CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

CITY OF EVANSTON, ILLINOIS
LORRAINE H. MORTON CIVIC CENTER
JAMES C. LYTLE COUNCIL CHAMBERS
Monday, July 24th, 2017

Present:
Alderman Fiske
Alderman Braithwaite
Alderman Wynne
Alderman Wilson
Alderman Rue Simmons (8)

Absent:
Alderman Revelle (1)

Presiding: Mayor Stephen Hagerty

Devon Reid
City Clerk
Mayor’s Public Announcements

Mayor Hagerty reminds residents of the Citizen Police Complaint Assessment Committee application deadline on July 28th. Mayor Hagerty announces the new art gallery at 1627 Sherman. Mayor Hagerty & Alderman Wilson will be guest at the New Saloon hosted at Temperance. The Chamber of commerce will meet at Rotary International to discuss the county’s minimum wage and sick leave ordinance on July 26th at 6pm. The intersection at 1027 Sherman will be honorarily named after Don baker on Wednesday at 5pm. Mayor Hagerty acknowledged City Manager Bobkiewicz for being named to the Executive Committee of the International City Managers Association.

City Manager’s Public Announcements

City Manager Bobkiewicz introduces Diane Williams, Chair of Evanston’s Preservation Committee, who acknowledge recipients of the Evanston preservation awards. City Manager Bobkiewicz introduces Jennifer Lasik and Asia Sageman who showcase an online art public map of Evanston. City Manager bobkiewicz acknowledges Jill Velan as the new parking director of Evanston.

City Clerk’s Communications

No communications

Public Comment

Herb Harms  
Suggest the Council consult with state and federal government regulations to ensure equal and equitable access to the lakefront for any future project chosen for the Harley Clarke site.

Rob Kunes  
Against the proposed ordinance 46-O-17.

Matt Rodgers  
In support of and comments on city project on Howard and Chicago ave. Asks council to consider opportunities for affordable housing in the designated area.

Maleek Turley  
In support of city project on Howard and Chicago. Asks council to consider opportunities for affordable housing in the designated area.

Michelle Hayes  
In support of city project on Howard and Chicago. Asks council to consider opportunities for affordable housing in the designated area. Urges council to look into homelessness statistics to better educate decisions on affordable housing.

Gina Nicola  
In support of city project on Howard and Chicago. Asks council to
consider opportunities for affordable housing for seniors.

Paul Klitzke  Against the proposed ordinance 46-O-17. Watch

Priscilla Giles  Makes suggestion that Fleetwood Jordaine surveys should be distributed to local locations that constituents congregate. In support of affordable housing in the city of Evanston. Watch

Joshua Lustig  In support of improvement of open data and open source initiatives for the city of Evanston. Watch

Consent Agenda

Approval of Minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting of June 26, 2017. Motion: Watch
Ald
Braithwaite

Payroll – June 26, 2017 through July 9

For Action
Approved on Consent Agenda (8-0)

Bills List – July 25, 2017 $ 2,608,589.35

For Action
Passed (7-0). Ald. Suffredin abstained.

ADMINISTRATION & PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

Sole Source Renewal of Annual Cisco SmartNet Software Support Contracts and Licenses from CDW

City Council authorizes the sole source purchase of Cisco SmartNet networking licenses and software from CDW (120 S.Riverside, Chicago, IL 60606) in the amount of $54,445.68. This contract provides support for the City’s essential computer networking system and covers the period September 15, 2017 through September 15, 2018. CDW is the current State Bid Contract provider for these services as of July 2017. Funding is provided by the IT Division, Computer Licensing and Support Fund (Account 100.19.1932.62340), which has a total budget of $500,000 and a YTD balance of $324,915.46 before this transaction. This quote is a reduction from last year’s annual cost of $73,063.37.

For Action
Approved on Consent Agenda (8-0)
Agreement Amendment for Northwestern Football Parking on the Evanston Wilmette Golf Course During Home Football Games

Council approval of the Evanston Wilmette Golf Course Association (EWGCA) request for amendment of the existing three year agreement (2016, 2017 and 2018 seasons) to continue to park cars on holes 1, 2, 11 and 12 of the golf course during Northwestern University home football games. This amendment is requesting approval to pilot tailgating on hole #12. Currently, only parking is allowed on hole #12. This pilot program would be evaluated at the end of the 2017 football season.

For Action
Approved on Consent Agenda (8-0)

Change Order #1 to Water Treatment Plant Reliability Improvements Project with Thieneman Construction, Inc.

