

AGENDA REGULAR MEETING

CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BLUE ISLAND, ILLINOIS
January 8, 2013

CALL TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

PRESENTATION OF THE JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS: Regular Meeting – December 11, 2012

REPORT OF CITY OFFICIALS

MAYOR:

BIDS:

CITY CLERK:

CITY TREASURER:

CITY ATTORNEY:

1. AN ORDINANCE RESTRICTING A PORTION OF A CERTAIN STREET FOR HANDICAPPED PARKING ONLY WITHIN THE CITY OF BLUE ISLAND, COUNTY OF COOK, STATE OF ILLINOIS, AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR THE VIOLATION THEREOF.
2. AN ORDINANCE DESIGNATING RESIDENTIAL PERMIT PARKING ONLY DISTRICT B6 WITHIN THE CITY OF BLUE ISLAND, COUNTY OF COOK, STATE OF ILLINOIS, AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR THE VIOLATION THEREOF.
3. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF BLUE ISLAND, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS REQUESTING THAT A PROPOSITION TO BECOME A HOME RULE UNIT BE SUBMITTED TO THE ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF BLUE ISLAND AT THE APRIL 9, 2013 CONSOLIDATED ELECTION.
4. PETITION TO RECONSIDER THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE'S DECISION TO LIMIT THE HOURS OF OPERATION OF THE ISLAND SPORTS BAR & GRILL LOCATED AT 13414 OLDE WESTERN AVENUE, BLUE ISLAND, ILLINOIS.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

CITIZENS WISHING TO ADDRESS THE COUNCIL REGARDING THIS EVENING'S BUSINESS

ADJOURNMENT

ORDINANCE NO. _____

AN ORDINANCE RESTRICTING A PORTION OF A CERTAIN STREET FOR HANDICAPPED PARKING ONLY WITHIN THE CITY OF BLUE ISLAND, COUNTY OF COOK, STATE OF ILLINOIS, AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR THE VIOLATION THEREOF.

WHEREAS, it is the public policy of the State of Illinois, as enunciated in the State Constitution, that handicapped persons are entitled to enjoy the fruits of a full and meaningful life; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council of the City of Blue Island hereby declare that it is the public policy of the city to encourage and assist handicapped persons to participate fully in the social and economic life of our community; and

WHEREAS, to implement such policy the Mayor and City Council of the City of Blue Island recognize it is desirable to restrict certain portions of the public ways within the City of Blue Island for handicapped parking only;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Blue Island, County of Cook and State of Illinois, as follows:

SECTION ONE

That this portion of the street within the City of Blue Island, as hereinafter designated, is hereby restricted for handicapped parking only:

- a) On the north side of New Street in front of the residence whose common address is 2450 New Street (one space consisting of a total of twenty (20') feet)

SECTION TWO

Appropriate signs shall be erected by the Superintendent of Public Works on the portion of the street designated above informing the public that parking thereon is restricted or permitted as hereinabove provided for.

SECTION THREE

The operator of any vehicle violating or failing to comply with the provisions of this ordinance shall upon conviction be fined not less than Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250.00) nor more than Three Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$350.00) for each offense.

SECTION FOUR

All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

SECTION FIVE

This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage, approval and publication in pamphlet form as provided by law. A full, true and complete copy of this ordinance shall be published in pamphlet form, by authority of the City Council as Corporate Authorities.

PASSED this _____ day of _____, 2013.

**CITY CLERK OF THE CITY OF BLUE ISLAND
COUNTY OF COOK AND STATE OF ILLINOIS**

VOTING AYE: _____

VOTING NAY: _____

ABSENT: _____

ABSTAIN: _____

APPROVED: this _____ day of _____, 2013.

**MAYOR OF THE CITY OF BLUE ISLAND,
COUNTY OF COOK AND STATE OF ILLINOIS**

ATTESTED and **Filed** in my office this
_____ day of _____, 2013.

CITY CLERK

PUBLISHED in pamphlet form this
_____ day of _____, 2013.

CITY CLERK

ORDINANCE NO. _____

**AN ORDINANCE DESIGNATING RESIDENTIAL PERMIT
PARKING ONLY DISTRICT B6 WITHIN THE CITY OF
BLUE ISLAND, COUNTY OF COOK, STATE OF ILLINOIS,
AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR THE VIOLATION THEREOF**

BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Blue Island, County of Cook and State of Illinois, as follows:

SECTION ONE

The word "park" shall mean the standing of a vehicle, whether occupied or not, otherwise than when temporarily and actually engaged in loading or unloading of merchandise, property or passengers, and except when necessary to avoid conflict with other traffic, or in compliance with the directions of a police officer or traffic control signal or device.

SECTION TWO

Parking on those streets designated in Section Three is hereby restricted to those vehicles that properly display a "Residential Parking Permit," as described in Section Five or a "Temporary Individual Visitor Permit," as described in Section Six.

The parking restrictions set forth in this ordinance shall be in effect twenty-four (24) hours a day, Mondays through Sunday, inclusive. The parking restrictions shall also apply on Saturdays, Sundays and Legal Holidays.

SECTION THREE

Those portions of the following described streets located within the City of Blue Island as hereinafter defined, are hereby incorporated into Residential Permit Parking Only District B6:

- a) Beginning on the west side of Vincennes Avenue from its intersection with 122nd Street and then proceeding in a general northerly direction along the west side of Vincennes Avenue to its intersection of 119th Place and Vincennes Avenue; thence westerly along the north side of 119th Place to its intersection with Longwood Avenue; thence in a general southerly direction along the west side of Longwood Avenue to its intersection with 122nd Street, thence in a general easterly direction along the south side of 122nd Street to its intersection with Vincennes Avenue. Also on the north and south side of 122nd Street from Longwood Avenue to Irving Street.

SECTION FOUR

Appropriate signs shall be erected on the street hereinabove set forth, informing the public that parking thereon is restricted or permitted as hereinabove provided.

SECTION FIVE

Upon receipt of an application and appropriate proof of actual residence within the Residential Permit Parking Only District B6, the City Clerk is hereby authorized to issue annual "Residential Parking Permit" decals to residents of the district whose principal place of residence is located in the district. The decals shall be for use on each vehicle owned and registered to the

resident living within Residential Permit Parking Only District B6, displaying a current city vehicle sticker and being free from any and all outstanding parking violations for violation of City of Blue Island Parking Ordinances. The decal shall be affixed, in accordance with the instructions printed thereon and without the use of supplemental adhesives, at the lower left hand corner of the inside of the glass portion of the windshield of such motor vehicle. This permit decal shall not guarantee or reserve any parking space nor shall it exempt the holder from the observance of any traffic or parking regulation.

SECTION SIX

Ten (10) individual permits shall be issued to residents of the district for the use of non-residents who are temporary visitors of the resident permit district. A temporary visitor is defined to be a non-resident of the district who shall not park his vehicle in the district for a period in excess of twenty-four (24) hours. These permits shall be displayed on the left hand side of the dashboard and shall be made visible from outside the vehicle. The permit shall have the address of the resident, to which it was issued, displayed. A permit without the address printed legibly will be considered invalid. Additional visitor permits or permits allowing parking in the district to a non-resident of the district for a period in excess of twenty-four (24) hours may be acquired upon application and presentation of appropriate proof, to the City Clerk, establishing the need for these permits. These permits shall be valid for a limited period of time as stated on the face of the permit.

