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GROUP CARE HOME COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

WHEATON CITY HALL, 303 W WESLEY STREET, WHEATON, ILLINOIS 60187

May 30, 2018

7:00 P.M.

I. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The May 30, 2017 Group Care Home Commission meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M. in the City Council Chambers of the Wheaton City Hall. Upon roll call, the following were:

Present: Emily Consolazio
Katie Doerries
Chris Ellerman
Patricia Schwarze

Absent: Ted Rodgers

City Staff Present: James P. Kozik AICP, Director of Planning & Economic Development

II. PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

III. ELECTION OF CHAIRPERSON AND VICE CHAIRPERSON

Commissioner Consolazio moved and Commissioner Ellerman seconded a motion to nominate Commissioner Schwarze as Chair. On a voice vote, all voted aye. Chair Schwarze then moved and Commissioner Ellerman seconded a motion to nominate Commissioner Consolazio as Vice Chair. On a voice vote, all voted aye.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – May 30, 2017

Hearing no comments or corrections, the May 25, 2016 minutes were approved as submitted.

IV. LICENSE RENEWALS

MIDWEST SHELTER FOR HOMELESS VETERANS/119 N. WEST STREET

Ms. Nancy Abbatte, Interim Executive Director and Ms. Christine Madsen, Director of the Programs were in attendance to discuss the renewal of the license for their home at 119 N. West Street with the Commission.

Ms. Abbatte stated that the Board is currently looking for a new Executive Director. Ms. Madsen presented the annual report for 2017 to the Commission and stated that there have been no changes in the homes programming since last year.

Regarding a question about the age of the population served, Ms. Abbatte stated that 58% are 51 years of age or older. Ms. Abbatte stated that since the inception of the organization 76% of the clients they served were placed in permanent housing at the exit of their stay in the program.

Commissioner Doering questioned whether there has been any changes in funding? Ms. Abbatte stated no, funding has been quite stable. Ms. Abbatte stated that the organization has also been blessed with robust private funding.

Hearing no further questions or comments, Commissioner Consolazio moved and Commissioner Doerries seconded a motion to approve the annual renewal of the Group Care Home License for the Midwest Shelter for Homeless Veterans at 119 N. West Street. On a roll call vote, all voted aye.

STARS FAMILY SERVICES/1414 N. WASHINGTON STREET and 375-377 N. CROSS STREET

STARS Family Services President Ray Chase gave the Commission an overview of his organization's group care home for 4 adults with intellectual disabilities and 1 staff person at the property at 1414 N. Washington Street and a home at 375-377 N. Cross Street comprised of a PUD of two housing structures united by a common courtyard with a total occupancy in the combined facility, including staff persons, of 15 individuals.

Mr. Chase stated that STARS Family Services obtained a Group Care Home License for the Washington Street facility from the City in 2011 and has been operating without incident since that time. He stated that 377 N. Cross Street (the woman's group care home) currently has 4 occupants and that 375 N. Cross (the men's group care home) currently has 4 occupants.

Mr. Chase stated that STARS Family Services is an extension of the STARS Disability Ministry of College Church in Wheaton. Mr. Chase then gave the Commission an overview of the operation of the home as well as fundraising activities.

Mr. Chase stated that STARS also operates a resale shop on College Avenue which provides employment opportunities to its residents and income to the organization.

In response to a question about the future plans for the organization, Mr. Chase stated nursing care and an apartment-type home sharing for more independent Stars may be next in addition to retiring debt.

Hearing no further questions or comments, Commissioner Doerring moved and Commissioner Ellerman seconded a motion to approve the renewal of the Group Care Home License to STARS Family Services to operate a group care home for 4 adults with intellectual disabilities and 1 staff person at the property at 1414 N. Washington Street and the home at 375-377 N. Cross Street comprised of a PUD of two housing structures united by a common courtyard with a total occupancy in the combined facility, including staff persons, of 15 individuals. On a roll call vote, all voted aye.

V. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

Commissioner Ellerman stated that he would like the City Council to consider a change in the Commission review of licensing to every three years instead of annually, provided no significant changes have occurred.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

James P. Kozik, AICP
Director of Planning & Economic Development

MEMORANDUM

To: Chair Schwarze and Members of the Group Care Home Commission
From: James P. Kozik AICP, Director of Planning & Economic Development
Date: May 22, 2019
Subject: Application for a Group Care Home License Renewal/Midwest Shelter for Homeless Veterans/119 N. West Street, Wheaton

Attached to this memorandum is an application for a renewal of a Group Care Home License that has been submitted by the Midwest Shelter for Homeless Veterans, who operate a group care home for 5 adults at the property at 119 N. West Street, Wheaton.

The Midwest Shelter for Homeless Veterans obtained a Group Care Home License from the City in 2006 and has been operating without incident since that time.

The Group Care Home Commission is to review the proposed application against the Group Care Home Review Criteria, a copy of which has been provided under separate cover.

Attachment

MEMORANDUM

To: Chair Schwarze and Members of the Group Care Home Commission
From: James P. Kozik AICP, Director of Planning & Economic Development
Date: May 22, 2019
Subject: Application for a Group Care Home License Renewal/STARS Family Services/1414 N. Washington Street and 375-377 N. Cross Street

Attached to this memorandum is an application for a renewal for two Group Care Home Licenses that have been submitted by STARS Family Services, an extension of the STARS Disability Ministry of College Church in Wheaton, who operate a group care home for 4 adults with intellectual disabilities and 1 staff person at the property at 1414 N. Washington and a facility at 375-377 N. Cross Street comprised of a PUD of two housing structures united by a common courtyard. The total occupancy in the combined facility, including staff persons, is limited to 15 individuals.

STARS Family Services obtained a Group Care Home License for the Washington Street facility from the City in 2011 and has been operating without incident since that time.

A license for the Cross Street facility was approved in September of 2012.

The Group Care Home Commission is to review the proposed application against the Group Care Home Review Criteria, a copy of which has been provided under separate cover.

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