

JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS

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

NOVEMBER 24, 2014

Public Forum

There were no individuals that spoke before the public forum.

CALL TO ORDER

Pledge of Allegiance

The City Council of the City of Calumet City met in the City Council Chambers at 7:30 p.m. on Monday, November 24, 2014 with Honorable Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush, present and presiding.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT:	5	ALDERMEN:	Schneider, Wosczyński, Jones, Munda, Collins
ABSENT:	2	ALDERMEN	Williams, Manousopoulos

Also present were City Treasurer Tarka, City Attorney Odelson, Police Chief Gilmore and Deputy Clerk Bonato.

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

Approval of minutes

Alderman Schneider moved, seconded by Alderman Wosczyński, to approve the the minutes of 11/17/14 Special Meeting.

MOTION CARRIED

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Finance

Alderman Wosczyński had no report.

Public Safety

Alderman Manousopoulos was absent.

Public Utilities

Alderman Jones had no report.

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Alderman Collins 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.

CITY COUNCIL REPORTS

Mayor's Report Submitting copies of petitions from residents of 1340 and 1350 Ring Road (Garden House I and Garden House II) expressing their concerns regarding visitor parking.

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: "The City has no jurisdiction in this matter because it is on private property. However, as a way to help alleviate the guest parking problem, I have directed the City Engineer to research the highway codes to determine if on-street parking could be created on Ring Road.

It was a bit of a challenge as the Highway Codes have many requirements such as distance from driveways, traffic signals, curves in the roadway, etc. However, it appears that eight to nine parking spots can be created near the Target.

I have prepared the necessary requisition and direct Perma Seal to stripe out the parking spots, due to the fact that weather is upon us, and create this on-street parking as recommended by the City Engineer. I have also directed that a no parking sign be placed during snowfall of 2 inches at that location.

We may need to change the ordinance to accommodate Ring Road being one of those no parking streets. We are going to try and yellow out as much as we can. When there is parking stripes people still try to park where there is no spot.

We don't want that to happen because Ring Road is quite busy because it is the back of all those businesses. I had a conversation with Alderman Collins and we agreed this was a fair approach that the city could take to help the resident with regard to that visitor's parking.

I am sure there will be a lot of conversations into the future. I know you have been talking about this for a long time with the residents. It is just a way to help alleviate it.

They still park at Target, although I don't know if they could park overnight. They used to park at Sam's Club. Apparently there some abuse by some of the residents there in parking there.

I think this is just a fair way for the city to offer some slight resolution to the parking problem there. Thank you."

2nd Ward Food & Toy Drive Alderman Wosczynski announced the 2nd Ward Food/Toy Drive beginning November 17, 2014 thru December 15, 2014.

Happy Thanksgiving Alderman Wosczynski wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

Happy Thanksgiving Alderman Jones wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

Prepare Resolution honoring Governor Quinn Alderman Jones moved, seconded by Alderman Schneider, to prepare a Resolution thanking Governor Quinn for his service.

MOTION CARRIED

Parking during snow fall on Pulaski Road Alderman Munda stated that his office received several calls regarding parking on Pulaski Road during 2 inches of snowfall. There have been concerns in the ward.

There was discussion regarding parking on Pulaski Road of 2 inches of snowfall.

Residents are encouraged to keep Pulaski Road parking clear so the snow can get cleared and public safety vehicles can get down as it is a main thoroughfare to the hospital.

No parking on Pulaski Road during snowfall will be reviewed depending on the amount of snow this winter.

Ald. Collins - report Alderman Collins: "Just for the record, cold weather is upon us. If my colleagues or anyone is aware of residents that may have heating issues please direct them to the city's warming centers which are in place. Also try to provide resources to them.

I want to let the residents know anyone that doesn't have heat or have a issue with heating sources in their home that is something we could point them to resources for. Thank you."

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS TO BE ACCEPTED AND PLACED ON FILE

Calumet City Police Pension Fund/re: tax levy request RE: Tax Levy Request.

City Treasurer Tarka/ Submitting Treasurer's Report RE: Treasurer's Report for the City of Calumet City.

City Treasurer Tarka/ re: Foreign Fire Insurance RE: Foreign Fire Insurance.

Lyons & Pinner Electric/
Wentworth Ave. lighting
issues

RE: Response regarding lighting issues along Wentworth Avenue from 156th Street to 159th Street.

Office of County Clerk
David Orr/thanking City
Clerk

Thanking the City Clerk for allowing Early Voting for the November 7, 2014 election.

