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## MEMORANDUM

To: Aldermen  
City Council of the City of Blue Island  
City Attorney

From: Mayor

Date: May 26, 2020

RE: Mayor's Veto Message: Ordinance No. 2020-017

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I am vetoing Ordinance 2020-017, an Ordinance of the City of Blue Island, Cook County, Illinois, Amending Chapter 31 of the Code of Blue Island, Illinois and Establishing a Monthly Retainer for Payment to the City Attorney for the Performance of General Corporate Matters for the City of Blue Island, Cook County, Illinois, because I disagree with many of its provisions and restrictions. Among other reasons concerning the questionable need for or legality of this Ordinance, I particularly disagree with the limitation on payment to the City Attorney for general corporate work that must be performed on a regular basis for the City. This ordinance unnecessarily creates a liability for the City, requires the City Attorney to perform legal services without being properly compensated, and represents an improper restriction on the ability of the City Attorney to perform necessary legal services for the City. It is also unnecessary since the annual appropriation and expenditure for general corporate legal services has already been reduced by over \$250,000.00 from prior years.

I am respectfully requesting you to sustain my veto.

Thank you.

Domingo F. Vargas  
Mayor  
City of Blue island