

**JOURNAL OF PROCEEDING OF THE REGULAR MEETING
May 26, 2020**

CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Blue Island Held Remotely on Tuesday, May 26, 2020 at 7:08p.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:	13	Carr, Cantelo-Zylman, Klinker, Stevo, Johnson, Alexander, Bilotto, Cazares, Rita, Hawley, Fahrenwald, Hill, Mech
Absent:	1	Donahue
Present Also:		Randy Heuser, City Clerk Kelly Burke, City Attorney

JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS:

Motion by Ald. Cantelo-Zylman, second by Ald. Rita to approve the Regular City Council Minutes from May 12, 2020.

Ayes:	13	Carr, Cantelo-Zylman, Klinker, Stevo, Johnson, Alexander, Bilotto, Cazares, Rita, Hawley, Fahrenwald, Hill, Mech
Nays:	0	
Absent:	1	Donahue
Abstention:	0	

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

PUBLIC COMMENT:

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Carol Greene thanked all who had anything to do with the mask giveaway held. The next event will be held on June 13 with a rain date of June 14.

REPORT OF CITY OFFICIALS

MAYOR:

Mayor's Veto Message regarding Ordinance 2020-17, an Ordinance of the City of Blue Island, Cook County, Illinois, Amending Chapter 31 of the Code of Blue Island, Illinois and Establishing a Monthly Retainer for Payment to the City Attorney for the Performance of General Corporate Matters for the City of Blue Island, Cook County, Illinois and veto of a Resolution 2020-017, a Resolution of the City of Blue Island, Cook County, Illinois Authorizing a Moratorium on Personnel Hiring and Replacement.

Mayor Vargas made the following Appointments:

Historic Preservation – New/Replacement, Linda O'Daniel, Term Ending 4/30/22

Zoning Board – New Appointment, Kimberly Byrne, Term Ending 4/30/25

Library Board – New/Replacement, Samara Elam Term Ending 6/21

Re-Appointment, Rita Brown, Term Ending 6/23

New Appointment, Mark Peters Term Ending 6/23

New Appointment, Tamela Martin, Term Ending 6/23

Motion to Approve by appointments by Ald. Stevo, seconded by Ald. Bilotto

Ayes: 13 Carr, Cantelo-Zylman, Klinker, Stevo, Johnson,
Alexander, Bilotto, Cazares, Rita, Hawley,
Fahrenwald, Hill, Mech

Nays: 0

Absent: 1 Donahue

Abstention: 0

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

Mayor Vargas asked that we all continue to follow the Governor's recommendations regarding Social Distancing.

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Mayor Vargas has reached out to MWRD and our City Engineers regarding the recent flooding from the heavy rains.

CITY CLERK:

No Business

CITY TREASURER:

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

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

Nays: 2 Stevo, Johnson

Absent: 1 Donahue

Abstention: 0

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

CITY ATTORNEY:

COMMITTEE REPORTS

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT – Next meeting, June 10, 2020

Resolution No. 2020-019 A Resolution Related to Providing Additional Outdoor Seating Space to Assist Bars and Restaurants in the City of Blue Island, Cook County, Illinois.

Motion to Approve by Ald. Bilotto, seconded by Ald. Carr

Ayes: 13 Carr, Cantelo-Zylman, Klinker, Stevo, Johnson, Alexander, Bilotto, Cazares, Rita, Hawley, Fahrenwald, Hill, Mech

Nays: 0

Absent: 1 Donahue

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Abstention: 0

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

FINANCE COMMITTEE – next meeting, June 1, 2020

Motion by Ald. Bilotto, second by Ald. Rita to approve Payroll for May 15, 2020 for \$332,404.87.

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

Nays: 1 Johnson

Absent: 1 Donahue

Abstention: 0

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

Motion by Ald. Bilotto, seconded by Ald. Fahrenwald Authorizing the transfer of \$5508.00 from Account 410 Police Department, Line Item 5100 Salaries Full-Time/Sworn Officers-Patrol Officers, to Account 410 Police Department, Line Item 5100 Salaries Full-Time/Sworn Officers-Police Chief to fund a 6% increase in the current salary of the Police Chief, retroactive to January 1, 2020.

