

**JOURNAL OF PROCEEDING OF THE MEETING  
MARCH 14, 2017**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Blue Island was called to order by Mayor Vargas at 7:00 p.m. on March 14, 2017.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**ROLL CALL**

Roll Call indicates the following:

Present:           9           Ald. Slattery, Ostling, Pittman, Johanson, Hawley, Vieyra, Bilotto,  
Rita, Carr

Absent:            5           Ald. Johnson, Frausto, Thompson, Poulos, Donahue

Present Also:           Randy Heuser, City Clerk  
Shawn Te Raines, City Attorney  
Carmine Bilotto, City Treasurer

**JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS**

**Motion by Ald. Bilotto, second by Ald. Hawley to approve the Journal of Proceedings of the Regular Meeting from February 28, 2017.**

Ayes:            9           Slattery, Ostling, Pittman, Johanson, Hawley,  
Vieyra, Bilotto, Rita, Carr

Nays:            0

Absent:           5           Johnson, Frausto, Thompson, Poulos,  
Donahue

Abstain:         0

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

## PUBLIC COMMENT

Rachel Orozco, 11957 Longwood Drive, thanked everyone for their help on putting on a successful Black History Night program.

## REPORT OF CITY OFFICIALS

### **MAYOR:**

#### 1. Historic Preservation Commission Appointments --

Tony Pogorzelski  
Earl Summers  
Tom Mantel  
Steven Carr  
Kevin Brown  
Mike Mech  
Dr. Wayne Wolf

**Motion by Ald. Hawley, second by Ald. Bilotto to approve the Historic Preservation Appointments.**

Ayes: 9 Slattery, Ostling, Pittman, Johanson, Hawley,  
Vieyra, Bilotto, Rita, Carr

Nays: 0

Absent: 5 Johnson, Frausto, Thompson, Poulos,  
Donahue

Abstain: 0

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

**2. Plan Commission Appointments –**

**Bill Fahrenwald  
Eric Polcaster  
Sarah Kaliski-Roll  
Mark Potaska  
Arthur J. Wier  
Toni Ebeling  
Erich Wennberg**

**Motion by Ald. Bilotto, second by Ald. Vieyra to approve the Plan Commission Appointments.**

**Ayes: 9 Slattery, Ostling, Pittman, Johanson, Hawley,  
Vieyra, Bilotto, Rita, Carr**

**Nays: 0**

**Absent: 5 Johnson, Frausto, Thompson, Poulos,  
Donahue**

**Abstain: 0**

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

**3. Mayor's Announcements**

**The Mayor spoke of the city's commitment to improve city services in every department and diversify every department in the city. He introduced the Blue Island part time officers who are made up of different races and religions. He also appointed Jamal Sykes to part time police sergeant.**

**BIDS:**

**No bids.**

**CITY CLERK:**

**Motion by Ald. Carr, second by Ald. Pittman to approve a request from the Salvation Army to hold their Donut Days Campaign on Friday and Saturday, June 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> 2017 and their Red Kettle Campaign on Monday – Saturday, November 1<sup>st</sup> – December 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2017.**

**Ayes: 9 Slattery, Ostling, Pittman, Johanson, Hawley,  
Vieyra, Bilotto, Rita, Carr**

**Nays: 0**

**Absent: 5 Johnson, Frausto, Thompson, Poulos,  
Donahue**

**Abstain: 0**

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

**Motion by Ald. Bilotto, second by Ald. Rita to approve a request from Blue Cap to hold a Tag Day fundraiser on Friday and Saturday, October 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> 2017.**

**Ayes: 9 Slattery, Ostling, Pittman, Johanson, Hawley,  
Vieyra, Bilotto, Rita, Carr**

**Nays: 0**

**Absent: 5 Johnson, Frausto, Thompson, Poulos,  
Donahue**

**Abstain: 0**

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

**CITY TREASURER:**

No business.

**CITY ATTORNEY:**

No business.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

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

**ORDINANCE NO. 2017-006**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF BLUE ISLAND, ILLINOIS, TITLE XV LAND USAGE, CHAPTER 166 ZONING CODE. (GREAT NORTHERN LUMBER)**

**Motion by Ald. Hawley, second by Ald. Ostling to approve Ordinance No. 2017-006.**

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

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

**ORDINANCE NO. 2017-007**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING A SPECIAL USE PERMIT TO BEST BUY AUTO AT THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 12960 ASHLAND AVENUE, BLUE ISLAND, ILLINOIS.**

**Motion by Ald. Hawley, second by Ald. Slattery to approve Ordinance No. 2017-007.**

Ayes: 9 Slattery, Ostling, Pittman, Johanson, Hawley,  
Vieyra, Bilotto, Rita, Carr

Nays: 0

Absent: 5 Johnson, Frausto, Thompson, Poulos,  
Donahue

Abstain: 0

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

**ORDINANCE NO. 2017-008**

**AN ORDINANCE GRANTING A VARIATION OF THE BLUE ISLAND ZONING CODE FOR THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 2517 ORCHARD STREET, BLUE ISLAND, ILLINOIS.**

