# Village of Lombard

Village Hall 255 East Wilson Ave. Lombard, IL 60148 villageoflombard.org



## **Minutes**

Monday, April 12, 2021 7:00 PM

Village Hall

## **Economic & Community Development Committee**

Anthony Puccio, Chairperson
Reid Foltyniewicz, Alternate Chairperson
Dennis McNicholas, Garrick Nielsen,
Matthew Pike, Paula Dillon, Laine Vant Hoff, Gregory Ladle, Alan Bennett and Patrick
Kennedy

Staff Liaison: William Heniff

#### NOTICE OF MEETING MODIFICATION DUE TO COVID-19

In light of the Disaster Declaration issued by the Governor of the State of Illinois relative to the COVID-19 pandemic, and pursuant to Public Act 101-0640, the Chairperson of the Economic and Community Development Committee has determined that an in-person meeting of the Plan Commission, or a meeting conducted under the Open Meetings Act requirements, relative to a quorum of the members of the Economic and Community Development Committee being physically present at a meeting when some members of the Economic and Community Development Committee are participating remotely, is not practical or prudent because of the disaster.

Pursuant to Governor Pritzker's Executive Order 2020-07, as extended by Executive Orders 2020-18, 2020-33 and 2020-39, 2020-44, 2020-52, 2020-55, 2020-59, 2020-71, 2020-74, 2021-01, 2021-04 and pursuant to Public Act 101-0640, which suspend the requirement of the Illinois Open Meetings Act requiring in-person attendance by members of a public body during the duration of the Gubernatorial Disaster Proclamation, members of the Economic and Community Development Committee may be participating in the meeting through a virtual meeting platform.

Physical attendance at this public meeting will be capped to a maximum capacity of 50 persons in total, inclusive of Village officials, staff and consultants (whose physical attendance will be given precedence), with strict social distancing requirements in place. While the public is welcome to attend the meeting, and provide comments, in person, given capacity limitations and the COVID-19 pandemic, residents are invited to view and participate remotely through the means offered below.

All interested persons will be given the opportunity to participate in the public hearing via telephone or submission of public comments or evidence in advance of the meeting

- email to communitydevelopment@villageoflombard.org
- calling and leaving a voicemail at 630-620-5760
- letter mail to:

**Community Development Department** 

Attn: Economic and Community Development Committee Village of Lombard 255 E. Wilson Avenue Lombard IL 60148

Persons interested in participating in the hearing via telephone shall contact the Village in advance by any of the above methods to obtain information necessary for telephonic participation in the hearing. The Village requests that comments be submitted to the Village by 4:00 p.m. on Monday, April 12, 2021.

Notwithstanding this request, all comments received before the public comment portion of the public hearing will be read into the public meeting record. The physical attendance restrictions in place for this meeting have been adopted to comply with Governor Pritzker's Executive Orders regarding social distancing and the need to maximize residential self-isolation to slow the spread of COVID-19 to the greatest extent possible.

#### 1.0 Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

The meeting was called to order by Trustee Puccio at 7:00 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

#### 2.0 Roll Call

**Present** 8 - Anthony Puccio, Dennis McNicholas, Garrick Nielsen, Matthew Pike, Paula Dillon, Gregory Ladle, Alan Bennett, and Patrick Kennedy

Absent 1 - Laine Vant Hoff

Also present: William Heniff, AICP, Director of Community Development, Jennifer Ganser, AICP, Assistant Director of Community Development.

Marc Pinto, Joe Marino, and John Kutrubis attended remotely.

Anthony Puccio, Dennis McNicholas, Garrick Nielsen, Greg Ladle, Mathew Pike, Paula Dillon, Alan Bennett, and Patrick Kennedy attended the meeting remotely.

## 3.0 Public Participation

None

## 4.0 Approval of Minutes

On a motion by Ms. Dillon, and seconded by Mr. McNicholas, the minutes of the March 11, 2021 meeting were approved by the members present.

#### 5.0 Unfinished Business

None

#### 6.0 New Business

# 210122 Downtown Improvement & Renovation Grant; 229 W St. Charles Road (Rebel Restaurant & Bar)

The Community Development Department has received an application for the Downtown Improvement and Renovation Grant Program (also known as the Facade Grant Program) for Rebel Restaurant & Bar located at 229 W. St. Charles Road.

Ms. Ganser reviewed the staff memo. The applicant is requesting a grant of \$27,427.50 for façade work. The required three quotes and a rendering are attached. Mr. Marino said they plan on renovating the property inside and outside. It will be an American style menu that is family friendly, but also for couples. The menu will be eclectic with burgers, tacos, and flatbreads; all from scratch. He said the patio is a big part of the space.

Trustee Puccio opened discussion up to the Committee.

Ms. Dillon asked if the restaurant is independently owned and Mr. Marino said yes. Ms. Dillon asked about the timeframe and Mr. Marino said they hope to apply for permits soon and open in June. Ms. Dillon asked if they have other restaurants. Mr. Kutrubis said he has been in the restaurant business since 1997. Ms. Dillon asked about the patio renovation. Mr. Marino said the they will be moving the stairs to the sidewalk side and redoing the patio.

Mr. Bennett said everything is in order and made a motion to recommend approval. Mr. Ladle seconded the motion.

Mr. Nielsen asked if the other partners have restaurant experience and what the appeal of Lombard was. Mr. Marino said he does not, he has finance experience and will serve as the restaurant's CFO. Mr. Pinto said his wife owns Paradiso and they own the building. They are excited to make an additional investment in downtown Lombard. Mr. Nielsen asked about the lease. Mr. Kutrubis said it's a five-year lease with two five-year options to renew.

On a motion by Mr. Bennett and a second by Mr. Ladle, the ECDC recommended the façade grant in the amount of \$27,427.50 for Rebel Restaurant + Bar to the Village Board for their April 15, 2021 meeting.

Aye: 8 - Anthony Puccio, Dennis McNicholas, Garrick Nielsen, Matthew Pike, Paula Dillon, Gregory Ladle, Alan Bennett, and Patrick Kennedy

Absent: 1 - Laine Vant Hoff

#### 7.0 Other Business

None

## 8.0 Information Only

Mr. Heniff went through a spreadsheet on downtown developments. Mr. Bennett said it's great to see so much action. Trustee Puccio said this is indicative of how well the ECDC is helping and shows how much is happening downtown. Mr. McNicholas said he was on the ECDC when the downtown TIF was approved and this is tribute to the Village and the willingness of entrepreneurs. Ms. Dillon asked what is Purple Manatee and Ms. Ganser said a resale shop. Ms. Dillon asked if Afterthought Brewery was near Red Brick and Ms. Ganser said yes.

## 9.0 Adjournment

On a motion by Mr. Bennett and a second by Mr. Nielsen, the meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m