

MONDAY
JULY 7, 2025

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

Following City Council Meeting



JUDICIARY
COMMITTEE MEETING

6:27 PM

Alderman Wray called the meeting to order.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Jackson, Evans, Allen, Wray, Brooks

Absent: Coleman, Murphy

**I. DISCUSSION OF AMENDING CITY CODE TITLE 5, CHAPTER 33 (VIDEO GAMING),
TITLE 8, CHAPTER 13 (LIQUOR CONTROL) AND TITLE 12, CHAPTER 11 (SIGNS)**

Chief of Staff Greg Jackson explained the amendments of City Code **Title 5, Chapter 33, Title 8, Chapter 13 and Title 12, Chapter 11**. Anything that already existed was grandfathered in. There would be a reduction eventually in video gaming. No longer gaming cafés. Convenience, Liquor or Gas Station establishments were no longer licensed with video gaming. Restaurants required full service to obtain a gaming license and elaborated further.

Alderman Wray asked to further explain item I. The Chief of Staff explained.

The Mayor asked if sales were monitored for a restaurant with gaming. The Chief of Staff explained for a year's time.

Alderman Allen inquired truck stops with video gaming. The Chief of Staff clarified State Law was automatic and additional terminals.

Chief of Staff Jackson elaborated further with all businesses applying for gaming licenses. The distance between the video gaming establishments was a buffer of **150 ft**. If unable to obtain the Liquor License the Video Gaming would follow accordingly. Required to be licensed by the Gaming Board for video gaming. There was a new application process with strong strict criteria for renewals.

The Mayor questioned if the City could regulate the signs for video terminals. The Chief of Staff acknowledged it was included in the ordinance.

Alderman Allen asked to explain the Push Tax Ordinance. Attorney Silverman noted that Push Tax needed to be approved prior and North Chicago had done so.

Alderman Wray questioned clarification. The Chief of Staff explained an actual push with the terminals, the players had to pay **1 cent** per push of the button. The Mayor added the operators vs. owners needed to regulate the pushes per machine.

The Chief of Staff strongly stated there was more activity outside of the City vs. within.

Alderman Brooks questioned if owner relocated the business would they be allowed gaming at new facility. Attorney Silverman explained the owner would need to follow the entire process and licensing was not transferable.

The Chief of Staff explained the ordinance would change the proximity of the terminals.

The Mayor questioned clarification on a scenario presented for an existing gas station establishment. The Chief of Staff acknowledged. He also recognized the support of the City Attorney and the Economic & Community Development Department.

He asked for directions. The City needed to draft an ordinance before the moratorium and end of **August 2025**.

There was a General Consensus to move forward.

This will be placed on the next **Council Agenda, July 21, 2025.**

Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Brooks that Judiciary Committee Meeting stand adjourned.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Evans, Allen, Wray, Brooks

Nays: None

Absent: Coleman, Murphy

The meeting adjourned at 6:47 p.m.

**PUBLIC WORKS
COMMITTEE MEETING**

MONDAY, JULY 7, 2025

6:47 PM

Alderman Evans called the meeting to order.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Jackson, Evans, Allen, Wray, Brooks
Absent: Coleman, Murphy

I. DISCUSSION OF DISABLED PARKING PERMIT:

There was no discussion but a general consensus for approval was acknowledged.

Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Brooks that Public Works Committee Meeting stand adjourned.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Evans, Allen, Wray, Brooks
Nays: None
Absent: Coleman, Murphy

The meeting adjourned at 6:48 p.m.

BUILDING/LICENSE COMMITTEE MEETING

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6:48 PM

Alderman Allen called the meeting to order.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Evans, Allen, Wray, Brooks
Nays: None
Absent: Coleman, Murphy

I. DISCUSSION OF SPECIAL EVENTS:

- **Nueva Era USA – June 8, 2025 (Bucking Bulls/Fest)**
- **Kenny’s Kids – June 20, 2025 (Citywide Revival)**

Alderman Allen explained the (2) events; Nueva Era USA, **June 8, 2025**, Bucking Bulls Fest and Kenny’s Kids, **June 20, 2025** - City-wide Revival.

Alderman Jackson clarified couldn’t change the time of the event since it was a Foss Park event.

Treasurer Wyatt explained the event started at **6:00 p.m.** The food vendors would be present from **1-9 p.m.**

City Clerk Collins explained this was just a discussion of the events and did not require further approval.

Alderman Jackson moved, seconded by Alderman Evans that the Building/License Committee Meeting stand adjourned.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Evans, Allen, Wray, Brooks
Nays: None
Absent: Coleman, Murphy

The meeting adjourned at 6:53 p.m.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

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Mayor Rockingham, Jr. called the meeting to order.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Evans, Allen, Wray, Brooks

Nays: None

Absent: Coleman, Murphy

I. DISCUSSION FOR LIQUOR LICENSE B-W(2) AND G-P FOR 1015 FOODMART INC. 1015 10TH ST. FOR NEW OFFICERS; SECRETARY ALBIN MATTHEW 33% OWNERSHIP AND TREASURER TOSMY SIMON 33% OWNERSHIP:

Chief of Staff Greg Jackson explained there was a change in ownership in one of the (3) businesses on the form of a liquor license. In the State of Illinois, they aren't transferable and have to follow the same process for a liquor license. Each of the three requests had a change of ownership. All three were approved for the police background checks.

The Mayor stated the majority of the businesses were LLC companies.

Alderman Evans asked if the owners were present. The Chief of Staff replied they weren't.

II. DISCUSSION FOR LIQUOR LICENSE B-W(2) AND G-P FOR 1234 FOODMART INCE. 134 SHERIDAN RD. FOR NEW OFFICERS; SECRETARY ALBIN MATTHEW 33% OWNERSHIP AND TREASURER TOSMY SIMON 33% OWNERSHIP:

III. DISCUSSION FOR LIQUOR LICENSE H AND G-P FOR RAHYL ENTERPRISES LIMITED DBA TEE PEE 1801 MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. DR. FOR NEW OFFICER; PRESIDENT HARSHIDA PATEL 100% OWNERSHIP:

Alderman Evans questioned the name of the owner who was present and freely was provided. The Manager Joe Patel (Tee Pee) was also present. Mr. Patel explained he had repaired the camera system for additional security measures. He was inspired to bring the community back due to the previous history of Tee Pee business. The Owner encouraged anyone to visit to the new business.

The Mayor added he had asked for stronger security and additional lighting.

Alderman Brooks questioned clarification of the other percentage with **Item I and II** from the previous owner of 1/3rd and 2/3rd to the other ownership. The Chief of Staff acknowledged it was.

ITEMS I THRU III will be placed on the next **Council Agenda, July 21, 2025.**

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

MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE

Alderman Coleman and Murphy were absent.

The meeting adjourned at 6:59 p.m.