

Monday, April 3, 2017

Elmhurst College Observer: L. Berley

Regular Meeting of the Elmhurst City Council

Public: 40

City Hall

Press: 2

209 N. York St.

First Responders: 2

Elmhurst, IL 60126

Council Chambers

7:30 p.m.

Steven M. Morley, Mayor

****AGENDA REVISED - The revision is the addition of item 7.5 Referral**

1. Executive Session - Conf. Room #2 - 6:30 p.m. for the Purpose of Discussing: Collective Bargaining Negotiations, pursuant to the Open Meetings Act 5 ILCS 120/2 (c)(2), Purchase of Real Property, pursuant to the Open Meetings Act 5 ILCS 120/5 (c)(5) and Appointment, Employment, Compensations, and Performance of Specific Employees of the Public Body, pursuant to the Open Meetings Act 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1)

2. Call to Order: 7:55 pm

2.1 Pledge of Allegiance: led by the 11U Extreme Baseball Team. They placed 2nd at State Competition.

2.2 Roll Call - **Present: 14; Absent: 0**

3. Presentations

3.1 Recognition - American Public Works Association (APWA) Awards - Chicago Metro Chapter Community Involvement Award - Tony Cuzzone

- Involvement in Tree Streets Project

- 40-year career of volunteering and working for the city

- Turkey Trot: raised 3.5 million dollars for the hungry

4. Receipt of Written Communication from the Public

- Two: one from Michael Krumery, and one from Bobby Smith

5. Public Forum

5.1 Public Forum

- Bobby Smith: Running for Park Board. Here to celebrate the 11U extreme baseball team. Gives the mayor a baseball, presumably from the game.

- Claude Pagacz: Disagrees with the ten million dollar general obligation bond, that was approved by the City Council on March 20th, for the replacement of the city's water meters. Asks the Council to specify how the bonds are being paid. Two projects for downtown redevelopment were approved by the City Council on March 20th, but only one of them has to follow the specific guidelines for construction.

- John Quigley: President and CEO of Elmhurst Chamber of Commerce and Industry, also a member of the Elmhurst Economic Development Commission. Erin Jason is presenting on the strategic plan for economic development and economic development update. Thanks to the \$100 million spent towards revitalization, Elmhurst's downtown area is thriving. "Those that oppose this strategy need only travel a few miles west down North Avenue to Villa Park that sits amongst run down properties and empty store fronts."

- John Scudder: Member of the Elmhurst American Legion, which has some major projects in the works. A grant is up for approval tonight that will give \$30,000 to the American Legion to complete these projects. These projects include putting in a new, electric sign. This sign will jumpstart their new marketing plan by providing better advertisement. The sign can also provide ad space for the police and fire department, and other community related announcements. This week marks the 100th anniversary of the United States entering World War I. Since then, 345 residents of Elmhurst have given their lives for their country. The average age of these 345 people is twenty-one years old. Each loss of life tore a family apart and the American Legion was there for those people. Asks the Council to remember this when considering the grant proposal.

- Kathleen Sullivan: Mentions the ordinance on the agenda to purchase the Golden Meadows property from the Park District and expresses her support for this ordinance.

-Michael Krumery: Homeless veterans are suffering and there should be something done about it. "Sanctuary Cities" are an offense of the law. It is against the law to knowingly harbor an "alien" from deportation (schools and churches are not exempt from this law). Two seventeen-year old "illegal aliens", who were protected by a "sanctuary city", raped a fourteen-year old girl. San Francisco is a "sanctuary city" that harbored an "illegal alien" and protected him from detainment. He had seven felonies for heroin and narcotics and three months after release, he shot and killed a young girl. Asks the Council how we can let this happen.

