

REGULAR MEETING

CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BLUE ISLAND, ILLINOIS

April 24, 2012

CALL TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

PRESENTATION OF THE JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS: Regular Meeting – April 10, 2012

REPORT OF CITY OFFICIALS

MAYOR:

BIDS:

CITY CLERK:

CITY TREASURER:

CITY ATTORNEY:

1. AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE A BROWNFIELDS REVOLVING LOAN FUND AGREEMENT WITH THE SOUTH SUBURBAN MAYORS AND MANAGERS ASSOCIATION TO CONDUCT ENVIRONMENTAL CORRECTIVE ACTION ACTIVITIES FOR THE REAL PROPERTY KNOWN AS THE NORTHEAST MIXED USE COMMERCIAL PARK GENERALLY LOCATED AT 119TH AND VINCENNES AVENUE, BLUE ISLAND, ILLINOIS AND LEGALLY DESCRIBED IN EXHIBIT "A".
2. AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE A BROWNFIELDS REVOLVING LOAN FUND SUB-GRANT AGREEMENT WITH THE SOUTH SUBURBAN MAYORS AND MANAGERS ASSOCIATION TO CONDUCT ENVIRONMENTAL CORRECTIVE ACTION ACTIVITIES FOR THE REAL PROPERTY KNOWN AS THE NORTHEAST MIXED USE COMMERCIAL PARK GENERALLY LOCATED AT 119TH AND VINCENNES AVENUE, BLUE ISLAND, ILLINOIS AND LEGALLY DESCRIBED IN EXHIBIT "A".
3. AN ORDINANCE PROHIBITING PARKING UPON A PORTION OF A CERTAIN STREET WITHIN THE CITY OF BLUE ISLAND, COUNTY OF COOK, STATE OF ILLINOIS, AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR THE VIOLATION THEREOF.
4. AN ORDINANCE RESCINDING HANDICAPPED PARKING RESTRICTIONS ON A PORTION OF A CERTAIN STREET WITHIN THE CITY OF BLUE ISLAND, COUNTY OF COOK AND STATE OF ILLINOIS.

5. AN ORDINANCE RESTRICTING PORTIONS OF WESTERN AVENUE FOR THIRTY MINUTE PARKING ONLY WITHIN THE CITY OF BLUE ISLAND, COUNTY OF COOK, STATE OF ILLINOIS, AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR THE VIOLATION THEREOF.
6. AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 96-398 ENTITLED "AN ORDINANCE DESIGNATING RESIDENTIAL PERMIT PARKING ONLY DISTRICT B3 WITHIN THE CITY OF BLUE ISLAND, COUNTY OF COOK, STATE OF ILLINOIS, AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR THE VIOLATION THEREOF" ENACTED ON JULY 23, 1996.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

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

ADJOURNMENT

ORDINANCE NO. _____

**AN ORDINANCE PROHIBITING PARKING UPON A
PORTION OF A CERTAIN STREET 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

It shall be unlawful for the operator of any vehicle to park said vehicle on that portion of the following street, within the City of Blue Island, as hereinafter designated:

On the south side of Vermont Street from the point where it intersects with the east side of Maple Avenue continuing to a point where Vermont Street intersects with the west side of Greenwood Avenue.

SECTION THREE

Appropriate signs shall be erected by the Superintendent of Public Works informing the public that parking thereon is prohibited as hereinabove provided.

SECTION FOUR

The operator of any vehicle violating or failing to comply with the provisions of this ordinance shall upon conviction thereof be fined not less than Fifty Dollars (\$50.00) nor more

than Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250.00) for each offense, and a separate offense shall be deemed committed on each day during or on which a violation occurs or continues.

SECTION FIVE

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

SECTION SIX

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 _____, 2012.

**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 _____, 2012.

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

ATTESTED and **Filed** in my office this

_____ day of _____, 2012.

CITY CLERK

PUBLISHED in pamphlet form this

_____ day of _____, 2012.

CITY CLERK

ORDINANCE NO. _____

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

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 the handicapped parking only restrictions presently in existence for the premises located at 2305 Market Street, Blue Island, Illinois, is hereby repealed and rescinded.

