

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY
MINUTES OF AUGUST 22, 2019

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Public Works and Safety convened at 9:02 a.m. on Thursday, August 22, 2019, in the Council Chambers of Hammond City Hall. A roll call was taken: Ms. Garay - present; Mr. Margraf – present; Mr. Long – absent.

Motion by Mr. Margraf to approve the minutes of the meeting of August 15; seconded by Mr. Long. AYES ALL. Motion carried.

Bid opening – Demolition of 7337 Carolina Avenue (front), 4414 Clark Avenue, 244 Detroit Street (rear), 1020 Drackert Street (front & garage), 1242 – 44 Hoffman Street, 4339 Hohman Avenue, 4619 Hohman Avenue, 1344 Indiana Street (front & garage), 2021 Lake Avenue, 1940 Lincoln Avenue (front & garage), 7728 Linden Avenue (front & garage), 244 Marble Street, 903 Morris Street (garage only) 1509 Myrtle Avenue (front), 4140 Sheffield Avenue (front), 629 Sibley Street, 1251 Stanton Avenue (front) and 544 Waltham Street (front). Bids received as follows:

Actin Contracting, LLC	\$267,520.00 – did not place bids on 244 Detroit Street and 903 Morris Street (garage) – buildings already removed
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JM Industrial Services, Inc.	\$190,000.00 – all bid on
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Motion by Mr. Margraf to refer the bids to the Inspection Department for tabulation and recommendation; seconded by Mr. Long. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Res. No. 4083)

Correspondence received from Councilman Mark Kalwinski requesting \$187,681.54 of gaming funds be allocated for a construction contract with Gallagher Asphalt and \$555,012.02 of gaming funds be allocated for the Water Gardens/Torrence Avenue construction contract with Midwestern Electric, Inc. Motion by Mr. Margraf; seconded by Mr. Long. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 19-619)

Contract with Midwestern Electric, Inc. for Lighting Improvements on Torrence Avenue, Burton Court, Hamann Court and Roosevelt Drive. Ms. Garay said funding has been provided by Councilman Kalwinski. Motion by Mr. Margraf; seconded by Mr. Long. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 19-620)

Correspondence received from Councilman Mark Kalwinski requesting \$100,000.00 of gaming funds be allocated for the 2019 Road Maintenance Program. Motion by Mr. Margraf; seconded by Mr. Long. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 19-621)

Correspondence received from Chief of Police John Doughty advising that the Hammond Police Department Citizen Ride Along, General Order #92-3, has been rescinded and will be replaced with a memo. Motion by Mr. Margraf; seconded by Mr. Long. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 19-622)

License Agreement for property located at 1849 Calumet Avenue. Corporation Counsel, Mr. Kevin Smith, said he has requested a summary be done on each of the License Agreements submitted to the Board. Motion by Mr. Margraf; seconded by Mr. Long. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 19-623)

Rental registration hearing on property located at 219 Wildwood Street, 518 Highland Street, 523 Detroit Street and 4150 Torrence Avenue. Property owner appears. Mr. Jaime Prieto, Commissioner, Code Enforcement, said all four (4) are one (1) unit and there have been no issues at any of the properties. Mr. James Schroeder, property owner said failing to pay timely just fell through the cracks as he has not been in good health. Motion by Mr. Margraf to waive the late fee and assess rental registration at \$5 per unit for 2019; seconded by Mr. Long. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 19-624)

Rental registration hearing on property located at 6327 Maryland Avenue. Property owner appears, advised that the property is owned by DRD Company, 2158 45th Street, #515, Highland, Indiana, said the property was vacant over the winter, he kept the taps running so they would not freeze and the property was just recently rented. Mr. Prieto said the water usage would correlate with keeping the taps open to prevent freezing. Mr. Prieto then said there have been no issues at the property. Motion by Mr. Margraf to waive the late fee and assess rental at \$5 per unit for 2019; seconded by Mr. Long. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 19-625)

Rental registration hearing on property located at 7530 Missouri Avenue. Property owner appears and said this is the first time she and her husband have ever been landlords and she will remember the April 15th due date next year. Mr. Prieto said there have been no issues with the property. Motion by Mr. Margraf to waive the late fee and assess rental registration at \$5 per unit for 2019; seconded by Mr. Long. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 19-626)

Rental registration hearing on property located at 422 Locust Street. Property owner, Ms. Linda Trevino, fails to appear. Mr. Prieto said there is an additional owner who needs to be notified. Motion by Mr. Margraf to notify the additional owner and continued this matter to September 5, 2019; seconded by Mr. Long. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 19-627)

Correspondence received from Mr. Dave Dzikowski, 1610 Atchison Avenue, requesting permission to place a 16' pod in front of his house, or be allowed to have the pod placed in a municipal parking area or lot, from September 5, 2019 through September 9, 2019, to avoid burdening the residential parking on the block. Mr. Margraf said he would assess the area and report back to the Board by August 29, 2019. Motion by Mr. Margraf to continue this matter to August 29, 2019; seconded by Mr. Long. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 19-628)

Garage Sale Permits submitted for approval. Motion by Mr. Margraf; seconded by Mr. Long. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 19-629)

Under Matters from Other Department Heads/Their Representatives, Mr. Jonathan Parker, Engineering Department, submitted two (2) requests for permits to perform work at 7536 Beech

Avenue and 650, 652 and 654 Roosevelt from Salyer Plumbing, Inc. Mr. Parker said both requests have been approved by Engineering. Motion by Mr. Margraf; seconded by Mr. Long. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 19-630)

There being no further business to come before the Board, motion by Mr. Margraf to adjourn; seconded by Mr. Long. AYES ALL. Motion carried. The regularly scheduled meeting adjourned at 9:28 a.m.

APPROVED:

BY: _____
Heather Garay, President

ATTEST:

Lynn Laviolette, Secretary