

Minutes of Committee
Monday, April 13, 2009
7:00 p.m.

PUBLIC AFFAIRS AND SAFETY COMMITTEE

- 1) Berkley and Prairie Path: Status Update
- 2) Liquor License Request: Good Earth Greenhouse
- 3) Liquor License Request: Team Spirit Shell
- 4) Skink Related Problems
- 5) Stop Sign Request: Grantley and Willow
- 6) Neighborhood Electric Vehicles
- 7) Other Business

Members Present: Mulliner, Bram, and Nybo

Elected Official Present: Spencer

City Staff Present: Neubauer, Kopp, Bacidore, Doherty (part), Panico, Novak, Spiroff, Borchert (item 1), and Panico

Guest: Regan, Cronin, Mike Hessly, Jennifer Zimmerman, David Carpenter, Jeanne Kett, Heidi Bowbin, Tracy Kramer

DISCUSSION AND COMMENTS:

Chairman Mulliner changed the order of the agenda addressing item 2 first.

2. Cronin was present and addressed the Committee providing an overview of her business plan and liquor license request. During subsequent discussion, location of the alcohol within the store was addressed, and the appropriate type of liquor license needed for the described business plan. Subsequent to discussion the Committee directed Cronin to meet with the City attorney to determine the appropriate liquor license and report back to the Committee.
1. Mulliner opened the discussion in presenting an option for potential realignment of the Illinois Prairie Path Pedestrian Crossing closer to the intersection of the Prairie Path Lane and Berkley Ave. This relocation may allow for warrants to support a 4 way stop at the intersection, as requested by the residents. This modification would require further traffic analysis and coordination with the Elmhurst Park District, Illinois Prairie Path group, and DuPage County. Mr. Borchert was present for this item and provided further explanation of this option and responded to both the Committee and residents questions. Bram credited the City Staff for the extensive amount of time and effort that has put into this intersection study over the past months. Subsequent to further discussion the Committee directed Staff to prepare a report regarding the relocation of the Prairie Path Crossing at Berkley Ave for the next council meeting.
3. Subsequent to discussion, the Committee directed Staff to prepare a report denying the request for the liquor license.
4. Chief Neubauer addressed the Committee providing a comprehensive explanation of the Police Departments current animal control program/services, and the recent conditions which have contributed to the wildlife population including skunks. Informational material was provided to the Committee. Information was also provided on past and present public education efforts which include helpful tips on prevention and eviction of unwanted wildlife, including skunks. On those occasions when an animal problem is beyond the ability of the Animal Control Officer's resources, they are referred to a private service. Subsequent to further discussion, the Committee directed Staff to conduct a survey of several comparable communities regarding animal control services provided to residents and report back to the Committee.
5. Reviewed and briefly discussed.
6. Subsequent to a brief discussion, the Committee signed the report.
7. Other Business-Chief Kopp reviewed the pending items list with the Committee. Subsequently the Committee directed the removal of the Lincoln School request.

The Committee was adjourned at 8:20 p.m.
Submitted by Dominic Panico, Deputy Chief