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

OCTOBER 08, 2026

Public Comment

Randy Valasquez 33-year employee of Calumet City commented regarding the need for the return of laid off employees. Randy Valasquez stated that there is a need for new trucks in the Public Works department so the department's work can be done effectively.

Cassandra Sykes from 159th between Wentworth and Burnham commented regarding dumping in her neighborhood and loitering at liquor stores. Cassandra Sykes thanked Alderman Gardner for all of his assistance since she couldn't reach her Alderman. Cassandra Sykes announced that her neighbors need help.

River Oaks L and E Public Comment

Willam Seth of River Oak L & E requested the sale of the lots be placed on the next agenda since the lots are not on this agenda.

Mayor Jones stated the council requested documentation from River Oaks L& E and those documents are needed to move forward.

William Seth Of River Oaks L& E reported when he attempted to email the Aldermen it came back blocked so he created packets to pass out to the Aldermen.

Mayor Jones directed William Seth to speak with Attorney Patrick Walsh.

Public Comment Continued

Alderman Nelson acknowledged Cassandra Sykes comments and stated that she hasn't received any communication from her but she has been advocating for 159th Wentworth and Burnham for some time now.

Sania Ivory Public Works Office Manager commented regarding Calumet City Public Works being the backbone of Calumet City. Office Manager Sania Ivory commented regarding her daily workload and her need for clarity regarding her position. Office Manager Sania Ivory reported that she is not sure if she is currently a full-time or a part-time employee or if she is employed at all.

Alderman Nelson Mackinaw commented regarding being a 29-year resident of the City of Calumet City and how the city looks so bad. Alderman Nelson also commented regarding the council wanting to bring the laid off union workers back and the city currently being top heavy with salary employees.
Alderman Nelson also commented regarding the need for employees to live in Calumet City so that those employees show care and concern for the community.

Sandra Ramos from the corner of Burnham Avenue and Wentworth commented regarding the need for all employees to live in the City of Calumet City. Sandra Ramos is concerned that during the winter the snowplow doesn't come down that street due to the many potholes.

Pledge Of Allegiance

The City Council of the City of Calumet City met in the City Council Chambers at 6:06 p.m. in a regular meeting on October 08, 2026, with Mayor Thaddeus Jones present and presiding.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: 7 ALDERMEN: Harvey, Wilson (6:15), Tillman, Williams, Gardner. Nelson, Phillips

ABSENT: 0 ALDERMEN: None

Also present were: City Clerk Figgs (Zoom-Audio), City Treasurer Tarka, Fire Chief Bachert, Deputy Fire Chief Sam Vega, Deputy Clerk I Jessica Coffee, Corporate Counsel Paul O' Grady and Maurice Hunt (Ancel Glink), Administrator Deanne Jaffrey, Public Works Commissioner Jericho Thomas, City Engineer Matt Buerger, HR Manager Deston Dorchack, Attorney Patrick Walsh, Public Works Deputy Josh Brown, Water Commissioner Gerry Surufka, Deputy Water Commissioner Kevin Embry, and ESDA Director Ashley Allen.

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

Motion to Deviate From the Regular Order of Business

Alderman Williams moved, seconded by Alderman Harvey to deviate from the regular order of business to discuss Class 8 Renewals for 1 & 19 State Street and 1757 River Oaks Drive at 6:26 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED

Tabling of Class 8 Renewals

Alderman Gardner moved, seconded by Alderman Nelson to table Class 8 Renewals for 1757 River Oaks Drive and 1 & 19 State Street due to the Supplemental Packet not being available and the Aldermen not having access to the information prior to the presentation.

Discussion

Alderman Williams suggested the council deal with the matter while the developers are present instead of "kicking the can."

Alderman Tillman agreed with Alderman Williams to hear both parties.

Withdrawal of Motion to Table Class 8 Renewal

Alderman Gardner withdrew his motion to table the Class 8 Renewals of 1757 River Oaks Drive and 1 & 19 State St.

Withdrawal of Second to Table Class 8 Renewal

Alderman Nelson withdrew her motion to table the Class 8 Renewals of 1757 River Oaks Drive and 1 & 19 State St.

Presentations for Class 8 Renewals For 1757 River Oaks Drive and 1 &19 State Street

Chetan Chokski developer of 1757 River Oaks Drive spoke about the difficulty he has had collecting rent since T-Mobile left and stopped renting his end parcel. Chetan Chokski stated he needs the Class 8 Renewal so he doesn't have to raise the rent for the businesses that are left.

Osama Abdulla on behalf of Calumet Properties, Inc., developer of 1 & 19 State Street stated that he owns three of the businesses in his strip mall and that he has remodeled the mall and plans to replace the roof. Osama Abdulla stated without the Class 8 Renewal he will have to raise everyone's rent.

Alderman Nelson inquired about the number of Calumet City residents that work in the mall.

Osama Abdulla was not sure how many employees were actually Calumet City residents but he did know that Sharks employs one Calumet City resident.

Alderman Nelson stated Calumet City residents being employed by businesses the city assists should be a requirement. Alderman Nelson also stated to Osama Abdulla that since he owns three business in the strip mall he should make sure he employs Calumet City residents.

Alderman Williams suggested a Calumet City Job Fair with all the businesses

Alderman Nelson Comments Regarding Abstaining

Alderman Nelson stated that she is going to abstain because what the council is asking for is not being enforced.

RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCE

#4. A Resolution Supporting the Renewal Of the Class 8 Incentive for 1 & 19 State Street

A Resolution consenting to and supporting the renewal of the Class 8 Incentives for 1& 19 State Street. (Calumet Properties, INC)

(Res.#26-22)

(See Attached 3A)

#5. A Resolution Supporting the Renewal Of the Class 8 Incentive for 1757 River Oaks Drive

A Resolution consenting to and supporting the renewal of the Class 8 Incentives for 1757 River Oaks Drive.

(Res.#26-23)

(See Attached 3B)

Approve Resolutions for Class 8 Renewals for 1 &19 State Street and 1757 River Oaks Drive

Alderman Gardner moved, seconded by Alderman Phillips, to approve Class 8 Renewals for 1757 River Oaks Drive and 1& 19 State Street.

ROLL CALL

AYES:	5	ALDERMEN: Harvey, Tillman, Williams, Gardner, Phillips
NAYS:	1	ALDERMEN: Wilson
ABSENT:	0	ALDERMAN: None
ABSTAIN	1	ALDERMAN: Nelson

MOTION CARRIED

Return to the Regular Order of Business

Alderman Nelson moved, seconded by Alderman Phillips to return to the regular order of business at 6:58 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED

THE CITY OF CALUMET CITY
COOK, ILLINOIS

RESOLUTION
NO. 26-22

A RESOLUTION CONSENTING TO AND SUPPORTING THE RENEWAL OF THE CLASS 8 INCENTIVES FOR 1 & 19 STATE STREET (CALUMET PROPERTIES, INC.)

THADDEUS JONES, Mayor
DR. NYOTA T. FIGGS, City Clerk

DEJUAN GARDNER
SHALISA D. HARVEY
MIACOLE NELSON
MELISSA PHILLIPS
DEANDRE TILLMAN
RAMONDE WILLIAMS
MONET WILSON
Aldermen

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RESOLUTION NO. 26-22

A RESOLUTION CONSENTING TO AND SUPPORTING THE RENEWAL OF THE CLASS 8 INCENTIVES FOR 1 & 19 STATE STREET (CALUMET PROPERTIES, INC.)

