

**Observer Report
City Council
July 13, 2009**

Observer: Dorrie Lloyd-Still

Aldermen Present/Absent: all present

Staff Present: Interim City Manager; Doug Gaynor; Dennis Merino; several staff from Fire Dept, 911 call center, Recreation Dept; others

Media Present: Review; journalism students

Meeting began: 8:30 pm **Meeting ended:** Went into executive session at 9:18 pm

No. of citizens in attendance: several

Announcements/Citizen Comment:

- § Mayor announced Gov. Quinn has signed authorization for Evanston to receive stimulus funds - \$700,000 for recreation center and \$300,000 for water plant
- § Staff described grant application, approved by P&D, to HUD Neighborhood Stabilization II program (affordable housing)
- § Fire Dept led recognition of various staff involved in successful water rescue
- § Two (benign) citizen comments

Significant Discussion/Action Taken:

- § City Manager authorized to submit application for Neighborhood Stabilization Program 2 (NSP2) funding
- § Approved submission of proposal to U.S. Environmental Protection Agency for grant to establish a business loan for energy conservation
- § Approved special use for Berglund Animal Hospital at 2515 Gross Point road
- § Consideration of special use for day care center at 526 Davis Street sent back to committee pending meeting of applicant with Ald. Fiske to discuss traffic issues
- § Approved special use for Vinic Wine Company at 1509 Chicago Ave

Call of the Wards:

- § Benign commendations of various staff and special use applicants

League Action:

- § Monitor results and implementation of application for NSP2 funding (?)