Council authorized the City Manager to execute Change Order No. 1 for the Water Treatment Plant Reliability Improvements Project with Thieneman Construction, Inc. (TCI) (17219 Foundation Parkway, Westfield, Indiana 46074) in the amount of $35,611.00. This will increase the total contract amount from the current contract price of $1,247,000.00 to $1,282,611.00. There is no time extension associated with this change order. The Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA) has agreed to provide a loan from the State Revolving Fund in an amount up to $1,634,816.00 for engineering and construction of this project. This amount includes a contingency of 3% ($37,410.00) of the bid price of the project. With this funding, all eligible engineering and construction costs will be funded by a loan repaid over 20 years at 1.64% interest. IEPA loan funding for this work is being routed through the Water Fund, Capital Improvement (Account 513.71.7330.65515 – 733094). This project has an overall project allocation of $2,500,000 for both 2016 and 2017.

For Action
Approved on Consent Agenda (8-0)

Contract with Schroeder & Schroeder, Inc. for 2017 Alley and Street Improvements

Council authorized the City Manager to execute a contract for the 2017 Alley and Street Improvements Project (Bid No. 17-38) with Schroeder & Schroeder, Inc. (7306 Central Park, Skokie, IL 60076) in the amount of $1,301,882.10. This project consists of improvements to five alleys throughout the City, street resurfacing on Dewey Avenue from the cul-de-sac south of Simpson Street to the north end north of Payne Street, and
installation of traffic calming speed humps on various streets and speed bumps in various alleys. Funding will be provided from the CIP Fund (various accounts), the Parking Fund (Account 505.19.7005.65515-416500), and the Sewer Fund (Account 515.40.4535.62461–417017). A detailed summary of the funding can be found on the corresponding transmittal memorandum. This project was budgeted at $1,576,000 for FY 2017. This project is $5,071.61 over budget for 2017 G.O. Bonds. The additional funding is available from savings from other projects.

For Action
Approved on Consent Agenda (8-0)

Contract with Bulley & Andrews Concrete Restoration for 2017 Parking Garage Improvements

Council authorized the City Manager to execute a contract for the 2017 Parking Garage Improvements (Bid No. 17-42) with Bulley & Andrews Concrete Restoration (1755 West Armitage Avenue, Chicago, Illinois 60622) in the amount of $237,354.00. Funding will be provided from the Parking Fund (Accounts 505.19.7005.65515-617011; 505.19.7005.65515-617012; & 505.19.7005.65515-617013) with a total budget for this project of $620,000.

For Action
Approved on Consent Agenda (8-0)

Sidewalk Café for Furious Spoon at 1700 Maple Avenue

Council approval of first-time application for a sidewalk café permit for Furious Spoon, a Type 1 restaurant located at 1700 Maple Avenue. The sidewalk café will consist of nine tables with four seats each for a seating capacity of 36, and will operate Sunday-Thursday 11:00 a.m.–1:00 a.m. and Friday-Saturday 11:00 a.m.–2:00 a.m.

For Action
Approved on Consent Agenda (8-0)

Resolution 65-R-17, Creating a Separate Fund entitled the “Robert Crown Community Center Maintenance Fund”

Council adoption of Resolution 65-R-17 enabling the creation of the Robert Crown Community Center (RCCC) Maintenance Fund in the FY 2019 Annual Budget. This fund will be used for specific long-term infrastructure maintenance items at both the RCCC and surrounding fields as identified below. Revenues to support the anticipated long term maintenance costs of the RCCC shall come from operating revenues of the new facility and from donations. These revenues will be reviewed not less than once every five
years to determine if the proper funding has been set aside for the timely replacement of infrastructure.

For Action  
Approved on Consent Agenda (8-0)

Resolution 66-R-17, Professional Services Agreement with James B. Moran Center for “2017 Certificate of Rehabilitation Program”

Council adoption of Resolution 66-R-17, authorizing the City manager to execute an agreement between the City of Evanston and the James B. Moran Center for Youth Advocacy (1123 Emerson, Suite 203 Evanston, IL 60201) to provide legal services for not less than 15 Evanston residents to secure Certificates of Rehabilitation, expungement and criminal records sealing, in an amount not to exceed $30,000. Funding for this agreement is budgeted in Parks, Recreation and Community Services, Youth and Young Adult Engagement Division (Account 100.30.3215.62490) which has a FY 2017 budget of $281,965.00 and a YTD balance of $237,412 before this project. Costs amount to approximately $2,000 per participant. The City of Evanston shall be financially responsible for the furtherance of the program. The James B. Moran Center would be responsible for handling the payment of direct and indirect costs for not less than 15.

