BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY MINUTES OF JUNE 29, 2023

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Public Works and Safety convened at 9:02 a.m. on Thursday, June 29, 2023, in the Council Chambers of Hammond City Hall. A roll call was taken: Mr. Long – present; Ms. Greenwell – absent; Mr. Kalina – present.

Due to the absence of Ms. Greenwell, normal rules of procedure are suspended.

Recommendation by Mr. Kalina to approve the Minutes of the meeting of June 15, 2023 and June 22, 2023; concurred by Mr. Long.

Under Bid Opening: Removal and Replacement of Lead Impacted Soil Environmental Remediation.

Blue River Environmental and Restoration \$2,798,464.00

Mr. Button recommends referring this to consultant. Recommendation by Mr. Kalina to send to consultant for review and recommendation; concurred by Mr. Long. (Res. No. 4144)

Under Correspondence, correspondence received from Lt. Ralph Bogie requesting the approval for the disposals of HPD squads that are no longer in use. Recommendation by Mr. Kalina to approve; concurred by Mr. Long. (Ins. No. 23-411)

Correspondence received requesting to install speed bumps around the 4100-4400 block of Towle Ave., 4100-4400 block of Cameron Ave. and 4100-4400 block of Johnson Avenue due to speeding vehicles. Mr. Button states the city's policy is not to install speed bumps. Recommendation by Mr. Kalina to deny speed bumps and refer to the Police Department; concurred by Mr. Long. (Ins. No. 23-412)

Correspondence received from Jetaunn Powell requesting a block party on July 4, 2023 from 6723 – 6707 Alabama Ave. Recommendation by Mr. Kalina to approve on the condition it ends by 10:00 p.m.; concurred by Mr. Long. (Ins. No. 23-413)

Correspondence received from Roger Torres, owner of Torres Accounting & Tax Service, 837 169th St., requesting the sewer drain in front of his property be removed and placed on city property due to it being plugged and causing a great inconvenience for parking for employees and customers. Mr. Torres appears and presents photos and states he has had to pay to clean the drain and needs it removed. Mr. Button states this is a Sanitary issue and from what he understands it is the owners responsible because it is on private property and is needed for the parking lot, suggest to be forwarded to Sanitary. Councilman Torres speaks. Recommendation by Mr. Kalina to forward to Sanitary; concurred by Mr. Long. (Ins. No. 23-414)

Request from Hessville Bible Church advising they will be holding a Gospel Sing outside their church on Sunday, July 2, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Recommendation by Mr. Kalina to approve; concurred by Mr. Long. (Ins. No. 23-415)

Correspondence received from TreVira Alexander requesting permission to hold a block party for a Celebration of Life on July 15, 2023 from 3:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., closing Jennings and Noble Ave. with no residents being affected. Recommendation by Mr. Kalina to approve; concurred by Mr. Long. (Ins. No. 23-416)

Correspondence received from New Life Community Church requesting permission to block off Hoffman St. between Hickory and Elm for a Back to School Block Party on July 23, 2023 from 11:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. Recommendation by Mr. Kalina to approve; concurred by Mr. Long. (Ins. No. 23-417)

Under New Business, Disposal Authorizations received from the Hammond Police Department submitted for approval. Recommendation by Mr. Kalina to approve; concurred by Mr. Long. (Ins. No. 23-418)

Addendum Application to permit drawing set to include the Masonry Tower/Signage for the Hammond Fire Station No. 2 Project submitted for approval. Recommendation by Mr. Kalina to approve; concurred by Mr. Long. (Ins. No. 23-419)

Contract with Impact Networking Indiana, LLC for the copier at Public Works Department submitted for approval. Recommendation by Mr. Kalina to approve; concurred by Mr. Long. (Ins. No. 23-420)

Funding Allocation Request Form requesting \$267,000.00 of 6th District Gaming Fund and Mayors Gaming Fund to be allocated for the Overlay Program for 169th Street from Kennedy Ave. to Parrish Ave. Recommendation by Mr. Kalina to approve; concurred by Mr. Long. (Ins. No. 23-421)

Funding Allocation Request Form requesting \$31,276.00 of 2nd District Gaming Fund to be allocated for the Overlay Program for the 200 block of an alley between Ogden Street and Douglas Street. Recommendation by Mr. Kalina to approve; concurred by Mr. Long. (Ins. No. 23-421)

Funding Allocation Request Form requesting \$58,100.00 of 6th District Gaming Fund to be allocated for the Overlay Program for 176th Place from New Hampshire Avenue east to dead end. Recommendation by Mr. Kalina to approve; concurred by Mr. Long. (Ins. No. 23-421)

Funding Allocation Request Form requesting \$16,050.00 of 3rd District Gaming Fund be allocated for the Columbia Avenue Fence remaining balance submitted for approval. Recommendation by Mr. Kalina to approve; concurred by Mr. Long. (Ins. No. 23-421)

