

Observer Report

City Council

Date: June 26, 2017

Observer: Jessica Feldman

Meeting began: 8:25pm

Meeting Ended: 11pm into Executive Session

Aldermen Present/Absent: All present

Staff Present: Michelle Masoncup, Lawyer; Marty Lyons; Dave Stoneback; Lawrence Hemmingway; Erica Storlie. Sarah Flax.

Media Present: At Media desks EvanstonNow; 1 NU reporter; Evanston Review; Junad Riszki (???)

Mayor's Public Announcements & Proclamations: 1) Thanked city staff for extra effort to clean up after severe storms; 2) Presented Key to City to John F. Germ, 2016-17 outgoing president of Rotary International; 30 July is Parks and Recreation Month.

City Manager's Announcements: Announced Park & Recreation Department is a Gold Medal Finalist; called on Lawrence Hemmingway, Director of Parks & Rec Dept. who described programs and showed video submitted in Medalist competition. Called on Ms Sanchez, a Fellow in the City Manager's office to describe the Community Ambassador program that one of the Ambassadors described as "311 live" out and about, i.e., at Custer Fair, etc.

No Clerk's Communications

Citizen Comment: 43 citizens signed up; 45 spoke. One minute each. No Coal Tar 7 yes 1(David Cantor, Industry Lobbyist) no; Harley Clarke 29 yes; 1 (concerned about competition to Ecology Center 17 existing environmental/nature programs); 1 concerned about business plan presented by Lake House & Gardens proposal; Landmark for 1726 Hinman 1 no (Sigma Chi owner 's lawyer) 3 yes; 2 no on drone regulation; 1 negative comments about Mayor; 1 pro Harley Clarke support but No on realignment of City departments including realignment of transfer tax and passport processing services currently provided by City Clerk's office.

Discussion, Action:

(I) Special Orders of Business

(SP1) Proposed Agreement with Evanston Lakehouse & Gardens for Harley Clarke Mansion Operations

The Parks and Recreation Board and the Lighthouse Landing Complex Committee recommend that City Council authorize the City Manager to negotiate a long-term lease agreement with Evanston Lakehouse & Gardens (819 Clinton Place, Evanston, 60201) to operate an environmental education center and meeting/event space at the Harley Clarke property. The recommendation includes continuing to reserve the \$250,000 from the CIP budget allocated by the Council in September 2016 for improvements to the property (Project #616031). Unlisted but evident: Alternate plan to authorize development of an RFP for such proposals (most supporters for SP1 objected to RFP process).

For Action

Tom Hodgson, who works for Nature Conservancy and is chair of the Lakehouse & Gardens

organization, explained the group's proposal.

Alderman Revelle thanked the planning committee for its work on the Harley Clarke issue and proposal and made the motion to approve the proposed agreement with Evanston Lakehouse & Gardens for Harley Clarke Mansion Operations. Seconded by Alderman Suffredin

Alderman Wilson, beginning the CC discussion, spoke at length about what a difficult position he found himself in with this challenge to find a solution to this issue. Continuing he said, while this was a heartfelt proposal, he referred back to the Resolution approved unanimously by CC in September 12th (this year? last year? couldn't find) to have the City retain ownership and responsibility for operation of the mansion. He feels the proposal before Council is contrary to that original goal which was for the City to operate. He felt delayed action on the proposal before them last night and proceeding with a RFP process was more in line with community transparency and with the provisions of September 12th Resolution. Aldermen Rue Simmons and Fleming agreed that transparency and that any plan had to reflect inclusion of the whole community. Alderman Rue Simmons stated the first time she had ever known of or gone to Lighthouse Beach or seen the Harley Clarke mansion was when she went to actually view the mansion for this issue. She has become a visitor at this beach when she can. After more discussion Alderman Wilson moved to amend the motion to authorize the City Manager to present a RFP that opens the process to the Lakehouse and Gardens group and others. The amendment was approved 7-2 (Revelle and Suffredin voting no. (A draft RFP will be provided to CC in July.

CONSENT AGENDA

(Using the new rules approved during the Rules Committee meeting Standing Committee Chairs presented their committee's portion of the Consent Agenda.

