



Wicker Park Committee
Membership Meeting Minutes
May 1, 2019
7:00 p.m.

Introductions and Welcome

Mr. Sneed welcomed the public and began the meeting at 7:06 p.m. At least voting 20 members and one non-voting member of the Wicker Park Committee were present.

Wicker Park Business Spotlight

A representative from The Den Theater provided a brief review of the services offered at The Den, including a recently revamped coffee house space, which is open to the public. Community members discussed events at the Den in detail.

Hyatt Place Hotel

The Committee welcomed Mr. Nedyakalayil to the meeting, who introduced himself and the development team for the Hyatt Place Hotel, currently under construction at the southeast corner of North Ave. and Ashland Ave. Community members discussed the hotel in detail with the development team. Mr. Nedyakalayil advised that special promotions would be offered to local residents upon opening, which is anticipated for early 2020.

Preservation and Development

1514 N. Elk Grove: Discussion was held on the request to temporarily rezone the property RT-4.5 from existing RT-4 to obtain City Certification for renovation of the exterior stairwell. It was advised that the property would be rezoned to RT-4 when renovations were complete.

A vote was conducted on supporting the temporary rezoning of the property to RT- 4.5. The vote passed with the following votes:

12 Ayes
0 Nays
1 Abstention

1330 N. Wicker Park: Discussion was held on the request to rezone a vacant lot to RT-4 from the existing RS-3 for construction of 3-unit residential building. Community members were presented with an opportunity to view plans for the proposed structure.

A vote was conducted on supporting the rezoning of a vacant lot to RT-4 for construction of a 3-unit residential building. The vote passed with the following votes:

13 Ayes

0 Nays

0 Abstentions

Membership Discussion Items

A brief discussion was held regarding the upcoming Do Division Fest, as well as Wicker Park Fest. Community members advised on the projected schedules for both festivals.

Mr. Sneed also provided a brief update on a potential TIF Illumination meeting, to be held in the fall months.

There being no further business, the meeting ended at 8:10 p.m.