#### JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS

# REGULAR MEETING City Council of the City of Calumet City Cook County, Illinois

#### MAY 09, 2024

#### **Public Comment**

Alderwoman Monet Wilson the 2<sup>nd</sup> Ward thanked City Clerk Dr. Nyota T. Figgs and her deputies Jessica Coffee and Quentin Dailey for all the work that they do. Alderwoman Wilson presented the City Clerk and deputies with gifts to recognize them for Municipal Clerks Week.

Ida Breckenridge 416 Sibley Boulevard commented regarding issues getting permits an investment property. Ida Breckenridge stated she has been trying to obtain an exempt deed since October. Bell and Sons Plumbing and Alpha Electric has been on hold until her contractors are issued the permits.

George Grenchik 457 Freeland Avenue thanked the City Council for recognizing TF North for their outstanding Football season. George Grenchik thanked TF North Football team and the coaches for allowing him to participate in the festivities and for hard work. George Grenchik commended the Calumet City Police Department for solving a 60-year-old case.

Vance Russell, owner of 79<sup>th</sup> Street BBQ located at 1719 River Oaks Drive commented regarding the liquor license being downgraded from an E license in 2023 to a B license in 2024.

#### Pledge Of Allegiance

The City Council of the City of Calumet City met in the City Council Chambers at 6:39p.m. in a regular meeting on May 09, 2024, with Mayor Jones present and presiding.

#### ROLL CALL

PRESENT: 7

ABSENT: 0

ALDERMAN: Navarrete(zoom), Wilson Tillman, Williams, Gardner,

Patton, Smith

ALDERMAN: NONE

Also present was City Clerk Dr. Nyota T. Figgs, City Treasurer Tarka, City Administrator Deanne Jaffrey, Police Chief Kolosh, Fire Chief Bachert, Deputy Clerk I Jessica Coffee, Deputy II Quentin Dailey, Chaplain Pastor Stokes, Director of Inspectional Service Sheryl Tillman, Economic Development Val Williams, Public Works Deputy Commissioner Josh Brown, Water Commissioner Gerry Surufka, Crime Free Housing Director Banskee.

There being a quorum present, the meeting was called to order.

Alderman Navarrete Remote Attendance

Alderman Navarrete requested remote attendance because he is unable to be present in the chambers due to an out-of-town work obligation.

Approval For Remote Participation

Alderman Patton moved, seconded by Alderman Gardner to allow Alderman Navarrete to participate in the May 09, 2024 Regular City Council Meeting remotely.

ROLL CALL

YEAS: 6 ALDERMEN: Wilson, Tillman, Williams, Gardner, Patton, Smith

NAYS: ABSENT: 0 ALDERMEN: None ALDERMAN: None

MOTION CARRIED

Prayer

Pastor Stokes led the City Council in prayer.

Deviation to Read a Resolution and a

Class 8 Presentation

Alderman Wilson moved, seconded by Alderman Smith to deviate from the regular order of business to read the TF North resolution and view a Class 8 presentation at 6:55 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED

Reading of the TF North Resolution

Alderman Wilson moved, seconded by Alderman Williams approve the reading of the TF North Resolution.

MOTION CARRIED

Reading of TF North Resolution by City Clerk Dr. Nyota T. Figgs

City Clerk Dr. Nyota T. Figgs read the 2023 TF North Football Team Resolution.

Coach Pignatello

Coach Pignatello thanked the Mayor Jones, Alderman Navarrete, and the City Council for recognizing TF North's Football Program. Coach

Pignatelo thanked the Senior class for their hard work.

Alderman Navarrete

Alderman Navarrete congratulated TF North.

Class 8 Renewal Request

Dan Michaelides from Ryan LLC. commented on the current Class 8 Alta at 150 East State has expiring in 2025. Alta is requesting for the Class 8 to be renewed.

Alderman Navarrete

Alderman Navarrete commented on his support for Alta.

Fire Chief Bachert

Fire Chief Bachert commented on Alta being a friend to the city and mentioned that Alta helps the Fire Department by providing natural gas and equipment at no cost.

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Alta Class 8 Renewal

Alderman Tillman moved, seconded by Alderman Navarrete to

approve the renewal of the Class 8 for Alta.