Alderman Braithwaite presented A&PW:

- (M1)** Approval of Minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting of May 22, 2017 and June 12, 2017.
Approved 9-0

ADMINISTRATION & PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

For Action

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| (A1) | Payroll – May 29, 2017 through June 11, 2017 | \$ 2,810,258.63 |
| [(A2) | Bills List – June 27, 2017 | \$ 4,714,121.83 |
| | Credit Card Activity – Period Ending April 30, 2017 | \$ 181,147.56)] [OFF 7-0 Rue Simmons and Suffredin recused.] |
| (A3) | <u>Approval of Payment to Ancel, Glink for Professional Services Rendered to the City Clerk's Office During the 2017 Municipal Election</u> | |
| | Former City Clerk Rodney Greene recommends approval of the purchase of professional services | |

rendered during the 2017 municipal election from Ancel, Glink, Diamond, Bush, DiCanni & Krafthefer, P.C.).

(A4.1) Agreement Renewal with Sam Goss & Associates for Handyman Services Staff recommends that City Council authorize the City Manager to execute the first one (1) year renewal of an optional two (2) one year renewals with Sam Goss & Associates (1727 Brummel, Evanston, IL) to provide handyman services for the Handyman Program.

(A4.2) Drinking Fountain Lead Sampling Results

Staff recommends the City Council receive this report on the results of the water samples taken from drinking fountains and analyzed for lead contamination from City Parks and provide direction to staff on next steps.

(A4.3) Contract with Alfred Benesch & Company for 30" Downtown Transmission Main Engineering Services

Staff recommends City Council authorize the City Manager to execute a contract for the 30" Downtown Transmission Feeder Main Engineering Services (RFP 17-06) with Alfred Benesch & Company, Chicago, IL in the amount of \$305,890.54. Funding will be provided from Water Fund. Staff is proposing to apply for a loan from the IEPA. If the loan is received, most engineering costs would be considered eligible for reimbursement under the loan.

(A4.4) Contract with Gim Electric Co. for Noyes Theater Lighting Replacement

Staff recommends City Council authorize the City Manager to execute a contract for a Noyes Theater Stage Lighting Replacement (RFP 17-35) with Gim Electric Co., Inc. (in the amount of \$129,500.00. Funding will be provided from Capital Improvements Fund 2017. This project was not budgeted in FY 2017, but funding is available from the delay of the Church Street Harbor South Pier Reconstruction due to permit review issues. The Church Street Harbor project, which had a funding allocation of \$370,000 in 2017 GO Bonds, is now proposed to be budgeted for 2018 construction.

(A4.5) Contract with Crawford, Murphy & Tilly for Emerson Street Wholesale Water Meter Engineering Services

Staff recommends City Council authorize the City Manager to execute a contract for the Emerson Street Wholesale Water Meter Engineering Services (RFP 17-36) with Crawford, Murphy & Tilly (Aurora, IL 60504) in the amount of \$124,487.00. This project was not budgeted for 2017, but funding is available from savings in water operations funding in Account 513.71.4225.62180.

(A4.6) Change Order No. 3 for the Water Treatment Plant Reliability Improvements Project with CDM Smith

Staff recommends that City Council authorize the City Manager to execute Change Order No. 3 for the Water Treatment Plant Reliability Improvements Project with CDM Smith (125 South Chicago, IL) in the amount of \$82,403.00. This will increase the total contract amount from the current contract price of \$445,434.00 to \$527,837.00. There is no time extension associated with this change order. Funding for this Change Order will be from the Water Fund, Capital Improvement Account which has an FY2017 budget allocation of \$260,000. This project is being funded by a low-interest loan from the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency. Eligible engineering fees will be funded by the loan.

(A4.7) Approval of 2017 Pay Station Expenses to Total Parking Solutions

Staff recommends the City Council authorize expenditure to Total Parking Solutions, Inc., Downers Grove, IL 60201 to cover the fees associated with 22 parking meter terminals (pay stations) in the amount of \$33,000 for the period May 16, 2017 through May 15, 2018. Funding provided by the

Parking System Fund (Account with a FY2017 budget of \$55,740 and an available balance of \$38,089.80.

