

Minutes of Committee
Monday, August 22, 2011
7:05 p.m.

PUBLIC AFFAIRS AND SAFETY COMMITTEE

- 1) Bid Results: Ford expedition Special Service Vehicles for Police and Fire Departments
- 2) Spring Rd North of Prairie Path Crosswalk Request
- 3) Discussion- Employee Parking Fee in City Centre
- 4) Report- Purchase of AFIS Live Scan Fingerprint Equipment System for Police Department
- 5) Other Business
 - a. Traffic Concerns around Crescent Court Condominiums
 - b. Parking Restrictions for the West side of Myrtle between First and Second Street

Committee: Wagner, Pezza

Elected Officials: Spencer, York (part), Hipskind (part)

Staff: Neubauer, Bacidore, Grabowski, Kopp (part), Anaszewicz, Stenson (part), Trosien, Panico

Guests: John Klink, Bob Hitchcock, Joe Merle, Judy Fiene, Tom Paravola, Dr. Simonaitis

DISCUSSION AND COMMENTS:

Per the Chairman, agenda items were taken out of order. Item list was 3, 5a, 1, 4, 5b and are listed in order to follow the original agenda.

Item #1

Subsequent to a brief discussion the Committee signed the report.

Item #2

The Chairman removed item #2 from the agenda.

Item #3

Wagner opened the discussion by asking Trosien about current pricing for employee permits, general parking permits and commuter permits. Wagner then inquired if there could be some sort of pricing discount for a resident who is employed in the Elmhurst downtown business district. Subsequent to further discussion Trosien advised there is currently a review of permit pricing and the suggested pricing discount will be part of that review discussion.

Item #4

Chief Neubauer addressed the Committee providing an overview of the report and Stenson was present to respond to Committee's questions. Subsequent to further discussion the Committee approved the purchase and directed Staff to investigate the cost of an extended warranty. If that cost is reasonable to include the warranty cost in the total and revise the report. The Committee will provide phone in signatures on the revised report.

Item 5a

Wagner then directed the discussion under Other Business to the Crescent Court Condominium residents attending the meeting. Mr. Joseph Merle (President of the Condominium Board) then addressed the Committee and Staff, reviewing his letter to Alderman York (dated August 12, 2011) regarding traffic concerns in and around the condominium complex. Subsequent to further discussion, City Staff will review the detailed suggestions contained in the letter and a review of the condominium development agreement regarding the City's authority to enforce traffic laws and institute proposed suggestions.

Item #5b

Judy Fiene (119 Myrtle) addressed the Committee regarding the results of a proposed parking restriction resident survey. Fiene submitted a petition requesting restricted parking on the west side of Myrtle Ave between First and Second St. The survey results did not meet the

needed 70% of effected residents being in favor of the proposal (68% responded, 47% agree, 21% do not

agree). Therefore Staff did not recommend approval of the proposed parking restriction. The discussion then focused on explanation and clarification of the city policy requiring 70% of the block being in favor of the change.

During further discussion Fiene restated the reasons for the initial request. She asked if a traffic study could be conducted and or a submittal of a revised request restricting parking during specific times during the day, similar to other areas of town.

Mr. Grabowski advised he will determine if there are warrants for a study regarding parking restrictions and what the time period is to resubmit a parking restriction request.

The Committee was adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Submitted by Dominic Panico, Deputy Chief