

City Council Meeting Tuesday, January 16, 2018
City Hall, 209 N. York St.
Elmhurst, IL 60126
Council Chambers, 7:30 p.m.
Steven M. Morley, Mayor

Attendance: 1 press, ~12 residents; City Mgr. Grabowski;
Atty. Storino, Clerk Spencer; 2 City staff members; 13 Aldermen

LWV observer: B. Lipton

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and video recording of this meeting can be found at www.Youtube.com

1. Executive Session for the Purpose of Discussing: Pending /Probable Litigation pursuant to the Open Meetings Act 5 ILCS 120/2 (c)(11)

2. Call to Order by Ald. Mulliner

- Roll Call: Mayor Morley absent due to a family issue; Ald. Dunn absent

3. Receipt of Written Communication from the Public

- one submission

4. Public Forum

- Rex Erbey thanks the PWB subcommittee for listening to his group's concerns about waste management. He notes that the water surcharge has increased by 45% or \$5 per month. He infers that this is mostly due to the new meters, which will also mean that the water charges themselves are going to increase by about 8%. This will result in about a 20% increase for some residents.
- Lisa Gerhold Dirks of the Elmhurst Cool Cities Coalition thanks the Waste Subcommittee for including food scrap collection in the new waste contract. This will mean that Elmhurst will be the 23rd community in Illinois, and the 4th in DuPage, to add this service. She explains the many advantages of food scrap waste recycling and composting. She notes that ECCC is ready to partner with the City in a full-scale community education campaign in order to make this work.
- John Quigley, President of Elmhurst Chamber of Commerce states that his organization is 100 years old; he outlines all of their upcoming activities in 2018. York HS and the Elmhurst Memorial Day Parade are also 100 years old this year, so there will be many events commemorating this milestone.

5. Announcements none

6. Consent Agenda All approved 13 – 0 except item 6.3 (see ** below) pulled by Ald. Bram

6.1 Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Elmhurst City Council on January 2, 2018

6.2 Accounts Payable 01/16/2018 - Total \$ 2,728,113.49

** 6.3 Report - 2018-2023 Refuse and Recycling Contract (PWB)

- Ald. Bram explains that he pulled this item because he is concerned about the high cost of the smaller refuse toter that is now going to be in the new waste contract. He notes that the cost of disposal using the smaller 35 gallon toter will be twice that for the large toter (43 cents per gallon for 35 gal. and 22 c/gal for the large 95 gal. toter). This penalty exactly contradicts the objectives of recycling as set out by ECCC and the City's sustainability policy. He agrees that there is a fixed cost to pick up refuse at a home, regardless of the amount of garbage, but compared to Glen Ellyn, the charges for Elmhurst residents is higher. He feels that this is penalizing people for doing the right thing and reducing their household waste. He does not want to pass the report as is, since these issues have not been resolved.
- Ald. Polomsky thanks the committee and staff for including food scrap recycling and smaller toters in the new waste contract. She explains that the fees per household are not just based on the size of the toters, but also include administration and fixed costs for pickup. She notes that the most effective thing that cities can do to encourage reduction of household waste is to provide unlimited recycling and composting, and citizen education.
- Ald. Deuter comments that she also was surprised that the cost of the smaller toter was not very much less than the mid-size 65 gal. toter. She notes that the smaller toters used to get overfilled and they tipped over more readily. When better chip technology is available, toters will have chips which will allow the haulers to weigh the actual amount of trash and charge households based on exactly how much waste they produce. For now, she supports the new contract. Ald. Bram replies to these comments.
- Approved 12 – 1 (Bram)