SECTION SEVEN

The owner of any vehicle violating or failing to comply with the provisions of this ordinance as they pertain to and concern restrictions on parking shall, upon conviction, be fined

not less than Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00) nor more than Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250.00) for each offense.

SECTION EIGHT

A replacement of an annual "Residential Parking Permit" decal will be issued without cost upon receipt of an identifiable portion of the removed decal and a receipt for the current city vehicle sticker. Replacement of any permits which are lost or destroyed will be made for a cost of \$10.00.

SECTION NINE

The sale, transfer or other inappropriate use of permits and visitor's passes shall also be considered a violation of this ordinance. Any person who violates this section of the ordinance shall, upon conviction, be subject to a fine of Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250.00) and revocation of residential permit parking privileges, established pursuant to this ordinance, for a period of thirty (30) days for a first offense and for a period of sixty (60) days for each subsequent offense.

SECTION TEN

All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

SECTION ELEVEN

This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage, approval and publication in pamphlet form as provided by law. A full, true and complete copy of this ordinance shall be published in pamphlet form, by authority of the City Council as corporate authorities.

PASSED this _____ day of _____, 2013.

**CITY CLERK OF THE CITY OF BLUE ISLAND
COUNTY OF COOK AND STATE OF ILLINOIS**

VOTING AYE: _____

VOTING NAY: _____

ABSENT: _____

ABSTAIN: _____

APPROVED: this _____ day of _____, 2013.

**MAYOR OF THE CITY OF BLUE ISLAND,
COUNTY OF COOK AND STATE OF ILLINOIS**

ATTESTED and Filed in my office this

_____ day of _____, 2013.

CITY CLERK

PUBLISHED in pamphlet form this

_____ day of _____, 2013.

CITY CLERK

RESOLUTION NO. _____

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF BLUE ISLAND, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS,
REQUESTING THAT A PROPOSITION TO BECOME A HOME RULE UNIT BE
SUBMITTED TO THE ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF BLUE ISLAND AT THE
APRIL 9, 2013 CONSOLIDATED ELECTION**

WHEREAS, the City of Blue Island, Cook County, Illinois (the "City") is a duly organized and existing municipal corporation created under the provisions of the laws of the State of Illinois and under the provisions of the Illinois Municipal Code, as from time to time supplemented and amended; and

WHEREAS, the City is a non-home rule unit of government within the meaning of the Constitution of the State of Illinois (the "Constitution"); and

WHEREAS, the Constitution provides that a municipality that has a population of less than 25,000 may elect by referendum to become a home rule unit, and

WHEREAS, Article VII of the Constitution permits the governing body of a municipality of less than 25,000 in population to enact a resolution to submit by referendum to its electors the proposition of whether or not such municipality shall become a home rule unit; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and the City Council of the City of Blue Island (the "Corporate Authorities") desire to submit to the electors for their consideration the proposition that the City of Blue Island become a home rule unit.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Mayor and Council of the City of Blue Island, Cook County, Illinois as follows:

SECTION 1: The following referendum question shall be placed on the April 9, 2013 Consolidated Election ballot in the City of Blue Island:

Shall the City of Blue Island become a home rule unit of government?	Yes _____
	No

SECTION 2: The City Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to file a certified copy of this Resolution with the Cook County Clerk within the time authorized by law to certify a proposition to be submitted to the electors of the City at the April 9, 2013 Consolidated Election.

SECTION 3: The City Clerk is hereby further authorized and directed to file within forty-five (45) days after the referendum, if approved, a certified statement with the Illinois Secretary of State, showing the results of the referendum that determines the status of the City as a home rule unit.

SECTION 4: If any section, paragraph, clause or provision of this Resolution shall be held invalid, the invalidity thereof shall not affect any of the other provisions of this Resolution.

SECTION 5: All ordinances, resolutions, motions or orders in conflict with this Resolution are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

SECTION 6: This Resolution shall be in full force and effect immediately upon its passage, approval and publication as provided by law in order to preserve the health, safety and welfare of the residents by ensuring that the electors of the City are afforded the opportunity to consider the public questions herein contained.

ADOPTED this _____ day of _____, 2013.

**CITY CLERK OF THE CITY OF BLUE ISLAND
COUNTY OF COOK AND STATE OF ILLINOIS**

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ABSENT: _____

ABSTAIN: _____

APPROVED: this _____ day of _____, 2013.

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COUNTY OF COOK AND STATE OF ILLINOIS**

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_____ day of _____, 2013.

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_____ day of _____, 2013.

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December 20, 2012

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Public Works
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Blue Island, IL 60406
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RE: A Revocation hearing before the Community Development Committee concerning the City of Blue Island Business License for Island Sports Bar & Grill.

Hearing Date: December 27, 2012
Hearing Time: 6:30 P.M.
Hearing Place: City of Blue Island
Council Chambers
2434 West Vermont Street
Blue Island, Illinois 60406

Dear Mr. Shorter:

The City of Blue Island has received numerous complaints concerning the operation of business entitled Island Sports Bar & Grill. Some of the allegations include: Patrons of your establishment fighting; public intoxication; illegal parking of patrons vehicles; failure to comply with restrictions imposed by the Community Development Committee, including but not limited to having a designated smoking area with the receptacles for cigarette butts and keeping the outside of your establishment clean and free of trash; and failure to comply with original business plan. These incidents constitute a threat to the general health and welfare of the community, particularly the surrounding neighborhood and other businesses in the area.

You may be represented by Council. If you have any questions please call Terry Sullivan, 708-396-7034.

Sincerely,

Marcia Stone JRS

Marcia Stone - Chairperson
Community Development Committee

CC: Island Sports Bar and Grill
13414 South Western Avenue
Blue Island, Illinois 60406

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF THE DECEMBER 27, 2012 MEETING

The meeting was called to order at 6:35 p.m.

Present: Aldermen Vieyra, Potaska, Stone, Ostling, Johnson, Buckner & Thompson

Also present: Fire Chief Terry Vrshek, Building Commissioner Robert Adams, Planning Director Nick Crite, Ald. Frausto and City Attorney Terry Sullivan

Special Meeting for the Revocation of the Business License of the Island Sports Bar & Grill:

The Committee called a Special Meeting pursuant to Notice concerning the status of the Business License of Island Sports & Grill because of complaints that the current operation of the business endangers the health and safety of the community.

Alderman Frausto testified that he has received numerous complaints concerning the operation of the Island Sports & Grill located at 13414 South Olde Western Avenue, Blue Island, Illinois 60406. Alderman Frausto stated that some of the complaints include but not limited to: noise-music originating from the establishment that can be heard in the immediate neighborhood; patrons of the establishment parking in residential areas and many times parking illegally; bottles and other debris thrown in residential areas; public urination; public intoxication; patrons disturbing the neighborhood when leaving the establishment at closing.

Michael Snde, 12718 Greenwood Avenue, Blue Island, Illinois 60406, testified that upon visiting the Maple Tree (located a block north of the establishment) he has notice empty bottles-cases of beer; vehicles proceeding the wrong way on Olde Western Avenue. Mr. Snide also submitted a letter from the Maple Tree concerning the present situation at the Island Sports Bar & Grill. Finally, Mr. Snide stated that the original business plan submitted by the license holder called for a family restaurant and not a club.

