

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 March 2, 2020

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

The Mayor called the meeting to order.

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 Roberts

Seconded: Trustee Sutker

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 Tuesday February 18, 2020

Omnibus vote.

* Approve Voucher List #20-FY20 of March 2, 2020.

Omnibus vote.

*Proclamations and Resolutions.

A. Proclamation

Certified Government Financial Manager Month – March 2020

Omnibus vote.

Recognition, Awards and Honorary Presentations.

A. Presentation:

Skokie Police Department Reaccreditation by Lou Jogmen, Highland Park Police Chief and Vice President of the Illinois Association of Chiefs of Police.

Highland Park Police Chief Lou Jogman presented a plaque from the Illinois Law Enforcement Accreditation Council that recognized the Skokie Police Department for full accreditation at the Tier 1 level.

* Appointments, Reappointments and Resignations.

A. Appointment

Commission on Family Services: Phillip Shefren

B. Reappointments

Ethics Commission: Rabbi Leonard Matanky, Pastor Daniel Morris and Jonathan Minkus

C. Resignation

Fine Arts Commission: Richard Reeder

Omnibus vote.

Report of the Village Manager.

*A. Annual Geographic Information System (GIS) Service Provider Agreement.

Resolution 20-3-R1459

Motion to adopt a Resolution authorizing execution of the agreement with Municipal GIS Partners, Inc. (MGP) with a not to exceed amount of \$146,352

Omnibus vote.

*B. Automated License Plate Recognition System (ALPR) Upgrades – Minuteman Security Technologies, Tinley Park, Illinois - \$47,130.

Motion to award a contract to Minuteman Security Technologies, Tinley Park, Illinois in the amount of \$47,130 for Automated License Plate Recognition System (ALPR)

Omnibus vote.

* C. Scheduled Landscape Maintenance Services for the Chicago Transit Authority (CTA) Oakton Street Station, Skokie Boulevard Streetscape and the Dempster Street Streetscape and Medians – Contour Landscaping, Skokie, Illinois - \$48,984.

Omnibus vote.

Manager Lockerby gave an update on the Coronavirus, stating that the Skokie Health Department is closely monitoring the evolving situation with the Coronavirus, and is in regular communication with the Illinois Department of Public Health and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

Report of the Corporation Counsel.

CONSENT:

*A. Ordinance 20-3-F-4508

Motion to adopt an ordinance reducing the tax levy of the Village of Skokie for the fiscal year beginning May 1, 2019 and ending April 30, 2020 in the amount of \$5,240,720.75. This item is on the consent agenda for second reading and adoption.

Omnibus vote.

* B. Ordinance 20-3-Z-4509

Motion to adopt an ordinance vacating an unimproved residential alley within an area bounded by Golf Road, Leamington Avenue, Foster Street and Laramie Avenue, in an R2 Single-Family district (2019-45P). This item is on the consent agenda for second reading and adoption.

Omnibus vote.

Plan Commission.

A. Plan Commission Case 2019-19P – Zoning Chapter Amendment: Short-Term Rentals.

Motion to concur with the Plan Commission that Chapter 118 Zoning of the Skokie Village Code be amended.

Moved: Trustee Gray-Keeler

Seconded: Trustee Sutker

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

Nays: Roberts.

Absent: None

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B. Plan Commission Case 2019-47P – Zoning Map Amendment: 3412-3426 Touhy Avenue.

Motion to concur with the Plan Commission to approve the petitioner's request for a Zoning map amendment from M3 Industry to B2 Commercial be approved subject to all conditions.

Moved: Trustee Klein

Seconded: Trustee Bromberg

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

Nays: None.

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

Mark Gershon, attorney from Posinelli PC and Javier Millan, principal of KLOA answered questions from the Board.

C. Plan Commission Case 2019-48P – Site Plan Approval: 3412-3426 Touhy Avenue.

Motion to concur with the Plan Commission that the petitioner's request for a site plan be approved subject to all conditions.

Moved: Trustee Bromberg

Seconded: Trustee Roberts

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

Nays: None.

Absent: None

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D. Plan Commission Case 2019-50P – Special Use Permit: 3412-3426 Touhy Avenue.
Motion to concur with the Plan Commission that the petitioner’s request for a Special Use be approved subject to all conditions.

Moved: Trustee Klein

Seconded: Trustee Sutker

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

Nays: None.

Absent: None

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E. Plan Commission Case 2019-51P – Site Plan Approval: 5255 Main Street and 8341 Lockwood Avenue.

Motion to concur with the Plan Commission to approve the petitioner’s request to amend an existing site plan approval for 2 existing buildings on a lot over 1 acre in size in order to construct an addition to the food pantry at 8341 Lockwood in an NX Neighborhood Mixed-use zoning district.

Moved: Trustee Klein

Seconded: Trustee Bromberg

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

Nays: None.

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

Five-Year Consolidated Plan and One-Year Action Plan for Community Development Block Grant.

Planner/CDBG Carrie J. Haberstick made a presentation with an overview and background of the Five-Year Consolidated Plan and One-Year Action Plan.

The term of the Consolidated Plan will be from May 1, 2020, through April 30, 2024. The primary elements of the Consolidated Plan include the public participation process, needs assessment, housing market analysis, strategic plan, and the first one-year Action Plan, addressing community issues particularly as they relate to low/moderate-income residents. The Consolidated Plan is required by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) of all communities receiving CDBG entitlement funds. The Action Plan will be the first of five plans for the upcoming Consolidated Plan term.

The five Action Plans that will be prepared throughout the term of the Consolidated Plan will serve as the annual funding applications to HUD for CDBG funding. They will include the fund application forms (Standard Form 424), executive summaries, the Village’s strategies to address community development needs, project and activity descriptions, and certifications regarding Skokie's eligibility to apply for federal funding. In addition, the Action Plans will address the Village's continued efforts to prevent homelessness, aid persons with special needs, enhance the supply of affordable housing, reduce lead-based paint hazards, enhance social services, and promote citizen participation in the CDBG process. Furthermore, the plans will provide updates on the number of Housing Choice Vouchers being used in Skokie, and planned coordination between various Village departments and social service providers in the Skokie area.

HUD regulations require that public input to the Consolidated and Action Plans be sought through legal notices, making drafts of the plans available to the public, and conducting public hearings. In addition to the calendar of CDBG public hearings on the Village’s website, the Consolidated Plan legal ads were published in the Skokie Review on January 30 and February 6, 2020, and the Action Plan legal ad was published in the Skokie Review on January 30, 2020. Both ads stated the availability of the draft plans, listing the primary goals of the Consolidated Plan, and describing the potential CDBG activities to be funded in Program Year 2020. The ads also invited public input at a public hearing to be held at the Board of Trustees' meeting on Monday, March 2. Since the upcoming CDBG projects and activities were already the subject of public hearings in January and February, it is unlikely that we will receive additional public feedback.

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The Village's entitlement amount was just announced at \$615,368, so the Village's Social Worker (subject to the 15% services cap) and the Affordable Housing Initiative budget amounts will be increased accordingly. The alternate activity will not be funded, as the minimum \$620,000 was not met.

Motion to approve the five-year Consolidated Plan and one-year Action Plan.

Moved: Trustee Gray-Keeler

Seconded: Trustee Sutker

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

Nays: None.

Absent: None.

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Citizen Comments.

Trustee Bromberg congratulated Michael and Susie Lorge on receiving the Community Service Award at the Keshet 2020 Annual banquet. Keshet is honoring the Lorges for their commitment to the Jewish Community.

Adjournment.

Motion to adjourn at 9:15 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

