



Special City Council Meeting

City of Calumet City, Illinois

Tuesday, May 06, 2025

5:30 PM

AGENDA

A Special City Council Meeting is being called for Tuesday, May 6, 2025, at 5:30.P.M. CITY HALL, 204 Pulaski Road, Calumet City, IL. The purpose of the meeting is for consideration of the following matters:

- 1. Call To Order**
- 2. Roll Call**
- 3. Public Comment**
- 4. Mayor's Report**

1. Swearing in of Alderwoman Shalisa Harvey

2. Appointments

3. Mayor Thaddeus Jones VETO MESSAGE

The following veto message is being issued for below listed items for the April 28, 2025, Special Meeting agenda.:

Mayor Thaddeus Jones, with powers described in section 2-194 of the City of Calumet City ordinance do hereby issue a Veto of the attached motions made and passed at the April 28, 2025, Special Meeting:

Further, many of these items, including but not limited; to 940 Sibley, do involve potential and pending legal matters that have NOT been resolved and may violate the law and executive session. **Therefore, I do not support the entire April 28, 2025, and the agenda matters are hereby vetoed.**

1. Motion to direct City Attorney and Farnsworth Group to Draft an RFP for potential Developers to propose Housing Developments. Include provisions for up to \$1,500,000 in subsidy from the 2023 Bond Fund. Further, to authorize both the City Treasurer and City Engineer to execute all necessary bond documentation if necessary to earmark those funds for this RFP.

2. Motion to direct City Attorney to draft a Redevelopment Agreement for 940 Sibley

Boulevard.

3. Motion to direct City Attorney to initiate acquisition of 940 Sibley Boulevard through the Abandonment Process.

4. Motion to direct City Attorney to draft a Redevelopment Agreement for 610 Burnham Avenue.

5. Motion to direct CED and City Attorney to take necessary steps to draft documents and schedule meetings with ZBA and City Council for purposes up updating the Calumet City Comprehensive Plan to include planning documents commissioned since 2014 including but not limited to Burnham Avenue Revitalization Plan, CMAP Subarea Plan, DISR Plan, and First Ward Vision and Action Plan.

6. Motion to approve payment to Jesus Shephard of Souls Parish for Guadalupana Celebrations. The feast day is a major religious celebration in Mexico and throughout the Americas, with many communities holding processions, masses, and traditional festivities to honor the Virgin Mary; authorize the Treasurer to remit payment in the amount of \$3,000 and charge account #01010-52381 (1* Ward Public Relations).

7. Motion to approve payment to Breaker Press Co. for Quote #Q-213134; authorize the Treasurer to remit payment in the amount of \$5,180.00 and charge account #01010-52321 (1" Ward Printing/Postage)

5. FLOODING AND WATER INFRASTRUCTURE

1. Motion by City Council to authorize Mayor to execute a Professional Services Agreement with Farnsworth Group for the Sewer and Stormwater Capital Improvement Action Plan. This project will entail a comprehensive Sewer Assessment and Response Program to collect data in all seven (7) wards. It will include cleaning of sewers; closed circuit televising of sewers; an engineering analysis of the data; community outreach; asset management and procedural updates; development of projects to alleviate flooding and sewer concerns; preparation of a comprehensive Capital Improvement Plan; and application for Federal and State Revolving Loan Fund financing from the IL EPA to rehabilitate and/or replace and improve sewer and stormwater facilities. The fee for the Professional Services Agreement is \$1,979,000 and the project team will include both Minority and Women owned Enterprise partners. This fee will be paid entirely from funds financed through the 2023 Infrastructure General Obligation Bond of 2023. The targeted total project cost for the Sewer and Stormwater Capital Improvement Action Plan, including all engineering and contractor fees is \$10,000,000.
2. Motion to approve the purchase of technology equipment in the amount of \$1 million dollars from the 2023 Bond Fund as labeled in the bond documents; further direct the City Treasurer to issue payment in the amount of \$1 million dollars to the attached list of vendors for technology improvements at the following locations: City Hall, Police Station, 1200 Pulaski Road, Fire Station number 2 at 646 Wentworth, Calumet City Library, 660 Manistee.
3. Motion to approve Request for Statements of Qualifications (SOQs) For Phase I Engineering Reconstruction of Pulaski Road.

6. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

1. Motion to approve the Zoning Board of Appeals recommendation for a special use permit to Larger than Life for the purpose of the redevelopment, and the purpose of the development of a non-profit, for a grocery store development, Fat Burger Development and a Kulwin's Development and for a community and vocational center and other mixed-use future development.
2. Motion to approve the preparation by the City attorney and execution by the Mayor of a Redevelopment Agreement with Larger Than Life, including a Purchase and Sale Agreement for the property commonly known as Wentworth Woods in the amount of \$100,000.00; for the purpose of the development of a non-profit, for a grocery store development, Fat Burger Development and a Kulwin's Development and for a community and vocational center and other mixed-use future development.
3. Motion to direct the City Attorney to draft and prepare a Redevelopment Agreement with PHZ Development Company and their partners Abundant Faith, LLC; Patti and Charitable Services for a mixed use and for the purposed of constructing a 48-unit housing development at the property commonly known as 348 Torrence Avenue, Calumet City in the 4th Ward of the City of Calumet City.
4. Motion to direct the City Attorney to prepare a Redevelopment Agreement with Solomon Estates for the purposes of the building of three homes in the 3rd Ward; further, direct the City Treasurer to issue payment in the amount of \$200,000 to Solomon Estates and \$200,000 once the houses are constructed and authorize the expenditure of infrastructure and other improvements to be drawn from the 2023 Bond Fund.
5. Motion to authorize payment to Rucker construction in the amount of \$100,000 from the 2023 Bond Fund to assist with the redevelopment of the former Circuit City specifically for reimbursement of professional fees, labor, materials, and costs incurred pursuant to the 2024 Redevelopment Agreement.
6. Motion to approve payment to Gregory Ramon Design Studio Inc. (Invoice #1232), for concept design services for Cafe Borgia in the amount of \$13,888.99, and direct City Treasurer to remit payment from account #01099-52600.

7. PUBLIC SAFETY

1. Motion to approve the Agreement with Crossing Guards, Inc. for the purpose of reinstating the crossing guard program and assigning crossing guards to selected corners in the City of Calumet City and further authorize the Mayor and Police Chief to execute the Agreement for the services, subject to review by the City Attorney.

8. ORDINANCES

1. AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ARTICLE VI, DIVISION 3, SUBDIVISION 1, DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE, SECTION 2-661 AND SECTION 2-662 OF THE CALUMET CITY MUNICIPAL CODE – APPOINTMENT AND SUPERVISION OF DEPUTY TREASURER

2. AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 2, ARTICLE IV, DIVISION 4, SECTION 2-331 AND SECTION 2-332 OF THE CALUMET CITY MUNICIPAL CODE – APPOINTMENT AND SUPERVISION OF DEPUTY CLERK
 3. AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 2, ARTICLE VIII, DIVISION 1, SECTION 2-882 OF THE CALUMET CITY MUNICIPAL CODE – PAYMENT OF BILLS
 4. AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 2, ARTICLE III, DIVISION 3, SECTION 2-127 OF THE CALUMET CITY MUNICIPAL CODE – CONDUCT OF ALDERPERSONS
9. Part and/or all of this meeting may be held in the Executive Session on matters pertaining to personal litigation, collective bargaining and employment.

/s/ Thaddeus M. Jones

Thaddeus M. Jones, Mayor

Mayor Jones
All Aldermen
City Attorney
All Departments
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