



SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING

**CITY OF EVANSTON, ILLINOIS
LORRAINE H. MORTON CIVIC CENTER
JAMES C. LYTTLE COUNCIL CHAMBERS
Monday, April 30, 2018
6:00 p.m.**

ORDER OF BUSINESS

- (I)** Roll Call – Begin with Alderman Wilson
- (II)** Mayor Public Announcements
- (III)** City Manager Public Announcements
STAR Communities Recognition of City of Evanston's 4-STAR Sustainable
Community Recertification
- (IV)** Communications: City Clerk
- (V)** Public Comment
Members of the public are welcome to speak at City Council meetings. As part of the Council agenda, a period for public comments shall be offered at the commencement of each regular Council meeting. Public comments will be noted in the City Council Minutes and become part of the official record. Those wishing to speak should sign their name and the agenda item or non-agenda topic to be addressed on a designated participation sheet. If there are five or fewer speakers, fifteen minutes shall be provided for Public Comment. If there are more than five speakers, a period of forty-five minutes shall be provided for all comment, and no individual shall speak longer than three minutes. The Mayor will allocate time among the speakers to ensure that Public Comment does not exceed forty-five minutes. The business of the City Council shall commence forty-five minutes after the beginning of Public Comment. Aldermen do not respond during Public Comment. Public Comment is intended to foster dialogue in a respectful and civil manner. Public comments are requested to be made with these guidelines in mind.

(VI) Special Orders of Business

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(SP1) Resolution 25-R-18, Supporting Direct Public Transportation Service to Evanston Township High School

Staff recommends City Council adopt Resolution 25-R-18, supporting direct public transportation service to Evanston Township High School.

For Action

(SP2) Affordable Housing Work Plan Updates

Staff presents City Council with updates on the Inclusionary Housing Ordinance Subcommittee, coach houses, the Landlord Rehabilitation Assistance Program, and the three-unrelated occupancy rule.

For Action: Accept and Place on File

(SP3) Resolution 26-R-18, Execute Intergovernmental Agreement with Evanston Township High School District No. 202

Staff recommends consideration of Resolution 26-R-18 authorizing the City Manager to execute an intergovernmental agreement (IGA) with the Board of Education of the Evanston Township High School District No. 202. The IGA recognizes the mutual benefits to the City, ETHS and the community of the educational and housing program commonly known as Geometry In Construction (GIC) and memorializes the expectations and commitments of both parties to maintain the program going forward.

For Action

(SP4) Expanding Accessory Dwelling Units to Address Housing Needs in Evanston

Staff requests direction from City council regarding follow-up steps relating to Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs) as a strategy to expand housing choices and affordable housing in Evanston. At its meeting on January 29, City Council directed staff to revise current zoning to allow rental of existing coach houses as a first step. An ordinance to permit this was introduced at the April 23, 2018 meeting. Staff proposes undertaking a comprehensive review of how to expand ADUs to further address Evanston's housing needs. Involving the Age Friendly Taskforce in this evaluation, as well as in community outreach and education, would provide valuable perspective regarding housing needs of seniors, including smaller accessible housing units, the ability to age in place, and avoiding displacement due to rising housing costs.

For Action

(SP5) Steps Toward Homeownership – Special Use for Small Lot Housing

Staff recommends consideration of developing a Special Use process that would enable developers to propose the construction of modest-size homes on smaller lots than currently allowed by our zoning. This process would enable the development of “starter” homes affordable to first-time homebuyers and less affluent residents by reducing the land cost associated with the development of a single family home. It would also allow non-conforming parcels throughout our community that are currently undevelopable based on zoning to be put into productive use.

For Action**(SP6) Update on Priority Based Budgeting Process**

Staff recommends Council accept and place on file the update on the priority-based budgeting process and direct staff to move forward with the public outreach portion of the process.

For Action: Accept and Place on File**(VII) Call of the Wards**

(Aldermen shall be called upon by the Mayor to announce or provide information about any Ward or City matter which an Alderman desires to bring before the Council.) {Council Rule 2.1(10)}

(VIII) Executive Session**(IX) Adjournment****MEETINGS SCHEDULED THROUGH MAY 15, 2018**

Upcoming Aldermanic Committee Meetings

5/3/2018	7:00 PM	Housing and Homelessness Commission
5/7/2018	6:00 PM	Human Services Committee
5/14/2018	6:00 PM	Administration & Public Works, Planning & Development, City Council
5/15/2018	7:00 PM	Housing & Community Development Act Committee

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