

**JOURNAL OF PROCEEDING OF THE BOND ISSUE PUBLIC HEARING &
REGULAR MEETING**

AUGUST 27, 2019

CALL TO ORDER

The Public Hearing pursuant to the Bond Issue Notification Act and 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 August 27, 2019.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Roll Call indicates the following:

Present: 11 Rita, Donahue, Hawley, Fahrenwald, Hill, Mech, Carr, Cantelo-Zylman, Klinker, Alexander, Bilotto

Absent: 3 Cazares, Slattery, Johnson

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

PUBLIC HEARING

Public Hearing pursuant to the Bond Issue Notification Act on the proposal to sell limited bonds in an amount not to exceed \$1,550,000 for the purpose of paying judgments, claims and settlements for various litigation cases.

No comments from the Public.

Several Aldermen asked what the process was going to be to get this bond. The Mayor informed the Council that it would be still be going through committees as well as Bond Counsel.

Motion to Close Public Hearing Portion of the meeting by Alderman Hawley, seconded by Alderman Rita.

Ayes: 11 Rita, Donahue, Hawley, Fahrenwald, Hill,
Mech, Carr, Cantelo-Zylman, Klinker,
Alexander, Bilotto

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Nays: 0

Absent: 3 Cazares, Slattery, Johnson

Abstention: 0

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

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

Ayes: 8 Rita, Hawley, Hill, Mech, Cantelo-Zylman, Klinker, Alexander, Bilotto

Nays: 0

Absent: 3 Cazares, Slattery, Johnson

Abstention: 3 Donahue, Fahrenwald, Carr

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

PUBLIC COMMENT

Marc Perez asked the Council to put aside politics and do what's best for the town.

Carol Greene spoke about the need for Bond issuance and asked that those responsible for these settlements be held responsible for these costs.

REPORT OF CITY OFFICIALS

MAYOR:

Mayor Vargas remembered Rene Padilla who died trying to save his daughter in Lake Michigan.

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

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Mayor Vargas asked the City Council for concurrence on the Appointment of Steven Esparza to the Blue Island Library Board.

Motion to Concur by Alderman Cantelo-Zylman, seconded by Alderman Fahrenwald.

Ayes: 11 Rita, Donahue, Hawley, Fahrenwald, Hill, Mech, Carr, Cantelo-Zylman, Klinker, Alexander, Bilotto

Nays: 0

Absent: 3 Cazares, Slattery, Johnson

Abstention: 0

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

Chris Slattery gave a presentation about the Cook County Forest Preserve offerings in and around the Forest Preserve Properties around Blue Island.

CITY CLERK:

No Business

BIDS:

Motion to approve 2019 Underground Utility Repairs Award Recommendation: Insituform Technologies in the amount of \$336,518.75

Motion to approve Bid by Ald. Donahue seconded by Ald. Bilotto.

Ayes: 11 Rita, Donahue, Hawley, Fahrenwald, Hill, Mech, Carr, Cantelo-Zylman, Klinker, Alexander, Bilotto

Nays: 0

Absent: 3 Cazares, Slattery, Johnson

Abstention: 0

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

CITY TREASURER:

No Business

COMMITTEE REPORTS

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT – next meeting Wednesday, September 11, 2019

Abandoned Property Sale Proposal – 12751 S. Lincoln Avenue

Motion to approve Sale by Ald. Bilotto seconded by Ald. Donahue.

Ayes: 11 Rita, Donahue, Hawley, Fahrenwald, Hill,
Mech, Carr, Cantelo-Zylman, Klinker,
Alexander, Bilotto

Nays: 0

Absent: 3 Cazares, Slattery, Johnson

Abstention: 0

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

Ordinance No. 2019-039 An Ordinance Authorizing the Issuance of a Parking Variance for a Shared Use Parking Lot in Blue Island, Illinois.

Motion to approve Ordinance by Ald. Bilotto seconded by Ald. Cantelo-Zylman

Ayes: 11 Rita, Donahue, Hawley, Fahrenwald, Hill,
Mech, Carr, Cantelo-Zylman, Klinker,
Alexander, Bilotto

Nays: 0

Absent: 3 Cazares, Slattery, Johnson

Abstention: 0

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

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Ordinance No. 2019-040 An Ordinance Authorizing a Special Use for a “Tavern or Bar” Use with a Parking Variance in Blue Island, Illinois.

Motion to approve Ordinance by Ald. Bilotto seconded by Ald. Cantelo-Zylman

Ayes: 0

Nays: 11 Rita, Donahue, Hawley, Fahrenwald, Hill, Mech, Carr, Cantelo-Zylman, Klinker, Alexander, Bilotto

Absent: 3 Cazares, Slattery, Johnson

Abstention: 0

There being Eleven (11) Nay Votes, the Mayor declared the motion failed.

Ordinance No. 2019-041 An Ordinance Authorizing a Fence Variance within the Front Yard in a Corner Property in Blue Island, Illinois.

Motion to approve Ordinance by Ald. Bilotto seconded by Ald. Rita.

Ayes: 11 Rita, Donahue, Hawley, Fahrenwald, Hill, Mech, Carr, Cantelo-Zylman, Klinker, Alexander, Bilotto

Nays: 0

Absent: 3 Cazares, Slattery, Johnson

Abstention: 0

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

Ordinance No. 2019-042 An Ordinance Amending Title XV, Land Usage, Chapter 150, Building Regulations; Construction Provisions of the Code of Ordinances for the City of Blue Island, Cook County, Illinois.

