

Meeting Minutes

Village of Downers Grove - Council Meeting

Council Chambers

12/18/2018

7:00 PM

In order to give as many visitors as possible an opportunity to speak and in the interest of adjourning the meeting by 9:00 p.m., please limit your comments to 5 minutes in length, unless further time is granted by Council. Thank you.

1. Call to Order

Mayor Martin Tully called the regular meeting of the Village Council of the Village of Downers Grove to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Downers Grove Village Hall.

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

Mayor Tully led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

2. Roll Call

Council Attendance (Present): Commissioner Barnett, Commissioner Walus, Commissioner Earl, Commissioner White, Commissioner José (arr. 7:05 p.m.); Mayor Tully

Absent: Commissioner Waldack

Non-Voting: Village Manager David Fieldman, Village Attorney Enza Petrarca, Village Clerk April Holden

The Council meeting is broadcast over the local FM radio station, WDGC. In addition, a tape recording and videotape of the meeting are being made using Village-owned equipment. The videotape of the meeting will be used for later rebroadcast of the Council meeting over the Village cable television Channel 6.

The Council will follow the rules of conduct for this meeting as provided in Sec. 2.5 of the Downers Grove Municipal Code. These offer the public the opportunity to comment at several points in the meeting. First, immediately following approval of the minutes of past meetings, an opportunity will be given for public comments and questions of a general nature. If a public hearing is scheduled for this meeting, an opportunity is given for public comments and questions related to the subject of the hearing. Finally, an opportunity is given for public comments and questions on items appearing on the Consent Agenda, the Active Agenda and the First Reading.

The Mayor stated that at the appropriate time the presiding officers will ask if there are any comments from the public. Individuals wishing to speak should raise their hand to be recognized and, after acknowledgment from the presiding officer, approach the microphone and state their name. Remarks should be limited to five minutes, and individuals are asked to refrain from making repetitive statements.

Mayor Tully said there are agendas located on either side of the Council Chambers, and he invited the audience to pick up an agenda and follow the progress of the Council meeting.

3. Minutes of Council Meetings

MIN 2018-8026 — A. Minutes: Council Minutes - December 11, 2018

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Motion: Commissioner White moved to approve the minutes as presented. Commissioner Earl seconded the motion.

Mayor Tully declared the motion carried by voice vote.

4. Mayor's Report

Recognition of Board and Commission Members

Mayor Tully said that the Village Council and staff rely on the volunteers in the community who offer their services to various aspects of Village government. He noted that the Village is blessed to have exceptional volunteers to help the Village government function better. He thanked and expressed the Village's gratitude to the Board and Commission members who have served over the years. The Mayor then read the names of those who have stepped down from service. They include Susan Eblan and Ed Earl, Library Board of Trustees; Michelle Toerpe, Liquor Commission; Anthony Civito, Stormwater and Flood Plain Oversight Committee; John Phillips, Technology Commission; Susan Carroll, Community Events Commission; and Jamie Getz, Environmental Concerns Commission. He then presented certificates of appreciation to those in attendance at the meeting – Ms. Eblan and Ms. Toerpe. On behalf of the Council, the Village staff and the community, Mayor Tully thanked all volunteers for their service.

New Business

RES 2018-8030 — A. Resolution: Establish the Downers Grove Human Service Ad Hoc Committee and Appoint Members

Summary: This confirms the establishment of the Downers Grove Human Service Ad Hoc Committee and appointment of the following members for a term expiring May 31, 2019 unless otherwise extended by the Village Council: Kimberly Nagy, Susan Wan, Samatha Aycock, Mary Lohrmann, Stephanie Williams, Azizi Marshall and Rebecca Cambell.

A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING THE DOWNERS GROVE HUMAN SERVICE AD HOC COMMITTEE AND APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS THERETO

RESOLUTION 2018-93

Motion: Commissioner White moved to adopt "A Resolution Establishing the Downers Grove Human Service Ad Hoc Committee and Appointment of Members Thereto," as presented. Commissioner Earl seconded the motion.

Mayor Tully noted that over the years the Village has struggled with what the Human Service Commission's role should be and the role the members should serve. This Commission is not petition driven. This will create a Human Service Ad Hoc Committee in an attempt to assist the next Village Council in its work with the Commission. The Village wants a clear mission, outcome and goals, and the seven members appointed to the Ad Hoc Committee will serve to answer those questions. This group will only exist for a set period of time. He then asked the Village Clerk to read the appointments to the Ad Hoc Committee.

