

## **City Council Meeting**

Monday, Dec. 3, 2018 **7:30 p.m.**

Mayor Morley presiding.

Attendance:; 3 press; City Mgr. Grabowski; Atty. Storino; Asst. Clerk Cyprian; Treasurer Libovicz; approx. 4 City staff members; 14 Aldermen; Fire Chief Freeman, Police Chief Ruth, approx. 20 residents LWV observer: B. Lipton (from video)

PLEASE NOTE: Related documents can be accessed online at:

<http://www.boarddocs.com/il/coe/Board.nsf/Public>

and a video recording of this meeting can be found at [www.Youtube.com](http://www.Youtube.com)

**1. Executive Session - 7:00 p.m.** for the Purpose of Discussing: minutes of meetings lawfully closed under the Open Meetings Act, whether for purposes of approval by the body of the minutes or semi-annual review of the minutes as mandated by Section 2.06 of the Open Meetings Act 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(21) 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**

Pledge of Allegiance; Roll Call – No Aldermen absent

### **3. Public Hearing**

#### **- On the Tentative Annual 2019 Budget**

No written comments.

Daniel Barrianz wonders if there are any green energy or clean energy provisions are included. Are there only two charging stations in Elmhurst? He would like our city to lead the way toward clean energy use, such as charging stations at all public parking locations.

Claude Pagacz is concerned that all the taxing bodies (City, School Board, Park District, County, State) are raising taxes. The City has been more than generous in setting up TIFs and giving tax dollars away to corporations. The residents' incomes do not match the wishes of the Council.

#### **- Regarding Proposed Property Tax Increase for Special Service Area Number 6 (aka Elmhurst City Centre)**

No written comments; no public comments

### **4. Receipt of Written Communication from the Public** None

### **5. Public Forum**

- Claude Pagacz has only one question: The Council voted in a bond issue to install water meters, but now the cost increased to \$8 million, requiring a change in the contract. Please explain how did this happen?

**6. Announcements** None

**7. Consent Agenda** All items below approved unanimously.

- 7.1 Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Elmhurst City Council on November 19, 2018
- 7.2 Minutes of the Executive Session of the City Council on November 19, 2018
- 7.3 Accounts Payable November 29, 2018 - Total \$ 1,346,836.43
- 7.4 Report - Three (3) Peterbilt Municipal Body Dump Trucks with Snow Plow Packages (PWB)
- 7.5 Report - 2018 Internal Chimney Seal Purchase, Project No. 18-59 (PWB)
- 7.6 Report - Water Smart Software Inc. Extension of Service Agreement (PWB)
- 7.7 Report - Revision to the Elmhurst History Museum's Collections Policy (PAS)
- 7.8 Report - 18 ZBA 13 Ward Variation (DPZ)
- 7.9 Report - 18 ZBA 11 Hubeny Variation (DPZ)
- 7.10 Report - Religious Institutions Text Amendment (DPZ)
- 7.11 Report - 195 N. Addison: Request for SSA Removal (DPZ)
- 7.12 O-65-2018 - An Ordinance to Approve and Authorize Acceptance of a Certain Grant of a Certain Easement Agreement with the Forest Preserve District of DuPage County for Existing Watermain and Storm Sewer Facilities, Located in the Cricket Creek Forest Preserve, Generally South of Fay Avenue and West of West Avenue, in the City of Elmhurst, Illinois (PIN 03-34-406-009)
- 7.13 O-66-2018 - An Ordinance Authorizing the Execution of a Contract with Xylem Dewatering Solutions, Inc. for the Rental of Emergency Bypass Pumping Equipment at the Wastewater Reclamation Facility
- 7.14 R-115-2018 - A Resolution Approving and Authorizing the Execution of a Professional Engineering Services Agreement By and Between the City of Elmhurst and Trotter and Associates, Inc. in Connection with the North Pumping Station Improvements and Master Plan Update Project
- 7.15 R-116-2018 - A Resolution Approving and Authorizing the Execution of Change Order No. 1 For the Atrium Lift Station Improvements Project
- 7.16 R-117-2018 - A Resolution Approving and Authorizing the Execution of Change Order No. 1 for the 2018 Sanitary Sewer T-Lining Project
- 7.17 R-118-2018 - A Resolution Approving and Authorizing the Execution of Change Order No. 1 for the Well House Demolition and 500,000 Gallon Elevated Tank Painting Project (West Elevated Water Tower Ladder Replacement)
- 7.18 R-119-2018 - A Resolution Approving and Authorizing the Execution of a Professional Engineering Services Agreement for Services Related to Bundle No. 4 of the Water Reclamation Facility Improvements Project

