

**Observer Report
Planning and Development Committee
September 22, 2008**

Council or Committee: Planning and Development Committee **Date:** Sept. 22, 2008

Aldermen Present: All

Media Present:: Evanston Now, Evanston Review, Daily Northwestern

Observer: Ruth Singer

Meeting Began: 7:52 pm **Meeting Ended:** 8:30 pm

Ord. 101=0=08d Modifications for Special Sign District Uncle Dan's at 901 Church (east side of bldg.)

Sign Review and Appeals Board approve modifications to the Special Design District for Uncle Dan's Staff recommends approval and requests suspension of rules for introduction and action at Council

Approved 8 to 1 (The sign will be on the east side of the building. Moran felt it shouldn't be approved. Wynne felt that the Council has control as each sign change would have to pass approval by Council).

(P2) **Motion to Approve Plat of Subdivision of 604 Judson**

Property owner requests approval to subdivide the single lot into two lots for the purpose of constructing two single family dwellings. Staff and Preservation Commission recommended approval.

Unanimous approval.

(P3) **Sidewalk Café I for Type 1 Restaurant = 1512 Sherman**

Site Plan and Appearance Review Committee recommends approval of request from Jamaica Jamaica restaurant.

Unanimous approval

(P4) **Ordinance 99-0-08 Special Use for Convenience Store – 2536 Ewing**

Discussion of conditions requested during 9/8 P&D Meeting

The Operation Manager of Seven/Eleven said 7/11 will follow the conditions set down at the 9/8 meeting (deliveries and garbage 7am to 7pm, iding no longer than 5 minutes and work with neighbors and police to enforce no loitering). However, turning down the lights at 9pm even though they are open until midnight is a problem. 7/11 shares a circuit with Block Buster. The neighbors of single family homes are affected by the light. Moran wants to know how 7/11 would resolve this problem P&D will hold this for two weeks (10/13/08)

(PD1) Memorandum Regarding Appraisal Practices of the City's Housing Programs

EHC loans – appraisals are rolled into loan. However, if the appraisals are several years old they will need current info. **This is incomplete information.**

(PD2) Downtown Plan Update

Mr. Wood from the Plan Commission will draft changes that have occurred in:

1. Downtown Plan
2. Chicago Avenue Plan
3. West Side Plan

Wollin urged the staff to not overload the agendas. They might have a special meeting.

Meeting began at 7:52 PM (scheduled for 7:00PM). Meeting ended at 8:30PM on time and everyone seemed happy about that. However it began almost an hour late.

Wollin ran good meeting. She was on top of everything on the agenda, not just on her First Ward.