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Special Meeting of the Community Development Committee
September 19, 2017 – 6:30 p.m.
Council Chambers at
Tinley Park Village Hall
16250 S. Oak Park Ave.
Tinley Park, IL 60477

Members Present: C. Berg, Chair
M. Pannitto, Village Trustee
M. Mangin, Village Trustee

Members Absent: None

Other Board Members Present: B. Younker, Trustee
M. Glotz, Trustee
W. Brady, Trustee

Staff Present: D. Niemeyer, Village Manager
S. Neubauer, Police Chief
F. Reeder, Fire Chief
E. Weber, Interim Planner
S. Malmborg, Planner
P. Connelly, Village Attorney
R. Zimmer, Executive Assistance to the Mayor
L. Godette, Deputy Village Clerk

Item #1 - The meeting of the Special Meeting of the Community Development Committee was called to order at 6:45 p.m.

Item #2 – CONSIDER APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE MEETING

Motion was made by Trustee Glotz, seconded by Trustee Younker, to approve the minutes of the Special Community Development Committee Meeting held on August 8, 2017. Vote by voice call. Chairman Berg declared the motion carried.

Item #3 – DISCUSS ANIMAL ORDINANCE - POULTRY –

Ellen Weber stated that Staff was directed to draft an ordinance that incorporated resident concerns regarding the keeping of chickens which would create a licensing structure to allow poultry on single family detached residences with a minimum lot size of 7,500 square feet located in the R1, R2, R3, R4, R5, and R6 Zoning Districts. The required setback for the chicken coops and chicken runs from a neighboring home has been reduced from 100' to 75'. Staff has discussed the keeping of poultry with representatives from "Hens for Tinley" and their concerns continue to be the minimum separation between the chicken coop and their home. They feel that the 75' requirement is prohibitive. Staff has provided opportunity for administrative staff to review that will allow for a reduction of the minimum separation by an additional 15' provided certain conditions are met. It is Staff's opinion that the amended ordinance provides for the keeping of poultry without negatively impacting adjacent property owners. The amendments specifically address the need to screen the chicken coop. While it may not be possible to completely eliminate the noise

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made from hens laying eggs, it is possible to eliminate the views and the possible negative impact if the chickens are not kept in a sanitary manner.

Trustee Brady asked who will enforce this code. Ms. Weber stated the permit would come through the Community Development Department and either Code Enforcement or Animal Control would do the inspection.

Trustee Mangin asked how many chicken coops are in the Village now. He would like to know the amount of staff time it would take for the Village to take this procedure on. Ms. Weber was not sure, she only knows of seven (7) cases reported to the Village.

Motion was made by Chairman Glotz, seconded by Trustee Brady, to recommend the adoption of an Ordinance amending Title IX, Chapters 91.01 Definitions, Chapter 91.14 Keeping Certain Animals Prohibited, and Adding Chapter 91.40 Poultry Licensing. Vote by voice. Chairman Glotz declared the motion carried.

Item #4 – DISCUSS PREVAILING WAGE POLICY FOR CELL PHONE TOWER LEASES -

Attorney Connelly provided an overview of this proposed ordinance for any work that may be done on or at Village owned property being leased by wireless communication providers. The only exception to this requirement is for any work being done by Tenant's own employees which will take less than one business day.

Motion was made by Chairman Glotz, seconded by Trustee Younker, to recommend adopting a policy regarding the payment of prevailing wages for all work done on or at Village owned property being leased by wireless communications providers. Vote by voice. Chairman Glotz declared the motion carried.

Item #5 – RECEIVE COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC.

A concerned citizen asked if poultry owners will need to take a class on raising chickens. Attorney Connelly stated no in the ordinance as it stands.

Trustee Younker noted that the amended poultry ordinance will be going before the board before it is adopted.

Several concerned citizens stated concerns about residents raising chickens in their back yards. They are against the proposed amended poultry ordinance. They stated concerns with waste, mice and noise. Ms. Weber spoke with these citizens following the Committee meeting.

One citizen came before the Board to ask that they adopt the amended poultry ordinance.

Birget Bles believes that chickens can be kept with no problems and would be no more nuisance than other pets.

ADJOURNMENT SPECIAL COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE MEETING

Motion was made by Trustee Glotz, seconded by Trustee Younker, to adjourn the Special Community Development Committee Meeting. Vote by voice call. Chairman Glotz declared motion carried at 7:13 p.m.