

JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS

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

APRIL 8, 2021

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Pledge Of Allegiance

The City Council of the City of Calumet City met via Zoom at 6:03 p.m. in a regular meeting on April 8, 2021 with Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush, present and presiding.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: 7 ALDERMEN: Navarrete (6:03 p.m.), Swibes, Tillman, Williams, Gardner, Patton
Smith (6:03 p.m.)

ABSENT: 0 ALDERMEN: None

Also present was City Clerk Figgs, City Treasurer Tarka, City Administrator William Murray, City Attorney Burt Odelson, City Engineer Erik Alvarez, Fire Chief Bachert, Police Chief Fletcher, Economic Development Joe Wiszowaty and Valencia Williams, Director Inspectional Services Sheryl Tillman, FOIA Officer Jacqueline Agee, Mayor's Assistant Rose Bonato, and Deputy Clerk Danielle Smith.

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

Approval of Minutes

Alderman Patton moved, seconded by Alderman Swibes, to approve the following minutes as presented:

3/4/2021 Special Mtg.
3/11/2021 Regular Mtg.
3/25/2021 Regular Mtg.

MOTION CARRIED

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Finance

Alderman Patton had no report.

Public Safety

Alderman Williams had no report.

Public Utilities

Alderman Swibes reported the Public Utilities Committee meeting was held April 7, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. and all were in attendance and the following topics were discussed:

- Review of Public Utilities span of control and definition.
- Water Service Line Replacement Project

- Update of the LED 2020 Project
- Discussion of review of the previous streetlight map to identify potential dark spots.

Ord. & Res.

Alderman Tillman had no report.

H.E.W

Alderman Gardner had no report.

Permits & Licenses

Alderman Smith had no report.

Public Works

Alderman Navarrete announced there will be a special meeting next Wednesday to discuss findings and proposals for Public Works equipment.

CITY COUNCIL REPORTS

Alderman Swibes – 2nd Ward

Alderman Swibes reminded residents that the Citywide Spring Clean-up will be April 10, 2021 with shredding at Caroline Sibley School and electronics recycling at Public Works.

Alderman Williams – 4th Ward

Alderman Williams gave honor to God and reminded residents of the citywide Clean-up event on Saturday, April 10, 2021 with shredding at Caroline Sibley School.

Alderman Gardner – 5th Ward

Alderman Gardner announced the 5th Ward Clean-up will be Saturday, April 10, 2021 and residents interested in volunteering or with questions should call his office 708-891-8195.

Alderman Patton – 6th Ward

Alderman Patton thanked the Mayor and Public Works Department for their participation in the 6th Ward Easter Egg Hunt held at Our Lady of Knock Church.

Alderman Smith – 7th Ward

Alderman Smith encouraged 7th Ward residents to engage in the Citywide Clean-up event.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS TO BE ACCEPTED AND PLACED ON FILE

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| A. Illinois Commerce Commission | RE: Northern Illinois Gas Company d/b/a Nicor Gas Company Energy Efficiency Plan |
| B. Illinois Commerce Commission | RE: Illinois Commerce Commission v. Commonwealth Edison Company |
| C. Fire Chief Bachert | RE: Advising the Council of the resignations of firefighters Gianni Valsecchi effective March 19, 2021 and Roy Pacheco effective April 1, 2021. |
| D. City Treasurer Tarka | RE: Revenue & Expense Reports February 2021 |
| E. City Clerk Figgs | RE: Revenue Report March 2021 |

Accept & place on file

Alderman Tillman moved, seconded by Alderman Patton, to accept items A-E and place on file.

MOTION CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS

1): Approve the procurement of an appraisal in support of the City’s intervention in PTAB #19-33334 Napleton Investment, 1951 River Oaks Dr.

Approve the procurement of an appraisal in support of the City’s intervention in PTAB #19-33334 Napleton Investment, 1951 River Oaks Dr., in an amount not to exceed \$3,500.00.

2): Approve the installation of “Resident Parking Only” signs at 304 Saginaw and 339 Crandon Ave

Approve the installation of “Resident Parking Only” signs at 304 Saginaw and 339 Crandon Ave; direct Public Works to install.

3): Approve outdoor party with petting zoo and pony rides at 370 Superior Ave. on April 10, 2021 with amplified music from 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

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4): Approve temporary speed bumps and authorize Public Work to install

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

- On the 200 block of Prairie Ave. between State St. and Stewart Ave.
- On the 200 block of Madison Ave. between State St. and Stewart Ave.
- On the 200 block of Chappel Ave. between State St. and Stewart Ave.
- On the 200 block of Clyde Ave. between State St. and Stewart Ave.
- On the 200 block of Merrill Ave between State St. and Stewart Ave.
- On the 200 block of Paxton Ave. between State St. and Stewart Ave.
- On the 400 block of Paxton Ave. between Harding and Sibley Blvd.
- On the 100 block of Luella Ave. between Harbor Ave. and Downs Dr.
- On Forest Pl. between Forest Ave. and Forest Ave.
- At 21 163rd St and State Line Rd.

