

## **REGULAR MEETING**

CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BLUE ISLAND, ILLINOIS

August 28, 2012

CALL TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

PRESENTATION OF THE JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS: Regular Meeting – August 14, 2012

REPORT OF CITY OFFICIALS

MAYOR:

BIDS:

CITY CLERK:

CITY TREASURER:

CITY ATTORNEY:

1. 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.
2. AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR PARALLEL PARKING ONLY 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.
3. A RESOLUTION APPOINTING AN AUTHORIZED AGENT TO ACT ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF BLUE ISLAND WITH RESPECT TO ALL OFFICIAL BUSINESS CONCERNING THE ILLINOIS MUNICIPAL RETIREMENT FUND.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

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

ADJOURNMENT

**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only restrictions presently in existence for the premises located at 1804 High Street, Blue Island, Illinois, is hereby repealed and rescinded.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 1804 High 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All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.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.

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

**VOTING AYE:** \_\_\_\_\_  
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**VOTING NAY:** \_\_\_\_\_  
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**ABSENT:** \_\_\_\_\_

**ABSTAIN:** \_\_\_\_\_

**APPROVED:** this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2012.

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

**ATTESTED** and **Filed** in my office this  
\_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2012.

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**CITY CLERK**

**PUBLISHED** in pamphlet form this  
\_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2012.

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**CITY CLERK**

ORDINANCE NO. \_\_\_\_\_

**AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR PARALLEL PARKING ONLY  
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**

The following portion of Broadway Avenue within the City of Blue Island shall be for parallel parking only:

On the south side of Broadway Avenue from the point where it intersects with the east side of Francisco Avenue continuing to a point where Broadway Avenue intersects with the west side of California 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.

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

**VOTING AYE:** \_\_\_\_\_  
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**VOTING NAY:** \_\_\_\_\_  
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**ABSENT:** \_\_\_\_\_

**ABSTAIN:** \_\_\_\_\_

**APPROVED:** this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2012.

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

**ATTESTED** and **Filed** in my office this

\_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2012.

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**CITY CLERK**

**PUBLISHED** in pamphlet form this

\_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2012.

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**CITY CLERK**

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

**A RESOLUTION APPOINTING AN AUTHORIZED AGENT  
TO ACT ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF BLUE ISLAND  
WITH RESPECT TO ALL OFFICIAL BUSINESS CONCERNING  
THE ILLINOIS MUNICIPAL RETIREMENT FUND.**

WHEREAS, it is necessary that the City of Blue Island appoint an authorized agent to act on its behalf with respect to conducting official business concerning the City and the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and City Council as follows:

**SECTION ONE**

Matthew J. Anastasia, Assistant Finance Director of the City of Blue Island, is hereby appointed as the Authorized Agent for the City of Blue Island to act on its behalf with respect to conducting all official business concerning the City and the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund. As authorized agent Matthew J. Anastasia shall have those powers and duties set forth in the Illinois Pension Code, 40 ILCS 5/7-135 (2012).

**SECTION TWO**

This Resolution shall be in effect from and after its passage and approval as provided by law.

PASSED this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2012.

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

VOTING AYE: \_\_\_\_\_  
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**VOTING NAY:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**ABSENT:** \_\_\_\_\_

**ABSTAIN:** \_\_\_\_\_

**APPROVED:** this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2012.

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COUNTY OF COOK AND STATE OF ILLINOIS**

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\_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2012.

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**CITY CLERK**



**JOURNAL OF PROCEEDING  
OF THE  
REGULAR MEETING, AUGUST 14, 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 August 14, 2012.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**ROLL CALL**

Roll Call indicates the following:

Present:       11       Ald. Frausto, Vargas, Thompson, Natalino, Vieyra, Spizzirri, Patoska, Rita, Ruthenberg, Stone, Ostling.

Absent:         3       Ald. Janko, Johnson, Buckner.

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

**JOURNAL OF PROCEEDING**

Moved by Ald. Vieyra, second by Ald. Rita the Journal Of Proceedings for the Regular Meeting on July 24, 2012 is accepted as printed.

