

**JOURNAL OF PROCEEDING OF THE MEETING  
NOVEMBER 22, 2016**

**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 November 22, 2016.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**ROLL CALL**

Roll Call indicates the following:

Present:           11           Ald. Poulos, Vieyra, Bilotto, Rita, Donahue, Slattery, Ostling,  
Pittman, Frausto, Johanson, Hawley

Absent:            3           Ald. Carr, Johnson, Thompson

Present Also:           Randy Heuser, City Clerk  
Shawn Te Raines, City Attorney  
Carmine Bilotto, City Treasurer

**JOURNAL OF PROCEEDING**

**Motion by Ald. Poulos, second by Ald. Donahue to approve the Journal of Proceedings of the Regular Meeting from October 25, 2016.**

Ayes:            11           Poulos, Vieyra, Bilotto, Rita, Donahue,  
Slattery, Ostling, Pittman, Frausto, Johanson,  
Hawley

Nays:            0

Absent:           3           Carr, Johnson, Thompson

Abstain:         0

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

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**PUBLIC COMMENT**

None.

**REPORT OF CITY OFFICIALS**

**MAYOR:**

The Mayor thanked Tom Hawley and all the volunteers for their work on the planters this past Sunday. He announced that Maple Tree Inn was recognized as one of the top 25 restaurants in the Chicago metro area. The City of Blue Island presents the Blue Island Fire Department Community Meeting on November 30<sup>th</sup> from 6 p.m. – 8 p.m. at the John D. Rita Recreation Center, all are welcome.

**BIDS:**

No bids.

**CITY CLERK:**

No business.

**CITY TREASURER:**

**Motion by Ald. Hawley, second by Ald. Rita to approve the Monthly Treasurer's Report for the period ending on October 31, 2016.**

Ayes:	11	Poulos, Vieyra, Bilotto, Rita, Donahue, Slattery, Ostling, Pittman, Frausto, Johanson, Hawley
Nays:	0	
Absent:	3	Carr, Johnson, Thompson
Abstain:	0	

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

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**Presentation of the December 31, 2015 Audit** – Highlights include: The general fund had an operating surplus of \$596,824 as of December 31, 2015. The general fund had an operating deficit of over one million dollars as of April 30, 2013. The water fund had an operating surplus of \$1,564,192 as of December 31, 2015. There have been significant changes made to the golf course by increasing revenues, decreasing expenditures, and making sure things are running more efficiently. The city is committed to looking at each department that handles or brings in money to make sure the correct process and internal controls are in place. The recreation center is up and running and continues to improve.

**Motion by Ald. Poulos, second by Ald. Donahue to accept the Audit for the period ending on December 31, 2015.**

Ayes:	11	Poulos, Vieyra, Bilotto, Rita, Donahue, Slattery, Ostling, Pittman, Frausto, Johanson, Hawley
Nays:	0	
Absent:	3	Carr, Johnson, Thompson
Abstain:	0	

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

**CITY ATTORNEY:**

No business.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Community Development – Ald. Hawley, Chairman**

**ORDINANCE NUMBER 2016-041**

**AN ORDINANCE GRANTING A SPECIAL USE PERMIT TO HEALTH MASSAGE SPA, TO ALLOW A MASSAGE ESTABLISHMENT AT 13046 WESTERN AVENUE, BLUE ISLAND, ILLINOIS.**

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**Moved by Ald. Hawley, second by Ald. Poulos to approve Ordinance No. 2016-041.**

Ayes:	7	Poulos, Vieyra, Bilotto, Rita, Pittman, Frausto, Hawley
Nays:	4	Donahue, Slattery, Ostling, Johanson
Absent:	3	Carr, Johnson, Thompson
Abstain:	0	

There being Seven (7) Affirmative Votes, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

**ORDINANCE NUMBER 2016-040**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF BLUE ISLAND, ILLINOIS, TITLE XV LAND USAGE, CHAPTER 166 ZONING CODE.**

**Moved by Ald. Hawley, second by Ald. Pittman to approve Ordinance No. 2016-040.**

Ayes:	11	Poulos, Vieyra, Bilotto, Rita, Donahue, Slattery, Ostling, Pittman, Frausto, Johanson, Hawley
Nays:	0	
Absent:	3	Carr, Johnson, Thompson
Abstain:	0	

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

Next Meeting – Wednesday, December 14, 2016, 7:00 – East Annex

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**Finance Committee -- Ald. Rita, Chairman**

**Motion by Ald. Rita, second by Ald. Ostling to approve Payroll for October 21, 2016 for \$359,381.99.**

Ayes:	11	Poulos, Vieyra, Bilotto, Rita, Donahue, Slattery, Ostling, Pittman, Frausto, Johanson, Hawley
Nays:	0	
Absent:	3	Carr, Johnson, Thompson
Abstain:	0	

