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April 14, 2014

TO: Mayor Morley and Members of the City Council  
RE: City Owned Public Surface Parking Lots Policy

The Public Works and Buildings Committee met on March 24, 2014 and again on Monday, April 14, 2014 to discuss a referral made to the Public Works and Buildings Committee to evaluate City owned surface parking lots for the appropriate transition to a more environmentally friendly surface (i.e., permeable pavers) and/or to assist with stormwater management in the form of detention areas.

The referral recommended that prior to repairing City owned public surface parking lots that they are evaluated for their ability to be retrofitted to provide detention and/or install some type of permeable surface that will be environmentally friendly and is an example of stormwater best management practices.

City staff currently evaluates every City owned parking lot to determine condition and schedule appropriate maintenance and repairs. When the asphalt pavement has reached the end of its useful service life, resurfacing is required to reduce hazardous conditions and avoid the need for total reconstruction.

Incorporation of stormwater management technologies and practices will be considered prior to resurfacing and/or major maintenance efforts.

Every parking lot has unique characteristics. Selection and implementation of appropriate stormwater management alternatives are based on a number of factors. Staff will review flooding problems and/or drainage concerns in the immediate area. Parking lots located in known flooding areas or that are connected to storm sewers that contribute to flooding problems in other areas will be considered for stormwater detention improvements. Best management practices and technologies will be considered for all public parking lots.

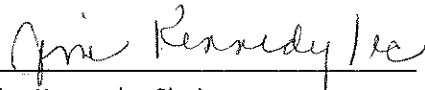
Recommended stormwater management alternatives will depend on the location and depth of the storm sewer, the current grading/drainage patterns, cost of alternatives, potential impacts to the parking configuration, maintenance of the alternative technology, public education/outreach opportunities and budget. Staff will provide the Public Works and Buildings Committee a summary of the individual parking lot site conditions, possible stormwater management alternatives, benefits and estimated construction costs.

This policy will allow the Public Works and Buildings Committee to review all City owned parking lots and make informed decisions/recommendations for incorporation of stormwater management alternatives. The Committee will be able to make a recommendation based on information public benefit, public education/example, existing stormwater problems, cost benefit/feasibility and the individual parking lot conditions. This will also allow the City Council to determine the appropriate parking lot improvements and provide staff with direction for engineering, construction and budget.

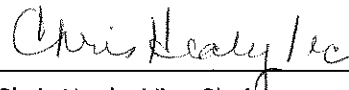
It is, therefore, the recommendation of the Public Works and Buildings Committee that the policy to evaluate City owned public surface parking lots for incorporation of stormwater management improvements as outlined above, be approved.

Respectfully submitted,

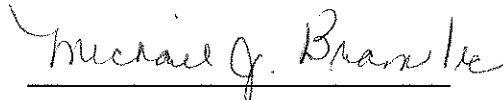
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February 2, 2012

To: Mayor DiCianni and Members of the City Council

Re: City Owned Surface Public Parking Lots – Aldermen Bram & Pezza

It is respectfully requested that the attached request from Aldermen Bram and Pezza regarding the evaluation of City owned surface parking lots be referred to the Public Works & Buildings Committee for review and recommendation back to the City Council.

Respectfully submitted,

James A. Grabowski  
City Manager

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TO: Mayor DiClanni and Members of the Elmhurst City Council

FROM: Paula Pezza, Alderman Ward 1 & Michael Bram, Alderman Ward 3

DATE: January 12, 2011

RE: City Owned Surface Public Parking Lots

We would like to refer the evaluation of City Owned Surface Public Parking Lots to the appropriate committee.

In the current capital budget there is a line item to repair City Owned Surface Public Parking Lots. The current amount that is allocated is a nominal amount of \$20,000 for this upcoming fiscal year. The request is to use these funds to evaluate each of the City Owned Surface Public Parking lots for the appropriate transition to a more environmentally friendly surface (i.e., permeable pavers) and/or to assist with storm water management in the form of detention areas.

The City of Elmhurst has recently experienced significant flooding issues when there are serious rain events. It is essential for the city to lead by example by assisting with storm water management on the various properties that are owned by the City. The transition of public parking lots to permeable pavers would reduce the amount of storm water that enters the City system.

We therefore recommend that prior to repairing City Owned Public Surface Parking lots that they are evaluated for converting them into parking/detention lots and/or another type of permeable surface that will be environmentally friendly and an example of storm water best management practices.

Respectfully submitted,

*Michael Bram*

Michael Bram – Ward 3 Alderman

*Paula Pezza*

Paula Pezza – Ward 1 Alderman