

**JOURNAL OF PROCEEDING OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
June 22, 2021**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The Regular Board Meeting of the City Council of the City of Blue Island was called to order by Mayor Bilotto at 7:00 p.m. on June 8, 2021

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**ROLL CALL**

Roll Call indicates the following:

Present:	4	Roll, McGee, Fahrenwald, Montoya
Absent:	3	Johnson, Rita, Carr
Present Also:		Raeann Cantelo-Zylman, City Clerk Jairo Frausto, City Treasurer Erin Blake, City Attorney

**JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS:**

**MEETING MINUTES**

**Motion by Alderman Roll, second by Alderman Montoya to approve the minutes of the June 8, 2021 Board Meeting.**

Ayes:	2	Montoya, Roll
Nays:	2	Fahrenwald, McGee
Absent:	3	Johnson, Rita, Carr
Abstention:	0	

There being two (2) Negative Votes, the Mayor declared the motion failed.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

A resident discussed issues with hospital employee parking.

A resident congratulated the newly elected officials and asked that everyone work together for the betterment of the City and also discussed speeding cars throughout the City.

A resident discussed her concerns with recent actions of the City.

A resident discussed concerns with rental properties having parties that disrupt neighbors.

Alderman Johnson entered the meeting after Roll Call, Meeting Minutes, and during Public Comments bringing the total number of members for the meeting to five (5) Alderman and the Mayor, for a total of eight (6) City Council members for all other matters.

## **ACTION ITEMS**

### **Old Business**

No Action Taken

### **Consent Agenda**

**Adoption of Ordinance 2021-016** - AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF BLUE ISLAND, ILLINOIS RESTRICTING A PORTION OF A CERTAIN STREET AT OR NEAR 2323 W. 121ST PLACE FOR HANDICAPPED PARKING ONLY WITHIN THE CITY OF BLUE ISLAND, COUNTY OF COOK, STATE OF ILLINOIS, AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR THE VIOLATION THEREOF

**Adoption of Ordinance 2021-017** - AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF BLUE ISLAND, ILLINOIS RESTRICTING A PORTION OF A CERTAIN STREET AT OR NEAR 2025 MARKET STREET FOR HANDICAPPED PARKING ONLY WITHIN THE CITY OF BLUE ISLAND, COUNTY OF COOK, STATE OF ILLINOIS, AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR THE VIOLATION THEREOF

**Adoption of Ordinance 2021-018** - AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF BLUE ISLAND, ILLINOIS RESTRICTING A PORTION OF A CERTAIN STREET AT OR NEAR 12458 MAPLE AVENUE FOR HANDICAPPED PARKING ONLY WITHIN THE CITY OF BLUE ISLAND, COUNTY OF COOK, STATE OF ILLINOIS, AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR THE VIOLATION THEREOF

**Motion by Alderman Fahrenwald, second by Alderman Roll to approve Adoption of Ordinance 2021-016, Ordinance 2021-017, and Ordinance 2021-018.**

Ayes: 5 Johnson, Montoya, Fahrenwald, McGee, Roll

Nays: 0

Absent: 2 Rita, Carr

Abstention: 0

There being five (5) Affirmative Votes, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

**Report of City Officials**

**Mayor:**

There was a moment of silence for Richard Castellana and James Base.

Mayor Bilotto stated that the City is looking for a qualified company to properly administer worker's compensation claims.

Mayor Bilotto stated there is a need to address multiple issues within the City Building Department as many positions remained unfilled. Mayor Bilotto stated that applications for employment have been submitted the last few weeks.

Mayor Bilotto stated there is a need for consistent ticketing by the City's Code Department officials.

Mayor Bilotto stated that the Police Department will begin issuing tickets to residents who do not have a City sticker for their vehicle.

Mayor Bilotto stated the City will continue to ticket illegal use of fireworks.

Mayor Bilotto stated the City's Police Department received an accommodation for Lexipol Excellence in Law Enforcement Policy Management.

Mayor Bilotto swore in officer Miles O'Brien as a Blue Island Police Officer.