Upon a vote, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

**REPORT OF CITY OFFICIALS**

**Mayor**

Mayor Peloquin announced Nicolas Crite from Planning got Cook County to release additional funding so Maple can be completed all the way to 123<sup>rd</sup> Street.

Mayor Peloquin announced he was informed that the funding that State Representative Rita had secured for us have been released so the project kiss and ride by Lincoln School can proceed.

Mayor Peloquin called for Council to go into Executive Session.

**CLOSED SESSION**

Motion by Ald. Stone, second by Ald. Rita to go into Executive Session.

Upon a vote, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

**RECONVENE**

Motion by Ald. Patoska, second by Ald. Stone to reconvene the Regular Meeting.

**ROLL CALL**

Present: 12 Ald. Johnson, Frausto, Vargas, Thompson, Natalino, Vieyra, Spizzirri, Patoska, Rita, Ruthenberg, Stone, Ostling.

Absent: 2 Ald. Janko, Buckner.

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

Mayor Peloquin announced that while in executive session the City Attorneys were authorized to continue negotiations regarding a pending legal case.

**QUESTIONS TO THE MAYOR**

Ald. Vargas announced that the Mexican Dance Company, Mexico en la Piel from Blue Island have been invited to perform in Springfield again. This would be their 4<sup>th</sup> invitation they've received from them.

**BIDS**

No Bids.

**CITY CLERK**

**SEAK PICNIC REQUEST**

Seak at 2508 Collins Street is requesting permission to hold their annual picnic on September 2, 2012 from 10:00 am to 7:00 pm.

**BLOCK PARTY REQUESTS**

Block Party request for Yolanda Ortiz at 13304 Hoyne Avenue on August 18, 2012 starting at 5:00 pm.

**GIRL SCOUTS REQUEST**

Girl Scouts requesting permission for their annual Cookie Sale Drive for 2012-2013.

**MAPLE TREE INN BBQ**

Maple Tree Inn at 13301 Olde Western Avenue is requesting permission to have tents for their annual BBQ from August 24th to the 27th, 2012.

Motion by Ald. Johnson, second by Ald. Rita to approve all 4 requests.

Upon a vote, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

**CITY TREASURER**

Motion by Ald. Ostling, second by Ald. Ruthenberg to accept the Treasurer's Report for the period ending July 31, 2012 and to be placed on file.

Upon a vote, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

**CITY ATTORNEY**

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

Upon a vote, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

**ORDINANCE NO. 12 - 197**

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

Location: 12038 Elm Drive.

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

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

Nays: 0

Absent: 2 Ald. Janko, Buckner.

Abstain: 0

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

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

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

**ACCOUNTS PAYABLE**

**Motion by Ald. Patoska, second by Ald. Natalino to approve Accounts Payable for August 14, 2012 - Grand Total for the amount of \$1,084,148.36.**

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

Nays: 0

Absent: 2 Ald. Janko, Buckner.

Abstain: 0

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

**PAYROLL**

**Motion by Ald. Patoska, second by Ald. Stone to approve Payroll for August 3, 2012 for a Net Pay - \$252,392.75 and Total Gross - \$410,303.71.**

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

Nays: 0

Absent: 2 Ald. Janko, Buckner.

Abstain: 0

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

Ald. Patoska announced that Mr. Anastasia reported that the City received 1.3 million dollars in property tax revenue.

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

Insurance Loss –  
Majority of Workers Comp cases.

Storm related issues:

Mr. Stevens on Collins Street Mustang was damaged by fallen tree, which was struck by lightning. Act of Nature and he only had liability on the car.

Mr. Allen Branson of 2936 Everett Street had his windshield damaged by fallen branch.

A Durango truck at 2020 York Street totaled.

Mr. Proctor at 2247 W. 1232<sup>nd</sup> Street, windshield damages.

Health Laws –

Cost of benefits – the Cadillac Tax 2018. Supreme Court decision-preventative care.

Public Health & Safety Committee voted to have Judiciary Committee discuss the possible elimination of Ordinance 2650, Solicitation: door to door, anything requiring the signature of a resident; girl scout cookie sales, school fundraisers, issue of religious groups private vs. public property. Committee will continue discussing pros and cons.

