

Observer: Betty Hayford

Aldermen present: Eight; Eleanor Revelle absent.

Media present: Four: Evanston Now, Roundtable, Review, NU Daily

Meeting began: 11:10 pm

Meeting ended: 12:25 am

Announcements: Mayor Hagerty announced the observation of Mental Health Month, May 2018 and National Police Week, May 13-19, 2018. The City Manager announced that the Priority Based Budgeting Survey has been released. Survey results will elicit community preferences and provide some guidance to Council. This is just one step in a long process. Council will hold a special budget meeting on July 30 to review 2018 budget and discuss considerations for 2019. The survey is being translated into Spanish and other languages can get help from 3-1-1.

Public comment. Four speakers. One asked city staff to develop Yahoo presentation on the changes proposed in SP1 and SP2 so Evanston youth will understand the potential benefits of these changes; one complained that she had been treated badly and asked to leave the Civic Center lounge; one expressed concern about possible budget cuts; one supported statement by an alderman in P&D meeting that public benefits for developments should be broad public benefits and not items required by law.

Special Orders of Business. (SP1) Adoption of Ordinance to City Code, "Juvenile Law Enforcement Records." Alderman Braithwaite praised the proposal drawn up by the Alternatives to Arrest Committee. He moved the suspension of rules, for Introduction and Action. The motion to approve passed, 8-0.

(SP2) Amending Portions of the City Code for the Expungement of Juvenile Administrative Hearing Records. Passed for Introduction and Action, 8-0.

Consent agenda. Alderman Fleming introduced the consent agenda from **Administration and Public Works.** Minutes; Payroll; Bills; Bank of American February Credit Card Activity; Purchase of Three Vehicles for the Public Works Agency, including two large service vehicles; Revised Purchase of One Vehicle for the Public Works Agency; Contract Renewal with Krave Concession for lakefront concession stands; Contract with First Student for 2018 summer bus transportation for Parks and Recreation; Accept and Place on File First Quarter Financial Report for FY 2018; Appointing Hitesh Desai as Evanston Delegate for the Intergovernmental Personnel Benefit Cooperative; Letter of Understanding with Evanston Foreign Fire Insurance Board to purchase fire fighter protective equipment over a 5 year period; Approval of Request for volume cap allocation for Private Activity Bonds from the State of Illinois of \$7,821,030 for 2018; Authorization to Terminate Lease for City-owned property at 2222 Oakton Street with Smylie Brothers; Extensions for 4 years until May 31, 2022 of the license to Comcast for facilities in James Park; Adoption of amendment of the City Code to codify the Block Party

permit process; Approval of increase in authorized Class F liquor licenses from 10 to 11 to permit issuance of a license to Target Store at 2209 Howard Street; Approval to increase class F-2 Liquor Licenses from zero to 1 and permit issuance of a license to Binny's Beverage Depot, 1111 Chicago Avenue; Approval to eliminate the restriction prohibiting Class F liquor licenses to be within 500 feet of one another; Approval to eliminate the restriction prohibiting Class F-1 liquor licenses to be within 500 feet from one another.

The consent agenda from Administration and Public Works passes 8-0.

Alderman Fiske presented the consent agenda from **Planning and Development**. Approval of zoning changes for a Planned Development to construct a 5-story mixed use building with indoor commercial space, 7000 square feet of outdoor garden/sales lot, 26 dwelling units and 30 parking spaces for 128-132 Chicago Avenue(Introduction); Approval to amend City Code on Historic Preservation to update language and streamline procedures to make it more user friendly while maintaining original intent and principles; Approval to amend the Zoning Ordinance to modify the definition of a Coach House.

The consent agenda from Planning and Development passed 8-0.

Alderman Wilson introduced the consent agenda from **Economic Development**. Approval of financial assistance to Evanston Rebuilding Warehouse not to exceed \$15,000 to help facilitate job training and placement opportunities for trainees including a modification to program guidelines seeking to be reimbursed upon the completion of the training program instead of after placing trainees in a job for 90 days; Approval of a Storefront Modernization Program grant to Squeezebox Books at 743 Main Street not to exceed \$3,441.66 for new awnings; Approval of a Storefront Modernization Program grant to Stepping Out on Faith at 1632 Orrington Avenue for up to \$823.66 for an awning sign; Approval of Four Entrepreneurship Support Program grants totaling \$9,860 for four businesses: Hubris Wealth; Eye Boutique Kloset; C & W Market, and Best 1 Built.

The consent agenda from Economic Development passed 8-0.

Alderman Fleming introduced from **Administration and Public Works** approval of a recommendation from City Staff to 1) receive an update on waste transfer tipping fees and 2) authorize the City Manager to pursue proposals for an environmental monitoring study at the waste transfer station at 1711 Church Street and to purchase the environmental monitoring equipment for the study at a total cost of \$192,500. The committee had also recommended the creation of a "special fund" for programming and infrastructure to ameliorate environmental damage within a two block radius of the waste station. Funds for this fund would include the rest of the \$1.2 million dollar settlement and future tipping fees of approximately \$100,000 per year. Alderman agreed on the designation of the court settlement funds, but discussion ensued about designating future fees. Aldermen Braithwaite and Rue Simmons emphasized the importance of this remediation effort to the residents of the area. The City Manager suggested a future ordinance to set up the fund after all aldermen could consider the issue. Alderman Fleming moved to approve this item in two parts: first to approve the expenditure of \$192,500 for the equipment and monitoring, which passed 8-0. Next she

moved to create a fund of the remaining settlement and future tipping fees for correcting toxic damage to the neighborhood. This also passed 8-0.

Fleming then presented an ordinance to allow for extended hours of alcohol service as amended by committee. This was proposed by Celtic Knot for the observation of the World Cup matches at 4 am. Rules were suspended for Introduction and Action. The motion passed 8-0.

Alderman Fiske explained that a proposal to approve a Resubdivision for 1727 Oak Avenue to separate the development parcel from the 1007 Church Street parcel is being held in Committee. She presented for Introduction a Special Use Permit for a planned development at 1727 Oak Avenue for a 17 story age-restricted multi-family rental development with 169 units and 136 parking spaces which included four site development allowances. She said she is opposed to the development. The motion to approve passed 7-1 with Fiske voting no.

Call of the Wards. The call of the wards included typical announcements. In addition, Alderman Fiske referred for discussion at the Rules Committee her concern about the tone of many of the public comments before Council in an effort to improve civility. She believes that the current lack of civility may discourage some citizens from speaking before Council and may discourage some residents from considering running for a council seat.

The meeting adjourned at 12:25 am.