Mayor Bilotto swore in firefighter Bradley Bentley as a Blue Island Firefighter.

Mayor Bilotto swore in firefighter Jorge Ramos as a Blue Island Firefighter.

**Motion by Alderman Montoya, second by Alderman Roll to approve Payroll for June 11, 2021 for \$309,249.10.**

Ayes: 5 Johnson, Montoya, Fahrenwald, McGee, Roll,

Nays: 0

Absent: 2 Rita, Carr

Abstention: 0

There being five (5) Affirmative Votes, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

**Police Pension Board of Commissioners**

Mayor Bilotto appointed James Johanson and Wayne Wolf as members of the Police Pension Board of Commissioners.

**Juneteenth Proclamation**

Mayor Bilotto proclaimed June 19<sup>th</sup> as the celebration of Juneteenth and declared that June 19<sup>th</sup> shall be known as Juneteenth Day in the City of Blue Island.

**Motion by Alderman Johnson, second by Alderman Fahrenwald to approve June 19<sup>th</sup> as Juneteenth Day in the City of Blue Island.**

Ayes: 5 Johnson, Montoya, Fahrenwald, McGee, Roll,

Nays: 0

Absent: 2 Rita, Carr

Abstention: 0

There being five (5) Affirmative Votes, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

**Adoption of Ordinance 2021-018 - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF BLUE ISLAND, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, ESTABLISHING SEVEN OPERATIONAL AREAS WITHIN THE CITY AND APPOINTING ALDERMEN AS LIAISONS TO EACH OPERATIONAL AREA**

**Motion by Alderman Fahrenwald, second by Alderman Roll to approve Adoption of Resolution 2021-018.**

Ayes: 5 Johnson, Montoya, Fahrenwald, McGee, Roll

Nays: 0

Absent: 2 Rita, Carr

Abstention: 0

There being five (5) Affirmative Votes, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

**Adoption of Ordinance 2021-019** - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF BLUE ISLAND, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING AN EXTENSION OF THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE CITY OF BLUE ISLAND AND THE BLUE ISLAND HISTORIC SOCIETY.

**Motion by Alderman McGee, second by Alderman Johnson to approve Adoption of Resolution 2021-019.**

Ayes: 5 Johnson, Montoya, Fahrenwald, McGee, Roll  
Nays: 0  
Absent: 2 Rita, Carr  
Abstention: 0

There being five (5) Affirmative Votes, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

**Adoption of Ordinance 2021-020** - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF BLUE ISLAND, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING SALARY INCREASES FOR PART-TIME POLICE OFFICERS.

**Motion by Alderman McGee, second by Alderman Fahrenwald to approve Adoption of Resolution 2021-020.**

**Motion by Alderman Fahrenwald, second by Alderman McGee to amend Resolution 2021-020.**

The amended resolution would state "Mayor and City Council" as opposed to stating "Mayor and City Aldermen."

Ayes: 4 Johnson, Fahrenwald, McGee, Roll  
Nays: 1 Montoya  
Absent: 2 Rita, Carr  
Abstention: 0

There being four (4) Affirmative Votes, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

**Motion by Alderman Fahrenwald, second by Alderman McGee to approve Adoption of Resolution 2021-020, as amended.**

Ayes: 4 Johnson, Fahrenwald, McGee, Roll  
Nays: 1 Montoya  
Absent: 2 Rita, Carr  
Abstention: 0

There being only four (4) Affirmative Votes, the Mayor declared the motion failed.

**Adoption of Ordinance 2021-021 - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF BLUE ISLAND, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING FUNDING FOR RETENTION OF PUBLIC WORKS EMPLOYEES.**

**Motion by Alderman Johnson, second by Alderman Roll to approve Adoption of Resolution 2021-021.**

Ayes: 5 Johnson, Montoya, Fahrenwald, McGee, Roll  
Nays: 0  
Absent: 2 Rita, Carr  
Abstention: 0

There being five (5) Affirmative Votes, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

Alderman Fahrenwald stated, "Hold on, I'm sorry, I've got the same issue here with virtually every single thing we have at this point; but let me think about this... It should read Mayor and City Council in my opinion rather than Mayor and City Aldermen...um, I don't want to hold up the whole works for the City right now. I guess what I'd be willing to say for the moment and then we can go back and consider this item is I want my objection noted..."

