## **RESOLUTION NO. R09**

## A RESOLUTION OF THE HAMMOND COMMON COUNCIL TO SUPPORT A DUE DILLIGENCE STUDY FOR THE RELOCATION OF HAMMOND CITY HALL

**WHEREAS**, Hammond Indiana was incorporated as a City on April 21, 1884 and Marcus Towle was the first Mayor of the city; and

WHEREAS, the current Hammond City Hall located at 5925 Calumet Avenue, was constructed in 1935 and because of age, parking restrictions, space limitations and technology limitations, no longer meets the needs of the City of Hammond and its government; and

**WHEREAS**, the costs of renovating the Historic Hammond City Hall to make it more technologically productive, energy efficient and fully ADA compliant is expected to be over five (5) million dollars; and

WHEREAS, Across the United States, municipal centers of government are located centrally in downtown areas, which place them closer to Court services, medical services, and shopping/dining areas; and

**WHEREAS**, The Hammond Common Council wishes to support the development of the existing Hammond Downtown area by creating a newly remodeled, ADA compliant, energy efficient, Hammond City Hall at 5231 Hohman Avenue; and

**WHEREAS**, the creation of a Downtown Hammond City Hall will serve the dual need of permitting better accessibility and services for the Citizens, as well as encouraging the grown of economic development in the Hammond Downtown area; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Common Council of the City of Hammond as follows: The City of Hammond, by its Common Council wish to appropriate the funds to perform a due diligence study of what financing is actually necessary to relocate Hammond City Hall to a newly remodeled Downtown location, so as to better serve the needs of the Community and provide for economic development. The Hammond Common Council authorizes the hiring of a Construction Manager and Architect to accomplish this purpose.

RESOLVED this 22<sup>nd</sup> Day of February, 2016

Michael Opinker, President /s/ Hammond Common Council

ATTEST:\_\_\_\_\_ ROBERT J. GOLEC, City Clerk /s/

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PRESENTED BY ME, the undersigned City Clerk of the City of Hammond to the Mayor said City for approval on the <u>23<sup>rd</sup></u> day of <u>February</u>, 2016.

ROBERT J. GOLEC, City Clerk /s/

The foregoing Resolution No. <u>R09</u> consisting of two (2) typewritten pages, including this page, approved by the Mayor on the <u>23rd</u> day of <u>February</u>, 2016.

THOMAS M. MCDERMOTT, JR., Mayor /s/ City of Hammond, Indiana

PASSED by the Common Council on the <u>22<sup>nd</sup></u> day of <u>February</u>, 2016.

ROBERT J. GOLEC, City Clerk /s/