

**JOURNAL OF PROCEEDING OF THE REGULAR MEETING
March 10, 2020**

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 March 10, 2020.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Roll Call indicates the following:

Present:	10	Cazares, Rita, Hawley, Hill (7:03), Mech, Carr, Cantelo-Zylman, Klinker, Johnson, Alexander
Absent:	4	Donahue, Fahrenwald, Slattery, Bilotto
Present Also:		Randy Heuser, City Clerk Kelly Burke, City Attorney

JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS

Motion by Ald. Klinker, second by Ald. Mech to approve the Regular City Council Minutes from February 25, 2020.

Ayes:	9	Cazares, Rita, Hawley, Mech, Carr, Cantelo-Zylman, Klinker, Johnson, Alexander
Nays:	0	
Absent:	5	Donahue, Fahrenwald, Hill, Slattery, Bilotto
Abstention:	0	

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

PUBLIC COMMENT;

Rev. Robert L. House, Sr. asked why we would change the number of Aldermen. He was informed that the referendum was a private initiative not a City initiative.

Alicia Miller from the Beloved Community Family Wellness Center in Robbins extended an invitation to Blue Island Residents.

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Marcia Lee asked the Clerk about the referendum questions on the ballot.

Alderman Alexander asked how much it costs to do 1 block of street. Clerk Heuser estimated \$250,000

Clerk Heuser informed the Council that this question is about Governance

Alderman Mech stated he had a problem with the fact that the mailing referenced “City Clerk”.

Carol Greene stated that we all have to work together for the betterment of the City.

REPORT OF CITY OFFICIALS

MAYOR:

Re-appointment of Dennis Rangel to Chicago South Suburban Mass Transit District Board of Trustees.

Motion by Ald. Hawley, second by Ald. Johnson to approve reappointment.

Ayes: 10 Cazares, Rita, Hawley, Hill, Mech, Carr,
Cantelo-Zylman, Klinker, Johnson, Alexander

Nays: 0

Absent: 4 Donahue, Fahrenwald, Slattery, Bilotto

Abstention: 0

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

Mayor Vargas participated in a Conference Call with The Mayors of the region in regards to the spread of COVID-19. The City of Blue Island has set up a web page on the City’s website.

CITY CLERK:

Motion to approve a request from Cook County School District 130 to hold their “FIT-4-LIFE” initiative on Friday, May 15, 2020 from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. They are requesting streets blocked off and police presence throughout the race.

Motion by Ald. Hawley, second by Ald. Carr to approve request.

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Ayes: 9 Cazares, Rita, Hawley, Hill, Mech, Klinker,
Johnson, Alexander, Mayor Vargas

Nays: 0

Absent: 4 Donahue, Fahrenwald, Slattery, Bilotto

Abstention: 2 Carr, Cantelo-Zylman,

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

Motion to approve a request from the Blue Island Park District to hold the 5th Annual Blue Island Dragon Boat Festival on Saturday, June 6th, 2020 at the SEPA Station (Waterfall) along the Cal-Sag. Permission to use the property from June 4th to June 7th, 2020.

Motion by Ald. Rita, second by Ald. Mech to approve request.

Ayes: 10 Cazares, Rita, Hawley, Hill, Mech, Carr,
Cantelo-Zylman, Klinker, Johnson, Alexander

Nays: 0

Absent: 4 Donahue, Fahrenwald, Slattery, Bilotto

Abstention: 0

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

BIDS:

No Bids

CITY TREASURER:

Motion by Ald. Hill, second by Ald. Carr to approve the Monthly Treasurer's Report

Ayes: 9 Cazares, Rita, Hawley, Hill, Mech, Carr,
Cantelo-Zylman, Klinker, Alexander

Nays: 1 Johnson

Absent: 4 Donahue, Fahrenwald, Slattery, Bilotto

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

Ayes: 9 Cazares, Rita, Hawley, Hill, Mech, Carr, Cantelo-Zylman, Klinker, Alexander

Nays: 1 Johnson

Absent: 4 Donahue, Fahrenwald, Slattery, Bilotto

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

CITY ATTORNEY:

COMMITTEE REPORTS

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT – next meeting March 11, 2020

FINANCE COMMITTEE – next meeting March 16, 2020

Motion for Approval of Accounts Payable Check Proof for March 11, 2020 for \$616,578.37

