



City of
Evanston

CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

**CITY OF EVANSTON, ILLINOIS
LORRAINE H. MORTON CIVIC CENTER
JAMES C. LYTTLE COUNCIL CHAMBERS
Monday, February 19th, 2018**

Present:

Alderman Fiske

Alderman Revelle

Alderman Braithwaite

Alderman Rainey

Alderman Wynne

Alderman Fleming

Alderman Wilson

Alderman Suffredin

Alderman Rue Simmons

(9)

Absent:

Presiding:

Mayor Stephen Hagerty

**Devon Reid
City Clerk**

Mayor's Public Announcements

Mayor Hagerty announced that he signed the Statement of Principles for the Mayor's Against Illegal Guns program aimed at gun safety. Mentioned Moms Demand Action who will be organizing a march in Springfield focusing on gun licensing legislation. They will travel on Wednesday February 28th and returning that same day around 8:30 pm. For more information you can check out Dear Evanston Facebook page or email dearevanston@gmail.com. Must register by February 21st to participate. Lastly, the Mayor will hold a meeting this Thursday, February 22nd at 7pm in the Parasol Room. It will be focused on creating ideas here in Evanston that will help pass sensible gun laws in the country. [Watch](#)

City Manager's Public Announcements

City Manager Wally Bobkiewicz had no Announcements [Watch](#)

City Clerk's Communications

City Clerk announced that Early Voting will begin from March 5th-19th. The first week of early voting will run from 9am to 5pm The second week will run from 9am to 7pm. Early voting will also be available on Saturday's and Sunday's. February 20th is the last day to register to vote by paper and residents have until March 4th to register online. Mail Ballots are available in the Clerk's Office and people have until March 15th to submit them. [Watch](#)

Public Comment

Junad Rizki Talked about City Manager, water in James Park, Robert Crown project and staff. [Watch](#)

Maura Farrell Spoke about her support in favor of the Robert Crown Center project [Watch](#)

Special Order of Business

(SP1) Main Library Renovation Update [Watch](#)

Staff will present City Council with an update on the Main Library

Renovation.

For Discussion

Council hear presentation from staff on renovation for the Main Library. Direction was given on the general consensus that the expenses would have to be differed in terms of the City taking on the additional expense for a period of time.

(SP2) Robert Crown Community Center Project Update

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Staff recommends City Council review the funding options presented and provide direction on next steps for the Robert Crown Community Center project.

For Discussion

City Council reviewed the funding and provided the next steps for the Robert Crown Community Center. Ald. Braithwaite, Simmonds and Flemings are concerned about funding the project with a property tax increase.

Appointments

(APP1) For Re-Appointment:

Motion: Ald.
Rainey

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Environment Board
Utilities Commission

Linda Young
Mark White

Call of the Wards

Ward 1: No Report

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Ward 2: Asked to keep in prayer Alton Belcher Sr., Semark family and Doria Johnson for their recent passing. The bus tour for the Le Tour de Noir will depart at 1:00 pm from the Levi Center and return at 3:30 pm. The business expo will sell from 3:30 to 7:30 pm. Reminded everyone to donate business dress code attire for the youth participating in this year's Mayor Summer Youth program.

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Ward 3:	No Report	Watch
Ward 4:	No Report	Watch
Ward 5:	Invited the community to join the Le Tour de Noir on Saturday February 24th. It will focus on Black-owned Evanston businesses followed by a Business Expo. Details will be posted as they are confirmed. Admission is \$20.	Watch
Ward 6:	Zoning Board of Appeals will meet on Tuesday February 20th to discuss 3233-3249 Central St 6th Ward project.	Watch
Ward 7:	Encouraged everyone to attend the Le Tour de Noir event	Watch
Ward 8:	On February 23rd there will be a ribbon cutting ceremony presided by the City Mayor at Cafe Corelli at 1 p.m. located on Howard St. On February 27th at 7 o'clock the Howard St. Business Association will meet at Peckish Pig.	Watch
Ward 9:	Thanked the 9th Ward residents who attended the Ward meeting held the previous Saturday. Invited everyone to see the new Ridgeville after school program. After school will be opening from 3:30-6:00 p.m. at Kamen Park West.	Watch

Adjournment

Mayor Hagerty called a voice vote to adjourn the City Council meeting, and by unanimous vote the meeting was adjourned. Ald. Wilson led City Council into Executive Session. A roll call vote was taken and by a unanimous vote (9-0) City Council recessed into Executive Session.