ROLL CALL

YEAS:

7

ALDERMEN: Navarrete, Wilson, Tillman, Williams, Gardner,

Patton, Smith

NAYS:

ABSENT:

0

0

ALDERMEN: None ALDERMAN: None

**MOTION CARRIED** 

Subarea Plan Resolution

Kelsey Pudlock and Mr. Chan reported on the work the Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning (CMAP) and the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago (MWRD) has done to

design a plan for the 1st and 5th ward.

Adoption of Calumet City Subarea Plan

Alderman Tillman moved, seconded by Alderman Gardner to adopt

the Calumet City Subarea Plan.

ROLL CALL

YEAS:

7

ALDERMEN: Navarrete, Wilson, Tillman, Williams, Gardner,

Patton, Smith

NAYS:

0

ABSENT:

0

ALDERMEN: None

IN: None

MOTION CARRIED

Return to Regular Order of Business

Alderman Williams moved, seconded by Alderman Smith to return to

the regular order of business at 7:13 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED

Approval of Minutes

April 18, 2024: Special Public Safety Meeting

April 22, 2024: Special Meeting

April 25, 2024: Regular City Council Meeting

Approve Minutes

Alderman Smith moved, seconded by Alderman Patton to approve the

minutes as presented.

**MOTION CARRIED** 

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Finance

Alderman Gardner reported on the Finance Committee meeting held

on May 07, 2024. Alderman Gardner plans to work with the

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Ordinance and Resolution Committee to establish a credit card usage policy.

<u>Public Safety</u> Alderman Williams had no report.

<u>Public Utilities</u>

Alderman Wilson reported a meeting will be held the first available

date in June.

Ord. & Res. Alderman Tillman reported on the Resolution and Ordinance

committee meeting held on May 02, 2024. Alderman Tillman commented on the committee's concerns for having a

parliamentarian. Alderman Tillman reported there was a discussion

about the credit card usage policy and advised the item was tabled.

H.E.W Alderman Navarrete had no report.

<u>Permits & Licenses</u> Alderman Patton had no report.

<u>Public Works</u> Alderman Smith had no report.

#### CITY COUNCIL REPORTS

Ald. Navarrete

Alderman Navarrete submitted 1<sup>st</sup> ward report via email: "I would like to extend my heartfelt thanks to Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning (CMAP) Kelsey, the two Katie's, Makala and Jack Chan with MWRD for their dedicated two-year efforts culminating in the Final Subarea Plan for our wards. This comprehensive plan includes vital recommendations for economic development, such as zoning updates, property acquisition, and beautification initiatives on commercial corridors. Additionally, the plan outlines strategies for transportation and safety enhancements by investing in complete streets best practices, reinforcing bus and bicycle transportation options, and addressing stormwater management through expanding green infrastructure initiatives which will significantly enhance our city's capacity to manage stormwater effectively.

I am truly grateful to the entire CMAP team for their hard work and commitment to this project. The Final Subarea Plan will undoubtedly serve as a roadmap for progress and improvements in the First and Fifth Wards for years to come. I also appreciate the extensive community outreach events that were conducted throughout this process, ensuring that our residents' voices were heard and valued.

I am eager to begin the implementation of these crucial recommendations and look forward to working closely with CMAP and our community to make our wards safer, more prosperous, and

environmentally sustainable. Thank you once again for your dedication and partnership in this transformative endeavor. On behalf of the 1st Ward I would like to express our appreciation for Clerk Figgs, and Deputy Clerks Jessica and Quintin for all of the work that they do....and also a Happy Birthday to Deputy Clerk Jessica Coffee."

Ald. Wilson

Alderwoman Wilson stated she can be contacted at 708-586-4990 monet@alderwomanwilson.com. Alderwoman Wilson stated she sent an email to Public Works and the Mayors office about an emergency alley grading that's needed on Hoxie. Alderwoman Wilson commented on the parking in the 2<sup>nd</sup> ward and mentioned a residential only sign she requested behind Jiffy Lube. Alderwoman Wilson stated she is proud of the youth of Calumet City and congratulated TF North on their resolution. Alderwoman Wilson thanked City Clerk Dr Figgs and Deputy Dailey for their partnership for the Whispers of Hope event. Alderwoman Wilson congratulated Calumet City Chargers for playing at Solder Field. Alderwoman Wilson congratulated her little cousin Bella for being on Jhud.

