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1 message

Kristin Cole <[REDACTED]>

Mon, Jan 22, 2024 at 1:21 PM

To: publiccomment@cityofevanston.org

Cc: Clare Kelly <ckelly@cityofevanston.org>

I was visiting my father this weekend and heard that the city is considering moving the Civics Center to a brand new building. We are an Evanston family - my father is a retired professor and lives at [REDACTED], and my siblings and I visit monthly.

My understanding is that this planned move would require building a new space - a costly endeavor for sure. I wanted to register my objection to this plan. I love Evanston primarily because of its beautiful old architecture. The last thing Evanston needs is yet another modern, expensive and probably soul-less building. Not to mention the expense!! Surely the money involved in building could be better used to address more needy causes.

The Civics Center is a lovely old building that merely requires much-needed maintenance. Please do such maintenance toward protecting one of our beloved old buildings.

Thank you,

Kristin Cole



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Community Space - Former Little Beans

1 message

'Stephanie Daugherty' via Public Comment <publiccomment@cityofevanston.org>

Mon, Jan 22, 2024 at 4:01 PM

Reply-To: Stephanie Daugherty <[REDACTED]>

To: publiccomment@cityofevanston.org

Hi there,

I am an Evanston resident and would like to express my enthusiastic support of maintaining the former Little Beans Cafe and utilizing as a community meeting/playspace. What a fantastic use of resources for our town and surrounding neighbors!

Sincerely,

[REDACTED]

Sent from Stephanie's iPhone



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Public comment supporting Little Beans purchase

1 message

Vanessa Irving Dillingham <[REDACTED]>
To: publiccomment@cityofevanston.org

Mon, Jan 22, 2024 at 3:15 PM

Good afternoon,

My family and I are 6th ward residents and I am writing to express my support for the city to purchase the Little Beans building to create expanded programming for children.

Thank you,

Vanessa Irving Dillingham
[REDACTED]



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Support for City Council Meeting Item SP3

1 message

Jesper Stelter-Hogh <[REDACTED]>

Mon, Jan 22, 2024 at 9:01 AM

To: publiccomment@cityofevanston.org

My name is Jesper Stelter-Hogh, I am currently a resident of Ward 4 and have been a lifelong Evanstonian. I am expressing my support for the relocation of city council operations to 909 Davis St. as all of the given reasons per the memorandum for Resolution 9-R-24 are quite justified. For me, the largest contributor to my voice of support is simply the improved access to city council. While the Lorraine H. Morton Civic Center is too far from transit and other non-automobile based transportation; moving to 909 Davis would make it far more accessible to myself and other members of the community.

However, while I do support the move, I do also recognize the historical significance of the Lorraine H. Morton Civic Center and wish for it to continue to be utilized after renovation. Another potential use for the property could be for new housing development, but beyond that, I have no other ideas to contribute to the property or building.

Thank you for your time and consideration,

Jesper J. Stelter-Hogh (He/Him)

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Support for Community Center

1 message

Julia Moore <[REDACTED]>
To: publiccomment@cityofevanston.org

Mon, Jan 22, 2024 at 3:11 PM

Hello,

I am writing to express my support for Resolution 7-R-24 (A12 on tonight's City Council Agenda). I think a community center at that location would be a wonderful resource for Evanstonians going forward, and a way to preserve the legacy established by the owners of Little Beans Cafe. I love that this would particularly impact the 9th ward, but I feel that all Evanston families would benefit from the increased educational and community resources that such a purchase would afford. As a resident in the 7th ward, I also think it would provide much needed support for the Ecology Center during its renovations. I also think that it would be the most sustainable solution for the equipment owned by Little Beans to continue to be used and stay out of landfills.

Julia Moore
[REDACTED]

January 8, 2024

Dear Honorable Members of the City Council:

On behalf of Endeavor Health, which includes Evanston Hospital, we appreciate the opportunity to provide written testimony regarding Ordinance 77-O-23, Amending Title 3 of the Evanston City Code to Add Chapter 35, "Minimum Wage."

As one of the largest employers in many of the communities we serve, including Evanston, we are fully committed to being a workplace of choice. This includes not only paying competitive wages above current required minimums, but also offering competitive benefits that support team member health, wellbeing and income security, in addition to a number of voluntary lifestyle benefits. For this reason, the proposed ordinance would have limited near-term impact on Endeavor Health.

Our concern is the precedent the ordinance would set and the complexity of its administration. Municipalities setting their own minimum wage rates and schedules does not take into account the unique nature of healthcare, in particular, for systems like ours that have team members that move across multiple locations and municipalities in an effort to ensure we serve our communities by providing timely and appropriate care to our patients when they need it. Across Endeavor Health, we have more than 300 sites of care across seven counties and 59 unique zip codes. In Evanston alone, we have more than 180 team members who work across multiple municipalities. This number is substantially greater when looking across our full system.

The payroll and administrative implications of implementing this ordinance, in particular if other municipalities follow suit in setting their own minimum wage rates, would be challenging. Further, the precedent set in Evanston could have negative long-term effects as health systems may need to choose between meeting the imposed requirements and locating our team members where they are needed most to provide key services and programs for our patients, potentially limiting services offered at locations including Evanston. Additional challenges over time could include wage compression and pay differences driven by inconsistent, municipality-driven wage policies rather than competitive market pay factors.

Hospitals and health systems are focused on improving and saving lives which differentiates us from other industries. Our skilled workforce can be called at a moment's notice to respond, and we need to ensure the right people are in the right place. At a time when hospitals and health systems are already facing staffing challenges, we believe our time and resources are best put toward strategies that support serving our patients and fostering a strong and flexible healthcare talent pipeline.

We thank you for taking these comments into consideration as you review this proposed ordinance.

Sincerely,

Gabrielle Cummings, President, Evanston Hospital and NorthShore Acute and Ambulatory Operations



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Endeavor Health Written Testimony Ordinance 77-0-23

1 message

Schroeder, Mark <[REDACTED]>

Mon, Jan 8, 2024 at 2:16 PM

To: "publiccomment@cityofevanston.org" <publiccomment@cityofevanston.org>

Mark Schroeder

Manager, Community Impact & Engagement


Evanston & Skokie Hospitals

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