Renewal for Tire Repair and Recap Services from Wentworth Tire Service
Staff recommends City Council approval for the City Manager to authorize a one (1) year renewal for tire repair and recap services in the amount of $24,672 with Wentworth Tire Service (300 North York Road, Bensenville, IL). In April 2016, staff solicited bids for tire mounting, dismounting, and recapping services for a one (1) year period, with the right to extend the agreement for up to two (2) one-year periods. This will be the first one (1) year request for renewal. Funding will be from the Tires and Tubes Fund (Account 600.19.7710.65065) with a budget of $100,000.

For Action

(A3.6) Contract with Christopher B. Burke Engineering, Ltd. For Engineering Services for Phase 3 of the Fountain Square Renovation Project
Staff recommends City Council authorize the City Manager to amend an existing engineering services contract for Phase 3 of the Fountain Square Renovation Project (RFP No. 15-68) with Christopher B. Burke Engineering, Ltd (9575 W. Higgins Road, Suite 600, Rosemont, IL 60018), in the amount of $345,634.01. This will modify the existing agreement amount from $401,897.88 to $747,531.89 and extend the contract deadline from June 30, 2017 to June 30, 2018. Funding is available from multiple funds as identified in the 2017 Capital Improvements Plan and as noted: $180,000 from the Washington National TIF (Account 415.40.4217.62145 – 516004) with a FY 2017 Budget of $180,000; and $165,634.01 from the 2017 GO Bond in the Capital Improvements Fund (from other project savings on Sheridan Rd/Chicago Ave project) (Account 415.40.4117.62145 – 516004) with a FY 2017 Budget of $200,000. No other project will be deferred as a result of the use of the Sheridan/Chicago Avenue cost savings.

For Action
(A3.7) **Contract with Copenhaver Construction for Fountain Square Renovations**

Staff recommends City Council authorize the City Manager to execute a contract for the Fountain Square Renovation Project with Copenhaver Construction (75 Koppie Drive, Gilberts, Illinois) in the amount of $5,900,266.70. Funding is available from multiple funds as identified in the 2017 Capital Improvements Plan and as noted: $4,740,000 from the Washington National TIF (Account 415.40.4217.65515 – 516004) with a FY 2017 Budget of $4,740,000; $262,960.00 from the 2017 GO Bond in the Capital Improvements Fund (for Alt #7 - Sheridan Road lighting) (Account 415.40.4117.65515 – 415450) with a FY 2017 Budget of $290,000; and $897,306.70 from the 2017 GO Bond in the Capital Improvements Fund (from other project savings) (Account 415.40.4117.65515 – 516004) with a FY 2017 Budget of $1,000,000.

*For Action*

(A3.8) **Contract with Landscape Concepts Management, Inc. for 2017 Green Bay Road Landscape Maintenance**

Staff recommends City Council authorize the City Manager to execute a contract for the 2017 Green Bay Road Landscape Maintenance contract to the low bidder, Landscape Concepts Management, Inc., (31745 Alleghany Rd., Grayslake, IL, 60030) in the amount of $24,966.90. Funding for this project is included in the proposed FY 2017 General Fund budget (Account 100.40.4330.62195), which has a total allocation of $142,000.00.

*For Action*

(A3.9) **Contract with Schroeder & Schroeder, Inc. for the 50/50 Sidewalk Replacement Project**

Staff recommends City Council authorize the City Manager to execute a contract for the 2017 50/50 Sidewalk Replacement Project (Bid No. 17-12) with Schroeder & Schroeder Inc. (7306 Central Park Avenue, Skokie, IL 60076) in the amount of $208,900.00. Funding will be provided from the Capital Improvement Program (CIP) General Obligation Bonds (Account 415.40.4117.65515 – 417021) in the amount of $150,000 and from estimated private funds in the amount of $58,900. This project is budgeted at $150,000 for FY 2017.

