

JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS

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

MAY 26, 2016

Public Comment

The following individuals spoke before the public forum held at 7:30 p.m.

Darryl Jester, 660 Escanaba, regarding water bill increase and commission appointments.

Joan Safford, 1757 Memorial Drive, regarding water bill increase and access to reading of her meter.

Joe Balkis, 117-155th Street, regarding water bill rates and late fees.

Ovie Williams, 1306 Memorial, regarding water bill rates and late fees.

Bess Miller, 661 Superior, regarding 7th ward aldermen request for services, water bill rates and late fees.

Gerlene Harris, 323 Crandon, regarding water bill rates, late fees and garage in her alley.

Debra Hodo, 1266 River Drive, regarding ordinance for garbage toters being left in front of property and water bill rates.

Darrek Jennings, 283 Prairie Avenue, regarding business closing and water bill increase and late fees.

Ocie Horton, 1608 Harbor Avenue, regarding sink alley and overflow of water.

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CALL TO ORDER

Pledge of Allegiance The City Council of the City of Calumet City met in the City Council Chambers at 7:52 p.m. in a regular meeting on Thursday, May 26, 2016, with Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush, present and presiding.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: 6 ALDERMEN: Schneider, Wosczyński, Jones, Williams, Munda, Manousopoulos
ABSENT: 0 ALDERMEN: None

Also present were City Treasurer Tarka, City Attorney Horvath, Finance Director Kasperek, Fire Chief Galgan, Police Chief Fletcher and Deputy Clerk Bonato.

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

Approve minutes Alderman Wosczyński moved, seconded by Alderman Manousopoulos, to approve the minutes of 4/28/16 as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Finance Alderman Wosczyński had no report. "I will calling a Finance Committee meeting on Wednesday, June 1, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. in the council chamber regarding personnel employment of specific individuals. I hope all the alderman can attend."

Public Safety Alderman Manousopoulos had no report. "I will be calling a meeting next week sometime. I will advise the City Clerk's Office with an agenda."

Public Utilities Alderman Jones had no report.

H.E.W. Alderman Williams had no report.

Permits & Licenses Alderman Schneider had no report.

Public Works Alderman Munda had no report.

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Deviate - regular order of business Alderman Schneider moved, seconded by Alderman Jones, to deviate from the regular order business for 6B.

Presentation Life Savings Award/K-9 At this in the meeting. Police Chief Fletcher presented a Life Savings Award to K-9 Officer L. Picicco.

Return- regular order of business Alderman Schneider moved, seconded by Alderman Wosczyński, to return to the regular order of business.

MOTION CARRIED

Mayor's report Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: "I hereby for your approval the appointment of Samuel Bullocks, 200 Park Avenue,. Calumet City, Illinois as the 7th Ward Alderman for the City of Calumet City for a term to expire April 30, 2017.

Confirm appointment S. Bullocks/7th Ward Alderman Manousopoulos moved, seconded by Alderman Wosczyński, to confirm appointment of Samuel Bullocks as 7th Ward Alderman.

Ald. Jones Alderman Jones: "I am just curious why Mayor that it took almost a year to make this appointment, when the alderman resigned in October, 2015.

Why is this appointment coming before us now when by our own ordinance and state law you had 60 days to appoint someone and it is almost a year?"

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: "Alderman, that is incorrect. It is not 60 days for state law. It is up to the Mayor to fill the vacancy that was created. My office has been fielding the phone calls on the 7th Ward aldermen line and addressing all of their concerns.

There is a lot of people that want the position and I have just been searching the right person and I think I found him."

Alderman Jones: "I will submit to the City Attorney, because it is 60 days by state law and our ordinance says 60 days. I intend to vote "no" because I think it is political, you are doing this, residents of the 7th Ward haven't had an aldermen in a year.

Ald. Jones (cont'd)

I think that the timing now is political and the gentlemen may be a fine gentlemen but he is coming in tonight on this appointment now to us 6 months before an election with this.

I am not going to dishonor him tonight. But I will vote “no” on his appointment.”

