GOVERNMENT SERVICES COMMITTEE AGENDA
Monday, April 22, 2013
7:30 p.m. – City Council Chamber 1st Floor

1. Roll Call

2. Items Removed/Added/Changed

3. Ordinance 13-21 Authorizing Community Development Department To Enforce Certain Ordinances And Code Provisions (Scott Buening 4/12/13)
   Documents: ORDINANCE 13-21 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ENFORCEMENT OF ORDINANCES COMBINED.PDF


5. Ordinance 13-24 Authorizing Alcohol Sales And Consumption On Certain City Property At Certain Times In Conjunction With Authorized And Issued Liquor Licenses Pursuant To Title 3 Chapter 3 Of The Batavia Municipal Code (WRM 4/18/13)
   Documents: ORDINANCE 13-24 AUTHORIZE ALCOHOLIC LIQUOR ON CITY PROPERTY.PDF

6. Discussion: Committee Of The Whole (WRM)

7. Closed Session: Personnel

8. Project Status Update

9. Other

10. Matters From The Public

11. Adjournment
DATE: April 12, 2013

TO: Government Services Committee

FROM: Scott Buening, Community Development Director


Background

The Community Development Department regularly is charged with enforcing certain City Ordinances, particularly as they relate to Building, Zoning and Property Maintenance Codes. The enforcement process involves initially notifying violators either verbally or in writing. Violations which continue then are taken into the Administrative Adjudication process. While this can be an effective way to achieve compliance, it is also a process that can be cumbersome and lengthy. It can often take several months to achieve the desired result.

Analysis

A more effective way for enforcement is the issuance of local ordinance violation ticket. These are issued in person or by mail and require the violator to pay fines similar to the format of a parking ticket. Typical procedures would involve issuance of a minimal fine (say $50.00) for a first offense, with fines escalating for repeated or continued violations. Adjudication would take place after several tickets have been issued. This becomes a much quicker way to encourage violators to come into compliance, whereas the Adjudication process can take several months to come to resolution. This becomes a more efficient and effective way to bring violators into compliance with the ordinance being violated.

The attached Ordinance has been drafted by the City Attorney and would give the Community Development Department the ability to enforce several sections of the Municipal Code. As the Code Compliance division is often called on to help with other departments in enforcing Ordinances, this change would be the tool needed to better accomplish those requests. The Ordinance would allow Community Development to enforce Ordinances such as Building Codes, the Zoning and Subdivision Ordinances, construction within the City rights-of-way, nuisances, trash collection and open burning, among others. It would expressly not give Community Development the ability to enforce moving violations other than parking violations.

Recommendation

Staff recommends that the Committee vote in favor of Ordinance 13-21 Authorizing the Community Development Department to Enforce Certain Ordinances and Code Provisions.

Attachment:


Cc: Mayor & City Council
City Administrator
City Attorney
Press
File
CITY OF BATAVIA, ILLINOIS
ORDINANCE 13-21

AUTHORIZING THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT TO
ENFORCE CERTAIN ORDINANCES AND CODE PROVISIONS

ADOPTED BY THE
MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
___ DAY OF ______________, 2013
CITY OF BATAVIA, ILLINOIS
ORDINANCE 13-21

AUTHORIZING THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT TO
ENFORCE CERTAIN ORDINANCES AND CODE PROVISIONS

WHEREAS, Community Development Department is involved with the issuance of building permits and oversight of the development of property and construction of buildings, the inspection of properties, administration and oversight of zoning matters, property maintenance issues, and other matters that involve the application, enforcement and compliance with various provisions of the Batavia Municipal Code; and

WHEREAS, Community Development Department has not been expressly given the authority to enforce Code compliance and to issue and process tickets for violations of City Code provisions; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of the City to grant such code enforcement authority for certain of the provisions of the Batavia Municipal Code to the Community Development Department.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY ORDAINED by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Batavia, Kane and DuPage Counties, Illinois, as follows:

SECTION 1. The Community Development Department is hereby granted the authority to enforce the various provisions of the Batavia Municipal Code and ordinances related to business licensing, construction, property conditions, property maintenance, building regulations, zoning, signage, subdivision control and similar provisions of the Batavia Municipal Code and ordinances, including the following provisions:

Title 3 (Business and License Regulations)

Title 4 (Health and Sanitation)

Chapter 4 (Nuisances)

