BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 29, 2022

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Public Works and Safety convened at 9:02 a.m. on Thursday, September 29, 2022, in the Council Chambers of Hammond City Hall. A roll call was taken: Mr. Margraf – present; Mr. Long – present; Ms. Huerta – present.

Motion by Mr. Long to approve the Minutes of the meeting of September 22, 2022; seconded by Ms. Huerta. AYES ALL. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Long to take business out of order with rental registration; seconded by Ms. Huerta. AYES ALL. Motion carried.

Under Rental Registration, 425 Vine, property owner present, purchased home in November of 2021 and wasn't aware. Motion by Mr. Long to waive the late fee; seconded by Ms. Huerta. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 22-584)

648 Cherry St. (2nd Floor) – Property owner present. Mr. Farrell states they have tried to get an interior inspection and suggests waiting on the rental fee to make sure its in compliance. Motion by Mr. Long to set for status on October 13, 2022; seconded by Ms. Huerta. AYES ALL. Motion carried.

6824 Arkansas – Property owner present. Motion by Mr. Long to waive the late fee; seconded by Ms. Huerta. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 22-584)

Under Bid Openings – Wildwood Drive Closure Project - Gariup Construction Company - \$213,700. Motion by Mr. Long to forward to contractor for review, tabulation and recommendation; seconded by Ms. Huerta. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Res. No. 2857)

Under Matters from Other Department Heads/Their Representatives – Mr. Long states that last week Mr. Kevin Barnett appeared regarding Hyslop. Mr. Long is going to recommend to put in "no parking signs from here to corner and paint the curb and will work with Public Works regarding same. (Ins. No. 22-585)

Under Correspondence, correspondence received from Chief of Police, William Short requesting the approval for Officer Crystal Taylor to receive Evidence Technician Specialty pay as of September 3, 2022 submitted for approval. Motion by Mr. Long to approve; seconded by Ms. Huerta. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 22-586)

Correspondence received from NIES Engineering recommending the Tapper Avenue Lighting Project be awarded to the lowest, responsive and responsible bidder, Hawk Enterprises, Inc. in the amount of \$505,193.90 submitted for approval. Motion by Mr. Long to approve; seconded by Ms. Huerta. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 22-587)

Correspondence received from Personnel Director, Sharon Daniels requesting the approval for electronic signature for the Immunization Service Agreement with Walgreens for Covid and Flu Vaccines during the Open Enrollment and Benefits Fair submitted for approval. Motion by Mr. Long to approve; seconded by Ms. Huerta. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 22-588)

Under New Business, Funding Allocation Request Form requesting \$87,537.00 of Mayor's Discretionary Gaming Fund be allocated for the improvements at Phrommer Park submitted for approval. Motion by Mr. Long to approve; seconded by Ms. Huerta. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 22-589)

Funding Allocation Request Form requesting \$20,037.00 of Gaming Fund from 6th District Councilman Scott Rakos be allocated for the improvements at Phrommer Park submitted for approval. Motion by Mr. Long to approve; seconded by Ms. Huerta. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 22-590)

Funding Allocation Request Form requesting \$90,000.00 of Gaming Fund from 3rd District Councilman Barry Tyler, Jr., be allocated for the replacement of fence along Columbia Avenue from 164th Place to Merrill St. submitted for approval. Motion by Mr. Long to approve; seconded by Ms. Huerta. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 22-591)

Resolution and Agreement Authorizing the City of Hammond, by the Hammond Board of Public Works and Safety, to Enter into an Interlocal Governmental Agreement with the Hammond Redevelopment Commission for the Transfer of Real Estate and Quit-Claim Deed regarding 527 State Street submitted for approval. Motion by Mr. Long to approve; seconded by Ms. Huerta. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 22-592) (Res. No. 4117)

Resolution and Agreement Authorizing the City of Hammond, by the Hammond Board of Public Works and Safety, to Enter into an Interlocal Governmental Agreement with the Hammond Redevelopment Commission for the Transfer of Real Estate and Quit-Claim Deed regarding 6219 Hohman Avenue submitted for approval. Motion by Mr. Long to approve; seconded by Ms. Huerta. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 22-593) (Res. No. 4118)

Robertsdale Access Agreements for properties located at 1232 Lakeview Avenue and 1246 Lakeview Avenue submitted for approval. Motion by Mr. Long to approve; seconded by Ms. Huerta. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 22-594)

Right of Way Permits (2) submitted for approval from Engineering Department. Motion by Mr. Long to approve; seconded by Ms. Huerta. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 22-595)

Garage Sale Permits submitted for approval. Motion by Mr. Long to approve; seconded by Ms. Huerta. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 22-596)

Under Old Business, Status - Request from FH Paschen for multiple lane closures on 165th. Mr. Gordish states they will close for two weeks in November for sewer tie-in and will not be a full closure. Motion by Mr. Long to approve; seconded by Ms. Huerta. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 22-597)

Status - 4905 Linden (dumped car parts) Inspector Jason states that property has been cleaned up and a citation was issued. No action.

Under Correspondence, Mr. Keith McKinley, 820 Bauer, appears and thought he had a status date today. Mr. Margraf states they talked about this last week and requested set for status. Inspector came out on Friday to inspect and would send a report. Mr. Margraf apologies for the communication break down, asks Chris to straighten this out. Ms. Hill requests Mr. McKinley give Chris his contact information and apologies.

Mr. Todd Hughes, 4315 Towle, received a notice from his lawyer saying the city was going to tear down the building, talked with Chris several times, wasn't notified about the situation, has \$60,000 tied up in the building. Inspector Pajdzik states he has been in contact with Mr. Hughes regarding the property and about 1 ½ years ago he issued a citation regarding the garage. Based on the condition of the property, it was place on the repair/demolish list. Mr. Long asks if he was contacted about the condition of the property. Inspector states they do not have any permits or contractors regarding the property, states Mr. Lewter will inspect the property and request to waive the demo fee. Mr. Margraf advises he has time to figure out before the date. Mr. Long advises the photos show the garage is in disarray and has until October 20th to schedule an inspection and show the improvements that have been made. Mr. Long advises Mr. Hughes to work it out with Inspector Chris for an inspection. Motion by Mr. Long to waive the demo inspection fee; seconded by Ms. Huerta. AYES ALL. Motion carried.

There being no further business to come before the Board, motion by Mr. Long to adjourn; seconded by Ms. Huerta. The regularly scheduled meeting adjourned at 9:36 a.m.

APPROVED:

BY:

Kevin Margraf President

AILEST:

inda Norville-Moles, Board Secretary