**Adoption of Ordinance 2021-020 - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF BLUE ISLAND, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING SALARY INCREASES FOR PART-TIME POLICE OFFICERS.**

**Motion by Alderman Fahrenwald, second by Alderman Roll to reconsider and to approve Adoption of the Original Resolution 2021-020.**

Ayes: 5 Johnson, Montoya, Fahrenwald, McGee, Roll

Nays: 0

Absent: 2 Rita, Carr

Abstention: 0

There being five (5) Affirmative Votes, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

Alderman Fahrenwald stated he wanted his objection to the language of the resolution noted for the record.

### **MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENT**

None at this time.

### **CITY CLERK'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

City Clerk Raeann Cantelo-Zylman discussed the filming of a TV show inside Metro South on June 30<sup>th</sup>. Clerk Cantelo-Zylman stated that National Night Out is August 3<sup>rd</sup>. Clerk Cantelo-Zylman presented information regarding vehicle stickers and dog tags.

### **CITY TREASURER'S REPORT & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

None.

### **CITY ATTORNEY**

**Adoption of Ordinance 2021-015:** AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF BLUE ISLAND, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, AMENDING CHAPTER 115, "FOOD AND FOOD DEALERS" OF THE CODE OF BLUE ISLAND, ILLINOIS

**Motion by Alderman McGee, second by Alderman Montoya to approve Adoption of Ordinance 2021-015.**

Ayes: 5 Johnson, Montoya, Fahrenwald, McGee,  
Roll

Nays: 2 Rita, Carr

Absent: 0

Abstention: 0

There being five (5) Affirmative Votes, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

**Adoption of Ordinance 2021-019:** AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF BLUE ISLAND, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS AMENDING THE ZONING CODE OF BLUE ISLAND, ILLINOIS IN REGARD TO IMPERVIOUS SURFACE COVERAGE.

**Motion by Alderman McGee, second by Alderman Roll to approve Adoption of Ordinance 2021-019.**

**Motion by Johnson to Amend Ordinance 2021-019, second by Roll to require current properties within the City of Blue Island with more than 60% impervious surface coverage to be exempted from this new law.**

Ayes: 5 Johnson, Montoya, Fahrenwald, McGee,  
Roll

Nays: 2 Rita, Carr

Absent: 0

Abstention: 0

**Motion by Alderman McGee, second by Alderman Roll to approve Adoption of Ordinance 2021-019, as amended.**

Ayes: 5 Johnson, Montoya, Fahrenwald, McGee,  
Roll

Nays: 2 Rita, Carr

Absent: 0

Abstention: 0

There being five (5) Affirmative Votes, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

**Adoption of Resolution 2021-022:** A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF BLUE ISLAND, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING AN AMENDMENT TO AN AGREEMENT FOR AUTOMATED TELLER MACHINE SERVICES AT THE MEADOWS OF BLUE ISLAND GOLF COURSE.

**Motion by Alderman McGee, second by Alderman Roll to approve Adoption of Resolution 2021-022.**



Ayes: 5 Johnson, Montoya, Fahrenwald, McGee,  
Roll  
Nays: 2 Rita, Carr  
Absent: 0  
Abstention: 0

There being five (5) Affirmative Votes, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

**Adoption of Resolution 2021-023:** A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF BLUE ISLAND, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING AN AGREEMENT FOR INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SECURITY UPGRADES.

