

**Community Development Committee Report
for Meeting on October 17, 2013**

The meeting was called to order at 7:08 pm

Present: Aldermen Hawley, Vieyra, Carr, Ostling, Thompson

Absent: Aldermen Bilotto, Frausto

Also Present: Aldermen Stone and Rita, Nick Crite, Deputy Fire Chief Jim Klinker, Attorney Patrick Ward, Business Owners Douglas Burton, Andrea Ratliff and Elizabeth Chavez

Businesses Fun and Cocktails and Get A Plate were withdrawn from the agenda due to inspection issues. Motion made by Ald. Carr and seconded by Ald. Vieyra to approve the change to the agenda. Motion passed.

Skyline Restoration, 13821 Harrison: Mr. Doug Burton represented. They will be moving their operations from Oak Lawn. They are a full service property restoration/cleaning service business that comes in after fire, floods, etc. Mostly insurance related. They are a franchise group and currently have 25 employees and expect to be to 37 employees by the end of the first quarter 2014. Most employees come from a 10 minute radius of the office and are trained to do the work. He expects new employees to possibly come from Blue Island. The Planning and Building Department recommends approval of the business. They are waiting on a Business License that was applied for 3 weeks ago. They were told to come to the Building Department after 8 am, Friday, to pick it up. It should be ready and waiting. Motion made by Ald. Ostling and seconded by Ald. Vieyra to approve the business license pending final inspections and any signage would need to be approved. Motion passed.

Xklusive Hair Salon, 12756 Western: Ms. Andrea Ratliff represented. She is moving her business here from Richton Park, her current location in Richton Park is being foreclosed forcing her to move. She has clients from the north side, Naperville and the south suburbs and finds Blue Island easy to get to from the highways and a nice area. There was a hair salon in that location already. Fire inspections and building inspections have happened and passed. Motion made by Ald. Ostling and seconded by Ald. Carr to approve the variance. Motion passed.

Curves, 13039 Western: Ms. Beth Chavez represented. Since she is not on the agenda, no action could be taken, but we heard about her business. She is taking over ownership of the Curves further north on Western Ave. She was told she can move forward getting inspections and pulling permits right away. We will schedule a special meeting at 6:50 pm on Tuesday, October 22nd in the City Council Conference Room to approve this business.

Mr. Berry presented the Building Department report for September 2013:

- Building Permits Issued 115
- Apartment Inspections 33
- Residential Inspections 28
- Commercial Inspections 7
- Letter of Conditions 12
- Demand Notices -
- Court Summons Issued 2
- Complaints Checked 75
- Not Approved for Occupancy 8