SECTION TWO

The Superintendent of Public Works shall remove all signs on the portion of the street for the property whose common address is 2305 Market Street, which restricts parking for handicapped parking only.

SECTION THREE

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

SECTION FOUR

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 _____, 2012.

**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 _____, 2012.

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

ATTESTED and Filed in my office this

_____ day of _____, 2012.

CITY CLERK

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_____ day of _____, 2012.

CITY CLERK

Lori Salgado

From: Carol Reihel
Sent: Tuesday, April 17, 2012 2:05 PM
To: Lori Salgado
Cc: Pamela Frasor; Doug Hoglund
Subject: April 24 Council

Can the PD get on the agenda for 3 awards?

Carol Reihel
Blue Island Police Department
BITV Channel 4
Telephone: 708-396-7004
Fax: 708-597-8223

And it harm none, do what you will.

ORDINANCE NO. _____

**AN ORDINANCE RESTRICTING PORTIONS OF WESTERN AVENUE FOR
THIRTY MINUTE PARKING ONLY 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

That portion of Western Avenue within the City of Blue Island as hereinafter defined, is hereby restricted for “Thirty (30) Minute Parking” only:

That portion of the west side of Western Avenue beginning at the southwest corner of High Street and continuing in a southerly direction to the northwest corner of Vermont Street.

SECTION THREE

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

SECTION FOUR

The operator of any vehicle violating or failing to comply with the provisions of this ordinance shall upon conviction thereof be fined not less than Fifty Dollars (\$50.00) nor more than Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250.00) for each offense.

SECTION FIVE

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

SECTION SIX

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 _____, 2012.

**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 _____, 2012.

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

ATTESTED and **Filed** in my office this

_____ day of _____, 2012.

CITY CLERK

PUBLISHED in pamphlet form this

_____ day of _____, 2012.

CITY CLERK

ORDINANCE NO. _____

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 96-398 ENTITLED
“AN ORDINANCE DESIGNATING RESIDENTIAL PERMIT PARKING ONLY
DISTRICT B3 WITHIN THE CITY OF BLUE ISLAND, COUNTY OF COOK, STATE
OF ILLINOIS, AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR THE VIOLATION THEREOF”
ENACTED ON JULY 23, 1996**

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

SECTION ONE

Section Three of Ordinance 96-398 is hereby amended to read as follows:

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 B3:

- a.) The west side of Irving Street from its intersection with Union Street on the north to its intersection with York Street on the south.
- b.) In front of the residences with the common address of 2262 Union Street; 2300 Union Street; and 2302 Union Street.

SECTION TWO

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

SECTION THREE

This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage, approval and publication 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 _____, 2012.

**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 _____, 2012.

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

ATTESTED and **Filed** in my office this

_____ day of _____, 2012.

CITY CLERK

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CITY CLERK

ORDINANCE

NO. 96-398

**AN ORDINANCE DESIGNATING RESIDENTIAL PERMIT
PARKING ONLY DISTRICT B3 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 from 6:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Mondays through Fridays. The parking restrictions shall not 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 B3:

- a) The east side of Irving Street from its intersection with Union Street on the north to its intersection with York Street on the south.

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 B3, 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 B3, 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 23rd day of July, 1996.



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

VOTING AYE: Ald. Ostling, Vargas, McDermott, Eads, Hauschild, Disabato,
Luciano, Buccheri, Dinovo, Kennedy, Rauch, Vevette.

VOTING NAY: None

ABSENT: Ald. Elton, Deiters.

ABSTAIN: None

APPROVED this 23rd day of July, 1996.



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

ATTESTED and **FILED** in my office this
23rd day of July, 1996.



CITY CLERK

PUBLISHED in pamphlet form this 23rd
day of July, 1996.