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

Nays: 1 Rita

Absent: 1 Donahue

Abstention: 0

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

Motion by Ald. Bilotto, seconded by Ald. Hill Authorizing the transfer of \$5508.00 from Account 420 Fire Department, Line Item 5100 Salaries Full-Time Firefighters, to Account 420 Fire Department, Line Item 5100 Salaries Full-Time Fire Chief to

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fund a 6% increase in the current salary of the Fire Chief retroactive to January 1, 2020.

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

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

Motion by Ald. Bilotto, seconded by Ald. Cazares Approving the Settlement of a Grievance filed by the Blue Island Professional Firefighters Association.

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

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

PUBLIC HEALTH & SAFETY – Next Meeting is June 16, 2020

MUNICIPAL SERVICES – Next Meeting is June 9, 2020

Ordinance No. 2020-018 An Ordinance Restricting a portion of a certain Street for Handicapped Parking Only at or near 12718 Greenwood Avenue, within the City of Blue Island, County of Cook and State of Illinois and providing Penalties for the Violation Thereof,

Motion to Approve by Ald. Carr, seconded by Ald. Bilotto

Ayes:	13	Carr, Cantelo-Zylman, Klinker, Stevo, Johnson, Alexander, Bilotto, Cazares, Rita, Hawley, Fahrenwald, Hill, Mech
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Nays: 0

Absent: 1 Donahue

Abstention: 0

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

JUDICIARY COMMITTEE – Next Meeting is June 16, 2020

Ordinance No. 2020-019 An Ordinance of the City of Blue Island, Cook County, Illinois Amending Title VII, Chapter 70 (Traffic Code) and Title XIII, Chapter 30 (General Offenses) of the Code of Blue Island, Illinois.

Motion to Approve by Ald. Rita, seconded by Ald. Cantelo-Zylman

Ayes: 13 Carr, Cantelo-Zylman, Klinker, Stevo, Johnson, Alexander, Bilotto, Cazares, Rita, Hawley, Fahrenwald, Hill, Mech

Nays: 0

Absent: 1 Donahue

Abstention: 0

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

Resolution No. 2020-018 A Resolution of the City of Blue Island, Cook County, Illinois Authorizing and Approving an Access and Indemnification Agreement with Cardno Inc. and OAI.

Motion to Approve by Ald. Rita, seconded by Ald. Carr

Ayes: 13 Carr, Cantelo-Zylman, Klinker, Stevo, Johnson, Alexander, Bilotto, Cazares, Rita, Hawley, Fahrenwald, Hill, Mech

Nays: 0

Absent: 1 Donahue

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

ALDERMANIC ANNOUNCEMENTS/COMMENTS

Alderman Mech thanked the Mayor for pushing forward with the Flooding issue. He also stated that Marsha Lee had sent in a Public Comment that wasn't read. Clerk Heuser stated that he didn't receive anything from her.

Alderman Bilotto thanks Jim Poelsterl for his work during the flood cleanup.

Alderman Fahrenwald again expressed his concern over having the distraction of having two attorneys. He also pointed out that the rains we have received have taxed our sewer systems.

Alderman Johnson asked that we check on our neighbors, especially our seniors.

Alderman Hill thanked Public Works Department for fixing potholes in his Ward.

Alderman Stevo thanked Mayor Vargas and the City Council for appointing him to fill the vacant Aldermanic position.


ADJOURNMENT

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

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

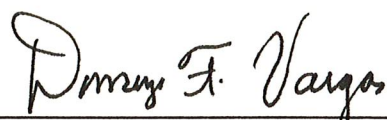
The meeting was adjourned at 8:11 p.m.

The next regular meeting of the City Council is scheduled for June 9, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.



Randy Heuser, City Clerk

**APPROVED BY ME THIS
9TH DAY OF JUNE, 2020.**



Domingo Vargas, Mayor

