

City Council Meeting Tuesday, September 5, 2017
City Hall, 209 N. York St.
Elmhurst, IL 60126
Council Chambers, 7:30 p.m.
Steven M. Morley, Mayor

Attendance: 3 press, ~15 residents; City Mgr. Grabowski;
Atty. Storino, Clerk Spencer, Treasurer Libovicz; Police Chief
Ruth, Fire Chief Freeman, ~5 City staff members

LWV Observer *from video*: B. Lipton

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

1. Call to order

- Pledge of Allegiance
- Roll Call – All Aldermen present

2. Receipt of Written Communication from the Public One submission

3. Public Forum

- Dan Stanfield, resident of Fremont Ave. for about 1 year, is concerned about the 'Fly Quiet' program, where this new O'Hare flight patterns are affecting Elmhurst more than other towns.
- Bianca Parisi, lives in the flight path of the 'Fly Quiet' test pattern #3. Asks that all Elmhurst citizens support the residents who have been severely impacted by the flight path changes by responding to the airport noise survey and answering 'no' to question #22. The survey is accessible on the City of Elmhurst website.
- Jay McQuinny, resident of the Pick subdivision, is concerned with the deterioration of the bridge over Salt Creek on St. Charles Rd. This issue has been apparent since 2010, though nothing has been done. Now the weight limit has been lowered to 15 tons, prohibiting the passage of Elmhurst firefighting equipment and other City services. Villa Park has obtained 90% of the required funding, and he urges Elmhurst to contribute some of this shortfall
- Ben Silver of Citizens Action Center. He describes an ongoing effort to assist residents on Fremont Ave. to oppose a major expansion of a long-term care facility. The City was asked to grant a conditional use waiver, which was denied after residents documented how inappropriate this waiver would be, followed by extended reviews by the planning commission, the City Council planning committee and the full Council. Subsequently though, the LTC facility owners threatened to sue the City, and the question was re-opened by City leaders. After nearly a year, it is still unresolved. Mr. Silver requests that the initial decision be reinstated without delay.
- Kirsten Powers, a 15 year resident, is extremely concerned about an upcoming NRA-sponsored concealed carry weapons training class at the Knights of Columbus Hall on S. York Rd. Previous class participants have stated that they were required to bring weapons and that shooting would be a requirement to pass the class. She is not opposed to guns, in fact she was trained to use rifles and handguns by her father, but shooting off concealed weapons in our neighborhoods is another matter. One point is that it will violate City Ordinances 51.18 and 51.21, and the Illinois Concealed Carry Law. In addition, there is a substantial safety concern, since the K of C Hall is adjacent to the Prairie Path and other venues where children and families gather, such as Southtown Hotdogs. Neighbors have not been notified that this concealed weapons activity is planned. She asks if there will be some Police oversight to ensure that all participants have a valid FOID. Holding this NRA-promotion activity is not consistent with Elmhurst values; we do not allow pornography shops in Elmhurst, either. The class materials favor NRA political views, membership and discounts, which have been repeatedly found to violate community values and ethical standards. This is a family-oriented town that should oppose allowing those with just 16 hours of training to carry around concealed weapons. She asks that the City shut this activity down and if that is not possible please give residents some assurance that the class will be monitored and held to full compliance with Elmhurst ordinances and safety standards.
- Marily Rado, is pleased that after 11 months the lift station at Jackson and Saylor Aves. was landscaped to the satisfaction of neighbors. She is concerned about the extension of the parking lot on S. Swain, which should be re-paved not with blacktop but with permeable materials so that the stormwater runoff will be more manageable.
- Kathleen Sullivan thanks everyone who has participated in getting the Golden Meadows stormwater retention project accomplished.

4. Announcements

- Ald. Deuter announces the Cool Cities program on electric and hybrid vehicles.
- Ald. Bram announces an American Legion program on the availability of veterans benefits. The Library and College will also take part.

