



DeKalb Municipal Building
PLEASE NOTE LOCATION
Haish Conference Room, Second Floor
200 South Fourth Street
DeKalb, Illinois 60115

AGENDA

Citizens' Community Enhancement Commission
November 19, 2018
4:00 p.m.

- A. Roll Call
- B. Approval of Agenda – Additions / Deletions
- C. Approval of Minutes – September 17, 2018 Regular Meeting
- D. Public Participation
- E. New Business
 - 1. Downtown Holiday Lights
- F. Old Business
 - 1. Discussion and Approval of Paint-a-Plug Applications
 - 2. Continued Discussion on Mission and Duties of the Citizens' Community Enhancement Commission – Aligning with the Annie Glidden North Revitalization Plan
- G. Adjournment

Our mission statement: We will listen to the community to identify, develop and test initiatives to improve the quality of life. We will develop public/private partnerships to implement sustainable initiatives.

MINUTES
MEETING OF THE
CITIZENS' COMMUNITY ENHANCEMENT COMMISSION
CITY OF DEKALB
October 15, 2018

The Citizens' Community Enhancement Commission (CCEC) of the City of DeKalb, Illinois held a regular meeting on Monday, October 15, 2018 in the Haish Conference Room of the DeKalb Municipal Building, 200 South Fourth Street, DeKalb, Illinois.

The meeting was called to order at 4:03 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Roll was recorded by Economic Development Planner, Jason Michnick, and the following members of the Citizens' Community Enhancement Commission present were: Chair Brad Hoey, Jeanine Holcomb, Melissa Beck, Deborah Booth, and Ellingsworth Webb. Sue Johnson and Brad Pietens were absent.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION

Chair Hoey asked for a motion to approve the agenda, which was made by Ms. Holcomb. The motion was seconded by Ms. Beck and was carried on a voice vote.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION

Chair Hoey requested a motion for approval of the September 17, 2018 minutes. Ms. Beck moved to approve the minutes. Ms. Holcomb seconded the motion. Motion carried on a voice vote.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Review and Approval of Paint-a-Plug Applications

The commission reviewed two Paint-a-Plug applications that were submitted prior to the meeting. The first application was submitted by the President's Office at Northern Illinois University and did not have a specific location request. The commission discussed various possible locations, including outside Altgeld Hall and Martin Luther King Commons. Planner Michnick will reach out to the President's Office and ask them to confirm which of the two locations were preferable. The second application was

submitted by Outdoor Adventures, also without a preferred location. The commission recommended three possible locations:

- Southeast corner of Annie Glidden and Lucinda
- Near the busstop outside Revis, Cole, and Dusable
- Westside of the NIU Rec Center

Planner Michnick will reach out to the applicant to confirm the desired location from the list above and include that in a final approval letter.

Ms. Booth made a motion to approve the application pending confirmation of final locations. The motion was seconded by Ms. Holcomb and carried on a voice vote.

The commission also requested the Planner Michnick coordinate with the applicants to get footage and photographs of those groups painting the hydrants this fall. The content would then be used to promote "Paint-a-Plug" Day in May of 2019.

2. Discussion of Public Mural Program

The commission continued its conversation about the creation of a public mural program in the City of DeKalb. The commission reviewed the City of Portland's mural program and discussed the various components that could be included in DeKalb's policy. Other questions and concerns were raised that would require further research and consideration, including:

- Would an "art easement" need to be secured for art placed on private buildings to secure the art in the event of a sale of property?
- Should a requirement be included for the type of paint that is used, and would that be determined based on permanent exhibits versus temporary exhibits?
- What would the notification requirements be for a property owner that wants to paint a mural (e.g. similar to zoning change notice)?
- Would there be a permit fee or inspection required?
- Would there be any funding available for supporting artist commissions?

The commission recognizes that funding for the program might not be available in the near-term. The value in creating the program is to provide a process for property owners or community groups that would like to fund or create murals to do so. Planner Michnick will continue to work on drafting a policy and process and return it to the commission at a future meeting.

3. Continued Discussion on the Mission and Duties of the Commission.

The commission continued discussing the role and mission of the CCEC, emphasizing a desire to support the Annie Glidden North Revitalization Plan. Due to time, the commission agreed to continue this discussion and would like to go through the AGN Plan in detail and participate in a mapping exercise. Planner Michnick will include a discussion of the CCEC and AGN Plan on the following agenda.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION

Mr. Webb made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Ms. Beck. The motion carried on a voice vote. The meeting adjourned at 5:33 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by
Jason Michnick, Economic Development Planner