WHEREAS, Calumet City, Cook County, Illinois (the "City"), is a home rule municipality pursuant to Section 6(a), Article VII of the 1970 Constitution of the State of Illinois, and as such may exercise any power and perform any function pertaining to its government and affairs; and

WHEREAS, the corporate authorities of the City of Calumet City desire to promote and preserve businesses within the City; and

WHEREAS, the corporate authorities have received a request from Osama Abdulla on behalf of Calumet Properties, Inc., (the "Developer") seeking the City's support and consent for the filing of a renewal application for its Class 8 Tax Incentive related to the properties located at 1 and 19 State Street, Calumet City, Illinois (the "Property"), with a legal description attached hereto as Exhibit A; and

WHEREAS, the Property is situated within the Calumet Region Enterprise Zone and has been designated by the City as eligible for, and approved by, the Cook County Assessor for, Class 8 property tax incentives designed to encourage redevelopment ("Incentives"); and

WHEREAS, the Property was originally granted a Class 8 designation for new construction, and the Developer now seeks to maintain this designation in order to preserve the economic viability of its business; and

WHEREAS, the Developer owns and operates a multi-unit strip mall located on the Property; and

WHEREAS, Developer's tenants currently employ approximately four (4) full-time employees and four (4) part-time employees; and

WHEREAS, the continuation of the Incentives is essential to the economic viability of the Property, and the loss of such designation would impair the Developer's ability to perform ongoing maintenance, retain tenants, and continue operating a successful commercial property; and

WHEREAS, without the Class 8 designation, it will be difficult for Developer to retain or attract tenants, which will result in the Property becoming vacant; and

WHEREAS, the absence of the Incentives would render the Developer's business model unsustainable, making renewal of the designation critical for the ongoing economic viability of Developer's business; and

WHEREAS, the City supports the Developer's efforts to renew and maintain the Class 8 Tax Incentive for the Property, recognizing that continued occupancy and commercial operations at the Property contribute to the economic strength, tax base, and vitality of Calumet City.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and City Council of Calumet City, Cook County, Illinois by and through its home rule powers as follows:

Section 1. The City hereby incorporates all of the recitals above into this Resolution as if fully set forth herein.

Section 2. The City hereby supports and consents to the filing of an application for a Class 8 renewal classification for the Property.

Section 3. The City finds that renewal of the Class 8 Incentives for the Property is necessary to maintain the economic viability and competitiveness of the Property and to support the retention of existing tenants. The City further finds that, without such designation, the Developer may experience difficulty maintaining occupancy levels and performing necessary improvements, which could result in increased vacancy at the Property. The City therefore finds that renewal of the Class 8 Incentives is in the best interests of the City and beneficial to the local economy.

Section 4. That the City Clerk shall certify a copy of this Resolution and send a certified copy to the office of the Assessor of Cook County.

Section 5. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage, approval and publication in pamphlet form as provided by law.

ADOPTED this 8th day of October, 2026, pursuant to a roll call as follows:

	Yes	No	Absent	Present	Abstain
Gardner	X				
Harvey	X				
Nelson					X
Phillips	X				
Tillman	X				
Williams	X				
Wilson		X			
(Mayor Jones)					

APPROVED by the Mayor on October 8, 2026.

Thaddeus Jones
MAYOR

ATTEST:

Dr. Nyota T. Figgs, CITY CLERK

EXHIBIT A

LEGAL DESCRIPTION
1 & 19 State Street, Calumet City, IL

PARCEL 1:
THAT PART OF LOT 1 LYING NORTH OF THE NORTH LINE OF THE SOUTH 150.00 FEET OF BLOCK 7 (EXCEPT THAT PART OF LOT 1 LYING EAST OF THE WEST LINE OF THE EAST 33 FEET OF THE SOUTHEAST FRACTIONAL ¼ OF SECTION 8); ALL OF LOTS 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 AND 11; THAT PART OF LOT 18 LYING NORTH OF THE NORTH LINE OF THE SOUTH 150.00 FEET OF BLOCK 7; THAT PART OF LOT 19, IF ANY, LYING NORTH OF THE NORTH LINE OF THE SOUTH 150.00 FEET OF BLOCK 7; THE NORTH AND SOUTH 16.00 FOOT WIDE ALLEY AS HERETOFORE DEDICATED LYING NORTHERLY OF THE NORTH LINE OF THE SOUTH 150 FEET OF BLOCK 7 AND SOUTHERLY OF THE NORTHEASTERLY LINE OF LOT 11 EXTENDED SOUTHEASTERLY; THE NORTHWEST AND SOUTHEAST 16 FOOT WIDE ALLEY AS HERETOFORE DEDICATED LYING NORTH OF THE NORTH LINE OF THE SOUTH 150 FEET OF BLOCK 7 AND EAST OF THE NORTHERLY PROLONGATION OF THE EAST LINE OF LOT 11 WHICH ALLEYS WERE VACATED BY ORDINANCE RECORDED 2/27/2001 AS DOCUMENT 0010153562, ALL IN BLOCK 7 IN SNYDACKER AND AMB'S ILLINOIS ADDITION TO HAMMOND, BEING A SUBDIVISION IN THE NORTH ½ OF THE SOUTHEAST FRACTIONAL ¼ AND THE NORTHEAST FRACTIONAL 1/4 , SOUTHEAST OF THE CALUMET RIVER EXCEPT THE RAILROAD AND EXCEPT THE EAST 5 ACRES OF THE NORTHEAST FRACTIONAL ¼ LYING BETWEEN THE RIVER AND THE RAILROAD AND EXCEPT 133 FEET EAST AND ADJOINING BLOCK 8 OF ABOVE SUBDIVISION IN SECTION 8, TOWNSHIP 36 NORTH, RANGE 15 EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, IN COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS.
PARCEL 2:
LOTS 1 AND 2 IN BLOCK 6 IN SNYDACKER AND AMB'S ILLINOIS ADDITION TO HAMMOND, BEING A SUBDIVISION IN THE NORTH ½ SOUTHEAST FRACTIONAL ¼ AND THE NORTHEAST FRACTIONAL ¼, SOUTHEAST OF THE CALUMET RIVER, EXCEPT THE RAILROAD AND EXCEPT THE EAST 5 ACRES OF THE NORTHEAST FRACTIONAL ¼ LYING BETWEEN THE RIVER AND THE RAILROAD AND EXCEPT 133 FEET, EAST AND ADJOINING BLOCK 8 OF ABOVE SUBDIVISION IN SECTION 8, TOWNSHIP 36 NORTH, RANGE 15 EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, IN COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

PINS: 30-08-404-022 & 30-08-402-010

THE CITY OF CALUMET CITY
COOK, ILLINOIS

RESOLUTION
NO. 26-23

A RESOLUTION CONSENTING TO AND SUPPORTING A REWEWAL OF THE CLASS 8 INCENTIVE FOR 1757 RIVER OAKS DRIVE

THADDEUS JONES, Mayor
DR. NYOTA T. FIGGS, City Clerk

DEJUAN GARDNER
SHALISA D. HARVEY
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WHEREAS, Calumet City, Cook County, Illinois (the "City"), is a home rule municipality pursuant to Section 6(a), Article VII of the 1970 Constitution of the State of Illinois, and as such may exercise any power and perform any function pertaining to its government and affairs; and