Dewey Smith, 4275 Thunderbolt, Scott Air Force Base, Illinois, testified that he is a police officer for the Village of Markham presently on leave for military duty. He stated that he and his wife patronize the business because it is a safe and enjoyable place. Further he stated that you must be 25 years of age or older to enter the premises.

Michael Evans, 10765 Warsaw, South Holland, Illinois, testified that he dj's on Wednesday playing Jazz. He stated that the patrons who come in on the day he dj's are in their 40's and 50's. Never had any trouble.

Adam Shorter III, 13414 Olde Western Avenue, Blue Island, Illinois 60406, the license holder appeared before the committee represented by his attorney, Randy Crampton, 70 West Madison Street, Suite 1400, Chicago, Illinois 60602. Mr. Shorter stated that he could not address the letter from Maple Tree because he has not had an opportunity to review it. Mr. Shorter did state that he has acquired an additional parking. He has entered into an arrangement with the Laundromat to utilize their parking lot. Mr. Shorter stated that he has hired additional security; placed signs within in his establishment requiring patrons to respect the neighborhood; strict with his last call prior to closing; strict rules prohibiting leaving the premises with any type of container; use of more trash containers outside the premises; strict with occupancy limits (security at the door with a counter); put in place a policy of escorting patrons to their vehicle; and will be more aggressive in patrolling outside the premises. Finally stated that he has a strict age limit of 25 years of age or older before being allowed admittance.

Alderman Johnson stated the Municipal Services Committee will be considering residential or permit parking for the area. Alderman Janko reiterated that his Committee will impose parking restrictions.

Apolonia Alvarado, 13434 Olde Western Avenue, Blue Island, Illinois 60406, testified to noise and general disruption to the neighborhood caused by the patrons because they loiter after closing.

Anele DeLavria, also testified to the negative affect the establishment has on the neighborhood. Even though her bedrooms are located at the rear of their residence her family's sleep is interrupted by the noise and unruly behavior when the patrons leave the Island Sports & Grill.

After much discussion between the committee members a Motion was duly made and second to give Mr. Shorter 90 days to institute the changes he represented to the committee. This Motion was defeated by a roll call vote of 4 nays and 3 ayes.

Thereafter a motion was made as follows: Reducing the hours of operation to 1:30 A.M., Monday through Sunday, inclusive pending review within 60 days to verify that Mr. Shorter's changes take place. This motion was second and upon a roll call vote of 4 ayes and 3 nays

was passed. This requirement was stayed pending an appeal to be heard by the entire City Council at its January 8, 2013 regularly scheduled meeting.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Marcia Stone

Chairman



Maple Tree Inn

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To whom it may concern,

This letter is to address some concerns regarding "The Island" bar in Blue Island. Over the last several months there has been some disturbing behavior that has been occurring on Olde Western Avenue that has coincided with the opening of "The Island".

Since their opening, there has been a huge increase of vehicles traveling the wrong way down Olde Western, particularly after 9:00 pm. These vehicles have no regard for legal traffic or pedestrians and present a safety issue not only to the residents, but also to patrons of other businesses. On numerous occasions we have had to pick up empty six pack and case containers left in the Canal Street parking lot. There have been bottles strewn throughout the lot as well as empty bottles put back in the case and left outside vehicles on the asphalt. There have been numerous occasions of people drinking alcohol in their vehicles, while parked either on Olde Western Avenue or in the Canal Street Lot, with most occasions noticed by our customers walking in and telling our staff.

Most importantly, there seems to be a constant issue of traffic jams outside the entrance of "The Island". This is more than people dropping off and picking up. There is a willful neglect of traffic laws that seems to only happen during business hours of "The Island". Such examples include:

1. Cars will stop in the middle of the street for several minutes, while people enter and exit the vehicles while yelling at other patrons, blocking both lanes of traffic.
2. Cars will stop in the southbound lane and just sit there for several minutes (or 15) and wait for a parking spot to open up.
3. When leaving their designated lot, cars will pull into Olde Western Avenue and block traffic (both lanes) to stop and talk to other patrons and/or the bouncer at the door.
4. On several occasions, as we have been driving southbound, we have been cut off and almost been hit by cars leaving the designated parking lot of "The Island" where the drivers are visibly distracted (eg: talking on cell phones while driving, yelling at other patrons while leaving, talking to another car blocking traffic).

It seems as though the patrons of "The Island" do not respect the business itself, let alone the neighbors, businesses and city. I would ask that some measures be put in place to curb these behaviors before something more serious occurs.

Thank you so much for your time.

Sincerely,

Erich Wennberg
Co-Owner
Chef de Cuisine
Maple Tree Inn

Address Report

Address

Number : 13414 Prefix = Street: OLD WESTERN Type : AVE
 Line2 : _____
 Unit : _____ City: BLUE ISLAND State : IL Zip Code: 60406
 Validated : Yes Type : Business Associated Residence/Business : EL CORTEZ
 Private Property : true County : Cook Zone : 3W
 SubZone : _____
 Place Code: 293 (RESTAURANT (INDEPENDENTLY OWNED))
 Latitude : _____ Longitude : _____
 Alarm#: _____
 Alarm Company : _____
 Alarm Contact : _____
 Security Cameras : _____
 Hours/Days of Operation : _____
 Medical Conditions : _____ Rental Property : _____ Vacant Property : _____
 Nuisance : _____ Foreclosure : _____ Trespass Agreement : _____
 Bank Name (Foreclosure) : _____

Related Events

Number	Type	Date	UCR
12-075181	CAD Call	12/26/2012	9046 (Burglar Alarm)
12-074584	CAD Call	12/23/2012	9980 (Traffic Stop)
12-073600	CAD Call	12/18/2012	9933 (Premise Check)
12-04344	Incident	12/18/2012	9933 (Premise Check)
12-073228	CAD Call	12/16/2012	4870 (DOMESTIC DISPUTE)
12-073209	CAD Call	12/16/2012	9110 (Disturbance)
12-04320	Incident	12/16/2012	9918 (Fights, Riots, Brawls)
12-072140	CAD Call	12/11/2012	9022 (Building Check (Officer Initiated))
12-070407	CAD Call	12/02/2012	9110 (Disturbance)
12-070181	CAD Call	12/01/2012	
12-070173	CAD Call	12/01/2012	9110 (Disturbance)
12-068777	CAD Call	11/23/2012	9110 (Disturbance)
12-066117	CAD Call	11/11/2012	9918 (Fights, Riots, Brawls)
12-065042	CAD Call	11/06/2012	9933 (Premise Check)
12-064830	CAD Call	11/04/2012	9046 (Burglar Alarm)

