

JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS

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

APRIL 22, 2021

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Pledge Of Allegiance

The City Council of the City of Calumet City met in the City Council Chambers at 6:07 p.m. in a regular meeting on April 22, 2021 with Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush, present and presiding.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: 5

ALDERMEN: Navarrete, Swibes, Williams, Gardner, Smith

ABSENT: 2

ALDERMEN: Tillman, Patton

Also present was City Clerk Figgs, City Treasurer Tarka, City Administrator William Murray, City Attorney Mike Smith, City Engineer Erik Alvarez, Economic Development Joe Wiszowaty and Valencia Williams, Water & Sewer Commissioner Billy Manousopoulos, Mayor's Assistant Rose Bonato, and Deputy Clerk Danielle Smith.

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

Approval of Minutes

None

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Finance

Alderman Patton was absent.

Public Safety

Alderman Williams had no report.

Public Utilities

Alderman Swibes had no report.

Ord. & Res.

Alderman Tillman was absent.

H.E.W

Alderman Gardner had no report.

Permits & Licenses

Alderman Smith had no report.

Public Works

Alderman Navarrete informed residents that during Spring Clean-up they will be allowed to place one (1) large item in the alley for pick up by Republic Services and that if the item is not picked up they should call Public Works 708-891-8160.

CITY COUNCIL REPORTS

Mayor Michelle

Mayor Michelle reported that the groundbreaking day for the canoe and kayak launch and dog park was a wonderful event.

Mayor Michelle thanked the Aldermen for their support and the Economic Development department for their work in securing the 2.4 million dollar grant for the park.

City Treasurer Tarka

City Treasurer Tarka reported that the Fiscal Year 2020 Audit has been completed and thanked Deputy Treasurer Nicole Rudder along with the entire Finance Department for a job well done and all department heads and staff who assisted.

Alderman Navarrete – 1st Ward

Alderman Navarrete reported that a list of abandoned properties to be demolished has been created and encouraged residents to call his office 708-891-8198 to report any vacant or neglected properties.

Alderman Navarrete thanked the Mayor for coordinating departments to determine with the demolition list.

Alderman Swibes – 2nd Ward

Alderman Swibes reported attending and participating in the groundbreaking of the Blues River Kayak Park and having a fun time.

Alderman Swibes extended her sincere gratitude to the Mayor, City Council and residents whom she has had the pleasure to be of service to for the past twenty months.

Alderman Swibes expressed her hope that everyone keeps expecting the best from each other and supporting each other.

Alderman Williams – 4th Ward

Alderman Williams gave honor to God and thanked residents who participated in the clean-up event last week.

Alderman Gardner – 5th Ward

Alderman Gardner encouraged 5th Ward residents with questions or concerns to call his office 708-891-8195.

Alderman Smith – 7th Ward

Alderman Smith thanked residents for continuing to report any issues with vacant properties and that speed bump requests have been received and he is working with Public Works on installation.

Alderman Smith thanked the Mayor, Economic Development Team and Bill Murray for their hard work in bringing the Canoe and Kayaking park to the City.

Mayor Michelle

Mayor Michelle thanked Public Works for their hard work in cleaning up the City and encouraged residents to refrain from throwing garbage out the window and to make sure their trash can lids are covered.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS TO BE ACCEPTED AND PLACED ON FILE

- A. Fire Chief Bachert RE: Commending Fire Department Members for a job well done
- B. City Treasurer Tarka RE: Investment Report for Quarter March 31, 2021
- C. Karen Brands RE: Letter thanking the City for mailing Senior City Stickers

Accept & place on file

Alderman Williams moved, seconded by Alderman Smith, to accept items A-C and place on file.

MOTION CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS

1): Approve TF North Annual 5K Swag Walk/Run

Approve TF North Annual 5K Swag Walk/Run Race on Sunday, May 23, 2021 with set up starting at 6:00 a.m. and concluding by 11:00 a.m.; direct Public Works to provide barricades and ESDA to provide assistance.

2): Approve the installation of "Resident Parking Only" signs

Approve the installation of "Resident Parking Only" signs at 976 Hirsch, 226 156th Pl. and 607 Escanaba Ave.; direct Public Works to install.

3): Approve Lincoln School District 156 Multicultural Arts Block Party

Approve Lincoln School District 156 Multicultural Arts Block Party on May 28, 2021, 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.; direct Public Works to provide barricades to close 157th St. between Price Ave. and Freeland Ave.

4): Approve temporary speed bumps at multiple locations

Approve temporary speed bumps and authorize Public works to install at the following locations:

- On 163rd St. from Wentworth Ave. to State Line Rd.
- On 166th St. starting at Freeland Ave. and going southeast around the corner towards Lincoln Ave.
- 400 block of Luella between Harding and Sibley
- Intersection on Wilson, at Saginaw
- Intersection on Exchange, at Lucas (south side of the intersection after the stop sign)
- Intersection on Memorial, at Marquette
- Intersection on Memorial, at Exchange
- Intersection on Hoxie, between Sibley and Pulaski
- Intersection on Calhoun and Harding
- Intersection on Calhoun and Stewart
- On Wilson, at Saginaw
- On Exchange, at Lucas (south of the intersection after the stop sign)
- On Memorial, at Marquette
- On Campbell, at Cleveland (near Cleveland Park)
- On Campbell, at Stewart
- On Campbell, at Exchange
- On Hoxie, at Wilson
- On 300-400 block of Bensley Ave.
- On 500 block of Hoxie Ave.
- On the 200 block of Elizabeth St.

