

**82-R-19**

**A RESOLUTION**

**Endorsing Oxcart LLC's Application to the Cook County Assessor for 6b Status Designation for Renovation and Redevelopment of a Vacant Building at 1729-1733 Central Street, Evanston, Illinois**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Evanston, Cook County, Illinois, (the "City") is a home rule unit of government under the Illinois Constitution of 1970; and

**WHEREAS**, there exists within the borders of the City a recognized need for economic development, business expansion and employment; and

**WHEREAS**, there exists a need to aid in financing the cost of economic development projects in order to encourage an increase in commerce and industry within the City, thereby reducing unemployment and providing for the increased welfare and prosperity of the residents; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council desires to promote the redevelopment of vacant buildings and retain local business to allow them to expand within its borders; and

**WHEREAS**, the Cook County Assessor operates under an ordinance, known as the Cook County Real Property Classification Ordinance, which the Cook County Board of Commissioners enacted in order to encourage industrial and commercial development in Cook County; and

**WHEREAS**, Oxcart LLC d/b/a "Hewn Bakery" (the "Applicant") has applied for or is applying for Class 6b property status pursuant to said ordinance, for certain real estate, located at 1729-1733 Central Street in the City, with the

Property Index Number 05-34-427-017-0000 (the "Subject Property"), and has documented that such incentive provided for in said ordinance is necessary for renovation of an existing building to occur on the Subject Property; and

WHEREAS, applicant seeks affirmative support from the City of Evanston for its application to the Cook County Assessor and the City Council finds it is in the best interests of the City to support their efforts to receive this 6b designation,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EVANSTON, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS:**

**SECTION 1:** That the City Council hereby grants the request of the Applicant to have the Subject Property declared eligible for Class 6b status pursuant to the Cook County Real Property Classification Ordinance because the City Council recognizes that the incentive benefits provided for in said ordinance are necessary for new construction to occur on the Subject Property.

**SECTION 2:** The City Council hereby supports and consents to the Cook County Assessor granting the Subject Property 6b status pursuant to the Cook County Real Property Classification Ordinance.


**SECTION 3:** Hewn will make best efforts to continue to hire and retain Evanston residents for bakery work for new and existing positions that become vacant. Best efforts will include but are not limited to the following: the business will work City and County workforce development professionals to identify capable people of filling vacant jobs; and the business will work with local

job training professionals (e.g. Have Dreams, JJ's List, and others) to identify, hire, and train individuals to pursue bakery jobs.

**SECTION 4:** That this Resolution 82-R-19 shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval in the manner provided by law.

  
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Stephen H. Hagerty, Mayor

Attest:

  
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~~Devon Reid, City Clerk~~ Eduardo Gomez  
Deputy City Clerk

Approved as to form:

  
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Michelle L. Masoncup, Corporation  
Counsel

Adopted: August 5th, 2019