6. Announcements none

7. Consent Agenda: 14 Ayes, 0 Nays. Approved.

7.1 Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Elmhurst City Council on March 20, 2017

7.2 Minutes of the Executive Session of the City Council on March 20, 2017

7.3 Accounts Payable March 30, 2017 - Total \$ 1,840,711.67

7.4 Reappointments to the Economic Development Commission - Waterwall, Reichert and Stolper (Mayor Morley)

7.5 Referral - North Clinton Avenue - Street Parking Survey and Review - Aldermen Polomsky and Bram (City Manager Grabowski)

7.6 Report - Professional Services Agreement for Third Party Claims Administration for General Liability, Property, Casualty and Employment Related Insurance Claims (FCAAS)

7.7 Report - Professional Services Agreement for Third Party Claims Administration for Workers' Compensation Claims (FCAAS)

7.8 Report - DuPage Water Commission Water Rate Increase (FCAAS)

7.9 Report - Risk Management Insurance Renewals - May 1, 2017 - April 30, 2018 (FCAAS)

7.10 O-31-2017 - An Ordinance Waiving Bid and Authorizing the Execution of a Contract with Muscat Painting & Decorating for the 2017 Street Light Pole Painting Project

7.11 O-32-2017 - An Ordinance Declaring the Necessity of the City of Elmhurst to Use Real Estate Known as "Golden Meadows Park" for the Construction of a Stormwater Improvement Thereon Pursuant to the "Local Government Property Transfer Act" 50 ILCS 605/2

7.12 O-33-2017 - An Ordinance Reserving and Authorizing the Transfer of Volume Cap in Connection with Private Activity Bond Issues, and Related Matters

7.13 O-34-2017 - An Ordinance to Approve and Authorize the Execution of an Amendment to an Agreement Between the City of Elmhurst and Sungard Public Sector, LLC for the Purchase of Sungard Navaline Public Administration Mobile Workorders, Mobile User License, and Mobile Server Framework Services

7.14 O-35-2017 - An Ordinance to Approve and Authorize the Execution of an Amendment to an Agreement Between the City of Elmhurst and Sungard Public Sector, LLC for Software Modifications Services to the City's Utility Billing System

7.15 O-36-2017 - An Ordinance Approving and Authorizing the Execution of a Non-Exclusive License Agreement By and Between Immaculate Conception Grade School and the City of Elmhurst, DuPage and Cook Counties, Illinois

7.16 O-37-2017 - An Ordinance Approving and Authorizing the Execution of a Non-Exclusive License Agreement By and Between Pull Up Bars for Patriots and the City of Elmhurst, DuPage and Cook Counties, Illinois

7.17 O-38-2017 - An Ordinance Approving and Authorizing the Execution of a Non-Exclusive License Agreement By and Between 1911 Club, Inc. and the City of Elmhurst, DuPage and Cook Counties, Illinois

7.18 R-39-2017 - A Resolution Authorizing the Issuance of a Notice of Award for the 2017 Contract Paving Program, Project No. 17-02 for the City of Elmhurst, Illinois

7.19 R-40-2017 - A Resolution Authorizing the Purchase of One Replacement Vehicle and Authorizing the Disposal of One Existing Vehicle

7.20 R-41-2017 - A Resolution Authorizing the Purchase of One Replacement Loader Backhoe for the City of Elmhurst Public Works Department and Authorizing the Disposal of One Loader Backhoe

7.21 R-42-2017 - A Resolution Approving and Authorizing the Execution of a Professional Design and Engineering Services Agreement By and Between 3D Design Studio, LLC and the City of Elmhurst for the Palmer Drive Underpass Landscaping and Walls Project

7.22 R-43-2017 - A Resolution Approving and Authorizing the Execution of a Professional Phase I and Phase II Design Engineering Services Agreement By and Between Hampton, Lenzini and Renwick, Inc. and the City of Elmhurst for the Poplar Avenue Local Agency Functional Overlay Roadway Improvement Project

7.23 R-44-2017 - A Resolution Approving and Authorizing the Execution of a Professional Design Engineering Services Agreement in Connection with the Police Station HVAC Replacement Project

7.24 R-45-2017 - A Resolution Approving and Authorizing the Purchase and Planting of Parkway Trees for the 2017 Tree Purchase and Planting Program in the City of Elmhurst, Illinois

7.25 R-46-2017 - A Resolution to Approve and Adopt the City of Elmhurst's Facade Improvement Assistance Program for the Central Business District, Elmhurst, Illinois

8. Committee Reports

8.1 Report - City of Elmhurst Emergency Medical Services (PAS): It is the recommendation of the Public Affairs and Safety Committee that the city approve the rapid response Advance Life Support unit for the Elmhurst Fire Department.

