

**JOURNAL OF PROCEEDING OF THE MEETING  
FEBRUARY 23, 2016**

**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 February 23, 2016.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**ROLL CALL**

Roll Call indicates the following:

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| Present:      | 9 | Ald. Frausto, Hawley, Poulos, Vieyra, Bilotto, Donahue, Carr, Slattery, Ostling              |
| Absent:       | 5 | Ald. Thompson, Johanson, Rita, Pittman, Johnson  |
| Present Also: |   | Randy Heuser, City Clerk<br>ShawnTe Raines, City Attorney<br>Carmine Bilotto, City Treasurer |

**JOURNAL OF PROCEEDING**

**Moved by Ald. Slattery, second by Ald. Vieyra the Journal of Proceedings of the Regular Meeting on February 9, 2015 is accepted as printed.**

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| Ayes:    | 9 | Frausto, Hawley, Poulos, Vieyra, Bilotto, Donahue, Carr, Slattery, Ostling |
| Nays:    | 0 |  |
| Absent:  | 5 | Thompson, Johanson, Rita, Pittman, Johnson                                 |
| Abstain: | 0 |  |

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

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Raeann Zylman, 12057 Artesian Ave, thanked the council for helping raise \$1,456.18 for Angel's Touch. She presented certificates to Ald. Rita and Ald. Donahue for raising the most donations in one day, and to Ald. Johanson and Ald. Thompson for raising the most donations in two days.

Rachel Orozco, 11957 Longwood Drive, recognized the following individuals for their support to the Black Culture Program: Sandy May, Rose Rita, Candace Carr, Nancy Thompson, and Tom Hawley.

**REPORT OF CITY OFFICIALS**

**MAYOR:**

**RESOLUTION 2016-005**

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT HITCHCOCK DESIGN GROUP FOR SERVICES RELATED TO WESTERN AVENUE BUSINESS DISTRICT STREETScape.

**Motion by Ald. Hawley, second by Ald. Ostling to accept Resolution 2016-005.**

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

Nays: 0

Absent: 5 Thompson, Johanson, Rita, Pittman,  
Johnson

Abstain: 0

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

**BIDS:**

No bids.

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**CITY CLERK:**

**Motion by Ald. Donahue, second by Ald. Bilotto to approve a request from Blue Cap to hold their Tag Day Fundraiser on Friday, August 19<sup>th</sup> and Saturday, August 20<sup>th</sup>.**

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

Nays: 0

Absent: 5 Thompson, Johanson, Rita, Pittman,  
Johnson

Abstain: 0

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

**CITY TREASURER:**

No business.

**CITY ATTORNEY:**

No business.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Community Development – Ald. Hawley, Chairman**

Next Meeting – Wednesday, March 16, 2016, 7:00 pm – East Annex.

**Finance Committee – Ald. Rita, Chairman**

**Motion by Ald. Donahue, second by Ald. Hawley to approve Payroll for January 15, 2016 for \$373,324.67 and January 29, 2016 for \$359,712.03.**

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

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Nays: 0

Absent: 5 Thompson, Johanson, Rita, Pittman,  
Johnson

Abstain: 0

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

**Motion by Ald. Donahue, second by Ald. Carr to approve Accounts Payable for January 29, 2016 for \$489,826.38 and February 9, 2016 for \$608,561.62.**

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

Nays: 0

Absent: 5 Thompson, Johanson, Rita, Pittman,  
Johnson

Abstain: 0

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

**Motion by Ald. Donahue, second by Ald. Bilotto to approve Abatement of \$398,062.50 of Real Estate Taxes Levied Pursuant to Ordinance No. 06-046.**

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

Nays: 0

Absent: 5 Thompson, Johanson, Rita, Pittman,  
Johnson

Abstain: 0

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

**RESOLUTION 2016-002**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ADDITIONAL TRANSFERS OF FUNDS BETWEEN CERTAIN TIF DISTRICTS WITHIN THE CITY OF BLUE ISLAND.**

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**Motion by Ald. Donahue, second by Ald. Bilotto to approve Resolution 2016-002.**

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

Nays: 0

Absent: 5 Thompson, Johanson, Rita, Pittman,  
Johnson

Abstain: 0

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

**RESOLUTION 2016-003**

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPLICATION OF CERTAIN SURPLUS FUNDS TO THE GENERAL CORPORATE FUND FOR THE CITY OF BLUE ISLAND PURSUANT TO ORDINANCE NO. 2013-256.