012-062975	CAD Call	10/27/2012	9046 (Burglar Alarm)
012-058773	CAD Call	10/07/2012	9021 (Building Check (Called to Scene))
012-058757	CAD Call	10/07/2012	9980 (Traffic Stop)
012-058447	CAD Call	10/05/2012	
012-057363	CAD Call	09/30/2012	9933 (Premise Check)
012-055844	CAD Call	09/23/2012	9046 (Burglar Alarm)
012-055838	CAD Call	09/23/2012	9918 (Fights, Riots, Brawls)
012-055828	CAD Call	09/23/2012	9103 (Suspicious Person)
012-055826	CAD Call	09/23/2012	6582 (Illegal Parking)
012-055226	CAD Call	09/20/2012	9046 (Burglar Alarm)
012-054356	CAD Call	09/16/2012	9918 (Fights, Riots, Brawls)
012-054339	CAD Call	09/16/2012	9933 (Premise Check)
012-054010	CAD Call	09/14/2012	9908 (Abandonment of Motor Vehicle)
012-053038	CAD Call	09/09/2012	9046 (Burglar Alarm)
012-051193	CAD Call	08/31/2012	9047 (Hold-Up Alarm)
012-049809	CAD Call	08/06/2012	9046 (Burglar Alarm)
012-043962	CAD Call	07/29/2012	9058 (Loud Noise Complaints)
012-042835	CAD Call	07/24/2012	9046 (Burglar Alarm)
012-040548	CAD Call	07/15/2012	9992 (7 Day Tow Notice)
012-02417	Incident	07/15/2012	9992 (7 Day Tow Notice)
012-040479	CAD Call	07/14/2012	9110 (Disturbance)
012-040369	CAD Call	07/14/2012	9908 (Abandonment of Motor Vehicle)
012-040110	CAD Call	07/13/2012	9046 (Burglar Alarm)
012-039963	CAD Call	07/12/2012	9908 (Abandonment of Motor Vehicle)
012-038791	CAD Call	07/07/2012	9103 (Suspicious Person)
012-02810	Incident	07/07/2012	0510 (Aggravated Assault)
012-035235	CAD Call	06/23/2012	9046 (Burglar Alarm)
012-033541	CAD Call	06/16/2012	9103 (Suspicious Person)
012-025124	CAD Call	05/09/2012	9046 (Burglar Alarm)
012-024303	CAD Call	05/05/2012	9046 (Burglar Alarm)
012-021357	CAD Call	04/20/2012	9046 (Burglar Alarm)
012-020958	CAD Call	04/18/2012	9046 (Burglar Alarm)
012-019560	CAD Call	04/11/2012	9046 (Burglar Alarm)
1-020874	CAD Call	07/06/2011	2820 (TELEPHONE THREAT)

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December 28, 2012

Honorable Donald E. Peloquin
Mayor
CITY OF BLUE ISLAND
13051 Greenwood
Blue Island, Illinois 60406

VIA FACSIMILE NO.: 708-597-1221; EMAIL: dpeloquin@cityofblueisland.org;
REGULAR, AND CERTIFIED MAIL, RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED.

RE: ISLAND SPORTS BAR AND GRILL – NOTICE OF APPEAL

Dear Mayor Peloquin:

This letter is to serve as notice that Mr. Adam Shorter, owner of Island Sports Bar and Grill wishes to appeal the decision voted on by the Community Development Committee on Thursday, December 27, 2012 to shorten the said establishment's hours of operation, to the closing time of 1:30 a.m., for a 60 day period. Mr. Shorter requests a hearing before your honor and the entire city council, pursuant to Section 7 of city of Blue Island's Ordinance number 86-58, regulating commercial businesses.

Mr. Shorter has made significant progress to clear up some of the issues which has required him to increase his operation costs, including hiring additional staff, acquiring additional parking space and purchasing materials. Even though the Committee was informed of the progress Mr. Shorter has made in a week's time, although the negotiation for the some of the additional parking space took much longer, the Committee refused to allow time to see how his efforts will work. Instead, they voted to shorten his hours of operation which will have a negative effect on his income as he has just increased his operation costs.

Further, we do not believe that procedurally the revocation hearing was proper or warranted at this time. Thus, we appeal and request a hearing before your honor and the entire city council.

Should you have any questions, please contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Randy Crumpton". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Randy Crumpton

cc: Attorney Terry Sullivan
Adam Shorter

RANDY CRUMPTON
ATTORNEY AT LAW

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January 3, 2013

Honorable Donald E. Peloquin
Mayor
CITY OF BLUE ISLAND
13051 Greenwood
Blue Island, Illinois 60406

RE: ISLAND SPORTS BAR AND GRILL

Dear Mayor Peloquin:

As you are aware, I represent Mr. Adam Shorter and Island Sports Bar and Grill. On Thursday, December 27, 2012, the Community Development Committee voted to shorten the hours of operation of Island Sports Bar and Grill. Needless to say, Mr. Shorter was disappointed with the vote because of all the corrective and cooperative measures he had taken to work with the community, with many of those actions being proactive. These measurements increased his operation costs and by shortening the business hours of the bar, Mr. Shorter's income will be negatively affected. Therefore, Mr. Shorter feels his business is being punished for growth.

Island Sports Bar and Grill is a full-fledged restaurant and a bar. SEE ATTACHED MENU. It has never strayed from the original business plan. Island Sports Bar and Grill is listed on restaurant.com and has sold coupons on Groupon.com, in addition to serving walk-in customers daily. Mr. Shorter wants to ensure you and the City Council that he is doing everything he can to be cooperative with the city and remedy any concerns in regards to complaints stemming from his busiest nights.

Some of the corrective measures Mr. Shorter has taken include the following:

- a) Island Sports Bar and Grill has always held a no smoking policy within 20 feet of the entrance door. Now, two cigarette receptacles have been placed in a designated smoking area. SEE ATTACHED PHOTOS.


- b) Additional trash cans have been placed outside. SEE ATTACHED PHOTOS.
- c) Mr. Shorter has hired additional security staff to work outside the club during heavy traffic hours.
- d) Mr. Shorter has hired additional staff to make sure the external area of the bar is cleaned during and after heavy traffic.
- e) He has obtained additional parking lots for parking, including use of the laundry parking lot that he had just acquired the week of the December 27, 2013 meeting. SEE ATTACHED COPY OF INSURANCE ENDORSEMENT FOR THE LOT. In addition, Mr. Shorter is adding more signs to indicate to his patrons where to park.
- f) Mr. Shorter now announces the closing of the bar earlier so people will be begin to leave earlier instead of all at once.
- g) During hours of operation, Mr. Shorter will have it announced that patrons cannot park in the community.
- h) Mr. Shorter has worked with local alderman to discuss remedies, including but not limited to residential parking restrictions.

To date, there have not been any incidents at Island Sports Bar and Grill. Mr. Shorter has not received any citations or tickets. Since opening day, Mr. Shorter's trained security team has been in place to ensure the safety of Island patrons and its surrounding neighbors. Mr. Shorter is willing and able to talk to anyone who is willing to share their ideas and suggestions with regards to helping to make sure that Island Sports Bar and Grill remains a successful business in Blue Island.

Pursuant to language in the city's Ordinance Number 86-58, a business should get three notices of a violation of the Ordinance and a time frame to correct the problem each time before there is a revocation hearing. That is not what happened in this case.

Mr. Shorter respectfully requests that the City Council vote to reject the recommendation of the Community Development Committee to shorten his business hours.

Sincerely,


Randy Crumpton



ISLAND BAR & GRILL

GENO'S EAST DEEP DISH PERSONAL PIZZA \$7
Sausage, Cheese, Spinach or Pepperoni

TACOS PLATTER \$8
Three corn tortillas filled with delicious cuts of grilled chicken, steak or beef. Served with lettuce, cheese, pico de gallo and hand cut fries.