Ald. Tillman

Alderman Tillman thanked the residents and department heads that came to the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> ward monthly townhall meeting. Alderman Tillman reported that most of the concerns residents had have been addressed. Alderman Tillman invited 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> ward residents to attend the June 04, 2024 meeting at 6:30 p.m. at Downey Park. Alderman Tillman thanked Public Works for their fast response time. Alderman Tillman requests residents call his office with any concerns at (708) 891-8193.

Ald. Williams

Alderman Williams thanked the residents that came to the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> ward meeting. Alderman Williams announced that the Juneteenth celebration will be held on June 22, 2023 at Calumet City Library; the event we feature Calumet City DJ's; please contact (708)-891-8194 to get on the list to DJ or be a vendor.

Ald. Gardner

Alderman Gardner reported on the demolition item on the agenda and requested the council's support. Alderman Gardner would like residents to contact his office with any questions or concerns.

Ald. Patton

Alderman Patton recognized the City Clerk for being an exceptional Clerk. Alderman Patton recognized the teachers in Calumet City for National Teachers Week.

Ald. Smith

Alderman Smith thanked residents for attending the Mother's day Brunch at Garden House. Alderman Smith wants residents to contact his office at 708-891-8197 or email him at asmith@calumetcity.org

#### INFORMATIONAL ITEMS TO BE ACCEPTED AND PLACED ON FILE

A. <u>Calumet City Washington D.C.</u> <u>Outreach and Advocacy Report</u> RE: Presentation regarding the Calumet City Washington D.C. Outreach and Advocacy Report.

B. Revenue & Expenditure Status Report March 2024 RE: Treasurer Tarka submitting the Revenue & Expenditure Status Report for the month of March 2024.

C. Track 'n Trap Wildlife Control Report

RE: Track 'n Trap Wildlife Control report for the period of March 1-15, 2024 Report.

Approval of Informational Items to be Accepted And Placed on File

Alderman Williams moved seconded by Alderman Smith to accept communications and place on file.

**MOTION CARRIED** 

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

#1: Approve Solicitation of Proposals for Alley Grading Services (Amended)

Obtain authorization from Mayor and City Council for the Department of Public Works, City Engineer and City Attorney to solicit proposals for alley grading services. (Amended)

#2: Approve Speed Bumps and Install on Shirley Drive

Approve speed bumps and direct Public Works to install on Shirley Drive from 165th Street to 167th Street to be placed near the stop signs.

#3: Allow Street Closure for Don Pedros
Outdoor Market

Allow Street Closure for Don Pedro Outdoor market; close Cleveland Street at Torrence Avenue from May 25, 2024, through September 5, 2024; direct public works to erect barricades and to notify residents within the area.

#4: Approve Partial Street Blocking and Amplified Noise/Music

Approve partial street blocking on the corner of 1424 Pulaski Rd and Hoxie Ave on May 18th from 4p-8p with amplified noise/music.

#5: Approve Resident Parking Only Sign

Direct Public Works to place a Resident Parking Only sign with address on the side of the residence at 461 Hoxie. This sign should be positioned between the house and the Jiffy Lube, along the pathway that leads to a dead end towards the CVS parking lot.

Approval of New Business Items

Alderman Smith moved, seconded by Alderman Gardner to approve new business items as amended.

ROLL CALL

YEAS: 7

ALDERMEN: Navarrete, Wilson, Tillman, Williams, Gardner,

Patton, Smith

NAYS: 0

ALDERMEN: None

ABSENT: 0

ALDERMAN:None

**MOTION CARRIED** 

#### BUILDING PERMITS

**NEW FENCE** 

683 Forsythe Privacy Fence 1st Ward

512 Muskegon Privacy Fence 2<sup>nd</sup> Ward

546 Manistee Privacy Fence 2<sup>nd</sup> Ward

Privacy Fence 4th Ward 491 Luella

Privacy Fence 5th Ward 500 Webb

(Amended)

Approve Building Fence Permits

Alderman Gardner moved, seconded by Alderman Smith, to approve

building fence permits as amended.