Accept & place on file

Alderman Wosczyznski moved, seconded by Alderman Munda, to accept the communications and place on file.

MOTION CARRIED

BUILDING PERMITS

ADDITION

1493 Lincoln Avenue - 6th Ward

Approve permit

Alderman Schneider moved, seconded by Alderman Wosczyznski, to approve the building permit for 1493 Lincoln Avenue contingent upon the alderman's approval.

MOTION CARRIED

RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES

Res. #1: congratulating
EarlyAct Club/Schrum
(Res. #14-44)

Resolution congratulating the EarlyAct Club at Schrum Memorial Middle School. (see attached page 4A)

Ord.#2: amending Chap. 6
(Ord. #14-56)

Ordinance of the City of Calumet City, Cook County, Illinois, amending Chapter 6 of the Municipal Code of Ordinances of the City of Calumet City, Cook County, Illinois. (see attached page 4B)

Ord. #3: amending handicap
parking by adding: 412
Bensley (Ord. #14-57)

Ordinance amending Chapter 90 of the Municipal Code of the City of Calumet City, Cook County, Illinois, handicap parking, by adding: 412 Bensley Avenue. (see attached page 4C)

Pass Resolution/Adopt
Ordinances

Alderman Wosczyznski moved, seconded by Alderman Schneider, to pass the Resolution and adopt the Ordinances as presented, without the necessity of prior posting.

ROLL CALL

YEAS: 5
NAYS: 0
ABSENT: 2

ALDERMEN: Schneider, Wosczyznski, Jones, Munda, Collins
ALDERMEN: None
ALDERMEN: Williams, Manousopoulos

MOTION CARRIED

A resolution

Res. #14-44



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

Presented by Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush on November 24, 2014

Whereas

The EarlyAct Club at Schrum Memorial Middle School was founded in October 2009 and is sponsored by the Rotary Club of Chicago Heights; and,

WHEREAS, During the month of October this club held a "Think Pink" month; and,

WHEREAS, During this "Think Pink" month the club held a fundraiser by selling breast cancer awareness merchandise and pink heart shaped lollipops; and,

WHEREAS, This fundraiser raised a total of \$530.50 with all proceeds going to the Cancer Support Center in Homewood, IL; and,


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

SECTION 1: That Mayor Michelle and the City Council of Calumet City do hereby congratulate Brianna Bickhart, Cheyenne Gougis, Marshae Harvey, Yaqar Heffner, Sha'Kyra Prince-Lewis, Jonnai Monroe, Jasmeen Rodriguez, Maria E. Rodriguez, Daniela Saavedra, Arnez Smith, Janelle Stapleton, Serah Sulaiman, Christian Slaughter, Kalisia Warren, and Jada Young, the students of the EarlyAct Club at Schrum Memorial Middle School.

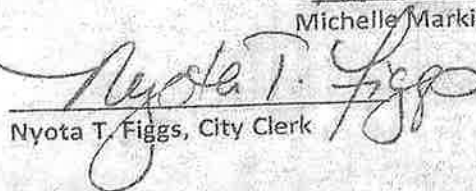
SECTION 2: That the City Clerk be and she is hereby authorized and directed to forward a certified copy of this Resolution to the EarlyAct Club at Schrum Memorial Middle School.

SECTION 3: That this Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval as provided by law.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 24th day of November, 2014.


Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush, Mayor

ATTEST:


Nyota T. Figgs, City Clerk

THE CITY OF CALUMET CITY
COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS

ORDINANCE
NUMBER 14-56

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

MICHELLE MARKIEWICZ QUALKINBUSH, Mayor
NYOTA FIGGS, City Clerk

ERIC SCHNEIDER
THADDEUS JONES
ANTOINE COLLINS
NICK MANOUSOPOULOS
ROGER MUNDA
RAMONDE WILLIAMS
LENI WOSZYNSKI
Aldermen

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ORDINANCE No. 14-56

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CALUMET CITY, COOK COUNTY,
ILLINOIS AMENDING CHAPTER SIX OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF
ORDINANCES 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, in the exercise of its home rule powers, as follows:

Section 1. That Sec. 6-83 of Chapter 6 of the Municipal Code entitled "*Limitaion of Number of Licenses*" is hereby amended by deleting subsection 6-83(a) in its entirety and replacing it with the following:

"Sec. 6-83(a)

(a) The total number of licenses for the indicated classification to be issued under this chapter shall not exceed the indicated number:

<i>Class</i>	<i>Number</i>
B	14
C	9
C-B	0
D	4
E	7
R	7
R-E	0
W	0
W-R-E	0
B-E	1 (B-E licenses are non-transferable)
B-A	1
R-B-W	1

Section 2. That all ordinances and regulations contrary to this ordinance are hereby repealed as such conflicts exist.

