VILLAGE OF LINCOLNWOOD
PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING
VILLAGE HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS
MARCH 5, 2019

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Call to Order
President Bass called the Committee of the Whole meeting of the Lincolnwood Board of Trustees to order at 7:00 P.M., Tuesday, March 5, 2019, in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Complex, 6900 North Lincoln Avenue, Village of Lincolnwood, County of Cook and State of Illinois.

On roll call by Village Clerk Beryl Herman the following were:
PRESENT: President Bass, Trustees Spino, Patel, Sugarman, Ikezoe-Halevi, Cope
ABSENT: Trustee Hlepas Nickell

A quorum was present.

Also present: Village Attorney Steven Elrod; Village Manager Anne Marie Gaura; Assistant Village Manager, Chuck Meyer; Management Analyst, Heather McFarland; Community Development Director, Steve McNellis

Regular Business
1. Status Report for the Economic Development Commission

This item was presented by Chair James Kucienski using PowerPoint.

Chairperson:
James Kucienski
Vice Chair:
Patrick McCoy
Members:
Rivak (Rocky) Albazi, James Berger, Myles Berman, Peter Dyer, Maureen Ehrenberg, Tim Garcia, Joe Spagnoli

Summary of Significant Activities (2017-2019)
Recommended Projects/Requests

Photos of current projects and renderings of planned projects were displayed.

*Brickyard Bank, 6676 North Lincoln Avenue – PEP Grant Requests (Original and Amendment)
*Econocare, 6980/6990 North Central Park Avenue – PEP/GIFT Grant Requests
*Food for Thought, 7001 North Ridgeway Avenue – PEP/GIFT Grant Requests
*Lola Valentin/Greener Cleaner, 6430 North Hamlin Avenue – Cook County Class 6B Property Tax Abatement Request (Cleaner did not purchase the building, a designer has purchased it)
*Zeigler Auto Group New Cadillac & Remodeled Buick/GMC, Cicero Avenue and McCormick Boulevard – Economic Incentive Requests
*Loeber Motors Porsche Expansion, 7101 North Lincoln Avenue – Economic Incentive Request
*District 1800 project by Tucker Development Group, Touhy and Lincoln Avenues – Economic Incentive Request
*Statement to Village Board in support of new Stefani Prime Restaurant at 6755 North Cicero Avenue
*2018/19 & 2819/20 TIF Budgets

**Reviewed and Considered Projects/Requests**
*Current/Upcoming Development-Related Projects
*Status of Proposed North Lincoln TIF
*Development Projects “Story Map”
*Discussion of Broadcasting EDC Meetings
*Proposed Shop & Dine Guide
*Presentation on Results of Citizen Survey
*Status of Lincoln &Touhy Triangle Properties
*Business News Letter
*Workshop on Targeted Business Development Areas

**Anticipated Activities/Goals (2019-2021)**
*Develop a Marketing Plan and materials for Targeted Business Development Areas
*Plan for, and enact, a Business Roundtable Meeting with various Village businesses
*Plan for, and enact, a Brokers Meeting to gain feedback on how to improve the marketability of the Village for business
*Continue to review Economic Incentive requests
*Prepare a plan for Identification/Branding at Village Entrances along arterial roadways
*Continue to review TIF Budgets annually

**Specific Questions/Comments for the Village Board**
*EDC recommends the Village Board consider future budgeting for a consultant to prepare a Marketing/Branding Economic Development Plan for the entire Village
*What is the Village Board’s vision of the unique characteristics that make Lincolnwood what it is and/or what it can be? Is there guidance from the Village Board on how the EDC can help support that vision?

Chairman Kucienski spoke regarding the teamwork of this commission. He said that what is seen by way of accomplishments is a team effort. They operate well. His background in education as a superintendent is very different in content than that of this commission, not reading and writing, but economic issues. He also spoke highly of Staff assistance.

Each project was discussed.

Trustee Ikezoe-Halevi questioned if the new owner of the business at 6430 N. Hamlin could be paired in some way with Food for Thought. Mr. Kucienski replied that this is being looked into.
President Bass stated that at the Iron Chief event, a craft beer company was put in touch with Food for Thought.

There was discussion regarding attendance at “Dealmakers” which could bring together brokers and businesses. Perhaps EDC members could attend the next “Dealmakers” event. Mr. McNellis stated that the Chamber would also like to be involved in this.

President Bass thanked Chairman Kucienski for his administrative expertise in working on this commission.

Public Forum
Resident Craig Klatzco asked President Bass how many meetings a commissioner can miss and still remain on the commission. President Bass said that after three missed meetings it would be looked into. He said it would depend on the reason the person did not attend and they may now be able to attend electronically. Mr. Klatzco asked if five or six absences would remove a member from a commission. President Bass replied that it was something that would need to be looked into.

Adjournment
At 7:35 P.M. Trustee Patel moved to adjourn Committee of the Whole, seconded by Trustee Spino.

The motion passed with a Voice Vote.

Respectfully Submitted,

Beryl Herman
Village Clerk