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: “As you have on all the others. That is completely your prerogative.”

Alderman Schneider; “I am on the same boat as Alderman Jones. The only reason I am voting “no” is this procedure. It has been 225 days and what a perfect night to put in his appointment when everyone is worrying about waterbills.”

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: “I thank you for your opinion also Alderman Schneider. However, the appointment letter was sent to the city clerk’s office long before the political mailing was sent out. Who ever sent it out, not my office.

And the robo calls that were sent out, with the exception of the robo calls that I sent out. I disagree with your opinion. You are certainly entitled to your opinion.

ROLL CALL

YEAS:	4	ALDERMEN:	Wosczynski, Williams, Munda, Manousopoulos
NAYS:	2	ALDERMEN:	Schneider, Jones
ABSENT:	1	ALDERMEN:	None

The Mayor voted “yes.”

MOTION CARRIED

Swearing in/Ald. Bullocks

At this time in the meeting, Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush swore in Samuel Bullocks as 7th Ward Alderman.

Ald. Wosczynski

Alderman Wosczynski thanked all residents that attended Health & Wellness Fair sponsored by her office and Health Commissioner Juan Tellez on Saturday, May 14, 2016.

There were over 500 people that attended at the Calumet City Public Library. She thanked all the sponsors and vendors that participated.

Alderman Wosczynski announced her Summer Block Meeting on Wednesday, June 1, 2016 on the corner of Hoxie and Memorial Drive. She encourages residents to attend and bring a chair.

Ald. Jones

Alderman Jones thanked the residents who came into ward office for meetings. Contact ward office at (708) 891-8193 to discuss ward of issues.

Moment of silence

Alderman Jones requested a moment of silence for the family of Latrisa Overstreet for the passing of her mother Barbara Lewis a long time resident of the third ward.

Alderman Jones advised Mr. Horton that spoke during public comment that he will be out tomorrow at 10:00 a.m. and will have the proper departments available.

Alderman Jones asked the city council for their support tonight for three motions he placed on the agenda for water rate inserted where there is an automatic increase and requested that the language be removed from the ordinance.

Alderman Jones thanked Commissioner Manousopoulos and public works department for cutting grass at the vacant homes.

Alderman Jones encourages residents to attend council meetings and learn the finances of the city.

Alderman Jones announced on June 3, 2016 for a block party for Dynasty Properties for the residents of Astor and Luella Avenue from 12:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. He encourages residents to attend.

Alderman Jones thanked States Attorney Elect Kim Fox who stood in for him and spoke at the T.F. South graduation ceremony and thanked her for all her support.

Ald. Williams

Alderman Williams gave an honor to God.

Alderman Williams apologizes to any residents if he missed their call regarding services and will address their issues and concerns.

Alderman Williams announced free Tutoring Program sponsored by Calumet City State Representative Thaddeus Jones and his office. It will start June 7 thru June 21, 2016 between 3rd grade and high school.

Contact the office at (708) 891-8194 or (779)-800-5271 for more information.

Alderman Williams announced that the Cook Commissioners are offering a Civil Star Program in the ward for service members that served in the military of the United States who have been wounded or became ill during their service.

Contact the office at (708) 891-8194 and Policy Director Stanley Moore (773) 814-1467.

Alderman Williams announced the CEDA Community & Economic Development of Cook County is offering a Scholarship for full-time college students enrolled full-time by September 15, 2016.

For more information and financial guidelines contact (312) 288-9319.

Alderman Williams welcomed Mr. Bullocks to the 7th Ward seat. He stated that the 7th Ward residents deserve representation and that is why he supported appointment.

Ald. Munda

Alderman Munda congratulated 8th Grade Class of 2016 Lincoln Grade School acknowledge their accomplishment.

Alderman Munda congratulated K-9 Officer L. Picicco for receiving Life Saving Award.

Alderman Munda welcomed Alderman Bullocks to 7th Ward seat and welcomed him to the city council.

Alderman Munda announced his ward cleanup on Saturday, June 11, 2016 for clean up of streets and alleys. Residents will be receiving flyers in the mail.