NACHO GRANDE \$9
Choice of steak, chicken, or beef with tortilla chips loaded with nacho cheese, topped with tomato, onion, cilantro, jalapenos, sour cream, fresh cheddar, and Pico De Gallo. Add Chili \$1.00

CHIPS AND SALSA \$3.50
Tortilla Chips and Salsa

ISLAND BURGER \$8
Build your burger served with hand cut fries

CHICAGO STYLE POLISH \$5.50
Served with Hand Cut Fries

CHICAGO STYLE HOT DOG \$3.50
Served with Hand Cut Fries. Add Chili \$1.00

FRIES \$3
Cheese Fries \$4.00, Super Fry nacho cheese cheddar, bacon, sour cream, chives \$5.25

MOZARRELLA STICKS \$5.50
Cheese sticks fried to a golden brown & served with a side of marinara.

PIZZA PUFF AND FRIES \$5
Golden Fried Pizza Puff.

ONION RINGS \$3
Hand Cut Beer Battered Onion Rings

CAESAR SALAD \$6
Freshly cut romaine lettuce, topped with creamy caesar dressing, bacon fat croutons, and parmesan cheese. Add grilled chicken \$2

FISH AND CHIPS \$8
Deep Fried Perch with Choice Hand Cut Fries.

CHICKEN TENDERS \$7
Three lightly battered deep fried tenderloins served with hand cut fries.

BUFFALO WINGS \$7
Chicken wings tossed in full flavored secret spices and served with hand cut fries, celery and choice of bleu cheese or ranch. Choose mild, hot or BBQ.

GRILLED OR FRIED CHICKEN SANDWICH \$9
Grilled or Fried Chicken Breast, Smoked Bacon, Romaine, Tomato, Onion, Mayo, on a Buttery Croissant.

CHICKEN ALFREDO \$9 OR SHRIMP ALFREDO \$11
Rich and creamy Alfredo sauce of butter, ricotta cheese, and Parmesan cheese served with fettuccini and sautéed/grilled chicken or Shrimp.

CHICKEN AND WAFFLES \$8
Belgium Waffle served with Fried Chicken and Whiskey Maple Glaze.

JUMBO SHRIMP AND FRIES \$9
6 beer battered golden fried Jumbo Shrimp served with cocktail sauce and hand cut fries.

SHRIMP AND GRITS \$9
Savory grilled shrimp and cheese creamy grits.

CHICKEN NOODLE SOUP - CUP \$3
Fresh vegetables and tender all-white chicken breast simmered in a delicately seasoned chicken broth with traditional egg noodles.

CHILI CUP \$3
Seasoned ground beef, beans, chopped onions & peppers, pureed & diced tomatoes, flavored with a variety of spices. Topped with shredded cheddar cheese.



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FISH AND CHICKEN COMBO \$13

Deep Fried Perch or Tilapia Served with our Famous Buffalo wings and Hand cut Fries.

FISH AND SHRIMP COMBO \$15

Deep Fried Perch or Tilapia served with Jumbo Shrimp and Fries.

CHICKEN AND SHRIMP COMBO \$14

Buffalo Wings and Shrimp served with Hand Cut Fries.

APPETIZER COMBO \$8

Mozzarella Sticks, Onion Rings and Fries

SPAGHETTI PAN \$55

CHICKEN ALFREDO PAN \$60

50 WINGS \$30, 100 WINGS \$60

FRIES 1/2 PAN \$15, WHOLE PAN \$30

WEEKDAY EVENTS

Monday - Line Dancing (6 p.m. - 9 p.m.) Karaoke (9 p.m. - 2 a.m.)

Tuesday - Stepping Lessons and Stepping Set (7 p.m. - 2 a.m.)

Wednesday - Jazz (4 p.m. - 8 p.m.) Live Band (8 p.m. - 2 a.m.)

Thursday - House Music 8 p.m. - 2 a.m.

Friday & Saturdays - Live DJ's (25 and Older) 8p.m. - 3 a.m.

VIP BOTTLE SERVICE IS AVAILABLE

Unless noted, bottle service includes a 750ml bottle with appropriate garnishes and mixers. Energy drinks are available for an additional charge.

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A perfect mix of Crown Royal with Peach Schnapps and our signature fresh fruit juice blend.

PURPLE ISLAND KISS \$7

A bold mix of Vodka, Bacardi O, Blue Curacao, and Grenadine topped off with sour mix.

SPIKED LEMONADE \$7

Fresh lemonade blended with Vodka, Triple Sec and Cranberry.

ISLAND RUM PUNCH \$7

Three different Rums blended with our signature fresh fruit juice blend.

FUNKY MONKEY \$6

A sweet blend of Banana Rum with pineapple and orange juices.

DOMESTIC BEER \$3, IMPORT BEER \$3, MILLER TAP \$2, BLUE MOON TAP \$3

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Moscato (Pink or Regular), White Zinfandel, Chardonnay, Regular & White Merlot, Brut, Cooks, Korbel and much more.



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GENERAL CHANGE ENDORSEMENT

This endorsement changes the policy effective on the inception date of the policy unless another date is indicated below:

Name of Insurance Company(ies)			
Atain Specialty Insurance Company	Atain Spec Insurance Company	100.0%	CommPkge
Atain Specialty Insurance Company	Atain Spec Insurance Company	100.0%	GenLiab
Atain Specialty Insurance Company	Atain Spec Insurance Company	100.0%	Property
		Inception Date 12/6/2012	Expiration Date 12/6/2013
Endorsement Effective 12/18/2012		Policy Number CIP135572	Endorsement # 1
Named Insured Island Sports Bar & Grill		Countersigned By	

(Authorized Representative)

IN CONSIDERATION OF THE ADDITIONAL PREMIUM SHOWN BELOW, IT IS HEREBY UNDERSTOOD AND AGREED THAT THE POLICY IS AMENDED AS FOLLOWS:

CG2404 - Waiver of Subrogation has been added to the policy to cover the following party.

NPKC Enterprises DBA Olde Western Laundry
13356 Olde Western Ave
Blue Island, IL 60406

