

Observer: Sue Calder

Aldermen Present: Revelle, chair; Braithwaite, Wynne, Kelly, Nieuwsma, Burns, Suffridin (remote) and Reid.

Staff Present: Nyden

Start: 5:45 pm

End: 6:49 pm

For Introduction

P1. Amending the Zoning map for the proposed office/lab building to be in a D3 core development district and granting a special use for a new ten-story mixed use planned development at 1732-34, -40. Architects and others made a long presentation. Highlights include: contributions to public good (\$250,000 to affordable housing fund, 100,000 to transportation, Divvy bike station for \$65,000, bury utility lines, pave the entire alley not just their share, dimmable lights and balcony adornments to protect birds, storm water retention, 35 car parking spaces will be underground and spaces for 8 motor cycles and 40 bikes with other car parking leased), all vehicle entry will be from alley, the ceilings are somewhat higher as this will be primarily a lab building (which means it can't be all-electric - but most will be electric- and thus only LEED Silver) the height is 149.5 but due somewhat to the needs, although this would be used primarily by NU professors, the building will always remain on the tax roll.

City will do another traffic study although one was done by the firm (\$35,000); Reid stated another Divvy station is not needed and the \$65,000 should be used to support the homeless in downtown; Burns recommended they use the construction as a workforce development opportunity Passed unanimously.

For Discussion

D1. Proposed tree preservation ordinance. Currently no permit is needed to take down a tree on private property. Suffridin stated a balance is needed to protect property owners and that trees provide a public benefit. Should there be replacement fees - would be difficult to replace a large tree that currently provides shade for a number of properties. Staff will come back with more ideas.