



## **Wicker Park Committee**

### **Board Meeting**

Tuesday, February 26, 2019 – 7:00pm

Held at 2153 W. North Ave.

Chicago, IL 60647

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#### I. Roll Call

Board Members in attendance in person were: Kyle Sneed, Jason Ticus, Kristin DeGroff, Leah Root, George Menninger, Connor Young, Matt Cummings, Teddy Varndell, and Paul Dickman.

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m.

#### II. P&D

Mr. Dickman reminded the Board of discussion held at a previous meeting regarding 1723 W. North Ave, and provided an update on the project. He further advised of a requested operator name change for a defunct bar at 1540 W. North Ave, and advised that a Board vote was necessary to support the change. There being no further discussion, a motion was made and seconded to support the license change request for 1540 W. North Ave. The motion passed unanimously.

Additionally, Mr. Dickman and Mr. Taminga discussed sending a letter to the alderman and other pertinent parties to document the WPC Board's opposition to the current timeline for consideration of Sterling Bay/Lincoln Yards projects. Mr. Taminga advised that he would compile the letter for dissemination.

#### III. 2019 WPC Community Meeting Location

Board members discussed potential locations to hold the WPC membership meetings throughout the remainder of 2019.

IV. Business Spotlight

Board members brainstormed potential local business spotlights to invite to upcoming WPC membership meetings.

V. Community Assistance for Ryan Ali

Mr. Young provided an update on Ryan Ali, a Chicago resident in need of community assistance due to recent health and financial difficulties. Board members brainstormed ways to assist Mr. Ali through fundraising and awareness.

VI. Board Bylaws/Open Meeting Law Discussion

Board members discussed the proposed revisions to the Bylaws, to be presented for review at a future WPC membership meeting.

VII. Membership Meeting Agenda Discussion

Board members discussed potential agenda items for upcoming WPC membership meetings.

[Mr. Young and Mr. Cummings left the meeting at 8:00 p.m.]

VIII. Unofficial Business – Night Ministry

Representatives from the Night Ministry joined the meeting at 8:00 p.m. to discuss the upcoming youth shelter (The Crib) to be housed at 1735 N. Ashland Ave. Board members held detailed conversation with the representatives, who advised that the Night Ministry had applied for a special use permit to house the shelter. Several Board members discussed their support of the special use permit, and there being a motion made and seconded to support the special use permit, a vote was conducted. The vote failed to pass with 3 aye, 3 nay, and one abstention from Mr. Taminga. The Board advised that this information would be shared during the upcoming WPC membership meeting.

All business being concluded, the meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.