Motion to approve Ordinance by Ald. Bilotto seconded by Ald. Cantelo-Zylman

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Ayes: 11 Rita, Donahue, Hawley, Fahrenwald, Hill,
Mech, Carr, Cantelo-Zylman, Klinker,
Alexander, Bilotto

Nays: 0

Absent: 3 Cazares, Slattery, Johnson

Abstention: 0

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

FINANCE COMMITTEE – next meeting Monday September 9, 2019**Motion by Ald. Donahue, second by Ald. Carr to approve Accounts Payable for August 28, 2019 in the amount of 297,656.60**

Ayes: 11 Rita, Donahue, Hawley, Fahrenwald, Hill,
Mech, Carr, Cantelo-Zylman, Klinker,
Alexander, Bilotto

Nays: 0

Absent: 3 Cazares, Slattery, Johnson

Abstention: 0

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

Motion by Ald. Donahue, second by Ald. Bilotto to approve Payroll for August 9, 2019 in the amount of \$334,515.79

Ayes: 11 Rita, Donahue, Hawley, Fahrenwald, Hill,
Mech, Carr, Cantelo-Zylman, Klinker,
Alexander, Bilotto

Nays: 0

Absent: 3 Cazares, Slattery, Johnson

Abstention: 0

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

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Motion by Ald. Donahue, seconded by Ald. Fahrenwald to approve a Property Demolition Proposal – 12548 S. Western (formerly Citgo)

Ayes: 11 Rita, Donahue, Hawley, Fahrenwald, Hill, Mech, Carr, Cantelo-Zylman, Klinker, Alexander, Bilotto

Nays: 0

Absent: 3 Cazares, Slattery, Johnson

Abstention: 0

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

Resolution No. 2019-032 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.

Motion to approve Resolution by Ald. Donahue seconded by Ald. Bilotto.

Ayes: 11 Rita, Donahue, Hawley, Fahrenwald, Hill, Mech, Carr, Cantelo-Zylman, Klinker, Alexander, Bilotto

Nays: 0

Absent: 3 Cazares, Slattery, Johnson

Abstention: 0

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

PUBLIC HEALTH & SAFETY – next meeting September 17, 2019

JUDICIARY COMMITTEE – next meeting September 17, 2019

Motion by Ald. Rita, seconded by Ald. Bilotto to Motion to Deny Property Damage Claims:

- 2019-12059 (Snow Plow damage to sign)
- 2019-1550 (Tree cracked and fell on car)
- 2019-2015 (Tree branch fell on hood of car)
- 2019-2057 (Ambulance on call struck parked car)

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Ayes: 11 Rita, Donahue, Hawley, Fahrenwald, Hill,
Mech, Carr, Cantelo-Zylman, Klinker,
Alexander, Bilotto

Nays: 0

Absent: 3 Cazares, Slattery, Johnson

Abstention: 0

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

Ordinance No. 2019-043 An Ordinance Amending Title III (“Administration”) of Chapter 30 (“City Council – General Provisions”) of the Code of Blue Island, Illinois to Establish and Record Rules for Public Comment and the Recording of Public Meetings.

Motion to approve Ordinance by Ald. Rita seconded by Ald. Donahue.

Ayes: 11 Rita, Donahue, Hawley, Fahrenwald, Hill,
Mech, Carr, Cantelo-Zylman, Klinker,
Alexander, Bilotto

Nays: 0

Absent: 3 Cazares, Slattery, Johnson

Abstention: 0

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

MUNICIPAL SERVICES – next meeting September 10, 2019

ALDERMANIC ANNOUNCEMENTS/COMMENTS

Alderman Fahrenwald asked that the Municipal Services expeditiously move if the need arises for resident only parking around the soon to be opened Cook County Hospital Clinic

Alderman Cantelo-Zylman thanked those that came to McDonalds for the Light Parade Fundraiser and the Police Department for their sweep to ticket those that haven’t purchased city stickers.

Mayor Vargas asked that the Police enforce speeding on the newly resurfaced Vincennes Ave.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

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

1. Pending Workers Compensation litigation in Murray v. City of Blue Island.
2. Discussion of Probable and Imminent Litigation
3. Acquisition of Real Property.
4. Employment of City Prosecutor

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. Pending Workers Compensation litigation in Murray v. City of Blue Island.
2. Discussion of Probable and Imminent Litigation
3. Acquisition of Real Property.
4. Employment of City Prosecutor

Motion to approve Settlement Agreement in the Workers Comp litigation case of Murray v. City of Blue Island by Ald. Rita seconded by Ald. Cantelo-Zylman.

Ayes: 11 Rita, Donahue, Hawley, Fahrenwald, Hill, Mech, Carr, Cantelo-Zylman, Klinker, Alexander, Bilotto

Nays: 0

Absent: 3 Cazares, Slattery, Johnson

Abstention: 0

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

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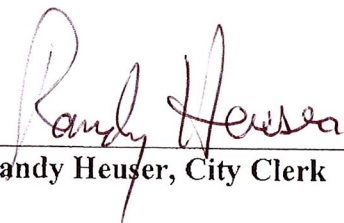
ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Ald. Hill, second by Ald. Fahrenwald 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 10, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:53 p.m.



Randy Heuser, City Clerk

APPROVED BY ME THIS
10th DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2019.



Domingo Vargas, Mayor