- 7.19 R-120-2018 - A Resolution Authorizing the Issuance of a Notice of Intent to Award to IHC Construction Companies, LLC for the WRF Improvements WPCLP Loan No. 17-5531 Project
- 7.20 R-121-2018 - A Resolution Authorizing the Issuance of a Resolution Authorizing the Issuance of Notice of Intent to Award Manusos General Contracting, Inc. for the WRF Improvements, WPCLP Loan No. 17-5531 Project
- 7.21 R-122-2018 - A Resolution Approving and Authorizing the Execution of Change Order No. 1 for the Water Meter Replacement and Fixed Base Meter Reading System with Leak Detection Project

## **8. Committee Reports**

- 8.1 Report - 2018 Tax Levy Report (FCAAS) This levy of approx. \$10.8 million represents no increase over last year.
- Ald. York thanks City finance staff and his committee for all their hard work. The City continues to maintain a general fund balance in excess of City policy, so there is no valid rationale for increasing the tax levy. The City levy decreased; the pension levy increased and these two evened out. There is approximately a 1% or on average \$12.60 increase for the library. He looks ahead to hard work to make sure the City stays in good financial shape. He believes that bonding is the best way to finance long-term projects such as stormwater abatement.
  - Ald. Levin comments that the pension fund costs are imposed by the State. He asks why the fire protection amount has decreased. Ald. York explains that this is because there are funds that go in from other sources.
  - Ald. Talluto supports the Committee's report and is glad there is not tax increase this year.
  - Approved unanimously.
  - Mayor Morley comments on the calendar issue where the budget hearings are not concluded before the tax levy report has to be adopted. Because there has effectively been no increase in the City tax levy for the past four years, the City has been doing a pretty good job in providing services in a cost-effective way.
- 8.2 Report - Subarea Plans (DPZ)
- Ald. Honquest explains their process for setting the 5 area planning priorities. It was a year-long effort. Mr. Nick Davis, one of the consultants presents the draft plan, which can be downloaded at the following link:  
<https://www.elmhurst.org/DocumentCenter/View/15205/DRAFT-Elmhurst-Subarea-Plans>
    1. Along Lake St. Key intersection and pedestrian walkway enhancements, including bicycle access.
    2. North Ave. and Rte. 83 – Enhance safety at the intersection for pedestrians, bicycles and vehicular traffic.

3. First St. and York The entire frontage along Addison, First and York is owned by just three property owners.
  4. York and Vallette. The Prairie Path crossing has been studied and is a prime safety concern. Two recommendations are made.
  5. York and Butterfield, Yorkfield Area – this is the only plan that received public input; residents were generally opposed to it.
- Ald. Polomsky asks about the options for pedestrian safety at the Prairie Path crossing and at Rte. 83 and North. Mr. Davis responds.
  - Ald. Brennan questions the feasibility of bike lanes along Butterfield. Mr. Davis responds.
  - Ald. Levin comments on the Lake St. plan. Ald. Dunn, Bram and Brennan ask for clarifications.
  - Ald. Honquest notes that the plan for York and Butterfield did not include annexation or specific plans for development. They worked with the neighbors to clarify these issues. Ald. Talluto explains the process further, particularly the plan for North and Rte. 83, and thanks all who worked on it.
  - Approved 14 – 0.

## **9. Reports and Recommendations of Appointed and Elected Officials**

- Mayor Morley – A committee of the whole meeting will convene tonight to finish off the discussion of the 2019 budget, with plans. He welcomes students from York and Fenwick High Schools, and Elmhurst College, who are in attendance tonight. Finally he congratulates Ralph Picchani who was honored as an Illinois 200<sup>th</sup> Anniversary veteran.
- City Manager Grabowski notes that this week will be the last leaf pickup for the year. Street sweeping will continue tomorrow. Finally, in January Paul Burriss will present to Council regarding the water ‘smart meter’ program.

## **10. Resolutions**

10.1 R-123-2018 - Resolution Approving a Settlement Agreement and Release Between Christopher R. Stephens, Kristin Stephens, Artur Ciszewski and the City of Elmhurst

- Mayor Morley states that the above was pulled due to incomplete paperwork

**11. Other Business** Ald. Honquest announces a raffle in support of Matt Toole, a survivor of ALS. Drawing in January.

**12. Adjournment** 8:50 pm

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**Committee of the Whole immediately following the Regular Meeting for Review of Fiscal Year 2019 Budget**