*For Action*

(A3.10) **Contract Extension for Pavement Patching with J.A. Johnson Paving Company**

Staff recommends that City Council authorize the City Manager to execute a one year contract extension for pavement patching with J.A. Johnson Paving Company (1025 E. Addison Ct., Arlington Heights, IL) in the amount of $600,000.00. This contract award is part of a bid let by the Municipal Partnering Initiative. Funding for this service will be from the Capital Improvement Fund (Account 415.40.4116.65515 - 417023) which has $600,000 budgeted for the supplemental patching program in 2017.

*For Action*
(A3.11) Sole Source Purchase of Concrete from Ozinga Ready Mix Concrete, Inc.
Staff recommends the City Council authorize the City Manager to execute a one-year single source contract for the purchase of concrete and flowable fill with Ozinga Ready Mix Concrete Inc. (2222 South Lumber Street, Chicago, IL) in the amount of $42,100. Funding will be provided as follows: General Fund (Account 100.40.4510.65055 with a budget of $100,000) in the amount of $26,900; Water Fund (Account 510.40.4540.65051 with a budget of $27,600) in the amount of $7,600; Sewer Fund (Account 515.40.4530.65051 with a budget of $10,000) in the amount of $7,600.
For Action

(A3.12) Contract with Hoerr Construction for the 2017 CIPP Contract A
Staff recommends that City Council authorize the City Manager to execute a contract for the 2017 CIPP Sewer Rehabilitation Contract A (Bid No. 17-15) with Hoerr Construction, Inc. (1601-D W. Luthy Drive, Peoria, IL) in the amount of $210,088.00. Funding for this project is from Sewer Fund, Account 515.40.4535.62461 - 417010, which has a FY 2017 budget of $665,000.
For Action

(A3.14) Howard Street Corridor Improvement Project Engineering Services Contract with Christopher B. Burke Engineering, Ltd.
Staff recommends that City Council authorize the City Manager to execute a contract to provide Phase I Engineering Services for the Howard Street Corridor Improvement Project with Christopher B. Burke Engineering, Ltd. (9575 W. Higgins Road, Suite 600 Rosemont, IL 60018) in the amount of $289,820.70. This project will be funded from the City’s Capital Improvement Program (CIP) 2017 General Obligation Bonds (Account No. 415.40.4117.65515-417002), which has an FY 2017 budget of $300,000.
For Action

(A4) Resolution 23-R-17, Affirming the City of Evanston’s Commitment to Reimburse District 65 and District 202 Their respectively Shares of Northwestern University’s Payment in Lieu of Taxes
Staff recommends City Council adopt Resolution 23-R-17 memorializing the City’s commitment to reimburse Evanston/Skokie School District 65 and Evanston Township High School District 202 their respective shares of Northwestern University’s voluntary annual payments to the City.
For Action

(A5) Resolution 24-R-17, Authorizing the City Manager to Sign an Illinois Department of Transportation Resolution for Improvement to Various Evanston Streets
Staff recommends City Council adoption of Resolution 24-R-17 authorizing the City Manager to sign an Illinois Department of Transportation Resolution for improvement by municipality under the Illinois Highway Code for Improvements
to various Evanston streets. This will allow the use of Motor Fuel Tax Funds in the amount of $1,400,000 for street resurfacing. Funding will be provided from the Motor Fuel Tax Fund (Fund 200) which has a total FY 2017 budget allocation of $1,391,000 and charged to Account 415.40.4217.65515 – 417004.

For Action

(A7) **Ordinance 9-O-17, Increasing the Number of Class D Liquor Licenses for Red Hot Chilli Pepper Restaurant**
Local Liquor Commissioner recommends City Council adoption of Ordinance 9-O-17, amending City Code Subsection 3-4-6-(D) to increase the number of authorized Class D liquor licenses from fifty-eight (58) to fifty-nine (59) and permit issuance of a Class D license to RHCP Group LLC d/b/a Red Hot Chilli Pepper Restaurant (Company) located at 500 Davis Street, Unit 102. This license will permit Company to retail sale of alcoholic liquor in restaurants only to persons of at least twenty-one (21) years of age for consumption on the premises. This ordinance was introduced at the February 27, 2017 City Council meeting.

