

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY
MINUTES OF MAY 31, 2018

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Public Works and Safety convened at 9:00 a.m. on Thursday, May 31, 2018, in the Council Chambers of Hammond City Hall. A roll call was taken: Ms. Garay - present; Mr. Margraf – present; Mr. Long - present.

Motion by Mr. Margraf to defer approval of the minutes of the meeting of May 24, 2018; seconded by Mr. Long. AYES ALL. Motion carried.

Change Order No. 15 received from American Structurepoint, Inc. for Chicago Street Widening and Reconstruction Phase 3 with an increase in cost of \$2,530 for a temporary drive into the Bishop Noll parking lot. Motion by Mr. Margraf; seconded by Mr. Long. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 18-390)

Change Order No. 16 received from American Structurepoint, Inc. for Chicago Street Widening and Reconstruction Phase 3 with an increase in cost of \$294.66 for the removal of four (4) light poles. Motion by Mr. Margraf; seconded by Mr. Long. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 18-391)

Correspondence received from AT&T requesting permission to perform work at 6705 Ridgeland Avenue. Motion by Mr. Margraf; seconded by Mr. Long. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 18-392)

Correspondence received from AT&T requesting permission to perform work at the alley between Fayette Street and Russell Street. Motion by Mr. Margraf; seconded by Mr. Long. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 18-393)

Correspondence received from AT&T requesting permission to perform work at Sohl Avenue and State Street. Motion by Mr. Margraf; seconded by Mr. Long. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 18-394)

Correspondence received from BP Pipelines requesting permission to close the east northbound lane and sidewalk on Indianapolis Boulevard, near Summer Street, beginning June 19, 2018 through July 3, 2018. Motion by Mr. Margraf; seconded by Mr. Long. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 18-395)

Correspondence received from the Engineering Department requesting a 1997 Green Ford F150 be disposed of for scrap value. Motion by Mr. Margraf; seconded by Mr. Long. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 18-396)

Correspondence received from Chief of Police John Doughty requesting the relinquishment of FTO Specialty Pay to Officer David Hornyak, submitting the resignations of civilian Oscar Trevino, effective May 28, 2018 and Correctional Officer Kymberli Roberts, approvals of the Oak Hill Cemetery Walking Tour, Pat's Pedaling 100K Bike ride, the Hammond Day Parade and

Disposal Authorizations. Motion by Mr. Margraf; seconded by Mr. Long. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 18-397)

Correspondence received from Fire Chief Jeffery Smith requesting Engineer Mike Brooks be promoted to the rank of Captain, Assistant Engineer Bob Leckrone be promoted to the rank of Engineer and Private J.T. Donahue be promoted to the rank of Battalion Chief Mechanic, the retirement of Battalion Chief Nick Laskarin, having served the City for over 28 years and Senior Captain Michael A. Bobos having served the City for 30 years. Motion by Mr. Margraf; seconded by Mr. Long. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 18-398)

Status on property located at 5903 Calumet Avenue. Attorney Tim Kelly appears for the property owner. Mr. Kelly said he has received the report back from the structural engineer who has deemed that the building needs to be demolished. Mr. Kelly then said the insurance company has requested bids to demolish the building from two (2) companies. Mr. Kelly Kearney, Chief of Inspections said the City has bids from three (3) companies which will be read toward the end of the meeting. Mr. Kelly said that he will share the bids he has received with the City. Motion by Mr. Margraf to affirm the Order to Demolish; seconded by Mr. Margraf. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 18-399)

Hearing on property located at 10 Rimbach Street. Attorney Dal Santo appears for the property owner. Mr. Kearney requested that an inspection needs to be completed at the property as at one (1) time it was a six (6) unit multi-family building. Mr. Dal Santo said the building is currently vacant and the property owner has asked for a ninety (90) day continuance. Mr. Castro, Inspector, Inspections Department, requested the Board affirm the Findings he presented regarding the property. Motion by Mr. Margraf to approve the Findings and set this matter for a ninety (90) day status; seconded by Mr. Long. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 18-400)