Alderman Munda announced any residents need services or ward issues to contact his office at (708) 891-8195 email him rmunda@calumetcity.org

Ald. Manousopoulos Alderman Manousopoulos congratulated Officer L. Picicco on his Life Saving Award on a job well done.

Alderman Manousopoulos welcomed new Sam Bullocks and looking forward to working with him.

Alderman Bullocks: "I would like to thank everyone for coming out and particularly the residents in the 7th Ward.

I will do my very best to exceed your expectations of me as your alderman in the ward. Sorry it took so long but I am here now. Thank you."

Mayor's report

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: "I would like to thank the residents who came out and took time out of their busy schedules and let their voices be heard.

We always encourage residents to come even if you don't agree with decisions that by your aldermen and this city council. Thank you for coming out.

The mailing was sent by this city or anyone here. But whoever sent it thank you because it allowed an opportunity for residents to come out and for me to talk to several residents on the phone.

When talking to them many times they understood the situation and was just not informed.

Many residents contact my office regarding water rates. I feel it is important to set the record straight that there is no proposal before this city council to increase water rates.

The most recent water rate increase, if everyone remembers was voted on in December, 2014 by the aldermen and it took effect in 2015.

Mayor's report

This increase was necessary again, because the City of Chicago raised the rates and the City of Hammond raised the rates that they charge Calumet City, because that is where we buy water from.

We just don't have the water here. We buy it from Chicago and Hammond. They raised our rates over 200%.

I urge residents to look past the deceitful, cowardly Springfield-style politics that were behind these recent flyers and phone calls.

I encourage residents to come to meetings and let their voices be heard and to call your elected officials including my office with any concerns.

As always, it is my pleasure to serve as your mayor and my door is always open to you. Please contact my office at (708) 891-8105.

I have sent a letter out to our State Representatives and State Senators, however, to urge them to create a regulatory committee over water sales because it is just not Calumet City who is facing this water rate increase.

It is Lansing, Chicago Heights, Glenwood, Homewood and all the towns that buy water from Chicago or Hammond. They are faced with this same increase.

I am hoping they can create a regulatory committee, similarly to the citizens utility board which oversees ComEd and Nicor Gas.

They just can't raise our rates. They have to go to a board who oversees and looks at it.

I am hoping that our State Representatives and State Senators will pass such legislation and address this issue because it affects every municipality that they serve.

Mayor's report

I promised Mr. Rogers that I will let the council know that his \$35.00 late fee that he doesn't agree with.

All the information that was forwarded by the residents will share when the ordinances our on the agenda to be voted on.

I thank everyone who called we really want you to come and be involved. Thank you all.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS TO BE ACCEPTED AND PLACED ON FILE

Illinois Municipal League/certifying Calumet City membership

Certifying Calumet City is a member of the Illinois Municipal League.

Accept & place on file

Alderman Wosczyński moved, seconded by Alderman Jones, to accept the communication and place on file.

MOTION CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS

#1: Approve block party @ Astor & Luella - 6/3/16

Approve a block party on Saturday, June 3, 2016 from 12:00 noon to 4:00 p.m. at Astor & Luella; direct public works to provide trash receptacles and barricades and ESDA to provide traffic control.

#2: Approve block party- 6/18/16

Approve a block party for the blocks of Paxton, Luella and Merrill Avenue on Saturday, June 18, 2016 from 3:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.; direct public works to provide trash receptacles and barricades and ESDA to provide traffic control.

#3: Install temporary speed bumps

Direct public works department to install temporary speed bumps on the blocks of Paxton, Luella, Merrill, Clyde, Chappel and Madison from State Street to Harding.

#4: Amend Section 94-171/water ord.

Amend Sec. 94-171 - Established due date of water ordinance to remove the language "water rates shall be adjusted upward automatically if the City of Hammond raises the water rates for the city; replace such language with "no water rate increase shall be acted upon unless each Alderman votes and a public hearing on such increases is shared with the public after Hammond submits such an increase.