CITY CLERK

**JOURNAL OF PROCEEDING
OF THE
REGULAR MEETING, APRIL 10, 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 April 10, 2012.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Roll Call indicates the following:

Present: 11 Ald. Cheatle, Vieyra, Spizzirri, Patoska, Rita, Ruthenberg, Ostling, Johnson, Frausto, Vargas, Natalino.

Absent: 3 Ald. Stone, Janko, Thompson.

Present Also: Pam Frasor, City Clerk
Terry Sullivan, City Attorney
Carmine Bilotto, City Treasurer

JOURNAL OF PROCEEDING

Moved by Ald. Vieyra, second by Ald. Johnson the Journal Of Proceedings for the Regular Meeting on March 20, 2012 is accepted as printed.

REPORT OF CITY OFFICIALS

Mayor

SANDBLASTING WATER TANK

Mayor Peloquin informed Council that the sandblasting of the Water Tank will be starting soon and will last about 30 days. He gave warning that it will be extremely loud. They will be sandblasting Monday thru Friday starting 8:00 am to about 4:00 or 5:00 pm.

LAND BANK AGREEMENT

The Mayor announced Mr. Mark Miller has provided the Aldermen a copy of the proposed agreement with Land Bank and there are 10 to 12 towns involved.

VETOED ORDINANCE

Mayor Peloquin stated that at the last City Council Meeting he vetoed the ordinance to raise the vehicle sticker cost. He asked if there was a motion to override his decision or let it stand.

No motion was made therefore Veto stands.

QUESTIONS TO THE MAYOR

Ald. Vargas on behalf of the 7th Ward thanked Mayor Peloquin and Mr. Miller for following through with Metra on fixing the 119th Street and 123rd Street Station. Ald. Vargas stated that Metra did major improvements and they both are gorgeous.

Mayor Peloquin stated he would send Metra a thank you letter.

Ald. Patoska thanked Clerk Frasor for moving forward on getting the water on line bill pay.

Clerk Frasor stated she couldn't of done it without Mr. Mark Miller for making it all happen and it seems to be working out well.

The Mayor clarified what the Clerk is saying is that you now can pay your water bill on line and congratulated everybody for their accomplishment.

Ald. Frausto also thanked them for on line banking system and stated it is a big plus for the City and asked for an update on Acme.

Mayor Peloquin stated he would schedule a date to meet with Acme. The Mayor stated regarding Acme, the properties to the South and West have been cleaned up and moving ahead in a progressing manner and we did receive the certificate of purchase which allows us to go before court and get the tax deed.

Ald. Frausto thanked Superintendent Stachulak and his crew for the good job in cleaning up the property.

Ald. Ostling asked for clarification on the memo from Community Development.

The Mayor stated that memo would be explained from the Finance Committee.

BIDS

No Bids.

CITY CLERK

F.Y.I. ON GUILDHAUS

Clerk Frasor announced that the Guildhaus would be having a fundraiser on Sunday, June 3, 2012 with an open house from 4:00pm to 5:30 pm and dinner at 5:50 pm next door at the Maple Tree Inn. Dinner ticket donations are \$50.00.

FIT-FOR-LIFE WALK

School District 130, Veterans Memorial is requesting permission to have their Fit For Life Walk on Thursday, May 3, 2012 and would like some assistance from the City.

Motion by Ald. Johnson, second by Ald. Spizzirri to approve.

Upon a vote, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

SALVATION ARMY CAMPAIGN

The Salvation Army is requesting permission for their annual Red Kettle Campaign from Friday, November 16, 2012 through Monday, December 24, 2012.

Motion by Ald. Cheatle, second by Ald. Spizzirri to approve.

Upon a vote, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

CITY TREASURER

Motion by Ald. Cheatle, second by Ald. Rita to accept the Treasurer's Report for the period ending March 31, 2012 and to be placed on file.

Upon a vote, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

Treasurer Bilotto informed Council the date should be corrected to 3/21/2012.

CITY ATTORNEY

The Mayor requested the City Attorney read the headings then will go into the next phase.

