

**JOURNAL OF PROCEEDING OF THE REGULAR MEETING
JANUARY 8, 2019**

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 January 8, 2019.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Roll Call indicates the following:

Present: 11 Poulos, Johnson, Frausto, Bilotto, Vieyra, Hawley, Fahrenwald,
Ostling, Thompson, Carr, Slattery

Absent: 3 Rita, Donahue, Pittman

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

JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS

Motion by Ald. Slattery, second by Ald. Poulos to approve the City Council Minutes from December 11, 2018.

Ayes: 11 Poulos, Johnson, Frausto, Bilotto, Vieyra,
Hawley, Fahrenwald, Ostling, Thompson,
Carr, Slattery

Nays: 0

Absent: 3 Rita, Donahue, Pittman

Abstain: 0

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

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PUBLIC COMMENT

Rachel Orozco, 11957 Longwood Drive, gave an update of some things that happened over the holidays. She also invited everyone to the Black History program that will be held on Friday, February 15.

Joseph Martin, 13201 Ashland Avenue, asked everyone to work together to build a better Blue Island.

REPORT OF CITY OFFICIALS

MAYOR:

Motion by Ald. Bilotto, second by Ald. Frausto to approve a Proclamation Honoring Mataw Blackburn Green on her 101st Birthday.

Ayes: 11 Poulos, Johnson, Frausto, Bilotto, Vieyra,
Hawley, Fahrenwald, Ostling, Thompson,
Carr, Slattery

Nays: 0

Absent: 3 Rita, Donahue, Pittman

Abstain: 0

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

CITY CLERK:

No business.

BIDS:

Motion by Ald. Ostling, second by Ald. Thompson to approve a Bid for the Vincennes Pump Station and Scada Improvements. Award Recommendation: Gaskill and Walton Construction Company for \$91,480.00

Ayes: 11 Poulos, Johnson, Frausto, Bilotto, Vieyra,
Hawley, Fahrenwald, Ostling, Thompson,
Carr, Slattery

Nays: 0

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Absent: 3 Rita, Donahue, Pittman

Abstain: 0

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

CITY TREASURER:

Motion by Ald. Ostling, second by Ald. Fahrenwald to approve the Monthly Treasurer's Report for the period ending on December 31, 2018.

Ayes: 11 Poulos, Johnson, Frausto, Bilotto, Vieyra,
Hawley, Fahrenwald, Ostling, Thompson,
Carr, Slattery

Nays: 0

Absent: 3 Rita, Donahue, Pittman

Abstain: 0

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

Motion by Ald. Hawley, second by Ald. Ostling to approve Inter-fund Transfers from Unrestricted and Restricted Accounts.

Ayes: 11 Poulos, Johnson, Frausto, Bilotto, Vieyra,
Hawley, Fahrenwald, Ostling, Thompson,
Carr, Slattery

Nays: 0

Absent: 3 Rita, Donahue, Pittman

Abstain: 0

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

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CITY ATTORNEY:

ORDINANCE NO. 2019-001

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE ORLAND FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT AND THE CITY OF BLUE ISLAND FOR INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SERVICES.

Motion by Ald. Carr, second by Ald. Bilotto to table Ordinance No. 2019-001.

Ayes: 11 Poulos, Johnson, Frausto, Bilotto, Vieyra,
Hawley, Fahrenwald, Ostling, Thompson,
Carr, Slattery

Nays: 0

Absent: 3 Rita, Donahue, Pittman

Abstain: 0

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

RESOLUTION NO. 2019-001

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT WITH BIRCH COMMUNICATIONS, LLC OR ITS AFFILIATES (COLLECTIVELY, "BIRCH") TO PROVIDE TELEPHONE SERVICES FOR THE CITY OF BLUE ISLAND.

Motion by Ald. Ostling, second by Ald. Fahrenwald to approve Resolution No. 2019-001.

Ayes: 11 Poulos, Johnson, Frausto, Bilotto, Vieyra,
Hawley, Fahrenwald, Ostling, Thompson,
Carr, Slattery

Nays: 0

Absent: 3 Rita, Donahue, Pittman

Abstain: 0

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

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RESOLUTION NO. 2019-002

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT WITH WERMER, ROGERS, DORAN & RUZON, LLC FOR FINANCIAL CONSULTING SERVICES FOR THE CITY OF BLUE ISLAND.

Motion by Ald. Ostling, second by Ald. Hawley to approve Resolution No. 2019-002.