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#5: Amend Section 94-171/water ord. Amend Sec. 94-171 - Established due date, in addition, starting January 1, 2015, water rates shall be adjusted upward automatically if the City of Hammond raises the water rates for the city and such adjustments will be administered by the director finance.

The dollar adjustment of water rates for the purchasers of water in the unincorporated areas will be the same amount as adjustments for those living within the corporate boundaries of the city remove typing the CPI and Hammond to water rate increases.

#6: Amend water ordinance Amend the water ordinance to insert that all water rate increases shall be voted on by the city council and a public hearing shall be required before any increase.

#7: Amend handicap parking ordinance Amend the handicap parking ordinance by adding: 305 Luella Avenue.

#8: Amend handicap parking ordinance Amend the handicap parking ordinance by adding: 390 Chappel Avenue.

Approve items #1 thru #8 Alderman Manousopoulos moved, seconded by Alderman Munda, to approve new business items #1 thru #8 as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

#9: Xtreme Kustoms Car & Bike Fest/refer to public safety Alderman Manousopoulos moved, seconded by Alderman Munda, to refer Xtreme Kustoms Wheels & Electronics Car & Bike Fest on July 23 & July 24, 2016 from 12:00 noon to 6:00 p.m. at River Oaks Mall to the public safety committee for review.

MOTION CARRIED

#10: Release vehicles police department Direct the City Clerk to release title on a 2003 Mazda MPV (7125); 2002 Ford (1204); 2000 Oldsmobile (4074) police seizure vehicles; remove from city insurance.

#11: Advising of St. VictorFest Advising of St. VictorFest to be held July 14, 2016 thru July 17, 2016.

#12: Advertise
RFQ's/auditing
services

Direct the City Clerk to advertise for a request for qualifications for auditing services; attorney to prepare the request to be published.

Approve items
#10 - #12

Alderman Manousopoulos moved, seconded by Alderman Wosczyński, to approve new business items #10 thru #12 as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

BUILDING PERMITS

FENCE PERMITS

596 Marquette - 2nd Ward
311 Manistee - 2nd Ward
468 Freeland - 1st Ward
1870 Sibley - 3rd Ward
509 Merrill - 4th Ward
131 Highland - 5th Ward
1480 Kenilworth - 6th Ward

FENCE - VARIANCE

1870 Sibley - 3rd Ward
596 Marquette - 2nd Ward

GARAGE NEW CONSTRUCTION

381 Hoxie - 2nd Ward

Approve permits

Alderman Wosczyński moved, seconded by Alderman Williams, to approve fence permits as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

Approve permits

Alderman Wosczyński moved, seconded by Alderman Manousopoulos, to approve fence permits with variances at 1870 Sibley & 596 Marquette.

MOTION CARRIED

Approve permit

Alderman Wosczyński moved, seconded by Alderman Manousopoulos, to approve garage new construction at 381 Hoxie Avenue as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

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RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES

Res. #1: amending (Res. #11-53) (Res. #16-21) Resolution amending (Res. #11-53) to add additional parcel 657 Douglas Avenue; authorize the City Clerk and/or Corporation Counsel to execute all documentation necessary to effectuate said conveyance of surplus real estate. (see attached page 12A)

Res. #2: ITEP funding (Res.#16-22) Resolution Supporting Submission of an Application to the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) for Funding under the 2016 Illinois Transportation Enhancement Program (ITEP) (see attached page 12B)

Ord. #3: Handicap Parking deleting (Ord. #16-16) Ordinance amending Chapter 90 of the Municipal Code of the City of Calumet City, Cook County, Illinois, Handicap Parking, by deleting: 274 Calhoun Avenue. (see attached page 12C)

Ord. #4: Handicap Parking adding (Ord # #16-17) Ordinance amending Chapter 90 of the Municipal Code of the City of Calumet City, Cook County, Illinois, Handicap Parking, by adding 311 Bensley Avenue. (see attached page 12D)

Pass Resolutions/ Adopt Ordinances Alderman Manousopoulos moved, seconded by Alderman Jones, to pass the Resolutions and adopt Ordinances as presented, without the necessity of prior posting.

