82-0-06

AN ORDINANCE

Extending By 125 Days the Moratorium Provided for by Ordinance 52-0-06 on the Issuance of Building Permits for Construction in the West Evanston TIF District and Areas to the North

WHEREAS, the City Council adopted Ordinance 52-O-06 on April 11, 2006, to provide for a moratorium on the issuance of building permits for construction in the West Evanston TIF District designated and provided for by Ordinance 102-O-05, Ordinance 103-O-05, and Ordinance 104-O-05, and the areas indicated on the map attached hereto as Exhibit A, and made a part hereof ("Moratorium Area"); and

WHEREAS, the moratorium provided for a one hundred twenty (120) -day period expiring on August 9, 2006, to allow for City consideration through its Plan Commission and Planning and Development Committee of the possible re-zoning of part or all of the aforedescribed area into an appropriate Zoning District; and

WHEREAS, the City issued a Request for Qualifications to provide Physical Planning and Urban Infill Design Services Within and Adjacent to the TIF District, with submittals due to the City by April 7, 2006; and

WHEREAS, the City Council approved the hiring of two consultants at its meeting of June 24, 2006 to provide these Design Services; and

WHEREAS, the consultants must study the issues presented and then prepare reports addressing land use and appropriate development planning issues for consideration by the Plan Commission and City Council; and

WHEREAS, the consultants are to submit their Reports to the City by October 22, 2006; and

WHEREAS, an extension of the moratorium provided for by Ordinance 52-O-06 is necessary to allow time for the Plan Commission to conduct public hearings and prepare its Report to the City Council; and

WHEREAS, additional time is necessary for the City Council to review the Plan Commission's Report and conduct its own consideration of the possible rezoning and related issues which may be presented in the Report; and

WHEREAS, conditions and reasons for enacting Ordinance 52-O-06 continue to exist; and

WHEREAS, Section 3 of Ordinance 52-O-06 provides that the City Council may, upon finding that continuation of the moratorium provided for therein for further study would serve the public health, welfare, and safety, provide by Ordinance(s) for extension(s) thereof; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that continuation of the aforedescribed moratorium for an additional one hundred twenty-five (125) days would serve the public health, welfare, and safety by allowing for completion of the above-described tasks; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EVANSTON, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS:

SECTION 1: That the foregoing recitals are found as fact and incorporated herein.

SECTION 2: That, in response to the need for additional time to consider appropriate zoning and related amendments to the Zoning Ordinance and/or other ordinances in the City Code, the moratorium for one hundred twenty (120) days adopted by Ordinance 52-O-06 is hereby extended for one hundred twenty-five (125) additional days on applications for and/or approval or issuance of all subdivision plats, re-zonings, special uses, planned developments, variations, and building permits for construction projects in the above-described Moratorium Area, described in Exhibit A, except for a perfected building permit application for new construction which was on file with the City on or prior to April 11, 2006, the effective date of Ordinance 52-O-06, and except for the planned development at 1613 Church Street approved by Ordinance 38-O-06 on April 11, 2006.

SECTION 3: That the Plan Commission and other appropriate City bodies are hereby authorized and directed to continue to study and review the zoning regulations in the aforedescribed area, and to make any recommendations that it or they may have regarding amendments to such regulations and related provisions of the City Code to the City Council.

SECTION 4:

- (A) That, to enforce the provisions of this Ordinance and Ordinance 52-O-06 during the moratorium period in the Moratorium Area, the City Manager and all other officers and personnel of the City are hereby authorized and directed as follows:
- (1) to refuse acceptance of any application for a plat of subdivision, building permit, special use, planned development, unique use, variation, re-zoning or any combination thereof; and to deny approval or issuance thereof, as appropriate, of any such applications;
- (2) to deny issuance of any building permit for new construction, except for a perfected building permit application which was on file with the City on or prior to April 11, 2006; and
- (3) to perform or to refuse to perform any act not specifically provided for in this Section 4, in a manner consistent with this Ordinance and Ordinance 52-O-06 and required or appropriate, to enforce the moratorium.
- (B) The planned development at 1613 Church Street is excepted from the provisions of this Ordinance.

SECTION 5: That the City Council may, upon finding that continuation of the moratorium for further study beyond the extension of one hundred twenty-five (125) days authorized hereby would serve the public health, welfare, and safety, provide by ordinance(s) for extension(s) thereof.

SECTION 6: If any provision of this ordinance, or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the invalidity does not affect other provisions or applications of this ordinance which can be given effect without the invalid provisions or applications thereof.

SECTION 7: All ordinances or parts or ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

SECTION 8: This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its passage, due to the urgency of continuing the moratorium as aforedescribed to prevent inconsistent and incompatible development.

Introduced: Suly 10

Approved:

Adopted:

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Mayor Pro Tem

Approved as to form:

Attest:

Mary P. Morris, Oity Clerk

Herbert D. Hill

First Assistant Corporation Counsel

EXHIBIT A

MAP OF THE MORATORIUM AREA

