

MINUTES of a regular meeting of the Mayor and the Board of Trustees of the Village of Skokie, Cook County, Illinois held in the Council Chambers at 5127 Oakton Street at 8 p.m. on Monday, January 4, 2016

Pledge of Allegiance led by Cub Scout Pack #85 from Middleton School.

The Clerk called the Roll. Those present were Roberts, Sutker, Ulrich, Bromberg, Klein, Gray-Keeler and Mayor Van Dusen.

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda.

Moved: Trustee Sutker

Seconded: Trustee Roberts

Ayes: Roberts, Sutker, Ulrich, Bromberg, Klein, Gray-Keeler and Mayor Van Dusen

Nays: None.

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

* Approve, as submitted, minutes of regular meeting held Monday, December 21, 2015.

Omnibus vote.

* Approve Voucher List #16 -FY16 of January 4, 2016.

Omnibus vote.

Appointments, Reappointments and Resignations.

A. Swearing in of the following personnel by Commissioner Ralph Egloff of the Board of Fire and Police:

| <u>Name</u> | <u>Old Position</u> | <u>New Position</u> |
|-------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| Zane Romano | New Hire | Police Officer |

Mayor Van Dusen congratulated the new Police Officer who introduced his family and friends.

*B. Appointment:

Economic Development Commission: Kristin Murtos

*C. Reappointments:

Centre East Authority Board: Terrence Guolee, Daniel Kelch and Barbara Reeder

*D. Resignations:

Board of Health: Margaret Langguth

Human Relations Commission: Randy Duong

Omnibus vote.

Report of the Village Manager.

A. Request for Executive Session.

Motion to approve the request of the Village Manager for an Executive Session pursuant to Section 2, Paragraph C.5 and C.6 of the State of Illinois Open Meetings Act at the end of the regular meeting and to adjourn therefrom.

Moved: Trustee Klein

Seconded: Trustee Bromberg

Ayes: Roberts, Sutker, Ulrich, Bromberg, Klein, Gray-Keeler and Mayor Van Dusen

Nays: None.

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

Report of the Corporation Counsel.

CONSENT:

*A. Ordinance 16-1-Z-4195

Motion to adopt an ordinance granting an extension to a previously approved site plan approval for a mixed-use planned development at 8101-8107 Skokie Boulevard, Skokie, Illinois in a CX Core Mixed-Use district (2015-1P). This item is on the consent agenda for second reading and adoption.

Omnibus vote.

*B. Ordinance 16-1-Z-4196

Motion to adopt an ordinance vacating a portion of the north-south alley within an area bounded by Hull Street, Avers Avenue, the CTA Yellow Line and East Prairie Road, in an R2 Single-Family district (2015-29P). This item is on the consent agenda for second reading and adoption.

Omnibus vote.

*C. Ordinance 16-1-Z-4197

Motion to adopt an ordinance granting a special use permit to allow outdoor storage at 7740 Austin Avenue, Skokie, Illinois in an M3 Industry district, and relief from Chapter 118, Sections 118-212(f) and 118-171(2)f.3. of the Skokie Village Code (2015-35P). This item is on the consent agenda for second reading and adoption.

Omnibus vote.

*D. Ordinance 16-1-Z-4198

Motion to adopt an ordinance granting a special use permit to allow outdoor storage at 7738 Austin Avenue, Skokie, Illinois in an M3 Industry district (2015-36P). This item is on the consent agenda for second reading and adoption.

Omnibus vote.

*E. Ordinance 16-1-Z-4199

Motion to adopt an ordinance amending the Zoning Map with regard to the property located at 7720 Austin Avenue, Skokie, Illinois from an M2 Light Industry district to an M3 Industry district (2015-37P). This item is on the consent agenda for second reading and adoption.

Omnibus vote.

FIRST READING:

F. An ordinance approving a plat of dedication for property located at 7941 Lincoln Avenue, Skokie, Illinois in a CX Core Mixed-Use district. This item is on the agenda for first reading and will be on the January 19, 2016 agenda for second reading and adoption.

G. An ordinance approving a plat of dedication for property located at 7947 Lincoln Avenue, Skokie, Illinois in a CX Core Mixed-Use district. This item is on the agenda for first reading and will be on the January 19, 2016 agenda for second reading and adoption.

Plan Commission.

Chairman Paul Luke presented the Plan Commission Cases.

A. Plan Commission Case 2015-39P – Special Use Permit: 7322 Kedzie Avenue
Motion to concur with the Plan Commission that the petitioner's request for outdoor storage in conjunction with R & G Almanza Landscaping, Inc be approved subject to all conditions.

Moved: Trustee Gray-Keeler

Seconded: Trustee Bromberg

Ayes: Roberts, Sutker, Ulrich, Bromberg, Klein, Gray-Keeler and Mayor Van Dusen

Nays: None.

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

B. Plan Commission Case 2015-40P – Zoning Chapter Amendment

Motion to concur with the Plan Commission to concur with and amend the Staff recommendation regarding outdoor storage of shopping carts and outdoor display of produce at 3358 Touhy Avenue subject to all conditions

Moved: Trustee Ulrich

Seconded: Trustee Roberts

Ayes: Roberts, Sutker, Ulrich, Bromberg, Klein, Gray-Keeler and Mayor Van Dusen

Nays: None.

