

SPECIAL COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Monday, June 27, 2022 Immediately following the Special City Council Meeting at 7pm

City Hall Council Chamber 109 James Street Geneva IL 60134

Meeting Link:

https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/4840240824915402255

AGENDA

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Approve Special Committee of the Whole Minutes from June 13, 2022
- 3. Items of Business
 - a. Policy Discussion on Fence Regulations
 - b. Policy Discussion on Encroachments in the Public Right-of-Way
- 4. Public Comment/New Business
- 5. Adjournment

SPECIAL COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING MINUTES JUNE 13, 2022 AT 7PM

PRESENT: Mayor Kevin Burns, Ald. Mike Bruno (via remote video), Ald. Tara

Burghart, Ald. Becky Hruby, Ald. Gabe Kaven, Ald. Dean Kilburg, Ald. Brad

Kosirog, Ald. Richard Marks, Ald. Amy Mayer, Ald. Robert Swanson

ABSENT: Ald. Craig Maladra

STAFF PRESENT: City Admin. Stephanie Dawkins, Assistant City Admin. Ben McCready,

Economic Development Dir. Cathleen Tymoszenko (via telephone)

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Burns called the meeting to order at 7:04pm noting that Ald. Maladra was absent, Bruno and Tymoszenko attending remotely.

2. ITEMS OF BUSINESS

a. <u>Discussion Regarding Outdoor Liquor Sales</u>

Tymoszenko outlined the city's current regulations for outdoor liquor sales on private and public property and the desire to create more opportunities for city establishments who hold a liquor license to sit patrons outdoors on public property. She also reviewed the sidewalk café license regulations that do not allow for liquor. Tymoszenko stated that at the current time, staff was not recommending allowance on parkway areas as there are tree preservation, hardscape and utility issues to study before this would be a permanent allowance. She also noted that the City has applied for grant monies to assist in this process. Aldermen discussed the pros and cons of allowing the service and sales in the parkways along Third Street. Discussion then centered on requiring barriers similar to the "outdoor seating liquor licenses" for private property. Staff recommended no barriers for the sidewalk café liquor licenses and the committee consensus was to not require that they be installed. Discussion on the size of the tables was heard, with staff recommending 2-person tables only.

Final consensus was to bring the ordinance amendment to the June 20, 2022 Committee of the Whole as presented.

b. Discussion Regarding Downtown Parking Space Licensing Agreements

Tymoszenko presented a request from The Little Traveler to allow his patrons to use street parking without time limits on certain dates his store was hosting special events. Shop owner Mike Simon was present to provide details on the events and the request. Discussion focused on setting a precedent and how the City would handle possible future requests from other entities. Simon noted that the events would take place in the late mornings and would cause minimal disruption to other downtown traffic. Staff noted that the store would be responsible for producing and issuing the placards to go in the vehicles that utilize the parking spaces. A fee of \$1.75, equivalent to the daily parking fees at the deck, would be paid by The Little Traveler per vehicle, per event. Some aldermen expressed interest in revisiting the current downtown parking regulations to address it in whole.

Finally, Mayor Burns sought and attained consensus from the committee to bring the item forward as presented to the June 20, 2022 Committee of the Whole meeting.

3. Public Comment/New Business

Admin. Dawkins announced there would be a Special Committee of the Whole meeting on June 27, 2022.

4. Adjournment

On a motion by Ald. Marks, the meeting adjourned by unanimous voice vote at 8:54pm.

-submitted by Deputy Clerk Fornari