Approve New Business #1 - #4

Alderman Gardner moved, seconded by Alderman Swibes, to approve items #1 - #4 as presented.

ROLL CALL

AYES: 5
NAYS: 0
ABSENT: 2

ALDERMEN: Swibes, Williams, Gardner, Smith, Navarrete
ALDERMEN: None
ALDERMEN: Tillman, Patton

MOTION CARRIED

BUILDING PERMITS

<u>NEW FENCE</u>	<u>WARD</u>
388 Saginaw	2 nd Ward
220 153 rd Pl	1 st Ward
23 156 th St.	5 th Ward
484 164 th St.	6 th Ward

Approve Permits

Alderman Swibes moved, seconded by Alderman Williams, to approve the building permits as presented with approval of 484 164th St. from 6th Ward Alderman Patton.

MOTION CARRIED

RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCE

#1): Ordinance Amending Handicapped Parking Ordinance Chapter 90 of the Municipal Code of the City of Calumet City, Cook County, Illinois Handicapped Parking by adding: 380 Mackinaw Ave.

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(Ord. #21-16)

(See attached page 4A)

#2): A Resolution For Improvement Under The Illinois Highway Code (Appropriating \$74,770.00 of MFT Funds For Riverside Drive EDA Project)

Item #2 was passed in the Special Meeting held on April 21, 2021.

#3): A Resolution Approving Engineering Contract For Riverside Drive Project (\$4.2 Million Dollar Grant From EDA)

Item #3 was passed in the Special Meeting held on April 21, 2021.

#4): A Resolution Approving And Authorizing A Redevelopment Agreement With The J&T Group Of Illinois, LLC For A First Ward Pilot Program To Rehab Abandoned Homes To Promote Home Ownership

Item #4 was passed in Special Meeting held on April 21, 2021

#5): A Resolution Of The City Of Calumet City Approving And Authorizing A List Of Properties Subject To A Redevelopment Agreement With The J&T Group Of Illinois, LLC

Item #5 was passed in Special Meeting held on April 21, 2021

THE CITY OF CALUMET CITY
COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS

ORDINANCE
NUMBER

21-16

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

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

MIKE NAVARRETE
MARY E. SWIBES
DEANDRE D. TILLMAN
RAMONDE WILLIAMS
DEJUAN GARDNER
JAMES PATTON
ANTHONY SMITH
Aldermen

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ORDINANCE NO.: 21-16

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

380 Mackinaw Ave.

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.

Ord. #21-16

ADOPTED by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Calumet City, Cook County, Illinois this 22nd day of April, 2021 pursuant to a roll call vote, as follows:

	YES	NO	ABSENT	PRESENT
Navarrete	X			
Swibes	X			
Tillman			X	
Williams	X			
Gardner	X			
Patton			X	
Smith	X			
(Mayor Qualkinbush)				
TOTAL	5		2	

APPROVED by the Mayor of the City of Calumet City, Cook County, Illinois on this 22nd day of April, 2021.



Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush
MAYOR

ATTEST:



Nyota T. Figgs
CITY CLERK

Adopt Ordinances

Alderman Smith moved, seconded by Alderman Gardner, to adopt ordinances #1 as presented.

ROLL CALL

AYES: 5
NAYS: 0
ABSENT: 2

ALDERMEN: Williams, Gardner, Smith, Navarrete, Swibes
ALDERMEN: None
ALDERMEN: Tillman, Patton

MOTION CARRIED

FINANCIAL MATTERS

#1): Authorize the City Treasurer to transfer up to \$300,000.00 from the Special Service Operating Fund to the Corporate Fund to reimburse public safety expenditures for the fiscal year ended 4/30/2021

Authorize the City Treasurer to transfer up to \$300,000.00 from the Special Service Operating Fund to the Corporate Fund to reimburse public safety expenditures for the fiscal year ended 4/30/2021, as follows: \$200,000.00 to reimburse the Police Department; \$100,000.00 to reimburse the Fire Department.

#2): Approve cement block placement and removal during civil unrest in June 2020

Approve cement block placement and removal during civil unrest in June 2020; authorize the City Treasurer to remit payment to Rokaitis Industries in the amount of \$20,350.00 and to charge account #01099-52735.

#3): Approve repair to 2007 El Whirlwind Truck for Public Works

Approve repair to 2007 El Whirlwind Truck for Public Works; authorize the City Treasurer to remit payment to Standard Equipment in the amount of \$6132.39 and to charge account #01041-54150.

#4): Approve purchase of six (6) John Deere X380 Tractors

Approve purchase of six (6) John Deere X380 Tractors; authorize the City Treasurer to remit payment to Shorewood Home & Auto in the amount of \$24,950.58 and to charge account #03036-55100.