ROLL CALL

YEAS: 7 ALDERMEN: Schneider, Wosczyński, Jones, Williams, Munda, Manousopoulos, Bullocks
NAYS: 0 ALDERMEN: None
ABSENT: 0 ALDERMEN: None

MOTION CARRIED

FINANCIAL MATTERS

#1: Buy-back/Casey Erickson Approve buy-back for Lt. Casey Erickson and direct the City Treasurer to remit payment in the amount as stated in the communication and charge to account #01060-51950.

Delete #1 agenda Alderman Manousopoulos moved, seconded by Alderman Wosczyński, to delete item #1 from the agenda.

MOTION CARRIED

RESOLUTION
CITY OF CALUMET CITY
County of Cook, Illinois

Resolution Supporting Submission of an Application to the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT)
for Funding under the
2016 Illinois Transportation Enhancement Program (ITEP)
Resolution No. 16-21

WHEREAS, the City of Calumet City is a municipality in accordance with the Constitution of the State of Illinois; and

WHEREAS, the City of Calumet City supports the Illinois Transportation Enhancement Program (ITEP) that provides and supports alternative modes of transportation, enhances the transportation system through preservation of visual and cultural resources, and improves the quality of life for members of the community; and

WHEREAS, the City Staff, under the direction of the Mayor and City Council, has prepared (1) application for submission to the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) for consideration under the Illinois Transportation Enhancement Program (ITEP); and

WHEREAS, the City of Calumet City has made it public knowledge for this effort and has gained public support for its 2016 ITEP application – as the public has been allowed the opportunity to become directly involved in this transportation program; and

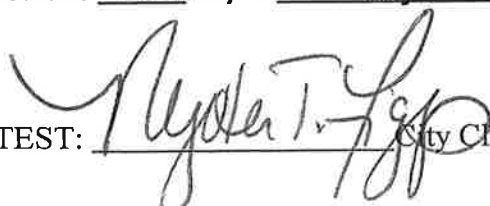
WHEREAS, the City of Calumet City is the local sponsor (and Applicant) for the eligible ITEP project entitled: *Calumet City: Torrence Avenue Multi-Use Trail Installation & Connectivity (a continuation project)*; and

WHEREAS, the City of Calumet City will utilize its options for a flexible match of up to 50% for ITEP program eligible items as are supported by this municipal administration; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the City of Calumet City (upon approval of this application, execution of all documents, and upon notice to proceed from the IDOT/ITEP program); the City of Calumet City will proceed with project implementation according to IDOT/ITEP program guidelines:

- Section 1: The City of Calumet City fully supports the submission of one (1) project (previously identified) to IDOT for consideration under the ITEP program.
- Section 2: The City of Calumet City commits to providing the necessary funds to complete this project should it be approved - understanding this is a reimbursement program which provides up to 50% for right-of-way and easements - and up to 80% for preliminary engineering, utility relocation, construction engineering, and construction costs.
- Section 3: This Resolution shall be in full force and effect from (and after) its passage, approval, and publication – as provided by law.

Passed this 26th day of May 2016.

ATTEST:  City Clerk


Mayor

Res. # 16-22

RESOLUTION

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

1. That Resolution No. 11-53, which approved the conveyance of surplus real estate pursuant to Section 18-36 of the Calumet City Code, is hereby amended so as to add an additional parcel, to-wit:

30-08-416-007-0000, 657 Douglas Ave, 30' residential, vacant lot;

Requested by Beth and Pamela Lessner of 661 Douglas Ave, Calumet City, IL
2. Resolution No. 11-53 in all other respects remains in full force and effect and is not modified by this Resolution.

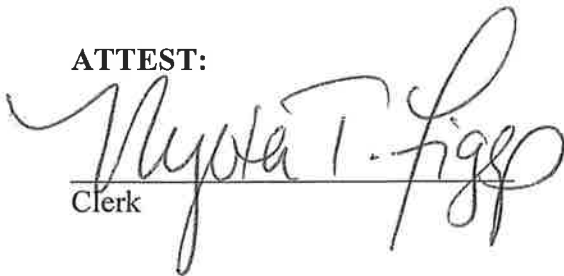
PASSED this 21st day of May 2016.