Status of property located at 1524 Summer Street. Property owner, Mr. Jose Galvan, appears. Mr. Kearney advised the building has been demolished and should be taken off of the demolition list. Ms. Garay said an Order to Rescind the Demolition Order request will need to be referred to the Law Department. Motion by Mr. Margraf to refer this matter to the Law Department for preparation of an Order to Rescind; seconded by Mr. Long. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 18-401)

Notice of Violation hearing on property located at 4607 – 09 Ash Avenue. Property owner fails to appear. Mr. Castro said the property owner has agreed to remove the illegal basement apartment and requested the Board affirm the Findings regarding the property. Motion by Mr. Margraf; seconded by Mr. Long. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 18-402)

Rental registration hearing on property located at 1016 173rd Street. Property owner appears. Mr. Jaime Prieto, Commissioner, Code Enforcement, said this one (1) unit was vacant for half of 2017. Motion by Mr. Margraf to waive the late fee and assess rental registration at \$5 per unit for 2017; seconded by Mr. Long. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 18-403)

Rental registration hearing on property located at 6809 Arizona Avenue. Property owner

fails to appear. Mr. Prieto said 2017 rental registration is unpaid, all prior years were paid timely and there have been no problems at the property. Motion by Mr. Margraf to waive the late fee and assess rental registration at \$5 per unit; seconded by Mr. Long. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 18-404)

Rental registration hearing on property located at 1848 Michigan Street. Property owner fails to appear. Mr. Prieto said rental registration was not paid for in 2017. Motion by Mr. Margraf to waive the late fee and assess rental registration at \$5 per unit; seconded by Mr. Long. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 18-405)

Rental registration hearing on property located at 7933 Belmont Avenue, 1046 177th Street and 7507 Birch Avenue. Property owner appears. Mr. Prieto said all prior years have been paid with the exception of 2017. Motion by Mr. Margraf to waive the late fee and assess rental registration at \$5 per unit; seconded by Mr. Long. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 18-406)

Rental registration hearing on property located at 4 – 6 Mason Street, 425 Detroit Street, 1251 Stanton Avenue, 2716 163rd Street and 7519 Magnolia Avenue. Property owner appears by Attorney Dal Santo. Mr. Prieto said that the property owner tried to pay the fee but the check was returned as Code Enforcement did not have the current owner information. Mr. Prieto then requested no late fee be assessed for 2016 and 2017. Motion by Mr. Margraf to waive the late fee and assess rental registration at \$5 per unit for both 2016 and 2017; seconded by Mr. Long. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 18-407)

Rental registration hearing on property located at 7404 Madison Avenue. Property owner appears. Mr. Prieto said that rental registration is due for the years 2012 through 2018 and that this matter has been sent to Smith Sersic for collection already. Property owner, Ms. Judith Borroel, said her mother and daughter have lived there for ten (10) years and she was not aware rental registration had to be paid. Ms. Borroel said she has had a tenant there for the past three (3) years. Mr. Prieto advised that Smith Sersic will contact her regarding the unpaid fees. No action taken. (Ins. No. 18-408)

Rental registration hearing on property located at 7503 Beech Avenue. Property owner appears. Mr. Prieto said 2017 rental registration was not paid due to it being sent back by Code Enforcement for a signature. Mr. Prieto then requested no late fee be assessed. Motion by Mr. Margraf to waive the late fee and assess rental registration at \$5 per unit for 2017; seconded by Mr. Long. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 18-409)

Rental registration hearing on property located at 4730 Hohman Avenue. Property owner appears with Mr. Juan Moreno who interpreted. Mr. Moreno said that the property owner thought her son paid the rental registration for 2018 and that she apologized for it being late. Motion by Mr. Margraf to waive the late fee and assess rental registration at \$5 per unit; seconded by Mr. Long. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 18-410)

Rental registration hearing on property located at 6822 Wicker Avenue. Attorney Tim Kelly appeared with the property owner, Mr. John Rostankovski. Mr. Kelly said Mr. Rostankovski has an

unrecorded purchase agreement with the tenant in 2016 and 2017 which is why the rental registration was not paid. Motion by Mr. Margraf to waive the late fee and assess rental registration at \$5 per unit for 2016 and 2017; seconded by Mr. Long. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 18-411)