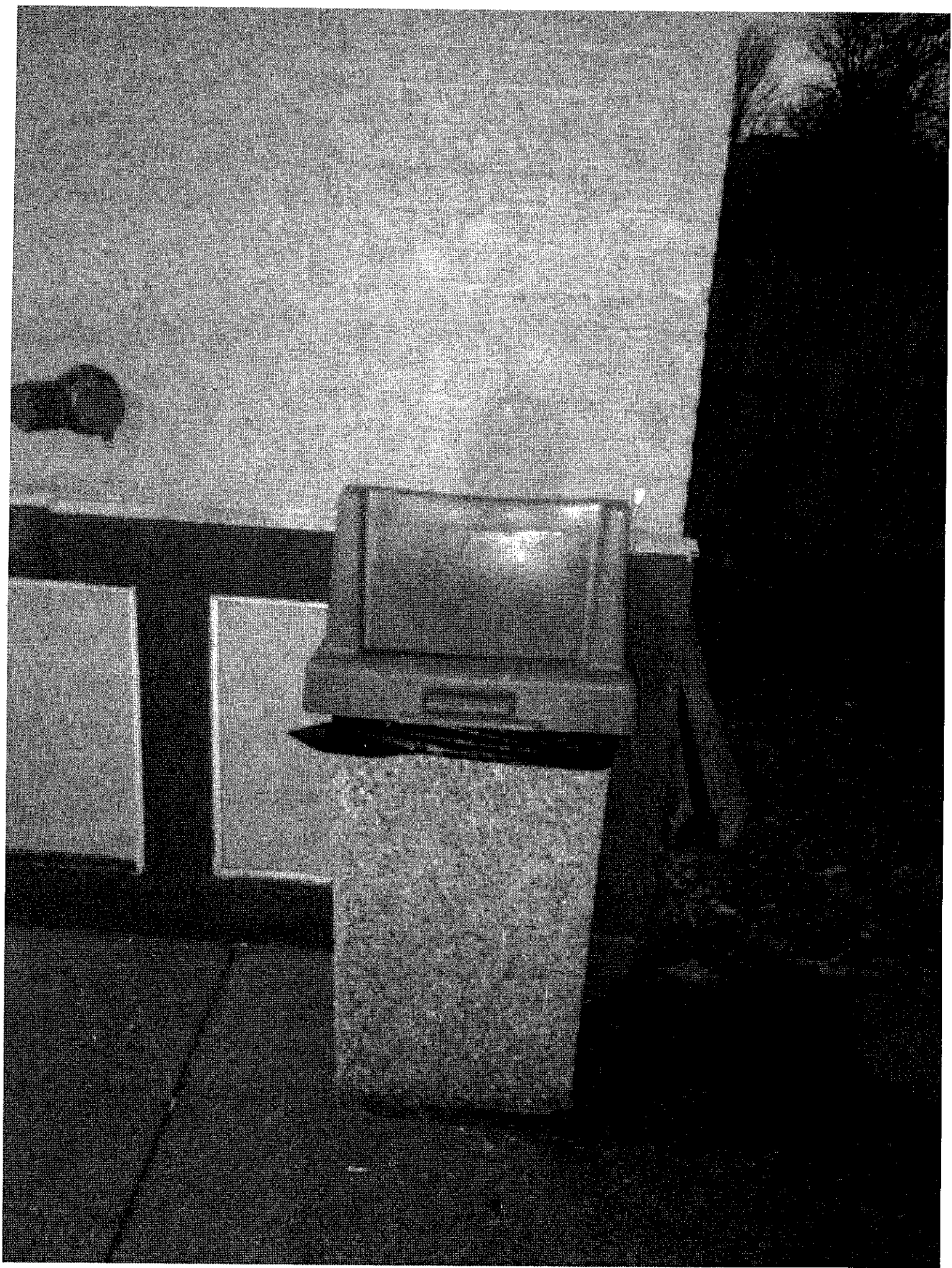
The Following Class Code has also been added to the policy for the following Locations.

46622-Parking Private – 26 spots
Location: 13356 Olde Western Avenue, Blue Island, IL 60406

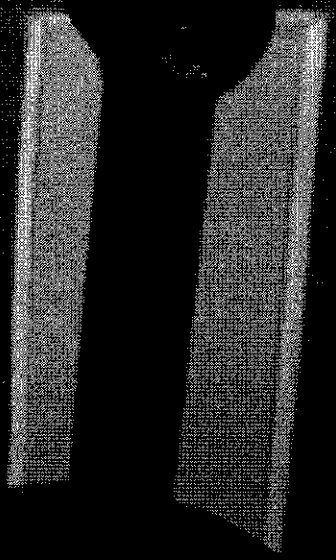
46222-Parking Private – 20 – 30 spots
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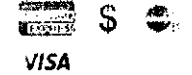
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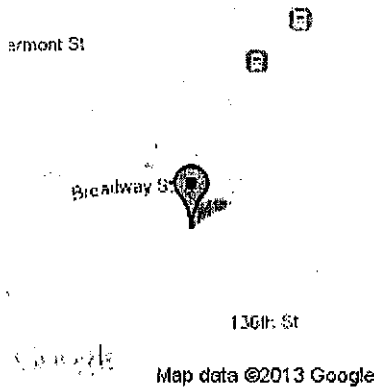
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Caesar Salad	\$6.00
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Chicken Sandwich	\$9.00	Build Your Own Island Burger	\$8.00
Chicago-Style Hot Dog	\$4.00	Chicago-Style Polish Dog	\$5.00

Seafood

Fish and Chips	\$8.00	Fresh Shrimp	\$8.00
Signature Popcorn Shrimp	\$8.00	Shrimp and Grits	\$9.00

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**JOURNAL OF PROCEEDING
OF THE
REGULAR MEETING, DECEMBER 11, 2012**

CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Blue Island was called to order by Mayor Peloquin at 7:00 p.m. on December 11, 2012.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Roll Call indicates the following:

Present: 11 Ald. Ruthenberg, Stone, Ostling, Janko, Johnson, Frausto, Vargas, Natalino, Buckner, Vieyra, Spizzirri.

Absent: 3 Ald. Patoska, Rita, Thompson.

Present Also: Pam Frasor, City Clerk
Jim Brosnahan, City Attorney
Carmine Bilotto, City Treasurer

JOURNAL OF PROCEEDING

Moved by Ald. Janko, second by Ald. Natalino the Journal Of Proceedings for the Regular Meeting on November 27, 2012 is accepted as printed.

Upon a vote, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

REPORT OF CITY OFFICIALS

Mayor

Mayor Peloquin announced that Council should have a copy of the letter that Attorney Brosnahan had submitted to his office. Mayor Peloquin stated that it has been enjoyable working with him and thanked him for all of his services. The Mayor stated that Attorney Brosnahan would be pursuing other things starting the first of the year. The Mayor wished him well and let him know that the Island's will always be home where he could come back to.

Ald. Rita arrived to the meeting (7:05).

Attorney Brosnahan thanked the Mayor, City Council, Pam Frasor and everybody here in giving him the opportunity for being the City's Attorney for the last 3-years. It has been a wonderful experience and worked with some tremendous people.

Mayor Peloquin is requesting approval of his appointment of the Law Firm Odelson & Sterk to be our legal council with Felicia Frazier being our representative here.

Motion by Ald. Vieyra, second by Ald. Buckner to approve.

On the Question: Ald. Johnson asked if they would be in the same salary range.

The Mayor stated no, they would be working for an hourly rate.

Ayes: 12 Ald. Rita, Ruthenberg, Stone, Ostling,
Janko, Johnson, Frausto, Vargas,
Natalino, Buckner, Vieyra, Spizzirri.

Nays: 0

Absent: 2 Ald. Patoska, Thompson.

Abstain: 0

There being Twelve (12) Affirmative Votes, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

Mayor Peloquin welcomed Felicia Frazier.

Mr. Burt Odelson introduced and gave a little history of himself and stated it was an honor to step up in this position and to work with everyone.

Mayor Peloquin wished Mr. Odelson a Happy Birthday and presented him with a Birthday cake.

Ms. Felicia Frazier stated it was an honor and thanked everyone for the opportunity.

Mayor Peloquin stated that Council should have a copy of a litigation settlement agreement. The Mayor is working with CSX and Tom Livingston will be going down to Springfield to try to

help us pass some legislation to try to get some of the whistle blowing to stop. We will continue to work on this.

Mayor Peloquin stated that he has received phone calls from the Aldermen in regards to the 2 referendums on the agenda. The one regarding the Home Rule and the Mayor was asked why he would he put this on. (1) Is the fact that they are allowed to put 3 issues on the referendum and in talking to Mike Anastasia, our financial situation will always be tenuous, never having enough cash access. The State still owes us about \$400,000 and it's an on going process. The Mayor stated in the course of the next year he will not be here but would like to give what ever administration that did come in an opportunity to address these issues in whatever manner they see fit and you can not do that unless you have Home Rule. The Mayor had asked to have a gas tax put on as a referendum but the Attorney's advised us that we couldn't.

