

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY MINUTES OF JUNE 9, 2022

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Public Works and Safety convened at 9:08 a.m. on Thursday, June 9, 2022, in the Council Chambers of Hammond City Hall. A roll call was taken: Mr. Margraf – present; Mr. Long – present; Mr. Perez – present.

Motion by Mr. Long to approve the Minutes of the meeting of June 2, 2022; seconded by Mr. Perez. AYES ALL. Motion carried.

Under Correspondence, correspondence received from City Engineer, Dean Button requesting \$80,065.00 of CIB Funding to be allocated for additional environmental services with American Structurepoint, Inc. for the Hohman Avenue Phase 2 – Russell Street to Douglas St. (Des. No. 2002586) and corresponding Amendment No. 1. Motion by Mr. Long to approve; seconded by Mr. Perez. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 22-338)

Correspondence received from City Engineer, Dean Button requesting \$25,800.00 of CIB Funding to be allocated for the supplemental design services with American Structurepoint, Inc. for the Hohman Avenue Reconstruction Phase 1 – Relocate Water and Sewer on Sibley and corresponding Amendment No. 4. Motion by Mr. Long to approve; seconded by Mr. Perez. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 22-339)

Correspondence received from City Engineer, Dean Button requesting the approval and electronic signatures of the INDOT-LPA Agreement - Des. No. 2002586 - for the Hohman Avenue Phase 2 project. Mr. Button states this project will start in several years. Motion by Mr. Long to approve; seconded by Mr. Perez. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 22-340)

Correspondence received from 6th District Councilman Scott Rakos requesting \$60,000 of gaming funds be allocated for the installation of multiple French Drains for the 6th District drainage issues. Motion by Mr. Long to approve; seconded by Mr. Perez. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 22-341)

Correspondence received from EnviroForensics, LLC requesting the Landfill Disposal Quotes for the disposal of lead impacted soils as part of the Removal and Replacement of Lead Impacted Soil Environmental Remediation project be awarded to the low, responsive, and responsible waste disposal facility, Republic Services in the amount of \$114,500. Mr. Button states this is a projected amount. Motion by Mr. Long to approve; seconded by Mr. Perez. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 22-342)

Correspondence received from Alberto Ochoa, HUGS Cultural Committee is planning to hold their Annual Hispanic Independence and Parade on Sunday, September 25, 2022 from 12:00 noon to 2:00 p.m. with the attached route. Mr. Ochoa is requesting road closures and cones or barricades for the 10:00 a.m. staging on Grand Avenue. Mr. Ochoa acknowledges that Purdue

Northwest is helping. Forward to EMA. Motion by Mr. Long to approve; seconded by Mr. Perez. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 22-343)

Correspondence received from Whiting Special Events Coordinator, Kathy Kazmierski to inform and identify the streets and roadways that will be utilized or closed for their Annual 4th of July Parade from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Forward to EMA. Motion by Mr. Long to approve; seconded by Mr. Perez. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 22-344)

Correspondence received from Fr. Eduardo Malagon of St. Casimir Parish requesting permission to have traffic control on Sunday, June 19, 2022 from 1:45 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. during their 16th Annual Corpus Christi Procession with attached route. Forward to EMA, Police Department and Engineering. Motion by Mr. Long to approve; seconded by Mr. Perez. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 22-345)

Correspondence received from resident Jason Hayden requesting permission to hold a block party on the 6800 block of Idaho on July 2, 2022 from 2:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. with signatures attached and requesting 6 picnic tables. Motion by Mr. Long to approve and forward to Public Works for tables; seconded by Mr. Perez. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 22-346)

Correspondence received from resident Armierree Bolden requesting permission to hold a block party at 939 Cherry Street on June 18, 2022 from 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. with signatures attached. Motion by Mr. Long to approve and forward to Public Works; seconded by Mr. Perez. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 22-347)

Correspondence received from resident Carolyn Jackson requesting residential parking on the 6400 block of Forest Avenue with signatures attached. Mr. Margraf states Ms. Jackson alleges there is a homeowner that is running a business out of his home and taking up parking on the curb of the streets. The Board will take a look into before it acts upon. Mr. Smith suggests to allow a couple weeks to allow Inspections to look into the matter. Motion by Mr. Long to set for status on June 23, 2022; seconded by Mr. Perez. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 22-348)

Correspondence received from Assistant Chief of Police, Jeff Long concerning a disciplinary matter. Mr. Long abstains. Motion by Mr. Margraf to accept the issue; seconded by Mr. Perez. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 22-349)

Correspondence received from Fr. Mikolaj (Nick) Markiewicz, advising that the "Marian Pilgrimage" walk will be coming through Hammond on Saturday, August 13, 2022 and requesting assistance with the intended route which is attached. Mr. Smith states the Park Board approved and requested it to be forwarded to this Board. Police and EMA to be notified. Motion by Mr. Long to approve; seconded by Mr. Perez. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 22-350)

Correspondence received requesting rental registration hearings. Motion by Mr. Long to set for July 14, 2022; seconded by Mr. Perez. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 22-351)

Under Matters from Board Members, Mr. Margraf presents a request from New Zion Temple Church requesting to block off Tapper Street from Merrill to Morris St. on June 26, 2022 from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Motion by Mr. Long to approve; seconded by Mr. Perez. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 22-352)