Funding Allocation Request Form requesting \$40,000.00 of 2nd District Gaming Fund to be allocated for the Festival of the Lakes- Park Gaming fund. Recommendation by Mr. Kalina to approve; concurred by Mr. Long. (Ins. No. 23-421)

Funding Allocation Request Form requesting \$40,000.00 of 5th District Gaming Fund to be allocated for the Festival of the Lakes Park - Gaming fund. Recommendation by Mr. Kalina to approve; concurred by Mr. Long. (Ins. No. 23-421)

First Amendment to the August 8, 2007 Agreement for the Sale of Water to the Civil City of Hammond by the Hammond Water Works Department for the Resale to the Village of Lansing. Recommendation by Mr. Kalina to approve; concurred by Mr. Long. (Ins. No. 23-421)

Orders to Rescind and Release Orders to Demolish for properties located at 1429 Truman St., 6312 Madison Ave. (front & rear), and 4315 Towle Ave. submitted for approval. Recommendation by Mr. Kalina to approve; concurred by Mr. Long. (Ins. No. 23-422)

Agreement to Purchase Real Estate located at 1026 Kenwood Street submitted for approval. Recommendation by Mr. Kalina to approve; concurred by Mr. Long. (Ins. No. 23-423)

Resolution No. 23-4145 and Intergovernmental Agreement between the City of Hammond and Hammond Department of Redevelopment to transfer properties located at 5616 Walter Ave., 609 Thornton, 5511 Beall Ave., 5509 Beall Ave. a/k/a 730 Fayette St., 5507 Beall Ave., 5543 Walter Ave., 5545 Walter Ave., 5549 Walter Ave., 5551 Walter Ave., 5557 Walter Ave., 5612 Alice Ave., and 5614 Alice Ave. Recommendation by Mr. Kalina to approve; concurred by Mr. Long. (Ins. No. 23-424)

Notice of Violation Hearing for property located at 1311 Lakeview Ave. Inspector Pajdzik states this was inspected in May and found it was a non-conforming basement that has issues with ceiling height, fire separation, and no permits. Inspector states owners are on board and request to affirm the order to convert back to a 2-unit dwelling. Recommendation by Mr. Kalina to affirm the order; concurred by Mr. Long. (Ins. No. 23-425)

Notice of Violation Hearing for property located at 2226 White Oak Ave. Inspector Pajdzik states this was inspected and the basement was found to have issues with fire separation and no permits and request to affirm the order. Inspector Pajdzik also states he has had contact with property manager, Property Boss. Recommendation by Mr. Kalina to affirm the order; concurred by Mr. Long. (Ins. No. 23-426)

Right of Way Permits (7) received from Engineering submitted for approval. Mr.

Gordish states multiples are for NIPSCO, Comcast and AT&T. Paschen requesting road closure on 165th from July 17, 2023 – July 22, 2023, weather permitting. Representative from Paschen is presents and states they will need to close the whole road to install the rail as a whole. Recommendation by Mr. Kalina to approve; concurred by Mr. Long. (Ins. No. 23-427)

Mobile Food Vender application from Sweet Glee submitted for approval. Recommendation by Mr. Kalina to approve; concurred by Mr. Long. (Ins. No. 23-428)

Garage Sale Permits submitted for approval. Recommendation by Mr. Kalina to approve; concurred by Mr. Long. (Ins. No. 23-429)

Under Old Business, Status 847 117th St. Mr. Lewter states there has been no progress. Mr. Ciers states he has finished the front door, grass cut, roof damage around chimney, permit was pulled, removed the fence and is continuing to get bids for insulation. Mr. Long asks when will this be completed and needs significant movement. Mr. Lewter suggests a 30-day status to look inside. Recommendation by Mr. Kalina to set for status on July 27, 2023; concurred by Mr. Long.

Status – 228 Condit. Mr. Lewter states this is moving along well and requests a 90-day rehab extension. Recommendation by Mr. Kalina to set for status on September 28, 2023; concurred by Mr. Long.

Status – temporary stop signs at the corner of Vine and Arizona. Mr. Button states they are still needed and requests a 90-day extension. Recommendation by Mr. Kalina to approve and sets for status on September 28, 2023; concurred by Mr. Long.

Under Rental Registration Hearings, 7439 Alabama. Property manager appears. Recommendation by Mr. Kalina to waive the late fee; concurred by Mr. Long. (Ins. No. 23-430)

6416 Kennedy Ave. – Property manager appears. Recommendation by Mr. Kalina to waive the late fee; concurred by Mr. Long. (Ins. No. 23-430)

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4315 Hohman Ave., - No one appears. Recommendation by Mr. Kalina to deny the late fee; concurred by Mr. Long. (Ins. No. 23-430)

There being no further business to come before the Board, recommendation by Mr. Kalina to adjourn; concurred by Mr. Long. The regularly scheduled meeting adjourned at 9:38 a.m.

APPROVED:

BY:

Jeffery Long, President

ATTEST:

Linda Norville-Moles, Board Secretary