(2) The City is in a situation that the revenue has been flat and within the next 2 years health issue will be a factor.

The Mayor stated the issue regarding Home Rule if Council wants to do it that's fine and if you don't want to do it that's fine too. This would be the only time for it to be put on the ballot for the April 9th election.

Mayor Peloquin announced to Council that they should have a map, which is the site of the commuter parking lot along the Cal Sag, and the Developers are requesting approval to begin the process to come out and begin the public hearings and to address Council to get their input.

The Mayor is requesting permission from Council to continue to meet with them and bring this forward so the process could begin with having public hearings in regards to this whole idea.

On the Question: Ald. Janko asked if the City owns this property.

The Mayor stated no, it's Water Reclamation District property.

Ald. Janko asked how would it affect the use of it.

The Mayor stated right now it's a parking lot and our goal is to go to Water Reclamation and have them be a part of it.

Ald. Johnson asked if the Development Company doing this would be using realtors.

The Mayor stated no, this will all be done in house.

Ald. Janko asked if there was any cost to the City for them coming out.

The Mayor stated no.

Ald. Johnson asked that this is coming to question for them to come to us with information.

The Mayor stated this is to start the process forward.

Ald. Vargas asked if there would be public forums regarding this.

The Mayor stated yes.

Motion by Ald. Ruthenberg, second by Ald. Vieyra to approve.

Ayes: 9 Ald. Ruthenberg, Stone, Ostling,
Janko, Frausto, Vargas, Natalino,
Buckner, Vieyra.

Nays: 3 Ald. Rita, Johnson, Spizzirri.

Absent: 2 Ald. Patoska, Thompson.

Abstain: 0

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

QUESTIONS TO THE MAYOR

Ald. Ostling asked the Mayor if he has had any contact with Matt O'Shea regarding the 119th Street exit the cemetery has put in.

Mayor Peloquin stated that they have not been able to connect with each other as yet.

Ald. Johnson asked if there were any update on the Mother of Sorrows property.

The Mayor stated that they are continually working thru their legal agreements and they are trying to finalize between attorneys.

Ald. Frausto asked if Com Ed has contacted his office regarding the pole that is down.

The Mayor stated he would look into it.

Ald. Vargas stated that in the Jewel Parking lot a drop off box has appeared along with them being at other locations and would like for the City have them removed.

The Mayor agreed to do so.

Ald. Janko thanked the Mayor's Office and Public Works for all the work they have done on the Light Parade this year and he thought it was very successful. Kudos to the City!

Ald. Stone requested permission to approach the podium.

The Mayor agreed.

Ald. Stone asked for Jim Reihel to join her and on behalf of the City Council presented him with a monetary gift of \$450 for Angel's Touch.

Ald. Vargas announced that the Folkloric Dance Group performed at the Brookfield Zoo and did very well.

Ald. Johnson announced the passing of Tommy Brown's sister and informed what the visitation and funeral arrangements were.

Mayor Peloquin thanked Ald. Johnson and gave his condolences to Tommy Brown and his family.

BIDS

No Bids.

CITY CLERK

No Business.

CITY TREASURER

Motion by Ald. Johnson, second by Ald. Rita to accept the Treasurer's Report for the period ending November 30, 2012 and to be placed on file.

Upon a vote, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

CITY ATTORNEY

Motion by Ald. Janko, second by Ald. Johnson the headings be read and then a motion for adoption.

Upon a vote, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

ORDINANCE NO. 12 – 213

AN ORDINANCE EVIDENCING THE INTENT OF THE CITY OF BLUE ISLAND TO ISSUE BONDS OR OTHER DEBT INSTRUMENTS ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF BLUE ISLAND.

Motion by Ald. Natalino, second by Ald. Stone to adopt.

Ayes: 11 Ald. Ruthenberg, Stone, Ostling, Janko, Johnson, Frausto, Vargas, Natalino, Buckner, Vieyra, Spizzirri.

Nays: 1 Ald. Rita.

Absent: 2 Ald. Patoska, Thompson.

Abstain: 0

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

ORDINANCE NO. 12 - 214

AN ORDINANCE RESTRICTING A PORTION OF A CERTAIN STREET FOR HANDICAPPED PARKING ONLY WITHIN THE CITY OF BLUE ISLAND, COUNTY OF COOK, STATE OF ILLINOIS, AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR THE VIOLATION THEREOF.

Location: 12049 Artesian Avenue.

ORDINANCE NO. 12 - 215

AN ORDINANCE RESCINDING HANDICAPPED PARKING RESTRICTIONS ON A PORTION OF CERTAIN STREET WITHIN THE CITY OF BLUE ISLAND, COUNTY OF COOK AND STATE OF ILLINOIS.

Location: 2530 Orchard Street.

Motion by Ald. Stone, second by Ald. Ostling to adopt.

Ayes: 12 Ald. Rita, Ruthenberg, Stone, Ostling,
Janko, Johnson, Frausto, Vargas,
Natalino, Buckner, Vieyra, Spizzirri.

Nays: 0

Absent: 2 Ald. Patoska, Thompson.

Abstain: 0

There being Twelve (12) Affirmative Votes, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 12 - 453

A RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE SUBMISSION OF AN ADVISORY REFERENDUM TO THE ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF BLUE ISLAND, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, AT THE CONSOLIDATED ELECTION TO BE HELD ON APRIL 9, 2013, THE QUESTION OF WHETHER THE CITY OF BLUE ISLAND SHOULD CONTINUE ITS PARTICIPATION IN JAWA.

Motion by Ald. Rita, second by Ald. Vargas to adopt.

Ayes: 11 Ald. Rita, Ruthenberg, Stone, Ostling,
Janko, Frausto, Vargas, Natalino,
Buckner, Vieyra, Spizzirri.

Nays: 1 Ald. Johnson.

Absent: 2 Ald. Patoska, Thompson.

Abstain: 0

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

RESOLUTION NO. 12 - 453

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF BLUE ISLAND, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS REQUESTING THAT A PROPOSITION TO BECOME A HOME RULE UNIT BE SUBMITTED TO THE ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF BLUE ISLAND AT THE APRIL 9, 2013 CONSOLIDATED ELECTION.

Motion by Ald. Stone, second by Ald. Ostling to adopt.

On the Question: Ald. Vargas asked if this could come before the Judiciary Committee special meeting before voting on it.

The Mayor stated it was up to him.

Motion by Ald. Vargas, second by Ald. Janko to Table.

Ayes: 7 Ald. Rita, Ruthenberg, Janko, Johnson, Frausto, Vargas, Spizzirri.

Nays: 5 Ald. Stone, Ostling, Natalino, Buckner, Vieyra.

Absent: 2 Ald. Patoska, Thompson.

Abstain: 0

There being Seven (7) Affirmative Votes, the Mayor declared the motion Tabled.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance Committee – Ald. Patoska, Chairman

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

Motion by Ald. Stone, second by Ald. Natalino to approve Accounts Payable for December 7, 2012 - Grand Total for the amount of \$1,338,202.43.

Ayes: 12 Ald. Rita, Ruthenberg, Stone, Ostling, Janko, Johnson, Frausto, Vargas, Natalino, Buckner, Vieyra, Spizzirri.

Nays: 0

Absent: 2 Ald. Patoska, Thompson.