WHEREAS, the corporate authorities of the City of Calumet City desire to promote and preserve businesses within the City; and

WHEREAS, the corporate authorities have received a request from Chetan Chokski, (the "Developer") seeking the City's support and consent for the filing of a renewal application for its Class 8 Tax Incentive related to the property located at 1757 River Oaks Drive, Calumet City, Illinois (the "Property"), with a legal description attached hereto as Exhibit A; and

WHEREAS, the Property is situated within the Calumet Region Enterprise Zone and has been designated by the City as eligible for, and approved by, the Cook County Assessor for, Class 8 property tax incentives designed to encourage redevelopment ("Incentives"); and

WHEREAS, the Property was originally granted a Class 8 designation for new construction, and the Developer now seeks to maintain this designation in order to preserve the economic viability of its business; and

WHEREAS, the Developer currently leases the multi-unit strip mall; and

WHEREAS, Developer's tenants currently employ approximately ten (10) full-time employees and fifteen (15) part-time employees; and

WHEREAS, the continuation of Incentives are essential for the Developer to remain a viable local business, the loss of such designation would require him to increase commercial rents above market rates; and

WHEREAS, without the Class 8 designation, it will be difficult for Developer to retain or attract tenants, which will result in the Property becoming vacant; and

WHEREAS, the absence of the Incentives would render the Developer's business model unsustainable, making renewal of the designation critical for the ongoing economic viability of Developer's business; and

WHEREAS, the City supports the Developer's efforts to renew and maintain the Class 8 Tax Incentive for the Property, recognizing that the continued business operations at the site will contribute to the economic strength and vitality of Calumet City.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and City Council of Calumet City, Cook County, Illinois by and through its home rule powers as follows:

Section 1. The City hereby incorporates all of the recitals above into this Resolution as if fully set forth herein.

Section 2. The City hereby supports and consents to the filing of an application for a Class 8 renewal classification for the Property.

Section 3. The City finds that a renewal of the Class 8 Incentive at 1757 River Oaks Drive is necessary for the Developer's ability to maintain competitive at its current location, and that without such designation, Developer would struggle to maintain his tenants causing the Property to become vacant and unused. Furthermore, the City finds that the renewal of the Class 8 Incentive is necessary and beneficial to the Calumet City economy.

Section 4. That the City Clerk shall certify a copy of this Resolution and send a certified copy to the office of the Assessor of Cook County.

Section 5. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage, approval and publication in pamphlet form as provided by law.

ADOPTED this 08th day of October, 2026, pursuant to a roll call as follows:

	Yes	No	Absent	Present	Abstain
Gardner	X				
Harvey	X				
Nelson					X
Phillips	X				
Tillman	X				
Williams	X				
Wilson		X			
(Mayor Jones)					

APPROVED by the Mayor on October 08, 2026.

Thaddeus Jones
MAYOR

ATTEST:

Dr. Nyota T. Figgs, CITY CLERK

EXHIBIT A

THAT PART OF LOT 7 IN THE FINAL PLAT OF OAKVIEW SHOPPING CENTER SUBDIVISION, BEING A SUBDIVISION OF PART OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 24, AND PART OF THE RESUBDIVISION OF LOT 2 IN RIVER OAKS WEST UNIT NO. 2, BEING A SUBDIVISION OF PART OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 24, ALL IN TOWNSHIP 36 NORTH, RANGE 14, EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT OF SAID OAKVIEW SHOPPING CENTER SUBDIVISION RECORDED OCTOBER 6, 1992 AS DOCUMENT 92743693 DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:
COMMENCING AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF SAID LOT 7, THENCE SOUTH 0 DEGREES 07 MINUTES 08 SECONDS WEST, ALONG THE EAST LINE OF SAID LOT 7, 454.71 FEET TO THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF SAID LOT 7, THENCE NORTH 89 DEGREES 52 MINUTES 52 SECONDS WEST, ALONG THE SOUTH LINE OF SAID LOT 7, 198.36 FEET FOR A POINT OF BEGINNING, THENCE CONTINUING NORTH 89 DEGREES 52 MINUTES 52 SECONDS WEST 105.26 FEET TO THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF LOT 7, THENCE NORTH 0 DEGREES 01 MINUTES 05 SECONDS EAST, 462.64 FEET TO THE NORHWEST CORNER OF SAID LOT 7, THENCE SOUTH 89 DEGREES, 51 MINUTES, 43 SECONDS EAST, 112.59 FEET, THENCE SOUTH 86 DEGREES 25 MINUTES, 36 SECONDS EAST, 48.77 FEET, THENCE SOUTH 0 DEGREES 07 MINUTES 08 SECONDS WEST, 140.61 FEET TO A POINT OF CURVE, THENCE ALONG A CURVE TO THE RIGHT, TANGENT TO THE LAST DESCRIBED LINE, HAVING A RADIUS OF 150.0 FEET, AN ARC LENGTH OF 61.98 FEET TO A POINT OF TANGENCY, THENCE SOUTH 23 DEGREES 47 MINUTES 41 SECONDS WEST, 64.09 FEET TO A POINT OF CURVE, THENCE ALONG A CURVE TO THE LEFT TANGENT TO THE LAST DESCRIBED LINE, HAVING A RADIUS OF 200.0 FEET, AN ARC LENGTH OF 82.64 FEET TO A POINT OF TANGENCY, THENCE SOUTH DEGREES 0 DEGREES 07 MINUTES 08 SECONDS WEST, 119.81 FEET TO A POINT ON THE NORTH LINE OF SAID LOT 7 AND THE POINT OF BEGINNING, ALL IN COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

Property Address: 1757-1765 River Oaks Drive, Calumet City, IL
PIN: 29-24-200-084-0000

Approval of Minutes — Alderman Phillips moved, seconded by Alderman Gardner to approve the minutes as presented.

09/22/2026 Special Mtg.
09/24/2026 Special Mtg.
09/24/2026 Regular Mtg.

ROLL CALL

AYES:	7	ALDERMEN: Harvey, Wilson, Tillman, Williams, Gardner, Nelson, Phillips
NAYS:	0	ALDERMEN: None
ABSENT:	0	ALDERMAN: None

MOTION CARRIED

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS TO BE ACCEPTED AND PLACED ON FILE

A. Association of Public Treasurers — RE: Association of Public Treasurers of the United States and Canada thanking Treasurer Tarka for his continued commitment in education and professional development.

B. Department of Transportation Notice — RE: Illinois Department of Transportation notice for the authorization of funding for Project 52DG(983).

C. Firefighter/Paramedic Resignation — RE: This letter is to inform you that effective September 11, 2026, Firefighter/Paramedic Justin Bracken resigned from the Calumet City Fire Department after accepting employment with another department. FF/P Bracken joined the department on April 29, 2024. We would like to thank him for his service and wish him continued success in his future endeavors.

D. Firefighter/Paramedic Resignation — RE: Firefighter/Paramedic Jessica Morgan letter of resignation from the Calumet City Fire Department.

E. Water and Sewer Department Report — RE: September 2026 Monthly Report for the Water and Sewer Department.

F. City Administrator Monthly Report — RE: September 2026 Monthly Report for the City Administrator.

G. ESDA Department Monthly Report — RE: September 2026 Monthly Report for the ESDA Department.

H. Police Department Monthly Report — RE: September 2026 Monthly Report for the Police Department.

I. Crime Free Housing Report — RE: Mike Banske, Director of Crime Free Housing Department submitting a report on the current status of the Crime Free Housing Department.

