

**JOURNAL OF PROCEEDING OF THE REGULAR MEETING**  
**April 30, 2020**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Blue Island Held Remotely on Thursday, April 30, 2020 at 7:00p.m. by Mayor Vargas as permitted by Executive Order 2020-07 signed by Illinois Governor J.B. Pritzker on March 16, 2020 in response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**ROLL CALL**

Roll Call indicates the following:

Present:	12	Hawley, Fahrenwald, Hill, Mech, Carr, Cantelo-Zylman, Klinker, Johnson, Alexander, Bilotto, Cazares, Donahue
Absent:	1	Rita
Present Also:		Randy Heuser, City Clerk Cary Horvath, City Attorney Kelly Burke, City Attorney

**JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS:**

**Motion by Ald. Donahue, second by Ald. Hill to approve the Regular City Council Minutes from April 14, 2020.**

Ayes:	12	Hawley, Fahrenwald, Hill, Mech, Carr, Cantelo-Zylman, Klinker, Johnson, Alexander, Bilotto, Cazares, Donahue
Nays:	0	
Absent:	1	Rita
Abstention:	0	

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

**PUBLIC COMMENT;** No public Comment

**REPORT OF CITY OFFICIALS**

**MAYOR:**

Mayor Vargas read a proclamation for the GWRRA declaring May as Motorcycle Awareness Month

**Motion by Ald. Bilotto, second by Ald. Hill to approve Proclamation.**

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

Mayor Vargas read a Proclamation for PLOWS declaring May Older Americans Month

**Motion by Ald. Hill, second by Ald. Fahrenwald to approve Proclamation.**

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

Nays: 0

Absent: 1 Rita

Abstention: 0

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

Mayor Vargas informed the City Council that he was appointing Allan Stevo to fill the unexpired 7th Ward Aldermanic term that Alecia Slattery had resigned from.

Mayor Vargas asked for a motion to approve appointment of Allan Stevo.

**Motion by Ald. Bilotto, second by Ald. Donahue to table Appointment until a Special Meeting to be held May 22, 2020 at 7:00.**

Ayes: 9 Hill, Mech, Carr, Cantelo-Zylman, Klinker, Bilotto, Cazares, Donahue, Mayor Vargas

Nays: 4 Hawley, Fahrenwald, Johnson, Alexander

Absent: 1 Rita

Abstention: 0

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

Mayor Vargas asked that we all keep our thoughts and prayers for all affected by COVID-19.

Mayor Vargas announced that the City would not be participating in drive-by parades due to numerous requests and the lack of manpower to satisfy all requests; he also announced that there is a campaign to “Make Noise in Blue Island” from 8:00 – 8:15 to show appreciation to First Responders.

All elected officials at all levels are asked to try to acquire PPE for all residents.

**CITY CLERK:**

Bids:

Motion to Approve 2020 Combination Storm/Sewer Cleaning and Televising Award Recommendation: Visu-Sewer, Inc. \$175,829.70.

**Motion to Table Bid Recommendation by Ald. Donahue,  
seconded by Ald. Fahrenwald.**

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

Nays: 1      Johnson

Absent: 1      Rita

Abstention: 0

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

**CITY TREASURER:**

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

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

Nays: 1 Johnson

Absent: 1 Rita

Abstention: 0

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

**CITY ATTORNEY:**

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT** – next meeting May 13, 2020

**Ordinance No. 2020-015** An Ordinance Approving a Special Use to allow for a “Retail and Personal Service Establishment”.

**Motion to Approve by Ald. Bilotto, seconded by Ald. Cantelo-Zylman.**

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

Nays: 0

Absent: 1 Rita

Abstention: 0

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

**Resolution No. 2020-015** A Resolution Authorizing City Staff to Conduct the Sale of Property commonly known as 13747 S. Western Avenue, Blue Island, Illinois, with Property Index Numbers 28-01-203-009-0000 and 29-06-106-041-0000.

**Motion to Approve by Ald. Bilotto, seconded by Ald. Johnson.**

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

Nays: 0

Absent: 1 Rita

Abstention: 0

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

**FINANCE COMMITTEE** – next meeting May 4, 2020

**Motion by Ald. Donahue, second by Ald. Cazares to approve Accounts Payable Check Proof for April 29, 2020 for \$550,486.67.**

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

Nays: 1 Johnson

Absent: 1 Rita

Abstention: 0

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

**Motion by Ald. Donahue, second by Ald. Carr to approve Payroll for April 3, 2020 for \$329,911.38 and April 17, 2020 for \$375,944.72**

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

Nays: 1 Johnson

Absent: 1 Rita

Abstention: 0

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

**Ordinance 2020-016** An Ordinance of the City of Blue Island, Cook County, Illinois Approving Participation in an Intrastate Mutual Aid and Assistance Program called the Illinois Water and Wastewater Agency Response Network (ILWARN).

**Motion by Ald. Donahue, second by Ald. Hill to approve Ordinance 2020-016.**

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

Nays: 0

Absent: 1 Rita

Abstention: 0

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

**Resolution No. 2020-016** A Resolution Approving the Agreements with Doran's Landscape for Landscape Renovation and Maintenance at Western Avenue and Gregory Street, Olde Western Avenue and 135<sup>th</sup> Place and 127<sup>th</sup> Street and Gregory Street for the City of Blue Island, Illinois

**Motion by Ald. Donahue, second by Ald. Bilotto to approve Resolution No. 2020-013.**

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

Nays: 1 Johnson

Absent: 1 Rita

Abstention: 0

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

**PUBLIC HEALTH & SAFETY** – Next Meeting is May 19, 2020

**MUNICIPAL SERVICES** – Next Meeting is May 12, 2020

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**JUDICIARY COMMITTEE** – Next Meeting TBD

**ALDERMANIC ANNOUNCEMENTS/COMMENTS**

Alderman Hill asked that citizens that can make masks do so and asked to start a “Make a Mask Save a Life” campaign.

Alderman Fahrenwald stated that there are some online resources to show how to make a mask without sewing. He also gave a shout out to Alderman Johnson for handing out food.

Alderman Johnson got a donation of 500 masks, 250 pairs of gloves from Early Walker from WW All Area Towing & State Rep Will Davis. He further stated that Country House Restaurant in Alsip has donated numerous meals to seniors in need. He also thanked the Kuehner’s for donations of cereal and magazines to be distributed to area seniors. He also thanked Brian Anderson of Shepherd Hope and Alderman Fahrenwald for their help during these times.

Alderman Carr thanked Maricella Flores for the hundreds of masks she has made for fellow Blue Islander’s.

Alderman Hill acknowledged 28 Mile distillery for their donation of hand sanitizer.

Alderman Bilotto wished Rose Peretta a Happy 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday. He also asked that we continue to support our local businesses during the Stay at Home Order.

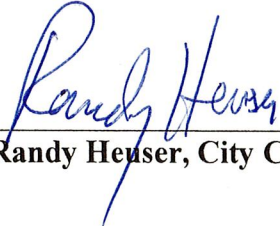
**ADJOURNMENT**

**Motion by Ald. Hill, second by Ald. Cantelo-Zylman to adjourn the meeting.**

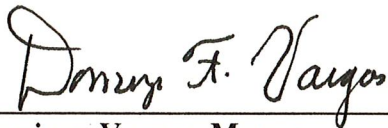
Upon a voice vote, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:04 p.m.

The next regular meeting of the City Council is scheduled for May 12, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.

  
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Randy Heuser, City Clerk

APPROVED BY ME THIS  
28<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF APRIL, 2020.

  
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Domingo Vargas, Mayor