-Alderman Healey: 97% of the time an Elmhurst ambulance arrives at a call in less than four minutes. However 3% of the time, aid from surrounding areas has to come in because both of our ambulances are preoccupied. Our ambulances are Basic Life Support equipped, so it would be beneficial to have an Advance Life Support vehicle. To deal with the high volume of calls and the gap in ambulance efficiency, the committee proposes we purchase a rapid response vehicle that is Advance Life Support equipped. The vehicle will be a suburban and smaller than ambulances or fire engines, therefore it will be easier to maneuver. There will be a senior paramedic with expertise and experience. Lastly, it will be exclusive to Elmhurst and will not leave the city.

-Alderman York: Commends the committee for the report.

-Alderman Levin: Pleased and confident about the report.

-Alderman Bram: Commends the committee for the report. However, the report states that the vehicle is a non-budgeted item that will be funded by subsidy revenue received from the Metro Paramedic Services. That is not true though, because that money is not a subsidy. That money is owed to us, and therefor already has a purpose. Expresses concern for the funding for the vehicle and how it will coordinate with existing emergency vehicles. Recommends there be more research on cost and operation and states he cannot support the report.

-Alderman Dunn: Thanks the committee and staff for a solid report. Supports the ALS rapid response vehicle and believes it will improved Elmhurst's performance. Mentions that Naperville had a lot of success with this system.

-Alderman Healey: The subsidy or rebate we get from Metro Paramedic Services is not budgeted money; it goes into the general fund. This is because the amount of each payment is unknown. Therefore, we are able to use it for other necessities. Operationally, with the leadership of the Chief and Deputy Chief of the Fire Department, the vehicle will be used to maximum efficiency.

-Alderman Bram: Wanted to clarify that Naperville does not have an ALS rapid response vehicle; they have ALS fire engines.

-Motion to approve the rapid response Advance Life Support unit for the Elmhurst Fire Department: 13 Ayes, 1 Nay (Alderman Bram). Approved.

8.2 Majority Report - American Legion T.H.B. Post 187 Grant Request, 2017 (PAS): It is the advice of the Public Affairs and Safety Committee to approve the expenditure of \$30,000 to the American Legion T.H.B. Post 187 to host a military ball Saturday, November 11th and a Thanksgiving dinner on Thursday, November 23rd.

-Alderman Healey: This is the second time in two years that the committee budgeted money for this cause. Last year was \$50,000. When asked, the Legion stated they would use the money generated

for a new, electronic sign, lighting, and a remodeled banquet facility. These updates will promote the American Legion and increase member recruitment.

-Alderman Leader: On February 27th, the Public Affairs and Safety Committee issued a report requesting for \$140,000 for the City of Elmhurst's museums, centers, clubs, and events. The Legion is just as important as those institutions. This grant will help attract more members and business and will ultimately keep the Legion thriving. The city has given millions in incentives, isn't this investment worth it?

-Alderman Polomsky: The American Legion is a valuable asset to our community and we are here because of the sacrifices of veterans. However, the Legion was granted \$50,000 in 2016 with the intention of funding the same two events in 2017. **Makes Motion to replace the majority report with the minority report.**

-Alderman Dunn: Seconds this Motion

-Alderman Healey: To clarify something Alderman Polomsky said, neither last year or this year, the Legion has requested anything from the city. Money has been put in the budget through aldermanic action. The Legion has not requested anything of the city.

8.3 Minority Report - American Legion T.H.B. Post 187 Grant Request, 2017 (PAS):

-Alderman Mulliner: The minority report requests that the veteran memorial commission take responsibility of overseeing funding. Currently, its only responsibility is to handle the memorial and details surrounding it. It is not meant to grant money. There should be an emphasis on this organization to make it stable enough to increase member recruitment.

-Alderman Polomsky: This was recorded as a grant request and therefore is a request by the American Legion. Metropolitan Family Services provides healthcare services for veterans and residents. It would be beneficial for Metropolitan Family Services to coordinate with the Legion to help promote their services.

