

**MONDAY, DECEMBER 16, 2024**

**City of North Chicago  
1850 Lewis Avenue, North Chicago, IL 60064**

**Following City Council Meeting  
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

**7:38 PM**

Mayor Rockingham called the meeting to order.

**ROLL CALL:**

Present: Jackson, Coleman, Evans, Allen, Smith, Murphy, January

Absent: None

**I. DISCUSSION OF DEPARTMENT MONTHLY REPORTS:**

- Economic Development/Planning/Zoning      Police
- Engineer      Public Works
- Fire      Treasurer; OCT & NOV
- Human Resources      Water
- Finance Budget Report

There was no discussion for the monthly reports.

**II. DISCUSSION/REVIEW OF AN AGREEMENT FOR GOVERNMENT RELATIONS SERVICES WITH THE KEVIN RIGGS CONSULTING GROUP:**

**Item II was removed**

Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman January that Committee of the Whole stand adjourned.

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Jackson, Coleman, Evans, Allen, Smith, Murphy, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

The meeting adjourned at 7:39 p.m.

**JUDICIARY  
COMMITTEE MEETING**

**MONDAY, DECEMBER 16, 2024**

**7:40 PM**

Alderman Jackson called the meeting to order.

**ROLL CALL:**

Present: Jackson, Coleman, Evans, Allen, Smith, Murphy, January

Absent: None

**I. DISCUSSION/REVIEW OF BROOKSTONE AT COLES PARK:**

Chief of Staff Greg Jackson clarified (2) significant findings:

- Adjudication Hearing suggested developing a safety plan executed for Brookstone and requested amount of **\$500** per day bond if not complied. Hopeful of positive activity.

**Alderman Coleman left at 7:41 p.m.**

He was appreciative of the residents who were actively engaged for the security and safety of Brookstone. Resident shared her concerns assisting to curtail the activity in the area.

The Mayor and Police Chief Perez attended meeting with the State Housing Authority.

- Meeting with State of IL Housing Authority, staff of IDA wasn't happy with Brookstone Management.

**Alderman Coleman returned at 7:43 p.m.**

The Mayor continued that they weren't to decrease the bond of **\$7 mil** list until the corrections. The priorities were previously provided to IDA and they haven't resolved the issue. The residents needed to feel safe in the facility in which they resided. They declined the amount of **\$250,000** the city had offered toward security.

Alderman Smith asked what were the consequences. Chief of Staff Jackson clarified the **\$500** per day fine. Alderman Smith asked where the money was directed with fine collection. Chief of Staff Jackson explained to the General Fund.

**II. DISCUSSION/REVIEW OF ORDINANCE AMENDMENT SECTION 10-5-11 – NO OVERNIGHT PARKING:**

Police Chief Lazaro Perez explained the ordinance amendment for no overnight parking.

Alderman Murphy agreed with the ban to parking from hours of **2-6 a.m.**, therefore no changes.

Alderman Coleman questioned/suggested alternate parking for Sheridan Rd. and Park Ave. Chief Perez clarified there was an ordinance currently. Two or more inches of snow, the vehicles need to move.

Alderman Smith moved, seconded by Alderman January that the Judiciary Committee Meeting stand adjourned with current ordinance to remain in effect for no overnight parking.

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Jackson, Coleman, Evans, Allen, Smith, Murphy, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

The meeting adjourned at 7:53 p.m.

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT/PLANNING/ZONING  
COMMITTEE MEETING**

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**7:54 PM**

Alderman Smith called the meeting to order.

**ROLL CALL:**

Present: Jackson, Coleman, Evans, Allen, Smith, Murphy, January

Absent: None

**I. DISCUSSION OF BID OPENING FOR 1737 LINCOLN AVENUE:**

Taylor Wegrzyn Economic & Community Development Director discussed the bid opening via zoom; explained it was properly advertised and posted on the city website.

The Mayor opened the only bid received from Renew Communities in the amount of **\$17,500** a check of **10% (\$1,750)** was included, and **\$2,100** was the minimum bid.

Alderman January asked if there was a method for stipulation of home ownership vs. rental.

Attorney Adam Simon explained the memo described the stipulations.

Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Jackson that the Economic Development Committee Meeting stand adjourned.

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Jackson, Coleman, Evans, Allen, Smith, Murphy, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

The meeting adjourned at 7:58 p.m.

**HUMAN RESOURCES  
COMMITTEE MEETING**

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**7:59 PM**

Alderman Murphy called the meeting to order.

**ROLL CALL:**

Present: Jackson, Coleman, Evans, Allen, Smith, Murphy, January

Absent: None

**I. DISCUSSION OF CONSULTING AGREEMENT WITH COMPREHENSIVE TTP LLC – MICHAEL PETERSON AS ASSISTANT COMPTROLLER:**

Chief of Staff Greg Jackson requested to Table **Item I**.

**II. DISCUSSION OF MGT/GOVHR CLASSIFICATION AND COMPENSATION STUDY PROPOSAL:**

Chief of Staff Jackson explained it was suggested to review the wage and compensation of the COS employees not covered by the bargaining unit. It was strictly data gathering and no raises unless the council members decide.

GovHR was a benefit to the City. They were known in Illinois; they already have the data and less city cost. Chief of Staff Jackson suggested opportunity to review it for non-represented employees.

Alderman Murphy questioned clarification of the CSO for non-union employees. Chief of Staff Jackson acknowledged it was related to non-represented employees.

Alderman January asked the last time city performed a compensation study. The Chief of Staff estimated **(4)** years and elaborated further. She asked the cost; Chief of Staff stated **\$16,500**.

Alderman Coleman questioned status of **Item I**. Chief of Staff Jackson explained he asked to table it to review the contract.

Alderman Murphy agreed to remain somewhat competitive and suggested to view the current market.

**Item II** will be placed on the next **Council Agenda, January 6, 2025**.

**III. DISCUSSION – ADDITION OF MANAGEMENT ANALYST – POLICE A15 TO THE CITY SALARY ORDINANCE:**

Liz Black Human Resources Director explained the request of an additional Management Analyst for the Police Department. She directed to **pg. 4** of the CSO (City Salary Ordinance and its standard operating procedures, recording files etc. also inclusive of **pg. 13** and she explained wage increase meeting the **\$15** minimum and named the list of highlighted positions starting **January 2025**. She was asking for Police Management Analyst position added to the CSO to assist the Police Department in an administrative role. This was budgeted for **\$70,000**.

Assistant Police Chief Gary Lunn was present for any further questions.

Alderman January questioned the number of current Management Analysts. Assistant Lunn explained currently was **(1)** who reported to him. He continued that the Police Department gathered large quantities of valuable evidence and they were very inundated.

Alderman Smith asked if any of the items would become surplus and eventually be returned to the community. Assistant Lunn explained the process for personal items etc.

**IV. DISCUSSION/REVIEW OF CREATING A POLICE EVIDENCE TECHNICIAN POSITION:  
ITEM IV. WAS REMOVED**

Alderman Smith moved, seconded by Alderman January that the Human Resources Committee Meeting stand adjourned.

**MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE**

The meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.