Chapter 5 (Solid Waste Collection and City Curbside Collection Programs)

Chapter 6 (Water Pollution)

Chapter 7 (Open Burning)

Chapter 8 (Smoking in Public Places)

Title 6 (Motor Vehicles and Traffic) Chapter 6 (Parking, Stopping, Standing)

Title 7 (Public Ways & Property)
SECTION 2. The authority given to the Community Development Department to enforce the various provisions of the Batavia Municipal Code and ordinances shall not include any traffic or vehicular moving regulations, regulations relating to the public peace, morals and decency, theft, damage to property, trespass, fire hazards, gambling, alcohol or drug offenses, truancy, curfew and other provisions that do not relate to the maintenance, construction, development, use and control of real property.

SECTION 3. As of the effective date of this Ordinance, the Community Development Department shall have the authority to inspect property, issue warnings, write administrative adjudication and/or ordinance violation tickets and carry on other activities related to the enforcement of the various code provisions and ordinances that are within the authority of the Community Development Department to oversee, administrate and enforce.

SECTION 4. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect upon its presentation, passage and publication according to law.

PRESENTED to and PASSED by the City Council of the City of Batavia, Illinois, this _____ day of ______________, 2013.

APPROVED by me as Mayor of said City of Batavia, Illinois, this _____ day of ______________, 2013.

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Jeffery D. Schielke, Mayor
ATTEST:

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Heidi Wetzel, City Clerk

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Heidi Wetzel, City Clerk

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DATE:        April 18, 2013
TO:         Government Services Committee
FROM:    Bill McGrath, City Administrator
SUBJECT: Ord. 13-24 Adding Albright Theater to List of City Properties at Which Alcohol may be Served

Attached is Ordinance 13-24, which is formally entitled:

Authorizing Alcohol Sales and Consumption on Certain City Property at Certain Times in Conjunction with Authorized and Issued Liquor Licenses Pursuant to Title 3 Chapter 3 of the Batavia Municipal Code

Very recently the Council passed a new comprehensive Liquor Code. In conjunction with that, it passed an ordinance that listed the several City properties upon which liquor could be sold/serve with a license. Staff suggested that the ordinance would be fine-tuned over time; the priority was getting the Code in place for current holders.

One week ago we were approached by a liquor license holder who is negotiating an arrangement with the Albright Theatre by which it could put together dinner/theatre packages, but also the sale of wine at the shows on the City Hall third floor. I checked with the City Attorney, as I was under the impression that there were some restrictions on City Halls, but he advises that there are none, but the property must be included on the list.

In the interest of the theatre’s success as well as yet another economic development device to be used downtown, the attached ordinance has been drafted.

As there is a requirement for an existing license, insurance cover for the City, and training, staff does not see any reason to not expand the property list. This ordinance does not authorize the actual sale or service; it just makes it possible, and the actual operation will be reviewed by the Mayor as Liquor Commissioner and Police before granted.

This matter will be on the Government Services agenda for Monday, April 22, 2013.

Please call with any questions. Thank you.

Bill McGrath

attachment: Ord. 13-24

c: Mayor & City Council
  City Council Elect
  Department Heads
  Batavia MainStreet
CITY OF BATAVIA, ILLINOIS
ORDINANCE 13-24

AUTHORIZING ALCOHOL SALES AND CONSUMPTION ON CERTAIN CITY PROPERTY AT CERTAIN TIMES IN CONJUNCTION WITH AUTHORIZED AND ISSUED LIQUOR LICENSES PURSUANT TO TITLE 3 CHAPTER 3 OF THE BATAVIA MUNICIPAL CODE

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Prepared by:
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Batavia, IL 60510

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WHEREAS, the Mayor and the City Council further find that the best interests of the City and the community shall be advanced conditioning and controlling the sale and consumption of alcoholic liquor on City property in order to allow traditional and other community events while also protecting public health, safety and welfare.

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SECTION 2. As of the effective date of this Ordinance, the only City owned property on which alcoholic liquor may be sold or consumed and open containers of alcoholic liquor may be possessed are as follows (hereinafter “City Event Properties”):

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B. City Hall (outside and the Albright Theater (Third Floor South inside);
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SECTION 5. This Ordinance repeals and replaces Ordinance 13-14 and shall be in full force and effect upon its presentation, passage and publication according to law.

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