

**THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE
VILLAGE OF FOREST PARK, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
HELD ON TUESDAY EVENING MAY 27, 2008**

Mayor Calderone led all assembled in the Pledge of Allegiance at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Commissioners Hoskins, Curry, Hosty, Tellalian and Mayor Calderone answered the Roll Call.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

It was moved by Commissioner Hosty and seconded by Commissioner Tellalian that the minutes from the Regular Council meeting on May 12, 2008 be approved without reading as each member has received a copy thereof and found same to be correct.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Hoskins, Curry, Hosty, Tellalian
and Mayor Calderone

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

COMMUNICATIONS:

Mrs. Joyce Oberg of First United Church of Christ requested permission to hold the Church's annual flea market/rummage sale on Saturday June 7, 2008. There being no objections from the Village Council, the clerk was instructed to inform Mrs. Oberg of the approval.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

The Police Department and Community Center submitted their April Reports.

APPROVAL OF BILLS

It was moved by Commissioner Hosty and seconded by Commissioner Hoskins that the Resolution for the payment of bills be adopted. The Commissioner of Accounts and Finance has reviewed the bills as applicable to each department and found the aggregate amounts to be correct and recommends payment when funds are available. The bills totaled \$537,771.61.

**R-27-08
RESOLUTION FOR THE
PAYMENT OF BILLS IN THE
AMOUNT OF \$537,771.61
APPROVED**

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Hoskins, Curry, Hosty, Tellalian and Mayor Calderone

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Commissioner Curry and seconded by Commissioner Tellalian that the Ordinance authorizing a zoning relief and a variation in the regulations of the Zoning Ordinance of the Village of Forest Park, Cook County, Illinois re: ZBA 2008-05: 1041 Thomas Avenue be adopted. It was discussed that in the future, dimensions would be appreciated in elevations.

**O-19-08
ORDINANCE
AUTHORIZING
ZONING RELIEF AND
A VARIATION RE:
ZBA 2008-15: 1041
THOMAS
APPROVED**

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Hoskins, Curry, Hosty, Tellalian and Mayor Calderone

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Commissioner Curry and seconded by Commissioner Hosty to direct the Village Attorney to prepare an ordinance for 1215 S. Harlem, based upon recommendations from the Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA 2008-04) and the Plan Commission (PC 2008-03) to approve variations from Section 9-8-2 to reduce parking from 182 spaces to 36 spaces, and from Section 9-7-5E2 to reduce the required number of perimeter shade trees from 22 to 10, and to approve the Site Plan, all to allow construction of a 9,059 square foot retail strip center on a .57 acre property located in the B-2 Community Shopping District subject to the following conditions:

**MOTION DIRECTING
VILLAGE ATTORNEY
TO PREPARE
ORDINANCE
APPROVING
VARIATIONS AND
THE SITE PLAN RE:
ZBA 2008-04: 1215 S.
HARLEM
APPROVED**

1. Prior to the issuance of a building permit, the developer shall provide the Village with a letter of credit in a form satisfactory to the Village Administrator and in the amount of \$30,000 to cover the developer's share to reconstruct the rear alley behind the subject property.
2. No more than 25 percent of the total building space can be used for any of the following uses individually or in combination with each other: restaurants and other food and drinking establishments, convenience stores, and academic or recreational educational or training centers.
3. The parking variation is subject to IDOT access approvals and such variation is null and void if IDOT requirements result in reduction in parking below 36 parking spaces.

4. The following changes to the Landscape Plan shall be made and approved by staff prior to the issuance of building permits:
 - a. Landscape areas near the curb cut and the sign shall be revised to add flowering annuals and perennials to draw attention to these areas.
 - b. Autumn Blaze Maples shall not be utilized, and shall be replaced by two different varieties of salt tolerant shade trees to be approved by Village staff.
 - c. A double row of deciduous and evergreen shrubs shall be added along the eastern parking area planted at a minimum 36" in height at the time of installation to provide the required 100 percent screening.
 - d. Landscaping and signage references on the engineering plans shall be removed.
5. Pole and luminaire details shall be added to the Lighting Plan and approved by staff prior to the issuance of building permits.
6. The Sign Plan shall be revised and approved by staff prior to the issuance of building permits to indicate that wall signs shall be consistent for all uses and shall not include "box signs."
7. The Engineering Plans shall be revised and approved by staff prior to the issuance of building permits to comply with comments numbered 1 through 16 in a letter from Christopher B. Burke Engineering to Mike Boyle dated April 14, 2008. Additionally, the Engineering Plans shall be revised to include the walkway along the rear of the alley and show depressed access to the garbage closets so as to be consistent with the Site Plan.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Hoskins, Curry, Hosty, Tellalian and Mayor Calderone

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Commissioner Curry and seconded by Commissioner Hosty to direct the Village Attorney to prepare a resolution based upon the recommendation of the Plan Commission (PC 2008-03) approving a plat of subdivision to allow the construction of a 9,059 square foot retail strip center on a .57 acre property located in the B-2 Community Shopping District subject to the following changes being made on the plat and reviewed and approved by staff prior to final plat consideration by the Village Council:

**MOTION DIRECTING
VILLAGE ATTORNEY TO
PREPARE A RESOLUTION
APPROVING A PLAT OF
SUBDIVISION RE: PC 2008-
03: 1215 S. HARLEM**

APPROVED

1. The Village Council Approval Certificate shall be inserted on the plat.
2. Applicable building setback lines for the B-2 Community Shopping District shall be inserted on the plat.
3. The County Clerk Certificate shall be removed from the plat.
4. A cross access easement in a form acceptable to the Village shall be inserted on the plat along the north and south property lines and across the parking lot drive aisle to provide possible future cross access for properties to the north and south.
5. The plat revision dates shall be updated.