Rental registration hearing on property located at 1606 Atchison Avenue. Property owner appears. Mr. Prieto said all prior years, with the exception of 2017, were paid timely. Motion by Mr. Margraf to waive the late fee and assess rental registration at \$5 per unit for 2017; seconded by Mr. Long. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 18-412)

Correspondence received requesting rental registration hearings. Motion by Mr. Margraf to set these matters for hearing on July 12, 2018; seconded by Mr. Long. AYES AL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 18-413)

Resolution of the Board of Directors of the Hammond Port Authority Authorizing Entering a Second Intergovernmental Agreement with City of Hammond Board of Works Regarding Payment of Invoices for Engineering and Consulting Work for Marquette Greenway Shared Use Path. Motion by Mr. Margraf; seconded by Mr. Long. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 18-414)

Bids received for the demolition of 1810 Brown Street. Bids received as follows:

Actin Contracting, LLC	\$5,800
RSR Demolition, LLC	\$7,300
JM Industrial Services, Inc.	\$5,800

Motion by Mr. Margraf to refer the bids to the Building Department for tabulation and recommendation; seconded by Mr. Long. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 18-415)

Correspondence received from Mr. Gary Gleason, Director, Public Works, advising property documentation from Great Lakes ADA will be required prior to the installation of the signs. Motion by Mr. Margraf; seconded by Mr. Long. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 18-416)

Correspondence received from Mr. Gary Gleason advising that Public Works does not object to the Hammond Historical Society placing their own signs for parking and that Public Works will help with barricades if needed. No action taken. (Ins. No. 18-417)

Agreement for the installation of telephone service at the Hammond Sportsplex. Motion by Mr. Margraf; seconded by Mr. Long. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 18-418)

Correspondence received from St. Casimir Church requesting traffic control for a Corpus Christi procession to be held Sunday, June 3, 2018 after 12:30 p.m. Mass, with route. Motion by Mr. Margraf; seconded by Mr. Long. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 18-419)

Correspondence received from All Saints Parish requesting traffic control for a Corpus Christi procession to be held Sunday, June 3, 2018 after the 11:00 a.m. mass, with route. Motion by Mr. Margraf; seconded by Mr. Long. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 18-420)

Garage Sale Permits submitted for approval. Motion by Mr. Margraf; seconded by Mr. Long. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 18-421)

Bids received for the demolition of 5903 Calumet Avenue. Bids received as follows:

RSR Demolition, LLC	\$113,000
JM Industrial Services, Inc.	\$ 13,750
Actin Constracting, LLC	\$ 24,550

Motion by Mr. Margraf to refer the bids to the Building Department for tabulation and recommendation; seconded by Mr. Long. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 18-422)

Correspondence and petition from residents of the 200 block of Doty Street received from Mr. Felix Reyes, 226 Doty Street, requesting permission to hold a block party, July 4, 2018 from 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. with street closure. Motion by Mr. Margraf; seconded by Mr. Long. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 18-423)

Second Addendum to Towing Contract with Woodmar Auto Care & Towing (Zone 3 Tower). Motion by Mr. Margraf; seconded by Mr. Long. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 18-424)

Under Old Business, correspondence received from Mr. Rodrigo Miramontes requesting street closure on June 2, 2018 for a birthday party at 1024 Hoffman Street with street closure 148th Street to the alley of the 149th Street from 3:00 pm. to 10:00 p.m. Mr. Long said he will look at the location to be blocked, if it does not block residents from getting off of the street, the request will be approved and that he will contact Public Works and the Hammond Police Department. Motion by Mr. Margraf; seconded by Mr. Long. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 18-425)

Under Meeting Opened to the Public, the resident of 6809 Arizona Avenue appeared for a rental registration hearing, was advised the matter had been heard earlier in the meeting and the late fee was waived.

There being no further business to come before the Board, motion by Mr. Margraf to adjourn; seconded by Mr. Long. The regularly scheduled meeting adjourned at 9:49 a.m.

APPROVED:

BY: _____
Heather Garay, President

ATTEST:

Lynn Laviolette, Secretary