Withdrawing of 1st and 2nd Motion

Alderman Gardner and Alderman Smith withdrew their 1st and 2nd

motions to amend new fence building permits.

Approve Building Fence Permits

Alderman Patton moved, seconded by Alderman Smith, to approve

building fence permits as amended.

ROLL CALL

7 YEAS:

ALDERMEN: Navarrete, Wilson, Tillman, Williams, Gardner,

Patton, Smith

NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 0 ALDERMEN: None

ALDERMAN: None

MOTION CARRIED

**DEMOLITION GARAGE** 

Garage only.

Demolition---202-156th place

Approve Building Garage Demolition

Permits

Alderman Gardner moved, seconded by Alderman Patton, to approve

building garage demolition permits as presented.

**ROLL CALL** 

YEAS:

ALDERMEN: Navarrete, Wilson, Tillman, Williams, Gardner,

Patton, Smith

NAYS:

0

7

ALDERMEN: None

ABSENT:

0

ALDERMAN: None

**MOTION CARRIED** 

RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES

Res.#1: Resolution Approving Subarea

Plan

A Resolution approving the Calumet City Subarea plan prepared by the Chicago Metropolitan Agency for planning in partnership with the

Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago.

(Res.#24-17)

(See attached page 7A)

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# City of Calumet City Resolution # 24-17

# A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE CALUMET CITY SUBAREA PLAN PREPARED BY THE CHICAGO METROPOLITAN AGENCY FOR PLANNING IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE METROPOLITAN WATER RECLAMATION DISTRICT OF GREATER CHICAGO

WHEREAS, the City of Calumet City ("the City") is a duly organized and validly existing homerule municipality created in accordance with the Constitution of the State of Illinois of 1970 and the laws of the State; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council desire to approve the "Calumet City Subarea Plan" prepared by the Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning in partnership with the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago through the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District Land Use Planning Partnership, which is attached hereto as <a href="EXHIBIT A">EXHIBIT A</a> and made a part hereof ("Subarea Plan"); and

WHEREAS, the City has the authority to approve the Subarea Plan pursuant to its home rule authority, and the Mayor and City Council find that adopting the attached Subarea Plan is in the best interests of the City and its residents;

## NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY OF Calumet City:

- SECTION 1: Incorporation. That each Whereas paragraph above is incorporated by reference into this Section 1 and made a part hereof as material and operative provisions of this Resolution.
- SECTION 2: Approval. That the Mayor and City Council approve and adopt the Subarea Plan.
- SECTION 3: Severability. That if any Section, paragraph or provision of this Resolution shall be held to be invalid or unenforceable for any reason, the invalidity or unenforceability of such Section, paragraph or provision shall not affect any of the remaining provisions of this Resolution.
- SECTION 4: Repeal. That all resolutions, motions or parts thereof in conflict with this Resolution shall be and the same are hereby repealed.
- SECTION 5: Effectiveness. That this Resolution shall be in full force and effect upon its adoption and approval according to law.

ADOPTED this 9th day of May, 2024, pursuant to a roll call vote of the Mayor and City Council as follows:

City Council Member	Motion	Second	Ayes	Nays	Absent	Abstain
Alderman Michael Navarrete			X			
Alderwoman Monet S. Wilson			X			
Alderman DeAndre Tillman	X		X	145 THE 6 TO		
Alderman Ramonde D. Williams			X			
Alderman DeJuan Gardner		X	X			
Alderman James Patton			X			
Alderman Anthony Smith			X			

APPROVED this 9th day of May, 2024.

Thaddeus M. Jones, May

ATTEST:

Dr. Nyota T. Figgs, City Clerk

Published in pamphlet form this 9th day of May, 2024, under the authority of the Mayor and City Council.

Recorded in the City Records on May 09, 2024.

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Res.#2: Resolution Renewing Class 8

A Resolution approving a renewal of a Class 8 Designation and

Enterprise Zone Incentives for State Street.

(Res.#24-18)

(See attached page 8A)

Approval Resolutions and Ordinances

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Alderman Tillman moved, seconded by Alderman Navarrete, to adopt

Resolutions as presented.

