BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY MINUTES OF APRIL 13, 2023

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Public Works and Safety convened at 9:02 a.m. on Thursday, April 13, 2023, in the Council Chambers of Hammond City Hall. A roll call was taken: Mr. Long – present; Ms. Greenwell – present; Mr. Kalina – present.

Motion by Ms. Greenwell to defer the Minutes of the meeting of April 6, 2023; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried.

Under Matters from Other Department Heads, Mr. Smith states Mr. Flores from 5235 State Line is present. Mr. Flores states he submitted his plat survey and provided it to Mr. Novak. Mr. Smith requested Mr. Flores be notified of his status date.

Under Correspondence, correspondence received from Dean Button, requesting the approval of the City Hall Video Surveillance – Supplemental Agreement submitted for approval. Funding allocation was previously approved. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 23-203)

Correspondence received from William Short, Chief of Police, submitting the Petition for Retirement from Sergeant Steven Guzior who has served the citizens of Hammond for 31 years effective at the close of business on July 12, 2023. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 23-204)

Correspondence received from Jeffery Smith, Fire Chief, requesting the approval of the Acceptance Agreement for the Proposal for the Preparation of Medicaid Ambulance Costs Reports. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 23-205)

Correspondence received from Alberto Ochoa requesting permission to hold their annual Mexican Independence Parade and festivities on Saturday, September 16, 2023 with parade route attached. Also requesting cones or barricades to block traffic during staging on 169th/Grand and 173rd/Grand. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 23-206)

Correspondence received from Leon Wolek requesting permission for road closures on Sunday, June 4, 2023 from 7:30 a.m. to 12:00 for their annual triathlon with route attached. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 23-207)

Correspondence received (2) requesting hearings for late business license fee. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to set for May 4, 2023; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 23-208)

Correspondence received requesting a rental registration hearing. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to set for May 4, 2023; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 23-209)

Under New Business, Amendment to the Professional Services Agreement with Axis Architecture + Interiors for the Hammond Fire Station No. 2 submitted for approval. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 23-210)

Agreement to Rehabilitate Property located at 6530 Carolina Avenue submitted for approval. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 23-211)

Approval of placement of certain signage in right-of-way on the 7400 block of Kennedy submitted for approval. Mr. Smith states this is for the Park Department signs to be placed on the right of way. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 23-212)

Right of Way Permit received from Engineering submitted for approval. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 23-213)

Garage Sale Permit submitted for approval. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 23-214)

Authority to go to quote/bid for sand volleyball courts at the Hammond Sportsplex. Mr. Smith states the funding is from the Mayor's gaming fund. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried.

Funding Allocation Request Forms received requesting \$49,700 of Mayor's Gaming for the Optimist Pond Planning, \$165,000 of Mayor's Discretionary Gaming for the LiqGo Façade Rebate and \$265,000 of Mayor's Discretionary Gaming for the Strack and Van Til Façade Rebate. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 23-215)

Release of Lien for property located at 3158 Parkway N submitted for approval. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 23-216)

Under Old Business, Approval of Findings of Appeal of Denial of Business Licenses at 6040 Hohman Ave. Mr. Smith states the hearing was last week and the city code states Findings to be issued within 10 days and Mr. Alvarez is to received regular and certified mail. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 23-

Correspondence received from Kim Hunt, We Care From The Heart Social Services, 200 Russell St., requesting permission to conduct a homeless outreach event. The event will be held in the private parking lot at 200 Russell Street with various community vendors, residential services, clothing and food. This event will take place on August 2, 2023 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Mr. Smith would like to know if this has the approval of the Mayor or Chief of Staff. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to defer until April 20, 2023; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried.

Status – 5554 Walter – Mr. Smith states this is on the bond status. Ms. Botello states they were denied on all the applications for a bond. Kelly states work has been done and questions if it has been inspected. Mr. Angelo states they did the work last year and they are about 90% done. Kelly would like to pull the permit history and requests that be conditional to the wavier. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to conditionally approve the waiver of the bond and set for status on May 18, 2023; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried.

Under Rental Registration Hearings, 1026 170th, 7622 White Oak Ave., 7348 Nebraska Ave., 3415 163rd St., 7545 Jarnecke, 7232 Osborn Ave., 7532 Birch Ave., 7616 Oakdale Ave., 3328 175th Pl., 7203 Carolina, 7140 Maryland, and 909 Kane St. These are all managed by CAPS Management and were not registered for 2022. Manager stated she is new to the job and someone else was handling last few years. Mr. Kearney states some were sent to Smith Sersic in 2017 and 2019. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to forward to Smith Sersic; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 23-218)

- 1635 Roberts (6) Prestige Management appears and states they thought it was a Whiting address. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to waive the late fee; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 23-218)
- 6415 Nevada Owner not present. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to apply late fee; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 23-218)
- 6314 Garfield Owner not present. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to apply late fee; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 23-218)
- 6325 Jefferson (2) -Owner appears. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to waive the late fee; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 23-218)
- 4833 Pine Ave. Owner appears. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to waive the late fee; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 23-218)
- 1025 169th St. (2) Owner appears. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to waive the late fee; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 23-218)

5414 Walnut Ave. – Owner appears. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to waive the late fee; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 23-218)

2456 White Oak (requesting a rehearing) Mr. Joel Sanchez appears and states he has had some medical issues and missed the hearing. Also stated he did not receive the letter but did get the Findings. Mr. Farrell recommends this be sent to Smith Sersic. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to forward to Smith Sersic; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 23-218)

Open to the Public, Councilman Torres advises of 1) speeding vehicles on 150th from Columbia West to Calumet and requests some signage to be placed and 2) on Cedar, Pine, Oak, Ash, people are parking too close to the intersection so he is requesting no parking signs from here to corner be placed and some paint. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to forward to Engineering and Public Works for observation and review and forward to Police Department for follow-up on the speeding; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 23-220)

There being no further business to come before the Board, motion by Ms. Greenwell to adjourn; seconded by Mr. Kalina. The regularly scheduled meeting adjourned at 9:54 a.m.

APPROVED:

BY:

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