J. HR Department Monthly Report — RE: September 2026 Monthly Report for the HR Department.

K. IT Department Monthly Report — RE: September 2026 Monthly Report for the IT Department.

L. Police Department Monthly Report — RE: The department maintained a high level of service throughout September 2026, with EMS calls representing the majority of activity at 77% of total call volume. Cooking/appliance fires continued to be the leading fire call type. General illness continues to be the leading EMS call type. Staffing remains a

priority concern in effective operations. Fire & Police commission are finalizing eligibility list with potential hiring of 6 FF/PMs with potential start date in October. Post hire they will be placed in our Recruit School for 5 weeks. Equipment reports with no issues with fire apparatus receiving annual maintenance during the months of September/October. We are in the process of closing a 2023 SAFER Grant for staffing, we received $529,289.15 We have closed out 2024 AFG Grant for firefighter PPE receiving $67,772.72. We have been awarded funds for the 2025 AFG Grant for firefighter PPE washers and dryers for cancer exposure reduction $50,950.47. We have two ambulances on order in our fleet replacement cycle 1st ambulance delivery expected 01/27, total cost $450,800.00 2nd ambulance delivery expected 01/29 , total cost $476,130.00. ADMINISTRATIVE UPDATE COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT FIRE PREVENTION WEEK OCTOBER 4TH - 10TH. Calumet City Firefighters will be spending the month visiting our schools to engage students on the importance of fire safety. FIRE DEPARTMENT OPEN HOUSE OCTOBER 17TH : 11 AM - 2 PM. We will be hosting our annual open house at our Training Center for the months theme of "Charge into Fire Safety: Safe Charging Is a Superpower" Families will be able to engage with our firefighters in demonstrations of live fire, vehicle extrication, live fire with sprinkler extinguishment. Families will be engaged by our members in various fire prevention activities throughout the site. There will be various community stakeholders with tables like ComEd, NiCOR, and Orland Central Dispatch who will have an immersive dispatch experience booth. Hot dogs, popcorn and light refreshments will be served. STATEWIDE SMOKE DETECTOR BLITZ We have teamed up with the IFSA to install smoke detectors during the month of October.

M. Revenue Collected Report Clerks Office Report — RE: City Clerk Figgs submitting September 2026 Revenue Collected Report.

N. Hammond Water Works Department New Rates — RE: Hammond Water Works Department notice of new rates for water delivered to Calumet City.

Discussion — Alderman Nelson thanked all of the departments for submitting a report; Alderman Nelson apologized for not being able to review the reports since the council just got access to the Supplement Packet.

Accept & Place on file — Alderman Tillman moved, seconded by Alderman Williams, to accept items A through N and place on file.

MOTION CARRIED

Presentation of Appreciation Plaque — Mayor Jones presented Director Sheryl Tillman with a 25-year plaque for her years of service.

NEW BUSINESS

1): Approval to Bring Back Laid Off Workers From Local150 — Motion to bring back laid off workers from local 150 and direct the City Treasurer and City Finance Director to insert the salaries of said workers into the 2026-2027 fiscal year budget.

2): Approval to Bring Back Laid Off Workers From Local 700 — Motion to bring back laid off workers from local 700 and other personnel and direct the City Treasurer and City Finance Director to insert the salaries of said workers into the 2026-2027 fiscal year budget.

Alderman Gardner Comments Regarding Items#1 and 2 to Bring Back Laid off Workers From Local 150 and Local 700	"I am not opposed to bringing back workers that were laid off from local 150 or 700 however we still have a budget that we still haven't buttoned up."
Tabling of Motions to Bring Back Laid Off Workers From Local 150 and Local 700	Alderman Gardner moved, seconded by Alderman Wilson to table bringing back laid off workers from local 150 and local 700 and direct the City Treasurer and City Finance Director to insert the salaries of said workers into the 2026-2027 fiscal year budget.
Alderman Nelson Discussion Regarding Laid Off Local 150 and Local 700 Employees	Alderman Nelson stated the union employees should have never been laid off first and that the council would love to have those employees who do the work back but the way the motion reads; it seems like it won't only be the union workers that come back it would be everyone.
Mayor Jones Comments Regarding Laid Off Local 150 and Local 700 Employees	Mayor Jones stated that the council requested layoffs three different times and Finance Director Kasperek compiled the list.
Alderman Tillman Comments Regarding Lay Offs	Alderman Tillman commented regarding the last three years of deficits and the back log of bills. Alderman Tillman stated the council wants to have a full understanding of the City's financial picture.
Tabling of Motions to Bring Back Laid Off Workers From Local 150 and Local 700	Alderman Gardner moved, seconded by Alderman Wilson to table bringing back laid off workers from local 150 and local 700 and direct the City Treasurer and City Finance Director to insert the salaries of said workers into the 2026-2027 fiscal year budget.

ROLL CALL

AYES:	7	ALDERMEN: Harvey, Wilson, Tillman, Williams, Gardner, Nelson, Phillips
NAYS:	0	ALDERMEN: None
ABSENT:	0	ALDERMAN: None

MOTION CARRIED

3): Direct City Clerk Figgs and RFP Team to Present A Solution to the City Council (Amended)	Direct City Clerk Figgs, and RFP team, which includes City Clerk, Dr. Nyota T. Figgs, City Administrator Deanne Jaffrey and Public Works Director Jerico Thomas to meet next week and present the city council with a solution and provide next steps by the next city council meeting, October 22, 2026. The present waste contract expires on December 31, 2026.
Amend Motion Regarding Presenting a Solution to the City Council for the RFP	Alderman Gardner moved, seconded by Alderman Nelson to amend motion to direct City Clerk Figgs to present the city council with a solution and provide next steps by the next city council meeting, October 22, 2026. The present waste contract expires on December 31, 2026.

ROLL CALL

AYES:	7	ALDERMEN: Harvey, Wilson, Tillman, Williams, Gardner, Nelson, Phillips
NAYS:	0	ALDERMEN: None
ABSENT:	0	ALDERMAN: None

MOTION CARRIED

3): Direct City Clerk Figgs to Present A Solution to the City Council (Amended)	Direct City Clerk Figgs to present the city council with a solution and provide next steps by the next city council meeting, October 22, 2026. The present waste contract expires on December 31, 2026.
Approval to Direct City Clerk Figgs to Present A Solution to the City Council (Amended)	Alderman Gardner moved, seconded by Alderman Harvey to direct City Clerk Figgs to present the city council with a solution and provide next steps by the next city council meeting, October 22, 2026. The present waste contract expires on December 31, 2026.

ROLL CALL

AYES:	7	ALDERMEN: Harvey, Wilson, Tillman, Williams, Gardner, Nelson, Phillips
NAYS:	0	ALDERMEN: None
ABSENT:	0	ALDERMAN: None

MOTION CARRIED

4): Approve Children's Home Center Traffic Buster	Approve Children's Home Center to have a Traffic Buster Recruitment Event for the purpose of promoting enrollment on October 21, 2026, from 3pm to 5 p.m. on the corner of 522 Torrence near the Walgreens Parking lot.
Approve Children's Home Center Traffic Buster	Alderman Tillman moved, seconded by Alderman Gardner to approve Children's Home Center to have a Traffic Buster Recruitment Event for the purpose of promoting enrollment on October 21, 2026, from 3pm to 5 p.m. on the corner of 522 Torrence near the Walgreens Parking lot.