Votes: Yea: Commissioners White, Earl, Walus, Hosé, Barnett; Mayor Tully

Nay: None

Mayor Tully declared the motion carried.

Materials to be Placed on File – Liquor License Application

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Mayor Tully noted that Pursuant to Section 3-12(d) of the Downers Grove Liquor Control Ordinance, a public hearing for a liquor license application may be waived if a current license holder requests a change in license classification, and that application must be placed on file for a minimum of two weeks subject to public comment prior to the issuance of a new license. The Mayor stated that the Village has received an application from a current licensee for a liquor license classification change to upgrade from their existing beer and wine only license, to a full alcohol, off-premise consumption liquor license. That applicant is Stef Foods, Inc., d/b/a/ 7-Eleven located at 5105 Fairview Avenue. The Mayor placed the application for classification change in the Village Clerk's office for the two-week waiting period, when a full alcohol off-premises consumption liquor license shall be issued to the establishment, barring any objections.

5. Public Comments

This is the opportunity for public comments.

There were no comments.

6. Consent Agenda

COR 2018-8027 — A. Claims Ordinance: No. 6293, Payroll, November 23, 2018 and December 7, 2018

BIL 2018-8028 — B. Bills Payable: No. 6430, December 18, 2018

RES 2018-8025 — C. Resolution: Authorize an Agreement with Total Parking Solutions, Inc., for Multi-Space Parking Pay Terminals

Summary: This authorizes an agreement with Total Parking Solutions Inc. for multi-space parking pay terminals.

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE VILLAGE OF DOWNERS GROVE AND TOTAL PARKING SOLUTIONS, INC.

(Multi-Space Parking Pay Terminals)

RESOLUTION 2018-94

RES 2018-8023 — D. Resolution: Authorize a Second Extension to the Agreement with Thompson Elevator Inspection Services, Inc.

Summary: This authorizes an extension to an agreement with Thompson Elevator Inspection Services, Inc.

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A SECOND EXTENSION TO THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THOMPSON ELEVATOR INSPECTION SERVICES, INC.

RESOLUTION 2018-95

RES 2018-7975 — E. Resolution: Approve the Final Plat of Subdivision for 3970 Douglas Road

Summary: This authorizes a Final Plat of Subdivision approval to subdivide the existing single lot into two lots of record.

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE FINAL PLAT OF SUBDIVISION FOR 3970 DOUGLAS ROAD

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RESOLUTION 2019-96**MIN 2018-8029** — F. Minutes: Note Receipt of Minutes of Boards and Commissions**Summary:** Stormwater and Flood Plain Oversight Committee - September 17, 2018; Library Board of Trustees - November 14, 2018**Motion:** Commissioner White moved to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Commissioner Earl seconded the motion.**Votes:** Yea: Commissioners White, Earl, Walus, Hosé, Barnett; Mayor Tully

Nay: None

Mayor Tully declared the motion carried.

7. Active Agenda**MOT 2018-8019** — A. Motion: Authorize Approval of Key Terms for a Redevelopment Agreement with Location Finders International (LFI) and Direct Staff to Take Necessary Actions to Comply with the Key Terms**Summary:** This authorizes approval of key terms for a redevelopment agreement with Location Finders International (LFI) and directs staff to take actions necessary to comply and implement certain key terms in relation to the Facilities Sustainability Plan.**Motion:** Commissioner White moved to approve key terms for a redevelopment agreement with Location Finders International (LFI) and to direct staff to take such actions necessary to comply and implement certain key terms in relation to the Facilities Sustainability Plan. Commissioner Earl seconded the motion.

1. David Olsen, 5613 Dunham Road, said he was reminded of the discussion of facilities when he was a member on the Council, stating there were a lot of concerns about the plan that was presented at that time. Ultimately that plan went to a referendum and back to the drawing board. He urged the Council to consider this plan and move forward. It will result in taxpayer savings. He is grateful to the staff for working on this and to the Council. He sees this as a great first step, and urged the Council to pass this plan.
2. Tim Werner, 6736 Osage, expressed his initial thoughts. He said that we all love Downers Grove and want to do the best for the Village. It is all about the utility of the plan, and this looks like a great plan. He is in support of it.

Commissioner Earl stated that Commissioner Waldack is ill; however, he conveyed that he supports this. It would be a unanimous vote if he were present.

