

Minutes of Committee
Monday, July 13, 2009
8:34 p.m.

PUBLIC AFFAIRS AND SAFETY COMMITTEE

- 1) Cooperation Agreement between the City of Elmhurst and the Elmhurst Heritage Foundation
- 2) Liquor License Request Flight 112 Wine Shop
- 3) Citywide Evangelical Worship Service
- 4) District 205 Foundation: Summer Rocks Fundraiser
- 5) Elmhurst Wireless Radio Alarm Network: Vendor Selection
- 6) Discussion: Metro Paramedic Contract
- 7) Other Business:
 - A. Collegeview Traffic Parking Issues
 - B. Prairie Path Crossing at Berkley Issues

Elected Official Present: Wagner, Nybo, Pezza, Clerk Spencer

City Staff Present: Bergheger, Kopp, Bacidore, Novak, Neubauer, Doherty

Guest: Ellen Braun, Val Stewart, John Quigley, Jenn Zimmerman, Michael Ducey, Lisa Fanelli, Robert Brugh, Warren Olsen, Phil Miller, Kirt Wiggins, Visal Kheam

DISCUSSION AND COMMENTS:

1. Director Bergheger addressed the Committee introducing Elmhurst Heritage Foundation President, Val Stewart who detailed the changes to the Foundation By-Laws and Cooperation Agreement that would allow the foundation to fund temporarily certain personnel expenses including personnel costs to enable the frozen positions to be filled. These changes have a built in sunset of April 12, 2012. Alderman Pezza asked if being a 5013C organization, are the proposed changes OK with the donors. Director Bergheger advised the funds would come from the unrestricted operating account so there is no issue. Alderman Nybo asked if these positions would be IMRF eligible. Director Bergheger advised no. The Chairman directed Staff to check whether a resolution or report was needed. Staff was directed to prepare the appropriate document for the Committee's signature.
2. Chief Neubauer addressed the Committee advising he had personally inspected and spoke with other WBB license holders nothing that each license holder has a different business plan. Chief Neubauer advised Staff is recommending the creation of a new license class of Wine Bar Beer and Spirits (WBBS) and the new license class have the same fee as a "B" and "RL" license. The Committee concurred with Staff recommendation and signed a report recommending the new license class.
3. Reverend Wiggins addressed the Committee regarding this request, noting the Evangelical Churches desire to serve the community on a larger scale. City Centre Executive Director Tom Paravola addressed the Committee advising that currently the location of the September 13th concert is undetermined. Ideally the September 13th concern would be held at City Centre Plaza if the renovation is complete. The current back up plan prefers that South York Rd location. Paravola advised this is consistent with the plan of moving the concert locations around City Centre. Paravola noted the July and August concerts were on Addison so the preference would not be for Addison. Paravola advised that if City Centre or South York is the location, he could not be supportive of this request as to keep the infrastructure in place would cause at minimum another half day disruption to businesses located in or around the concert location. Paravola noted that after the June Concert on S. York Street, the event was broken down right after the event ended so as not to disrupt Sunday businesses and travel through City Centre. Chamber of Commerce President Quigley also noted a potential cost of continued rental of infrastructure for the concert. The issue of event insurance was also discussed. The Chairman requested and President Quigley and Director Paravola agreed to meet with Pastor Wiggins. **Note:** In a discussion of agenda, Item 4, Alderman Nybo suggested an opportunity for the Evangelical Churches to utilize the August 08/09 concert date to hold their community service. Chamber President Quigley advised he would explore that opportunity. Item was tabled.
4. Chamber President Quigley and Executive Director Fanelli addressed the Committee. This event had been held in conjunction with Elmfest for the last three (3) years. The Foundation is requesting to partner with the Chamber and utilize the August 8th concert set up. Quigley noted that unlike the previous request, the August 8th concert set up does not require any streets to be blocked as such the impact on businesses located in the area is minimal. Quigley further advised that this date had been included in the appropriate permitting for the concert series in anticipation of a possible request from the District 205 Foundation.

Executive Director Tom Paravola addressed the Committee. Paravola wanted to advise the Committee that the City Centre has not been part of the negotiations between the Chamber and District 205 Foundation. Further, the City Centre will receive no benefit. Paravola advised when he was approached by Quigley, he agreed as it will not cost the City Center any additional monies and due to the off street location on Addison, the impact to area business will be minimal.

Chief Neubauer asked Executive Director Fanelli if her request for the Charitable Games Application was actually a raffle request and she responded yes. Fanelli advised she was aware a raffle license was required. Chief Neubauer requested the draft report be corrected to reflect this which the Committee concurred. The Committee signed the report recommending the temporary use and event permit be granted.

5. Chief Kopp addressed the Committee advising receipt of three (3) proposals from a possible seven (7) qualified vendors. Chief Kopp advised that Staff was recommending the awarding of the contract to ADT utilizing their alternate proposal. Chairman Wagner asked if the contract had been reviewed by the City Attorney. Chief Kopp advised that the contract has been initially reviewed. A detailed review would be conducted pursuant to Committee recommendation. Chairman Wagner states his concern over the null and void provision to existing ADT customers. Robert Brugh from ADT advised all contracts pertaining to equipment involved in the transmission of the wireless radio alarm would be null and void upon the signing of the Elmhurst contract. The Committee signed the report recommending the Wireless Radio Alarm Network contract be awarded to ADT.
6. Chief Kopp addressed the Committee regarding the review of the Metro contract, suggested alternatives for cost savings. This review and agreed cost saving measures resulted in an estimated \$214,000 saving to the City. Chief Kopp was proposing to take a portion of those saving and utilize it to help stabilize medic turnover in Elmhurst by adding salary incentive to the Elmhurst Contract. A discussion ensued on the benefits and negatives of contract medics. Also discussed was the cost responsibility of Elmhurst residents for medic ambulance service. Staff was directed to provide residents with current information on cost responsibility for these services.

Chief Kopp also advised of a preliminary proposal from Metro to extend the current contracts. Chief Kopp will review this proposal and report back.

7. a) Alderman Pezza inquired on her request for a review of Collegeview traffic parking issues. Chief Neubauer advised Staff had met with traffic consultant B. Coulter who was provided with additional information for review and recommendations.
- b) Chairman Wagner advised that City Engineer K. McGrew and he met with representatives from DuPage County regarding the Prairie Path Crossing at Berkley. Identified issues are being reviewed.

No other Business.

The Committee was adjourned at 9:35 p.m.
Submitted by James Doherty, Deputy Chief