- (A4.8) Purchase of Police & Administrative Services Vehicle from Currie Motors** Staff recommends City Council approval of the purchase of two (2) Ford SUVs. One (1) will be allocated for the Evanston Police Department Field Operations Division, and one (1) vehicle for the Administrative Services Department Facilities Maintenance Division. The replacement vehicles will be purchased from Currie Motors (9423 W. Lincoln Highway, Frankfort, IL 60423) in the amount of \$55,188. Funding for the vehicles will be from the Equipment Replacement Fund in the amount of \$55,188, which has a budget of \$1,455,422. Budget remaining in this account after this purchase is \$124,821. This expenditure represents 3.79% of this budgeted amount.
- (A4.9) Purchase of Trackless Modal MT7 Tractor from EJ Equipment Inc.** Staff recommends City Council approval for the purchase of one (1) tractor for the Public Works Agency from EJ Equipment Inc. (Manteno, IL 60950) in the amount of \$156,193.25. The purchase will come out of the Equipment Replacement Fund.
- (A4.10) Second Contract Extension with Community Counselling Services Co. LLC** Staff recommends that City Council authorize the City Manager to execute a second contract extension of three months for the period of July through September 2017 for consulting services Community Counselling Services Co., LLC (CCS) Chicago, Illinois 60606 at a total cost of \$97,500. Funding will be from the FY 2017 Capital Improvements Fund – Robert Crown Project with a budget of \$1.5 million and a net balance of \$809,000 prior to this expense.
- (A5) Resolution 56-R-17, Relating to Prevailing Wages for Public Works Projects** Staff recommends City Council adoption of Resolution 56-R-17 in order to comply with the provisions of the Illinois Prevailing Wage Act, 820 ILCS 130/0.01, *et seq.*
- (A6) Resolution 60-R-17, Authorizing the City Manager to Execute Contract Amendment No. 2 to Supply and Sell Water to the Village of Skokie, Illinois** Staff recommends City Council adoption of Resolution 60-R-17, authorizing the City Manager to execute Contract Amendment #2 to Supply and Sell Water to the Village of Skokie Illinois. This amendment would extend the term of the agreement by four months, until September 30, 2017, at a wholesale water rate of \$1.07 per 1,000 gallons. Continued discussions with the Village of Skokie for a new contract agreement have yielded some movement in reaching an agreement. The additional extension proposed will allow staff to continue to explore the potential for a new agreement that is equitable for both parties.
- (A7) Resolution 61-R-17, Authorizing the City Manager and City Staff to Evaluate Reorganization of Certain City Departments and Divisions and to Return to City Council for Related Code Amendments** Staff recommends City Council adoption of Resolution 61-R-17, authorizing the City Manager and City Staff to evaluate reorganization of certain City Departments and Divisions and to return to City Council for related Code amendments. The City Clerk and City Manager are considering ways to better align services to include transfer tax and passport processing services currently provided by the City Clerk's office. Realignment will require legislative action amending the City Code through adoption of an ordinance. The City Manager and Staff will evaluate changes and return to Council within 60 days for subsequent legislative action.
- (A8) Ordinance 14-O-17, Amending Evanston City Code Title 11, "Administrative Adjudication"** Staff recommends adoption of Ordinance 14-O-17, amending Title 11, "Administrative Adjudication" of the Evanston City Code of 2012 to reflect the City's organizational realignment and consolidation of the City's Administrative Adjudication Division.

For Introduction

[(A9) Ordinance 22-O-17, Amending City Code Section 3-4-2(C)(2), Liquor Control Regulations - Powers and Duties

Staff recommends City Council adoption of Ordinance 22-O-17 amending City Code Section 3-4-2(C)(2), "Powers and Duties" to limit the time when a law enforcement agency may enter a liquor licensee's property.] Off Consent Agenda—held until next CC meeting.]

(A10) Ordinance 46-O-17, Amending City Code Section 9-5-15, Regulating Small Unmanned Aircraft in the City of Evanston

City staff recommends City Council 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

(A11) Ordinance 50-O-17 Amending the City Code to Establish a 4-Way Stop Control at the Intersection of Woodbine Avenue and Jenks Street

Staff recommends City Council adoption of Ordinance 50-O-17 amending Section 10-11-5(D), Schedule V (D) of the City Code to establish a 4-Way Stop Control at the intersection of Woodbine Avenue and Jenks Street. The estimated cost to install two additional stop signs is \$150.00. Funding will be through the General Fund-Traffic Control Supplies (Account 100.40.4520.65115), with a FY 2017 budget of \$50,000, and a YTD balance of \$20,266.17.