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

**Motion by Ald. Rita, second by Ald. Slattery to approve Payroll for November 4, 2016 for \$344,081.94.**

Ayes:	11	Poulos, Vieyra, Bilotto, Rita, Donahue, Slattery, Ostling, Pittman, Frausto, Johanson, Hawley
Nays:	0	
Absent:	3	Carr, Johnson, Thompson
Abstain:	0	

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

**Motion by Ald. Rita, second by Ald. Bilotto to approve Accounts Payable for November 2, 2016 for \$549,290.37.**

Ayes:	11	Poulos, Vieyra, Bilotto, Rita, Donahue, Slattery, Ostling, Pittman, Frausto, Johanson, Hawley
Nays:	0	
Absent:	3	Carr, Johnson, Thompson

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Abstain: 0

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

**Motion by Ald. Rita, second by Ald. Frausto to approve Accounts Payable for November 16, 2016 for \$398,206.76.**

Ayes: 11 Poulos, Vieyra, Bilotto, Rita, Donahue,  
Slattery, Ostling, Pittman, Frausto, Johanson,  
Hawley

Nays: 0

Absent: 3 Carr, Johnson, Thompson

Abstain: 0

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

**RESOLUTION NUMBER 2016-036**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT  
BETWEEN ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND THE CITY OF BLUE ISLAND.**

**Moved by Ald. Rita, second by Ald. Vieyra to approve Resolution No. 2016-036.**

Ayes: 11 Poulos, Vieyra, Bilotto, Rita, Donahue,  
Slattery, Ostling, Pittman, Frausto, Johanson,  
Hawley

Nays: 0

Absent: 3 Carr, Johnson, Thompson

Abstain: 0

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

**RESOLUTION NUMBER 2016-037**

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**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT TO PROVIDE POLICE LIAISON OFFICER TO COMMUNITY HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT 218.**

Moved by Ald. Rita, second by Ald. Pittman to approve Resolution No. 2016-037.

Ayes:	11	Poulos, Vieyra, Bilotto, Rita, Donahue, Slattery, Ostling, Pittman, Frausto, Johanson, Hawley
Nays:	0	
Absent:	3	Carr, Johnson, Thompson
Abstain:	0	

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

**RESOLUTION NUMBER 2016-038**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF BLUE ISLAND AND THE FOREST PRESERVE DISTRICT OF COOK COUNTY FOR CAL-SAG TRAIL EAST SEGMENT.**

Moved by Ald. Rita, second by Ald. Hawley to approve Resolution No. 2016-038.

Ayes:	11	Poulos, Vieyra, Bilotto, Rita, Donahue, Slattery, Ostling, Pittman, Frausto, Johanson, Hawley
Nays:	0	
Absent:	3	Carr, Johnson, Thompson
Abstain:	0	

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

**RESOLUTION NUMBER 2016-039**

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**A RESOLUTION APPROVING PAYMENT AGREEMENT WITH ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TRAFFIC SIGNAL MODERNIZATION AND INTERSECTION CHANNELIZATION, AND COMMITTING THE NECESSARY MATCHING FUNDS.**

Moved by Ald. Rita, second by Ald. Johanson to approve Resolution No. 2016-039.

Ayes:	11	Poulos, Vieyra, Bilotto, Rita, Donahue, Slattery, Ostling, Pittman, Frausto, Johanson, Hawley
Nays:	0	
Absent:	3	Carr, Johnson, Thompson
Abstain:	0	

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

**RESOLUTION NUMBER 2016-040**

**A RESOLUTION FOR IMPROVEMENT BY MUNICIPALITY UNDER THE ILLINOIS HIGHWAY CODE – PROJECT 06-00175-00-IL.**

Moved by Ald. Rita, second by Ald. Bilotto to approve Resolution No. 2016-040.

Ayes:	11	Poulos, Vieyra, Bilotto, Rita, Donahue, Slattery, Ostling, Pittman, Frausto, Johanson, Hawley
Nays:	0	
Absent:	3	Carr, Johnson, Thompson
Abstain:	0	

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

**RESOLUTION NUMBER 2016-041**



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**A RESOLUTION FOR IMPROVEMENT BY MUNICIPALITY UNDER THE ILLINOIS HIGHWAY  
CODE – PROJECT 96-00149-00-BR.**

**Moved by Ald. Rita, second by Ald. Bilotto to approve Resolution No. 2016-041.**

Ayes:	11	Poulos, Vieyra, Bilotto, Rita, Donahue, Slattery, Ostling, Pittman, Frausto, Johanson, Hawley
Nays:	0	
Absent:	3	Carr, Johnson, Thompson
Abstain:	0	

