# JOURNAL OF PROCEEDING OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING June 16, 2021

## **CALL TO ORDER**

The Committee of the Whole Meeting of the City of Blue Island was called to order by Mayor Bilotto at 6:00 p.m. on June 16, 2021

## PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

## **ROLL CALL**

Roll Call indicates the following:

Present:

6 Johnson, Montoya, Fahrenwald, McGee,

Carr, Roll

Absent:

1 Rita

Present Also:

Raeann Cantelo-Zylman, City Cerk

Jairo Frausto, City Treasurer Erin Blake, City Attorney

# **JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS:**

# **PUBLIC COMMENT**

None.

# **Report of City Officials**

#### **MAYOR:**

Appoint of City Administrator, Deputy City Administrator, and City Attorney

The Board decided the appointments of City Administrator, Deputy City Administrator, and City Attorney would be discussed at a later date.

## City Council Liaison Requests and Assignments

Alderman Fahrenwald presented a list of aldermen assignments. He stated the list was not fina, but was drafted in order to create a discussion. The Aldermen discussed their preferred liaison requests.

The Mayor and Aldermen unanimously voted to move this item to the regular meeting for approval.

## Mayor's Report

Mayor Bilotto discussed the need to fill positions within the Building Department.

## **CITY CLERK:**

Clerk Cantelo-Zylman discussed the sales of the City vehicle stickers.

#### **CITY TREASURER:**

Presentation by Enterprise for fleet leasing.

#### **CITY ATTORNEY:**

## **Zoning Ordinance Amendment Regarding Impervious Surfaces**

Mayor Bilotto discussed the proposed zoning ordinance that would regulate the amount of surface coverage for impervious surfaces.

The Mayor and Aldermen unanimously voted to move this item to the regular meeting for approval.

## Handicapped Parking at 12458 Maple

The Mayor and Aldermen decided that future handicapped parking applications would be a staff decision and sent directly to regular meeting for approval via consent agenda.

The Mayor and Aldermen unanimously voted to move this item to the regular meeting for approval.

## Ordinance amending Chapter 115 related to Food and Food Dealers

Attorney Blake stated this ordinance would allow restaurants to offer outdoor dining as long as the dining is attached to the building and the restaurant receives a permit.

The Mayor and Aldermen unanimously voted to move this item to the regular meeting for approval.

## Lease for Golf Carts at Meadows Golf Course

City Administrator Wogan discussed the lease presented for golf carts.

The Mayor and Aldermen unanimously voted to move this item to the regular meeting for approval.

## Agreement for ATM Services at Meadows Golf Course

City Administrator Wogan discussed the agreement for ATMs at Meadows golf course.

The Mayor and Aldermen unanimously voted to move this item to the regular meeting for approval.

#### Agreement Relating to Information Technology Upgrades

City Administrator Wogan discussed the proposed agreement for information technology upgrades. Alderman Roll discussed the agreement in further detail and stated that the City will eventually have to move to a cloud based system.

The Mayor and Aldermen unanimously voted to move this item to the regular meeting for approval.

## City Code Amendment Regarding Deputy Chief of Police and Police Commander

Police Chief Farr discussed that he is the only administrative, non-union staff employee in the Police Department and there is a strong need for more administrative non-union personnel.

#### **Authorization Relating to Part-Time Police Officers**

Police Chief Farr discussed the need to increase the part-time pay of police officers in order to retain said officers. Chief Farr discussed the range of pay in neighboring communities. He said his recommendation is \$23-\$27/hr. for part-time officers.

The Mayor and Aldermen unanimously voted to move this item to the regular meeting for approval.

#### Authorization Relating to Public Works Employees

The Board and Public Works Director discussed the need to hire new employees and the need to budget money to pay new employees. Attorney Blake discussed the necessity to

amend the appropriations ordinance in order to direct funds to public works for the hiring of new employees if the City were to hire new public works employees.

The Mayor and Aldermen unanimously voted to move this item to the regular meeting for approval.

## Parking on West Side of Page Street

Mayor Bilotto discussed the issues created by cars parking on the West Side of Page Street that include blockage of emergency vehicles.

The Mayor and Aldermen unanimously voted to move this item to the regular meeting for approval.

## Street Closure/Parking Lot Use - York and High Streets West of Western Avenue

Attorney Blake said that it is recommended that the City require insurance for events to be held on municipal property.

The Mayor and Aldermen unanimously voted to move this item to the regular meeting for approval.

## Memorandum of Understanding with Blue Island Historical Society

Mayor Bilotto stated the current memorandum of understanding needed to be updated.

The Mayor and Aldermen unanimously voted to move this item to the regular meeting for approval.

#### **Insurance Summary and Proposal**

Attorney Blake discussed the City's current insurance situation and obtaining information from insurance carriers in order to analyze efficiency of self-insured program. City Administrator Wogan discussed the need for a third-party administrator for workers' compensation claims.

#### Legal Update

Attorney Blake discussed various litigation matters that involve the City.

#### **CITY ALDERMEN:**

### Reports of Aldermen

Alderman Fahrenwald discussed the possibilities of filming committee of the whole meetings for viewing by citizens.

Alderman Johnson asked for a resolution honoring the Juneteenth holiday for the next regular meeting.

Alderman Carr discussed the possibility of an amendment to the City's noise ordinance.

Alderman Fahrenwald discussed the need to settle the dispute over the number of votes needed to expend funds in a resolution or ordinance.

# **ALDERMANIC ANNOUNCEMENTS/REPORTS/COMMENTS**

The Mayor and Aldermen unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting.

Raeann Cantelo-Zylman, City Clerk

APPROVED BY ME THIS

DAY OF \_\_\_\_\_\_ 2021

Fred Bilotto, Mayor