

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY
MINUTES OF JUNE 30, 2016

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Public Works and Safety convened at 9:06 a.m. on Thursday, June 30, 2016, in the Council Chambers of Hammond City Hall. A roll call was taken: Mr. Dostatni - present; Ms. Garay –present; Mr. Margraf- present.

Motion by Ms. Garay to approve the minutes of the meetings of October 29, 2015, November 5, 2015, November 19, 2015, December 3, 2015, December 10, 2015, December 17, 2015 and December 31, 2015; seconded by Mr. Margraf. AYES ALL. Motion carried.

Agreement with First Group Engineering, Inc. for a Traffic Signal Warrant Study at 174th Street and Kennedy Avenue. Motion by Ms. Garay; seconded by Mr. Margraf. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 16-480)

Proposal received from SEH of Indiana for GIS Services for Pavement Asset Management. Motion by Ms. Garay; seconded by Mr. Margraf. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 16-481)

Correspondence received from AT&T requesting permission to perform work at 2929 Carlson Drive. Motion by Ms. Garay; seconded by Mr. Margraf. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 16-482)

Correspondence received from Chief of Police John Doughty requesting the relinquishment of FTO Specialty Pay to Officers John Adam, Carmen Ramirez, Everett Logan and Gabe Gutierrez, approvals of block parties, approval of the Challenger Learning Center of Northwest Indiana's 5K Glow Space Race, Saturday, September 17, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. and a denial of a block party at 829 Eaton Street. Motion by Ms. Garay; seconded by Mr. Margraf. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 16-483)

Correspondence received from Attorney John Reed requesting the hearing regarding property located at 3840 179th Street be continued to July 14, 2016. Corporation Counsel Kristina Kantar said this is the Motel 6 property. Mr. Kurt Koch, Building Commissioner, said that he has concerns that the second floor balcony is being used and would like to declare it unusable. Mr. Dostatni said the second floor balcony is hazardous and should be vacated and sealed until the Board receives the engineer's report. Motion by Ms. Garay to continue this matter to July 14, 2016; seconded by Mr. Margraf. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 16-484)

Notice of Violation hearing on property located at 7440 Monroe Avenue. Property owner appears and Inspections appears by Mr. Tom Novak. Mr. Novak said an inspection was done on April 8, 2016 and an illegal basement apartment used for children's bedroom was found. Mr. Novak then said the illegal bedroom has been partially removed and requested a thirty (30) day status date. Motion by Ms. Garay to set this matter for status on August 4, 2016; seconded by Mr. Margraf. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 16-485)

Rental registration hearing on property located at 7135 Columbia Avenue, 1144 Summer

Street and 903 Bauer Street. Property owner fails to appear. Motion by Ms. Garay to deny the appeal and assess the late fee of \$500 and rental registration at \$5 per unit for 2016; seconded by Mr. Margraf. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 16-486)

Rental registration hearing on property located at 264 Vine Street. Property owner appears and said that he bought the property in 2011, moved out in 2014 and rented the property in 2015 and 2016 without registering. Motion by Ms. Garay to waive the late fee and assess rental registration at \$5 per unit for 2015 and \$5 per unit for 2016; seconded by Mr. Margraf. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 16-487)

Rental registration hearing on property located at 6828 Woodmar Avenue. Property owner appears and said it was rented for the first time in May of 2016. Motion by Ms. Garay to waive the late fee and assess rental registration at \$5 per unit for 2016; seconded by Mr. Margraf. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 16-488)

Rental registration hearing on property located at 4908 – 10 Hickory Avenue and 7537 Beech Avenue. Property owner appears and said he simply forgot to pay timely. Motion by Ms. Garay to waive the late fee and assess rental registration at \$5 per unit; seconded by Mr. Margraf. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 16-489)

Correspondence received requesting a rental registration hearing. Motion by Ms. Garay to set these matters for August 18, 2016; seconded by Mr. Margraf. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 16-490)

Agreements to Rehabilitate Property Located at 27 Elizabeth Street (First Extension), 4702 Mason Street, 7908 Delmar Avenue (First Amendment) and 6813 Woodmar Avenue (First Amendment). Ms. Kantar said these properties were previously on the demolition list. Motion by Ms. Garay; seconded by Mr. Margraf. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 16-491)

Contract with IESCO Construction for the demolition of property located at 651 119th Street, 7531 Jackson Avenue and 5424 Wood Avenue. Motion by Ms. Garay; seconded by Mr. Margraf. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 16-492)

Correspondence received from Mr. Gary Gleason, Director, Public Works, requesting approval of a “No Semi Trucks – Local Delivery Only” sign with weight tonnage be placed at Unity Church, 700 River Drive and placement of a four (4) way stop at Birch Drive and Bertram Avenue for a ninety (90) day trial period. Motion by Ms. Garay; seconded by Mr. Margraf. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 16-493)

Vision Service Plan Contract Renewal for October 2016 through January 2019 submitted for approval. Mr. Dostatni said this is the vision portion of the City’s health insurance. Motion by Ms. Garay; seconded by Mr. Margraf. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 16-494)

Agreement with Livestream, streaming provider for gohammond.tv, submitted for approval. Motion by Ms. Garay; seconded by Mr. Margraf. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 16-495)

Correspondence received from the Whiting-Robertsdale Chamber of Commerce, requesting street closures and parking bans for the Pierogi Fest Parade, Friday, July 26, 2016. Motion by Mr. Margraf to approve and forward to the Police Department and Public Works; seconded by Ms. Garay. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 16-496)

Correspondence received from M.W. King Solomon Universal Grand Lodge requesting street closure at Maywood Avenue and Sibley Street for a cookout, Saturday, July 9, 2016 from noon to 8:00 p.m. Motion by Ms. Garay to approve subject to approval by the Hammond Police Department; seconded by Mr. Margraf. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 16-497)

Garage Sale Permits submitted for approval. Motion by Ms. Garay; seconded by Mr. Margraf. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 16-498)

Under Matters from Board Members, Mr. Dostatni received correspondence from Ms. Lydia Santos requested street closure at the corner of 7150 Alexander Avenue and 172nd Street from the corner of Alexander Avenue for a going away party for her grandson who will be serving the military on July 9, 2016 from 2:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Motion by Ms. Garay to approve subject to approval from the Hammond Police Department; seconded by Mr. Margraf. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 16-499)

Correspondence received from Councilwoman Janet Venecz for Hammond Community Watch requesting permission to place 4 x 8 foot banners at Irving Park, Columbia Park, Splash Pad, Hessville Pool, MLK Pool and Pulaski Park for National Night Out Tuesday, August 2, 2016. Motion by Ms. Garay; seconded by Mr. Margraf. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 16-500)

Price quotes received for the removal of six (6) trees. Price quotes received as follows:

Outdoor Tree Service	\$2,300
Briggs Tree Service, Inc.	\$3,600
Howard's Tree Service	\$3,785

Motion by Ms. Garay to award the bid to low bidder Outdoor Tree Service; seconded by Mr. Margraf. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 16-501)

There being no further business to come before the Board, Recommendation by Ms. Garay to adjourn; Mr. Dostatni concurred. The regularly scheduled meeting adjourned at 9:40 a.m.

APPROVED:

BY: _____
Stanley J. Dostatni, President

ATTEST:

Lynn Laviolette, Secretary