

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

CITY OF EVANSTON, ILLINOIS LORRAINE H. MORTON CIVIC CENTER JAMES C. LYTLE COUNCIL CHAMBERS Monday, January 25th, 2021

Present:

Alderman Fiske Alderman Revelle

Alderman Braithwaite Alderman Rainey

Alderman Wynne Alderman Fleming

Alderman Wilson Alderman Suffredin

Alderman Rue Simmons (9)

Absent:

Presiding: Mayor Stephen Hagerty

Motion to suspend the rules and allow the meeting to be held virtually

Passed 9-0

Motion: Ald. Wilson

Second: Ald.

Wynne

Mayor's Public Announcements

Mayor Hagerty Announcements:

Watch

- Snow storm warning
- COVID-19 Vaccines
- COVID-19 Update

City Manager's Public Announcements

City Manager Announcements:

Watch

- Encouraged residents to park in driveways in order to make snow removal easier for snowblowers.
- Reminded candidates to place their signs on the lawns of home and now parkways.
- Introduced Interim Fire Chief Paul Palop

City Clerk's Communications

City Clerk shared information related to the upcoming Primary Election (February 23)

Watch

Public Comment

| Jamie Collier | Shared with City Council her reasons for rejecting Resolution 10-R-21. | <u>Watch</u> |
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| Tina Paden | Expressed her concerns over receiving a ticket for snow accumulation on her sidewalk, despite the fact the city own vehicles shifted the snow towards her sidewalk. Thanked Ald. Rue Simmons for sharing the boardups of homes near Jackson and Emerson. Inquired about how many affordable housing units have been made available to families throughout the years with various developers. | Watch |
| Mary De Jong | Supports the remarks shared by her neighbors over the trash collection near their homes. Said the City doesn't regularly enforce the zoning regulations for developers. | Watch |
| Ray Friedman | Suggested having multiple townhall meetings to discuss agenda items before they're presented to City Council. Thanked Ald. Braithwaite for cancelling the DAPR and the Planning and Development meeting. Believes Resolution 10-R-21 isn't the best way to balance the city budget. Also shared his remarks related to bonds, debt service ,security service at parking garages and cutting expenses. | Watch |
| Mary Rosinski | Encouraged City Council to put a moratorium on new projects until there is a balanced budget. | <u>Watch</u> |

Special Order of Business

SP1. Resolution 10-R-21, Committing to Funding of General Fund Reserves by 2025

City Council adopted Resolution 10-R-21, committing to reach the City's fund balance policy of 16.66% of General Fund expenses in reserves by December 31, 2025.

Motion: Ald. Rainey Second: Ald. Watch

Second: Ald. Rue Simmons

For Action

Passed 5-4 Ald. Suffredin, Rainey, Fleming and Rue Simmons voted No

Consent Agenda

CM1. <u>Approval of the Minutes of the Regular City Council meeting of January 11th, 2021</u>

City Council approved the minutes of the Regular City Council meeting of January 11th, 2021.

For Action

Approved on Consent Agenda

A1. Approval of the City of Evanston Payroll and Bills List

City Council approved the City of Evanston Payroll for the period of December 21, 2020, through January 3, 2021, in the amount of \$2,936,752.98. Bills List for January 26, 2021, FY 2020, in the amount of \$17,348,662.71, and January 26, 2021, FY 2021 in the amount of \$597,952.39.

For Action

Approved on Consent Agenda

A2. <u>Approval of Fiscal Year 2021 Debris Hauling Contract with G & L</u> Contractors

City Council authorized the City Manager to execute a one (1) year contract extension for debris hauling with G & L Contractors (7401 N St. Louis Ave., Skokie, IL) in the amount of \$80,000. This contract award is part of a bid let by the Municipal Partnering Initiative (MPI). Funding for this contract is provided by two (2) separate funds: \$40,000 from Water Fund (Account 510.40.4540.62415) which has a 2021 budget of \$45,000, and \$40,000 from Sewer Fund (Account 515.40.4530.62415) which has a 2021 budget of \$45,000.

For Action

Approved on Consent Agenda

A3. <u>Approval of the Fiscal Year 2021 Granular Materials Purchase</u> <u>Contract with G & L Contractors</u>

City Council authorized the City Manager to execute a one-year contract extension for the purchase of Granular Materials with G & L Contractors (7401 N. St. Louis Ave, Skokie, IL) in the amount of \$28,200. This contract award is part of a bid let by the Municipal Partnering Initiative (MPI). Funding for this contract is provided by two (2) separate funds. \$14,100 from Water Fund Account, 510.40.4540.65055; which has a 2021 budget

of \$150,000. As well as \$14,100 from Sewer Fund Account, 515.40.4530.65055; which has a 2021 budget of \$58,000.