Abstain: 0

There being Twelve (12) Affirmative Votes, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

PAYROLL

Motion by Ald. Stone, second by Ald. Natalino to approve Payroll for December 7, 2012 for Net Pay - \$247,423.81 and Total Gross - \$408,533.55.

Ayes: 12 Ald. Rita, Ruthenberg, Stone, Ostling,
Janko, Johnson, Frausto, Vargas,
Natalino, Buckner, Vieyra, Spizzirri.

Nays: 0

Absent: 2 Ald. Patoska, Thompson.

Abstain: 0

There being Twelve (12) Affirmative Votes, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

Ald. Stone informed Council the State still owes the City \$470,000 and \$350,000 in real estate taxes.

Judiciary Committee – Ald. Vargas, Chairman

Insurance Loss –

Mr. Sullivan informed the Committee that the majority of cases were Worker's Comp cases and Medical Claims.

Mr. Sullivan informed the Committee that he attended an Insurance Seminar regarding the new health care law; there will be a lot of changes. It will be necessary to inform the City Employees of the up coming changes, shifting from one plan to another. The policy is from July to June and will be changed to January 1st to December 31st.

It will be law mandated to list on employee W-2 form their health benefits. Contraception and women reproduction will be an issue.

Starting January 1, 2014 the cost of health care needs to be shown on employee's W-2 forms.

Health Care needs to be offered starting January 1, 2014 for any City Employee working on average 30 hours per week.

An Employee can waive benefits.

Drug and alcohol testing was discussed. A reasonable suspicion such as an accident will be cause for testing. Random drug testing is occurring at the present time, 2 per month.

Ald. Janko brought up the issue of a handicapped parking spot.

Mr. Stevo asked about the status of the JAWA referendum.

According to City Attorney Sullivan it is being worked on and needs to be completed prior to January 7, 2013.

Mr. Stevo asked how many lawsuits are pending against the City.

City Attorney Sullivan informed him there were 7.

Next meeting – Wednesday, January 2, 2013, 6:00 pm – East Annex

Public Health & Safety Committee – Ald. Ostling, Chairman

No Report.

Next meeting – Monday, December 17, 2012, 6:30 p.m. – Lower Level of the Police Department.

Municipal Services Committee – Ald. Janko, Chairman

Motion by Ald. Janko, second by Ald. Rita to approve an Ordinance to be drafted for designated areas for permit parking in the 7th Ward for zone B6 Permit Parking.

119th St. (N) Washington St. (W) 121st (S) and Vincennes Rd. (E)
119th Pl (2000 Blk. To 1900 Blk.) Longwood Dr. (W) to the Metra Train Station (E)
121st and Longwood Dr. (N) to Vincennes Rd. and 123rd (S)
122nd (2100 Blk.) Irving St. (W) to Longwood Dr. (E)

On the Question: Clerk Frasor asked if it was 119th Street.

Ald. Janko stated it was 119th & Washington.

Upon a vote, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

Superintendent of Public Works Ken Stachulak reported on leaf pickup – final citywide parkway pickups were completed the week of 12/3. If residents have yard waste materials they are asked to place them in an appropriate yard waste container and place them in the alley.

Public Works is preparing the fleet for snow removal. Truck #105 has had the dump body repaired and truck #118 is getting new dump body.

Public Works has had the HVAC system at the Wireton Road garage replaced through a grant they received.

Christmas Light Parade, Public Works participated with two of its vehicles a great time was had by all.

Superintendent of Water Joe Werner reported on several projects the department is working on. They have replaced the RPZ at the Rec Center splash pad and it should be functional next summer. The Superintendent recently conducted inspections at the Mother of Sorrows facility related to the large dining hall and water closets. He identified what needs to be done to bring these areas up to code so that the space could be usable.

The master meter at the Vincennes Pumping station went down and is being replaced no interruption to water service occurred.

The sewer lines between the 4 catch basins and 1 catch basin itself at 123rd and Maple are being repaired. During an inspection a break in the sewer line was discovered and repairs have been scheduled.

Facility improvements to lighting were made at the Highland Station and Garage. The lighting improvements were paid for through a DECA grant the city received.

Director of Golf Operations Jerry Vidovic reported the Golf Course income for the month of November amounted to \$42,861.30; this is on par with the past Novembers.

Projects the Golf Course Club House is scheduled to be resided (\$7,100.00 Lowest Bid) the pond on hole 13 is in need of cleaning it has filled with silt and debris over the years (approximately \$8,000.00) and is scheduled weather permitting. The tall grass and cattails were cut down on the 11th hole this was much needed and provides open view for the residents of Fairway Meadows.

Jerry also reported that 2008 cart lease is up and the meadows will be getting 25 new carts for the 2013 season.

The Committee also discussed the contract with Service Scape, which is ending and asked Jerry to negotiate 1-year term with the company. He will be checking into it and will report back at the January meeting.

Ald. Ruthenberg discussed parking problems on Edison Street (2900 Block) a resident notified him that students from

Eisenhower High School has been parking on the street causing an inconvenience for residents of the block. The Committee will look into this further.

Ald. Janko discussed the possibility of having a “conservation water rate” for single-family households. This would be a rate set below the current minimum usage charged by the City. The Committee and Superintendent Werner agreed that much research would be needed to see what that rate would be and if it would be feasible. The committee will look into this and report back to the Council.

Next meeting – Wednesday, January 2, 2013, 7:00 p.m. – East Annex.

Ald. Janko asked if the schedule of the JAWA meeting being held at Markham could be posted on top of the Water Bills.

The Mayor stated yes.

Community Development – Ald. Stone, Chairman

No Report.

Next Meeting – Tuesday, December 18, 2012, 6:00 p.m. – East Annex.

**CITIZENS WISHING TO ADDRESS THE COUNCIL
REGARDING THIS EVENING BUSINESS**

Jim Riehl of 2704 Union Street on stated on behalf of the American Legion Post #50 thanked the City, the Mayor, the City Council Members, the Police, Fire and Public Works Departments along with all the Citizens who participated in the Veteran’s Day Parade. It was a great success.

Carol De Pace Green of 2731 Orchard Street stressed her concerns regarding the JAWA meetings and how she does not like how they are being run.

Mayor Peloquin asked Ms. Green if the City has committed to the overall project.

Ms. Green stated she thought the City was very committed.

Mayor Peloquin announced he wouldn’t be here or have the final vote on this and asked Ms. Green not to put him in the middle of what she is trying to do, don’t make it his issue. This is about the future of our City and lets get the facts.

Ms. Green bought up East Chicago's Project.

Mayor Peloquin stated they are not talking about the East Chicago Project, that if she wants to talk about it she should go to East Chicago and talk about it.

Ms. Green thanked the Mayor for getting the referendum on the ballot.

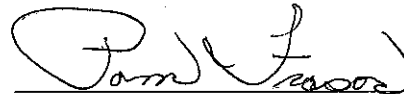
Mayor Peloquin wished everyone a Merry Christmas and enjoy their treats.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Ald. Janko, second by Ald. Johnson to adjourn the meeting.


Upon a vote, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

The next regular meeting of the City Council is scheduled for January 8, 2012 at 7:00 p.m.



Pam Frasor, City Clerk

**APPROVED BY ME THIS
2ND DAY OF JANUARY, 2013.**



Donald E. Peloquin, Mayor