**Motion by Alderman McGee, second by Alderman Fahrenwald to approve Adoption of Resolution 2021-023.**

**Motion by Alderman Roll, second by Alderman Fahrenwald to amend Resolution 2021-023 as to accept only the 140 Proofpoint Blackberry Protect Licenses with Turnkey Install for the amount of \$1,542.28**

Ayes: 5 Johnson, Montoya, Fahrenwald, McGee,  
Roll  
Nays: 2 Rita, Carr  
Absent: 0  
Abstention: 0

There being five (5) Affirmative Votes, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

**Motion by Alderman Fahrenwald, second by Alderman Roll to approve adoption of Resolution 2021-023, as amended.**

Ayes: 5 Johnson, Montoya, Fahrenwald, McGee,  
Roll  
Nays: 2 Rita, Carr  
Absent: 0  
Abstention: 0

There being five (5) Affirmative Votes, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

**Adoption of Ordinance 2021-020:** AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF BLUE ISLAND, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, AMENDING CHAPTER 72, "PARKING REGULATIONS" OF THE CODE OF BLUE ISLAND, ILLINOIS.

**Motion by Alderman Johnson, second by Alderman Roll to approve Adoption of Ordinance 2021-020.**

Ayes:	5	Johnson, Montoya, Fahrenwald, McGee, Roll
Nays:	2	Rita, Carr
Absent:	0	
Abstention:	0	

There being five (5) Affirmative Votes, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

**Adoption of Resolution 2021-024:** A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF BLUE ISLAND, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING PARKING LOT CLOSURE FOR A SPECIAL EVENT ON JULY 24, 2021 ENTITLED CRAFTED UPTOWN.

**Motion by Alderman McGee, second by Alderman Fahrenwald to approve Adoption of Resolution 2021-024.**

Ayes:	5	Johnson, Montoya, Fahrenwald, McGee, Roll
Nays:	2	Rita, Carr
Absent:	0	
Abstention:	0	

There being five (5) Affirmative Votes, the Mayor declared the motion carried

**Adoption of Resolution 2021-025:** A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF BLUE ISLAND, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING A BLOCK PARTY ON MARKET STREET ON JUNE 26, 2021

**Motion by Alderman Fahrenwald, second by Alderman Roll to approve Adoption of Resolution 2021-025.**

Ayes: 5 Johnson, Montoya, Fahrenwald, McGee,  
Roll  
Nays: 2 Rita, Carr  
Absent: 0  
Abstention: 0

There being five (5) Affirmative Votes, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

**ALDERMANIC ANNOUNCEMENTS/REPORTS/COMMENTS**

Alderman Fahrenwald and Mayor Bilotto discussed their desire to continue broadcasting Board meetings on Youtube.

**Motion by Alderman Fahrenwald, second by Alderman Montoya to adjourn the regular meeting.**

Ayes: 5 Johnson, Montoya, Fahrenwald, McGee,  
Roll  
Nays: 0  
Absent: 2 Rita, Carr  
Abstention: 0

There being five (5) Affirmative Votes, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

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**Raeann Cantelo-Zylman, City Clerk**

**APPROVED BY ME THIS**  
**\_\_\_\_ DAY OF \_\_\_\_\_ 2021**

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**Fred Bilotto, Mayor**

Ayes: 5 Johnson, Montoya, Fahrenwald, McGee,  
Roll  
Nays: 2 Rita, Carr  
Absent: 0  
Abstention: 0

There being five (5) Affirmative Votes, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

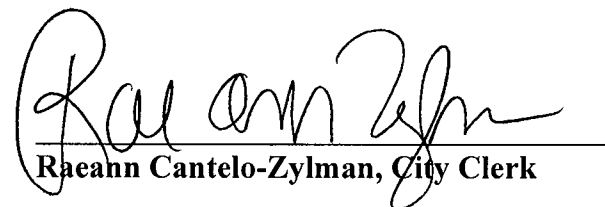
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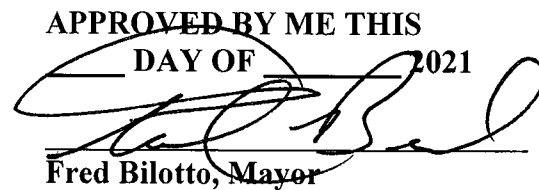
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Roll  
Nays: 0  
Absent: 2 Rita, Carr  
Abstention: 0

There being five (5) Affirmative Votes, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

  
Raeann Cantelo-Zylman, City Clerk

APPROVED BY ME THIS  
DAY OF 2021  
  
Fred Bilotto, Mayor