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

**RESOLUTION NUMBER 2016-042**

**A RESOLUTION FOR IMPROVEMENT BY MUNICIPALITY UNDER THE ILLINOIS HIGHWAY  
CODE – PROJECT 07-00176-00-PV.**

**Moved by Ald. Rita, second by Ald. Hawley to approve Resolution No. 2016-042.**

Ayes:	11	Poulos, Vieyra, Bilotto, Rita, Donahue, Slattery, Ostling, Pittman, Frausto, Johanson, Hawley
Nays:	0	
Absent:	3	Carr, Johnson, Thompson
Abstain:	0	

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

**RESOLUTION NUMBER 2016-043**

Regular Meeting – November 22, 2016

**A RESOLUTION FOR IMPROVEMENT BY MUNICIPALITY UNDER THE ILLINOIS HIGHWAY CODE – PROJECT 02-00164-00-BR.**

**Moved by Ald. Rita, second by Ald. Poulos to approve Resolution No. 2016-043.**

Ayes: 11 Poulos, Vieyra, Bilotto, Rita, Donahue,  
Slattery, Ostling, Pittman, Frausto, Johanson,  
Hawley  
Nays: 0  
Absent: 3 Carr, Johnson, Thompson  
Abstain: 0

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

**RESOLUTION NUMBER 2016-044**

**A RESOLUTION DIRECTING AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO ENTER INTO AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT WITH THE COUNTY OF COOK FOR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT FUNDED PROJECT #1606-002: STREET RECONSTRUCTION: GREENWOOD AVENUE, ANN AND MARKET STREETS.**

**Moved by Ald. Rita, second by Ald. Frausto to approve Resolution No. 2016-044.**

Ayes: 11 Poulos, Vieyra, Bilotto, Rita, Donahue,  
Slattery, Ostling, Pittman, Frausto, Johanson,  
Hawley  
Nays: 0  
Absent: 3 Carr, Johnson, Thompson  
Abstain: 0

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

Next Meeting – TBA

**Public Health & Safety Committee – Ald. Carr, Chairman**

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Next Meeting – Wednesday, December 14, 2016, 6:00 – East Annex

**Municipal Services Committee – Ald. Donahue, Chairman**

Next Meeting – Wednesday, December 7, 2016, 6:00 – East Annex

**Judiciary Committee – Ald. Frausto, Chairman**

**ORDINANCE NUMBER 2016-042**

**AN ORDINANCE RESCINDING HANDICAPPED PARKING RESTRICTIONS AT 2961 140<sup>TH</sup> STREET AND 2241 CANAL STREET IN THE CITY OF BLUE ISLAND, COUNTY OF COOK AND STATE OF ILLINOIS.**

**Moved by Ald. Frausto, second by Ald. Johanson to approve Ordinance No. 2016-042.**

Ayes:	11	Poulos, Vieyra, Bilotto, Rita, Donahue, Slattery, Ostling, Pittman, Frausto, Johanson, Hawley
Nays:	0	
Absent:	3	Carr, Johnson, Thompson
Abstain:	0	

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

**Discussion of Title 9 Codification Amendments** - Some significant amendments include removing animal welfare officer as an appointed position, clarifying prohibited animals to include wild/exotic, and allowing apiaries.

Next Meeting – Thursday, December 8, 2016, 7:00 – East Annex

**ALDERMANIC ANNOUNCEMENTS/COMMENTS**

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Ald. Johanson complimented the Mayor's administration, directors, and colleagues who worked in the finance committee the last three and a half years on turning a significant deficit into a surplus. He reminded the residents about the street sweeper, ambulances, public works trucks, bridges being fixed, mitigation of flooding in some areas, and the recreation center being remodeled.

Ald. Rita is collecting cereal for Angel's Touch. Cereal can be dropped off at the community center at Cal Park, Robert Rita's office, and Blue Island City Hall.

Ald. Frausto wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving. He thanked city council and Blue Island residents for their support on the mural project. He also thanked everyone for their support when he ran the Chicago marathon.

Ald. Hawley thanked everyone who helped put with the planters on Sunday. The light parade will be Saturday, December 3.

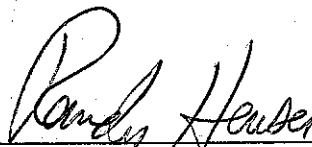
### ADJOURNMENT

**Motion by Ald. Pittman, second by Ald. Slattery to adjourn the meeting.**

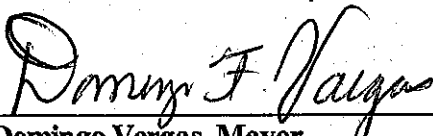
Upon a vote, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:46 p.m.

The next regular meeting of the City Council is scheduled for December 13, 2016 at 7:00 p.m.

  
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Randy Heuser, City Clerk

**APPROVED BY ME THIS  
13TH DAY OF DECEMBER, 2016.**

  
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Domingo Vargas, Mayor