#5): Approve purchase of four (4) 18ft Tandem Utility Trailers

Approve purchase of four (4) 18ft Tandem Utility Trailers; authorize the City Treasurer to remit payment to Dan Brown Enterprises in the amount of \$16,360.00 and to charge account #03036-55100.

#6): Approve purchase of one (1) 14ft Tandem Utility Trailers

Approve purchase of one (1) 14ft Tandem Utility Trailers; authorize the City Treasurer to remit payment to Dan Brown Enterprises in the amount of \$3,590.00 and to charge account #01041-55100.

#7): Approve rental of generator for Police Department

Approve rental of generator for Police Department; authorize the City Treasurer to remit payment to Altorfer in the amount of \$27,203.90 and to charge account #01060-52345 (Maintenance Service Building)

#8): Approve the purchase of two (2) replacement desks and twenty-four (24) replacement chairs for Police Department

Approve the purchase of two (2) replacement desks and twenty-four (24) replacement chairs for Police Department; authorize the City Treasurer to remit payment to National Business Furniture in the amount of \$10,555.13 and to charge account #06860-57117 (Federal Asset Forfeiture Account- Law Enforcement Equipment).

#9): Approve the upgrade and replacement of the pole camera located in the area of Sibley Blvd. & Torrence Ave.

Approve the upgrade and replacement of the pole camera located in the area of Sibley Blvd. & Torrence Ave.; authorize the City Treasurer to remit payment to Complex Network Solutions in the amount of \$11,250.00 and to charge account #06850-57117 (Federal Asset Forfeiture Account- Law Enforcement Equipment).

#10): Approve the upgrade and replacement of the pole camera located in the area of 155th Street and Burnham Ave.

Approve the upgrade and replacement of the pole camera located in the area of 155th Street and Burnham Ave.; authorize the City Treasurer to remit payment to Complex Network Solutions in the amount of \$19,500.00 and to charge account #06860-57117 (Federal Asset Forfeiture Account- Law Enforcement Equipment).

#11): Approve repairs to ladder heel pivot pins and bushings, coolant leak, broken wheel studs, turbo oil return pipe and a/c leaking

Approve repairs to ladder heel pivot pins and bushings, coolant leak, broken wheel studs, turbo oil return pipe and a/c leaking; authorize the City Treasurer to remit payment to Fire Service, Inc. in the amount of \$30,408.74 and to charge account #06617-54150.

#12): Approve annual physicals for the Fire Department personnel

Approve annual physicals for the Fire Department personnel; authorize the City Treasurer to remit payment to Ingalls Occupational Medicine in the amount of \$26,016.00 and to charge account #06607-52484.

Approve financial items #1 - #12

Alderman Williams moved, seconded by Alderman Smith, to approve financial items #1 - #12 as presented.

ROLL CALL

AYES: 5
NAYS: 0
ABSENT: 2

ALDERMEN: Smith, Navarrete, Swibes, , Williams, Gardner
ALDERMEN: None
ALDERMEN: Tillman, Patton

MOTION CARRIED

#13): Approve five (5) year lease agreement with Proven for printers/service for City Hall, Fire, and Police

Approve five (5) year lease agreement with Proven for printers/service for City Hall, Fire, and Police; authorize the City Treasurer to remit payment to Proven IT in the amount of \$6,471.19 per month; direct the City Administrator to execute the agreement and to charge account #01023-52340.

Refer to finance committee

Alderman Williams moved, seconded by Alderman Gardner to refer item #13 to the Finance Committee.

MOTION CARRIED

#14): Approve bill listing

Approve bill listing (\$612,831.05).

#15): Approve payroll

Approve payroll (\$776,052.82).

Approve financial items #14- #15

Alderman Williams moved, seconded by Alderman Gardner, to approve financial items #14 - #15 as presented.

ROLL CALL

AYES: 5
NAYS: 0
ABSENT: 2

ALDERMEN: Navarrete, Swibes, Williams, Gardner Smith,
ALDERMEN: None
ALDERMEN: Tillman, Patton

MOTION CARRIED

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Farewell Alderman Gardner wished Mayor Michelle farewell, thanked her for years of service and also expressed well-wishes for Alderman Swibes.

Well wishes Alderman Smith wished Mayor Michelle the best in her retirement endeavors and commented he learned a lot from working with her over the years. Alderman Smith also wished Alderman Swibes the best in future endeavors.

Thanks Alderman Swibes Mayor Michelle thanked Alderman Swibes for her twenty months of service.

Remarks from Mayor Michelle Mayor Michelle:

“It has been an honor to serve as the Mayor for the past eighteen years and the Clerk for eighteen years before that. So, it’s been more than half of my life. It’s been truly an honor to serve Calumet City. I wish that God may bless and guide the new administration and I wish you all nothing but the best.”

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment was at 6:23 p.m., on a motion by Alderman Gardner, seconded by Alderman Smith.


Nyota T. Figgs, City Clerk

MOTION CARRIED

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