

JOURNAL OF PROCEEDING OF THE REGULAR MEETING  
JUNE 26, 2018

CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Blue Island was called to order by Mayor Vargas at 7:00 p.m. on June 26, 2018.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Roll Call indicates the following:

Present: 11 Frausto, Vieyra, Rita, Donahue, Hawley, Fahrenwald, Ostling,  
Thompson, Carr, Pittman, Slattery

Absent: 3 Johnson, Bilotto, Poulos

Present Also: Randy Heuser, City Clerk  
Cary Horvath, City Attorney  
Carmine Bilotto, City Treasurer

JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS

Motion by Ald. Frausto, second by Ald. Carr to approve the Committee of the Whole Minutes from June 5, 2018 and City Council Minutes from June 12, 2018.

Ayes: 9 Frausto, Vieyra, Donahue, Hawley,  
Ostling, Thompson, Carr, Pittman, Slattery

Nays: 0

Absent: 3 Johnson, Bilotto, Poulos

Abstain: 2 Rita, Fahrenwald

There being Nine (9) Affirmative Votes, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

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PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

REPORT OF CITY OFFICIALS**MAYOR:**

**Motion by Ald. Hawley, second by Ald. Vieyra to approve the Mayor's appointment of Sara Nunez, Helen Camp, and Kenesha Debela to the Library Board.**

Ayes:	11	Frausto, Vieyra, Rita, Donahue, Hawley, Fahrenwald, Ostling, Thompson, Carr, Pittman, Slattery
Nays:	0	
Absent:	3	Johnson, Bilotto, Poulos
Abstain:	0	

There being Eleven (11) Affirmative Votes, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

**Motion by Ald. Fahrenwald, second by Ald. Frausto to approve the Mayor's appointment of Jason Berry to the Plan Commission.**

Ayes:	11	Frausto, Vieyra, Rita, Donahue, Hawley, Fahrenwald, Ostling, Thompson, Carr, Pittman, Slattery
Nays:	0	
Absent:	3	Johnson, Bilotto, Poulos
Abstain:	0	

There being Eleven (11) Affirmative Votes, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

**Motion by Ald. Ostling, second by Ald. Fahrenwald to approve the Mayor's appointment of Ron Bloom to the Plan Commission.**

Ayes:	8	Frausto, Vieyra, Hawley, Fahrenwald, Ostling, Thompson, Pittman, Slattery
Nays:	2	Donahue, Carr

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Absent: 3 Johnson, Bilotto, Poulos

Abstain: 1 Rita

There being Eight (8) Affirmative Votes, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

**Motion by Ald. Donahue, second by Ald. Rita to approve the Mayor's appointment of James Johanson to the Zoning Board.**

Ayes: 11 Frausto, Vieyra, Rita, Donahue, Hawley,  
Fahrenwald, Ostling, Thompson, Carr,  
Pittman, Slattery

Nays: 0

Absent: 3 Johnson, Bilotto, Poulos

Abstain: 0

There being Eleven (11) Affirmative Votes, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

The Mayor announced the 3<sup>rd</sup> of July Firework's Festival will be at the SEPA Station starting at 5 p.m. He also announced the passing of John Murphy.

## CITY CLERK:

**Motion by Ald. Vieyra, second by Ald. Rita to approve a request from Bethel Pentecostal Church to have their VBS Kick-Off on Saturday, June 23, 2018 from 11:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m.**

Ayes: 11 Frausto, Vieyra, Rita, Donahue, Hawley,  
Fahrenwald, Ostling, Thompson, Carr,  
Pittman, Slattery

Nays: 0

Absent: 3 Johnson, Bilotto, Poulos

Abstain: 0

There being Eleven (11) Affirmative Votes, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

**Motion by Ald. Hawley, second by Ald. Rita to approve a request from California Gardens Christian of Love Baptist Church to sponsor a Back-to-School Festival on Saturday, August 11, 2018 from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.**

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Ayes: 11 Frausto, Vieyra, Rita, Donahue, Hawley,  
 Fahrenwald, Ostling, Thompson, Carr,  
 Pittman, Slattery

Nays: 0

Absent: 3 Johnson, Bilotto, Poulos

Abstain: 0

There being Eleven (11) Affirmative Votes, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

Motion by Ald. Pittman, second by Ald. Donahue to approve a request from St. Benedict Church to hold their St. Benedict Fest on Saturday, July 14, 2018.

Ayes: 11 Frausto, Vieyra, Rita, Donahue, Hawley,  
 Fahrenwald, Ostling, Thompson, Carr,  
 Pittman, Slattery

Nays: 0

Absent: 3 Johnson, Bilotto, Poulos

Abstain: 0

There being Eleven (11) Affirmative Votes, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

BIDS: No bids.

CITY TREASURER: No business.

CITY ATTORNEY:

ORDINANCE NO. 2018-033 and ORDINANCE NO. 2018-034

ORDINANCES RESTRICTING PORTIONS OF CERTAIN STREETS FOR HANDICAPPED PARKING ONLY AT 2631 W. 121<sup>ST</sup> STREET AND 12722 GREENWOOD AVENUE WITHIN THE CITY OF BLUE ISLAND, COUNTY OF COOK, STATE OF ILLINOIS AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR THE VIOLATION THEREOF.

Motion by Ald. Ostling, second by Ald. Rita to approve the Ordinances.

