

**VILLAGE OF LINCOLNWOOD
PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING
VILLAGE HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS
FEBRUARY 17, 2015**

Call to Order

President Pro-Tem Leftakes called the Committee of the Whole meeting of the Lincolnwood Board of Trustees to order at 6:00 PM, Tuesday, February 17, 2015 in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Complex, 6900 North Lincoln Avenue, Village of Lincolnwood, County of Cook and State of Illinois.

Roll Call

On roll call by Village Clerk Beryl Herman the following were:

PRESENT: President Pro-Tem Leftakes, Trustees Klatzco, Elster, Cope, Patel (6:20), Sprogis-Marohn (7:20)

ABSENT: Village President Turry,

A quorum was present. Also present: Timothy Wiberg, Village Manager; Charles Meyer, Assistant to the Village Manager; Douglas Petroschius, Assistant Village Manager; Steven Elrod, Village Attorney; Amanda Williams, Management Analyst; Charles Greenstein, Village Treasurer; Timothy Clarke, Director of Community Development; Aaron Cook Community Development Manager; Plan Commission Chair Paul Eisterhold; Jackie Boland of the Lincolnwood Chamber of Commerce.

Approval of Minutes

Minutes of the February 3, 2015 Committee of the Whole meeting were distributed in advance of the meeting and were examined. Trustee Elster moved to approve the minutes as presented. Trustee Klatzco seconded the motion. The motion passed with a Voice Vote, 5-0.

Minutes of the February 9, 2015 Committee of the Whole Budget meeting were presented for approval. Trustee Klatzco moved to approve the minutes as presented. Trustee Elster seconded the motion. The motion passed with a Voice Vote.

Regular Business

1. Discussion Concerning the Chamber of Commerce's Request to Install Street Light Banners

The item was presented by Jackie Boland and Ashley Engelmänn. Mrs. Engelmänn presented a PowerPoint.

Background

*The Chamber is requesting permission from the Village to install decorative streetlight banners within the Village.

- 4007 Touhy (The Private Bank) east to the intersection of McCormick Boulevard and Touhy Avenue (Lincolnwood Town Center Mall)

*Purpose of the program:

- Opportunity for businesses to advertise
- Creation of a community identifier and brand for the commercial district
- Provide an ongoing fundraiser for the Chamber

A rendering of the area to be covered was exhibited.

Program Details

*Annual program

*Lincolnwood businesses that are in good standing with the Chamber

*The Chamber would be responsible for receiving and placing all banner orders

- Their contractor would install and maintain the banners
 - Public Works will assist in emergency situations and communicate with the Chamber if banners need maintenance
- Their contractor would name the Village as an additional insurer on their liability insurance

*The Village would maintain the right to hang Village owned banners on the street lights

Drawings of proposed banners were exhibited

Cost to Businesses

*New Orders

- \$300 each for 1-2 banners +\$50 set- up fee
- \$275 each for 3-9 banners +\$50 set-up fee
- \$250 each for 10+ banners +\$50 set-up fee

*Annual Renewal Fee

- \$150 each for 1-2 banners
- \$125 each for 3-9 banners
- \$100 each for 10+banners

Zoning Code

*Section 11.06 of the Zoning Code currently prohibits light pole sign in the public right-of-way

1. A Text Amendment would be required to allow the Chamber's banner program

*A similar Text Amendment was approved by the Village Board on March 17, 2011 to allow for advertising signs within bus shelters in the public right-of-way

*If the Village Board supports the program, the Plan Commission must be directed to conduct a public hearing concerning Zoning Code Text Amendments that would permit street light banner advertisements within the public right-of-way

Trustee Klatzco moved to send the item to the Plan Commission for the meeting of April 1. Trustee Elster seconded.

The motion passed with a Voice Vote

2. Discussion Concerning a Development Proposal for the Current Kow Kow Restaurant Site

This item was presented by Mr. Clarke and Gary Levitas of the Northfield Group.

Drawings and aerial views of the property location were exhibited.

Zoning

*Subject Property Currently Zoned B2 General Business

2. Zoning District currently prohibits any type of residential use
3. Consideration currently pending of proposed overlay zone for Devon Corridor to allow above ground residential units as Special Use

4. Property South of Subject Property: R4
5. Property East of Subject Property: Zoned R3/R2

A rendering of the proposed building was presented, as well as proposed development metrics.

Discussion ensued regarding concerns of height and square feet.

3. Discussion Concerning Public Transportation Options

This item was presented by Mr. Meyer using PowerPoint.

Current Mass Transit Options

*Pace Bus Routes

- Route 226 – Service along Central Avenue
- Route 210 – Service along Lincoln Avenue and McCormick Blvd.
- Route 290 – Service along Touhy Avenue

*CTA Bus Routes

- Route 11 – Service along Kedzie and south on Lincoln Avenue in Chicago
- Route 82 – Service from Lincolnwood Town Center and south to 31st Street
- Route 96 – Service on McCormick to Redline
- Route 155 – Service from Devon-Kedzie to Redline

*Metra

- Edgebrook Metra Station – Milwaukee District/North Line

*Subsidized Taxi Program – Available for seniors through Parks and Rec

*Pace Ride Share – Vanpool program to allow residents to commute together for a low monthly rate

Background of Survey

*Solicited responses from October 1, 2014 – December 31, 2014

*Surveys were available on line, at Village Hall, and sent to interested residents

*A dedicated transit webpage was developed

*Advertised in the Village Newsletter and through social media and e-mail

*55 Responses received (.44% of the community)

Results - Selected Questions

*If available, how likely are you to ride a bus with a fixed route on Devon Avenue that operates between the Kedzie Bus Stop and Edgebrook Metra Station?

Very Likely	53.57%
Likely	1.79%
Neutral	7.14%
Unlikely	3.57%
Very Unlikely	33.93%

*If a bus route was available nearby, where would you like it to take you?

Community Center / Village Hall	12.43%
Lincolnwood Town Center Mall	10.65%
Proesel Park Family Aquatics Ctr.	9.47%
Edgebrook Metra Station	24.85%
Devon-Kedzie CTA Stop	17.75%
Touhy Crawford Business Dist.	10.06%
Lowes	9.47%
Centennial Park	5.33%

*Most common requested destinations were Edgebrook Metra Station and Devon-Kedzie CTA stop

* Fares

- 77% of respondents said they would pay at least \$1.00 per trip if a bus route was created by the Village
- 23% of respondents said they would not expect to pay for trips on the bus route
- Many respondents requested that a Senior Discount be applied to any route, if created in Lincolnwood

The locations of respondents were indicated on an exhibited map.

Options

*Option 1 – Lobby Pace and CTA for additional service

*Option 2 – Create Village-operated route with a Pace Bus

*Option 3 – Status Quo

Transit Website

*A dedicated webpage was created for the survey, including information on the Village's current options for mass transit, including Pace, CTA and Metra

The website is available at: www.lincolnwoodil.org/our-community/transit

Discussion ensued.

Consensus was to obtain more information, speak to the Village of Niles and set up another meeting with transportation providers

Adjournment

At 7:35 PM Trustee Elster moved to adjourn the Committee of the Whole. Seconded by Trustee Cope. The motion passed with a Voice Vote

Respectfully Submitted



Beryl Herman
Village Clerk