APPROVED:



Mayor

ATTEST:



Clerk

THE CITY OF CALUMET CITY
COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS

ORDINANCE
NUMBER 16-16

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 90 OF THE MUNICIPAL
CODE OF THE CITY OF CALUMET CITY, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS**

MICHELLE MARKIEWICZ QUALKINBUSH, Mayor
NYOTA FIGGS, City Clerk

ERIC SCHNEIDER
MAGDALENA J. "LENI" WOSZYNSKI
THADDEUS JONES
RAMONDE WILLIAMS
ROGER MUNDA
NICK MANOUSOPOULOS
Aldermen

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ORDINANCE NO.: 16-16

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 90 OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE
OF THE CITY OF CALUMET CITY, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS**

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

Section 1. That Section 90-317 (Handicapped parking) of Article V [Stopping, Standing and Parking] of Chapter 90 [Traffic and Vehicles] of the Municipal Code of Calumet City, Illinois, is hereby amended by deleting the following language in subsection G (Signed areas), as follows:

274 Calhoun

Section 2. The Commissioner of Streets and Alleys is hereby authorized and directed to remove such signs in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Ordinance.

Section 3. If any section, paragraph, clause or provision of this Ordinance shall be held invalid, the invalidity thereof shall not affect any other provision of this Ordinance.

Section 4. All ordinances, resolutions, motions or orders in conflict with this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

Section 5. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect upon its passage, approval and publication as provided by law.

ADOPTED by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Calumet City, Cook County, Illinois

this 26th day of May, 2016, pursuant to a roll call vote, as follows:

	YES	NO	ABSENT	PRESENT
Schneider	X			
Wosczynski	X			
Jones	X			
Williams	X			
Munda	X			
Manousopoulos	X			
Bullocks	X			
(Mayor Qualkinbush)				
TOTAL	7			

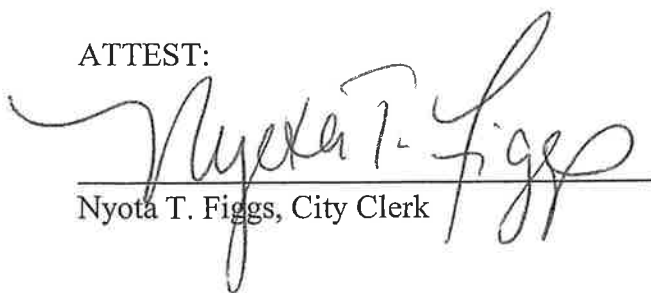
APPROVED by the Mayor of the City of Calumet City, Cook County, Illinois on this

26th day of May, 2016.



Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush, Mayor

ATTEST:



Nyota T. Figgs, City Clerk

THE CITY OF CALUMET CITY
COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS

ORDINANCE
NUMBER 16-17

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CODE OF THE CITY OF CALUMET CITY, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS**

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NYOTA FIGGS, City Clerk

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Section 1. That Section 90-317 (Handicapped parking) of Article V [Stopping, Standing and Parking] of Chapter 90 [Traffic and Vehicles] of the Municipal Code of Calumet City, Illinois, is hereby amended by adding the following language to subsection G (Signed areas) to read, as follows:

311 Bensley Avenue

Section 2. The Commissioner of Streets and Alleys is hereby authorized and directed to install the proper signs in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Ordinance.

Section 3. If any section, paragraph, clause or provision of this Ordinance shall be held invalid, the invalidity thereof shall not affect any other provision of this Ordinance.

Section 4. All ordinances, resolutions, motions or orders in conflict with this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

Section 5. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect upon its passage, approval and publication as provided by law.

