

**CITY OF COUNTRY CLUB HILLS
SPECIAL MEETING
OF THE CITY COUNCIL
Wednesday, January 18, 2017**

7:00 pm

1. A special meeting of the City Council, City of Country Club Hills, County of Cook, State of Illinois, was held in the City Hall, 4200 W. 183rd Street at 7:05 p.m. The meeting was called to order by the honorable James W. Ford, Mayor.

2. **THOSE ON ROLL CALL ANSWERING PRESENT WERE:**

Aldermen Lockett, Davis, Glispie, Evans, and Spivey constituting a quorum of the City Council.

3. **Approval - An Ordinance Authorizing an Economic Incentive Agreement (Former Eagle Grocery Store)**

Alderman Evans moved for Council approval of Ordinance No O-01-17, An Ordinance Authorizing an Economic Incentive Agreement (Former Eagle Grocery Store). Second - Alderman Davis. Discussion - City Attorney John Murphey explained that this agreement was similar to a previous failed agreement but would be with Farmers Best Northlake, LLC and that the buyer is the same as the operator. An April 5, 2017 closing is anticipated. George (the manager of the proposed facility) addressed the Council and explained that the store would be similar to a Pete's Fresh Market and that they currently operate 2 other stores. He stated that the facility was expected to provide 50 full time jobs and 15-20 part time jobs. He also stated that they are in negotiations with a health club facility. Alderman Lockett state that the jobs were not guaranteed to residents of Country Club Hills. Alderman Evans stated that this would be a shopping experience, bring additional economic development and provided statistics regarding the sales tax rebate amounts.. Alderman Spivey stated that he felt it was a great opportunity for the community.

ROLL CALL VOTE 4 Ayes: Aldermen Davis, Glispie, Evans and
Spivey

1 Nays Alderman Lockett

0 Absent

**Motion Declared Carried and Hereby Made a Part of the Original of Proceedings
this date.**

4. **Public Portion of Meeting**

A Motion was made and seconded to open the floor to the public. Motion Carried Via Voice Vote. The following individuals addressed the Council:

- Harry Evans, Country Club Hills, addressed the Council and stated that he felt this was a great opportunity to see growth in the community.
- Leon Williams, Country Club Hills, stated that he felt it was strange that there was argument regarding the incentives to the grocery store but no arguments regarding the theater and monies spent there.

A motion was made and seconded to close the floor to the public. Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.

Mayor Ford requested that the possibility of offering a reward for the arrest and conviction in an unresolved murder investigation. Chief Jones explained that the addition of a reward could expedite matters and asked that the Council consider \$5,000 - \$10,000 as a possible reward. This will be discussed in the Finance Committee meeting.

5. **ADJOURNMENT:**

A Motion to adjourn was made by Alderman Lockett. Second - Alderman Glispie. Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.

Meeting adjourned at 7:34 pm

Deborah M. McIlvain, City Clerk