Section 3. That this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval as provided by law.

ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Calumet City, Cook County, Illinois on this

20th day of November, 2014, pursuant to a roll call vote as follows:

	YES	NO	ABSENT	PRESENT
Schneider	X			
Jones	X			
Manousopoulos			X	
Collins	X			
Munda	X			
Williams			X	
Wosczyński	X			
(Mayor Qualkinbush)				
TOTAL	5		2	

APPROVED by the Mayor on November 20th, 2014.


Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush
MAYOR

ATTEST:


Nyota Figgs
CITY CLERK

By: 
Roseann Bonadio
Deputy Clerk

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Ord. #14-56

THE CITY OF CALUMET CITY
COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS

ORDINANCE
NUMBER 14-57

**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
ANTOINE COLLINS
Aldermen

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ORDINANCE NO.: 14-57

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 adding the following language to subsection G (Signed areas) to read, as follows:

412 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.

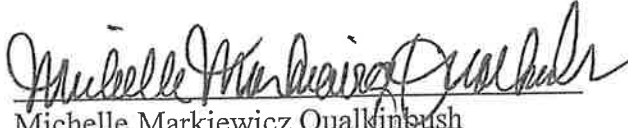
Section 4. All ordinances, resolutions, motions or orders in conflict with this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

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 24th day of November 2014, pursuant to a roll call vote, as follows:

	YES	NO	ABSENT	PRESENT
Schneider	X			
Wosczyński	X			
Jones	X			
Williams			X	
Munda	X			
Manousopoulos			X	
Collins	X			
(Mayor Qualkinbush)				
TOTAL	<u>5</u>		<u>2</u>	

APPROVED by the Mayor of the City of Calumet City, Cook County, Illinois on this
24th day of November 2014.


 Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush
 MAYOR

ATTEST:


 Nyota T. Figgs
 CITY CLERK

By: 
 Deputy Clerk

FINANCIAL MATTERS

- #1: Remit payment/Lansing Fence/\$5,625.00 Approve installation of a new fence and guardrail at the State Street Pump Station & Burnham Avenue and State Street in the amount of \$5,625.00 to Lansing Fence; direct the City Treasurer to remit payment and charge to account #03036-52344.
- #2: Remit payment/Complex Network Solutions/\$8,709.00 Approve replacement of the Burnham Avenue camera in the amount of \$8,709.00 to Complex Network Solutions; direct the City Treasurer to remit payment and charge to account #01099-55106.
- #3: Remit payment/Complex Network Solutions/\$39,780 Approve installation of a pole camera at 156th Place and Freeland Avenue in the amount of \$39,780.00 to Complex Network Solutions; direct the City Treasurer to remit payment and charge to account #01099-55106.
- #4: Remit payment/Chicago Southland/\$1,697.55 Approve payment of \$1,697.55 to Chicago Southland Convention & Visitor's Bureau for gross rental or lease charges collected from 7/6/14 thru 10/15/14 (Hotel Accommodations Tax) in accordance with Ordinance #02-21; direct the City Treasurer to remit payment and charge to account #01099-52696.
- #5: Remit payment/Budd Mechanical/\$6,865.00 Approve repair of duct work and equipment rails at Fire Station I in the amount of \$6,865.00 to Budd Mechanical Systems; direct the City Treasurer to remit payment and charge to account #01099-55121.
- #6: Prepare Field Topographic Survey/Phase I (ITEP Grant) Authorize Robinson Engineering to prepare the Field Topographic Survey and Phase I Engineering documents for the Illinois Transportation Enhancement Program (ITEP - Grant - Award Date 4/14/14) for the installation of a 10 foot wide Multi-Use path along the east side of Torrence Avenue from Michigan City to 159th Street, in an amount not to exceed \$15,000; direct the City Treasurer to remit payment to Robinson Engineering and charge to MFT account.
- Design Engineering Services (Plans, specifications & estimates) as well as Construction and Construction Engineering Services for this improvement will proceed, pending Phase I Engineering approval as well as execution of the forthcoming agreements between the City of Calumet City and the Grantee (U.S. Department of Transportation and the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT). The City of Calumet City will be required to match 20% of the total grant award of \$238,980.00 (or \$47,778.00) for design engineering, construction and construction engineering to be paid per the MFT account.
- #7: Approve membership Illinois Municipal League (\$2,119.00) Approve membership for the city from 1/1/15 thru 12/31/15 in the amount of \$2,119.00 to Illinois Municipal League; direct the City Treasurer to remit payment and charge to account #01099-52353.

