

**Elmhurst Economic Development Commission  
Meeting Minutes – Friday, November 20, 2015  
Community Bank of Elmhurst – Hammersmith Community Room**

Present: Bill Shanklin, Chair, Rich Reichert, Vice Chair, Chris LaBounty, Maryann Gorski, Kurt Schiele, Trisha Hall, Diane McGinnis, Bill Huber, Tim Ricordati, Brian Stolper, Don Meyers, Mark Anglewicz, Barbara Riekse-Schau

Absent: Steve Moskal

Also Present: Scott Levin, Mike Kopp, Erin Van De Walle, Tom Paravola, Ken Bartels

The EDC was called to order at 7:35 a.m.

The EDC meeting minutes from October 23, 2015 were approved as corrected.

There were no public comments.

Mike Kopp provided a detailed City Update. Addison Street is to be paved by Thanksgiving. The Addison Deck should be completed by late December. Fitness Formula Club will be underway in early 2016. Mike also mentioned information on LA Fitness, 100 Addison, Elmhurst 255, Lakeside Bank, 100 York, Wilken's and Orange Theory which is going into the new deck. Mike also indicated that Gerber Corporation is planning to have their North American headquarters at 400 West Grand Avenue. Details pertaining to the new 'customer only' parking plan for City Centre and the new deck parking designations were also provided. Barbara Riekse-Schau inquired regarding the status of Lizzadro Museum in Wilder Park. Mike and Bill Huber will investigate.

Bill Shanklin informed the EDC that Matt Waterwall will be appointed to the commission as our 15<sup>th</sup> member by Mayor Morley with the approval of the City Council on December 7, 2015. Bill also stressed to the commissioners present that open communication is very important to him and urged the commissioners to always 'speak their minds' at meetings. Ken Bartels again explained the rationale for the new EDC sub-committees. The Development Sites and Downtown and Key Areas Recruitment groups will meet ASAP. Ken will coordinate. The 2016 EDC calendar is set and guest speakers and off-site locations will be sought.

Ken assisted the EDC in a quick review of items from a planning session held in November 2014. Items for possible involvement in 2016 for the EDC include: Economic development items from the City's Strategic Plan, TIF Districts review and changes, and a refresher on the Open Meetings Act. Further discussion added: Fuller exploration of creative initiatives, a possible TIF discussion at the December EDC meeting, a business park directory and the desire for a 'pure brainstorming' meeting in January 2016.

There were 13 retention visits made in the past month.

The next meeting of the EDC will be on Friday, December 18, 2015.

The EDC was adjourned at 8:51 a.m.  
Submitted as a draft by Ken Bartels.