

MINUTES OF COMMISSION MEETING
Thursday, April 20, 2017
Elmhurst City Hall-Conference Rm #2
CITY OF ELMHURST AND ELMHURST COLLEGE COMMISSION

1. Call to Order

Chairman Reichert called the meeting to order at 4:03 p.m.

Present: Richard W. Reichert, Peter Griffin, Andy Joseph, Sarah Diamond, Desiree Chen-Menichini, Diana Riekse, Tom Marcucci

Absent: Kathleen Gusloff

Also in attendance: Mayor Steve Morley, City Manager James Grabowski, Alderman Kevin L. York, and Elmhurst College President Troy VanAken

2. Public Comment

None

3. Approval of Minutes

Motion to accept draft minutes from January 19, 2017 meeting was made by Chairman Reichert. Sarah Diamond seconded. Voice vote. Motion carried.

A discussion ensued regarding election of Chairman and Vice Chairman. Commissioner Reichert would chair this meeting with an election to be held at the next meeting.

4. Old Business

a. Potential EC Event on Top Floor of Addison Parking Deck

Vice Chairman Peter Griffin gave overview of the Saturday, June 3rd event, hosted by Elmhurst College, on the top floor of the Addison Parking Deck. College is still working on the details such as entertainment, food, etc.

Griffin discussed event budget and Public Affairs and Safety Committee approval. The event will have to be a joint effort between the College Security and Elmhurst Police Department for safety and to discourage alcohol on premise.

Event will be from 7:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. and open to all ages. Elmhurst College Jazz band will be the featured music at the "Dancing Under the Stars" event.

- b. Elmhurst Art Museum Exhibit & Event
Elmhurst Art Museum currently has the Jazz exhibit until the end of April. The exhibit has had good attendance so far.

- c. Elmhurst College Recycling Extravaganza
Desiree Chen-Menichini stated that the College has had the final planning meeting for the recycling extravaganza. She stated that working with the City and Public Works Director Killian has been fantastic. Public Works is bringing snacks and water to the event. College is currently working on obtaining volunteers.

Chen-Menichini stated that residents will be charged to recycle televisions this year due to changes in state law.

Event will be held on April 29th from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

5. New Business

- a. Discussion of the Future Direction of Commission

Mayor Morley gave recap of previous discussions between City and College staff.

President VanAken provided overview of the College's strategic planning process and goals. The strategic planning vision will have three pillars including Academics, Facilities, and Community. VanAken stated there is a new position available on the Strategic Planning Committee.

Discussion ensued about the future of Elmhurst College.

6. Other Business

- a. Diana Riekse stated the Elmhurst PADS shelter would benefit from student help for service credit. Similar opportunities would encourage students to become more involved with the community.
- b. There will be a Jazz Concert on Sunday, June 4th at the Mill Theater at the College.
- c. President VanAken stated that today is a day of giving. The College reached out to employees to provide incentives for contributions.

7. Proposed Next Meeting – July 20, 2017, 4:00 p.m. – City of Elmhurst

Chairman Reichert moved to adjourn the meeting. Motion was unanimously received. Voice vote. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m.