#8: Remit payment/SunGard \$8,960.00 Approve training for monthly utility billing in the amount of \$8,960.00 to SunGard Public Sector; direct the City Treasurer to remit payment and charge to account #01099-55120.

#9: Approve Community Grant Award fiscal year 2015/Calumet City Chargers Approve the Community Grant Award for fiscal year 2015 and direct the City Treasurer to remit payment to Calumet City Chargers in the amount of \$2,500.00 upon completion of the appropriate documentation by the Awardee; to be charged to charged to account #01099-52702.

#10: Approve payroll Approve payroll (\$874,603.21)

#11: Approve bill listing Approve bill listing (\$1,402,146.61)

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: "Under financial matters item #9, Alderman Williams asked that it be removed from the agenda and placed on the next agenda when he would be able to be present."

Remove item #9 Alderman Schneider moved, seconded by Alderman Wosczyznski, to remove item #9 from the agenda.

MOTION CARRIED

Approve financial matters Alderman Wosczyznski moved, seconded by Alderman Schneider, to approve financial matters item #1 thru #8, #10- and #11 as presented.

ROLL CALL

YEAS: 5	ALDERMEN: Wosczyznski, Jones, Munda, Collins, Schneider
NAYS: 0	ALDERMEN: None
ABSENT: 2	ALDERMEN: Williams, Manousopoulos

MOTION CARRIED

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

No truck parking - State Line Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: "Alderman Schneider, I just wanted to point out I was driving down State Street in the 1st Ward near the Fire Training Station. There seems to be, and I know you had an issue with semi-truck parking near Burnham Avenue. It seems that there is a lot of semi-truck parking."

Alderman Schneider: "That ordinance is for the entire from State Line to Burnham. I just did it to Burnham."

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: "But it goes all the way to State Line?"

Alderman Schneider: "Correct."

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: "I noticed to day there were semi-trucks parked out there."

No trucking parking (cont'd) Alderman Schneider; "I should have forwarded the information to the public works department to get started. But I wanted to wait for the vote from my colleagues. I contacted public works and asked if we could at least put up temporary until permanently manufactured signs are made. They replied it would be up as of last Friday. I haven't checked to see if any were up yet.

It is for both residences and commercial properties are upset about it. It is something that is going on the expressway where trucks normally park. It is under construction. They have found a spot there and it has been abused. Police wanted to do something. There was no teeth so that ordinance will help."

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: "So we have to get the signs up. I will check with them."

Alderman Schneider: "It goes from State Line to Burnham Avenue."

Direct City Attorney review Chapter 14

Alderman Jones moved, seconded by Alderman Schneider, to direct the City Attorney to review Chapter 14, Building - Contractors Registration for possible updates or revisions and place the motion on the next agenda of 12/11/14.

MOTION CARRIED

Get Covered Illinois workshop - 12/6/14

Alderman Jones announced that the State of Illinois will be having an event on December 6, 2014 "Get Covered Illinois and his ward office. The last day to register is December 15, 2015. Residents without insurance are encouraged to register.

Removal of vehicles on streets during snowfall

Alderman Collins discussed the possibility of relocating parked vehicles during heavy snowfall.

There was discussion regarding the liability of relocating parked vehicles during heavy snowfall.

City Hall tree lighting 12/5/14

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush announced the City Hall tree lighting on Friday, December 5, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall.

Happy Thanksgiving

Alderman Collins wished all the residents a Happy Thanksgiving.

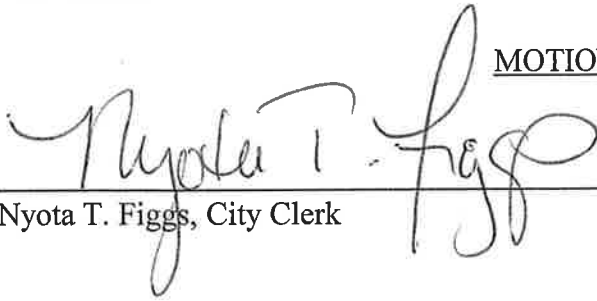
Happy Thanksgiving

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush wished all the residents a Happy Thanksgiving.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment was at 6:54 p.m. on a motion made by Alderman Collins and seconded by Alderman Schneider.

MOTION CARRIED



Nyota T. Figgs, City Clerk

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