ROLL CALL

AYES:	6	ALDERMEN: Harvey, Tillman, Williams, Gardner, Nelson, Phillips
NAYS:	1	ALDERMEN: Wilson
ABSENT:	0	ALDERMAN: None

MOTION CARRIED

5): Approve Eight (8) Ford Utility Interceptors	Authorize the Mayor to execute all documents necessary for the acquisition and purchase of eight (8) Ford Utility Interceptors.
Authorize the Mayor to Execute All Documents for the Purchase of Eight (8) Ford Utility Interceptors	Alderman Gardner moved, seconded by Alderman Williams to authorize the Mayor to execute all documents necessary for the acquisition and purchase of eight (8) Ford Utility Interceptors.

ROLL CALL

AYES:	6	ALDERMEN: Harvey, Tillman, Williams, Gardner, Nelson, Phillips
NAYS:	1	ALDERMEN: Wilson
ABSENT:	0	ALDERMAN: None

MOTION CARRIED

6): Direct the Board of Fire & Police Commissioners to offer Conditional Employment	Direct the Board of Fire & Police Commissioners to offer conditional employment to the next eligible candidate on the hiring list and to direct the Board to make the necessary hiring to reflect the resignation of Firefighter/Paramedic Jessica Morgan.

7): Direct the Board of Fire & Police Commissioners to offer Conditional Employment	Direct the Board of Fire & Police Commissioners to offer conditional employment to the next eligible candidate on the hiring list and to direct the Board to make the necessary hiring to reflect the resignation of Firefighter/Paramedic Justin Bracken.
Approval of New Business Items #6 and 7	Alderman Williams moved, seconded by Alderman Tillman to approve new business items #6 and 7.

ROLL CALL

AYES:	7	ALDERMEN: Harvey, Wilson, Tillman, Williams, Gardner, Nelson, Phillips
NAYS:	0	ALDERMEN: None
ABSENT:	0	ALDERMAN: None

MOTION CARRIED

8): Approve An Ordinance to Amend The Handicap Parking Ordinance	Approve an ordinance to amend the handicap parking ordinance to add a handicap pole to be located at 316 Luella Ave.
9): Draft a Calumet City Policy Statement	Direct city attorney to draft a Calumet City Policy Statement errors in water or refuse billing.
Approval of New Business Items #8-9	Alderman Tillman moved, seconded by Alderman Williams to approve new business items #8-9.

ROLL CALL

AYES:	7	ALDERMEN: Harvey, Wilson, Tillman, Williams, Gardner, Nelson, Phillips
NAYS:	0	ALDERMEN: None
ABSENT:	0	ALDERMAN: None

MOTION CARRIED

BUILDING PERMITS

New Fence

661 Manistee Avenue	Privacy Fence 2nd Ward
665 Yates Avenue	Privacy Fence 4th Ward
360 Crandon Avenue	Privacy Fence 3rd Ward
315 Prairie Avenue	Privacy Fence 3rd Ward
322 Bensley Avenue	Privacy Fence 4th Ward

Approve Building Permits	Alderman Wilson moved, seconded by Alderman Nelson to approve the building permits as presented.
Alderman Tillman Discussion	Alderman Tillman requested more information on 360 Crandon to make sure the new fence is not a variance.
Alderman Gardner Left the Regular City Council Meeting	Alderman Gardner left the Regular City Council Meeting at 7:36 p.m.
Withdrawal of Motion to Approve New Fence Building Permits	Alderman Wilson withdrew her motion to approve the building permits as presented.

Withdrawal of Second to Approve New Fence Building Permits	Alderman Nelson withdrew her second to approve the building permits as presented.

BUILDING PERMITS
New Fence

360 Crandon Avenue Privacy Fence 3rd Ward

Table Building Permits for 360 Crandon Avenue	Alderman Tillman moved, seconded by Alderman Harvey to table the building permits for 360 Crandon Avenue.

ROLL CALL

AYES:	6	ALDERMEN: Harvey, Wilson, Tillman, Williams, Nelson, Phillips
NAYS:	0	ALDERMEN: None
ABSENT:	1	ALDERMAN: Gardner

MOTION CARRIED

661 Manistee Avenue Privacy Fence 2nd Ward
665 Yates Avenue Privacy Fence 4th Ward
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Approve Building Permits	Alderman Wilson moved, seconded by Alderman Harvey to approve the building permits as presented.

ROLL CALL

AYES:	6	ALDERMEN: Harvey, Wilson, Tillman, Williams, Nelson, Phillips
NAYS:	0	ALDERMEN: None
ABSENT:	1	ALDERMAN: Gardner

MOTION CARRIED

RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCE

#1. An Ordinance Amending the Handicapped Parking Ordinance	An Ordinance amending Chapter 90, Article V, Division 1 of the Calumet City Municipal Code Handicapped Parking (389 Hoxie Avenue)
(Ord.#26-23)	(See Attached 9A)
#2. An Ordinance Amending the Handicapped Parking Ordinance	An Ordinance amending Chapter 90, Article V, Division 1 of the Calumet City Municipal Code Handicapped Parking (384 Luella Avenue)
(Ord.#26-24)	(See Attached 9B)

THE CITY OF CALUMET CITY,
COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS

ORDINANCE NUMBER 26-23

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 90, ARTICLE V, DIVISION 1 OF THE CALUMET CITY MUNICIPAL CODE HANDICAPPED PARKING

THADDEUS JONES, Mayor
DR. NYOTA T. FIGGS, City Clerk

DEJUAN GARDNER
SHALISA HARVEY
MIACOLE NELSON
MELISSA PHILLIPS
DEANDRE TILLMAN
RAMONDE WILLIAMS
MONET WILSON

Aldermen

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Prepared by Corporation Counsel Ancel Glink PC, 140 South Dearborn, Suite 600, Chicago, Illinois 60603

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AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 90, ARTICLE V, DIVISION 1 OF THE CALUMET CITY MUNICIPAL CODE HANDICAPPED PARKING

WHEREAS, the City of Calumet City ("City") is an Illinois home rule municipality organized and operating pursuant to the Constitution and laws of the State of Illinois.

WHEREAS, the corporate authorities of the City of Calumet City desire to amend Chapter 90, Article V, Division 1, Section 90-317(g) of the City of Calumet City Municipal Code of Ordinances ("Code") to designate 389 Hoxie Avenue as a restricted handicap parking area in the City, and direct the City Department of Public Works to install a handicap parking pole at and upon the aforesaid property.

WHEREAS, the corporate authorities of the City of Calumet City find that amending the City Code as specified in this Ordinance promotes the best interests and the health, safety, and welfare of the City of Calumet City and its residents.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Calumet City, Cook County, Illinois, in exercise of its home rule powers, as follows:

Section 1. The foregoing recitals are incorporated into Section 1 of this Ordinance as findings of the corporate authorities of the City of Calumet City.

Section 2. Chapter 90, Article V, Division 1, Section 90-317(g) of the City of Calumet City Municipal Code of Ordinances is hereby amended by designating the following property as a

restricted handicap parking areas (additions in **bold and double-underlined**) (omitted language is not intended to be amended):

Section 90-317. – Handicapped parking.

* * *

(g) *Signed areas.* The following areas are hereby designated as restricted handicapped parking areas by the city council, and appropriate signs shall be posted clearly indicating such areas:

* * *

389 Hoxie Avenue.

* * *

Section 3. The corporate authorities of the City further direct the City Department of Public Works to install a handicap parking pole designating 389 Hoxie Avenue as a restricted handicap parking area in the City.

