

Minutes of the Regular City Council Proceedings of the City of Chicago Heights, Cook County, Illinois held Monday, June 5, 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	Present

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

COMMUNICATIONS

Alderman Mosby had no announcements.

Alderman Perez announced her next ward meeting would be held on Monday, June 26th at 7:00 p.m. at Garfield School.

Alderman Rodgers announced that the annual 3rd Ward Extravaganza would be held on Saturday, August 12th at King Park.

Alderman Deabel announced his next ward meeting would be held on Monday, June 26th at 7:00 p.m. at Roosevelt School, and that his next neighborhood watch meeting would be held on Wednesday, June 21, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. at St. Paul Lutheran. He also announced the annual Ward 4 Neighborhood Garage Sale to be held on Friday, June 16th and Saturday, June 17th.

Alderman Amadio announced that his next ward meeting had not yet been scheduled.

Alderman Zaranti announced that his next ward meeting would be held in coordination with Park District Commissioner Curtis Straczek on Thursday, June 29th at 7:00 p.m. at Commissioners Park.

Alderman Torres had no announcements.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Robert McCoy, a resident of the City, commented on the new garbage pick-up fee.

Gordon Moberg, a resident of the City, addressed the council regarding the Humane Society's upcoming fundraising efforts and pet adoption events.

Chuck Dieringer, a resident of the city, addressed the council regarding the former South Suburban / Wellgroup Health building, light pole maintenance, and water line parkway repairs.

Sylvester Watson, a resident of the City, addressed the council regarding the new garbage pick-up fee.

Mayor Gonzalez outlined the garbage contract and possible options for residents related to the new charge for garbage pickup.

REPORT OF THE CHIEF OF STAFF—KAREN ZERANTE

Karen Zerante reported on the upcoming Driving the Dixie auto event on June 17th and the Bike Rodeo at Commissioners Park on June 24th.

REPORT OF THE CORPORATION COUNSEL—T.J. SOMER

Corporation Counsel Somer reported on the Sheriff's Office Blight Reduction Program.

1. MINUTES: MEETING OF MAY 15TH 2017

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

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

Nays: none

Abstain: none

Absent: none

Motion to approve carried.

2. BILLS: APPROVAL OF SECOND RUN OF MAY, 2017.

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

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

Nays: none

Abstain: none

Absent: none

Motion to approve carried.

3. ORDINANCE #2017 - 9 : REGULATING WAGES OF LABORERS MECHANICS AND OTHER WORKERS ENGAGED IN PUBLIC WORKS PROJECTS IN THE CITY OF CHICAGO HEIGHTS. (A/K/A THE PREVAILING WAGE ACT).

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

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

Nays: none

Abstain: none

Absent: none

Motion to approve carried.

Corporation Counsel T. J. Somer commented on the ordinance which was required to be passed annually.

4. ORDINANCE #2017 - 10 : RESERVING THE CITY'S VOLUME CAP IN CONNECTION WITH PRIVATE ACTIVITY BOND ISSUES AND RELATED MATTERS.

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

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

Nays: none

Abstain: none

Absent: none

Motion to approve carried.

Treasurer Jim Dee explained the ordinance which the City approved annually.

5. RESOLUTION #2017 - 41 : APPROVING A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING AND "OPTION AGREEMENT" WITH FRANCISCAN ALLIANCE, INC. FOR THE PURCHASE OF THE CITY OWNED REAL ESTATE AT 333 DIXIE HIGHWAY.

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

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

Nays: none

Abstain: none

Absent: none

Motion to approve carried.

Jack Hynes, Economic Development Director, addressed the council on the matter, and said that the possibility of demolishing the old building and building a new urgent care center in its place was being considered.

6. **RESOLUTION #2017 - 42 : APPROVING THE CITY'S CDBG APPLICATION FOR FUNDS TO DEMOLISH THE COMMERCIAL STRUCTURES AT 1414 HALSTED STREET AND 1621 SHIELDS AVENUE.**

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

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

Nays: none

Abstain: none

Absent: none

Motion to approve carried.

Corporation Counsel Somer addressed the council on the matter.

7. **RESOLUTION #2017 - 43 : APPROVING DEED IN LIEU OF FORECLOSURE AGREEMENTS FOR THE ACQUISITION OF 1621 SHIELDS AVENUE AND 1620 CENTER AVENUE.**

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

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

Nays: none

Abstain: none

Absent: none

Motion to approve carried.

Corporation Counsel Somer addressed the council on the matter.

8. **RESOLUTION #2017 - 44 : APPROVING A BID AWARD FOR THE CITY'S 2017 CDBG WEST SIDE RESURFACING PROGRAM (PROJECT# 1606-007).**

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

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

Nays: none

Abstain: none

Absent: none

Motion to approve carried.

Courtney Anderson, City Engineer, stated that based upon the review of the bids received, it was the recommendation to award the project to low bidder Iroquois Paving in the bid amount of \$ 902,388.08. Brief discussion took place on the matter.

9. RESOLUTION #2017 - 45 : APPROVING A BID AWARD FOR THE CITY'S 2017 CUBS FOOD TIF AREA ROAD RESURFACING PROJECT.

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

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

Nays: none

Abstain: none

Absent: none

Motion to approve carried.

Courtney Anderson, City Engineer, stated that based upon the review of the bids received, it was the recommendation to award the project to low bidder Iroquois Paving in the bid amount of \$ 725,809.65. Brief discussion took place on the matter.

10. RESOLUTION #2017 - 46 : APPROVING A PROPOSAL FOR THE CITY'S 2017 STREET & CURB RESTORATION PROJECTS.

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

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

Nays: none

Abstain: none

Absent: none

Motion to approve carried.

Tena Marquie, Water Department Superintendent, stated that the recommendation was to accept the proposal from J.J. Newell Concrete Company. The company proposed to complete the 2017 restoration project at the same unit rate under its 2016 restoration project contract with the City. Brief discussion took place on the matter.

11. MOTION TO ENTER EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS PENDING LITIGATION, USE OF CITY OWNED LAND AND PERSONNEL ISSUES.

At 8:06 p.m. Alderman Zaranti moved, and Alderman Torres seconded, a motion to enter into executive session.

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

At 8:20 p.m. Alderman Mosby moved, and Alderman Deabel seconded, a motion to re-enter regular session.

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

12. RESOLUTION #2017 - 47 : APPROVING THE SETTLEMENT OF CERTAIN CIVIL LITIGATION AS DISCUSSED IN THE EXECUTIVE SESSION OF THIS DATE

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

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

At 8:25 p.m. Alderman Mosby moved, and Alderman Zaranti seconded, a motion to adjourn the regular meeting.

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


Lori Wilcox, City Clerk