-Alderman Dunn: \$30,000 was put in the budget this year without knowledge of how the \$50,000 was utilized. States that he had asked for details on this on several occasions and appreciates that it is finally included in this report. Commends Alderman Polomsky for digging deeper and creating a strategic plan and sees the benefit in the minority report. The American Legion is important and the minority report provides a better long-term plan for veteran's needs.

-Alderman Levin: There are fourteen to fifteen different organizations that we support and some that we don't support. This grant for \$50,000, was a sizeable amount compared to the aid other organizations receive. The report states \$15,000 is allocated for the military ball, and \$6,000 for the Thanksgiving dinner, plus an estimated \$7,000 in profit. Opposed the \$6,000 allocated for the legion to give as "scholarships" to organizations like the library. Believes this \$6,000 should be used for necessities that help stabilize the Legion. Also, Veteran's Memorial Commission is not the solution to this problem. The oversight of these grant funds is that of the city council. Cannot support the minority report because the Veteran's Memorial Commission is not the right entity to oversee the grant. Also, there is some uncertainty about where the funds are going (\$20,000 for the sign, but where is the rest going?).

-Alderman Bram: In regards to the minority report, agrees with the attempt, but grant oversight is the city council's responsibility. 2016 grant of \$50,000 was suppose to be a jumpstart for the Legion to get updated and it is concerning that there is a request for another \$30,000.

-Alderman Healey: The American Legion is a zoned commercial district and electronic signs are permitted. Alderman Dunn made a comment about Alderman Polomsky digging deep, which is commendable. However, should there be deep digging when it comes to the America Legion and our veterans? \$121,000 has been spent on the Elmhurst Symphony over the last five years. Both grants, for the symphony and for the Legion, go to good use. Alderman Levin mentioned the Legion giving "scholarships" or grant money to other organizations; other organizations do this as well. This is part of providing services to veterans and the city should be doing it's best to support veterans.

-Alderman Deuter: Has not heard enough justification for the additional \$30,000. The minority report establishes a process for the American Legion to follow if the need for another grant should arise. Expresses concerns about the commission's role. "I'm not sure what need exists that isn't being met for

our veterans through some of the existing organizations.” Disagrees with the majority report and is unsure about the minority report.

-Alderman Polomsky: Community grants, which are funded by hotel and motel revenue, are used for visitor and tourism attractions. Any grants that are approved for museums, concerts, and community institutions, are community grants.

-Alderman Dunn: The Council is the ultimate oversight of grant rewards. However, commissions should be capable of change, in role, if needed.

-Alderman Levin: Any commission can change, but this is not the right commission. There could be complications with this commission. If the minority report does not pass there should be an amendment to the appropriation of what the Legion is being granted.

-Motion to approve Minority Report: 3 Ayes (Alderman Dunn, Alderman Polomsky, Alderman Talluto), 11 Nays. Fails.

8.2 Majority Report Continued:

-Alderman York: Offers an amendment to majority report: the city will pay for the sign, and own it, but work in coordination with the Legion to dictate what is displayed. “\$30,000 to purchase a sign to be placed in a mutually agreeable location on or near the American Legion facility... with the understanding that the city and the American Legion can come to an agreement on content display arrangements.”

Second: None. Motion fails.

-Alderman Levin: Disagreed with motion because of off premise advertisement. Makes a motion to reduce the \$30,000 grant to \$17,000. This will provide more oversight of funds while still providing enough money for the electronic sign. Also, the Legion may request more money if needed. Second: Alderman Bram

-Alderman Bram: This is a good balance between the Majority and Minority report. However, there is uncertainty as to where the \$17,000 figure came from.

-Alderman Levin: \$17,000-\$20,000 would put them where they need for the sign considering the leftover money from the 2016 grant for \$50,000.

-Alderman Healey: Appreciates Alderman York’s and Alderman Levin’s work for a solution for both sides. Disagrees with both motions. The American Legion has detailed the plan for the money and they should not have to come back if they need more funds. They’re using the money for causes that will help veterans and they deserve the full \$30,000.

-Alderman Wagner: A full council causes spirited debate, but it also causes the overthinking of a very simple issue. Fully supports the majority report. Asks the Chair if it matters that the report is under the Manager’s Spending Authority.

-Mayor Morley: No, it does not matter because we are voting on it right now.