Section 4. **Superseder.** In the event a conflict exists between the terms of this Ordinance and any other ordinance or resolution of the City, the terms of this ordinance shall govern.

Section 5. **Severability.** This Ordinance and every provision thereof shall be considered severable and the invalidity of any section clause, paragraph, sentence, or provision of this Ordinance will not affect the validity of any other portion of this Ordinance.

Section 6. **Effective Date.** This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect upon its passage and publication in pamphlet form, in accordance with law, and the provisions of the Calumet City's Municipal Code amended herein shall be reprinted with the changes.

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PASSED this 08th day of October, 2026, pursuant to a roll call as follows:

	Yes	No	Absent	Present
Gardner			X	
Harvey	X			
Nelson	X			
Phillips	X			
Tillman	X			
Williams	X			
Wilson	X			
(Mayor Jones)				

APPROVED by the Mayor on October 08, 2026.

Thaddeus Jones
MAYOR

ATTEST:

Dr. Nyota T. Figgs
CITY CLERK

THE CITY OF CALUMET CITY,
COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS

ORDINANCE NUMBER 26-24

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 90, ARTICLE V, DIVISION 1 OF THE CALUMET CITY MUNICIPAL CODE HANDICAPPED PARKING

THADDEUS JONES, Mayor
DR. NYOTA T. FIGGS, City Clerk

DEJUAN GARDNER
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* * *

(g) *Signed areas.* The following areas are hereby designated as restricted handicapped parking areas by the city council, and appropriate signs shall be posted clearly indicating such areas:

* * *

384 Luella Avenue.

* * *

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PASSED this 08th day of October 2026, pursuant to a roll call as follows:

	Yes	No	Absent	Present
Gardner			X	
Harvey	X			
Nelson	X			
Phillips	X			
Tillman	X			
Williams	X			
Wilson	X			
(Mayor Jones)				

APPROVED by the Mayor on October 08, 2026.

Thaddeus Jones
MAYOR

ATTEST:

Dr. Nyota T. Figgs
CITY CLERK

#3. A Proclamation Honoring Polish American History Month	A Proclamation honoring Polish American History and declaring October Polish American History Month.
(Res.#26-24)	(See Attached 10A)
Approval to Pass Ordinances #1 and 2 and to Adopt Resolution #3 as Presented	Alderman Wilson moved seconded by Alderman Phillips to adopt Resolutions #3, and pass Ordinances #1 and 2, as presented

ROLL CALL

AYES:	6	ALDERMEN: Harvey, Wilson, Tillman, Williams, Nelson, Phillips
NAYS:	0	ALDERMEN: None
ABSENT:	1	ALDERMAN: Gardner

MOTION CARRIED

Executive Session	Alderman Nelson moved, seconded by Alderman Harvey to enter into executive session for the purpose of discussing legal, settlement, and employment of a specific individual at 7:41 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED

Executive Session	The council met in executive session from 7:41 p.m. to 8:13 p.m.
Return to the Regular Order of Business	Alderman Harvey moved, seconded by Alderman Nelson to return to the regular order of business at 8:13 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED

FINANCIAL MATTERS

Request to Take a Vote on Financial Items Separately	Alderman Wilson requested to take financial items #2 and 3 separately, 9, and 10, and 33 and 34 separately.
1): Approve Refund to Calumet Memorial Park District	Approve refund for over payment of water bill in the amount of $24,973.60; direct City Treasurer to issue refund check to Calumet Memorial Park District from the appropriate account.
2): Approve Settlement Agreement for Case No. 16-CV-8510 (Amended)	Approve the settlement agreement for Case No. 16-CV-8510 and direct the City Treasurer to issue payment as directed by the agreement in the amount of $85,779.07 to be drawn from account number 01025-52200 Special Legal Fees. (Amended to include the account number and the dollar amount.)
Approve Financial Item #2 as Amended	Alderman Williams moved, seconded by Alderman Phillips to approve financial item #2 as amended.

ROLL CALL

AYES:	6	ALDERMEN: Harvey, Wilson, Tillman, Williams, Nelson, Phillips
NAYS:	0	ALDERMEN: None
ABSENT:	1	ALDERMAN: Gardner

MOTION CARRIED

RESOLUTION #26-24

PROCLAMATION

Whereas, Calumet City, formerly known as Sobieski Park, has been home to over 7 generations of Polish immigrants and their descendants; and

Whereas, the Polish American presence has always been strongly felt in the governmental and business affairs of the city; and

Whereas, in October of 1996, Calumet City proclaimed the month of October as Polish American Heritage Month for the first time; and

Whereas, since that time, the Polish American Heritage Month Committee of Calumet City has done its part to acknowledge and celebrate Polish heritage, Culture and Pride not only in Calumet City but throughout the Calumet Region; and

Whereas, in 2008, Pulaski Park was dedicated as a lasting monument to Polish American history, culture and pride; and

Whereas, in an effort to share our story with the greater Chicagoland Community, the Polish Heritage Month Committee has donated hundreds of books on Polish topics over the years to the Calumet City Public Library; and

Whereas, if you live in the State of Illinois, you can have any of this extensive collection delivered to your home library that spans topics on everything from Polish history, fiction, poetry, non-fiction, even Polish culinary arts through the "Interlibrary Loan Program"; and

Whereas, I join the members of the City Council, the Polish American Heritage Month Committee, the Polish American Congress and Polish American organizations across America in celebrating October as Polish American Heritage Month in Calumet City for the 31st consecutive year;

NOW THEREFORE, I, THADDEUS M. JONES, Mayor of the City of Calumet City, Illinois proclaim October as "Polish American Heritage Month" in Calumet City, Illinois

Dated this 4th day of October, 2026

Thaddeus Jones, MAYOR

ATTEST:

