

**Minutes of the Regular City Council Proceedings of the City of Chicago Heights, Cook County, Illinois held Monday, October 3, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. at 1601 Chicago Road, Chicago Heights, IL.**

**CALL TO ORDER**

**Mayor David Gonzalez called the regular city council meeting of the Chicago Heights city council to order at 7:00 p.m.**

**ROLL CALL**

<b>Mayor:</b>	<b>David Gonzalez</b>	<b>Present</b>
<b>Council:</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Ward Walter Mosby</b>	<b>Present</b>
	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Ward Sonia Perez</b>	<b>Absent</b>
	<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Ward Wanda Rodgers</b>	<b>Absent</b>
	<b>4<sup>th</sup> Ward Joshua Deabel</b>	<b>Present</b>
	<b>5<sup>th</sup> Ward Richard Amadio</b>	<b>Present</b>
	<b>6<sup>th</sup> Ward Vincent Zaranti</b>	<b>Present</b>
	<b>7<sup>th</sup> Ward Sylvia Torres</b>	<b>Present</b>

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**COMMUNICATIONS**

**Alderman Mosby announced that he was rescheduling his October 6<sup>th</sup> ward meeting to October 13, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. at Barrack Obama School.**

**Alderman Perez was absent.**

**Alderman Rodgers was absent.**

**Alderman Deabel announced that his next ward meeting would be held on Monday, October 24, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. at Roosevelt School. His next neighborhood watch meeting would be held on Wednesday, November 16, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. at St. Paul Lutheran Church.**

**Alderman Amadio announced that his next ward meeting would be held on November 16, 2016 at 6:30 p.m. at Greenbrier School in the gym.**

**Alderman Zaranti announced that his next ward meeting would be held in coordination with Park District Commissioner Straczek on October 27, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. at Commissioners Park.**

**Alderman Torres thanked the Street Department for their repair of the potholes in the alleys.**

## **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

**Sam Lagunas, a resident of the City, addressed the city council on several matters, two of which included the Fire Department and the sub-contracting of landscaping services by the City.**

**Mayor Gonzalez thanked the resident and offered some clarifications on the matters that the resident was concerned about.**

## **REPORT OF CORPORATION COUNSEL – T.J. SOMER**

**No report.**

### **1. MINUTES: MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 19, 2016**

**Alderman Mosby moved, and Alderman Zaranti seconded, a motion to approve the minutes.**

**Ayes: Mosby, Amadio, Zaranti, Torres**

**Nays: Deabel**

**Abstain: none**

**Absent: Perez, Rodgers**

**Motion to approve carried.**

### **2. BILLS: APPROVAL OF SECOND RUN OF SEPTEMBER 2016.**

**Alderman Mosby moved, and Alderman Zaranti seconded, a motion to approve the bills.**

**Ayes: Mosby, Deabel, Amadio, Zaranti, Torres**

**Nays: none**

**Abstain: none**

**Absent: Perez, Rodgers**

**Motion to approve carried.**

**Alderman had a question regarding Call One for \$ 15,000 on page four of the list. Treasurer Dee explained that Call One was the City's new phone service provider.**

### **3. ORDINANCE #2016 -     20    : APPROVING A SPECIAL USE PERMIT FOR A HOME DAY CARE CENTER AT 61 EAST GLENGATE. (Applicant: Tina Buntin).**

**Alderman Amadio moved, and Alderman Mosby seconded, a motion to approve the ordinance.**

**Ayes: Mosby, Deabel, Amadio, Zaranti, Torres**  
**Nays: none**  
**Abstain: none**  
**Absent: Perez, Rodgers**  
**Motion to approve carried.**

**Courtney Anderson, City Engineer, reported to the council that the Plan Commission had approved the daycare operation at its meeting on September 21, 2016. Ms. Buntin was present and answered questions that the council had. The council discussed the matter amongst itself as well.**

**4. RESOLUTION #2016 - 65 : APPROVING A RENEWAL AGREEMENT WITH SAFESPEED, LLC FOR ADMINISTRATION OF THE CITY'S PHOTOGRAPHIC TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT SYSTEM.**