For Action

(A8) **Ordinance 10-O-17, Increasing the Number of Class W Liquor Licenses for Little Beans Cafe**
Local Liquor Commissioner recommends City Council adoption of Ordinance 10-O-17, amending City Code Subsection 3-4-6-(W) to increase the number of authorized Class W liquor licenses from one (1) to two (2) and permits issuance of a Class W license to Little Beans Café, LLC d/b/a Little Beans Cafe (Company) located at 430 Asbury Avenue. This license will permit Company to retail sale of beer and wine in commercial indoor recreational facilities only to persons of at least twenty-one (21) years of age for consumption on the premises. This ordinance was introduced at the February 27, 2017 City Council meeting.

For Action

**HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE**

(H1) **Resolution 15-R-17, Authorizing the City Manager to Negotiate and Execute an Agreement with Evanston Animal Shelter Association to Serve as the City’s Volunteer Animal Organization**
Staff recommends City Council adoption of Resolution 15-R-17, authorizing the City Manager to negotiate and execute an agreement between the City of Evanston and the Evanston Animal Shelter Association to serve as the City's Volunteer Animal Organization for the Evanston Animal Shelter and Adoption Center for a period of two years (June 1, 2017 – May 31, 2019).

For Action
(H2) **Resolution 16-R-17, Authorizing the City Manager to Negotiate and Execute a Grant Agreement with Evanston Animal Shelter Associate to Fund Operations at the Evanston Animal Shelter**

Staff recommends City Council adoption of Resolution 16-R-17, authorizing the City Manager to negotiate and execute an agreement between the City of Evanston and the Evanston Animal Shelter Association to fund part-time positions for the operations of the Evanston Animal Shelter. The total cost of this agreement would be $65,000 per year and the agreement would run for a period of two years (June 1, 2017 – May 31, 2019) concurrent with the Volunteer Animal Organization Agreement. Funding for this agreement will be provided by Account 100.22.2280.62509 with a 2017 budget of $185,000.

For Action

(H3) **Resolution 25-R-16, Designating that Portion of Foster Street Between Hartrey Avenue and Emerson Street with the Honorary Street Name Sign, “Rev. Zollie Webb Way”**

The Parks, Recreation and Community Services Board recommend adoption of Resolution 25-R-17, naming the portion of Foster Street between Hartrey Avenue and Emerson St, with the honorary street name sign, “Rev. Zollie Webb Way”. Funds for the honorary street name sign program is budgeted in the Public Works Agency, Infrastructure and Maintenance Bureau - Traffic Operations' materials fund (Account 100.40.4520.65115). Three street signs are made for the honoree. One sign is installed at each end of the designated one block area and the third sign is given to the honoree. The approximate cost to create each honorary street name sign is $200.

For Action

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE**

(O1) **Storefront Modernization Program Application for Gross Point Plaza**

Staff and the Economic Development Committee recommend approval of financial assistance through the Storefront Modernization Program to the owners of Gross Point Plaza shopping center at 2504-2510 Gross Point Road in an amount not-to-exceed $16,500 for façade renovations including accessibility improvements and installation of new windows and doors. Funding will be from the Economic Development Business District Improvement Fund (Account 100.15.5300.65522). The approved Fiscal Year 2017 Budget allocated a total of $350,000 for this account to fund both the Storefront Modernization and Great Merchant Grant programs. To date, $0 has been spent from this account, leaving $350,000 available for expenditure.

For Action

(O2) **Storefront Modernization Program Application for Lake City Cleaners**

Staff and the Economic Development Committee recommend approval of financial assistance through the Storefront Modernization Program to Lake City
Cleaners at 600 Oakton Street in an amount not-to-exceed $10,648 for the installation of an RPZ backflow prevention device and water pressure booster pump within the building’s plumbing systems in order to bring it into compliance with plumbing code requirements. Funding will be from the Economic Development Business District Improvement Fund (Account 100.15.5300.65522). The approved Fiscal Year 2017 Budget allocated a total of $350,000 for this account to fund both the Storefront Modernization and Great Merchant Grant programs. To date, $0 has been spent from this account, leaving $350,000 available for expenditure.