Absent: None

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C. Plan Commission Case 2015-41P – Special Use Permit: 3358 Touhy Avenue
 Motion to concur with the Plan Commission in part with and amend the Staff recommendation to remove condition 1 allowing one row of carts on the north and east side of the building subject to all conditions.

Moved: Trustee Sutker

Seconded: Trustee Klein

Ayes: Roberts, Sutker, Ulrich, Bromberg, Klein, Gray-Keeler and Mayor Van Dusen

Nays: None.

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

D. Plan Commission Case 2015-42P – Special Use Permit: 3358 Touhy Avenue
 Motion to concur with and amend the Staff recommendation to add a condition requiring a waste receptacle adjacent to the outdoor seasonal produce area subject to all conditions

Moved: Trustee Gray-Keeler

Seconded: Trustee Klein

Ayes: Roberts, Sutker, Ulrich, Bromberg, Klein, Gray-Keeler and Mayor Van Dusen

Nays: None.

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

E. Plan Commission Case 2015-43P – Special Use Permit: 3358 Touhy Avenue
 Motion to concur with the Plan Commission for an amendment to an existing special use permit to modify the location for seasonal outdoor sales of garden and plant materials in front of the store in a B2 Commercial zoning district subject to all conditions.

Moved: Trustee Sutker

Seconded: Trustee Ulrich

Ayes: Roberts, Sutker, Ulrich, Bromberg, Klein, Gray-Keeler and Mayor Van Dusen

Nays: None.

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

2016-17 Community Development Block Grant Public Hearing #2.

Trustee Sutker read a prepared statement:

“I am a Licensed Clinical Social Worker employed by a social service agency that is an applicant for a CDBG grant. I do not believe this creates a conflict, however, I believe it is important to avoid the appearance of partiality. Therefore, I will recuse myself from participating in the discussions relating to the applications and from voting on the grants. My recusal from participating in the discussion should not be construed as indifference to the valuable services that the applicants provide to people in need. I commend and admire all of the agencies for their efforts.”

Planner/CDBG Administrator Carrie Haberstich presented Public Hearing #2

The Village's entitlement grant for FY17 is not known yet. At this time, we are estimating \$450,000 in entitlement funds based on expectations that CDBG funding will be decreased. In addition to the new entitlement, we will reprogram approximately \$35,000 in previously unallocated funds, and \$10,315 in program income received to-date during the current program year, while accommodating a small reserve of unobligated funds that could be used for emergency expenses, resulting in an estimated FY17 budget of \$495,315. Proposals from both Village staff and outside agencies total \$675,091, so reductions will be necessary. The program's 20% cap for administrative funding is applied against the new entitlement only, while the 15% cap for public service funding (non-capital/non-construction expenditures) is applied against the new entitlement plus the program income from the current program year.

Staff recommendations will be presented at the final hearing on Monday February 1st. The Board will determine at that time the funding award for each project or activity.