5): Chief Bachert Requesting approval for the Board of Fire & Police Commission to offer conditional employment to the next two (2) eligible candidates on the hiring list

Chief Bachert requesting approval for the Board of Fire & Police Commission to offer conditional employment to the next two (2) eligible candidates on the hiring list due to the resignations of Firefighters Gianni Valsecchi and Roy Pacheco.

Approve New Business #1 - #5

Alderman Williams moved, seconded by Alderman Tillman, to approve items #1 - #5 as presented.

ROLL CALL

AYES: 7
NAYS: 0
ABSENT: 0

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

MOTION CARRIED

BUILDING PERMITS

<u>NEW FENCE</u>	<u>WARD</u>
342 Clyde	3 rd Ward
124 157 th St.	5 th Ward
495 Crandon	4 th Ward
618 Muskegon	2 nd Ward

Approve Permits

Alderman Patton moved, seconded by Alderman Swibes, to approve the building permits as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES

#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: 319 Crandon Ave. and Deleting 339 Crandon Ave.

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(Ord. #21-14)

(See attached page 4A)

#2) An Ordinance Authorizing A Donation Agreement With Ingalls Health Ventures For The Donation Of A Portion Of 1700 Torrence Avenue To The City Of Calumet City

An Ordinance Authorizing A Donation Agreement With Ingalls Health Ventures For The Donation Of A Portion Of 1700 Torrence Avenue To The City Of Calumet City.

(Ord. #21-15)

(See attached page 4B)

Adopt Ordinances

Alderman Williams moved, seconded by Alderman Patton, to adopt ordinances #1 and #2 as presented.

ROLL CALL

AYES: 7
NAYS: 0
ABSENT: 0

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

MOTION CARRIED

#3): An Ordinance Amending Article IV, Division 10 "Corporation Counsel" And Article VI, Division 2 "Department Of Law" Of Chapter 2 "Administration" Of The Municipal Code Of The City Of Calumet City To Amend The Law Department For The City Of Calumet City.

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THE CITY OF CALUMET CITY
COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS

ORDINANCE
NUMBER

21-14

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.: 21-14

**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:

319 Crandon Ave.

and by deleting the following language to subsection G (Signed areas) to read, as follows:

339 Crandon 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.

ADOPTED by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Calumet City, Cook County, Illinois this 8th 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	7			

APPROVED by the Mayor of the City of Calumet City, Cook County, Illinois on this 8th day of April, 2021.


Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush

MAYOR

ATTEST:


Nyota T. Figgs
CITY CLERK

THE CITY OF CALUMET CITY
COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS

ORDINANCE
NUMBER 21-15

**AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A DONATION AGREEMENT WITH INGALLS
HEALTH VENTURES FOR THE DONATION OF A PORTION OF 1700 TORRENCE
AVENUE TO THE CITY OF CALUMET CITY**

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

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

Aldermen

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ORDINANCE NO. 21-15

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A DONATION AGREEMENT WITH INGALLS HEALTH VENTURES FOR THE DONATION OF A PORTION OF 1700 TORRENCE AVENUE TO THE CITY OF CALUMET CITY

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, Ingalls Health Ventures desires to donate a portion of its property located at 1700 Torrence Avenue, Calumet City, Il. 60409 (northern half of PIN 29-24-401-027-0000) to the City ("*Subject Property*") as further described in the Donation Agreement ("*Agreement*") attached as Exhibit "A."; and

WHEREAS, rather than allow the property and building to remain vacant or be demolished, the Mayor and City Council have determined that it is in the best interests of the City and its residents to accept the donation of the property, as detailed in the Agreement.

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: The recitals set forth above are incorporated herein by reference and made a part hereof.

SECTION 2: AGREEMENT FORM AND TERMS AUTHORIZED. Subject to attorney review, the terms and conditions as shown in the Agreement attached as Exhibit A to this Ordinance are hereby approved.

Ord. #21-15

SECTION 3: AUTHORIZATION TO EXECUTE AND ACT IN ACCORDANCE WITH AGREEMENT. The City Council further authorizes the Mayor to execute the Agreement attached hereto as Exhibit A and any and all documentation that may be necessary to carry out the intent of this Ordinance. The officers, employees, and/or agents of the City shall take all action necessary or reasonably required by the City to carry out, give effect to, and consummate the intent of this Ordinance.

SECTION 4: If any section, paragraph, clause or provision of this ordinance shall be held invalid, the invalidity thereof shall not affect any of the other provisions of this ordinance.

SECTION 5: All resolutions and ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

SECTION 6: This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage, approval and publication as provided by law.

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

Illinois this 8th day of April, 2021, pursuant to a roll call vote, as follows:

	YES	NO	ABSENT	PRESENT
GARDNER	X			
NAVARRETE	X			
PATTON	X			
SMITH	X			
SWIBES	X			
TILLMAN	X			
WILLIAMS	X			
(MAYOR QUALKINBUSH)				
TOTAL	7			

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

8th day of April, 2021.



Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush
Mayor

ATTEST:



Nyota T. Figs, City Clerk

Ord. #21-15

Refer to Ordinance & Resolutions Committee

Alderman Williams moved, seconded by Alderman Smith, to refer ordinance #3 to committee.

MOTION CARRIED

#4): A Resolution Approving A Contract With Jeremy Armstrong

A Resolution Approving A Contract With Jeremy Armstrong.

Pass Resolution

Alderman Navarrete moved, seconded by Alderman Patton, to pass resolution #4 as presented.

ROLL CALL

AYES: 3
NAYS: 4
ABSENT: 0

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

MOTION FAILED

#5): A Resolution Authorizing an Agreement With J & T Group Of Illinois To Redevelop Abandoned Homes.

Resolution #5 was removed from the agenda by the Mayor.

FINANCIAL MATTERS

#1): Approve asbestos abatement for demolition of property located at 788 Buffalo Ave.

Approve asbestos abatement for demolition of property located at 788 Buffalo Ave.; authorize the City Treasurer to remit payment to Alliance Environmental Control, Inc. in the amount of \$5,465.00 and to charge account #01099-52710.

#2): Approve asbestos abatement for demolition of property located at 777 Buffalo Ave.

Approve asbestos abatement for demolition of property located at 777 Buffalo Ave.; authorize the City Treasurer to remit payment to Alliance Environmental Control, Inc. in the amount of \$6,790.00 and to charge account #01099-52710.

#3): Approve asbestos abatement for demolition of property located at 906 Williams St.

Approve asbestos abatement for demolition of property located at 906 Williams St.; authorize the City Treasurer to remit payment to Alliance Environmental Control, Inc. in the amount of \$6,440.00 and to charge account #01099-52710.

#4 Approve emergency demolition of property located at 531 155th St. due to unsafe, unsanitary conditions

Approve emergency demolition of property located at 531 155th St. due to unsafe, unsanitary conditions; authorize the City Treasurer to remit payment to JM Industrial Services, Inc. in the amount of \$18,900.00 and to charge account #01099-52710.

#5): Approve emergency demolition of property located at 800 Stateline Rd. due to unsafe, unsanitary conditions

Approve emergency demolition of property located at 800 Stateline Rd. due to unsafe, unsanitary conditions; authorize the City Treasurer to remit payment to A&R Tree Service in the amount of \$10,600.00 and to charge account #01099-52710.

#6): Approve maintenance on pump at Greenbay Ave. pump station

Approve maintenance on pump at Greenbay Ave. pump station; authorize the City Treasurer to remit payment to Metropolitan Industries Inc. in the amount of \$13,625.00 and to charge account #03036-52348.

#7): Approve services for the City's Annual Electronic Recycling Program

Approve services for the City's Annual Electronic Recycling Program; authorize the City Treasurer to remit payment to Lynwood Recycling Center in an amount not to exceed \$50,000.00 and to charge account #01041-52141.

#8): Approve street light repair at 522 Torrence Ave.

Approve street light repair at 522 Torrence Ave.; authorize the City Treasurer to remit payment to Lyons-Pinner Electric in the amount of \$7,474.22 and to charge account #04007-52449.

#9): Approve payment for the Workman's Compensation Audit from 2018-2019

Approve payment for the Workman's Compensation Audit from 2018-2019; authorize the City Treasurer to remit payment to Mesirow Insurance Services in the amount of \$8,212.00 and to charge account #01050-52131.

#10): Approve the renewal of the City's Insurance effective April 1, 2021

Approve the renewal of the City's Insurance effective April 1, 2021; authorize the City Treasurer to remit payment to Mesirow Insurance Services in the amount of \$611,572.00, and charge to account #01050-52131.

#11): Approve annual service for Firehouse and EMS reporting software

Approve annual service for Firehouse and EMS reporting software; authorize the City Treasurer to remit payment to ESO Solutions Inc. in the amount of \$13,698.24 and to charge account #06607-52483.

#12): Approve 1st and 5th Ward Pilot Program for Grass Cutting of Vacant Homes

Approve 1st and 5th Ward Pilot Program for Grass Cutting of Vacant Homes.

#13): Approve purchase of training pods to complete the building layout for the outdoor training tower

Approve purchase of training pods to complete the building layout for the outdoor training tower; authorize the City Treasurer to remit payment to South Suburban Welding & Fab, Inc. in the amount of \$15,250.00 and to charge account #06617-55135.

#14): Approve bill listing

Approve bill listing (\$1,144,406.84).

#15): Approve payroll

Approve payroll (\$800,028.63).

Approve financial items #1- #15

Alderman Patton moved, seconded by Alderman Tillman, to approve financial items #1 - #15 as presented.

ROLL CALL

AYES: 7
NAYS: 0
ABSENT: 0

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

MOTION CARRIED

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Town Hall Meeting

Alderman Tillman reminded 3rd Ward residents the Town Hall Meeting will be held at Downey Park 300 Jeffrey, Monday, April 12, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment was at 6:12 p.m., on a motion by Alderman Patton, seconded by Alderman Swibes.



MOTION CARRIED

Nyota T. Figgs, City Clerk

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