ROLL CALL

7 YEAS:

ALDERMEN: Navarrete, Wilson, Tillman, Williams Gardner,

Patton, Smith

NAYS:

ALDERMEN: None

ABSENT: 0 ALDERMAN: None

MOTION CARRIED

FINANCIAL MATTERS

#1: Payment to Hoosier Printing (Invoice #6951)

Approve payment to Hoosier Printing for invoice 6951, in the amount of \$24,118.00 and direct City Treasurer Tarka to remit payment from

account #01099-52351.

#2: Payment to Peterson, Johnson and

Murray

Approve payment to Peterson, Johnson & Murray for invoice numbers 142406, 142407, 142408, 142409, 142410, 142411, 142412, 142413, 142414, 142415 & 142416 in the amount of \$23,100.21; authorize the City Treasurer to remit payment in the amount of \$23,100.21 and charge account number #01025-52200.

#3: Payment to Vigilant Solutions

Approve payment to Vigilant Solutions for the annual \$8,874.67 subscription fee; authorize the City Treasurer to remit payment to Vigilant Solutions in the amount of \$8,874.67 to be charged to

account #01060-52430.

#4: Payment to Knight Nicastro MacKay (Invoice #41319)

Approve payment to Knight Nicastro MacKay for invoice #41319; authorize the City Treasurer to remit payment in the amount of \$9,708.48 and charge account number #01025- 52200.

#5: Payment to Farnsworth Group

(Removed)

Direct Treasurer Tarka to remit payment to Farnsworth Group, Inc., in the amount of \$961.62, from account #04007-52600 (MFT Account) for Phase I preliminary engineering services provided for the Michigan City Road Trail project from 10/28/23 to 1/26/24. Work completed during this period includes project coordination with Cook County and the City. (Removed)

#6: Payment to Calumet City Plumbing (Invoice 62583)

Approve cost payable to Calumet City Plumbing for Invoice 62583, in the amount of \$7,560.00; authorize the City Treasurer to remit payment from account #03036-52349.

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## THE CITY OF CALUMET CITY COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS

## NO. 24-18

# A RESOLUTION APPROVING A RENEWAL OF A CLASS 8 DESIGNATION AND ENTERPRISE ZONE INCENTIVES FOR 150 STATE STREET

(ALTA EQUIPMENT COMPANY)

Passed by the City Council, May 9, 2024

CITY OF CALUMET CITY COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 24-18**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Calumet City, Cook County, Illinois, THAT:

# A RESOLUTION APPROVING A RENEWAL OF A CLASS 8 DESIGNATION AND ENTERPRISE ZONE INCENTIVES FOR 150 STATE STREET

#### (ALTA EQUIPMENT COMPANY)

shall be, and is hereby, adopted as follows:

#### Section 1. BACKGROUND.

- A. The City is a home rule unit of local government by virtue of the provisions of the Illinois Constitution of 1970.
- B. ALTA EQUIPMENT COMPANY, (herein after "Developer") is the tenant at 150 State Street (herein after "Subject Property.") and desires to invest in a capital improvement project on site in order to continue to utilize the Subject Property for their business.
- C. The Developer desires to subdivide the existing space into two separate suites as its capital improvement project. (the "Project").
- D. The Developer anticipates that the Project will cost approximately one hundred and fifty thousand dollars (\$150,000).
- E. Developer currently employes fifty-two (52) employees. The Project will allow the Developer to continue to employ its fifty-two (52) employees.
- K. The Subject Property is located in the Calumet Region Enterprise Zone and is currently designated as an area by the City to be eligible for and approved by the Cook County Assessor for the Cook County Class 8 property tax incentives to promote redevelopment projects ("Incentives"). The Developer desires to maintain its Incentives for the Subject Property.
- L. The City seeks to support existing businesses as part of its economic development strategy, which will maintain employment for City residents and maintain existing sources of revenue for the City.
  - The City is willing to assist the Developer in maintaining its Incentives for the Property.
- P. The Corporate Authorities, after due and careful consideration, have concluded that a renewal of the Class 8 Tax Incentive for the Subject Property is necessary and in the best interest of the City in order to maintain the development and use of the Subject Property, which will in turn promote the public health, safety, and welfare and serve the best interests of the City and its residents.

