

The City of Lake Forest
CITY COUNCIL
Proceedings of the Monday, April 1, 2019
City Council Meeting - City Council Chambers

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL: Honorable Mayor Lansing called the meeting to order at 6:30pm, and the City Clerk Margaret Boyer called the roll of Council members.

Present: Honorable Mayor Lansing, Alderman Beidler, Alderman Morris, Alderman Newman, Alderman Rummel, Alderman Reisenberg, Alderman Preschlack, Alderman Moreno and Alderman Buschmann.

Absent: None

***Please note the order of items was changed and were presented as follows ***

Comments by Mayor

Omnibus

Opportunity for Public Comment

New Business Item #2

City Manager Report

New Business Item # 1

Additional Items for Council Discussion/Comments by Council Members

The minutes are in presented in the format of the agenda.

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was recited by all those present in the Chamber.

REPORTS OF CITY OFFICERS

COMMENTS BY MAYOR

Mayor Lansing passed along the Councils condolences to the family of the recent auto accident on Rt. 41 and commended Lake Forest Public Safety for a job well done. He offered prayers to all involved. He also urged all voters to exercise their right and vote on Tuesday, April 2, 2019.

A. Arbor Day Proclamation

Mayor Lansing read the Proclamation proclaiming April 26, 2019, as Lake Forests' 39th Arbor Day.

COMMENTS BY CITY MANAGER

**A. Annual Emerging Artists Awards
-Jillian Chapman, Creative Director, Deer Path Art League**

City Manager Jason Wicha introduced Jillian Chapman, Creative Director of the Deer Path Art League. Ms. Chapman read the award winners, Mayor Lansing presented the awards and photos were taken.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

OPPORTUNITY FOR CITIZENS TO ADDRESS THE CITY COUNCIL ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

ITEMS FOR OMNIBUS VOTE CONSIDERATION

1. **Approval of the March 18, 2019 City Council Meeting Minutes**
2. **Approval of the Check Register for the Period of February 23 through March 22, 2019**
3. **Award of Bid in the Amount of \$84,000 with a 5% or \$4,200 Contingency to ATP Enterprise Group, Inc. for the Lake Forest Recreation Center Front Entrance Replacement Project**
4. **Award of a Bid in the Amount of \$84,500 to Best Buy Carpet for the Lake Forest City Hall Carpet Replacement Project**
5. **Authorization for additional funds for repainting, lettering, safety upgrades, and repairs of used fire apparatus**
6. **Consideration of Ordinances Approving Recommendations from the Zoning Board of Appeals. (First Reading, and if Desired by the City Council, Final Approval)**
7. **Consideration of Recommendations from the Plan Commission and Building Review Board in Support of the Second Phase of the McKinley Road Redevelopment. (Approval of the Plat by Motion *and* First Reading and if Desired by the City Council, Final Approval of an Ordinance Approving the Architectural Design)**

COUNCIL ACTION: Approval of the seven (7) Omnibus items as presented

Mayor Lansing asked members of the Council if they would like to remove any item or take it separately. The City Council was briefed on item #7, and Mayor Lansing asked for a motion to approve the seven (7) Omnibus items as presented.

Alderman Preschlack made a motion to approve the seven (7) Omnibus items as presented, seconded by Alderman Beidler. The following voted "Aye": Aldermen Beidler, Morris, Newman, Rummel, Reisenberg, Preschlack, Moreno and Buschmann. The following voted "Nay": None. 8- Ayes, 0 Nays, motion carried.

Information such as Purpose and Action Requested, Background/Discussion, Budget/Fiscal Impact, Recommended Action and a Staff Contact as it relates to the Omnibus items can be found on the agenda.

ORDINANCES

NEW BUSINESS

1. **Consideration of Recommendations from the Plan Commission Relating to a Portion of the Amberley Woods Site and the Overall Route 60 Corridor. (Approval by Motion)**

Catherine Czerniak, Director of Community Development, reported that this recommendation came from the Plan Commission. The Plan Commission recommended to deny the petition based on inconsistencies with current approvals. The recommendation will send a clear message to petitioner that consideration of

change of use is the first step. The Commission also recommended to advance review and study of Route 60 Corridor as the next Phase of the Comprehensive Plan Update. The petitioner agreed with the Plan Commission's recommendation. Ms. Czerniak gave an overview of the topics to be studied that include: Review Current Uses/Development, Identify Opportunities/Challenges, Consider How to Best Enhance Existing Uses – Appropriate Transitions, Identify Gaps – What is Missing, Identify Changes to be Considered, Explore Alternative Uses – Costs/Benefits/Community Value, in addition, consider area wide: Stormwater Management, Vehicular Circulation, Emergency Access, Pedestrian/Bicycle Connections, Streetscape Character/Entrance Gateway and Plan for the Long Term.