Ayes: 11 Poulos, Johnson, Frausto, Bilotto, Vieyra,
Hawley, Fahrenwald, Ostling, Thompson,
Carr, Slattery

Nays: 0

Absent: 3 Rita, Donahue, Pittman

Abstain: 0

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

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Community Development – Ald. Hawley, Chairman

Next Meeting – Tuesday, February 5, 2019, 7:30 p.m. – East Annex

Finance Committee – Ald. Ostling, Chairman

Motion by Ald. Ostling, second by Ald. Carr to approve Accounts Payable Check Proof for December 26, 2018 for \$180,553.79.

Ayes: 11 Poulos, Johnson, Frausto, Bilotto, Vieyra,
Hawley, Fahrenwald, Ostling, Thompson,
Carr, Slattery

Nays: 0

Absent: 3 Rita, Donahue, Pittman

Abstain: 0

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

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Motion by Ald. Ostling, second by Ald. Fahrenwald to approve Payroll for December 14, 2018 for \$331,898.69.

Ayes: 11 Poulos, Johnson, Frausto, Bilotto, Vieyra,
Hawley, Fahrenwald, Ostling, Thompson,
Carr, Slattery

Nays: 0

Absent: 3 Rita, Donahue, Pittman

Abstain: 0

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

Motion by Ald. Ostling, second by Ald. Hawley to approve Accounts Payable Check Proof for January 9, 2019 for \$258,016.05 with the exception of \$3,018.65 to Odelson & Sterk for Island Bar and Grill litigation.

Ayes: 10 Poulos, Johnson, Frausto, Bilotto, Vieyra,
Hawley, Fahrenwald, Ostling, Carr, Slattery

Nays: 1 Thompson

Absent: 3 Rita, Donahue, Pittman

Abstain: 0

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

Motion by Ald. Ostling, second by Ald. Frausto to approve Accounts Payable Check Proof for \$3,018.65 to Odelson & Sterk for Island Bar and Grill litigation.

Ayes: 9 Poulos, Frausto, Bilotto, Vieyra, Hawley,
Fahrenwald, Ostling, Carr, Slattery

Nays: 2 Johnson, Thompson

Absent: 3 Rita, Donahue, Pittman

Abstain: 0

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

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Motion by Ald. Ostling, second by Ald. Bilotto to approve Payroll for December 28, 2018 for \$326,395.18.

Ayes: 11 Poulos, Johnson, Frausto, Bilotto, Vieyra,
Hawley, Fahrenwald, Ostling, Thompson,
Carr, Slattery

Nays: 0

Absent: 3 Rita, Donahue, Pittman

Abstain: 0

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

Next Meeting – Tuesday, January 15, 2019, 7:00 p.m. – East Annex

Public Health & Safety Committee – Ald. Carr, Chairman

Next Meeting – Tuesday, February 12, 2019, 6:00 p.m. – East Annex

Municipal Services Committee – Ald. Rita, Chairman

Next Meeting – TBA

Judiciary Committee – Ald. Fahrenwald, Chairman

Next Meeting – Tuesday, January 15, 2018, 6:00 p.m. – East Annex

ALDERMANIC ANNOUNCEMENTS/COMMENTS

Ald. Johnson mentioned the Blue Island recreation center had their Christmas party which helped feed a lot of people. He thanked everyone who was involved. He also thanked Officer Elton for his years of service. Ald. Fahrenwald also commented that Officer Elton will be missed.

Ald. Carr thanked the Police Department, Fire Department, and Emergency Management for New Years Eve. She also congratulated Officer Elton on his retirement.

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EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by Ald. Fahrenwald, second by Ald. Slattery to go into Executive Session to discuss pending and imminent litigation and bargaining agreement between the City and MAP and City and AFSCME.

Upon a vote, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

*****CLOSED SESSION*****

REGULAR MEETING

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

Roll Call indicates the following:

Present:	11	Poulos, Johnson, Frausto, Bilotto, Vieyra, Hawley, Fahrenwald, Ostling, Thompson, Carr, Slattery
Absent:	3	Rita, Donahue, Pittman

Motion by Ald. Poulos, second by Ald. Carr to approve a release and settlement agreement in Thomas v. Blue Island pending the plaintiff signing off on it.

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

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

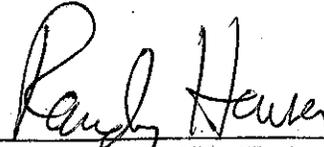
ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Ald. Poulos, second by Ald. Johnson to adjourn the meeting.
Upon a vote, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

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The meeting was adjourned at 8:46 p.m.

The next regular meeting of the City Council is scheduled for January 22, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.



Randy Heuser, City Clerk

**APPROVED BY ME THIS
22ND DAY OF JANUARY, 2019.**

Domingo Vargas, Mayor