



## **Regular City Council Meeting**

City of Calumet City, Illinois

Thursday, July 10, 2025

6:00 PM

### **AGENDA**

To participate in the Public Comment for this meeting, email your comment to [mayorjones@calumetcity.org](mailto: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, July 10, 2025.

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. Regular City Council Meeting June 26, 2025

#### **6. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS TO BE ACCEPTED AND PLACED ON FILE**

A. A recognition letter from FF Garcia for 2 separate calls for Firefighter and Police Officer first responders.

#### **7. NEW BUSINESS - ACTION ITEMS**

1. Grant reporting status for all 146 Calumet City Grants since 2021.
2. Motion to approve the August 2nd street closure of Memorial Drive for the annual BLOC Party. Approve amplified noise from 1:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. Direct Public Works to place barricades at Memorial & Saginaw and Memorial & Manistee. Please provide two garbage cans. Request community police and fire.
3. Motion to amend motion that appeared on the May 22nd agenda, item #7-4, to the following: Motion to approve request for street closure of Pulaski Road from Wentworth Avenue to Lincoln for the 2025 Line Dance Party on Friday, August 15th, from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Direct Public Works to install vehicle barriers, porta potties, tents and garbage cans on Pulaski Road and notify ESDA for traffic control.
4. Motion to direct the City Attorney to draft an ordinance to amend the handicap parking ordinance to approve and add a handicap pole to be located at 559 Marquette Avenue.

5. Motion to direct the City Attorney to draft an ordinance to amend the handicap parking ordinance to approve and add a handicap pole to be located at 645 Muskegon Avenue.
6. Motion directing the City of Calumet City council to approve and sign the Local Public Agency Engineering Services Agreement (BLR 05530) for the State Street Reconstruction Phase II project to be funded through Surface Transportation Program and Invest in Cook.
7. Motion to approve and direct public works to grade the Alley behind 613 Buffalo which has multiple potholes.
8. Motion to approve and direct public works to install a Resident Only Parking Sign with Address at 588 Muskegon.
9. The 600 Block of Calhoun needs repair, especially the area closest to Pulaski. The engineers have previously reviewed the problem areas, and several residents have spoken to the engineer in person. The repairs, five years later, still have not been started. Motion to direct the City Engineer to provide the council with the amount needed to repair the 600 Block of Calhoun leading to Pulaski, and direct them to fix the areas of the street needing emergency repair.
10. Motion directing the City of Calumet City council to approve and sign Joint Funding Agreement for Federally Funded PE/ROW (BLR 05310PE) for the State Street Reconstruction Phase II project. This project will utilize federal Surface Transportation Program and Invest in Cook funds for a total of \$1,538,405.00. This project will require no match from the City.
11. Motion to approve the relinquishment of custody and transfer of ownership of Canine Omen to Officer Lafave. Canine Omen has been deemed no longer fit for public service. This is in accordance with the Police Dog Retirement Act (510 ILCS 82/5).

#### **8. NEW BUSINESS - BUILDING PERMITS - NEW FENCE**

1. 1392 Mackinaw Ave Privacy Fence 6th Ward
2. 1059 Harding Ave Privacy Fence 2nd Ward

#### **9. NEW BUSINESS - RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES**

1. A RESOLUTION APPROVING A REDEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT FOR 246 WARREN STREET
2. An Ordinance Making Appropriation For All Corporate Purposes of the City of Calumet City for the Fiscal Year Commencing May 1, 2025 and Ending April 30, 2026 (Budget Posting Only)

#### **10. NEW BUSINESS - FINANCIAL MATTERS**

1. Motion to approve the Contract services provided in the amount of \$8,400.00 for grant accounting, filing, paperwork related to state and Federal grants for the City of Calumet City by Benford Brown & Associates for the period of May 16, 2025, through April 30, 2026. (\$3,600 Savings)