Energy Aggregation -

Committee would like some clarification on the proposed plan vs. a particular company. Public option.

Suggestion – referendum on binding vs. non-binding referendum on this issue.

Individual vs. City as a Whole.

Mayor Peloquin stated that the current status as it states now, in order for them to come into the City, the City has to allow the Aggregation Companies to come to us. The referendum that is out there is whether or not the City will allow Aggregation to take place in the City. That is what the referendum in November is all

about. Right now the Aggregation cannot come to the City as a whole and solicit us until we pass that referendum.

Ald. Vargas asked when the dead line is.

The Mayor stated by the 24<sup>th</sup> of this month.

Motion by Ald. Vargas, second by Ald. Patoska to approve to allow the Aggregation to be on the November's referendum.

On the Question: Ald. Frausto asked if this motion is to allow Aggregation to come into the City.

The Mayor stated this is to allow the Aggregation to be a referendum for November. The commitment now is to whether to put it on the ballot or not.

Ald. Rita asked if that is for anybody.

The Mayor stated yes, if it passes it is for anybody to vote on it.

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

Nays: 0

Absent: 2 Ald. Janko, Buckner.

Abstain: 0

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

Clerk Frasor stated that the City Attorney would need to draw up a Resolution to put the referendum on the ballot. That would be voted on at the next meeting and that is what is sent to Cook County so it could be put on the ballot.

A presentation by Mr. Young regarding JAWA  
Bond issues with Stern Brothers – transparent in contacts  
Financial stability of the JAWA- Public knowledge  
Types of investments (questionable) leads to bankruptcies  
Right to sell bonds/transparency – negotiating contracts.  
EG Goldman Sachs - Chase.  
Standard contract – not answered better deal

\$450,000.00 feasibility study

No agreement exists to get water at the present time

There is no water source according to Mrs. Green in Whiting Indiana or Hammond Indiana.

Great Lakes Water Commission not able to deliver BC no water source agreement exists at the present time.

We demand transparency on contracts.

Concerns-

Treasurer Joe Letky who filed for bankruptcy as a Corporation Mr. Stevo called it the “Big Dig” and asked for a referendum on the issue.

How much is it going to cost the consumer?

It’s a 40-year deal.

We need to see the letter of agreement from Stern Brother’s.

Referendum suggested.

Ald. Frausto brought up the parking issues on Broadway between California & Francisco Streets.

Mr. Nagel contacted IDOT on angle parking and even that IDOT owns the street it is still maintained by the locals. They said it would be acceptable as long as a plan is submitted to them.

Discussion on the City Clerk’s last collective position and if it could be a referendum in the next election.

The Mayor stated that the Collector’s position is an appointed position not an elected one. If you want make the City Clerk’s position an appointed one, then you would need to go to a referendum..

Next meeting – Tuesday, September 4, 2012, 6:00 pm – East Annex

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

No Report.

Next meeting – Monday, August 20, 2012, 6:00 p.m. – Lower Level of the Police Department.

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

Ald. Spizzirri read the minutes in Ald. Janko's absence.

Motion by Ald. Spizzirri, second by Ald. Rita to authorize the City to negotiate a contract with Mr. Pappas from Fair Share Gaming and Amusements.

On the Question: Mayor Peloquin stated this is all in relationship to the States statue that allows gaming now in any establishments that have a liquor license. The Mayor invited Mr. Pappas from Fair Share Gaming up to the podium to explain it.

Mr. Pappas thanked the Council for the recommendation and gave an explanation on all the steps that are in the process of having gaming in your premises.

Ald. Johnson asked if approved, how many jobs would come into the City.

Mr. Pappas stated he didn't know how many jobs per location but he believes it would keep jobs from leaving and keep businesses from closing and create revenue for the City.

Ald. Rita asked if the profit for Blue Island is approximately 40%.

Mr. Pappas stated yes, 35% goes to the establishment and 5% goes to the Municipality.

Ald. Thompson asked if this would increase the gambling in Blue Island with more people gambling.

