



Regular City Council Meeting

City of Calumet City, Illinois

Thursday, December 12, 2024

6:00 PM

AGENDA

To participate in the Public Comment for this meeting, email your comment to mayorjones@calumetcity.org. Please limit the comment to 300 words and be sure to identify yourself and address. Comments must be submitted no later than 1:00 p.m. Thursday, December 12, 2024.

Meetings shall be open to the public but limited to participation due to social distancing; at capacity, no additional public will be allowed. Meetings are televised on the government access channel (Channel 4 for Comcast users.)

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. ROLL CALL

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- A. Special Meeting November 21, 2024
- B. Regular City Council Meeting November 25, 2024
- C. Special Meeting December 4, 2024

6. REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Finance ----- Ald. Gardner
Public Safety ----- Ald. Williams
Public Utilities ----- Ald. Wilson
Ordinance & Resolution ----- Ald. Tillman
Health, Education & Welfare ----- Ald. Navarrete
Permits & Licenses ----- Ald. Patton
Public Works ----- Ald. Smith

7. CITY COUNCIL REPORTS

Mayor Jones
Alderman Navarrete
Alderwoman Wilson
Alderman Tillman
Alderman Williams

Alderman Gardner
Alderman Patton
Alderman Smith

8. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS TO BE ACCEPTED AND PLACED ON FILE

- A. Emergency Services & Disaster Agency (ESDA) November 2024 Report.
- B. Hugena Stampley extending great gratitude to the Calumet City Paramedics and 911 Operators.
- C. Lieutenant Wyrwicki commending the Calumet City Fire Department for their heroic actions on November 6, 2024.
- D. Mercury Weekly Grant Update for July 31, 2024.

9. NEW BUSINESS - ACTION ITEMS

- 1. Mayor Thaddeus Jones, with powers described in section 2-194 of the City of Calumet City do hereby issue a Veto of the motion made by Alderman Patton and Seconded by Alderman Wilson. “As of the City Council Action of December 04, 2024, the following motion was made and approved: Alderman Patton moved, seconded by Alderman Wilson to direct the City Attorney to dismiss Case No.CH 5512 with immediate effect.”

This veto is being issued for three reasons. First, the city council does not have the authority under Illinois law and also under Section 2-492 “Mayor Shall direct all legal work on behalf of the city. Such legal work shall be assigned by the Mayor to the City Attorney.” Second, under Illinois State Law, 65 ILCS 5/3.1-40-30, which states only “The Mayor shall preside at all meetings of the city council.” Therefore, the meeting held on December 4, 2025, is hereby deemed an illegally held meeting.

DIVISION 40. CITY COUNCIL

(65 ILCS 5/3.1-40-30) (from Ch. 24, par. 3.1-40-30) Sec. 3.1-40-30. Mayor presides. The mayor shall preside at all meetings of the city council. Except as provided in Articles 4 and 5 of this Code, the mayor shall not vote on any ordinance, resolution, or motion except the following: (i) where the vote of the alderpersons has resulted in a tie; (ii) where one-half of the alderpersons elected have voted in favor of an ordinance, resolution, or motion even though there is no tie vote; or (iii) where a vote greater than a majority of the corporate authorities is required by this Code or an ordinance to adopt an ordinance, resolution, or motion. Nothing in this Section shall deprive an acting mayor or mayor pro temp from voting in the capacity as an alderperson, but he or she shall not be entitled to another vote in the capacity as acting mayor or mayor pro temp.

- 2. Attorney General Kwame Raoul and the Office of the Open Meetings Act denial of Alderman James Patton letter falsely claiming an illegal meeting occurred regarding the quick take action for River Oaks mall—2024 PAC 83525. No official action is needed.
- 3. Motion to approve Resident Only parking sign to be placed in front of 240 Mason. Direct public works to install.

4. Motion to approve the next Regular City Council Meeting to be held on Monday, December 23, 2024
5. Motion to approve the 2025 Administration Court Hearing Calendar.
6. Motion to approve the 2025 Holiday Calendar.