Ayes: 11 Frausto, Vieyra, Rita, Donahue, Hawley,  
 Fahrenwald, Ostling, Thompson, Carr,

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Pittman, Slattery  
 Nays: 0  
 Absent: 3 Johnson, Bilotto, Poulos  
 Abstain: 0

There being Eleven (11) Affirmative Votes, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

**ORDINANCE NO. 2018-035**

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING AN AMENDMENT TO THE REDEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF BLUE ISLAND AND BLUE ISLAND HOSPITAL COMPANY, LLC D/B/A METROSOUTH MEDICAL CENTER AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE THE AMENDMENT.

Motion by Ald. Fahrenwald, second by Ald. Ostling to approve the Ordinances.

Frausto, Vieyra, Rita, Donahue, Hawley,  
 Fahrenwald, Ostling, Thompson, Carr,  
 Pittman, Slattery  
 Ayes: 11  
 Nays: 0  
 Absent: 3 Johnson, Bilotto, Poulos  
 Abstain: 0

There being Eleven (11) Affirmative Votes, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2018-024**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF BLUE ISLAND, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS SUPPORTING THE RENEWAL OF A CLASS 8 REAL ESTATE TAX ASSESSMENT CLASSIFICATION FOR 12935 S. GREGORY STREET, BLUE ISLAND, ILLINOIS (METROSOUTH MEDICAL CENTER)

Motion by Ald. Ostling, second by Ald. Hawley to approve the Ordinances.

Frausto, Rita, Donahue, Hawley,  
 Fahrenwald, Ostling, Thompson, Carr,  
 Pittman, Slattery  
 Ayes: 10  
 Nays: 0  
 Absent: 3 Johnson, Bilotto, Poulos  
 Abstain: 1 Vieyra

There being Ten (10) Affirmative Votes, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Community Development – Ald. Hawley, Chairman

Next Meeting – Thursday, July 5, 2018, 7:30 p.m. – East Annex

Finance Committee – Ald. Ostling, Chairman

Motion by Ald. Ostling, second by Ald. Hawley to approve Payroll for June 15, 2018 for \$350,800.57.

Ayes:	8	Frausto, Vieyra, Donahue, Hawley, Fahrenwald, Ostling, Carr, Pittman
Nays:	3	Rita, Tompson, Slattery
Absent:	3	Johnson, Bilotto, Poulos
Abstain:	0	

There being Eight (8) Affirmative Votes, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

Motion by Ald. Ostling, second by Ald. Pittman to approve Accounts Payable Check Proof for June 26, 2018 for \$411,659.82.

Ayes:	8	Frausto, Vieyra, Hawley, Fahrenwald, Ostling, Pittman, Slattey, Mayor Vargas
Nays:	4	Rita, Donahue, Thompson, Carr
Absent:	3	Johnson, Bilotto, Poulos
Abstain:	0	

There being Eight (8) Affirmative Votes, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

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Motion by Ald. Ostling, second by Ald. Frausto to enter into agreement with Harris Golf Carts.

Ayes:	10	Frausto, Vieyra, Rita, Donahue, Hawley, Fahrenwald, Ostling, Carr, Pittman, Slattery
Nays:	1	Thompson
Absent:	3	Johnson, Bilotto, Poulos
Abstain:	0	

There being Ten (10) Affirmative Votes, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

Next Meeting – Thursday, July 5, 2018, 7:00 p.m. – East Annex

Public Health & Safety Committee – Ald. Carr, Chairman

Next Meeting – Tuesday, July 10, 2018, 6:00 p.m. – East Annex

Municipal Services Committee – Ald. Rita, Chairman

Next Meeting – Tuesday, July 24, 2018, 6:00 p.m. – East Annex

Judiciary Committee – Ald. Fahrenwald, Chairman

Next Meeting – Monday, July 16, 2018, 7:00 p.m. – East Annex

ALDERMANIC ANNOUNCEMENTS/COMMENTS

Ald. Thompson apologized to Attorney Horvath because she was wrong about him being the attorney at the time they were dealing with bread and bottle liquor store.

Al. Donahue stated it is unfair that the Mayor wants to increase water rates by 20% by September without letting council vote on it.

Ald. Fahrenwald stated the Mayor is following city ordinances in raising water rates and that it is correct and necessary.

Ald. Rita is disturbed that an agenda item was pulled from the municipal services meeting regarding a water rate increase.

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CLOSED SESSION

Motion by Ald. Pittman, second by Ald. Frausto to go into Closed Session to discuss pending litigation and pending worker's compensation case.

Upon a vote, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

\*\*\*\*\*CLOSED SESSION\*\*\*\*\*

REGULAR MEETING

Motion by Ald. Pittman, second by Ald. Vieyra to reconvene Regular Meeting.  
Upon a vote, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

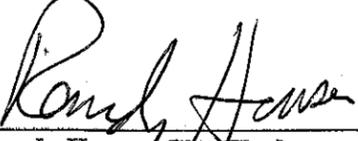
ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Ald. Pittman, second by Ald. Slattery to adjourn the meeting.

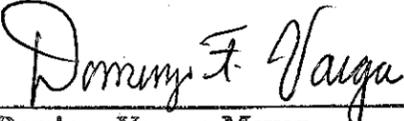
Upon a vote, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:38 p.m.

The next regular meeting of the City Council is scheduled for July 10, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.

  
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Randy Heuser, City Clerk

APPROVED BY ME THIS  
10TH DAY OF JULY, 2018.

  
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Domingo Vargas, Mayor