

**Minutes of the Regular City Council Proceedings of the City of Chicago Heights,
Cook County, Illinois held Monday, January 3, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. at 1601 Chicago
Road, Chicago Heights, IL.**

CALL TO ORDER

**Mayor Gonzalez called the regular meeting of the Chicago Heights City Council to
order at 7:00 p.m.**

ROLL CALL

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

COMMUNICATIONS

**Alderman Mosby announced that his next ward meeting would be held on February
2nd at 6:00 p.m. at Barack Obama School of Leadership.**

**Alderman Perez announced that her next ward meeting would be held on January
23rd at 7:00 p.m. at Garfield School.**

**Alderman Rodgers announced that her next quarterly ward meeting would be held
on Tuesday, February 21st at 6:00 p.m. at Lincoln School.**

**Alderman Deabel announced that his next ward meeting would be held on Monday,
January 23rd at 7:00 p.m. at Roosevelt School.**

**Alderman Amadio did not have any announcements, but wished everyone a Happy
New Year.**

**Alderman Zaranti announced that his next ward meeting would be held in
coordination with Park District Commissioner Straczek on January 26th at 7:00
p.m. at Commissioners Park.**

Alderman Torres was absent from the meeting.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Steve Koenig, Chicago Heights Firefighter, read a letter from John Armatore, in which he expressed his extreme gratitude to firefighters and dispatchers for their professional response to a recent fire at his home.

**REPORT OF THE CORPORATION COUNSEL—T.J. SOMER
Corporation Counsel was absent.**

1. MINUTES: MEETING OF DECEMBER 19, 2016

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

Ayes: Perez, Rodgers, Amadio, Zaranti

Nays: Deabel

Abstain: Mosby

Absent: Torres

Motion to approve carried.

2. BILLS: APPROVAL OF SECOND RUN OF DECEMBER 2016.

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

Ayes: Mosby, Perez, Rodgers, Deabel, Amadio, Zaranti

Nays: none

Abstain: none

Absent: Torres

Motion to approve carried.

3. RESOLUTION #2016 - 90 : APPROVING A COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT WITH IAFF LOCAL 711 FIREFIGHTERS.

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

Ayes: Mosby, Perez, Rodgers, Deabel, Amadio, Zaranti

Nays: none

Abstain: none

Absent: Torres

Motion to approve carried.

Mayor Gonzalez referred to a memorandum given to the city council summarizing the terms of the agreement. The city council previously discussed the terms in an executive session. The council had brief comments commending the outcome of the agreement.

4. RESOLUTION #2016 - 91 ; APPROVING AN APPLICATION FOR A COOK COUNTY CLASS 8 TAX CLASSIFICATION SUBMITTED BY VEER PETRO, INC., FOR THE NEW COMMERCIAL CONSTRUCTION AT 300 DIXIE HIGHWAY. (Shell Gas Station)

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

Ayes: Mosby, Perez, Rodgers, Deabel, Amadio, Zaranti

Nays: none

Abstain: none

Absent: Torres

Motion to approve carried.

Jack Hynes, Economic Development Director, provided a background on the project. Attorney for the business owner was present to answer questions for the council. A discussion followed on the possible landscaping for the business site.

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

At 7:23 p.m. Alderman Rodgers moved, and Alderman Mosby seconded, a motion to enter into executive session.

Ayes: Mosby, Perez, Rodgers, Deabel, Amadio, Zaranti

Nays: none

Abstain: none

Absent: Torres

Motion carried.

At 7:44 p.m. Alderman Mosby moved, and Alderman Rodgers seconded, a motion to return to regular session.

Ayes: Mosby, Perez, Rodgers, Deabel, Amadio, Zaranti

Nays: none

Abstain: none

Absent: Torres

Motion carried.

5. RESOLUTION #2016 - 92 : APPROVING A SETTLEMENT OF A WORKERS COMPENSATION MATTER AS DISCUSSED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION.

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

Ayes: Mosby, Perez, Rodgers, Deabel, Amadio, Zaranti

Nays: none

Abstain: none

Absent: Torres

Motion to approve carried.

Discussion took place in executive session preceding the vote on the matter.

ADJOURNMENT

At 7:46 p.m. Alderman Rodgers moved, and Alderman Mosby seconded, a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Ayes: Mosby, Perez, Rodgers, Deabel, Amadio, Zaranti

Nays: none

Abstain: none

Absent: Torres

Motion carried by acclamation.

Attest:

Lori Wilcox, City Clerk