JOURNAL OF PROCEEDING OF THE REGULAR MEETING May 12, 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 8:22p.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:

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Hill, Mech, Carr, Cantelo-Zylman, Klinker, Johnson

(8:37), Alexander, Bilotto, Cazares, Rita, Donahue,

Hawley, Fahrenwald

Absent:

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Present Also:

Randy Heuser, City Clerk Cary Horvath, City Attorney Kelly Burke, City Attorney

JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS:

Motion by Ald. Carr, second by Ald. Hill to approve the Regular City Council Minutes from April 30, 2020.

Ayes:

11

Hill, Mech, Carr, Cantelo-Zylman, Klinker,

Alexander, Bilotto, Cazares, Donahue, Hawley,

Fahrenwald

Nays:

0

Absent:

1

Johnson

Abstention: 1

Rita

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

PUBLIC COMMENT; No public Comment

REPORT OF CITY OFFICIALS

MAYOR:

Mayor Vargas reminded the residents of Blue Island to stay safe during this COVID-19 pandemic and to wear masks while in public.

Mayor Vargas informed the residents about the Construction projects that have started on the Western Avenue Bridge and Olde Western. Also, that there have been several abandoned properties taken down.

CITY CLERK:

Bids:

No Bids

CITY TREASURER:

Motion by Ald. Fahrenwald, second by Ald. Bilotto to approve Monthly Treasurer's Report.

Ayes:

12

Hill, Mech, Carr, Cantelo-Zylman, Klinker,

Alexander, Bilotto, Cazares, Rita, Donahue,

Hawley, Fahrenwald

Nays:

0

Absent:

1

Johnson

Abstention: 0

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:

11

Hill, Mech, Carr, Cantelo-Zylman, Klinker,

Alexander, Bilotto, Cazares, Rita, Donahue,

Hawley

Nays:

0

Absent:

1

Johnson

Abstention: 1

Fahrenwald

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

motion carried.

CITY ATTORNEY:

No Business

COMMITTEE REPORTS

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT – next meeting May 13, 2020

FINANCE COMMITTEE - next meeting May 18, 2020

Motion by Ald. Donahue, second by Ald. Hill to approve Accounts Payable Check Proof for May 13, 2020 for \$595,069.52.

Ayes:

12

Hill, Mech, Carr, Cantelo-Zylman, Klinker,

Alexander, Bilotto, Cazares, Rita, Donahue, Hawley,

Fahrenwald

Nays:

1

Johnson

Absent:

0

Abstention: 0

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

Motion by Ald. Donahue, second by Ald. Rita to approve Payroll for May 1, 2020 for \$324,200.44.

Ayes:

12

Hill, Mech, Carr, Cantelo-Zylman, Klinker,

Alexander, Bilotto, Cazares, Rita, Donahue, Hawley,

Fahrenwald

Nays:

1

Johnson

Absent:

0

Abstention: 0

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

Motion by Ald. Donahue, second by Ald. Carr to approve New Street Reconstruction Partial Payout Estimate #1 to Davis Concrete Construction Company \$284,092.00

Ayes:

12

Hill, Mech, Carr, Cantelo-Zylman, Klinker,

Alexander, Bilotto, Cazares, Rita, Donahue, Hawley,

Fahrenwald,

Nays:

1

Johnson

Absent:

0

Abstention: 0

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

Motion by Ald. Donahue, second by Ald. Hill to approve Grove Street Resurfacing Final Payout Estimate #2 to D Construction, Inc. for \$5,307.93

Ayes:

13

Hill, Mech, Carr, Cantelo-Zylman, Klinker, Johnson,

Alexander, Bilotto, Cazares, Rita, Donahue, Hawley,

Fahrenwald

Nays:

0

Absent:

0

Abstention: 0

There being Thirteen (13) Affirmative Votes, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

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

MUNICIPAL SERVICES - Next Meeting is May 26, 2020

JUDICIARY COMMITTEE - Next Meeting May 19, 2020

ALDERMANIC ANNOUNCEMENTS/COMMENTS

Alderman Klinker asked if there is any update about the AFSCME contract.

Alderman Zylman thanked Carol Greene for organizing a mask handout with State Rep Slaughter.

Alderman Fahrenwald thanked Mark Miller for working on the abandoned propertied; also asked that residents obey the Governor's Stay in Place order

Alderman Rita congratulated all the 2020 graduates of DDE High School and the local $8^{\rm th}$ graders.

Alderman Johnson commented that we need to do more health inspections and that we need to look at our legal bills and how many lawyers we have.

Alderman Bilotto informed the Council that we will be hiring a 30 hour per week Health Inspector; he also informed the Council that the Business District will be paying for the gas station clean-up. He also asked that we support our local businesses.

Alderman Zylman stated that Veterans Memorial purchased

Alderman Bilotto stated that Calumet Township will be re-assessing their tax bills.

Alderman Hill is working on getting gloves and masks for the community.

ADJOURNMENT

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

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

The meeting was adjourned at 8:57 p.m.

The next regular meeting of the City Council is scheduled for May 26, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.

Randy Heuser, City Clerk

APPROVED BY ME THIS 26TH DAY OF MAY, 2020.

Domingo Vargas, Mayor

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