

**Minutes of the Regular City Council Proceedings of the City of Chicago Heights,
Cook County, Illinois held Monday, February 21, 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	Absent
	2nd Ward Sonia Perez	Present
	3rd Ward Wanda Rodgers	Absent
	4th Ward Joshua Deabel	Absent
	5th Ward Richard Amadio	Present
	6th Ward Vincent Zaranti	Present
	7th Ward Sylvia Torres	Present

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

COMMUNICATIONS

Alderman Mosby was absent.

**Alderman Perez announced that her next ward meeting would be held on February
27th at 7:00 p.m. at Garfield School.**

Alderman Rodgers was absent.

Alderman Deabel was absent.

**Alderman Amadio announced that his next ward meeting would be held on
February 22nd at 6:30 p.m. in the Greenbriar Elementary School gym.**

**Alderman Zaranti announced that his next ward meeting would be held in
coordination with Park District Commissioner Straczek on Thursday, February 23rd
at 7:00 p.m. at Commissioners Park.**

Alderman Torres had no announcements.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Charles Dieringer, a resident of the City, spoke about the Community Emergency Response Training Services, sanitary services, storm water, flood plain maps, over grown trees on private properties, and water samples with lead content.

REPORT OF THE CORPORATION COUNSEL—T.J. SOMER

None

1. MINUTES: MEETING OF FEBRUARY 6, 2017

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

Ayes: Perez, Amadio, Zaranti

Nays: none

Abstain: Torres

Absent: Mosby, Rodgers, Deabel

Motion to approve carried.

2. BILLS: APPROVAL OF FIRST RUN OF FEBRUARY, 2017

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

Ayes: Perez, Amadio, Zaranti, Torres

Nays: none

Abstain: none

Absent: Mosby, Rodgers, Deabel

Motion to approve carried.

3. ORDINANCE #2017 - 3: AMENDING CHAPTER 39-161 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES REGULATING CLASS 8 & 6 (b) APPLICATION FEES.

Alderman Zaranti moved, and Alderman Torres seconded, a motion to approve the ordinance.

Ayes: Perez, Amadio, Zaranti, Torres

Nays: none

Abstain: none

Absent: Mosby, Rodgers, Deabel

Motion to approve carried.

Corporation Counsel Somer explained that the ordinance would give the City more flexibility on unusual properties that might require lower or higher fees.

4. **RESOLUTION #2017 - 5 ; APPROVING A RENEWAL APPLICATION FOR A COOK COUNTY CLASS 6 (b) PROPERTY TAX INCENTIVE FOR THE INNOPHOS INDUSTRIAL FACILITY LOCATED AT 700 STATE STREET.**

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

Ayes: Perez, Amadio, Zaranti, Torres

Nays: none

Abstain: none

Absent: Mosby, Rodgers, Deabel

Motion to approve carried.

Jack Hynes, Economic Development Director, gave the council a background on the applicant company.

5. **RESOLUTION #2017 - 6 : APPROVING A RENEWAL APPLICATION FOR A COOK COUNTY CLASS 8 PROPERTY TAX INCENTIVE FOR THE NVL, LLC INDUSTRIAL FACILITY AT 401 EAST JOE ORR ROAD. (Pita Bakery Joe Orr & State)**

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

Ayes: Perez, Amadio, Zaranti, Torres

Nays: none

Abstain: none

Absent: Mosby, Rodgers, Deabel

Motion to approve carried.

Jack Hynes, Economic Development Director, gave the council a background on the applicant company.

6. **RESOLUTION #2017 - 7 : APPROVING A RENEWAL APPLICATION FOR A COOK COUNTY CLASS 8 PROPERTY TAX INCENTIVE FOR THE COMMERCIAL FACILITY AT 551 W. 14TH ST. (new business-79th Street BBQ- leasing former Al's Beef).**

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

Ayes: Perez, Amadio, Zaranti, Torres

Nays: none

Abstain: none

Absent: Mosby, Rodgers, Deabel

Motion to approve carried.

Jack Hynes, Economic Development Director, gave the council a background on the applicant company. The council briefly discussed the matter before the vote.

- 7. RESOLUTION #2017 - 8 : APPROVING AN AGREEMENT WITH CRE-CC CORP. TO DEVELOP A STRATEGIC MASTER PLAN FOR THE REDEVELOPMENT OF THE FRANCISCAN ST. JAMES HOSPITAL SITE.**

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

Ayes: Perez, Amadio, Zaranti, Torres

Nays: none

Abstain: none

Absent: Mosby, Rodgers, Deabel

Motion to approve carried.

Jack Hynes, Economic Development Director, explained that the study would provide an overall view of potential development at the site if a senior or veteran home were to be established there. Mayor Gonzalez and the council discussed their vision for the site before the vote.

- 8. RESOLUTION #2017 - 9 : APPROVING A BID AWARD FOR THE 2017 SEWER CLEANING AND INSPECTION PROJECT.**

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

Ayes: Perez, Amadio, Zaranti, Torres

Nays: none

Abstain: none

Absent: Mosby, Rodgers, Deabel

Motion to approve carried.

Mayor Gonzalez stated that the project area was bounded by Western Avenue, Lincoln Highway, Scott Avenue, and 15th Place. Lowest bidder was Michels Pipe Services for a bid amount of \$ 64,625.00.

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

At 7:39 p.m. Alderman Amadio moved, and Alderman Zaranti seconded, a motion to enter into executive session.

Ayes: Perez, Amadio, Zaranti, Torres

Nays: none

Abstain: none

Absent: Mosby, Rodgers, Deabel

Motion to approve carried.

At 8:00 p.m. Alderman Zaranti moved, and Alderman Torres seconded, a motion to return to regular session.

Ayes: Perez, Amadio, Zaranti, Torres

Nays: none

Present: Deabel

Abstain: none

Absent: Mosby, Rodgers, Deabel

Motion to approve carried.

9. RESOLUTION #2017 - 10 : APPROVING THE SETTLEMENT OF CIVIL LITIGATION MATTERS AS DISCUSSED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION OF THIS DATE.

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

Ayes: Perez, Amadio, Zaranti, Torres

Nays: none

Abstain: none

Absent: Mosby, Rodgers, Deabel

Motion to approve carried.

10. RESOLUTION #2017 - 11 : APPROVING AN OPTION AGREEMENT FOR THE SALE OF CITY OWNED LAND LOCATED AT 2801 STATE STREET.

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

Ayes: Perez, Amadio, Zaranti, Torres

Nays: none

Abstain: none

Absent: Mosby, Rodgers, Deabel

Motion to approve carried.

11. RESOLUTION #2017 - 12 : APPROVING A COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT WITH LOCAL 150 OPERATORS UNION.

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

Ayes: Perez, Amadio, Zaranti, Torres

Nays: none

Abstain: none

Absent: Mosby, Rodgers, Deabel

Motion to approve carried.

ADJOURNMENT

At 8:06 p.m. Alderman Torres moved, and Alderman Perez seconded, a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Ayes: Perez, Amadio, Zaranti, Torres

Nays: none

Abstain: none

Absent: Mosby, Rodgers, Deabel

Motion carried by acclamation.

Attest:

Lori Wilcox, City Clerk