BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY MINUTES OF OCTOBER 13, 2022

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Public Works and Safety convened at 9:02 a.m. on Thursday, October 13, 2022, in the Council Chambers of Hammond City Hall. A roll call was taken: Mr. Margraf – present; Mr. Long – present; Ms. Huerta – present.

Motion by Mr. Long to defer the Minutes of the meeting of September 29, 2022 and October 6, 2022; seconded by Ms. Huerta. AYES ALL. Motion carried.

Under Correspondence, correspondence received from Dean Button requesting the approval for the Engineering Agreement Amendment with NEIS Engineering in the amount of \$32,823.46 for the Tapper Avenue Ornamental Lighting project submitted for approval. Mr. Button states the funding was previously approved. Motion by Mr. Long to approve; seconded by Ms. Huerta. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 22-612)

Correspondence received from Dean Button requesting the approval for the Agreement for Professional Services with Abonmarche Consultants in the amount of \$113,700 for the Clark Fields Infrastructure Design submitted for approval. Motion by Mr. Long to approve; seconded by Ms. Huerta. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 22-613)

Correspondence received from Chief of Police, William Short requesting approval for the reassignment of Sgt. John Peck to be transferred from Patrol Division to Community Affairs Division retroactive to October 1, 2022 submitted for approval. Motion by Mr. Long to approve; seconded by Ms. Huerta. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 22-614)

Correspondence received from Det. Cpl. Al Hulitt requesting advertising dates of October 12, 2022 and October 19, 2022 for Hammond Police Vehicle Auction scheduled for October 28, 2022 submitted for approval. Mr. Smith states at we did not initially receive proper notice, we need at least 15 days before auction. Motion by Mr. Long to approve; seconded by Ms. Huerta. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 22-615)

Correspondence received from Milestone requesting the previously approved Phase 2 closure for southbound lanes of Kennedy Avenue from 164th to 169th be changed to begin on or after October 17, 2022 for approximately 2 ½ months. Motion by Mr. Long to approve; seconded by Ms. Huerta. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 22-616)

Correspondence received from Grimmer Construction Inc. requesting approval to restrict traffic and lane closures for the Gostlin Street and Sheffield Avenue roundabout starting October 17, 2022 until approximately November 7, 2022 submitted for approval. Mr. Button states that the roundabout concrete wall was not to the thickness standard. Motion by Mr. Long to approve; seconded by Ms. Huerta. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 22-617)

Correspondence received from New Zion Temple Church requesting to block off Tapper from Merrill to Morris on October 31, 2022 from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. to hold an outside movie in the yard for the neighborhood. The Board questions the dynamics since this is on Halloween and parents will be out in cars with their children. Motion by Mr. Long to set for status October 20, 2022 and request someone from New Zion to appear; seconded by Ms. Huerta. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 22-618)

Correspondence received requesting a rental registration hearing. Motion by Mr. Long to set for status on October 27, 2022; seconded by Ms. Huerta. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 22-619)

Under Matters from Board Members, Mr. Long states that on September 22, 2022 Mr. Kevin Barnett came before the Board requesting "no parking from here to corner" signs and yellow stripes on the curb at Hyslop and Highland. Lt. Turner went out to inspect and has made the recommendation. Motion by Mr. Long to approve and forward to Public Works; seconded by Ms. Huerta. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 22-620)

Funding Allocation Request Form received from 5th District Councilman Dave Woerpel requesting \$90,000 of gaming fund be allocated for the Dowling Pond restock and maintenance submitted for approval. Motion by Mr. Long to approve; seconded by Ms. Huerta. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 22-621)

Disposal Authorizations received from the Hammond Police Department submitted for approval. Motion by Mr. Long to approve; seconded by Ms. Huerta. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 22-622)

Right of Way Permits (5) received from the Engineering Department submitted for approval. Motion by Mr. Long to approve; seconded by Ms. Huerta. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 22-623)

Garage Sale Permits submitted for approval. Motion by Mr. Long to approve; seconded by Ms. Huerta. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 22-624)

Under Matters from Board Members, Mr. Margraf acknowledges the request from Calumet College for stop signs. Mr. Button requests approval for the request for stop signs. Motion by Mr. Long to approve; seconded by Ms. Huerta. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 22-625)

Under Old Business, Status – 36 Mason. Mr. Smith states the garage was self-demolished.

Status – 4436 Torrence, 4438 Torrence and 4440 Torrence. Mr. Medina is not on line. Mr. Smith states 4436 can be removed from demo list, 4438 was self-demolished and 4440 siding complete, final inspection late last year, however no interior work has been completed, request 60-day status and Inspections to contact Mr. Medina to figure out what is going on. Motion by Mr. Long to set status on 4440 Torrence for December 8, 2022; seconded by Ms. Huerta. AYES ALL. Motion carried.

Status 4240 Wabash – Mr. Smith states the owner is looking for a final inspection requests 30 days. Motion by Mr. Long to set status on November 17, 2022; seconded by Ms. Huerta. AYES ALL. Motion carried.

Under Rental Registrations, 646-648 Cherry St. Mr. Farrell requests this action be dismissed due to filing action in court to remove 2nd floor apartment. Motion by Mr. Long to dismiss; seconded by Ms. Huerta. AYES ALL. Motion carried.

Under Open to the Public, Mr. Driscoll appears via Zoom, though 7508 Birch was set for today. Mr. Smith requests Linda to look into it and let Mr. Driscoll know.

There being no further business to come before the Board, motion by Mr. Long to adjourn; seconded by Ms. Huerta. The regularly scheduled meeting adjourned at 9:29 a.m.

APPROVED:

BY:

Kevin Margraf, President

ATTEST

Linda Norville-Moles, Board Secretary