
STREETSCAPE & ECONOMIC ENHANCEMENT COMMITTEE MINUTES

Committee Date: Monday, November 1, 2021
Present: Vice-Chair Ald. Michael Curiale, Shashwat Baxi, Mike Melone, Steve Mikos
Absent: Chairperson Ald. Peter Jakab, Linda Lucania
Also Present: Gosia Pociecha, Hailey Nicholas
Meeting Convened at: 6:30 PM

CALL TO ORDER:

Vice-Chairperson Ald. Curiale called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm. Roll call was taken and a quorum was present.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

Mr. Baxi motioned to approve the minutes of the August 2, 2021 meeting, seconded by Mr. Mikos. The minutes were unanimously approved via voice vote.

NEW BUSINESS:

A. Street Planters - Discussion

Staff explained that the Streetscape and Economic Enhancement Committee has been tasked in identifying desirable locations for placements of large street planters in the City of Wood Dale. Examples from other municipalities were shown, more specifically from Elmwood Park which utilizes urn shaped planters in a street median by the Village Circle. The discussion focused on the shape of planters and it was suggested that staff search if any "prairie style" planters are available. Overall the preferred shape of the planters is round/oval and utilization of smaller and larger sizes was recommended. The Committee also suggested looking into purchase of self-watering planters, or a self-watering system that could be inserted into regular planters. The preferred material is composite in gray/darker colors similar to the black on the entry signs. The suggested location would be in front of the City Hall Entrance, along the sidewalk. Committee suggested getting at least 10 planters, but tasked staff in researching the pricing to see if any discounts are available. Staff is to also verify the available budget for purchase of planters. Three specific styles were identified by the Committee and staff is to reach out

to manufactures to obtain pricing, these included: Luna low bowl, Urban Vase by Earth Planter, and Zena by Tournesol.

OTHER BUSINESS:

B. Future Agenda Items

Brief overview of future discussion topics included the pavilion, solar lighting for entry signs and the status of the clock. It was suggested that park benches and trash cans be added around clock tower.

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion to adjourn was made by Vice-Chairperson Ald. Curiale and seconded by Mr. Melone; it carried unanimously by voice vote. The meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm.

Minutes taken by Gosia Pociecha

Approved April 4, 2022