

**204 PULASKI ROAD, CALUMET CITY,
ILLINOIS**

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Alderman Wilson
Present Remotely in
The Finance
Committee of the
Whole Meeting

Alderman Wilson was present in the Finance Committee of the Whole Meeting at 6:30 p.m.

Review 2026-2027
Annual Appropriation
Ordinance

The following review of the 2026 - 2027 Annual Appropriation Ordinance was presented by Finance Director Kasperek and discussed by the City Council.
The following departments were presented:

- A) Street & Alley Department
- B) Water Department
- C) Special Corporate Department
- D) Capital Projects Funds
- E) IMRF discussed/Social Security Fund
- F) Fire Pension Fund
- G) Police Pension Fund
- H) Special Service Area
- I) Clerk's Office Review (Postponed until the next Finance Committee of the Whole Meeting)
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Public Works
Budget Discussion

There was a brief discussion regarding the Public Works Department regarding staffing and equipment needs.

Public Works Commissioner Jericho Thomas gave a brief update on union negotiations. Public Works Commissioner Jericho Thomas gave a report of the department's needs which included certain licenses for Mosquito Abatement, a Diesel Mechanic, Salt Dome, and a Dump Truck that was previously approved for purchase but has not been purchased yet.

The Alderman were in agreement with needs of the Public Works Department.

Alderman Nelson inquired about the beautification of the city and if Public Works needed to outsource the work.

Commissioner Thomas stated that outsourcing the beautification of the city is an option with budget union negotiations going on right now as well as the department being stretched thin due to layoffs.

Water Department
Bill Discussion

There was a brief discussion regarding the Water Department regarding the recent rate change.

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Alderman Wilson expressed concerns regarding the Stormwater increase on her monthly water bill stating that the amount that appears on the bill is not what the Council agreed to, nor what the letter residents received stated.

Mayor Jones
Comments

Mayor Jones, apologized for his mistakes as it relates to the letter he composed and sent to the residents as it relates to the water rate changes.

Alderman Wilson thanked the mayor for taking accountability.

The council will discuss this matter in a future meeting.

Special Corporate
Discussion

There was a brief discussion regarding the Special Corporate Department.

Alderman Nelson requested a Tree Removal line item or an increase in the Neighborhood Development line item to be able to serve the residents with that line item and remove dead trees in the wards.

Mayor Jones surveyed the council regarding an increase in the Neighborhood Development line item and the council's consensus was \$20,000.00 for the fiscal year for each ward alderman and every citywide official.

Domestic Violence
Line Item Remote
Request

Alderman Wilson requested a line item for the Domestic Violence Task Force.

Alderman Harvey question Alderman Wilson stating that she thought the task force was going to be no cost to the city so why would the city create a line item in the budget.

Alderman Wilson stated she would like to be prepared if a family comes to the task in need of shelter, food or even toiletries. Alderman Wilson stated that this assistance would need to remain confidential, that is one of the reasons the task force would need a line item.

Mayor Jones stated the Domestic Violence Task Force can use CCRAP funds to assist victims.

Alderman Nelson suggested the assistance come out of the neighborhood fund.

Mayor Jones suggested Alderman Wilson speak with her colleagues regarding a Domestic Violence Task Force line item.

Approval to
Increase the
Neighborhood
Line Item

Alderman Nelson moved, seconded by Alderman Phillips to increase Neighborhood line items to \$20,000.00 for the Aldermen and Citywide Elected Officials.

ROLL CALL

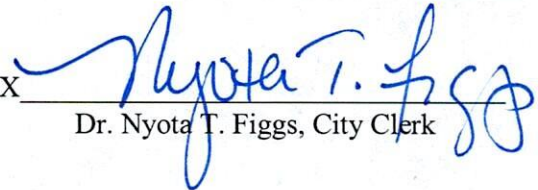
AYES:	5	ALDERMEN: Harvey, Wilson, Williams, Nelson, Phillips
NAYS:	2	ALDERMEN: Tillman, Gardner
ABSENT:	0	ALDERMAN: None

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Adjournment

Alderman Nelson moved to adjourn, seconded by Alderman Harvey at 8:52 pm.

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Dr. Nyota T. Figgs, City Clerk