For Action

Approved on Consent Agenda

A4. <u>Approval of Contract Award with Ozinga Ready Mix for Single</u> Source Purchase of Concrete

City Council authorized the City Manager to execute a one-year single source contract with Ozinga Ready Mix (2525 Oakton Street, Evanston, IL 60202) for the purchase of redi-mix concrete in the amount of \$45,000. Funding for this purchase will be provided by three separate accounts as follows: General Fund (Account 100.40.4510.65055) in the amount of \$18,500; Water Fund (Account 510.40.4540.65051) in the amount of \$17,500; Sewer Fund (Account 515.40.4530.65051) in the amount of \$9,000.

For Action

Approved on Consent Agenda

A5. Approval of FY 2021 Estimated Annual User Charge with the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago (MWRDGC) for Disposal of Sludge Generated as Part of the Water Treatment Process

City Council approved payment of the estimated annual user charge for 2021 with the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago (MWRDGC) for disposal of sludge generated as part of the water treatment process in the amount \$136,038.70. Four payments of \$34,009.68 will be made beginning in February 2021 and ending November 2021. Funding is provided by the Water Fund Filtration Business Unit (Account 510.40.4220.62420), which has an approved FY 2021 budget of \$352,000.00 and a YTD balance of \$352,000.00.

For Action

Approved on Consent Agenda

A6. Two-Year Security Contract Extension with Phoenix Security

City Council authorized the City Manager to execute the Third Addendum and two-year extension of the Service Agreement with Phoenix Security for security services at the Morton Civic Center and the City-Owned Parking Garages. The addendum provides a twoyear extension at a price not to exceed \$300,000 per year. Expenses will vary depending on the continuance of closures/reopening's related to COVID-19. Civilian Security Officers will be charged at a rate of \$25.50 an hour and Retired Police

Motion: Ald. Watch

Suffredin
Second: Ald.

Rainey

Officers at a rate of \$29.50 an hour for 2021, with an increase of \$1.75 per hour for 2022. Funding will be from the City Manager's Office Service Agreements Fund (Account 100.15.1505.62509) with a FY21 budget \$106,000, and the Parking Fund - Contract Svcs/Parking Garage Church/Sherman/Maple (Accounts 505.19.7025/7036/7037.62400), with FY21 budgets of \$200,000, \$700,000 and \$300,000 respectively.

For Action

Passed 8-1 Ald. Suffredin voted "No"

A7. Resolution 7-R-21, Authorizing Construction on Illinois State Highways for the Years 2021 and 2022

Staff recommends City Council adopted Resolution 7-R-21, Authorizing Construction on Illinois State Highways for the Years 2021 and 2022.

For Action

Approved on Consent Agenda

A8. Resolution 9-R-21, Authorizing the City Manager to Grant a Twenty Five Year Sidewalk Easement at 2116 Green Bay Road with Gendell/WN Stockton LLC and Gendell Partners Simpson LLC

City Council adopted Resolution 9-R-21, Authorizing the City Manager to Grant a Twenty Five Year Sidewalk Easement at 2116 Green Bay Road with Gendell/WN Stockton LLC an Illinois limited liability company, and Gendell Partners Simpson LLC, an Illinois limited liability company (collectively, the "Owner"). The easement would be granted for a period of 25 years. No City funding is required for this sidewalk construction. The property owner will fund the sidewalk construction and will pay the City of Evanston a one-time easement fee of \$4,727.40.

For Action

Approved on Consent Agenda

A9. Resolution 12-R-21, Authorizing the City Manager to Grant an Easement for Underground Utility Installation at McCulloch Park

City Council adopted Resolution 12-R-21, Authorizing the City Manager to Grant an Easement for Underground Utility Installation at McCulloch Park. The utility easement will be granted to Commonwealth Edison Company (ComEd) and Illinois Bell Telephone Company dba AT&T (AT&T). The easement will be granted in perpetuity.

For Action

Approved on Consent Agenda

A10. Resolution 11-R-21, To Test the Lead and Copper Sampling in all Nine Wards

City Council adopted Resolution 11-R-21, to approve the representative testing of samples for lead and copper in all nine wards.

For Action

Approved on Consent Agenda

A11. Resolution 13-R-21, Authorizing the City Manager to Execute a Lease Amendment with the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District(MWRD) for Harbert Park

City Council approved Resolution 13-R-21 authorizing the City Manager to execute a lease amendment with MWRD for Harbert Park.