**Motion by Ald. Donahue, second by Ald. Carr to approve Resolution 2016-003.**

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

Nays: 0

Absent: 5 Thompson, Johanson, Rita, Pittman,  
Johnson

Abstain: 0

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

**ORDINANCE 2016-004**

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 165 OF TITLE XV OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES FOR THE CITY OF BLUE ISLAND, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

**Motion by Ald. Donahue, second by Ald. Slattery to approve Ordinance 2016-004.**

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

Nays: 0

Absent: 5 Thompson, Johanson, Rita, Pittman,  
Johnson

Abstain: 0

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

**Public Health & Safety Committee – Ald. Carr, Chairman**

Next Meeting – Tuesday, March 8, 2016, 6:00 – East Annex

**Municipal Services Committee – Ald. Donahue, Chairman**

RESOLUTION 2016-004

A RESOLUTION APPROVING A PERMIT WITH THE ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR THE USE OF SURFACE AREA UNDER THE WESTERN AVENUE BRIDGE IN BLUE ISLAND, ILLINOIS.

**Motion by Ald. Donahue, second by Ald. Vieyra to approve Resolution 2016-004.**

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

Nays: 0

Absent: 5 Thompson, Johanson, Rita, Pittman,  
Johnson

Abstain: 0

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

Next Meeting – Wednesday, February 18, 2016, 6:00 – East Annex

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**Judiciary Committee – Ald. Frausto, Chairman**

**Motion by Ald. Frausto, second by Ald. Slattery to Deny Damage Claims – 2016-3136, (Street Cleaner/Broken Mail Box) 2016-2519, (Tree Branch/Broken Car Mirror) 2016-2514 (Tree Branch/Car Window) and 2016-2533 (Snow Plow throwing ice/Broken Car Mirror)**

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

Nays: 0

Absent: 5 Thompson, Johanson, Rita, Pittman,  
Johnson

Abstain: 0

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

**ORDINANCE 2016-005**

AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING AND APPROVING THE FIRST AMENDMENT TO THE CITY OF BLUE ISLAND TAX INCREMENT REDEVELOPMENT (TIF 2) – REDEVELOPMENT PLAN AND PROJECT IN THE CITY OF BLUE ISLAND, COUNTY OF COOK, STATE OF ILLINOIS.

**Motion by Ald. Frausto, second by Ald. Slattery to approve Ordinance 2016-005.**

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

Nays: 0

Absent: 5 Thompson, Johanson, Rita, Pittman,  
Johnson

Abstain: 0

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

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**ORDINANCE 2016-006**

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 72.14 OF TITLE VII OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES FOR THE CITY OF BLUE ISLAND, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

**Motion by Ald. Frausto, second by Ald. Donahue to approve Ordinance 2016-006.**

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

Nays: 0

Absent: 5 Thompson, Johanson, Rita, Pittman,  
Johnson

Abstain: 0

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

Next Meeting – TBD

**ALDERMANIC ANNOUNCEMENTS/COMMENTS**

Ald. Donahue reminded residents of the weather headed into the area and asked them to watch out for their neighbors and to not park on snow routes if there are more than two inches of snow.

Ald. Carr announced several members of the Police Department are doing the Polar Plunge on March 5<sup>th</sup>. If anyone would like to donate, they can do so on the Polar Plunge website. She also urged citizens to sign up for CodeRed if they haven't already done so.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**Motion by Ald. Slattery, second by Ald. Hawley to adjourn the meeting.**

Upon a vote, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

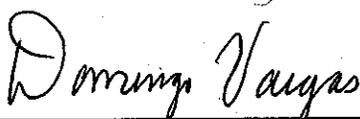
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The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

The next regular meeting of the City Council is scheduled for March 8, 2016 at 7:00 p.m.

  
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Randy Heuser, City Clerk

**APPROVED BY ME THIS  
8TH DAY OF MARCH, 2016.**

  
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Domingo Vargas, Mayor