ADOPTED by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Calumet City, Cook County, Illinois this 20th day of May, 2016 pursuant to a roll call vote, as follows:

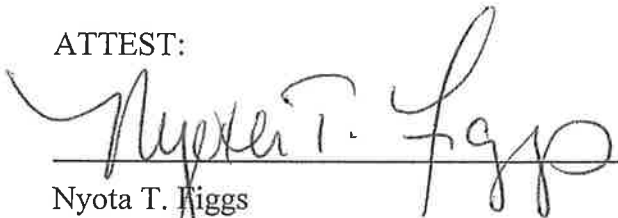
	YES	NO	ABSENT	PRESENT
Schneider	X			
Wosczyński	X			
Jones	X			
Williams	X			
Munda	X			
Manousopoulos	X			
Bullocks	X			
(Mayor Qualkinbush)				
TOTAL	7			

APPROVED by the Mayor of the City of Calumet City, Cook County, Illinois on this 20th day of May, 2016.



Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush
MAYOR

ATTEST:



Nyota T. Figg
CITY CLERK

#2: Remit payment Approve Code RED extension from 4/8/16 - 4/7/17 in the amount not to
Emergency Comm. exceed \$24,900.00; direct the City Treasurer to remit payment to
Network/\$24,900 Emergency Communications Network, LL; to be charged to account
#01099-52020.

#3: Remit payment/ Approve purchase of office furniture for Station I remodel project in the
McShane/\$8,314 amount not to exceed \$8,314.00; direct the City Treasurer to remit
payment to McShane; to be charged to account #06617-55103.

#4: Remit payment/ Approve repairs for the collapsed section of the house service line at 521
Calumet City Merrill Avenue in the amount not to exceed \$6,495.00; direct the City
Plumbing Treasurer to remit payment to Calumet City Plumbing; to be charged to
account #03036-52101.

#5: Remit payment/ Award the bid in the amount of \$196,418.00 to Kreykes for electrical work
Kreykes/\$196,418 to install the new generator for the City, Fire Station I and the Inspectional
Services facility; direct the City Treasurer to remit payment and charge to
account #06617-55103. (Reviewed and discussed at 5/2/16 Special
Meeting)

Approve financial Alderman Munda moved, seconded by Alderman Wosczyński, to approve
items #2 thru #5 financial items #2 thru #5 as presented.

ROLL CALL

YEAS:	7	ALDERMEN:	Wosczyński, Jones, Williams, Munda, Manousopoulos, Bullocks, Schneider
NAYS:	0	ALDERMEN:	None
ABSENT:	0	ALDERMEN:	None

MOTION CARRIED

#6: Approve
Recreational Lease
ComEd & City
Cal-Sag bike path

Alderman Wosczyński moved, seconded by Alderman Manousopoulos, to approve a Recreational Lease between Calumet City and Commonwealth Edison for construction of Cal-Sag Bike Bath and authorize the Mayor to execute the documents.

ROLL CALL

YEAS:	4	ALDERMEN:	Munda, Manousopoulos, Bullocks, Wosczyński
NAYS:	3	ALDERMEN:	Jones, Williams, Schneider
ABSENT:	0	ALDERMEN:	None

MOTION CARRIED

#7: Authorize
Robinson Engineering
prepare bid

Authorize Robinson Engineering to prepare bid specifications for street resurfacing improvements for River Oaks Drive from Torrence Avenue to Price Avenue with state funding under emergency repair and state revolving funds grant award; approve in an amount not to exceed \$120,000.00 for design and construction engineering services with Robinson Engineering; direct the City Treasurer to pay Robinson Engineering from the engineering account #01099-52600; and submit reimbursement of the \$120,000.00 engineering fees from the State, as the engineering funds are 100 percent reimbursable; further approve the agreements (BLR 05323 C-91-308-16.docx and BLR 05512 C-91-308-16.docx) with the State of Illinois Department of Transportation. (Construction of the project is funded by the state)

#8 Approve payroll Approve payroll (\$877,035.14)

Approve items #7
thru #8 Alderman Manousopoulos moved, seconded by Alderman Munda, to approve financial items #7 and #8 as presented.