10. NEW BUSINESS - BUILDING PERMITS - NEW FENCE

11. NEW BUSINESS - BUILDING PERMITS - FENCE VARIANCE

12. NEW BUSINESS - BUILDING PERMITS - NEW GARAGE

13. NEW BUSINESS - RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES

1. A RESOLUTION APPROVING RENEWAL OF CLASS 8 STATUS PURSUANT TO THE COOK COUNTY REAL PROPERTY CLASSIFICATION ORDINANCE AS AMENDED FOR CERTAIN REAL ESTATE LOCATED AT 1777 RIVER OAKS DRIVE IN CALUMET CITY
2. Dave Bartock retirement resolution

14. NEW BUSINESS - FINANCIAL MATTERS

1. Motion to Approve payment to Triggs Construction, Inc. for Green Alley Construction in the amount of \$201,937.05 and to remit payment from Water and Sewer fund account #03006-48139 MWRD Grant and #03006-48148 Grant Reimbursements.
2. Motion to Approve payment to Triggs Construction, Inc. for Green Alley Construction in the amount of \$130,702.33 and to remit payment from Water and Sewer fund account #03006-48139 MWRD Grant and 03006-48148 Grant Reimbursements.
3. Motion to approve the buyback for Todd Sosnowski as shown in the communication.
4. Motion to approve payment to Track N Trap for November 1st-15th wildlife services. Direct Treasurer to remit payment in the amount of \$5,250 from account #01060-52487.
5. Motion to approve cost payable to Calumet City Plumbing for Invoice 65103, in the amount of \$9,869.95, authorize the City Treasurer to remit payment from account #03036-52349.
6. Motion to authorize the City Treasurer to reclass Triggs Construction Inc payment of \$371,448.45 from the revenue account 03036-48139 to the expense account #03036-52479.
7. Motion to authorize the City Treasurer to remit payment to the Chicago Southland Convention & Visitor's Bureau in the amount of \$7,013.00 payable from account #01099-52696.
8. Motion to approve cost payable to Calumet City Plumbing for invoice #65108 in the amount of \$5,183.20, authorize the City Treasurer to remit payment from account #03036-52349.
9. Motion to approve cost payable to Calumet City Plumbing for Proposal #169098 in the amount of \$8,800.00, authorize the City Treasurer to remit payment from account #03036-52349.

10. Motion to approve payment to Peterson, Johnson & Murray for invoice numbers 143717, 143718, 143719, 143720, 143721 & 143722 in the amount of \$55,858.18; authorize the City Treasurer to remit payment in the amount of \$55,858.18 and charge account number #01025-52200.
11. Motion to amend approved payment to Law Offices of Franks, Kelly, Matuszewich and Andre, P.C for invoice #12905; authorize the City Treasurer to remit payment in the amount of \$15,124.67 and charge account #01025-52200 or add the appropriate legal account.
12. Motion to approve costs payable to Total Property Management, in the amount of \$5,483.60 (INV #CC-126). Please direct the City Treasurer to remit payment from account #01099-52642.
13. Motion to approve costs payable to Total Property Management, in the amount of \$5,483.60 (INV #CC-128). Please direct the City Treasurer to remit payment from account #01099-52642.
14. Motion to approve costs payable to Total Property Management, in the amount of \$5,483.60 (INV #CC-124). Please direct the City Treasurer to remit payment from account #01099-52642.
15. Motion to approve costs payable to Republic Services, in the amount of \$24,692.03 (INV #0721-008236562). Please direct the City Treasurer to remit payment from account #01041-52141.
16. Motion to approve costs payable to Lyons-Pinner Electric, in the amount of \$6,498.35 (INV# 30777). Please direct the City Treasurer to remit payment from account #04007-52449.
17. Motion to approve cost payable to Calumet City Plumbing for Invoice 64935 in the amount of \$12,253.48, authorize the City Treasurer to remit payment from account #03036-52349.
18. Motion to approve payment to Track N Trap for Nov 16th-30th wildlife services. Direct Treasurer to remit payment in the amount of \$5,250 from account #01060-52487.
19. Motion to approve payment to Public Response Group (PRG) for invoice 24-10025 for \$9,190 and direct the City Treasurer to remit payment from account #01099-52351.
20. Motion to approve cost payable to Kustom Electric Proposal #2469 in the amount of \$5,650.00, authorize the city treasurer to remit payment from account #03036-52344.
21. Approve Payroll (\$1,056,781.17)
22. Approve Emergency Bill List for the amount of \$3,665.00.
23. Approve Bill List for the amount of \$800,893.00.

15. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

16. EXECUTIVE SESSION

17. ADJOURNMENT

The deadline for submission in writing to the City Mayor for consideration at its next regular meeting of Thursday, December 26, 2024, at 6:00 p.m., is at 12:00 NOON, Thursday, December 19, 2024.