### Section 2. CLASS 8 TAX INCENTIVE APPROVAL.

A. The Mayor and City Council find that:

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- the Subject Property is appropriate for Class 8 Tax Incentive benefits pursuant to the Cook County Real Property Classification Ordinance, as amended; and
- the continued Class 8 Tax Incentive for the Subject Property is necessary to
  encourage redevelopment and occupancy of the Subject Property by the
  Developer, and that occupancy and use of the Subject Property is beneficial to the
  City's economy; and
- the Mayor and the City Council approve, support and consent to the Renewal of the Class 8 Tax Incentive for the Subject Property.

#### Section 3. RECORDATION.

The City Clerk is hereby directed to record a certified copy of this Resolution in the Office of the Cook County Recorder against the Subject Property. Developer will bear the full cost for such recordation.

#### Section 4. EFFECTIVE DATE.

This Resolution will be effective upon passage and approval of the Calumet City Council.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 9th DAY OF May 2024.

handeus Jones, MAYOR

ATTEST:

Dr. Nyota T. Figgs CITY CLERK

VOTES:

AYES: 7 Navarrete, Wilson, Tillman, Williams, Gardner Patton, Smith

NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 0 ABSTAIN: 0

#### **EXHIBIT A**

#### Subject Property Legal Description

Commonly known address: 150 State Street, Calumet City

#### PARCEL 1:

LOTS 1-14 INCLUSIVE, AND LOTS 22 THROUGH 34, INCLUSIVE, IN BLOCK 3 OF SNYDACKER AND AMB'S ILLINOIS ADDITION TO HAMMOND, BEING A SUBDIVISION IN FACTIONAL SECTION 8, TOWNSHIP 36 NORTH, RANGE 15, EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, IN COOK COUNTY ILLINOIS,

#### PARCEL 2:

THE NORTHEASTERLY 8 FEET OF VACATED ALLEY LYING SOUTHWESTERLY AND ADJOINING LOTS 1 THROUGH 14, BOTH INCLUSIVE, AND THE SOUTHWESTERLY 8 FEET OF VACATED ALLEY LYING NORTHEASTERLY OF LOTS 22 THROUGH 34, BOTH INCLUSIVE IN BLOCK 3 OF SNYDACKER AND AMB'S ILLINOIS ADDITION TO HAMMOND, BEING A SUBDIVISION IN FACTIONAL SECTION 8, TOWNSHIP 36 NORTH, RANGE 15, EAST OF THE THRID PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, IN COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

PIN: 30-08-202-033-0000

#7: Pay	vment to	Holland	Asphalt	Services

Direct the City Treasurer to remit payment to Holland Asphalt in the amount of \$13,800.00 plus \$300.00 Cook County Permit, for the emergency demolition of property located at 202-156th due to a fire that created unsafe, unsanitary conditions. Charged to account #01099-52645.

## #8: Payment to Farnsworth (Invoice #251354)

Approve payment to Farnsworth (Inv #251354) for Project #0210804, in the amount of \$149,939.75 and direct City Treasurer Tarka to remit payment from account #03036-53450.

#### #9: Payment to Calumet City Plumbing

Approve payment application 11 in the amount of \$302,033.70 to Calumet City Plumbing for the City's Lead Service Line Replacement Project remit payment from account #12607-55145 (Capital Project Fund-Lead Service Replacement Line).

## #10: Payment to South Suburban Mayors and Management

Approve payment to South Suburban Mayors and Management Association (SSMMA) for invoice 2024-190; authorize the City Treasurer to remit payment in the amount of \$5,200.00 and charge account #01085-52350.

## #11: Payment to Benford Brown & Associates (Invoice 18464) (Deferred)

Approve payment to Benford Brown & Associates for invoice #18464; authorize the City Treasurer to remit payment in the amount of \$9,187.50 and charge account #01099-52610. (Deferred)

## #12: Payment to Benford Brown & Associates (Invoice 18465) (Deferred)

Approve payment to Benford Brown & Associates for invoice #18465; authorize the City Treasurer to remit payment in the amount of \$8,225.00 and charge account #01099-52610. (Deferred)

## #13: Payment to Track n' Trap (Invoice 1657)

Approve payment to Track 'n Trap for invoice #1657; authorize Treasurer Tarka to remit payment in the amount of \$2,625.00 and charge account #01060-52487.