For Action

Approved on Consent Agenda

A12. Ordinance 8-O-21, Amending Chapter 10, Section 4, Chapter 13 to add "Storefront Maintenance and Window Covering during Vacancy or Renovation"

City Council adopted Ordinance 8-O-21, Amending Chapter 10, Section 4, Chapter 13 to add "Storefront Maintenance and Window Covering during Vacancy or Renovation".

For Introduction

Approved on Consent Agenda

P1. Ordinance 7-O-21, Extending the Time for the Applicant to Obtain a Building Permit to Construct the Planned Development at 605 Davis Street Previously Authorized by Ordinance 49-O-20

City Council adopted Ordinance 7-O-21 to extend the time to obtain a building permit for the construction of the Planned Development at 605 Davis Street, originally approved in April of 2020. The Ordinance grants an eighteen-month extension to obtain building permits for the construction of the office building on the property by October 27, 2022.

For Introduction

Approved on Consent Agenda

P2. Ordinance 5-O-21, Granting a Special Use Permit for a Planned Development located at 718-732 Main Street in the B2 Business District and oDM Dempster-Main Overlay District

City Council adopted Ord. 5-O-21 for approval of a Special Use for a Planned Development in the B2 Business District to construct a 5-story, mixed-use building with approximately 3,774 square feet of commercial retail space, 120 dwelling units (including 12 inclusionary housing units), and 47 parking spaces in the B2 Business District and oDM Dempster-Main Overlay District. The proposal includes Site Development Allowances, Rear Yard Setback Allowance, Parking Space Allowances, and Parking Drive-Aisle Allowance. The applicant agrees to provide at least 10% on-site inclusionary housing units, therefore a supermajority vote is not required to exceed the maximum Site Development Allowance for density as requested.

For Introduction

Approved on Consent Agenda

P3. Ordinance 3-O-21, text amendment to the Zoning Ordinance, Title 6 of the City Code, to Modify the Zoning Definition and Regulations for Tattoo & Body Art Establishments

City Council adopted Ordinance 3-O-21, a text amendment to the Zoning Ordinance to modify the zoning definition and regulations for Tattoo & Body Art Establishments.

For Action

Approved on Consent Agenda

P4. <u>Ordinance 127-O-20</u>, <u>Amending Title 6</u>, <u>Chapter 5 of the Evanston</u> Code to Permit the Establishment of Certain Home Occupations

City Council adopted Ordinance 127-O-20, Amending Title 6, Chapter 5 of the Evanston City Code to Permit the Establishment of Certain Home Occupations.

For Action

Approved on Consent Agenda

P1. <u>Contract Renewal for AMITA/ (Presence) Behavioral Health for</u> Critical Health Services

City Council authorized the City Manager to renew the Service Provider Agreement between AMITA Behavioral Health (Presence Health) and the City of Evanston for the provision of 24-hour crisis line access, mental health crisis intervention and various community outreach and education services at a cost of \$143,333.00. The Agreement is for January, 2021 to December 31, 2021. Funding is provided by the Human Services Fund Community Outreach Program Fund (Account 176.24.2445.62491).

For Action

Approved on Consent Agenda

Call of the Wards

| Ward 1: | Reminded people to continue practicing safety measured even after receiving the COVID-19 vaccine. Tentative date for the next NUC Committee meeting. Invited Ald. Rue Simmons and Ald. Revelle to the next town hall meeting to discuss related to relations between students and the city. | Watch |
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| Ward 2: | Congratulated Interim Fire Chief Paul Palop on his promotion. Assured residents of the participation of a developer in the 2nd Ward during the next ward meeting. | Watch |
| Ward 3: | Ward meeting on January 28, 2021 starting at 7 p.m. The discussion will focus on economic development and recovery, as well as the COVID-19 vaccine. | Watch |
| Ward 4: | Encouraged residents to help and seek help during the expected snowstorm. | Watch |
| Ward 5: | No Report | Watch |
| Ward 6: | Joint meeting with the 7th Ward on January 28, 2021. Acknowledged the passing of 6th Ward resident Jim Burns. | Watch |
| Ward 7: | Joint meeting with the 6th Ward on January 28, 2021. | Watch |
| Ward 8: | Congratulated Interim Fire Chief Paul Palop on his promotion. Voiced her support for reserve funds. | Watch |
| Ward 9: | No Report | Watch |

Ald. Wynne made a motion to adjourn the City Council meeting; seconded by Ald. Fleming. A roll call vote was taken and by a vote of 9-0 City Council was adjourned.