Mr. Pappas stated he didn't know if it would be more people gambling but it is a different way for those people to gamble legally in the State of Illinois.

Ald. Thompson stated that it would increase gambling.

Mr. Pappas stated it is another option for gambling.

Treasurer Bilotto stated that the businesses would have to purchase an emblem for each of their gaming machines annually for the cost of \$100. How much will the emblems cost for the State machines and will the City be losing money for selling them cheaper.



Mr. Pappas stated that the fees for the State machines will be \$25 per emblem and \$100 fee would stay the same for all other machines.

Treasurer Bilotto gave an example that if the City has 50 machines at \$100 for each machine that would be \$5,000 profit for the City. How would the City profit from the State machines.

The Mayor stated that each business could have up to 5 machines that would be \$125 in emblems plus the 5% profit on each machine. The businesses are critical that if they don't have this they will close down.

Ald. Patoska asked what would they be voting on.

The Mayor stated the vote would be to negotiate a contract. The City has no say so about this; only the State could authorize who could get the licenses. They can't apply unless they have a local liquor license. Once they apply they would have to meet the criteria of the gaming board, the State and pass background checks in order to maintain those licenses.

Ald. Spizzirri stated that they already agreed to allow them in bars all over town. Her understanding of the issue is the Meadows Golf Course, which is owned by the City.

The Mayor stated the vote is for to negotiate a contract.

Ald. Ostling asked was the 5 machines for the Golf Course or 5 machines for the City.

The Mayor stated for the Golf Course, each establishment could have up to 5 machines.

Mr. Pappas stated the first meeting with gaming was back in 2010, so every issue has been discussed.

Ald. Johnson wanted to reword his question and ask how many jobs will be coming to the City thru Mr. Pappas's company.

Mr. Pappas stated the video gaming act is creating over 400,000 jobs. This is one of the main funding sources of the capital bill, which is 31 billion dollars in projects for the State.

Ayes: 8 Ald. Frausto, Vargas, Natalino, Vieyra,  
Spizzirri, Rita, Ruthenberg, Stone.

Nays: 4 Ald. Johnson, Thompson, Patoska, Ostling.

Absent: 2 Ald. Janko, Buckner.

Abstain: 0

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

Motion by Ald. Spizzirri, second by Ald. Frausto to approve for an ordinance to be drafted for parallel parking only along the south side off Broadway Street between Francisco and California.

Upon a vote, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

Motion by Ald. Spizzirri, second by Ald. Rita to approve an ordinance to be drafted to rescind handicapped parking at 1804 High Street.

Upon a vote, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

Water Superintendent Werner reported that the elevated tank and ground reservoir renovations/repairs are 95% complete and looks great. Cell phone antennas and cable have to be reattached to the tank.

The Superintendent is reviewing the two master meters at both pumping locations and meter calibrations. He was able to do this with the new tank renovations. He explained in detail the process for refilling the tank and placing it back in service and having it certified by the State of Illinois. The tank should be back on line by August 17<sup>th</sup>.

The Water Department has been replacing catch basins as needed throughout the City. Superintendent Werner continues to meet with residents with water back up and education about what can be done.

The residential water meter replacement program has been very successful. RFP's should be going out next Friday for work on the Cities commercial meters.

Superintendent Werner is working with Robinson Engineering on a solution for mitigating street flooding in the Longwood/Vincennes area.

Superintendent of Public Works, Ken Stachulak provided a report to the Committee, he has been working with ComEd to schedule installation of new lighting requested by Ald. Frausto in the 6<sup>th</sup> Ward in the 13400 block of Greenwood and 135<sup>th</sup> and Olde Western Avenue. Public Works at the request of the Building Department assisted with board up with two vacant properties at 13747 Western Avenue and 3127 W. 141<sup>st</sup> Place. Public Works cleared brush at 123<sup>rd</sup> & Division to open up the roadway for truck traffic reducing the traffic on 123<sup>rd</sup> & Vincennes. The Superintendent attended the pre-construction meeting for the Maple Avenue project that is scheduled to begin in the next couple of weeks. The Committee thanked Superintendent Stachulak for this.

