

BOROUGH OF ELMWOOD PARK  
PLANNING BOARD

WEDNESDAY, MAY 14, 2025  
TAKEN PLACE: Municipal Building  
Elmwood Park, New Jersey  
Commencing at 7:30 PM

BEFORE: The Planning Board of  
Elmwood Park

MEMBERS PRESENT:

ANTONIO CASTELBUONO, Chairman  
MILES GARVEY, Vice Chairman  
MAYOR ROBERT COLLETTI (absent)  
JOSEPH BENIAMINI Member  
ROMANO INTRIERI, (absent)  
CARL ROBERTS, Member  
ROBERT ELDER, Member  
ANDREW TISELLANO, Member  
ERIC SAIMSON, Member  
CHARLES CIANI, Member  
BRIAN KNOBLOCH, Member  
JEFFREY FREITAG, Member

ALSO PRESENT:

KYLE D. WHITTLE, ESQ.,  
ATTORNEY TO THE BOARD

MINUTES PREPARED BY:

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ELMWOOD PARK PLANNING BOARD

CHAIRMAN A. CASTELBUONO called to  
ORDER the Elmwood Park Planning Board Meeting  
according to the Open Public Meeting Act, MAY 14,  
2025 @7:30 PM

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FLAG SALUTE

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MINUTES: APRIL 8, 2025  
Motion offered by R. Elder, second

by C. Roberts

APPROVED/ACCEPTED AS WRITTEN  
(APPROVED)

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RESOLUTION

B25-008

Ming Chen

Blue Gauntlet Fencing Gear

85 Main Avenue

Block 804, Lot 9

C. Roberts offers a motion to  
approve the Resolution as written, second by R.  
Elder.

ROLL CALL BY MS. PARETTI:

C. Roberts: Aye

Councilman Saimson: Aye

J. Beniamini: Aye

Chairman Castelbuono: Aye

R. Elder: Aye.

A. Tisellano: Aye.

Vice Chairman Garvey: Yes.

J. Freitag: Yes.

K. Knobloch: Yes.

RESOLUTION APPROVED  
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## RESOLUTION

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The Smugglers Club of Elmwood Park  
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104 Route 46 East

Block 1701 Lot 11

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Site Plan approval with attendant  
variances for retail cannabis.

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C. Roberts offers a motion to  
approve the Resolution as written, second by R.  
Elder.

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## ROLL CALL BY MS. PARETTI:

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C. Roberts: Aye

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Councilman Saimson: Aye

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J. Beniamini: Aye

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Chairman Castelbuono: Aye

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R. Elder: Aye.

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A. Tisellano: Aye.

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Vice Chairman Garvey: Yes.

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J. Freitag: Yes.

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K. Knobloch: Yes.

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## RESOLUTION APPROVED

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Courtesy Review: Elmwood Park Board  
of Education, Multi-purpose room and Classroom  
additions for 16th Avenue Elementary School,  
Gantner Elementary School and Gilbert Elementary  
School.

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Kenneth Ross, Architect for the  
Board of Education.

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Mr. Ross came before the board on a  
Curtesy review explaining the ongoing construction,  
continuation of the planned construction extending  
the three elementary schools in Elmwood Park.

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(GANTNER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL) will be  
adding an addition onto the side facing Roosevelt  
Avenue, extending the existing multi-purpose room.  
The extension is approximately 42 feet towards the  
road. The building will be the same height, and  
similar construction and construction of a storage  
room, approximately 2,500 square.

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(GILBERT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL)

The extension of the multi-purpose room will be extended out the back, just adding more space, again, matching the same height and similar construction.

(16th AVENUE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL)

Two additions, one extending the multi-purpose room, extending the kitchen providing for additional storage. Facing 16th Avenue, there will be construction of four classrooms with a private office, remaining at one-story, similar construction and materials.

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THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS  
BEFORE THE PLANNING BOARD, MEETING ADJOURNED AT  
7:39 PM.