

JOURNAL OF PROCEEDING OF THE REGULAR MEETING

SEPTEMBER 10, 2019

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 September 10, 2019.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Roll Call indicates the following:

Present: 12 Rita, Donahue, Hawley, Fahrenwald, Hill, Mech, Carr, Cantelo-Zylman, Klinker, Alexander, Bilotto, Cazares

Absent: 2 Slattery, Johnson

Present Also: Randy Heuser, City Clerk
Carmine Bilotto, City Treasurer
Kelly Burke, City Attorney

JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS

Motion by Ald. Cantelo-Zylman, second by Ald. Klinker to approve the Regular City Council Minutes from August 13, 2019.

Ayes: 12 Rita, Donahue, Hawley, Fahrenwald, Hill, Mech, Carr, Cantelo-Zylman, Klinker, Alexander, Bilotto, Cazares

Nays: 0

Absent: 2 Slattery, Johnson

Abstention: 0

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

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SWEARING IN OF POLICE OFFICER

Mayor Vargas swore in Full-Time Police Officer Briant Holloway.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Gerry Dagenais asked that the City do a better job of maintaining the Cal-Sag Trail.

Donna Lee asked why the Police Substation was removed from California Gardens and stated that vehicles are drag racing in Deer Point subdivision and asked for more police presence.

Carol Greene commented on the events regarding saving Metro South Medical.

REPORT OF CITY OFFICIALS

MAYOR:

Mayor Vargas remembered the events of 9/11/01 and announced that there would be a short ceremony in front of the Police Department at 9AM on 9/11/19 asked that all who can attend do so. He also announced that there would be a Blue Mass at St Benedict on 9/15.

Mayor Vargas briefly discussed the pending happenings about saving Metro South Hospital.

CITY CLERK:

Untouchables are asking to have their homecoming parade this Saturday – consensus was given.

BIDS:

No Bids

CITY TREASURER:

Motion by Ald. Donahue, second by Ald. Hill to approve Monthly Treasurer Report.

Ayes: 12 Rita, Donahue, Hawley, Fahrenwald, Hill,
Mech, Carr, Cantelo-Zylman, Klinker,
Alexander, Bilotto, Cazares

Nays: 0

Absent: 2 Slattery, Johnson

Abstention: 0

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

Motion by Ald. Donahue, second by Ald. Klinker to approve Inter-fund Transfers from Unrestricted and Restricted Accounts.

Ayes: 12 Rita, Donahue, Hawley, Fahrenwald, Hill, Mech, Carr, Cantelo-Zylman, Klinker, Alexander, Bilotto, Cazares

Nays: 0

Absent: 2 Slattery, Johnson

Abstention: 0

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

COMMITTEE REPORTS

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT – next meeting Wednesday, September 11, 2019

FINANCE COMMITTEE – next meeting Monday September 16, 2019

Motion by Ald. Donahue, second by Ald. Bilotto to approve Accounts Payable for August 28, 2019 in the amount of 481,687.54

Ayes: 12 Rita, Donahue, Hawley, Fahrenwald, Hill, Mech, Carr, Cantelo-Zylman, Klinker, Alexander, Bilotto, Cazares

Nays: 0

Absent: 2 Slattery, Johnson

Abstention: 0

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

Motion by Ald. Donahue, second by Ald. Hill to approve Cal Sag Trail Maintenance Agreement with Illinois Fire Restoration.

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Ayes: 12 Rita, Donahue, Hawley, Fahrenwald, Hill,
Mech, Carr, Cantelo-Zylman, Klinker,
Alexander, Bilotto, Cazares

Nays: 0

Absent: 2 Slattery, Johnson

Abstention: 0

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

Motion by Ald. Donahue, second by Ald. Bilotto to approve the Selection of Terra Engineering as the Engineering Firm for the Cal-Sag Trail - Blue Island West Segment

Ayes: 12 Rita, Donahue, Hawley, Fahrenwald, Hill,
Mech, Carr, Cantelo-Zylman, Klinker,
Alexander, Bilotto, Cazares

Nays: 0

Absent: 2 Slattery, Johnson

Abstention: 0

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

Motion by Ald. Donahue, second by Ald. Hawley to approve Payroll for August 23, 2019 in the amount of \$330,518.01

Ayes: 12 Rita, Donahue, Hawley, Fahrenwald, Hill,
Mech, Carr, Cantelo-Zylman, Klinker,
Alexander, Bilotto, Cazares

Nays: 0

Absent: 2 Slattery, Johnson

Abstention: 0

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

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Motion by Ald. Donahue, second by Ald. Hill to approve Payroll for September 6, 2019 in the amount of \$322,652.48

Ayes: 12 Rita, Donahue, Hawley, Fahrenwald, Hill, Mech, Carr, Cantelo-Zylman, Klinker, Alexander, Bilotto, Cazares

Nays: 0

Absent: 2 Slattery, Johnson

Abstention: 0

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

PUBLIC HEALTH & SAFETY – next meeting September 17, 2019

MUNICIPAL SERVICES – next meeting October 9, 2019

JUDICIARY COMMITTEE – next meeting September 17, 2019

ALDERMANIC ANNOUNCEMENTS/COMMENTS

Alderman Bilotto asked about the status of the Chevy Tahoe's. Alderman Bilotto pointed out that there are several new Aldermen that aren't aware of what is going on with the Tahoe's. Alderman Bilotto asked that a poll be taken to see if there is interest pursuing further investigation. Aldermen Hawley and Fahrenwald were the only Aldermen not interested in further investigation.

Alderman Donahue announced that BBQ on the Hill is coming up September 20-22 and they are asking for volunteers.

Alderman Fahrenwald asked that more attention be paid to alleys before winter comes. He also pointed out that the Tahoe situation pales in comparison to the actions that caused us to pay \$5million in settlements and legal fees

Alderman Cantelo-Zylman thanked the Police Department for their sweep to ticket those that haven't purchased city stickers.

Mayor Vargas asked that the Police enforce No parking of trailers on streets without being attached to a licensed vehicle

Alderman Hill pointed out that Dominos Pizza has grants available for street repairs.

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Alderman Hawley announced that the 33rd annual Blue Island Historical Society House walk is on Sunday September 15, 2019

EXECUTIVE SESSION

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

- 1. Collective Bargaining Negotiations Matters
- 2. Employment, Compensation, Discipline, Performance or Dismissal of Certain Employees

Upon a voice vote, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

*****CLOSED SESSION*****

REGULAR MEETING

Motion by Ald. Hawley, second by Ald. Bilotto to reconvene Regular Meeting.

Upon a voice vote, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

Attorney Burke informed the Audience that in closed session, we discussed

- 1. Collective Bargaining Negotiations Matters
- 2. Employment, Compensation, Discipline, Performance or Dismissal of Certain Employees

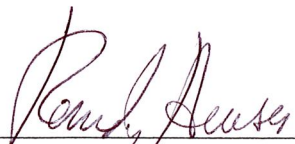
ADJOURNMENT

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

Upon a voice vote, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

The next regular meeting of the City Council is scheduled for September 24, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:23 p.m.



 Randy Heuser, City Clerk

**APPROVED BY ME THIS
24th DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2019.**

Domingo Vargas, Mayor