

Agenda  
Village of Glen Ellyn  
Special Village Board Meeting  
Monday, March 30, 2009  
8:00 p.m. – Galligan Board Room

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Audience Participation
5. Consent Agenda

The following item is considered routine business by the Village Board and will be approved in a single vote in the form listed below:

- A. Motion to approve license agreements to allow a hot dog cart and gelato cart on the public sidewalk in the Central Business District.

Since 1995, the Village Board has authorized one or more license agreements for tables and chairs, hot dog sales, and related items to be located on the sidewalk and public right-of-way in the Central Business District. This is a request for approval of license agreements to allow a hot dog cart and a gelato cart on the public sidewalk in the downtown during the current calendar year.

6. Finance Director Jon Batek will present information regarding the implementation of an additional 1-percent sales tax on retail merchandise sales within Glen Ellyn (excludes groceries, prescription and non-prescription drugs and automobile sales) to become effective July 1, 2009.

Despite past financial health, Glen Ellyn is not immune to the global, national and regional economic downturn. Because of declining revenues, the Village is facing a projected \$600,000 general fund deficit for the current budget year that ends on April 30. In addition, forecasts for the next three years project an increasingly unsustainable gap between revenues and expenditures.

In preparation for the challenges which lie ahead, the proposed budget for the new fiscal year 2009-10 which begins on May 1, 2009, includes general staffing reductions and essentially no increase in total personnel and related benefit costs. Significant cuts in contracted services as well as a number of maintenance expense deferrals will be implemented to keep the budget in balance for the coming year. Certain deferred expenses however, will return in future years and must be addressed in the near-term to avoid future financial problems associated with deferred maintenance.

In total, the preliminary proposed budget was out of balance by a total of \$2.6 million. Total expenditure cuts have been made to date of \$1.7 million compared to new revenue introduced by the proposed 1-percent sales tax at \$0.9 million for FY10. For every new revenue dollar generated by the home rule sales tax, there are approximately \$2 in corresponding expense reductions.

Many communities in DuPage County have implemented a local sales tax, including neighboring Wheaton and Lombard, where a 1-percent local sales tax is already in place.

The Village has offered several opportunities for public input on the sales tax in addition to the public presentation this evening. A Special Village Board Budget Workshop meeting was held on Monday, March 2 in Room 301 and a Special Village Board Workshop meeting was held on Saturday, March 7 at 9 a.m. in the Galligan Board Room. This information was further communicated to the general public in the February 2009 Village Newsletter, as well as the availability of extensive information on the Village's website and also in the Village's e-mail Newsletter.

The proposed sales tax ordinance has been reviewed in a two-reading process with a non-binding straw vote of Village Trustees taken at the Regular Village Board Meeting on March 9 and a vote on formal approval scheduled for this evening.

- A. Second Reading of Ordinance No. 5740-VC, an Ordinance Implementing A Home Rule Retailers' Occupation Tax and Service Occupation Tax (Home Rule Sales Tax); and
  - B. Second Reading of Ordinance No.5741-VC, an Ordinance Providing for an Annual Review and Specific Uses of Home Rule Retailers' Occupation Tax and Service Occupation Tax.
7. Reminders:
- The next Pre-Board meeting of the Glen Ellyn Village Board is scheduled for Monday, April 13, 2009 beginning at 7 p.m. in Room 301 of the Glen Ellyn Civic Center.
  - The next Regular Village Board Meeting is scheduled for Monday, April 13, 2009 beginning at 8 p.m. in the Galligan Board Room of the Glen Ellyn Civic Center.
8. Other Business?
9. Adjournment