Dr. Nyota T. Figgs

3): Approve Settlement Agreement for Case No. 24-cv-3555 (Amended)	Approve the settlement agreement for Case No. 24-cv-3555 and to direct the City Treasurer to issue payment as directed by the agreement in the amount of $10,937.50 to be drawn from account number 01025-52200 Special Legal Fees. (Amended to include the account number and the dollar amount.)
Approve Financial Item #3 as Amended	Alderman Williams moved, seconded by Alderman Harvey to approve financial item #3 as amended.
ROLL CALL	
AYES: 6	ALDERMEN: Harvey, Wilson, Tillman, Williams, Nelson, Phillips
NAYS: 0	ALDERMEN: None
ABSENT: 1	ALDERMAN: Gardner
	MOTION CARRIED
4): Approve Payment to Ottosen, DiNolfo, Hasenbalg & Castaldo	Approve payment to Ottosen, DiNolfo, Hasenbalg & Castaldo in the amount of $8,140.95 for legal services, Invoice 24240, and direct the City Treasurer to remit payment from account #01025-52200.
5): Approve Patrick W. Walsh, Attorney at Law	Approve payment to Patrick W. Walsh, Attorney at Law for the invoices listed below; authorize the City Treasurer to remit payment in the total amount of $100,475.06 and charge account #01025-55120. Invoice 3287 - $830.00; Invoice 3286 - $1,227.27; Invoice 3285 - $6,215.00 Invoice 3284 - $4,790.00; Invoice 3282 - $20,267.50; Invoice 3281 - $27,933.02 Invoice 3275 - $12,975.00; Invoice 3271 - $2,833.33; Invoice 3270 - $1,551.44 Invoice 3269 - $665.00; Invoice 3268 - $1,000.00; Invoice 3267 - $9,350.00 Invoice 3266 - $1,125.00; Invoice 3265 - $687.50; Invoice 3264 - $8,080.00 Invoice 3260 - $457.50; Invoice 3257 - $487.50
6): Approve Payment to South Suburban Mayors and Management Association	Approve payment to South Suburban Mayors and Management Association (SSMMA) for invoice 2026-186; authorize the City Treasurer to remit payment in the amount of $5,500 for GIS Consortium 2026 membership dues 5/1/26-4/30/27 and charge account #01099/52353.
7): Approve Buyback for Justin Bracken	Approve the buyback for Justin Bracken as shown in the communication.
8): Approve Payment to Chicago Communications LLC	Approve cost payable to Chicago Communications LLC for invoice #365599, in the amount of $24,883.00, authorize the city treasurer to remit payment from account 03036 54140. (11/12/2025 Installation of Equipment lights, flashers etc for 4 Ford Transit Vans for Water Service. Department, 2026 Fiscal Year)
9): Approve Payment to Artistic Holiday Design	Approve cost payable to Artistic Holiday Design for Option 2, in the amount of $26,029.89; authorize the City Treasurer to remit payment from account #01099-52704.
Approval of Payment to Artistic Design	Alderman Williams moved, seconded by Alderman Nelson to approve cost payable to Artistic Holiday Design for Option 2, in the amount of $26,029.89; authorize the City Treasurer to remit payment from account #01099-52704.
Discussion	Alderman Phillips stated she would prefer to feed people with the layoffs and everything else going on in the city. Alderman Wilson suggested Public Works shop around for cheaper decorations.

Withdrawal of Second	Alderman Nelson withdrew her second to approve cost payable to Artistic Designs; stated she withdrew due to the recent layoffs. Alderman Nelson also withdrew her second because she thought the city would be able to get a grant from ComEd for $25,000.00; but City Administrator Deanne Jaffrey debunked that rumor when she read the grant information for this year and ComEd will only be issuing $2,500.00 grants.
Approve Payment to Artistic Holiday Designs	Alderman Williams moved, seconded by Alderman Tillman to approve cost payable to Artistic Holiday Design for Option 2, in the amount of $26,029.89; authorize the City Treasurer to remit payment from account #01099-52704.

ROLL CALL

AYES:	3	ALDERMEN: Harvey, Tillman, Williams
NAYS:	3	ALDERMEN: Wilson, Nelson, Phillips
ABSENT:	1	ALDERMAN: Gardner
MAYOR	AYES	

MOTION CARRIED

10): Approve Payment to National Power Rod (Amended)	Approve the motion by the City Council authorizing Sewer and Stormwater Capital Improvement Action Plan Area 1 Sewers Project with National Power Rod Change Order 3A for the Heavy Cleaning AUP Proposal in the amount of $32,000 to utilize specialized heavy cleaning methods to remove blockages in City Sewers in various locations in the City from the 2023 Bond Fund. (Amended)
Approve Payment to National Power Rod (Amended)	Alderman Williams moved, seconded by Alderman Nelson to approve the motion by the City Council authorizing Sewer and Stormwater Capital Improvement Action Plan Area 1 Sewers Project with National Power Rod Change Order 3A for the Heavy Cleaning AUP Proposal in the amount of $32,000 to utilize specialized heavy cleaning methods to remove blockages in City Sewers in various locations in the City from the 2023 Bond Fund as amended.

ROLL CALL

AYES:	5	ALDERMEN: Harvey, Tillman, Williams, Nelson, Phillips
NAYS:	1	ALDERMEN: Wilson
ABSENT:	1	ALDERMAN: Gardner

MOTION CARRIED

11): Approve Utilizing MFT funds for the Phase I & II Engineering Design	Approve the Motion by City Council authorizing Mayor and Clerk to utilize MFT funds for the Phase I & II engineering design services for State Street Improvements Section Number 25-00164-00-RS and execute BLR 09110 Resolution for Improvement under the Illinois Highway Code and BLR05530 Local Public Agency Engineering Services Agreement. Construction and Phase III Engineering Services will be funded by IDOT Local Project Funding (LPF) awarded the City in an amount not to exceed $4,000,000.
12): Approve Payment to Advantage River Oaks Toyota	Authorize the City Treasurer to remit payment to Advantage River Oaks Toyota in the amount of $117,675.05 as required by the economic incentive agreement for the calendar year 2025 to be paid through the City's Corporate Fund and be charged to Acct.#01099-52696 Contractual Obligations. This represents the final payment per the provisions of the economic incentive agreement.

13): Approve Payment to Central Square	Approve payment to Central Square for Quote #Q-272971 (Point of Sale Project); authorize the City Treasurer to remit payment in the amount of $17,740.00 and charge account #12707-55120.
14): Approve Payment to Holland Asphalt Services	Approve cost payable to Holland Asphalt Services for invoice #2025-276, in the amount of $8,385.00, authorize the City Treasurer to remit payment from account #03036 52349. (11/21/2025 - St Andrews School 155th - installed sidewalk and curb, 2026 Fiscal Year)
15): Approve Payment to Holland Asphalt Services	Approve cost payable to Holland Asphalt Services, Inc. for Quote in the amount of $14,400.00, authorize the City Treasurer to remit payment from account #01041-52341. (Quote: Grind Alley West of 1041 Forest Hill Avenue 15' X 160 /Alley)
16): Approve Payment to Holland Asphalt Services	Approve cost payable to Holland Asphalt for invoices 2026-570, 2026,572, 2026 566, in the amount of $18,220.00, authorize the City Treasurer to remit payment from account #03036-52101. (sewer)
17): Approve Payment to Holland Asphalt Services	Approve cost payable to Holland Asphalt Services for the following invoices 2026 595, 2026-598, 2026-574 and 2026-569 in the amount of $26,080.00, authorize the City Treasurer to remit payment from account #03036-52349. (water).
18): Approve Payment to Calumet City Plumbing	Approve cost payable to Calumet City Plumbing for the following invoices 74684, 74639, 74638, 74637, 74633, 74631 and 74634 in the amount of $68,541.70, authorize the City Treasurer to remit payment from account #03036-52349. (sewer)
19): Approve Payment to Calumet City Plumbing	Approve cost payable to Calumet City Plumbing for the following invoices 74685, 74689, 74679, 74681, 74686, 74635 and 74632, in the amount of $77337.18, authorize the City Treasurer to remit payment from account #03036-52349. (water)
20): Approve Payment to Lyons-Pinner Electric, (INV# 34397A)	Approve costs payable to Lyons-Pinner Electric, (INV# 34909), in the amount of $5,106.36. Please direct the City Treasurer to remit payment from account #04007-52449.
21): Approve Payment to Lyons-Pinner Electric	Approve costs payable to Lyons-Pinner Electric, (INV# 32441), in the amount of $7,007.40. Please direct the City Treasurer to remit payment from account #04007-52449.
22): Approve Payment to Lyons-Pinner Electric	Approve costs payable to Lyons-Pinner Electric, (INV# 35109A), in the amount of $18,706.20. Please direct the City Treasurer to remit payment from account #04007-52447.
23): Approve Payment to Lyons-Pinner Electric	Approve costs payable to Lyons-Pinner Electric, (INV# 33249), in the amount of $11,165.02. Please direct the City Treasurer to remit payment from account #04007-52447.
24): Approve Payment to Keystone Cooperative Inc.	Approve costs payable to Keystone Cooperative Inc. (Ticket #153488), in the amount of $6,087.15 for diesel. Please direct the City Treasurer to remit payment from account 01099 52009.
25): Approve Payment to Keystone Cooperative Inc.	Approve costs payable to Keystone Cooperative Inc. (INV# 3405594), in the amount of $5,967.26 for diesel. Please direct the City Treasurer to remit payment

from account 01099 52009.

