## SPECIAL MEETING

## HELD ON OCTOBER 03, 2023 204 PULASKI ROAD, CALUMET CITY, ILLINOIS

CALL TO ORDER The Special meeting was called to order at 7:27p.m. by Mayor Jones.

PUBLIC COMMENT NONE

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: 7 ALDERMEN: Navarrete, Wilson, Tillman, Williams, Gardner, Smith

ABSENT: 0 ALDERMEN: None

Also present were Mayor Jones, City Clerk Figgs via zoom, City Treasurer Tarka, Fire Chief Glenn Bachert, Police Chief Kevin Kolosh, Economic Development Don Alesky, Crime Free Housing Director Banskee, Attorney London, Deputy Clerk Jessica Coffee,

Deputy Clerk Quentin Dailey

Mayor's Report NC

NONE

Changing the
Zoning Designation
to a Flood Zone
Discussion

There was a lengthy discussion regarding changing zoning designations to flood zones to allow residents to obtain flood insurance to comply with natural disasters in Calumet City. The council discussed how changing the flood zones would affect residents insurance that might not need flood insurance.

Annually Filing
With Crime Free
Housing Discussion

There was a brief discussion in regards to drafting an Ordinance requiring residents to record homeowners insurance with the city of Calumet City.

Payment of Invoices From Restore Mayor Jones informed the council that Restore has not submitted any invoices.

Payment of Invoices
From OC- Strategies

Mayor Jones announced that there has been 1394 people that have visited the website 900 being Calumet city residents and 394 that are not residents. There was a lengthy discussion regarding the OC- Strategies invoice of \$104,106.45 for 27 people. Alderwoman Wilson inquired about "residents who paid for repairs out of pocket because they were denied by their insurance or; were underinsured will they be eligible for reimbursement."

There was a discussion regarding the RFQ process and what companies applied. Going forward the city council will follow the CC RAP program when it comes to issuing payments for the September 17, 2023 flood.

Recess The meeting went into recess at 8:08 p.m.

Return to Regular Order of Business Council returned to the regular order of business at 8:31p.m.

Direct Treasurer to Remit Payment

Alderman Smith seconded by Alderman Williams to approve the invoices for OC Strategies in the amount of \$104,106.45 and direct the City Treasurer to remit payment

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OC-Strategies to OC Strategies from the Cares Act funding line item 01099-52738.

ROLL CALL

YEAS: 3 ALDERMEN: Tillman, Williams, Gardner, Smith

NAYS: 3 ALDERMEN: Navarrete, Wilson, Patton

ABSENT: 1 ALDERMEN: Smith

<u>Benford Brown</u>
<u>& Associates</u>

<u>Discussion</u>

There was a lengthy discussion regarding Benford Brown and Associates Mayor

Jones advised that Benford Brown is doing Grant reporting and Liens for the city.

The council discussed Benford Brown and Associates not have a current contract

with the city.

<u>To Remit Payment</u>
To Beford Brown

Alderman Gardner moved seconded by Alderman Smith to approve payment to Benford Brown & Associates for invoice #18220; authorize the City Treasurer to remit payment in the amount of \$4,750.00 and charge account #01099-

& Associates 52610

<u>To Remit Payment</u>
To Beford Brown

Alderman Gardner moved seconded by Alderman Smith to approve payment to Benford Brown & Associates for invoice #18222; authorize the City Treasurer to remit payment in the amount of \$7,125.00 and charge account #01099-

& Associates 52610.

Alderman Navarrete stated for the record the \$7,125.00 invoice is for liens.

Motion for Alderman Gardner moved seconded by Alderman Williams to enter into Executive

Closed Session Session at 9:05 p.m. to discuss employment of a certain individual.

Executive The City Council met in executive session from 9:05 p.m. to 9:23 p.m.

Session

Regular Order Of Business Alderwoman Wilson moved seconded by Alderman Smith to return to the regular order of business.

Payment of Invoices for Invoices for Alderman Gardner moved, seconded by Alderman Patton to approve payment of invoices for Benford Brown & Associates.

Benford Brown

Alderman Patton Alderman Patton motioned for discussion in regard to paying Benford Brown &

Associates. Alderman Patton expressed concerns about vendors and current city contracts.

There was a brief discussion regarding contract approval from the council.

Alderman Patton Alderman Patton withdrew second to approve payment to Benford Brown &

Associates.

Mayor Jones Mayor Jones inquired about deferring action on the matter of payment to Benford Brown &

Associates.

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<u>Alderman Gardner</u> Alderman Gardner withdrew his motion to approve payment to Benford Brown &

Associates.

Defer Action
On Benford Brown

Alderman Tillman moved seconded by Alderman Gardner to defer action on Benford Brown & Associates Invoices.

& Associates Invoices

ROLL CALL

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

NAYS: 1 ALDERMEN: Patton
ABSENT: 0 ALDERMEN: NONE

MOTION CARRIED

Adjournment Alderman Smith moved to adjourn, seconded by Alderman Patton at 9:29 p.m.

**MOTION CARRIED** 

Dr. Nyota T. Figgs

City Clerk