RECOMMENDATION

A RECOMMENDATION FROM THE BLUE ISLAND ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS CONCERNING THE APPLICATION OF JUAN MUNOZ REQUESTING A VARIATION OF THE HEIGHT RESTRICTION OF AN ACCESSORY BUILDING IN THE REAR YARD FOR THE PREMISES LOCATED AT 12851 SOUTH CLINTON STREET, BLUE ISLAND, ILLINOIS.

Motion by Ald. Ostling, second by Ald. Johnson to approve to refer this Recommendation back to the Zoning Board of Appeals.

Ayes: 11 Ald. Cheatle, Vieyra, Spizzirri, Patoska, Rita, Ruthenberg, Ostling, Johnson, Frausto, Vargas, Natalino.

Nays: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 3 Ald. Stone, Janko, Thompson.

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

RECOMMENDATION

A RECOMMENDATION FROM THE BLUE ISLAND ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS CONCERNING THE APPLICATION OF OZAC, NFP CORPORATION (ORLU ZONAL ASSEMBLY OF CHICAGO AND ENVIRONS) REQUESTING A SPECIAL USE PERMIT FOR THE OPERATION OF A MEETING PLACE FOR OZAC FOR THE PREMISES LOCATED AT 2417 WEST YORK STREET, BLUE ISLAND, ILLINOIS.

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

Ayes: 1 Ald. Rita.

Nays: 9 Ald. Cheatle, Spizzirri, Patoska,
Ruthenberg, Ostling, Johnson, Frausto,
Vargas, Natalino.

Abstain: 1 Ald. Vieyra.

Absent: 3 Ald. Stone, Janko, Thompson.

There being Nine (9) Affirmative Votes, Mayor Peloquin declared the Recommendation denied.

Mayor Peloquin stated that the Legal Representation of the group was in attendance and asked if he would like to address Council.

Mr. George Hardy Gordon Jr., Lawyer for OZAC approached the podium and introduced the Members of OZAC who were in attendance. Mr. Gordon stated that the members are all professional and responsible people and would answer any questions Council would have.

Mayor Peloquin stated what he would do if given time is that he would pole the Alderman and find out if there are any additional restrictions that would allow this to occur then would report back to you which would allow you to go back to the Zoning Board with some of those in place and possible bring this back to Council.

Mr. Gordon stated that all these members are all professional and responsible college educated people that want to do good things for Blue Island.

Mayor Peloquin stated he does not doubt that, the problem that the City has in the past at this particular building was numerous and got out of control.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance Committee – Ald. Patoska, Chairman

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

Motion by Ald. Patoska, second by Ald. Natalino to approve Accounts Payable for April 10, 2012 - Grand Total for the amount of \$243,598.35.

Ayes: 11 Ald. Cheatle, Vieyra, Spizzirri, Patoska,
Rita, Ruthenberg, Ostling, Johnson, Frausto,
Vargas, Natalino.

Nays: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 3 Ald. Stone, Janko, Thompson.

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

PAYROLL

Motion by Ald. Patoska, second by Ald. Cheatle to approve Payroll for Net Pay - \$236,129.28 and Total Gross - \$383,312.64.

Ayes: 11 Ald. Cheatle, Vieyra, Spizzirri, Patoska, Rita, Ruthenberg, Ostling, Johnson, Frausto, Vargas, Natalino.

Nays: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 3 Ald. Stone, Janko, Thompson.

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

Ald. Patoska explained the Memo from the Community Development Department. It requested for a Revolving Loan Fund Money (RLF) provided by the U.S. EPA and administered through the Suburban Mayors and Manager Association (SSMMA).

Motion by Ald. Patoska, second by Ald. Natalino that this is added to the next City Council Meeting Agenda in a form of an Intergovernmental Agreement.

On the Question: Ald. Vieyra asked if there would no longer be soccer fields.

The Mayor stated no.

Ayes: 8 Ald. Cheatle, Patoska, Rita, Ruthenberg, Johnson, Frausto, Vargas, Natalino.

