

City of Blue Island

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Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, March 11, 2009

6:30 PM

East Annex

Plan Commission

Bill Fahrenwald, Chairman

Commissioners: Brad Breems, Ronda Hill,
Ana Lopez-Konczal, Jamie Lamm, Earl "Chip" Nagel and Glen Szczyпка

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by the Plan Commission's Chairman, Mr. Bill Fahrenwald at 6:40 p.m.

Present: Mr. Bill Fahrenwald, Mr. Glen Szczypka, Mrs. Ana Lopez-Konczal,
Mr. Earl "Chip" Nagel

Absent: Mr. Brad Breems, Ms. Rhonda Hill, Ms. Jamie Lamm

Consideration of October 8, 2008 Minutes

Minutes unavailable

Consideration of December 10, 2008 Minutes

A motion was made and carried to approve minutes of the December 10, 2008 Plan Commission meeting pending the correction of the title from *Consideration of November 14, 2007 Minutes* to *Consideration of November 14, 2008 Minutes*.

A motion was made by Commission Szczypka, seconded by Commissioner Nagel to APPROVE. The motion was carried unanimously.

PREVIOUSLY REVIEWED PROJECTS

No previously reviewed project before the Plan Commission

BUSINESS APPLICATION

No Business Applications before the Plan Commission

DEVELOPER APPLICATION

No Developer Applications before the Plan Commission

OTHER BUSINESS*CMAP GOTO 2040 Presentation*

Erin Aleman presented information regarding the CMAP GOTO 2040 Plan. Aleman briefly described the intent, purpose and process for the CMAP GOTO 2040 Plan and outlined the three potential scenarios for change.

COMMISSIONER BILL FAHRENWALD: What is your role in relation to current consultant studying issue of Western Ave traffic study?

ERIN ALEMAN: If something is going to happen, we could look at how ideas might work out or fit into one of the possible scenarios. CMAP would hope to set up brainstorming sessions and bring in Architects.

COMMISSIONER BILL FAHRENWALD: Would that be incorporated in GOTO 2040 Plan?

ERIN ALEMAN: Yes, and we would include actual images in office kiosk and other local events.

COMMISSIONER BILL FAHRENWALD: Why was CMAP directed at Western Ave rather than Vermont Street Station area?

NICHOLAS CRITE: The Housing Policy Plan primary focus is the Vermont Street Station area. Moreover, the CMAP GOTO 2040 Plan can aid the city in developing a stronger case to IDOT for converting both Western Ave and Gregory Ave from one-way to two-way.

COMMISSIONER BILL FAHRENWALD: When would the Blue Island portion completed?

ERIN ALEMAN: We would like to schedule initial design sessions in April with the Plan Commission or small invited group, and follow up with results by June. As a note, this plan is provided to the city at no cost.

HOUSING CHARRETTE

The Housing Policy Plan charrette as presented by Fregonese Associates on March 4, 2009 as part of the Blue Island Plan Update meeting was facilitated by Nicholas Crite.

PLAN COMMISSION WORK PLAN

Nicholas Crite asked that Commissioners look at the Plan Commission Work Plan so that discussion can be had regarding incomplete portions of the Work Plan.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Plan Commission, the meeting was adjourned at 8:37 p.m. with COMMISSIONER SZCZYPKA moving, and COMMISSIONER NAGEL seconding.