**For Action**

(O3) **Storefront Modernization Program Application for Red Hot Chilli Pepper Restaurant**
Staff and the Economic Development Committee recommend approval of financial assistance through the Storefront Modernization Program to Red Hot Chilli Pepper located at 500 Davis Street in an amount not-to-exceed $10,700 for the façade renovations including the addition of a revolving door, relocation of an accessible entrance, and installation of new windows and signage. Funding will be from the Economic Development Business District Improvement Fund (Account 100.15.5300.65522). The approved Fiscal Year 2017 Budget allocated a total of $350,000 for this account to fund both the Storefront Modernization and Great Merchant Grant programs. To date, $0 has been spent from this account, leaving $350,000 available for expenditure.

**For Action**

(O4) **Storefront Modernization Program Application for Good to Go Jamaican Cuisine**
Staff and the Economic Development Committee recommend approval of financial assistance through the Storefront Modernization Program for Good to Go Jamaican’s new location at 711 Howard Street in an amount not-to-exceed $50,000 for renovations including plumbing, electrical, HVAC, concrete work, masonry work, painting, drywall and demolition. Funding will be from the Economic Development Business District Improvement Fund (Account 100.15.5300.65522). The approved Fiscal Year 2017 Budget allocated a total of $350,000 for this account to fund both the Storefront Modernization and Great Merchant Grant programs. To date, $0 has been spent from this account, leaving $350,000 available for expenditure.

**For Action**

(O5) **Resolution 22-R-17, Good To Go Jamaican Cuisine Request for CDBG Funding**
The Economic Development Committee and staff recommend City Council approval of Resolution 22-R-17 for a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) loan in the amount of $25,000 to Good To Go Jamaican Cuisine LLC to purchase equipment needed for their new location at 711 Howard Street. Staff recommends using the CDBG Economic Development Fund (Account
215.21.5260.63064), with a budget of $175,500. To date, $75,000 has been allocated to Economic Development priorities in the City’s 2015-2019 Consolidated Plan and Action Plan.

**For Action**
Alderman Rainey motioned for approval of the Consent Agenda with a second from Alderman Tendam. Voice Vote of 8-0 and the motion passed.

**Items for discussion:**

(A2) City of Evanston Bills – March 14, 2017 $3,315,207.85
Alderman Miller motioned for approval with a second from Alderman Tendam. Roll Call vote 8-0 the motion passed with Alderman Miller voting no for the item involving the Evanston Now newspaper.

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**For Action**
Alderman Miller motioned for approval with a second from Alderman Rainey. Roll Call vote was 7-1 the motion passed (Alderman Miller voted nay).

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**For Action: Accept and Place on File**
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associated with renovating the building. A two-thirds majority of City Council is required to adopt Ordinance 23-O-17.

**For Introduction**

Alderman Miller motioned for approval with a second from Alderman Rainey. Roll Call vote was 7-1 the motion passed with a nay vote from Alderman Miller.

**Call of the Wards:**

**Ward 1**, Alderman Fiske had no report.

**Ward 3**, Alderman Wynne invited all her residents to a coffee with her at bagel arts from 7-10 AM Thursday.

**Ward 4**, Alderman Wilson had no report.

**Ward 5**, Alderman Holmes invited all to her 5th ward meeting 7 PM at Fleetwood.

**Ward 6**, Alderman Tendam had no report.

**Ward 7**, Alderman Revelle mentioned the kickoff meeting for Evanston Community Out-tech Project on March 15 in the Parasol room.

**Ward 8**, Alderman Rainey announced her 8th ward meeting at the Levy Center tomorrow night at 7 PM.

**Ward 9**, Alderman Miller had no report.

Mayor Tisdahl asked for a motion to adjourn and Alderman Wynne motioned to adjourn with a second from Alderman Tendam. The meeting ended at 8:30 PM.

Submitted by,
Rodney Greene, MMC
City Clerk