

Minutes of the Regular City Council Proceedings of the City of Chicago Heights, Cook County, Illinois held Monday, July 17, 2017 at 6:45 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 7:22 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	Absent
	6th Ward Vincent Zaranti	Absent
	7th Ward Sylvia Torres	Present

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

COMMUNICATIONS

Alderman Mosby announced his next ward meeting would be held on Thursday, August 3 at 6:00 p.m. at Barack Obama School.

Alderman Perez announced her next ward meeting would be held on Monday, September 25 at 7:00 p.m. at Garfield Elementary. The previously scheduled July meeting was cancelled.

Alderman Rodgers announced the annual 3rd Ward Extravaganza event that would be held at the Chicago Heights Park District on Sunday, August 6 from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Alderman Deabel announced his next ward meeting would be held on Monday, July 24 at 7:00 p.m. at Roosevelt Elementary. The annual 4th Ward Bike Ride would be held on Tuesday, August 1 at 6:00 p.m. at St Paul Lutheran Church. His next neighborhood watch meeting would be held on Wednesday, September 13 at 7:00 p.m. at St Paul Lutheran Church.

Alderman Amadio-absent

Alderman Zaranti- absent

Alderman Torres announced her next ward meeting would be held on August 10 at 4:00 p.m. at the Chicago Heights Library.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None

REPORT OF CHIEF OF STAFF—KAREN ZERANTE

Karen Zerante reported on upcoming street resurfacing in the 15th Street/Sunset Avenue area and the commencement of the annual 50/50 Sidewalk Program. Residents affected by or involved in those projects would receive letters from the Mayor's Office giving them specific details and information.

REPORT OF THE CORPORATION COUNSEL—T.J. SOMER

None

1. MINUTES: MEETING OF July 5, 2017

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

Ayes: Mosby, Perez, Rodgers, Torres

Nays: none

Abstain: Deabel

Absent: Amadio, Zaranti

Motion to approve carried.

2. BILLS: APPROVAL OF FIRST RUN OF JULY 2017

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

Ayes: Mosby, Perez, Rodgers, Deabel, Torres

Nays: none

Abstain: none

Absent: Amadio, Zaranti

Motion to approve carried.

3. ORDINANCE #2017 - 11 : APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR CORPORATE AND SPECIAL PURPOSES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR COMMENCING MAY 1, 2017 AND ENDING APRIL 30, 2018.

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

Ayes: Mosby, Perez, Rodgers, Torres

Nays: Deabel

Abstain: none

Absent: Amadio, Zaranti

Motion to approve carried.

Mayor Gonzalez noted that discussion on the budget had been held in the public hearing preceding the council meeting. There was one brief question on section four of the ordinance itself before proceeding to the vote.

4. RESOLUTION # 2017 - 51 : AUTHORIZING THE CITY TREASURER TO TRANSFER MONEY BETWEEN THE VARIOUS CITY FUNDS.

Alderman Perez moved, seconded by Alderman Rodgers, a motion to approve the resolution.

Ayes: Mosby, Perez, Rodgers, Torres

Nays: Deabel

Abstain: none

Absent: Amadio, Zaranti

Motion to approve carried.

Mayor Gonzalez explained the resolution was adopted annually in order to allow for money transfers between funds when necessary. Alderman Deabel stated he wanted details on the transfers, and Mayor Gonzalez responded that the Treasurer's Office was always willing to accommodate any requests for informational purposes.

5. RESOLUTION #2017 - 52 : APPROVING A PROPOSAL FROM HBK ENGINEERING FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES RELATED TO SEWER & WATER REPAIRS IN FIVE CITY SUBDIVISIONS.

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

Ayes: Mosby, Perez, Rodgers, Deabel, Torres

Nays: none

Abstain: none

Absent: Amadio, Zaranti

Motion to approve carried.

Mayor Gonzalez explained that the engineers would prepare bid notices and specifications, review sewer televising tapes, make repair recommendations, and provide cost estimates. Water and Sewer Funds would pay for the cost of the contract, \$ 103,252. There was brief discussion on the matter before the vote.

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

Corporation Counsel Somer reported that a poll of the city council showed that the members unanimously stated that they had enough information on the matter where an executive session was not needed in order to take action on Agenda Item # 7.

7. RESOLUTION #2017 - 53 : APPROVING THE SETTLEMENT OF CERTAIN CIVIL LITIGATION AS PRESENTED FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION OF THIS DATE.

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

Ayes: Mosby, Perez, Rodgers, Deabel, Torres

Nays: none

Abstain: none

Absent: Amadio, Zaranti

Motion to approve carried.

At 7:44 p.m. Alderman Mosby moved, and Alderman Perez seconded, a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Ayes: Mosby, Perez, Rodgers, Deabel, Torres

Nays: none

Abstain: none

Absent: Amadio, Zaranti

Motion to adjourn carried by acclamation.

Lori Wilcox, City Clerk