Overview of CDBG Proposals for FY17

Village of Skokie Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program

January 4, 2016

| | | | FY16 Allocation (\$) | FY17 Request (\$) |
|---|--|--|----------------------------|-------------------------|
| Administration | | | | |
| VOS - Program Administration | The Economic Development Division is seeking funding to administer the Village's CDBG Program, implement and monitor all projects, submit all required documentation to HUD, and coordinate all planning activities relative to the Village's community development efforts. (Activity subject to 20% administrative cap.) | | 97,161 | 90,000 |
| Housing | | | | |
| VOS - Home Improvement Program | The Property Standards Division is seeking funding to continue the Village's program of repairing single-family homes. This program began in 1983. The request includes adjusting the program parameters to enable low-income households to be eligible to receive grants up to \$12,000 to pay for building materials or contractors' services, and moderate-income households to be able to receive loans up to \$12,000 from local banks with the entire interest charges being subsidized through the program. | | 75,111 | 70,000 |
| Housing Opportunity Development Corporation (HODC) | The Housing Opportunity Development Corporation (HODC) is seeking funding to repair a private sidewalk to improve safety and direct drainage away from the building, sealing the basement walls to stop water seepage and prevent mold, installing insulation and replacing windows to increase energy efficiency, and replacing the parking slab to improve safety. | | 0 | 20,000 |
| Infrastructure | | | | |
| VOS - Street and Alley Resurfacing | The Engineering Division is seeking funding to resurface streets in 2 designated low/moderate-income mixed-use and multi-family residential areas: | | 180,000 | 200,000 |
| VOS - Sidewalk Replacement Program | The Engineering Division is seeking funding to provide grants to homeowners meeting low/moderate income eligibility who are required to participate in the Village's mandatory 50/50 sidewalk replacement program. | | 3,000 | 3,000 |
| Public Services | | | | |
| VOS - Social Worker | The Human Services Division is seeking funding to offset 60% of the costs for a Village Social Worker position. | | 32,955 | 41,629 |
| Metropolitan Family Services | Metropolitan Family Services (MFS) is seeking funding to cover a portion of a counselor and supervisor who provide information and referral services to low-income Skokie residents. | | 6,000 | 6,000 |
| JCFS | Jewish Child and Family Services (JCFS) is seeking funding to provide financial stability services and coordinated case management for individuals in Skokie. | | 3,570 | 10,000 |
| Center for Enriched Living | The Center for Enriched Living (CEL) is seeking funding to provide scholarships to enable low-income Skokie residents with developmental disabilities to enroll in skill development and social enrichment programs. | | 2,040 | 3,500 |
| Maine-Niles Association of Special Recreation (MNASR) | M-NASR is seeking funding to provide financial aid to enable extremely low- to low-income children and adult Skokie residents with disabilities the opportunity to participate in therapeutic recreational activities and providing their caregivers much needed respite. | | 2,040 | 3,000 |
| Access to Care | The Access to Care Program, sponsored by the Suburban Primary Health Care Council, is seeking funding to provide primary medical services to low-income Skokie residents. The program serves low-income, suburban Cook County residents who are uninsured but not eligible for Medicare or Medicaid. | | 0 | 6,000 |
| PEER Services | PEER Services is seeking funding to offset the costs associated with employing a half-time substance abuse outreach counselor to provide outreach, assessment, and treatment services to Skokie teens, families, and single adults who are experiencing problems related to substance abuse. | | 6,120 | 12,000 |
| Children's Advocacy Center | The Children's Advocacy Center is seeking funding to support child victims of abuse, and their non-offending family members, through expert child interviews, medical evaluations, and crisis intervention services during the investigation of the alleged abuse. | | 2,550 | 3,000 |
| The Harbour | The Harbour, Inc. is seeking funding to serve the needs of homeless youth (including locked-out, runaway, or abandoned) ages 12-21 in the north and northwest Chicago suburbs. | | 5,100 | 8,720 |

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| North Shore Senior Center (NSSC) | The NSSC is seeking funding to offset the staffing costs associated with providing long-term case management and counseling services to low-income, older adult residents of Skokie. | 8,160 | 10,000 |
| Youth and Opportunity United (YOU) | Youth and Opportunity United (YOU) is seeking funding to offset the staffing costs for a youth development specialist for after school and summer learning programs at Edison Elementary, Lincoln Junior High, and Old Orchard Junior High Schools. | 6,120 | 15,000 |

Public Facilities

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| CJE SeniorLife | CJE SeniorLife is seeking funding to repair the kitchen waste lines to avoid interruptions in service to over 200 low/moderate-income frail elderly residents and almost 500 frail elderly who receive home delivered meals from the kitchen at the Lieberman Center for Health and Rehabilitation at 9700 Gross Point Road. | 20,000 | 78,750 |
| Turning Point | Turning Point is seeking funding to replace three rooftop HVAC units serving the Turning Point building at 8324 Skokie Boulevard. | 9,500 | 29,174 |
| Search | Search is seeking funding to construct a handicapped ramp and deck and ramp for a group home for women with disabilities. | 15,000 | 13,500 |
| Orchard Village | Orchard Village is seeking funding to replace the tile roof, and copper gutters and downspouts for a group home for men with disabilities. | 20,000 | 16,575 |
| SHORE | SHORE is seeking funding to make improvements to its parking lots on Laramie and Lincoln Avenues, serving the organization's administration center and future home of its adult services program. | 5,000 | 10,243 |
| Asian Human Services | The Asian Human Services is seeking funding to assist with the buildout of a first floor dental clinic within its new Skokie Clinic at 8800 Lockwood Avenue. | 25,000 | 25,000 |

| FY16 | FY17 |
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| Total Allocation | Total Request |
| 544,427 | 675,091 |

Representatives from each organization spoke and gave a brief overview of the project request.

Citizen Comments.

Ted Varga, 9845 Keystone, spoke about a problem with an alley vacation by his house. Mayor Van Dusen will see what can be done to help with his problem.

Elliott Fineman, CEO of National Gun Victims Action Council and member of People for a Safer Society, Laura Williams, 8135 Lockwood, Nick Hankes, 7518 Kolmar and Denyse Stoneback President for People for a Safer Society all spoke about the proposed gun shop in Niles.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn at 9:52 p.m.

Moved: Trustee Roberts

Seconded: Trustee Bromberg

Ayes: Roberts, Sutker, Ulrich, Bromberg, Klein, Gray-Keeler and Mayor Van Dusen

Nays: None.

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

Pramod Shah, Village Clerk

Approved:

Mayor George Van Dusen

Closed Session

A Closed Session was held in the main floor conference room at 9:55 p.m. Those present were Mayor Van Dusen, Clerk Shah, Trustees Roberts, Sutker, Ulrich, Bromberg, Klein and Gray-Keeler. Also present were Manager Lockerby, Assistant Manager Wicha, Corporation Counsel Lorge and Economic Coordinator Thompson and Community Development Director Peyer. The meeting adjourned at 10:55 p.m.