For Action  
Approved on Consent Agenda (8-0)

Ordinance 69-O-17, Amending Title 10, Motor Vehicles and Traffic, Chapter 11, Traffic Schedules, Section 18: Residents Parking Only Districts

Council adoption of Ordinance 69-O-17, amending City Code Section 10-11-18(H) adding: eligibility for residents on Lake Shore Boulevard, west side, from Greenleaf Street north to Hamilton Street and 1145 Sheridan Road.

For Introduction  
Approved on Consent Agenda (8-0)

Ordinance 70-O-17, Amending Title 10, Motor Vehicles and Traffic, Chapter 11, Traffic Schedules Section 18: Residents Parking Only Districts

Council adoption of Ordinance 70-O-17, amending City Code Section 10-11-18(G) adding Residents Parking Only on: Harrison Street, both sides, Hartrey Avenue to the alley east of Prairie Avenue; and Prairie Avenue, both sides; alley south of Central Street to Lincoln Street, to read 7:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m., Monday through Saturday.
For Introduction
Approved on Consent Agenda (8-0)

Ordinance 71-O-17, Amending Title 10, Motor Vehicles and Traffic, Chapter 11, Traffic Schedules, Section 18: Residents Parking Only Districts

Council adoption of Ordinance 71-O-17, amending City Code Sections 10-11-18(G) by including eligibility for the district for: Residents addresses of 2542 – 2566 Prairie Avenue, 2002-B Central Street and 2002-C Central Street.

For Introduction
Approved on Consent Agenda (8-0)

Ordinance 58-O-17, Amending City Code 7-2-5-3 “Permit Fees,” to include Block Party Regulations

Council adoption of Ordinance 58-O-17 by which City Council would amend City Code 7-2-5-3 “Permit Fees,” to include Block Party Regulations.

For Action
Approved on Consent Agenda (8-0)

Ordinance 61-O-17, Increasing the Number of Class D Liquor Licenses for Furious Spoon Evanston Maple Ave., LLC, d/b/a Furious Spoon

Council adoption of Ordinance 61-O-17, increasing the number of authorized Class D liquor licenses for Furious Spoon Evanston Maple Ave., LLC, d/b/a Furious Spoon located at 1700 Maple Street.

For Action
Approved on Consent Agenda (8-0)

Special Order of Business
(SP1) Request for Proposal to Lease the Harley Clarke Mansion 2603 Sheridan
Council review and approval of the Request for Proposal (RFP) to lease the Harley Clarke Mansion, 2603 Sheridan Road, to a non-profit organization. The RFP has been revised per direction given by City Council at the July 10, 2017 meeting.

For Action
Item Passed (8-0)

(A7) Ordinance 67-O-17, Authorizing City Manager to Negotiate with Harrington Brown LLC for the Sale of City-Owned Real Property Located at 100 Chicago Avenue
Council approval of Ordinance 67-O-17, “Authorizing the City Manager to Negotiate with Harrington Brown, LLC for the Sale of City-Owned Real Property Located at 100 Chicago Avenue, Evanston, Illinois.” The sale of City-owned real property is a two-step process; an ordinance must be adopted to authorize the City Manager to negotiate the sale of property followed by an ordinance at a later date that authorizes the City Manager to execute a sales contract that memorializes said negotiations. A two-thirds majority of Council is required to adopt Ordinance 67-O-17. Suspension of the Rules is requested for introduction and adoption by City Council on July 24, 2017.

For Introduction and Action
Item taken off consent agenda.
Passed (7-1) Ald. Suffredin voted no.

(SP2) 2017 Budget Expense & Revenue Recommendations
Council review the 2017 year-end estimates and budget adjustment strategies; consider recommend revenue action provided to City Council separately; and direct the City Manager to implement measures to balance the budget.

For Action
Item Passed (8-0)
(A3.7) Contract with Warren Langley for Design, Manufacture and Installation of Lighted Sculpture at the Green Bay, Emerson, Ridge Intersection  

Council authorized the City Manager to enter into a contract with Warren Langley, Australian artist, (13/63 Crown Rd. Queenscliff, Sydney, NSW 2096) for RFP 17-01 to design, manufacture and install a lighted sculpture in the underpass of the Green Bay, Emerson, Ridge intersection in the amount of $88,897.50. This is funded from the CIP Neighborhood Public Art fund (Account 415.40.4116.65515-117004). The total 2017 funding allocation of $150,000 is allocated as follows: $75,000 from FY 2016 G.O. Bonds (carryover), and $75,000 from FY 2017 G.O. Bonds.