It was discussed that IDOT approved the plan with no restrictions on left turns in or out of the parking lot from or onto Harlem Avenue.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Hoskins, Curry, Hosty, Tellalian and Mayor Calderone

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Commissioner Tellalian and seconded by Commissioner Hosty to reconsider agenda item #2.

**MOTION TO RECONSIDER
AGENDA ITEM #2
APPROVED**

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Hoskins, Curry, Hosty, Tellalian and Mayor Calderone

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Commissioner Tellalian and seconded by Commissioner Hosty to amend the site plan approval for 1215 Harlem to require the corner radius of the 7' 1-1/2" island to be increased to a radius of 7' 1-1/2". It was discussed that there should be no loss of parking spaces due to this revision.

**MOTION TO AMEND SITE
PLAN APPROVAL FOR
1215 S. HARLEM RE:
ISLAND CORNER RADIUS
APPROVED**

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Hoskins, Curry, Hosty, Tellalian and Mayor Calderone

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

**R-28-08
RESOLUTION
AUTHORIZING WAIVER OF
IMRF HIRING FREEZE RE:
COMMUNICATION
OPERATOR
APPROVED**

It was moved by Commissioner Hosty and seconded by Commissioner Hoskins that the Resolution authorizing the waiver of the hiring freeze for IMRF employees regarding the hiring of a Communication Operator be approved.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Hoskins, Curry, Hosty, Tellalian and Mayor Calderone

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

**R-29-08
RESOLUTION APPROVING
PURCHASE OF IN-CAR
CAMERA SYSTEM FOR
POLICE SQUAD CARS
APPROVED**

It was moved by Commissioner Tellalian and seconded by Commissioner Hosty that the Resolution approving the purchase of digital in-car camera system for police squad cars be adopted.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Hoskins, Curry, Hosty, Tellalian and Mayor Calderone

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

**MOTION TO APPOINT AND
REAPPOINT A NUMBER OF
MEMBERS TO VARIOUS
BOARDS AND
COMMISSIONS
APPROVED**

It was moved by Commissioner Curry and seconded by Commissioner Hosty to approve the following appointments:

New Appointments:

David Preiwisch – Police Pension Board – filling a vacant unexpired term until 5/09.

Marquita Curry – Youth Commission – 2 year term.

Reappointments:

Paul Barbahen – Ethics Commission – 2 year term

Laureen Thornton – Police Pension - 2 year term

John Hosty – Traffic and Safety – 4 year term

Dave Rita – Traffic and Safety – 4 year term

Kevin Harnett – Traffic and Safety – 4 year term

Mary Win Connor – Youth Commission – 2 year term

Eric Connor – Youth Commission – 2 year term

Kila Bell Bey – Youth Commission – 2 year term

Chief Jim Ryan – E911 – 2 year term

Craig Lundt – Chair – E911 – 2 year term

Chief Glinke – E911 – 2 year term

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Hoskins, Curry, Hosty, Tellalian and Mayor Calderone

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

**O-20-08
ORDINANCE AMENDING
CHAPTER 3, SECTION 3-3-9
AND SECTION 3-3-11
APPROVED**

It was moved by Commissioner Curry and seconded by Commissioner Tellalian that the Ordinance amending Chapter 3 entitled "Liquor Control," Section 3-3-9 entitled "Conditions of License," and Section 3-3-11, entitled "Minors," of Title 3 of the code of the Village of Forest Park be adopted.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Hoskins, Curry, Tellalian
and Mayor Calderone

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: Commissioner Hosty

The motion carried.

It was moved by Commissioner Curry and seconded by Commissioner Hoskins that the Ordinance amending Title 12 entitled "Historic Preservation" of the code of the Village of Forest Park be adopted.

**O-21-08
ORDINANCE AMENDING
TITLE 12 "HISTORIC
PRESERVATION"
APPROVED**

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Hoskins, Curry, Hosty, Tellalian
and Mayor Calderone

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

A discussion ensued regarding a temporary moratorium on garage permit fees. It was discussed that the purpose of the proposed moratorium was to encourage elimination of unsafe and unsightly garages by waiving permit fees to homeowners. It was further discussed that should the moratorium be approved, there should be a defined end date incorporated into the language. Commissioner Tellalian expressed his opposition to the proposed moratorium. The Village Attorney will prepare an ordinance to be considered at the next Regular Village Council meeting on June 9, 2008.

**DISCUSSION RE:
TEMPORARY
MORATORIUM ON
GARAGE PERMIT FEES**

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT - No Report

COMMISSIONER'S REPORTS – No Report

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Commissioner Hosty and seconded by Commissioner Curry to adjourn into closed session to consider the purchase of real estate for the use of the public body and for the semi-annual review of the minutes of meetings lawfully closed under the Open Meetings Act. The motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Calderone declared the meeting adjourned at 7:48 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Vanessa Moritz
Village Clerk