

**MINUTES**  
**BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY**  
**SEPTEMBER 28, 2017**

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Public Works and Safety convened at 9:00 a.m. on Thursday, September 28, 2017, in the Council Chambers of Hammond City Hall. A roll call was taken: Mr. Dostatni – present; Ms. Garay – present; Mr. Margraf – present.

Motion by Mr. Margraf to approve the minutes of the meeting of September 21, 2017; seconded by Ms. Garay. AYES ALL. Motion carried.

Bid opening – 6th District Local Street Project – Illinois and Idaho Avenue Lighting Improvements – 169th Street to 165th Street. Bids received as follows:

Midwestern Electric, Inc.	\$450,482.56
Hawk Enterprises, Inc.	\$418,855.44

Motion by Ms. Garay to refer the bids to the consulting engineer for tabulation and recommendation; seconded by Mr. Margraf. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Res. No. 2837)

Bid opening – Columbia Park Trail. Bids received as follows:

Rieth Riley Construction Co., Inc.	\$457,765.00
Dyer Construction Co., Inc.	\$461,015.07
Walsh & Kelly, Inc.	\$394,091.55
Gariup Construction Co., Inc.	\$497,000.00

Motion by Ms. Garay to refer the bids to the consulting engineer for tabulation and recommendation; seconded by Mr. Margraf. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Res. No. 4054)

Request for advertising dates of October 5, 2017 and October 12, 2017 with a bid opening date of October 26, 2017 for Lindberg Avenue Lighting – 173rd Street to 169th Street. Motion by Ms. Garay; seconded by Mr. Margraf. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Res. No. 4055)

Change Orders No. 4 and 6 received from American Structurepoint, Inc. for Chicago Street Widening and Reconstruction Phase 3. Mr. Dostatni advised Change Order No. 4 is in the amount of \$65,425.78 for copper water line service to residences along Chicago Street and Change Order No. 6 is for implementing an INDOT Construction Memo requiring contractors to submit payrolls electronically with no change of contract or time extensions. Motion by Ms. Garay; seconded by Mr. Margraf. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 17-803)

Indemnification Agreement between the Board of Public Works & Safety on behalf of the City of Hammond and General Contractor submitted for approval. Corporation Counsel, Ms. Kristina Kantar, said any contractor awarded a bid must sign the indemnification and if the

contractor refuses, the award would be rescinded. Ms. Kantar then said this is being done as a contractor recently would not pay on a claim made to them. Motion by Ms. Garay to approve the agreement for use; seconded by Mr. Margraf. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 17-804)

Correspondence received from Councilman Dave Woerpel requesting \$75,000 of gaming funds be allocated to the 2017 Overlay Program for 173rd Street – Chestnut Avenue to Columbia Avenue. Motion by Ms. Garay; seconded by Mr. Margraf. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 17-805)

Correspondence received from Councilman Mark Kalwinski requesting \$1,682.59 of gaming funds be allocated to finalize the 2017 Sidewalk Repair Program. Motion by Ms. Garay; seconded by Mr. Margraf. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 17-806)

Correspondence received from Councilman Bill Emerson Sr. requesting \$75,000 of gaming funds be allocated to the 2017 Overlay Program for 173rd Street – Chestnut Avenue to Columbia Avenue. Motion by Ms. Garay; seconded by Mr. Margraf. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 17-807)

A Resolution of the Board of Public Works & Safety of the City of Hammond, Indiana, Authorizing the Disposal of Surplus Property Under Indiana Law to the Hammond Board of Park Commissioners for the Dedication as a City Park. Ms. Kantar said the City acquired this property, 3800 – 3900 block of 173<sup>rd</sup> Street, in 2007 which will soon be dedicated as a public City of Hammond park. Motion by Ms. Garay; seconded by Mr. Margraf. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 17-808)

Mr. Dostatni recognized 2<sup>nd</sup> District Councilman Pete Torres in the audience.

Notice of Violation hearing – 1204 Lakeview Avenue. Attorney Gary Matthews appears for the property owner. Mr. Matthews said the property owner had added another unit to the property which needs to be removed and requested additional time for the property owner to have the work done. Motion by Ms. Garay to continue this matter to March 22, 2018; seconded by Mr. Margraf. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 17-809)

Correspondence received from Midway General Construction, Inc. requesting permission to keep a portion of the foundation and wall intact during the demolition of 6129 – 6131 Calumet Avenue. Mr. Kelly Kearney, Chief of Inspections, said the request is being made allow the preservation of the sidewalk by the building. Motion by Ms. Garay; seconded by Mr. Margraf. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 17-810)

Approval of a vigil, 5K race and parade received from the Hammond Police Department and Disposal Authorizations submitted for approval. Motion by Ms. Garay; seconded by Mr. Margraf. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 17-811)

Correspondence received requesting a rental registration hearing. Motion by Ms. Garay to set this matter for October 26, 2017; seconded by Mr. Margraf. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins.

No. 17-812)

Garage Sale Permits submitted for approval. Motion by Ms. Garay; seconded by Mr. Margraf. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 17-813)

Under Matters from Other Board Members, Mr. Dostatni received correspondence from 3<sup>rd</sup> District Councilman Anthony W. Higgs requesting \$4,950 of gaming funds be allocated for material testing services on Erie Avenue between Carroll Street and Eaton Street. Motion by Ms. Garay; seconded by Mr. Margraf. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 17-814)

Mr. Dostatni also received a Proposal for Geotechnical Exploration Services with ATC Group Services for the Erie Avenue Reconstruction - Carroll Street to Eaton Street in the amount of \$4,950. Motion by Ms. Garay; seconded by Mr. Margraf. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 17-815)

Under Matters from Other Department Heads/Their Representatives, Mr. Dean Button, City Engineer, advised BP will have heavy loads traveling on Indianapolis Boulevard to 169<sup>th</sup> Street on October 8 or 9, 2017. Mr. Button said he will formally request permission for this at next week's meeting.

Under Meeting Opened to the Public, 2<sup>nd</sup> District Councilman Pete Torres said he has received complaints regarding traffic on Michigan Street and Howard Avenue and Michigan Street and Maywood Street. Mr. Torres requested additional stop signs at these locations as well as additional police patrols. Mr. Dostatni said the police department has a portable speed limit sign that can also be requested. Motion by Ms. Garay to refer this matter to Public Works and the Hammond Police Department; seconded by Mr. Margraf. AYES ALL. Motion carried.

Mr. Torres then said the 4500 block of Sheffield Avenue rail crossing is in bad condition. Mr. Button said the crossing will be closed for the next two (2) weeks for repair.

There being no further business to come before the Board, motion by Ms. Garay to adjourn; seconded by Mr. Margraf. AYES ALL. Motion carried. The regularly scheduled meeting adjourned at 9:24 a.m.

APPROVED:

BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
Heather Garay; Vice President

ATTEST:

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Lynn Laviolette, Secretary