ROLL CALL

YEAS:	7	ALDERMEN:	Williams, Munda, Manousopoulos, Bullocks, Schneider, Wosczyński, Jones
NAYS:	0	ALDERMEN:	None
ABSENT:	0	ALDERMEN:	None

MOTION CARRIED

Regular Mtg. 5/26/16

#9: Approve bill Approve bill listing (\$617,022.78)

Approve item #9 Alderman Manousopoulos moved, seconded by Alderman Jones, to approve item #9 as presented.

There was discussion regarding an item in the bill listing for newsletter expense.

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UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Welcome Ald. Bullocks Alderman Schneider welcomed Alderman Bullocks.

Welcome Ald. Bullocks Alderman Wosczyński welcomed Alderman Bullocks and wished him success.

Congratulate Ofc. Picicco Alderman Wosczyński congratulated Officer Picicco.

Congratulate Ald. Bullocks Alderman Jones congratulated Alderman Bullocks.

Congratulate Ofc. Picicco Alderman Jones congratulated Officer Picicco on his Life Saving Award.

Thank City Council Alderman Jones thanked the council for their vote for an ordinance that will be presented at the next meeting replacing language with “no water rate increase shall be acted upon unless each Alderman votes and a public hearing on such increases.

Hearing - 6/15/16
George's Towing

Alderman Jones announced the hearing regarding complaints against George's Towing on June 15, 2016 at Faith Methodist Church in Dolton.

Alderman Jones announced there will be another hearing in July in Calumet city regarding complaints against George's Towing.

3rd Ward Volunteer
6/11/16

Alderman Jones announced a volunteer meeting on Saturday, June 11, 2016 at 9:00 a.m. regarding summer events. Contact (708) 933-6018 for more information.

Thank residents

Alderman Williams thanked the residents for coming out and any residents with any concerns contact his ward office.

Thank residents

Alderman Munda thanks the residents in his ward for electing him into office and anyone with concerns to contact him.

Welcome Ald.
Bullocks

Alderman Munda welcomed Alderman Bullocks and if he needs assistance to contact his office.

Mayor -statement

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: "I just want to, for the record, made a clarification on something Alderman Jones said.

The aldermen did vote on the ordinance to have increases automatically put on the waterbills. I am really happy that the aldermen have listened to the residents and are considering changing that.

But it was the aldermen who did that, even though the robo calls and the political literature that everyone received says it is the mayor.

The mayor normally doesn't vote unless there is a tie. Thank you for that.

I just want to make that as a matter of record. I believe there were (5) aldermen who voted in favor of the increase, maybe (6); I am going to have that information when those ordinances come up so I have the correct information.

It was the monthly billing that the aldermen had a problem with. I have been listening to brother Joe and many others at these meetings and I think it is time that we look at them and listen to the residents and do what we can.

Mayor (cont'd)

It is a very difficult decision. To the aldermen who voted because we had to, took the difficult vote, thank you.

To those that took the easy way vote no, it is easy to come and be a Monday morning quarterback and try to save the day.

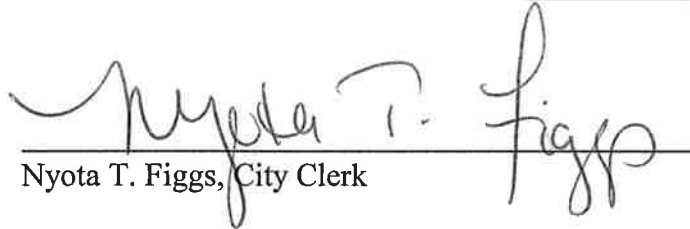
Again, thank you all for listening to the residents and I think that it is a good idea to have voted on by the city council because it will be another hard vote.

Some won't take that hard vote and I think that is great that the residents come and see who does come and make the difficult decisions and votes on your behalf and those who take the easy way out because of other elections they may have.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment was at 8:45 p.m. on a motion made by Alderman Manousopoulos and seconded by Alderman Wosczyński.

MOTION CARRIED



Nyota T. Figgs, City Clerk

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