-Alderman Wagner: “For the folks at home that are watching—somebody may catch it”

-Alderman Talluto: Expresses her full support for veterans. However, supported the minority report because she believes membership should be priority. Membership needs to grow before the council can grant more money. I will support the amendment, or the majority, but will have difficulty supporting any more grants.

-Motion to Amend the Report from \$30,000 to \$17,000: 5 Ayes (Alderman Dunn, Alderman Bram, Alderman Polomsky, Alderman Talluto, Alderman Levin), 9 Nays. Motion fails.

-Motion to Approve the Expenditure of \$30,000 to the American Legion: 12 Ayes, 2 Nays (Alderman Deuter, and Alderman Bram). Approved.

9. Reports and Recommendations of Appointed and Elected Officials

9.1 Mayor Morley:

-Du-Comm, a consolidation group that handles all 9-1-1 calls. They are expanding to a large area in DuPage County. Mayor Morley will be attending the groundbreaking for their new facility. He is also attending the EDC 4th annual Women in Management Forum on April 5th with Erin Jason. Golden Meadows purchase was approved tonight and will be finalized in about a month.

9.2 City Manager Grabowski: O'Hare Expansion updates: runway rotation test #2 has been granted approval and will begin April 30th. It is a 3 month long test and there will be further information on the City's website, especially on submitting a complaint.

-Alderman York: Motion to take a break, Approved.

9.3 Strategic Plan for Economic Development and Economic Development Update (BDC Jason)

-Strategic Plan for Economic Development:

1. Employ a broad based Business Retention Plan
2. Build Elmhurst's Brand as a welcoming, viable, and supportive business environment.
3. Develop a Business Park Plan
4. Establish an Economic Development Plan for the Downtown Central Business District beyond 2021.
5. Review, Update, Identify, Establish, and Promote Incentive Programs.
6. Continue to pursue other opportunities to enhance the City's economic wellbeing.

-Top Sites for Development:

York and Vallette, Route 83 and North Avenue, Park and Cottage Hill, Riverside Drive, Addison Avenue, St. Charles and Route 83.

-Economic Development Update:

-North York Corridor: Thorntons, Starbucks, LA Fitness, Cilantro, Sprint, Goldfish Swim School, Desired Glow Tanning, Evolution Dance Company, Bentleys Pet Stuff, Hand and Stone Massage and Facial, Wilkins Hyundai Mazda, Brew Point Coffee, Edward-Elmhurst Healthcare, Gem Car Washes \$3 Wash Facility, VIP Occasions

-Business Parks: Gerber Collision and Glass, Railway Supply Group, LAS Hardwoods.

-Repaving of Industrial Drive (2018) and New Sidewalk Project (2017)

-IL Route 83 Corridor: Emilio's Philly Cheesesteak, Just Tires, Party City

-Spring Road: VM Design Group, Smiley Nails, Betty's Blow Dry and Beauty Bar, Thrive Counseling Center, Spin Strength and Yoga, Doshi Orthodontics, Doc Ryan's (new ownership and renovations).

-York and Vallette: DuPage Medical Group, Meeder Home and Design, Flavah, Ruff Life.

-Downtown: Gaming Goat, Pure Bar Physical Fitness, Hazel Boutique, On-Callers Digital Repair, Lakeside Bank, Len's Ace Hardware, Uptown Shop, Bacci Pizza, Guacin' Taco, Fruitful Yield, One Fifty One Bar, Red Arrow Tap Room, Cottage Hill Station.

-353 new apartment dwellings: Elmhurst 255 complex

-OPUS Project- Retail space, completion in 18 months

-Fitness Formula Club- Fall 2018

-The York Building- office and retail space

-Elmhurst Metra Station Update

-Newhome Star- relocation

-Beer Head Bar and Eatery

-Elmhurst Brewing Company- Fall 2017

-Pinot's Palette

-Fresh Pal's- April 2017

10. Other Business

10.1 Other Business

11. Adjournment

PLEASE NOTE: Related documents can be accessed online at:

<http://www.boarddocs.com/il/coe/Board.nsf/Public> and video recording of this meeting can be found at www.Youtube.com

five (5) working days' advance notice.