6.4 Report - Utility System Remote Site PLC Replacements (PWB)

6.5 Report - Replacement of Wireless Mesh Network for Water System Communications (PWB)

- 6.6 Report - Proposal for Professional Engineering Services for the Water Reclamation Facility (WRF) Improvements Engineering Services for the Second Belt Filter Press, North Digester Cover and Mixing System, Excess Flow Screw Pump #4 and Laboratory Improvements (Bundle No. 3) (PWB)
- 6.7 Report - Proposal for Professional Construction Engineering Services for the Water Reclamation Facility (WRF) Improvements Water, Natural Gas, Fiber Optic, and Electric Utility Installations Project (PWB)
- 6.8 Report - Proposal for Professional Engineering Services - 2018 Sanitary Flow Meter Monitoring (PWB)
- 6.9 Report - Underpass Storm Station - Replacement of Pump #2 (PWB)
- 6.10 Report - One (1) Ford F250 4X4 Pick-Up Truck with Snow Plow Package (PWB)
- 6.11 Report - One (1) Ford F550 4X4 Dump Truck with Tailgate Spreader and Snow Plow Package (PWB)
- 6.12 Report - One (1) Ford Transit Cargo Van (PWB)
- 6.13 Report - Three (3) Peterbilt Municipal Body Dump Trucks with Snow Plow Packages (PWB)
- 6.14 Report - Industrial Park Roadway Improvements Project - Design Engineering Proposal (PWB)
- 6.15 Report - Elmhurst Running Club 4 on the 4th - 2018 Run (PAS)
- 6.16 Report - Use of Line of Credit (FCAAS)
- 6.17 Report - Sewerage Treatment Rates for Private Well Users (FCAAS)
- 6.18 Report - Sewerage Treatment Rate for Illinois American Water Company (FCAAS)
- 6.19 Report - Illinois American Water Wheeling Rate (FCAAS)
- 6.20 Report - Proposed Zoning Ordinance Text Amendments (DPZ)
- 6.21 Report - Case Number 17 P-11/Elmhurst Clinic Conditional Use (DPZ)
- 6.22 O-02-2018 - An Ordinance Vacating a Portion of the Right-of-Way Adjacent to 845 N. Larch
- 6.23 MCO-03-2018 - An Ordinance Amending Section 7.200 Entitled "Water Service Charges"; Section 7.201 Entitled "Wastewater/Sewer Service Charges; and Section 7.204 Entitled "Local Capital Investment Recovery Charge" of Article IV Entitled "Rates and Charges" of Chapter 7 Entitled "Water and Sewers" of the Municipal Code of Ordinances of the City of Elmhurst, Illinois
- 6.24 MCO-04-2018 - An Ordinance Repealing Chapter 14 Entitled "Stormwater and Floodplains" of the City of Elmhurst Municipal Code in its Entirety and Adopting an Amended Chapter 14 Entitled "Stormwater and Floodplains" of the City of Elmhurst Municipal Code

7. Committee Reports

- 7.1 Report - Compensation Market Study (FCAAS)
 - Ald. York explains that the 2% salary adjustment is just a placeholder from when it was done in May; evaluation going forward in the next few months will arrive at the exact amount.
 - Approved 13 – 0.

8. Reports and Recommendations of Appointed and Elected Officials

- Ald. Mulliner comments that this is the 100th anniversary of the 3 institutions so there will be celebrations this year.
- City Manager Grabowski reports from the last week's Ohare Noise Communities Coalition (ONCC) meeting. There is a new administrator, Rebecca Macpherson. They will soon be submitting the runway rotation reports from November and December. There will be upcoming meetings to evaluate the runway rotation plans and the City will attempt to be included in the discussions.
 - He attended the opening of the new exhibit at the Historical Museum on the Story of Our Freedom. He lists upcoming events related to this exhibit.
- Ald. Bram comments on Mr. Grabowski's report on the ONCC meeting. He also asks for a status report on when first responders will begin carrying Epi-pens. Mr. Grabowski states that the Police have completed their training but they are waiting for the state law to change so that the program can be implemented. Ald. Bram also asks for an update on the Performing Arts Center. Mr. Grabowski responds.

9. Other Business none

- 10. **Adjournment** 8:15 pm