Mayor Tully said he agrees with what has been expressed. He reminded everyone of the expression “good things come to those who wait.” He fully supports this plan.

Votes: Yea: Commissioners White, Earl, Walus, Hosé, Barnett; Mayor Tully

Nay: None

Mayor Tully declared the motion carried.

ORD 2018-7974 — B. Ordinance: Amend Planned Unit Development #51 to Allow Revisions to the Campus Master Plan at Midwestern University Located at 555 31st Street.

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AN ORDINANCE APPROVING AN AMENDMENT TO PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT #51 TO ALLOW REVISIONS TO THE CAMPUS MASTER PLAN AT MIDWESTERN UNIVERSITY LOCATED AT 555 31ST STREET

ORDINANCE NO. 5747

Summary: This authorizes a Planned Unit Development Amendment for a revised Campus Master Plan to construct a new support services building and relocate the chapel on the master plan.

Motion: Commissioner White moved to adopt "An Ordinance Approving an Amendment to Planned Unit Development #51 to Allow Revisions to the Campus Master Plan at Midwestern University Located at 555 31st Street," as presented. Commissioner Earl seconded the motion.

Votes: Yea: Commissioners White, Earl, Walus, Hosé, Barnett; Mayor Tully

Nay: None

Mayor Tully declared the motion carried.

ORD 2018-7973 — C. Ordinance: Amend the Stormwater Utility Rate and Establish a Water Service Installation Bond

Summary: This amends the Municipal Code regarding stormwater utility fees effective January 1, 2019 and will establish a water service installation bond.

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE STORMWATER UTILITY RATE AND ESTABLISHING A WATER SERVICE INSTALLATION BOND

ORDINANCE NO. 5748

Motion: Commissioner White moved to adopt "An Ordinance Amending the Stormwater Utility Rate and Establishing a Water Service Installation Bond," as presented. Commissioner Earl seconded the motion.

Votes: Yea: Commissioners White, Earl, Walus, Hosé, Barnett; Mayor Tully

Nay: None

Mayor Tully declared the motion carried.

8. First Reading

9. Manager's Report

Village Manager Dave Fieldman said that 2018 has been a tremendous year for the Village with many significant accomplishments and achievements. He thanked the Village staff for their professional and personal work, and the Village Council for their leadership and policy direction. He said he is looking forward to 2019, and wished everyone Happy Holidays.

10. Attorney's Report

11. Council Member Reports

Commissioner Barnett echoed Mr. Fieldman's comments, and wished Happy Holidays to all. He said it has been a good year for the Village of Downers Grove. By and large steps forward have been made for the whole community. He extended wishes for a Blessed Holiday season and a Happy New Year.

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Commissioner José apologized for being late, and thanked the staff for their hard work. He said that staff makes the Council's job look easy. He also said he is happy that the facilities plan isn't dead.

Commissioner Earl wished everyone Happy Holidays, and urged people to shop in the Village downtown. She hoped people would take advantage of the great weather and support local businesses.

Commissioner Walus echoed wishes for Happy Holidays to staff, colleagues and all residents.

Commissioner White stated that staff's accomplishments over the last year are very impressive. The community can be proud of how well the Village is doing. He extended wishes for Happy Holidays.

Mayor Tully noted that the EDC recently held their Board of Director's meeting. He noted that they are critical to the life and mission of the Village. METRA was invited to attend and present with several of their senior executives. Performance issues and significant capital needs were discussed including the aging infrastructure of the BNSF. It is a very old system with very old equipment. He said that the Village will continue to work with them, and hopefully the State of Illinois will work with them to improve transportation.

The Mayor reminded everyone that the Friends of the Edwards House has their 2019 landmark calendar available which features landmarked homes in Downers Grove. He noted that 2018 saw the landmarking and protection of many homes in the Village. He said that supplies are limited and encouraged resident to obtain a copy.

Mayor Tully thanked Commissioner Earl for the cookies. He said that 2018 was a busy year. Most obvious are the economic development projects that have opened or will be opening soon. He said that more information would come at the State of the Village report early next year. The Mayor thanked staff and wished everyone Happy Holidays, Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

12. Adjournment

Mayor Tully asked for a motion to adjourn.

Motion: Commissioner White moved to adjourn. Commissioner Earl seconded the motion.

Mayor Tully declared the motion carried by voice vote and the meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

April Holden

Village Clerk