(A12) Ordinance 51-O-17, Authorizing the Sale of a Surplus Fleet Vehicles Owned by the City of Evanston

Staff recommends that City Council adopt Ordinance 51-O-17, directing the City Manager to offer the sale of vehicles owned by the City through public auction at the special Northwest Municipal Vehicle Auction being sponsored by America's Auto Auctions on Tuesday, July 25, 2017 or any other subsequent America's Online Auction as these vehicles become available, on a timely basis, as a result of new vehicle replacements being placed into service.

Consent Agenda A&PW Portion Approved 9-0

Alderman and Chair Rainey Presented:

PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

[(P1) Ordinance 7-O-17, Amending Portions of the City of Evanston Zoning Code Regulating Generators

Staff recommends that the Planning and Development Committee receive and file the revised Ordinance 7-O-17. No action is requested at this time. Staff will continue to work on this Ordinance to address the location and noise regulations associated with generators. Removed from agenda to date certain August 14

To Receive and File]

For Introduction

(P2) Ordinance 56-O-17, Granting a Special Use for a Public Utility and Major Zoning Relief for a Fence (Wall) at 2506 Green Bay Rd.

The Zoning Board of Appeals and City staff recommend adoption of Ordinance 56-O-17 granting special use approval for a Public Utility for the replacement of existing ComEd equipment with "DC-in-

a-box” utility equipment, and major zoning relief for 16’ and 20’-tall fences (concrete walls) for safety and thermal screening of the utility equipment, at 2506 Green Bay Rd. The applicant has complied with all other zoning requirements, and meets all of the standards for special use and major variation in the B1a Business District and the o CSC Central Street Overlay District.

(P3) Ordinance 57-O-17, Granting a Special Use for Commercial Indoor Recreation, Sharp Edge Cross-Fit at 1324-1326 Dodge Ave.

The Zoning Board of Appeals and City staff recommend adoption of Ordinance 57-O-17 granting special use approval for Commercial Indoor Recreation, Sharp Edge Cross-Fit, at 1324-1326 Dodge Ave. in the I2 General Industrial District. The applicant has complied with all zoning requirements and meets all of the standards for a special use for this district.

Alderman Braithwaite recommends suspension of the rules for Introduction and Action at the June 26, 2017 City Council meeting.

For Introduction and Action

[(P4) Ordinance 47-O-17, Granting Landmark Status to Building and Lot of Record at 1726 Hinman Avenue

*The Preservation Commission and City staff recommend adoption of Ordinance 47-O-17 designating 1726 Hinman Avenue as an Evanston Landmark. This Ordinance was continued from May 22, 2017 to the June 12, 2017 City Council meeting. Off Tabled to August 14. **Approved 9-0]**
Consent Agenda portion approved 9-0*

HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE

Alderman and Chairman Alderman Fiske Presented

For Action

[(H1) Ordinance 49-O-17, Amending City Code Title 7 by Adding Chapter 18, “Pavement Sealant Applicators”

*The Evanston Environment Board recommends City Council adoption of Ordinance 49-O-17, banning the use of coal tar pavement sealers in the City of Evanston. Aldermen requested information from Dave Stoneback on economic impact of passage of the ordinance on community and about current status of use & availability of sealants containing coal tar. He said no longer available at suppliers such as Home Depot; City does not use nor do most contractors; only a few contractors still might use and they would have to declare when obtaining permits and would not be allowed to use. **[OFF - Approved 9-0]***

For Introduction

(H2) Ordinance 48-O-17 Amending City Code Section 8-14-2, “Definitions,” and City Code Section 8-14-6, “Penalty,” of Title 8, Chapter 14, “Drug Paraphernalia Control”

Administrative Adjudication Officer Sue Brunner recommends adoption of Ordinance 48-O-17 amending City Code Section 8-14-2, “Definitions,” and City Code Section 8-14-6, “Penalty,” imposing a two hundred dollar (\$200.00) fine for violating Title 8, Chapter 14, “Drug Paraphernalia Control.” **Approved 9-0. as part of Consent Agenda.**

(I) Call of the Wards