## #40: Approve Payroll(\$1,013,019.01)

Approve Payroll (\$1,013,019.01)

# #41: Approve Emergency Bill Listing (\$11,655.00)

Approve Emergency Bill Listing (\$11,655.00)

## #42: Approve Bill Listing (\$438,722.66)

Approve Bill Listing (\$438,722.66)

### Alderman Navarrete

Alderman Navarrete requested a discussion regarding items on the Bill Listing.

#### Mayor Jones

Mayor Jones informed Alderman Navarrete the Roll Call was in process and the Treasurer will provide him with the documents needed.

#### City Attorney Keri-Lynn Kraftner

City Attorney Keri Lynn Kraftner advised Alderman Navarrete that he needed to vote Yes or No because there was a motion on the floor.

#### Defer Action on Financial Items #11, and #12 and remove item #5

Alderman Gardner moved, seconded by Alderman Williams to remove item #5 and defer financial items #11, and #12 to the finance committee.

#### **MOTION CARRIED**

#### Approve Financial Items

Alderman Gardner moved, seconded by Alderman Smith to approve Financial Matters #1-#4, #6-#9, #13-#16 number.

#### ROLL CALL

YEAS:

5

ALDERMEN: Tillman, Williams. Gardner, Patton, Smith

NAYS:

2

ALDERMEN: Navarrete, Wilson

ABSENT:

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ALDERMAN: None

### MOTION CARRIED

#### Motion for Closed Session

Alderman Smith moved seconded by Alderman Williams to enter into executive session for the purpose of discussing pending litigation at 7:49 p.m.

#### **Executive Session**

The city council met in executive session from 7:49 p.m. to 7:54 p.m.

#### Return to Regular Order of Business

Alderman Smith moved seconded by Alderman Williams to return to the regular order of business at 8:09 p.m.

#### UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Alderwoman Wilson

Alderwoman Wilson commented on not being able to use the track at TF North and suggested that residents contact the board of education for that district.

#### Alderman Patton

"The city has an Ordinance, Ordinance section 2-114 that establishes how items get added to the agenda for the city council meeting. The Ordinance says that any items submitted to the City Clerks office prior to noon on the Thursday before the City Council Meeting; shall appear on the agenda. I submitted an item last Thursday before noon not only via email to the City Clerk's office but through the municode online system that we have for submitting items to the agenda and it was not added to the agenda. This is not because of the City Clerk's office it's because since May 1st 2021 the agenda has been hijacked by the Mayor's office; even though we have an ordinance that says the Clerk's office handles the agenda. So I would like to make a motion here tonight and I am asking some of you or one of my colleagues to second this motion to place for consideration on the next city council agenda: Amotion to dismiss the lawsuit 21CH5512." Mayor Jones

"Alderman do not violate executive session."

Alderman Patton

"That's not an executive session matter."

Mayor Jones

"Alderman this is pending litigation we were just in the office with pending litigation. Alderman please do not violate executive session."

Alderman Patton

That's not violating."

Mayor Jones

"You are."

Alderman Patton

"No I'm not"

Mayor Jones

"We were just in there for pending litigation."

Alderman Patton

"Not for this."

Mayor Jones

"Alderman you had the opportunity to bring it up in executive

session."

Alderman Patton

"I brought it up a week ago and the Attorney who's sitting here got it and refused to weigh in on it. My request was proper you are in violation of the city ordinance. You specifically told me this would not be added to the agenda for tonight's meeting. I was proper in my request to add it to the agenda for this meeting. You're in violation of

the city ordinance by not adding it to the agenda."

Mayor Jones

"Alderman obviously you're showing off for your reporter friend."

Motion for Closed Session

Alderman Tillman moved seconded by Alderman Gardner to enter into executive session for the purpose of discussing pending litigation

at 8:19 p.m.

**MOTION CARRIED** 

**Executive Session** 

The city council met in executive session from 8:19 p.m. to 8:38 p.m.

City Clerk Dr. Nyota T. Figgs

City Clerk Dr. Nyota T, Figgs was excused from executive session.

Return to the Regular Order of Business

Alderman Smith moved seconded by Alderman Williams to return to the regular order of business 8:39 p.m..

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment was at 8:39p.m., on a motion by Alderman Tillman

seconded by Alderman Smith

**MOTION CARRIED**