BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY MINUTES OF AUGUST 15, 2024

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Public Works and Safety convened at 9:03 a.m. on Thursday, August 15, 2024, 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 approve the Minutes of the meeting of August 8, 2024; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried.

Under Matters from Other Department Heads/Their Representatives, Mr. Gordish advises that Milestone will reduce northbound and southbound traffic on Indianapolis Blvd. from 167th St. to 165th St. to one lane in each direction as part of Phase 1 and will begin on/after August 21, 2024 until late October. (Ins. No. 24-453)

Mr. Gordish requests approval for ICC Group to keep Ash Avenue open to the parking lots of both businesses and no parking signs on the east side of Ash Avenue between the bridge and Chicago Ave to the closure to accommodate wide loads to/from the businesses. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 24-454)

Under Correspondence, correspondence received from Dean Button requesting \$856,605.91 of CIB Funding to be allocated for the 20% Match of the Kennedy Road Diet Construction – 165th Place to Indiana Toll Road submitted for approval. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 24-455)

Correspondence received from Bernard Grisolia, Fire Chief requesting the approval of Engineer Brian Kartz to be promoted to the rank of Captain and Private 1st Class Mark Ramoska be promoted to the rank of Engineer, effective August 20, 2024. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 24-456)

Correspondence received from the Most Worshipful King Solomon Universal Grand Lodge requesting to close the corner of Sibley Blvd. and Maywood Ave. on Saturday, August 17, 2024 from 7:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m. for a family and friend's cookout. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 24-457)

Correspondence received from Brian Miller, Director of Public Safety, Purdue University Northwest, requesting to add the date of August 15, 2024 to their recently approved "move-in day activities" for incoming students and request to have outdoor music until 10:00 p.m. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 24-458)

Correspondence received from Pamela Carroll, New Community Baptist Church requesting to close Madison Street between 169th and Cherry St. and the alleys which intersect Madison St. on the east and west sides of the street to host a family fun festival on Saturday, September 7, 2024 from 8:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 24-459)

Correspondence received from the Controller's Office requesting the approval of the renewal of amusement device license for Boulevard Lounge, Just 1 More, Anchor Inn, Good Time Charlie and Spirros Country Lounge. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 24-460)

Under New Business, SeeClickFix – request for stop sign on 117th at Myrtle Ave. Mr. Button requests to be sent to Engineering. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to refer to Engineering; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 24-461)

Garage Sale Permits submitted for approval. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 24-462)

Under Old Business, Notice of Violation Hearing - 630 Stewart. Inspector Pajdzik requests a two-week continuance. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to set for August 29, 2024; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried.

Status – Demolition Order re: 6411 Harrison. Mr. Smith states there is a chance in ownership and will need to resent notices. No action. (Ins. No. 24-463)

Status - 1152 Michigan St. Mr. Lewter states there is a signed rehab agreement and the bond was received. No action.

Status – 847 117th. Mr. Ciers appears and wants an inspection and provides photos. He states he has replaced some of the roof, struggling with insulation of ceiling, has continued working and is about two-thirds complete. Mr. Long states the inspection needs to be completed. Mr. Lewter will be over to inspect and Mr. Smith would like to have an update. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to set for status on September 5, 2024; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried.

Derrick Bryant, Grand Treasurer of the Regular Grand Lodge of Indiana, requesting to hold an outside event on September 22, 2024 at 12:00 p.m. in the parking lot behind 5260 Hohman Avenue. No one appeared. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to deny; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 24-464)

Late Business License Hearing – Doggie D'Tails Grooming. Owner states he had problems with fingerprints and does not yet operate in Hammond. Mr. Farrell states he has been operating. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to waive the late fee; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL.

Motion carried. (Ins. No. 24-465)

Under Late Rental Registration Hearings, 1312 Lakeview St. Owner appears and states she paid but has no receipt nor sticker. After much discussion she will need to talk to Smith Sersic. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to send to Smith Sersic; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 24-466)

2104 Lincoln. Owner appears, this is a five unit and he will live in one. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to waive the late fee; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 24-466)

927 Michigan St. New owner. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to waive the late fee; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 24-466)

4718 Cedar Ave. Property Manager Mendez appears. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to waive the late fee; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 24-466)

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 9:36 a.m.

APPROVED:

BY:

Jeffer Long, President

ATTEST:

Linda Norville, Board Secretary