Nays: 3 Ald. Vieyra, Spizzirri, Ostling.

Abstain: 0

Absent: 3 Ald. Stone, Janko, Thompson.

There being Eight (8) Affirmative Votes, Mayor Peloquin declared the motion carried.

Ald. Patoska announced the dates of the meeting of the whole for Appropriation are June 4th, 11th and 18th at 6:30 pm at the East Annex.

Judiciary Committee – Ald. Vargas, Chairman

Ald. Vargas reported nothing out of the ordinary for Insurance Loss and the City renewed their Insurance.

Attorney Sullivan stated they are looking for quotes now but he wanted to make the Committee and Council aware the fact that with the new health care act there are new conditions. Somewhere down the road there will be a Cadillac Tax that will need to be addressed because our health plan qualifies for it.

Ald. Vargas reported the issue of permit parking and visitor passes in the B-6 zone was discussed and referred to Municipal Services.

Next meeting – Tuesday, May 1, 2012, 6:00 pm – East Annex

Public Health & Safety Committee – Ald. Ostling, Chairman

No Report.

Next meeting – Monday, April 16, 2012, 6:00 p.m. – Lower Level of the Police Department.

Municipal Services Committee – Ald. Janko, Chairman

Ald. Spizzirri read the minutes.

At the meeting, Ald. Janko and Ald. Thompson discussed the need for expansion and development of Residential Permit Parking in the Northeast section of Blue Island. The new

area will be bordered from 119th Street to the North, 123rd Street to the South, Western Avenue to the West and Vincennes Avenue to the East. The rationale for this “New and Expanded” zone for residential Permit Parking is needed to prevent nonresident commuters from parking in the neighborhoods adjacent to 119th St. and 123rd St. Stations. There will be no increased cost to for temporary guest placards provided by the City Clerk’s Office. A motion was made to have the City draft the appropriate Ordinance and zone designation for “Resident Permit Parking Monday to Friday” for the area. We would like this ordinance to go into effect July 1, 2012 coinciding with the renewal display of City vehicle stickers.

Motion by Ald. Spizzirri, second by Ald. Vargas to approve for an Ordinance to be drafted.

On the Question: Ald. Patoska asked why is only this zone being addressed.

Ald. Spizzirri stated this would be an immediately impacted area; they already have permit parking at the other stations.

Ald. Patoska thought that they all were pulled.

Ald. Spizzirri stated not residential permit parking; it was only residential parking pulled.

Clerk Frasor stated that she will work with Ken Stachulak on this and because residential parking only is so out of coordination throughout the City, we thought this would be a good starting area. When there are difficulties with parking in areas, we will address them as they happen. That will be our technique.

Upon a vote, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

The Committee reviewed a request for “No Parking Any Time” East bound Vermont Street from Maple to Greenwood Avenue and a motion was made to have the City draft an appropriate Ordinance.

Motion by Ald. Spizzirri, second by Ald. Cheatle to approve and Ordinance to be drafted.

10 Ayes and 1 Nay.

Upon a vote, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

Motion by Ald. Spizzirri, second by Ald. Ruthenberg to approve for an Ordinance to be drafted to rescind handicapped parking for 2305 Market Street.

Upon a vote, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

Motion by Ald. Spizzirri, second by Ald. Johnson to approve an Ordinance to be drafted for a “No Parking Here To Corner” sign be posted at 2765 Desplaines Street.

Upon a vote, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

Superintendent of Water Joe Werner and Municipal Services Committee reviewed a water-billing dispute from a commercial building owner. A resolution was reached with the building owner agreeing to terms presented for full payment of past due invoices. The Superintendent informed the Committee that all station upgrades are now 99% complete with some final monitoring and adjustments. All 5 pumps are now working in unison and increased demands in the system are now automatically controlled and monitored. This will better conserve water and allow our system to work much more efficiently. His staff is undergoing training on how to review data from the new system in regard to system pressure changes. The Superintendent also reported on a 1-5-10 year plan he is working on for hydrant repair and infrastructure repair and maintenance. He also reported that the Highland Avenue water tank will be having antennas’ removed within the next two weeks in preparation for sand blasting and painting.

