

CITY OF HIGHWOOD
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
Tuesday October 16, 2018 at 6:00 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER by Mayor Pecaro at 6:05 P.M.

1. Roll Call

Those in Attendance: Mayor Pecaro, Aldermen: Falberg, Hospodarsky, Peterson, Slavin

Absent: Alderman Fiore

Also Present: City Manager Coren, City Attorney Jablecki, Assistant City Manager Martin, Administrative Assistant Litjens, City Clerk Baruffi

2. Public Hearing - None

3. Review of Minutes to be Approved

3.1. City Council: September 18, 2018

3.2. Committee of the Whole: September 18, 2018

Both sets of minutes will be approved at the Regular City Council Meeting.

4. Appointments (Mayor Pecaro)

5. Review of Bill Warrant List

5.1. October 16, 2018 AP Warrant List

6. Unfinished Business - None

7. New Business

7.1 A Presentation by the Highland Park/Highwood Legal Aid Clinic on Domestic Violence Awareness Month.

The Presentation will be at the Regular City Council Meeting this evening.

Additional Information:

Election Day is November 6, 2018

There will be a meeting on Tuesday; October 30, 2018 at 6:30 P.M. for the Everts Park project.

Some of the trees on Stables and Stables Court will probably be removed in the spring due to Ash borer disease.

7.2 Consideration of a Resolution Approving an ARC Application for a Wall and Door Sign for a Microbrewery Known as Beermiscuous (552 Sheridan Road).

Appearance Review Committee (ARC) approved.

7.3 Consideration of a Resolution Approving an ARC Application for Window Signs at Street Level Studio (9 Highwood Avenue/250 Waukegan Avenue).

ARC approved. However requires a variance to have the services listed on the signage.

7.4 Consideration of a Resolution Approving an ARC Application for a Wall Sign for a New Restaurant Known as La Plancha Loca (548 Sheridan Road).

Council agreed with the ARC approval.

7.5 Consideration of a Resolution Approving an ARC Application for a New Façade for a Portion of an Existing Shopping Center (800 Sheridan Road).

ARC approved of the façade change, Council agreed.

7.6 A Discussion on the August 2018 Treasurer's Report.

City Manager Coren reviewed the August 2018 Treasurer's Report. Although the City's income is higher in sales tax, there is no too much notable from same time last year.

Council questioned if license plate readers would be included in the security system. The sandwich board income needs to be itemized on the treasurer's report.

7.7 Consideration of a Motion Directing Staff to Proceed to Bidding for the Euclid Avenue and Euclid Court Reconstruction Project.

This project will be reviewed next meeting, but is for Ashland Avenue and the alley that runs from Walker Avenue to Webster Avenue for new surfacing, curbs, and undercuts rather than Euclid Avenue. A portion of the upcoming budget discussion will include the following streets; Green Bay Road north of Washington, Everts Place, Oak Terrace, Jeffreys, Elm, and Oak.

7.8 Consideration of a Resolution Requesting Metra Consider Adding an Express Stop at the Highwood Station When Train Schedules are Modified.

This would be beneficial to the T.O.D. project.

7.9 Consideration of a Motion Authorizing the City Manager to Sign a Supplemental Agreement to Operate the Fort Sheridan Metra Station.

Council in agreement.

7.10 Consideration of a Resolution Approving an Amended Mutual Aid Agreement for the Northern Illinois Police Alarm System.

The City joined in 1982. The Council in agreement to pass this Resolution at the Regular City Council Meeting this evening.

7.11 A Discussion on Assisting the Library with the Funding for Building Repairs.

The city's loan deferral date for the library would be May 1, 2021.

7.12 Consideration of a Resolution of the Corporate Authorities to Determine the Amount of the Tax Levy for the 2017 Tax Year.

This will be discussed at the November 16, 2018 meeting.

7.13 A Discussion on a TIF Agreement with the Developer at 246 Green Bay Road.

The redevelopment agreement should be ready by next meeting. The developers clarified their request for TIF money upfront as being when occupied. The planned retail portion would be 2 store fronts. They have been contacted by 2 small grocery stores and 1 bank with possible interest.

7.14 Consideration of a Resolution Authorizing the Execution of a Second Amendment to the Water Tower Lease Agreement with T-Mobile Inc. for the Location and Operation of Cellular Equipment on the City's Water Tower.

Assistant City Manager Martin reported the base rate is \$62,823.00, with a 3% increase annually.

8. Executive Session (If Necessary)

9. Any Action Necessary Coming Out of Executive Session

10. Adjournment Moved by Alderman Falberg, seconded by Alderman Hospodarsky to adjourn the meeting. All present voting aye, by voice vote, motion carried. Mayor Pecaro adjourned the meeting at 7:33 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Karin J. Baruffi, City Clerk

Reviewed and Approved by Council on: _____