Golf Director Vidovic reported that the month of July was above average with rounds played and income showed that it was the third best July to date. They have been working to keep everything green with the high temperatures and lack of precipitation and the course remains in good shape. Jerry hopes to begin improvements on #4 hole with drainage and bunker improvements. The 6<sup>th</sup> hole is scheduled for renovation within the upcoming weeks. August is shaping up so far to be a busy month with two big outings scheduled. Jerry has been having trouble with the hand held credit card reader that is presently in place at the Golf Course. He has had delayed responses in support from the company and is looking into replacement options for the system. The Committee agreed to have him review available options for a reader application after he cited several billing issues from the current service.

Ald. Rita requested a stop sign on Wood Street & 128<sup>th</sup> Street. She asked if it could be made a 4-way stop. The Committee discussed the issue of part of it being in Cal Park. Ald. Janko will check with the Village of Cal Park. Ald. Rita also asked about getting the ordinance changed to help senior citizen rate if they own and live in a two flat. This was brought before the Judiciary Committee.

Resident Mr. Ronald Young addressed issues he has with the JAWA agreement and asked that all members of the voting Council read the agreement and contact the banks involved and look into the possibility of placing this in referendum for the next election allowing the people to vote on it.

Next meeting – Tuesday, September 4, 2012, 7:00 p.m. – East Annex.

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

No Report.

Next Meeting – Tuesday, August 21, 2012, 6:30 p.m. – East Annex.

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

Carol De Pace Green of 2731 Orchard Street stressed her concerns regarding the SS JAWA Project and stated that she does not approve of it.

Ronald Young of 12440 Maple Avenue asked for Council to look into the financial agreement and to please draft a set of guidelines regarding JAWA. He would like for the public to be able to be involved in it and would also like to see quarterly reports on this.

Allan Stevo of 2324 Union Street asked if the Aldermen were upset for what they heard from Ms. Green and Mr. Young and requested for this to be on a referendum on the ballot. Mr. Stevo asked when the last day for a resolution to be passed to be put on the ballot.

Attorney Brosnahan stated August 24<sup>th</sup> or 26<sup>th</sup> but will check on it.

Mr. Stevo asked who was the lawyer who was in the executive session.

Mayor Peloquin stated Mr. O'Connor.

Mr. Stevo asked which lawsuit was it.

The Mayor stated Brown vs. the City.

Mr. Stevo stated it was his understanding that the form of government in the City is weak Mayor – strong aldermanic form of government but really it's the opposite. He asked how the progress of the codification book was and when will it be done.

The Mayor stated that it is coming along and does not have a date on its completion.

Mr. Stevo asked when will the City Collector give a financial report at the Council Meetings.

Mayor Peloquin stated the City Treasurer does that.

Mr. Stevo disagreed and argued the City Collector always did it.

Mrs. Green asked if there was time to put the referendum for the electrical aggregation on the ballot isn't there time to put the JAWA on it.

The Mayor stated no.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Ald. Natalino, second by Ald. Patoska to adjourn the meeting.


Upon a vote, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

The next regular meeting of the City Council is scheduled for August 28, 2012 at 7:00 p.m.



**Pam Frason, City Clerk**

**APPROVED BY ME THIS  
22ND DAY OF AUGUST, 2012.**

  
**Donald E. Peloquin, Mayor**



**CITY OF BLUE ISLAND SHOULD HAVE THE AUTHORITY UNDER PUBLIC ACT 096-0176 TO ARRANGE FOR THE SUPPLY OF ELECTRICITY FOR ITS RESIDENTIAL AND SMALL COMMERCIAL RETAIL CUSTOMERS WHO HAVE NOT OPTED OUT OF SUCH PROGRAM.**

Motion by Ald. Janko, second by Ald. Patoska to approve.

Ayes: 8 Ald. Johnson, Vargas, Natalino, Spizzirri, Patoska, Ruthenberg, Stone, Janko.

Nays: 0

Absent: 6 Ald. Frausto, Thompson, Buckner, Vieyra, Rita, Ostling.

Abstain: 0

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

**ADJOURNMENT**

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

Upon a vote, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

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