

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY
MINUTES OF APRIL 12, 2018

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Public Works and Safety convened at 9:00 a.m. on Thursday, April 12, 2018, in the Council Chambers of Hammond City Hall. A roll call was taken: Ms. Garay - present; Mr. Margraf – present; Mr. Long - present.

Motion by Mr. Margraf to approve the minutes of the meeting of April 5, 2017; seconded by Mr. Long. AYES ALL. Motion carried.

Correspondence received from Councilman Dave Woerpel requesting \$100,000 of gaming funds be allocated for 5th District Park Projects. Motion by Mr. Margraf; seconded by Mr. Long. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 18-221)

Correspondence received from Mr. Gary Gleason, Director, Public Works, advising a “Handicap Child on Block” sign will be installed on the 1300 block of 170th Place. Correspondence acknowledged. (Ins. No. 18-222)

Correspondence received from Ms. Donna Muta, Special Events Coordinator, requesting permission to hold a commercial firework display on July 20 and 21, 2018 on the Wolf Lake Memorial Park Island beginning at 10:30 p.m. for the 15th Annual Festival of the Lakes, closure of thoroughfares, Sheffield Avenue from 129th Street to Calumet Avenue, 121st Street to 125th Street and one (1) southbound lane of Calumet Avenue and 119th Street and Calumet Avenue at the entrance to the Water Gardens subdivision, for the duration of the festival from 5:00 p.m., July 18, 2018 through July 22, 2018 at midnight. Motion by Mr. Margraf; seconded by Mr. Long. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 18-223)

Rental registration hearing on property located at 4226 Wabash Avenue and 4329 Baltimore Avenue. Mr. Nick Farrell, Inspector, Inspections Department, requested a two (2) week continuance. Motion by Mr. Margraf to continue this matter to April 26, 2018; seconded by Mr. Long. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 18-224)

Rental registration hearing on property located at 1510 173rd Street. Property owner appears and said she just rented the property in 2017. Motion by Mr. Margraf; seconded by Mr. Long. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 18-225)

Findings and Order regarding property located at 233 – 25 Kenwood Street. Corporation Counsel, Ms. Kristina Kantar, said Attorney David Weigle represents the property owner and has no objection to the demolition. Motion by Mr. Margraf; seconded by Mr. Long. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 18-226)

Correspondence received from Korellis Roofing, Inc. requesting permission to block a portion of the north lane of Huehn Street for approximately one (1) week beginning April 16, 2018 from 7:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. daily. Motion by Mr. Margraf to approve subject to approval from the Engineering Department; seconded by Mr. Long. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 18-227)

Correspondence received from Dyer Construction Company, Inc. requesting permission to close New York Avenue, by Lost Marsh Estates, to perform utility tie-ins, Monday, April 16, 2018 for approximately one (1) week with “Road Closed Ahead” signs at 129th Street and Indianapolis Boulevard. Motion by Mr. Margraf; seconded by Mr. Long. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 18-228)

Correspondence received from South Shore Arts requesting permission to use the parking lots on either side of their building at 435 Fayette Street for an arts community event with live art performances and live music Saturday, June 9, 2018 from 1:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Ms. Kantar said the Russell Street parking lot does belong to the City but the other lot may belong to Redevelopment. Motion by Mr. Margraf to approve subject to approval from Engineering; seconded by Mr. Long. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 18-229)

Correspondence received from Ms. Elvira Martinez of Paws & People, requesting barricades to close the street on privately owned Industrial Plaza Drive, August 25, 2018 from 6:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Ms. Garay said the letter stated permission has been given by the owners of the property to Ms. Martinez. Motion by Mr. Margraf; seconded by Mr. Long. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 18-230)

Correspondence received from Chuck and Irene’s Bar & Restaurant requesting the 2700 block of 161st Street between Marshall Avenue and Kennedy Avenue be closed to traffic from 10:00 a.m. to noon on April 21, 2018, for the Autism Awareness Foundation motorcycle run. Motion by Mr. Margraf; seconded by Mr. Long. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 18-231)

Correspondence received from Carole and Mark Fetzko, 546 173rd Street, requesting permission to block the alley behind their home on May 19, 2018 from 1:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. for a family gathering. Motion by Mr. Margraf; seconded by Mr. Long. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 18-232)

Correspondence received from Attorney Gary Matthews advising the Board the he no longer represents Ms. Silvia Milosevic, former property owner of 1204 Lakeview Avenue. Motion by Mr. Margraf; seconded by Mr. Long. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 18-233)

Right of Encroachment at 7105 Magoun Avenue request received from property owners, Ramon and Nelly Perez. Mr. Brian Poland, City Planner, there is no objection to the encroachment but the property owners must complete a new form which outlines in more detail the property owner’s responsibilities and the City’s right to remove the encroachment. Motion by Mr. Margraf; seconded by Mr. Long. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 18-234)

Correspondence received requesting rental registration hearings. Motion by Mr. Margraf to set these matters for hearing on May 10, 2018; seconded by Mr. Long. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 18-235)

Garage Sale Permits submitted for approval. Motion by Mr. Margraf; seconded by Mr.

Long. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 18-236)

Disposal Authorizations received from the Hammond Police Department. Motion by Mr. Margraf; seconded by Mr. Long. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 18-237)

Correspondence received from Mr. and Mrs. Charlton Ridgell, 6120 Wallace Road, requesting permission to block the 6100 block of Wallace Road, from Merrill Street to Field Street, for a children's birthday party, Saturday, April 28, 2018. Motion by Mr. Margraf; seconded by Mr. Long. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 18-238)

Agreement with the City of Whiting for the Atchison Avenue Project. Ms. Garay said this is Whiting's Community Crossing grant which shares a street with Hammond. Motion by Mr. Margraf; seconded by Mr. Long. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 18-239)

Under Matters from Other Board Members, Mr. Margraf received correspondence from Ms. Alta K. Lavizzo, LRP Network, requesting permission to use the City owned parking lot at 5218 Hohman Avenue and access to the parking lot behind the building at 5217 Hohman Avenue, street closure on Fayette Street between Hohman Avenue and Douglas Street from noon to 8:00 p.m., May 19, 2018 and trash receptacles. Motion by Mr. Margraf; seconded by Mr. Long. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 18-240)

There being no further business to come before the Board, motion by Mr. Margraf to adjourn; seconded by Mr. Long. The regularly scheduled meeting adjourned at 9:20 a.m.

APPROVED:

BY: _____
Heather Garay, President

ATTEST:

Lynn Laviolette, Secretary