**Alderman Zaranti moved, and Alderman Amadio seconded, a motion to approve the resolution.**

**Ayes: Mosby, Deabel, Amadio, Zaranti, Torres**  
**Nays: none**  
**Abstain: none**  
**Absent: Perez, Rodgers**  
**Motion to approve carried.**

**Matt Fares, Executive Administrator at the Police Department, explained that the renewal contract contained minimal changes. The council asked questions of him and discussed the terms under which the monthly fee would be payable.**

**5. RESOLUTION #2016 - 66 : APPROVING A CITY EMPLOYEE LEAVE OF ABSENCE.**

**Alderman Mosby moved, and Alderman Torres seconded, a motion to approve the resolution.**

**Ayes: Mosby, Deabel, Amadio, Zaranti, Torres**  
**Nays: none**  
**Abstain: none**  
**Absent: Perez, Rodgers**  
**Motion to approve carried.**

**Mayor Gonzalez explained that a memo providing more information on the personnel matter had been given to the city council.**

**6. RESOLUTION #2016 - 67 : APPROPRIATING MFT FUNDS FOR ENGINEERING FEES FOR THE FOLLOWING ROAD PROJECTS (IDOT REQUIREMENT):**

- A. 2016 CDBG WEST SIDE ROAD RESURFACING PROJECT**
- B. 2016 WEST SIDE SUPPLEMENTAL ROAD RESURFACING PROJECT**
- C. 2016 CUB FOOD TIF AREA ROAD RESURFACING PROJECT**

Alderman Mosby moved, and Alderman Torres seconded, a motion to approve the resolution.

**Ayes: Mosby, Deabel, Amadio, Zaranti, Torres**

**Nays: none**

**Abstain: none**

**Absent: Perez, Rodgers**

**Motion to approve carried.**

Mayor Gonzalez stated that the engineering fees to be paid from the Motor Fuel Tax Fund for the projects were: A. \$ 24,700; B. \$ 13,300 C. \$ 13,000. The city council discussed whether the entrance to the movie theater off Route 30 was eligible to be included in the CUB Food project or whether it was an eligible TIF expense.

**7. RESOLUTION #2016 - 68 : APPROVING AN APPLICATION FOR A COOK COUNTY CLASS 8 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT INCENTIVE FOR THE PROPERTY AT 375 N. HALSTED STREET (former Absolute Window Company).**

Alderman Amadio moved, and Alderman Zaranti seconded, a motion to approve the resolution.

**Ayes: Mosby, Deabel, Amadio, Zaranti, Torres**

**Nays: none**

**Abstain: none**

**Absent: Perez, Rodgers**

**Motion to approve carried.**

Jack Hynes, Economic Development Director, informed the council about the proposed furniture retail center that would be located at the property.

**8. RESOLUTION #2016 - 69 : APPROVING THE CITY'S 2016-17 LIABILITY INSURANCE POLICY AND PREMIUM RENEWAL.**

Alderman Mosby moved, and Alderman Amadio seconded, a motion to approve the resolution.

**Ayes: Mosby, Deabel, Amadio, Zaranti, Torres**

**Nays: none**

**Abstain: none**

**Absent: Perez, Rodgers**

**Motion to adjourn carried.**

**Les Peach and John Marks, the City's broker of record, explained the renewal proposal to the council. There would be a relatively modest increase in the premium, and the retention would be raised. Mayor Gonzales clarified that the total amount of the renewal premium would be corrected to state \$ 611,353 in the resolution.**

**Mayor Gonzalez pointed out that the insurance renewal included ten million dollars in excess liability coverage. He referred to the recent settlement of the Sanders case for fifteen million dollars, whereby the City's negotiated share of the settlement would be two million dollars payable at five hundred thousand dollars per year over a four year period. He noted how twenty years ago, the City did not have excess liability insurance to cover incidents such as this case.**

#### **IF NECESSARY EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**MOTION TO ENTER EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS PERSONNEL ISSUES, COLLECTIVE BARGAINING MATTERS, USE OF CITY OWNED LAND, AND THREATENED OR PENDING LITIGATION.**

**No executive session was held.**

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

**Attest:**

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**City Clerk Lori Wilcox**