For Action  
Item taken off Consent Agenda.  
Passed (6-2)  
Ald. Fiske and Suffredin vote no.

(A6) Resolution 64-R-17, Authorizing City Manager to Execute TIF Forgivable Construction Loan and Development Agreement with Harrington Brown LLC for Proposed Development at 100 and 128 Chicago Avenue  

Council adoption of Resolution 64-R-17, considering Harrington Brown, LLC’s request for financial assistance totaling $1,959,946 from the Howard Ridge TIF and an additional $1 million from the Affordable Housing Fund for the development of a mixed use commercial/residential project at 130 Chicago Avenue. The Howard Ridge TIF will provide funding through the issuance of G.O. Bonds which will be abated by the tax increment produced by the development and by future Howard Ridge TIF revenues. The Affordable Housing Fund has a cash balance of $1,055,000, but only $590,000 after accounting for previous commitments. However, staff anticipates revenues of $375,000 in 2018 for an estimated balance of $965,248. Fees in lieu of payments from 831 Emerson and 1815 Ridge would occur at first temporary certificate of occupancy (TCO). This is not estimated to occur until 2019 at the earliest.

For Action  
Item taken off consent agenda.  
Passed (6-2)  
Ald. Suffredin and Wilson voted no.

(A8) Ordinance 73-O-17, Amending Title 10, Motor Vehicles and Traffic, Chapter 11, Traffic Schedules, Section 17, Schedule XVII: Parking Violation Penalties  

Ordinance 73-O-17, amending City Code Section 10-11-17, Schedule XVII, Parking Violation Penalties to increase the fine for an expired parking meter by ten dollars ($10) to twenty dollars ($20) effective September 1, 2017. The last time this fine was increased was January 22, 1976.
For Introduction
Item failed in committee
Removed from agenda

(A13) Ordinance 72-O-17, to Amend Title 11, Administrative Adjudication, Chapter 2, Parking & Compliance Violations, Section 11(B) 

Immobilization Program The Transportation/Parking Committee and staff recommended that the City Council adopt Ordinance 72-O-17, amending Title 11, Administrative Adjudication, Chapter 2, Parking & Compliance Violations, Section 11(B): Immobilization Program to read: “When the registered owner of a vehicle has accumulated three (3) or more final determinations of parking and/or compliance violation liability.”

For Introduction
Item failed in committee
Removed from agenda

(A16) Ordinance 62-O-17, Increasing the Number of Class K Liquor Licenses for Beer on Central, LLC dba Beer on Central

Council adoption of Ordinance 62-O-17, increasing the number of authorized Class K liquor licenses for Beer on Central, LLC dba Beer on Central located at 1930 Central Street.

For Action
Approved on Consent Agenda. (8-0)

(A17) Ordinance 46-O-17, Amending City Code Section 9-5-15, Regulating Small Unmanned Aircraft in the City of Evanston

City Council rejected adoption of Ordinance 46-O-17, amending City Code Section 9-5-15, regulating small unmanned aircraft in the City of Evanston. Ordinance 46-O-17 addresses ongoing community concerns and provide an enforcement tool related to the operation of small unmanned aircraft, including drones.

For Action
Item taken off consent agenda.
Failed (3-5) Ald. Suffredin, Rainey, Fleming, Wilson, and Rue voted No.

Call of the Wards
Ward 1: No report

Ward 2: No report

Ward 3: Alderman cancels 3rd ward meeting on Thursday, July 27th due to a developing family emergency. Alderman Wynne makes a reference to the plan commission to draft & review a policy regarding seawalls on the lakefront.

Ward 4: Alderman Wilson reminds constituents of meeting tomorrow night with the mayor at the New Saloon at 7:00pm.

Ward 5: Alderman Simmons request a statement from staff clarifying regulation regarding expansion of waste management facility on Church. Alderman Simmons reminds residents of National night out August 1st at Twiggs park. Alderman Simmons announces tax appeal sessions to be held in the council chambers August 2nd.

Ward 6: Alderman Suffredin request CFO Lyons provide an update on taxes exempt property assessment.

Ward 7: No report

Ward 8: Alderman Rainey comments on drone ordinance.

Ward 9: Alderman Fleming requests that a document be produced that shows the process of approving a development. Alderman Fleming announces that the 8th and 9th ward will have a combined national night out at Kaman Park (West).

Adjournment

Mayor Hagerty called a voice vote to adjourn the City Council meeting, and by unanimous vote the meeting was adjourned at 10pm. The council proceeded into executive session.