**Motion by Ald. Hawley, second by Ald. Ostling to approve Ordinance No. 2017-008 provided that the height is no more than 36 inches and getting certificate of appropriateness from the Blue Island Historic Preservation Commission.**

Ayes: 9 Slattery, Ostling, Pittman, Johanson, Hawley,  
Vieyra, Bilotto, Rita, Carr

Nays: 0

Absent: 5 Johnson, Frausto, Thompson, Poulos,  
Donahue

Abstain: 0

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

**ORDINANCE NO. 2017-009**

**AN ORDINANCE GRANTING A SPECIAL USE PERMIT TO PROJECT ONE AUTOMOTIVE AT THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 3500 W. 127<sup>TH</sup> STREET, BLUE ISLAND, ILLINOIS.**

**Motion by Ald. Hawley, second by Ald. Slattery to approve Ordinance No. 2017-009.**

Ayes: 9 Slattery, Ostling, Pittman, Johanson, Hawley,  
Vieyra, Bilotto, Rita, Carr

Nays: 0

Absent: 5 Johnson, Frausto, Thompson, Poulos,  
Donahue

Abstain: 0

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

**ORDINANCE NO. 2017-010**

**AN ORDINANCE GRANTING A SPECIAL USE PERMIT TO WOW! CABLE AT THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 3153 WIRETON ROAD, BLUE ISLAND, ILLINOIS.**

**Motion by Ald. Hawley, second by Ald. Ostling to approve Ordinance No. 2017-010.**

Ayes: 9 Slattery, Ostling, Pittman, Johanson, Hawley,  
Vieyra, Bilotto, Rita, Carr

Nays: 0

Absent: 5 Johnson, Frausto, Thompson, Poulos,  
Donahue

Abstain: 0

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 2017-011**

**A RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR THE COOK COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND HIGHWAYS "INVEST IN COOK" CALL FOR PROJECTS.**

**Motion by Ald. Hawley, second by Ald. Bilotto to approve Resolution No. 2017-011.**

**Ayes: 9 Slattery, Ostling, Pittman, Johanson, Hawley,  
Vieyra, Bilotto, Rita, Carr**

**Nays: 0**

**Absent: 5 Johnson, Frausto, Thompson, Poulos,  
Donahue**

**Abstain: 0**

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

**Next Meeting – Wednesday, April 12, 2017, 7:00 – East Annex**

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

**Motion by Ald. Rita, second by Ald. Vieyra to approve Payroll for February 24, 2017 for \$362,681.99.**

**Ayes: 9 Slattery, Ostling, Pittman, Johanson, Hawley,  
Vieyra, Bilotto, Rita, Carr**

**Nays: 0**

**Absent: 5 Johnson, Frausto, Thompson, Poulos,  
Donahue**

**Abstain: 0**

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

**Motion by Ald. Rita, second by Ald. Hawley to approve Accounts Payable for March 8, 2017 for \$586,821.61.**

**Ayes: 9 Slattery, Ostling, Pittman, Johanson, Hawley, Vieyra, Bilotto, Rita, Carr**

**Nays: 0**

**Absent: 5 Johnson, Frausto, Thompson, Poulos, Donahue**

**Abstain: 0**

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

**ORDINANCE NO. 2017-011**

**AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING AND APPROPRIATION FOR CORPORATE PURPOSES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2017 AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2017.**

**Motion by Ald. Rita, second by Ald. Johanson to approve Ordinance No. 2017-011.**

**Ayes: 9 Slattery, Ostling, Pittman, Johanson, Hawley, Vieyra, Bilotto, Rita, Carr**

**Nays: 0**

**Absent: 5 Johnson, Frausto, Thompson, Poulos, Donahue**

**Abstain: 0**

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

**Next Meeting -- Tuesday, March 21, 2017, 6:00 -- East Annex**

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

**Next Meeting -- TBA**

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

Next Meeting – TBA

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

Next Meeting – TBA

**ALDERMANIC ANNOUNCEMENTS/COMMENTS**

Ald. Johanson thanked the Finance Committee for all their efforts the past several years.

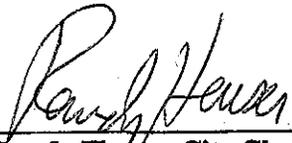
**ADJOURNMENT**

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

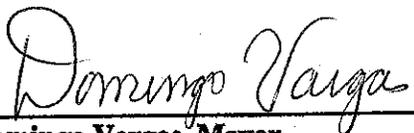
Upon a vote, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

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

The next regular meeting of the City Council is scheduled for March 28, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.

  
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Randy Heuser, City Clerk

**APPROVED BY ME THIS  
28TH DAY OF MARCH, 2017.**

  
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Domingo Vargas, Mayor