2. Motion to approve payment to Benford Brown & Associates for invoice #19008; authorize the City Treasurer to remit payment in the amount of \$8,400.00 and charge account #01099-52610.
3. Motion to approve payment to Benford Brown & Associates for invoice #18988; authorize the City Treasurer to remit payment in the amount of \$8,400.00 and charge account #01099-52610.
4. Grant reporting status for all 146 Calumet City Grants since 2021.
5. Motion to approve and direct the Treasurer to pay:  
\$1000 to M&J Breakfast House  
\$750 to Don Pedro Mexican Grill  
Payments should be made from #01099-52723. Receipts will be provided upon the end of each event.
6. Motion to approve the purchase of the 2026 City Clerk Magnets from American Printing, authorize the City Treasurer to remit payment in the amount of 2,382.40 to American printing from account number #01022-52358.
7. Motion to approve the purchase of the 2026 City Clerk Calendar from American Printing, authorize the City Treasurer to remit payment in the amount of 3,146.46 to American printing from account number #01022-52358.
8. Motion to approve cost payable to Calumet City Plumbing for invoice #68161, in the amount of \$7,958.55, authorize the City Treasurer to remit payment from account #03036-52349.
9. Motion to approve cost payable to Calumet City Plumbing for invoice #68100, in the amount of \$7,836.90, authorize the City Treasurer to remit payment from account #03036-52101.
10. Motion to approve cost payable to Calumet City Plumbing for invoice #68162, in the amount of \$5,127.41, authorize the city treasurer to remit payment from account #03036-52349.
11. Motion to approve the June 2025 payment to Axon for Licensing software for \$9,748.67; authorize the City Treasurer to remit payment to AXON for \$9,748.67 to be charged to account 01060-52430.
12. Motion to approve payment to River Oaks L&E Automotive for traffic crash repairs on a 2022 Ford Police Interceptor in the amount of \$10,126.56; authorize the City Treasurer to remit payment to River Oaks L&E Automotive in the amount of \$10,126.56 to be charged to account 01060-54152.
13. Motion to approve payment to C.O.P.S. and F.I.R.E Personnel Testing for SGT., LT., and Captain promotions in the amount of \$11,7000.00; authorize the City Treasurer to remit payment to C.O.P.S. and F.I.R.E Personnel Testing of \$11,700.00 to be charged to account 01091-52526.
14. Motion to approve payment to Technotrix in the amount of \$10,448.41 for July 3rd, 2025, event and direct the City Treasurer to remit payment from account #01099/52704.

15. Motion to approve payment to Forest Preserve of Cook County in the amount of \$7,123.50 for July 13th, 2025, stepper's event and direct the City Treasurer to remit payment from account #01099/52704.
16. Motion to approve payment to Peterson, Johnson & Murray for invoice number 144648 in the amount of \$173.20; authorize the City Treasurer to remit payment in the amount of \$173.20 and charge account number #01025-52200.
17. Motion to approve payment to Patrick Walsh in the amount of \$15,145.83 for legal services. Invoice 3203 and direct the City Treasurer to remit payment from account #01025-52200.
18. Approve payment to Ottosen Dinolfo Hasenbalg & Castaldo LTD. for invoice 14576 and authorize City Treasurer to remit payment in the amount of \$25,219.26 and charge account 01025-52200.
19. Motion to approve replacement of batteries, breakers, and coolant on the generator at the Police Department by Altorfer in the amount of \$5,840.62; authorize the City Treasurer to remit payment to Altorfer in the amount of \$5,840.62 to be charged to account 01060-52345.
20. Motion to approve cost payable to Illinois EPA for invoice #ILM580025, in the amount of \$20,000.00, authorize the city treasurer to remit payment from account 03036-53452.
21. Motion to approve costs payable to Lyons-Pinner Electric, in the amount of \$5,650.80 (INV# 32050). Please direct the City Treasurer to remit payment from account 04007-52449.
22. Motion to approve and authorize the City Treasurer to remit payment in the amount of \$1,271,198.00 to HFS Bureau of Fiscal Operations – GEMT. The line item to be used is #06607-52492. This payment is a refund to the Illinois Department of Healthcare and Family Services for GEMT funds collected in quarters 3 & 4 of 2024 and quarter 1 of 2025.
23. Motion to approve payment to Patrick W. Walsh, Attorney at Law for invoices: 3206, 3207, 3208, 3209, 3210, 3211; authorize the City Treasurer to remit payment in the amount of \$29,554.06 and charge account #01025-55120.
24. Approve Payroll 6/20/25 (\$1,080,751.31)
25. Approve Payroll 7/3/25 (\$1,177,055.75)
26. Approve Bill List (\$605,692.50)

## **11. REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES**

Finance ----- Ald. Williams  
 Public Safety ----- Ald. Gardner  
 Public Utilities ----- Ald. Phillips  
 Ordinance & Resolution ----- Ald. Tillman  
 Health, Education & Welfare ----- Ald. Wilson  
 Permits & Licenses ----- Ald. Harvey  
 Public Works ----- Ald. Nelson

## **12. CITY COUNCIL REPORTS**

Mayor Jones  
Alderwoman Harvey  
Alderwoman Wilson  
Alderman Tillman  
Alderman Williams  
Alderman Gardner  
Alderwoman Nelson  
Alderwoman Phillips

## **13. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

## **14. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

## **15. ADJOURNMENT**

The deadline for submission in writing to the City Mayor for consideration at its next regular meeting of Thursday, July 24, 2025, at 6:00 p.m., is at 12:00 NOON, Thursday, July 17, 2025.