SPECIAL MEETING

HELD ON APRIL 29, 2021 IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS 204 PULASKI ROAD, CALUMET CITY, ILLINOIS

CALL TO ORDER

The Special Meeting was called to order at 5:47 p.m. by Mayor

Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush.

ROLL CALL

YEAS:

7

ALDERMEN:

Navarrete, Swibes, Tillman, Williams

Gardner, Patton, Smith

ABSENT:

0

ALDERMEN:

None

Also present were Mayor Michelle Qualkinbush, City Clerk Nyota Figgs, City Treasurer Gerald Tarka, Economic Development Joe Wiszowaty and Valencia Williams, City Administrator William Murray, Fire Chief Bachert, Police Chief Fletcher, and Mayor's Assistant Rose Bonato.

Ordinance Approving A
Collective Bargaining
Agreement Between The
International Brotherhood Of
Teamsters Local 700, Public
Employees Division, In The
City Of Calumet City For The
Period May 1, 2021 to April

Ordinance Approving A Collective Bargaining Agreement Between The International Brotherhood Of Teamsters Local 700, Public Employees Division, In The City Of Calumet City For The Period May 1, 2021 to April 30, 2024

Approve item #1

Alderman Swibes moved, seconded by Alderman Patton to approve

item #1 as presented.

Discussion

<u>30, 2024</u>

There was a brief discussion regarding item #1.

Defer Action on item #1

Alderman Gardner moved, seconded by Alderman Williams to defer

action on item #1.

<u>Discussion</u>

There was a brief discussion regarding this item.

ROLL CALL

YEAS:

5

ALDERMEN:

Navarrete, Tillman, Williams, Gardner, Smith

NAYS: 2 ALDERMEN: Swibes, Patton

ABSENT: 0 ALDERMEN: None

MOTION CARRIED

Ordinance Approving A
Collective Bargaining
Agreement Between The
International Union Of
Operating Engineers, Local
150, Public Employees
Division In The City Of
Calumet City For The Period
May 1, 2021 To April 30,
2025

Ordinance Approving A Collective Bargaining Agreement Between The International Union Of Operating Engineers, Local 150, Public Employees Division In The City Of Calumet City For The Period May 1, 2021 To April 30, 2025.

(Ord. #21-17)

(See page 2A)

Approve item #2 Alderman moved Patton, seconded by Alderman Tillman to approve

ordinance #2 as presented.

ROLL CALL

YEAS: 6 ALDERMEN: Swibes, Tillman, Williams,

Patton, Smith, Navarrete

NAYS: 1 ALDERMEN: Gardner

ABSENT: 0 ALDERMEN: None

MOTION CARRIED

<u>Settlement of Dellenbach vs.</u>

<u>City of Calumet City Case</u>

Settlement of Dellenbach vs. City of Calumet City Case.

Alderman Patton moved, seconded by Alderman Smith to approve the settlement as presented by the memo from the City Attorney.

ROLL CALL

YEAS: 7 ALDERMEN: Tillman, Williams, Gardner, Patton,

Smith, Navarrete, Swibes

ABSENT: 0 ALDERMEN: None

MOTION CARRIED

THE CITY OF CALUMET CITY COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS

ORDINANCE

NUMBER 21-17

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE INTERNATIONAL UNION OF OPERATING ENGINEERS, LOCAL 150, PUBLIC EMPLOYEES DIVISION, AND THE CITY OF CALUMET CITY FOR THE PERIOD MAY 1, 2021 TO APRIL 30, 2025

> MICHELLE MARKIEWICZ QUALKINBUSH, Mayor NYOTA T. FIGGS, City Clerk

> > MICHAEL NAVARRETE
> > MARY E. SWIBES
> > DEANDRE TILLMAN
> > RAMONDE WILLIAMS
> > DEJUAN GARDNER
> > JAMES PATTON
> > ANTHONY SMITH

Aldermen

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WHEREAS, the City of 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 (the "Home Rule Powers"); and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council (the "Corporate Authorities") find it to be in the best interest of the City to enter into a Collective Bargaining Agreement with the International Union of Operating Engineers, Local 150, Public Employees Division, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit 1 and made a part hereof.

NOW, THEREFORE, 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 the above recitals and legislative findings are found to be true and correct and are hereby incorporated herein and made a part hereof, as if fully set forth in their entirety.

Section 2: The Collective Bargaining Agreement between the International Union of Operating Engineers, Local 150, Public Employees Division, and the City of Calumet City, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit 1 and made a part hereof, is hereby approved, and the Mayor and City Clerk shall be authorized and directed to execute and attest to same.

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.

Intentionally left blank,

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

Illinois this 29th day of April 2021, pursuant to a roll call vote, as follows:

	YES	NO	ABSENT	PRESENT
NAVARRETE	Х			
SWIBES	×			
TILLMAN	×			
WILLIAMS	х			
GARDNER		X		
PATTON	×			
SMITH	×			
(MAYOR QUALKINBUSH)				

APPROVED by the Mayor of the City of Calumet City, Cook County, Illinois on this 29th day of April, 2021.

Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush

Mayor

ATTEST:

Nyota T. Figgs, City Clerk

EXHIBIT 1

COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE INTERNATIONAL UNION OF OPERATING ENGINEERS, LOCAL 150, PUBLIC EMPLOYEES DIVISION AND THE CITY OF CALUMET CITY Resolution commending
Mayor Michelle for her years
of service and naming the
Municipal Building as
Michelle Markiewicz
Qualkinbush City
Administration Building

Resolution commending Mayor Michelle for her years of service and naming the Municipal Building as Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush City Administration Building.

(Res. #21-24)

(See page 3A)

Pass Resolution

Alderman Patton moved, seconded by Alderman Swibes to pass resolution #4 as presented and for the City Clerk to read the

resolution.

MOTION CARRIED

Mayor Michelle

Mayor Michelle thanked the City Council, remarked she wishes God to guide and to bless the city and new administration, and that it has been an honor to serve the city.

Public Comment

There was a comment from an unidentified man who congratulated

Mayor Michelle.

<u>Adjournment</u>

Alderman Swibes moved, seconded by Alderman Smith to adjourn at

6:00 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED

Nyota T. Figgs, City Clerk

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A resolution

adopted by The City Council of the City of Calumet City, Illinois



Presented by The City Council on April 29, 2021

WHEREAS, Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush, known to her constituents, colleagues, and friends as "Mayor Michelle," was born on January 16, 1958 at St. Margaret's Hospital in Hammond, Indiana; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Michelle's father, Daniel Markiewicz, was the son of Polish immigrants and an employee of the Calumet City Water Department and a Democratic Precinct Captain. Mayor Michelle's mother, Ruth (Czarnecki) Markiewicz was the daughter of Polish immigrants and a homemaker, raising Mayor Michelle and her two older sisters Dayna and Mary Jo; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Michelle is a lifelong resident of Calumet City and lives in town with her husband, Roland. Mayor Michelle has two sons, Paul and Zachary, and four grandchildren, David, Daniel, Delilah, and Nova.

WHEREAS, Mayor Michelle is a graduate of Thornton Fractional North High School. She began her employment with the City of Calumet City in October of 1977 and was later promoted to Deputy Clerk in 1979; and

WHEREAS, by 1985 Mayor Michelle was the youngest person ever elected to City Clerk in Calumet City. She was re-elected to City Clerk in 1989, 1993, 1997 and 2001, serving a total of eighteen years as the City Clerk of the City of Calumet City; and

WHERAS, Mayor Michelle decided to run for Mayor of the City of Calumet City in 2003. The preliminary results showed she had lost by only 24 votes. An election recount was held, and the Court determined she had in fact won the election by 57 votes. Mayor Michelle was then sworn in as the Mayor of Calumet City on September 3, 2003; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Michelle has been reelected as Mayor of the City of Calumet City in 2005, 2009, 2013 and 2017. Mayor Michelle has served the citizens of Calumet City as their Mayor for eighteen years; and

WHEREAS, as Mayor of the City, Mayor Michelle has been instrumental in the revitalization of neighborhoods including restoring or demolishing dilapidated and abandoned homes, retiring liquor licenses for taverns in residential neighborhoods, and ensuring vacant homes are secured and maintained; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Michelle is an avid music enthusiast and even worked to produce Calumet City's first music video, set to the music of Bon Jovi's "I Love this Town"; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Michelle is an Elvis "groupie", still idolizing Elvis Presley to this day; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Michelle, always demanded the very best from the employees for the wellbeing of the residents of Calumet City; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Michelle has equally advocated for all of the diverse communities within the City and has performed her duties with grace, dignity, and with the tenacity and determination to effectuate the betterment of the entire City, and

WHEREAS, Mayor Michelle's heart and soul is in the City of Calumet City and has kept the City's finances stable in very difficult economic times and has tirelessly served with a passion and love for the City, and

WHEREAS, Mayor Michelle will now have very well-deserved time to spend with her husband, children, grandchildren, and friends; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Michelle greatly desired to win the casino bid to bring prosperity, jobs, and economic development to Calumet City and the South Suburbs, and although the bid has not yet been awarded, Mayor Michelle has brough the City to the best position possible to win the bid; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Michelle has always served as a goodwill ambassador for the City; and

WHEREAS, Calumet City's residents owe Mayor Michelle a great amount of gratitude for her hard work, dedication, loyalty, and compassion for the City, and

WHEREAS, Mayor Michelle will be greatly missed, but her thirty-six (36) years of service to the City and its residents will forever be remembered and appreciated, and

WHEREAS, the City Council wishes Mayor Michelle the very best health and happiness in her retirement.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS

SECTION 1 - RECOGNITION

That the City Council of the City of Calumet City, personally and collectively, on behalf of the City administration, all employees of the City and the residents of the City, does hereby express deep appreciation and gratitude to the Honorable Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush for the innumerable contributions made by her during her tenure as Mayor.

SECTION II - NAMING OF CITY HALL

In recognition of her devotion and years of service to the City of Calumet City, the Municipal Building at 204 Pulaski Road, will be named the "Michelle M. Qualkinbush City Administration Building"

SECTION III - MAYOR EMERITUS

Mayor Michelle shall forever hold the title of "Mayor Emeritus of Calumet City" and forever holding that title. Said position shall be an honorary, uncompensated position that is ceremonial in nature, and will be a vehicle through which the former Mayor can act in a capacity as a goodwill ambassador and represent the City at ceremonial functions.

Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush, Mayo

Nyota T. Higgs, City Clerk

Pos #21-24

Spec. Mtg. April 29, 2021

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