26): Approve Payment to Keystone Cooperative Inc.	Approve costs payable to Keystone Cooperative Inc. (INV# 203713938), in the amount of $5,530.29 for gas. Please direct the City Treasurer to remit payment from account 01099-52009.
27): Approve Payment to Arlington Power Equipment Inc	Approve costs payable to Arlington Power Equipment Inc. (INVOICE ESTIMATE #436236), in the amount of $250,866.00 for roadway salt for the winter season. Please direct the City Treasurer to remit payment from account 04007-52456.
28): Approve Payment to Currie Motors	Approve the purchase of eight (8) 2027 Ford Utility Interceptors from Currie Motors in the amount of $418,472.00; Authorize the City Treasurer to obtain a three-year financing agreement and remit quarterly payments according to the agreement, to be charged to account 01060-55125. Note: Currie Motors was awarded the SPC Contract for the 2027 Ford Utility Interceptors.
29): Approve Payment to HFS Bureau of Fiscal Operations – GEMT	Approve and authorize the City Treasurer to remit payment to HFS Bureau of Fiscal Operations – GEMT in the amount of $138,376.09. This expenditure should be withdrawn from line item #06607-54492. This is for the supplemental invoice from 1/1/25 12/31/25 during FY 2026 quarter 3.
30): Approve Payment to HFS Bureau of Fiscal Operations – GEMT	Approve and authorize the City Treasurer to remit payment to HFS Bureau of Fiscal Operations – GEMT in the amount of $501,017.50. This expenditure should be withdrawn from line item #06607-54492. This is for the year 2026, 4th quarter payment of the GEMT funds.
31): Approve Payment to EMS/MC	Approve and authorize the City Treasurer to remit payment to EMS/MC in the amount of $5,466.13. This expenditure should be withdrawn from line item #06607-52485. This is for the management services for EMS billing for July 2026.
32): Approve Payment to CDW	Approve and authorize the City Treasurer to remit payment to CDW in the amount of $6,866.88. This expenditure should be withdrawn from line item #06607-52483. This is for the purchase of 2 laptops, mounts and power adapters for the Chief's vehicles.
Approval Of Financial Items #1,4-8, 11-32	Alderman Williams moved, seconded by Alderman Harvey to approve financial items #1, 4-8, 11-32.

ROLL CALL

AYES:	6	ALDERMEN: Harvey, Wilson, Tillman, Williams, Nelson, Phillips
NAYS:	0	ALDERMEN: None
ABSENT:	1	ALDERMAN: Gardner

MOTION CARRIED

33): Approve Payroll ($974,587.99)	Approve Payroll ($974,587.99).
Approve Payroll	Alderman Williams moved, seconded by Alderman Harvey to approve payroll in the amount of ($974,587.99).
Discussion Regarding Payroll	Alderman Nelson requested that the Salary Ordinance be upheld with the next payroll and positions that no longer exists in the Salary Ordinance not be paid.

Attorney Paul O' Grady stated since payroll is retroactive those employees would have worked for that pay.

Treasurer Tarka reported that the approval for pay happens with Human Resources and Department Heads his department just issues payment.

Alderman Wilson requested the motion to approve payroll be amended to include language regarding not paying workers that no longer appear in the Salary Ordinance.

Attorney Paul O'Grady advised the Payroll cannot be amended.

Alderman Nelson stated I'm going to say yes but I'm saying yes to the employees that are legally hired and I believe that the positions that were eliminated in the Salary Ordinance, those individuals should not be on the next payroll."

Approve Payroll

Alderman Williams moved, seconded by Alderman Harvey to approve payroll in the amount of ($974,587.99).

ROLL CALL

AYES:	5	ALDERMEN: Harvey, Tillman, Williams, Nelson Phillips
NAYS:	1	ALDERMEN: Wilson
ABSENT:	1	ALDERMAN: Gardner

MOTION CARRIED

34): Approve Bill List ($656,434.36)

Approve Bill List ($656,434.36).

Approve Bill Listing ($656,434.36)

Alderman Williams moved, seconded by Alderman Tillman to approve the bill listing ($656,434.36)

ROLL CALL

AYES:	5	ALDERMEN: Harvey, Tillman, Williams, Nelson, Phillips
NAYS:	1	ALDERMEN: Wilson
ABSENT:	1	ALDERMAN: Gardner

MOTION CARRIED

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Finance

Alderman Williams reported he is looking into calling a Finance Committee of the Whole meeting next week.

Public Safety

Alderman Gardner was absent

Public Utilities

Alderwoman Phillips reported that the weather is changing and LIHEAP opened on October 1st for assistance.

Ord. & Res.

Alderman Tillman had no report.

H.E.W

Alderwoman Wilson reported she is proud of the Task Force for Domestic Violence if anyone is in need they can contact (708)-589-4990 for assistance.

Permits & Licenses

Alderwoman Harvey announced a Know Before You Build event on October 20th at 6:00 p.m. Topics will be when a permit is required and Rental Properties.

Public Works

Alderwoman Nelson reported to the residents that Public Works is out working removing speed bumps and picking up leaves.

CITY COUNCIL REPORTS

Alderwoman Harvey – 1st Ward

Alderwoman Harvey congratulated Fire Chief Bachert. Alderman Harvey would like 1st ward residents to contact her at 708-891-8198 or email her at sharvey@calumetcity.org

Alderwoman Wilson – 2nd Ward

Alderman Wilson requested 2nd ward residents contact her at (708) 589-4990 or email her at monet@alderwomanwilson.com if they should need her. Alderman Wilson announced the 2nd ward October meeting will on October 14th at Higher Ground. Alderman Wilson congratulated the Chargers on being undefeated and on their upcoming Homecoming.

Alderman Tillman – 3rd Ward

Alderman Tillman thanked Fire Chief Bachert for his 38 years of service and congratulated him on his retirement.

Alderman Williams – 4th Ward

Alderman Williams gave honor to God. Alderman Williams would like 4th ward residents to contact his office at (708) 212-2240 with any questions or concerns. Alderman Williams thanked the residents that came out to the 3rd and 4th ward meeting on October 5th.

Alderman Gardner – 5th Ward

Alderman Gardner was absent.

Alderwoman Nelson– 6th Ward

Alderman Nelson will be announcing a 6th ward meeting soon.

Alderman Phillips– 7th Ward

Alderman Phillips stated that she will be having a 7th ward meeting on October 24th from 9:00 a.m. to noon at Our Lady of Knocks. Alderman Phillips would like 7th ward residents to contact her at (708) 891-8197 or email her at mphillips@calumetcity.org

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment was at 9:08 p.m., on a motion by Alderman Phillips, seconded by Alderman Nelson.

MOTION CARRIED

Dr. Nyota T. Figgs, City Clerk