## SPECIAL MEETING HELD ON JULY 23, 2025

## 204 PULASKI ROAD, CALUMET CITY, ILLINOIS

CALL TO ORDER The Special meeting was called to order at 6:24p.m. by Mayor Jones.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT 7 ALDERMEN: Harvey, Wilson, Tillman, Williams, Gardner,

Nelson, Phillips.

ABSENT: 0 ALDERMEN: NONE

Also present were: City Clerk Dr. Figgs, City Treasurer Tarka, Deputy

Clerk I Jessica Coffee, Police Chief Kolosh, Fire Chief

Bachert, Finance Director Kasperek, City

Administrator Deanne Jaffrey.

PUBLIC COMMENT None

Mayor Jones Report Mayor Jones gave updates on liens and releases. Mayor Jones stated that

over a 2 year period there has been 1,812 FOIA request.

Capital Projects Fund Finance Director John Kasperek gave a brief description of the Capital

Projects Fund as it relates to grants, grants the city intends

to receive, and grants the city has received that is housed in the budget.

IMRF and Social

Security Pension

Funds

Finance Director Kasperek gave a brief description of the IMRF and Social Security Pension Funds. Director Kasperek explained that a portion of the real estate taxes contribute to the city's IMRF, Social

Security and Medicare.

Fire and Pension

Fund

Finance Director Kasperek explained the Fire and Pension Fund has a separate tax levy for the required contributions. Finance Director

Kasperek explained why his recommendation is that the numbers stay the

same.

Discussion

On Bonds

Finance Director Kasperek gave an explanation of the current Bonds and

how and when the city utilizes bond funds.

<u>Calhoun Street</u> <u>Repair</u> There was a lengthy discussion regarding repairs to Calhoun in the 2<sup>nd</sup> ward and if those funds could be paid from the general fund. The council

discussed possible use of all wards catch basin funds to pay the

\$212,000.00 to have Calhoun repaired.

Special Service Area Finance Director Kasperek gave an explanation of the Special Service which is directly related to River Oaks West and River Oaks East taxes. Finance Director Kasperek reported the funds from the Special Service

Area are transferred to the corporate fund for Public Safety.

Recess

The city council took a recess at 7:19 p.m.

Return to the Regular Order of Business The city council returned to the regular order of business at 7:45 p.m.

Motion to Enter
Into Closed Session

Alderwoman Harvey moved, seconded by Alderwoman Phillips to enter into executive session at 7:46 p.m.

**MOTION CARRIED** 

Executive Session

The city council met in executive session from 7:46 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

Return to the Regular Order Of Business The city council returned to the regular order of business at 9:30 p.m.

**MOTION CARRIED** 

Water and Sewer Commissioner Salary Alderwoman Nelson moved, seconded by Alderwoman Phillips to maintain the Water and Sewer Commissioners salary at \$153,000.00.

ROLL CALL

YEAS: 7

ALDERMEN:

Harvey, Wilson, Tillman, Gardner, Williams

Nelson, Phillips

NAYS: ABSENT:

0

ALDERMEN:

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None None

**MOTION CARRIED** 

Health Alderwoman Wilson moved, seconded by Alderwoman Harvey to Commissioner make the Health Commissioner position vacant and eliminate the salary Position from the budget. ROLL CALL

YEAS: 6 ALDERMEN: Harvey, Wilson, Tillman, Gardner, Nelson,

Phillips

NAYS: 1 ALDERMEN: Williams ABSENT: ALDERMEN: None 0

**MOTION CARRIED** 

Council Chaplin Alderman Williams moved, seconded by Alderwoman Harvey to have the Finance Director decrease the Chaplain salary to \$15,000.00 each. Positions

ROLL CALL

YEAS: Harvey, Williams, Gardner, Phillips 4 ALDERMEN:

NAYS: 3 ALDERMEN: Wilson, Tillman, Nelson

0 ABSENT: ALDERMEN: None

**MOTION CARRIED** 

2025-2026 Salary Alderwoman Nelson moved, seconded by Alderwoman Phillips to direct the Ordinance Updates Finance Director to make the changes to the salary ordinance for the July 28, 2025, meeting.

ROLL CALL

7 YEAS: ALDERMEN: Harvey, Wilson, Tillman, Williams, Gardner,

Nelson, Phillips

NAYS: ALDERMEN: None 0 ABSENT: 0 ALDERMEN: None

**MOTION CARRIED** 

Special Meeting 3 July 23, 2025 Drafting of an Ordinance

Alderman Nelson moved, seconded by Alderwoman Phillips to direct the City Attorney to draft an Ordinance for the vacant positions to be defunded by the Certified Public Accountant for the remainder of the budget.

## **ROLL CALL**

YES: 7 ALDERMEN: Harvey, Wilson, Tillman, Williams, Gardner, Nelson,

Phillips

NAYS: 0 ALDERMEN: None ABSENT: 0 ALDERMEN: None

## **MOTION CARRIED**

Adjournment Alderman Gardner moved to adjourn, seconded by Alderman Wilson at 9:42 p.m.

**MOTION CARRIED** 

Dr. Nyota T. Figgs, City lok