Under New Business, Easement for Electric Facilities with Northern Indiana Public Service Company, LLC on Tapper to move their power lines to clear the right-of-way for the road project between Highland and Lyons. Mr. Button states they are moving their lines for the road project. Motion by Mr. Long to approve; seconded by Mr. Perez. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 22-353)

Agreement to Rehabilitate Property Located at 2314 Indianapolis Blvd. Motion by Mr. Long to approve and set for status on September 15, 2022; seconded by Mr. Perez. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 22-354)

Agreement to Rehabilitate Property Located at 7217 Harrison Ave. Motion by Mr. Long to approve and set for status on September 15, 2022; seconded by Mr. Perez. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 22-355)

Orders to Rescind and Release Order to Demolish for properties located at 2021 Lake Avenue, 6435 Woodward Ave., and 919 Lyons St. Mr. Smith states that Lake Avenue and Woodward Avenue have been completed and Lyons has a final inspection in two weeks. Motion by Mr. Long to approve 2021 Lake and 6435 Woodward and set 919 Lyons for status on June 23, 2022; seconded by Mr. Perez. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 22-356)

Right of Way Permit (2) submitted for approval from Engineering Department. Mr. Gordish states AT&T will be north of the construction project. Motion by Mr. Long to approve; seconded by Mr. Perez. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 22-357)

Garage Sale Permits submitted for approval. Motion by Mr. Long to approve; seconded by Mr. Perez. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 22-358)

Amusement Devices for the week of June 6, 2022 submitted for approval. Motion by Mr. Long to approve; seconded by Mr. Perez. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 22-359)

Emergency Demolition for property located at 2633 164th Place. Mr. Smith states that he was advised that because of a fire, 2633 164th Place has become an emergency demolition situation, presented photos, Mr. Kalina posted notice on the property with photo of the posting. Mr. Kearny has requested under Unsafe Building Act provision 36-7-9-9 to move in an immediate manner to demolish property, gave 48-hour notice, certified mail and regular mail, has

received one quote at this time. Mr. Smith would like to present the Findings & Order on property and indicate the Board request this an emergency so Mr. Kearney can operate under the Unsafe Building Act and won't have to go through the regular bid process. Owner is deceased, granddaughter staying there, no insurance. Motion by Mr. Long to approve the property located at 2633 165th Place to be an emergency and approve the Findings & Order; seconded by Mr. Perez. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 22-360)

Rental registration for the following properties: 941 Chicago – Property owner present, under rent to own and thought the owner filed. Motion by Mr. Long to waive 2 apartments for 2021 and 2022 and complete the homestead; seconded by Mr. Perez. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 22-361)

6712 Marshall Ave. - Property owner present. Motion by Mr. Long to waive; seconded by Mr. Perez. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 22-361)

7135 Northcote - Property owner present states he missed by a few days, lost track of time. Motion by Mr. Long to waive; seconded by Mr. Perez. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 22-361)

1520 Atchison - Property owner present, stated she called in 2020 and was told she didn't have to register. After much discussion, this will be settled through Smith Sersic. No action.

4522 Towle, 1330 Truman, 1332 Truman - Property owner present. Motion by Mr. Long to waive; seconded by Mr. Perez. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 22-361)

2641 164th Pl., 3150 165th St., 514 Spruce St. - Property owner present. Motion by Mr. Long to waive; seconded by Mr. Perez. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 22-361)

Under Old Business, Permanent Easements for the properties located at 425 Sibley St., 5127 Hohman Avenue and South of I-80/I-94 and North of Little Calumet River, Warranty Deed for property located at 4926 Hohman Avenue and Temporary Construction Easement for 4926 Hohman Avenue. Mr. Button approves all. Motion by Mr. Long to approve; seconded by Mr. Perez. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 22-362)

Status – 6116 Wallace Road – Mr. Smith states the rehab is all done and an order to rescind was approved. No action.

Status – 1509 Myrtle – Mr. Smith states a rough inspection completed and request a 90-day status. Motion by Mr. Long to set for status on September 15, 2022; seconded by Mr. Perez. AYES ALL. Motion carried.

Status – 7025 Van Buren (garage) – Mr. Smith states an inspection has been scheduled. Motion by Mr. Long to set for status on July 14, 2022; seconded by Mr. Perez. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 22-363)

Status – 2024 Calumet Ave. - Notice of Violation - Inspector Pajdzik states he has not had any correspondence from owner, submitting Findings and Order to be affirmed. Motion by Mr. Long to approve; seconded by Mr. Perez. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 22-364)

Cindy Rivera- Hammond Public Library Foundation Board – clarification for two road closures for September 17, 2022. Mr. Long met with Ms. Rivera and states she only needs State Street closed, not Sohl. Motion by Mr. Long to approve; seconded by Mr. Perez. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 22-365)

There being no further business to come before the Board, motion by Mr. Long to adjourn; seconded by Mr. Perez. The regularly scheduled meeting adjourned at 10:03 a.m.

APPROVED:

BY:


Kevin Margraf, President

ATTEST:


Linda Norville-Moles, Board Secretary