5. Consent Agenda All items below approved unanimously.

5.2 Accounts Payable August 31, 2017 - Total \$ 3,859,213.05

5.3 Referral - Prairie Path Safety - Aldermen Mulliner, Leader and Sabatino (City Manager Grabowski)

It is respectfully requested that the attached request from Aldermen Mulliner, Leader and Sabatino to consider the use of a bike chicane at the intersection of York Street and the Prairie Path to improve the safety at this intersection be referred to the Public Affairs & Safety Committee for review and recommendation back to the City Council.

5.4 Report - Church Road - to approve the installation of the revised parking restriction signage along Church Road, in front of St. Demetrious Greek Orthodox Church (893 N. Church Road).

5.5 O-64-2017 - An Ordinance Waiving Bid and Authorizing the Execution of the First Amendment to the Contract Between the City of Elmhurst and Synagro Central, LLC

5.6 O-65-2017 - An Ordinance Vacating Part of the Alley Directly East of 437 Hillside Avenue.

5.7 O-66-2017 - An Ordinance Approving and Authorizing the Execution of an Amendment to the Lease Agreement By and Between Chicago SMSA Limited Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless and the City of Elmhurst

5.8 O-67-2017 - An Ordinance Approving and Authorizing the Execution of a Non-Exclusive License Agreement By and Between Elmhurst College and the City of Elmhurst

5.9 O-68-2017 - An Ordinance Approving and Authorizing the Execution of a Non-Exclusive License Agreement By and Between Survivorvision and the City of Elmhurst

5.10 O-69-2017 - An Ordinance Approving and Authorizing the Execution of a Non-Exclusive License Agreement By and Between Elmhurst Park District and the City of Elmhurst

5.11 MCO-18-2017 - An Ordinance Amending the Elmhurst Municipal Code (Replacing Yield Signs with Stop Signs at the Northbound and Southbound Indiana Street Approaches to Belden Avenue)

5.12 MCO-19-2017 - An Ordinance Amending the Elmhurst Municipal Code (No Right Turn From Eastbound North Avenue onto Southbound Glade Avenue Between 6:00 a.m. and 9:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m.)

5.13 ZO-12-2017 - An Ordinance Granting Variations to the Property Commonly Known as 130 W. Church Street

5.14 R-87-2017 - A Resolution Authorizing the Execution of a Professional Architectural Services Agreement By and Between STR Building Resources LLC and the City of Elmhurst for the Water Reclamation Facility Improvement Project

5.15 R-88-2017 - A Resolution Authorizing the Issuance of a Notice of Award for the 2017 Concrete Pavement Patching Contract for the City of Elmhurst, Illinois

5.16 R-89-2017 - A Resolution Authorizing the Issuance of a Notice of Award for the 2017 Pavement Striping Program Meeting

5.17 R-90-2017 - A Resolution Authorizing the Issuance of a Notice of Award for the 2017 Inlet Cleaning Program

5.18 R-91-2017 - A Resolution Approving and Authorizing the Execution of the First Amendment to a Professional Design Engineering Services Agreement By and Between the City of Elmhurst and Robinson Engineering, Ltd. for the Water Reclamation Facility Effluent Sampling Station Project

5.19 R-92-2017 - A Resolution Approving and Authorizing the Execution of the First Amendment to a Professional Design and Construction Engineering Services Agreement By and Between the City of Elmhurst and Robinson Engineering, Ltd. for the WWRF Sludge Storage Pad Extension Project

5.20 R-93-2017 - A Resolution Approving and Authorizing the Execution of the First Amendment to a Professional Engineering Services Agreement By and Between the City of Elmhurst and Baxter & Woodman, Inc. for the WRF Grit Removal System Replacement Project

5.21 R-94-2017 - A Resolution Approving and Authorizing the Execution of the First Amendment to a Professional Engineering Services Agreement By and Between the City of Elmhurst and Baxter & Woodman, Inc. for the WRF Buildings 2 and 3 HVAC Improvements Project

5.22 R-95-2017 - A Resolution Approving and Authorizing the Execution of the First Amendment to a Professional Design Engineering Services Agreement By and Between the City of Elmhurst and Christopher B. Burke Engineering, Ltd. for the East End Park Sanitary Lift Station Flood Proofing Project