Ayes: 9 Cazares, Rita, Hawley, Hill, Mech, Carr, Cantelo-Zylman, Klinker, Alexander

Nays: 1 Johnson

Absent: 4 Donahue, Fahrenwald, Slattery, Bilotto

Abstention: 0

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

Motion for Approval of Payroll for February 21, 2020 for \$349,307.00

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Ayes: 9 Cazares, Rita, Hawley, Hill, Mech, Carr,
Cantelo-Zylman, Klinker, Alexander

Nays: 1 Johnson

Absent: 4 Donahue, Fahrenwald, Slattery, Bilotto

Abstention: 0

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

Ordinance No. 2020-012 An Ordinance of the City of Blue Island, Cook County, Illinois Establishing a Local Motor Fuel Tax.

Motion to approve Ordinance 2020-012 by Ald. Klinker, seconded by Ald. Rita

Ayes: 10 Cazares, Rita, Hawley, Hill, Mech, Carr,
Cantelo-Zylman, Klinker, Johnson, Alexander

Nays: 0

Absent: 4 Donahue, Fahrenwald, Slattery, Bilotto

Abstention: 0

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

Resolution No. 2020-010 A Resolution Approving the Application for the Community Development Block Grant Program Year 2020 and Authorizing the Mayor to Execute the Application and do all things necessary to complete the Application.

Motion to approve Resolution 2020-010 by Ald. Klinker, seconded by Ald. Carr.

Ayes: 10 Cazares, Rita, Hawley, Hill, Mech, Carr,
Cantelo-Zylman, Klinker, Johnson, Alexander

Nays: 0

Absent: 4 Donahue, Fahrenwald, Slattery, Bilotto

Abstention: 0

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

PUBLIC HEALTH & SAFETY – next meeting April 21, 2020

MUNICIPAL SERVICES – next meeting April 14, 2020

Ordinance No. 2020-013 An Ordinance Rescinding Handicapped Parking Restrictions at 2212 123rd Place in the City of Blue Island, County of Cook and State of Illinois.

Motion to approve Ordinance 2020-013 by Ald. Carr, seconded by Ald. Rita

Ayes: 10 Cazares, Rita, Hawley, Hill, Mech, Carr, Cantelo-Zylman, Klinker, Johnson, Alexander

Nays: 0

Absent: 4 Donahue, Fahrenwald, Slattery, Bilotto

Abstention: 0

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

JUDICIARY COMMITTEE – next meeting April 21, 2020

ALDERMANIC ANNOUNCEMENTS/COMMENTS

Alderman Rita gave kudos to Bob Jackson for the great Black History Celebration at the Rec Center

CLOSED SESSION

Motion to Retire to Executive Session by Ald. Mech, seconded by Ald. Rita for consideration of:

1. Pending Litigation, 5ILCS 120/2(c)(11)
Discussion of settlement of PTAB Docket No. 18-24559 and pending 2019 PTAB case Great Northern Lumber, 2201 Davis Street, Blue Island, IL

Upon a voice vote, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

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RECONVENE**Motion to Reconvene Regular Session by Ald. Hill, seconded by Ald. Carr**

1. Settlement of PTAB Docket No. 18-24559 and pending 2019 PTAB case (docket number not yet determined) – Great Northern Lumber, 2201 Davis Street, Blue Island, IL, at an assessed value not to exceed \$209,346 per year in accordance with the correspondence from the City Attorney.

Motion by Ald. Mech, seconded by Ald. Alexander to approve PTAB 18-24559 settlement.

Ayes: 10 Cazares, Rita, Hawley, Hill, Mech, Carr, Cantelo-Zylman, Klinker, Johnson, Alexander

Nays: 0

Absent: 4 Donahue, Fahrenwald, Slattery, Bilotto

Abstention: 0

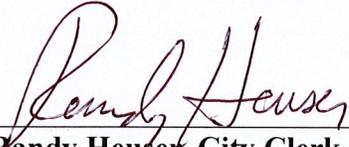
There being Ten (10) Affirmative Votes, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT**Motion by Ald. Johnson, second by Ald. Cantelo-Zylman to adjourn the meeting.**

Upon a voice vote, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:16 p.m.

The next regular meeting of the City Council is scheduled for March 24, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.


 Randy Heuser, City Clerk

**APPROVED BY ME THIS
 10TH DAY OF MARCH, 2020.**


 Domingo Vargas, Mayor