The City Council had a lengthy discussion on tabling the petition, and the expectations of the Comprehensive Plan Working group.

Gerald Callaghan, Attorney for Oakleigh Development Group addressed the City Council and reported that his client agreed with the Plan Commission's recommendation and asked that the review of the corridor get underway expeditiously.

Deb Fisher offered a recap perspective of the Plan Commission meeting on this topic.

Mayor Lansing asked if there was anyone from the public who would like to comment. Seeing none, he asked for a motion.

COUNCIL ACTION: Approve a motion tabling the petition filed by Oakleigh Development Group, LLC and Pendulum Lake Forest Partners, LLC.

AND

Direct staff to proceed expeditiously with a review of the Route 60 Corridor as the next phase of the Comprehensive Plan update. And, to facilitate the review:

- ❖ **Authorize the City Manager, in consultation with the Chairman of the Finance Committee, to engage consultants, on a short term basis, as determined to be appropriate, for an amount not to exceed the City Manager's authority.**
- ❖ **Authorize the City Manager, in consultation with the Mayor, to appoint a Comprehensive Plan Working Group for this next phase of the Plan update.**

Alderman Preschlack made a motion to approve a motion tabling the petition filed by Oakleigh Development Group, LLC and Pendulum Lake Forest Partners, LLC.; *and* Direct staff to proceed expeditiously with a review of the Route 60 Corridor as the next phase of the Comprehensive Plan update; *and* to facilitate the review; *and* Authorize the City Manager, in consultation with the Chairman of the Finance Committee, to engage consultants, on a short term basis, as determined to be appropriate, for an amount not to exceed the City Manager's authority; *and* Authorize the City Manager, in consultation with the Mayor, to appoint a Comprehensive Plan Working Group for this next phase of the Plan update, seconded by Alderman Rummel. The following voted "Aye": Aldermen Beidler, Morris, Newman, Rummel, Reisenberg, Preschlack, Moreno and Buschmann. The following voted "Nay": None. 8- Ayes, 0 Nays, motion carried.

2. Approval of an Agreement with The University of Illinois at Chicago to Provide Data and Benchmarking Administrative Support to the Northern Illinois Benchmarking Cooperative in an amount not to exceed \$70,000.

Mike Strong, Assistant to the City Manager, gave an overview and purpose of the benchmarking cooperative. He reported that The City of Lake Forest holds and executed the agreement with UIC with each municipality paying an equal percentage of the costs. The NIBC jointly agreed to focus on law enforcement

issues with specific priority areas that include Police Department recruitment and retention, Police Communications Strategies and Developing Public Trust, and Policing and Mental Health. The final product will serve as an internal resource for police departments interested in developing greater proficiency, promoting idea generation, and enhancing efficiencies within each of these areas. NIBC members plan to continue conversations within these service areas and discuss specifically how each member can work toward achieving the recommendations identified within the Report.

In January 2019, the member communities chose Fire Service as its next service area, and jointly supported UIC in providing administration and data analysis support for this investigation.

The City Council had discussion that included relationship and similar resources with peer communities, difficulties communities face in benchmarking and the work that is being done to measure mental health issues and The City of Lake Forest's leadership role.

Mayor Lansing asked if there was anyone from the public who would like to comment. Seeing none, he asked for a motion.

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ADDITIONAL ITEMS FOR COUNCIL DISCUSSION/COMMENTS BY COUNCIL MEMBERS
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- 1. EXECUTIVE SESSION pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2 (c), (21), The City Council will be discussing, annual review of the minutes mandated by Section 2.06 of the Open Meetings Act**

Adjournment into Executive Session at 7:50pm

Alderman Rummel made a motion to adjourn into executive session pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2 (c), (11), The City Council will be discussing threatened/pending litigation, seconded by Alderman Moreno. The following voted "Aye": Aldermen Beidler, Morris, Newman, Rummel, Reisenberg, Preschlack, Moreno and Buschmann. The following voted "Nay": None. 8- Ayes, 0 Nays, motion carried.

Reconvene into Regular Session at: 8:17pm

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business Mayor Lansing asked for a motion. Alderman Reisenberg made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Alderman Newman. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote at 8:17 pm.

Respectfully Submitted
Margaret Boyer, City Clerk

A video of the City Council meeting is available for viewing at the Lake Forest Library and on file in the Clerk's office at City Hall. You can also view it on the website by visiting www.cityoflakeforest.com. Click on I Want To, then click on View, then choose Archived Meetings Videos.

*Proceedings of the Monday, April 1, 2019
Regular City Council Meeting*