5.23 R-96-2017 - A Resolution Approving and Authorizing the Execution of the First Amendment to the Tax Increment Financing Redevelopment Agreement By and Between the City of Elmhurst and Brewpoint, LLC

5.24 R-97-2017 - A Resolution Approving and Authorizing the Execution of a Construction Inspection Services Agreement Between the City of Elmhurst and Clark Dietz, Inc. for the Atrium Sanitary Sewer Lift Station Improvements

5.25 R-98-2017 - A Resolution Approving and Authorizing the Execution of a Professional Engineering Services Agreement with Baxter & Woodman, Inc. for Professional Engineering Services Agreement for the Water Reclamation Facility Improvements Construction Services Bundle No. 1 Project

5.26 R-99-2017 - A Resolution Approving and Authorizing the Execution of Change Order Number 1 for the Water Reclamation Facility - South Digester Project

5.27 R-100-2017 - A Resolution to Amend the Police and Firefighters Pension Funding Policy for the City of Elmhurst

6. Committee Reports

- 2016 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report and Related Communication (FCAAS) - Sikich LLP. Reported by Ald. York, Sabatino, Park, Brennan. Ald. York states that preparing this is a huge task and he thanks all City staff and everyone involved in putting it together.

- Approved unanimously.

7. Reports and Recommendations of Appointed and Elected Officials

- Mayor Morley:

As of last month electrical aggregation was not available as it had been since 2014. City residents were able to save about \$2 million through aggregation, but now Com Ed brought their prices down so that service has now been brought back to them.

The Mayor, Ald. Dunn and Mgr. Grabowski toured O'Hare and met with Congressmen Raja and Quigley to discuss problems with O'Hare noise and the 'Fly Quiet' pattern #3. They expressed Elmhurst's lack of trust for the O'Hare Noise Commission because data analysis was not done within the promised time, and that Elmhurst has been hit unfairly by the time. The Mayor passed on the recently-adopted City resolution on this issue to the congressmen and the commission. In addition, the FAA will present a program here in Elmhurst on this issue within the next 2 weeks.

Attended a BBQ contest fundraiser for the Walk-In Assistance Network.

- Ald. Dunn presents some details on their tour of the airport and meetings with the congressmen. Last week they met with Glenview, Park Ridge, and Des Plaines officials on their concerns about test pattern #3 and they expect to meet with them again soon. The next meeting will also include officials from Oak Brook, Villa Park and adjacent communities. He describes some additional plans for runway usage in the next few years. He hopes that Elmhurst residents will fill in the survey because community input seems to be a very important factor in the analysis. Mayor Morley notes that O'Hare noise will be on the agenda of the next School Board meeting.

- City Manager Grabowski updates the Council on the rollout of equipping first responders with Epi-pens. Dr. Gracie, who initially agreed to sign a standing order to enable this, was told by her malpractice insurer that the currently available training curricula are not adequate, so that now the program is on hold until adaptations are made. Ald. Polomsky asks why the State Public Health Dept. approved training programs are not sufficient. Mayor Morley explains that actually there needs to be a change to the law so that individual doctors are not liable. Ald. Levin comments further.

- Ald. Bram is happy with the progress that is being made on the 'Fly Quiet' issue, and asks about the status of noise meters in surrounding towns. Mgr. Grabowski has reached out to managers of some of these towns, as well as school superintendents to encourage them to collaborate on this issue.

- Ald Kennedy updates Council on the stormwater issue. The city bonded \$29.6 million for 9 projects; all but one are finished. These projects only account for about 2/3 of homes that are flooded; the Public Works committee is trying to identify additional ways to alleviate stormwater.

8. Other Business

- Ald. Leader agrees with everything said tonight regarding the O'Hare noise issue, but he wants to put it in a historical perspective. This is a very longstanding problem, existing since the rapid expansion of the airport in the 1950s and 1960s.

9. Adjournment 8:45 pm