# UNITED CITY OF YORKVILLE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Tuesday, October 4, 2022, 6:00pm City Council Chambers 800 Game Farm Rd., Yorkville, IL

**Note:** In accordance with Public Act 101-0640 and Gubernatorial Disaster Proclamation issued by Governor Pritzker pursuant to the powers vested in the Governor under the Illinois Emergency Management Agency Act, remote attendance was allowed for this meeting to encourage social distancing due to the ongoing Covid-19 pandemic.

All of the below attended in person unless otherwise noted.

#### In Attendance:

## **Committee Members**

Chairman Jason Peterson Alderman Ken Koch

Alderman Joe Plocher Alderman Chris Funkhouser/via Zoom

## **Other City Officials**

City Administrator Bart Olson Community Development Director Krysti Barksdale-Noble Senior Planner Jason Engberg

#### **Other Guests**

City Consultant Lynn Dubajic Kellogg
Greg Groat, Correct Digital Displays
Mr. Ronak Patel, Cork Keg & Liquors
Molly Krempski
Mike Krempski
Brynn Krempski

The meeting was called to order at 6:00pm by Chairman Jason Peterson.

#### **Citizen Comments**

Mike Krempski stated that ordinances have been broken in regards to the "drag" shows held recently at local businesses. He said this topic should be placed on a committee agenda for discussion.

Molly Krempski also spoke and said some sort of regulation or ratings similar to movies are needed for the drag shows. She said regulation cannot be left up to the entertainers and ordinances were broken in a video that was made. She believes the City Attorney is following the ACLU laws which accept some "drag". Ms. Krempski said adult entertainment requires special zoning and licensing and she feels that one is not being upheld.

#### Minutes for Correction/Approval September 6, 2022

The minutes were approved as presented.

#### **New Business**

## 1. EDC 2022-61 Building Permit Report for August 2022

Ms. Barksdale-Noble said as of August 22<sup>nd</sup> there had been 147 residential permits issued and that development continues.

## 2. EDC 2022-62 Building Inspection Report for August 2022

In August, 933 inspections were completed.

#### 3. EDC 2022-63 Property Maintenance Report for August 2022

Ms. Barksdale-Noble reported 51 cases in August and 5 of those were heard.

# 4. EDC 2022-64 Economic Development Report for September 2022

Ms. Dubajic Kellogg reported Noodles has opened and that Chipotle, Burnt Barrel Social addition and Craft'd should open as planned. The Station One Smokehouse has generated much interest and should open soon.

# 5. EDC 2022-65 Ordinance Modifying Residential Subdivision Name from Kendallwood Estates to Timber Ridge Estates (Rally Homes, LLC)

Ms. Noble said this development agreement was approved 2 months ago and since the subdivision name and street names are changing, a resolution must be recorded with the county. Chairman Peterson was concerned that there is another Timber Ridge [which is in the county] across from Autumn Creek and that in an emergency, the two could be confused. KenCom goes by address, not subdivision, said Ms. Noble. Mr. Olson noted that KenCom has approved this change, however, Alderman Funkhouser said he did not approve due to the duplication. The Committee will move this forward.

## 6. EDC 2022-66 Meeting Schedule for 2023

Mr. Olson noted that the meeting dates for April and July were changed to avoid conflicts due to holidays/election days. The Committee was OK with the schedule as presented.

### 7. EDC 2022-67 Cork Keg & Liquor – Sign Variance

Mr. Engberg gave background for this variance request. The business is asking to increase the overall size for the wall sign since they changed the name in the spring. A new sign was installed, but without a permit. Mr. Engberg said the application was denied and explained the exact details of the current placement and the regulations that apply. The petitioner has now applied for a variance to keep the sign where it is located. Alderman Funkhouser said the original sign was compliant and the ordinance was revised which then created a problem. He said the committee should recommend approval of the sign since it was already there and the rest of the Committee concurred. This matter moves to the November PZC for Public Hearing and then to City Council.

# **Old Business:**

## 1. EDC 2022-57 Williams Group Riverwalk and Art Easement

Ms. Noble said there was discussion at the last EDC meeting meeting, for an art easement near Hydraulic and the bridge. This is a revised Riverwalk easement which the Williams Group has also approved. Chairman Peterson asked when a bike path might be built there. Mr. Olson said there were OSLAD and ITEP grants available recently, however, there was not enough data yet to prepare an adequate application and the city lacks the funds. It was noted that staff had developed the idea of the art easement and would like to see interactive sculptures there. This moves to the Public Works Committee.

## **Additional Business:**

There was no further business and the meeting adjourned at 6:31pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Marlys Young, Minute Taker