The Superintendent is reviewing RPZ BackFlow Prevention for commercial businesses. The initial feedback has been positive and he will keep the Committee informed as the program progresses.

Superintendent of Public Works Ken Stachulak reported on pothole repairs. Repairs will begin with the opening of asphalt plants and the availability of Hot Patch Material. Public Works has been working in unison with UFB (Urban Forestry Board) on plantings and maintenance throughout the City. A landscaping project improvement is schedule for Veterans Triangle at Western and Greenwood Avenue. The Superintendent is in the process of finalizing a plan for trees that have been damaged and affected by the Emerald Ash Bore Beetle. Trees will be removed over the Spring/Summer season.

Public Works is completing training on a new GIS (GPS system) that provides location information for all areas in the City with regard to project planning and identification.

No Golf Course Report.

Next meeting – Tuesday, May 1, 2012, 7:00 p.m. – East Annex.

Motion by Ald. Spizzirri, second by Ald. Vieyra to approve Little League to have their annual parade.

Upon a vote, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

Community Development – Ald. Stone, Chairman

No Report.

Next Meeting – Tuesday, April 17, 2012, 6:30 p.m. – East Annex.

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

Willie Scott of 11217 Longwood Drive stated he is on the Zoning Board of Appeals and approved the OZAC Organization for the banquet hall on York Street and feels this culture would be good for the City.

Representatives from the OZAC Organization stressed and pleaded how important it would be to their Organization to be approved to get this banquet hall.

Mayor Peloquin announced he would meet with all the Representatives of OZAC in an open meeting directly after the City Council Meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Ald. Vargas, second by Ald. Rita to adjourn the meeting.

Upon a vote, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

The next regular meeting of the City Council is scheduled for April 24, 2012 at 7:00 p.m.



Pam Frasar, City Clerk

**APPROVED BY ME THIS
13TH DAY OF APRIL, 2012.**



Donald E. Peloquin, Mayor

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, safety is the highest priority for the highways and streets of our city and state; and

WHEREAS, the great State of Illinois is proud to be a national leader in motorcycle safety, education and awareness; and

WHEREAS, motorcycles are a common and economical means of transportation that reduces fuel consumption and road wear, and contributes in a significant way to the relief of traffic and parking congestion; and

WHEREAS, it is especially meaningful that the citizens of our city and state be aware of motorcycles on the roadways and recognize the importance of motorcycle safety; and

WHEREAS, the members of **A.B.A.T.E.** of Illinois, Inc. (A Brotherhood Aimed Toward Education), continually promote motorcycle safety, education and awareness in high school drivers' education programs and to the general public in our city and state, presenting motorcycle awareness programs to over 100,000 participants in Illinois over the past five years; and

WHEREAS, all motorcyclists should join **A.B.A.T.E.** of Illinois, Inc. in actively promoting the safe operation of motorcycles as well as promoting motorcycle safety, education, awareness and respect to the citizens of our city and state; and

WHEREAS, the motorcyclists of Illinois have contributed extensive volunteerism and money to national and community charitable; and

WHEREAS, during the month of May, all roadway users should unite in the safe of roadways within the CITY OF BLUE ISLAND and throughout the great State of Illinois;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, DONALD E. PELOQUIN, Mayor of the City of Blue Island, in recognition of 25 years of ABATE of Illinois, Inc., and over 614,682 registered motorcyclists statewide, and in recognition of the continued role Illinois serves as a leader in motorcycle safety, education and awareness, do hereby proclaim May 2012, to be **MOTORCYCLE AWARENESS MONTH IN CITY OF BLUE ISLAND**, and urge all motorists to join in an effort to improve safety and awareness on our streets and highways.

Dated this 1st day of May, 2012.

DONALD E. PELOQUIN, Mayor
City of Blue Island