

# MINUTES

The City Council of North Chicago met in a Regular meeting, Monday, January 06, 2020 at 6:02 p.m. in the City Council Chambers at 1850 Lewis Avenue with Mayor Leon Rockingham, Jr. presiding.

## I. CALL TO ORDER

## II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

## III. INVOCATION

## IV. ROLL CALL

Upon roll call being taken, the following members were present:

Present: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Runnels, January

Absent: Markham

- 4-1 Presentation/Resolution Honoring Douglas Paul Winston for **25+** Years of Dedicated Service

City Clerk Lori L. Collins read the Resolution Honoring Douglas Winston.

Alderman Markham entered the Council Chambers at 6:05 p.m.

**Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Allen to approve the Resolution Honoring Douglas Paul Winston for 25+ Years of Dedicated Service.**

### MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE

The Mayor expressed his appreciation to Lt. Douglas Winston for the **25+** years of dedicated service to the City of North Chicago and all that visit our community.

Fire Chief Dell Urban stated that Lt. Winston provided “above and beyond the call of duty,” and that he would be sorely missed.

Lt Douglas Winston explained the Fire Department was his public service family. He decided North Chicago is where he needed to be. His motto that he is dedicated to “of the troops and “for the troops.”

## V. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA

- 5-1 Minutes of Regular Council Meeting, **December 16, 2019**

- 5-2 Minutes of Standing Committee Meetings, **December 16, 2019**

- 5-3 Departmental Department Report – **December 2019**

**Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Evans to approve the Omnibus Vote Agenda, Items 5-1 thru 5-3 as presented.**

### MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE

## VI. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Betty Harris – Youth of North Chicago

Ms. Harris wished everyone a “Happy New Year.” The children were the focus; she invited the Mayor to attend **2010** beyond youth employment program; the City of North Chicago was great and job programs were needed for the youth at **40 hours weekly**. She asked if the Mayor would meet to introduce her employment program.

The Mayor explained the city obtained a grant to allow **100** students in the work program.

Clyde McLemore – “Black Lives Matter”

Mr. McLemore extended the invitation, Thursday, **January 09, 2020; 6:00-9:00** p.m., located at Foss Park District to discuss “Black Lives Matter, Reparations.”

**VII. REGULAR AGENDA**

7-1 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF NORTH CHICAGO, AS AMENDED, CONCERNING CANNABIS BUSINESS ESTABLISHMENTS

**Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Allen to approve the Zoning Ordinance Amendment for the City of North Chicago as amended, concerning Cannabis Business Establishments.**

Alderman Markham clarified that the dispensary would be specifically located on Rte. 41 south of Rte. **137**; Mayor Rockingham said yes. Alderman January further questioned the allowance and if there was designation of distance with gaming/liquor and cannabis. Attorney Simon explained that there were sensitive locations statutorily such as schools churches, library and parks; setback of **1,500** feet between dispensaries not specific with gaming or liquor. The proposed ordinance only allows for one in North Chicago.

Alderman Markham questioned why the ordinance does not state only one allowed. Attorney Simon explained in order to allow diverse dispensaries to apply it has to be open to accept applications but the specifics to the zoning is only available on Route **41**. Mayor Rockingham clarified there is only 1 (one) license that would be issued.

Alderman Markham questioned what was approved **October 2nd** in reference to Cannabis; Mayor Rockingham explained that it was to approve the location and allowed only (1).

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels  
Nays: January  
Absent: None

**MOTION CARRIED**

7-2 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF B-W(2) LIQUOR LICENSE FOR MR. NATT AT 3396 BUCKLEY RD.

**Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Runnels to approve a B-W(2) Liquor License for Mr. Natt at 3396 Buckley Rd.**

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Runnels, January  
Nays: None  
Abstain: Markham  
Absent: None

**MOTION CARRIED**

7-3 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF CITY BILLS

<b>General Corporate Fund</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>325,966.40</b>
<b>Library</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>12,716.66</b>
<b>Motor Fuel Tax</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>14,493.50</b>
<b>Water Operations</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>160,667.47</b>
<b>Dental and Vistion</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>4,067.56</b>
<b>Retiree's Insurance Premium</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>16,067.34</b>
<b>TIF II Downtown/Industrial</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>1,140.00</b>
<b>Skokie Highway TIF III</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>3,662.50</b>
<b>Grant Place Operating Fund</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>831.63</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>539,613.06</b>

**MOTION:**

**Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to pay the bills of Council Run 1/06/20 in the amount of \$539,613.06 when funds become available.**

Alderman Evans questioned pg.7; tree lighting expenses and why so many departments. Interim Comptroller Daniela Partipilo said it was for the tree lighting ceremony. He also questioned the quarterly payment to the Hampton’s Condominiums \$7,500. Mrs. Partipilo stated that it was part of a 20-year agreement that automatically extended 5 years which began January 2020 once it expired. Alderman Evans stated that the Council should have been made aware.

Alderman Evans asked about pg. 8; Shield Township. Mr. Partipilo explained that it was North Chicago’s portion of fair share rides for seniors. He questioned pg. 19; American Test Center; Mrs. Partipilo said it was repairs of fire apparatus; the Fire Department hosts their own holiday party. Alderman Evans questioned the ice spreader on pg. 20 and if vehicles were/could be used by multiple departments. Ms. Partipilo stated that the decision would be between the two (2) departments. There seemed to be many accidents.

Alderman Evans questioned bill for holiday decorations; pg. 21. Public Works Director Ed Wilmes explained that the Gary Electric added the proper receptacles for the lights on Argonne Drive. Alderman Evans asked about pg. 22; Temple Display Ltd. Mr. Wilmes explained the replacement of bulbs that should last approximately 10 years.

Alderman Evans asked about pg. 25; Air Con. Mrs. Partipilo explained it was the furnace in the Police Department and Animal Control. He questioned pg. 29; Constellation New Energy. Mrs. Partipilo said general street lighting. Alderman Evans questioned why the Chief of Staff did not have a city cellphone; Alderman Allen added that “the more you buy the cheaper”? Mayor Rockingham said it was her choice not to have a cellphone.

Alderman Fisher suggested that if there were issues with bills it should be asked to Department Heads prior to Council Meeting. Alderman Evans stated that if there are questions all the aldermen should know at the same time.

Alderman January questioned if funds were available and when dispensed. Interim Comptroller, Daniela Partipilo acknowledged there were; the amount of \$1,274,668.59 from the Enterprise Fund and next quarterly transfer of \$650,000 in the month of January 2020.

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels

Nays: January

Absent: None

## **MOTION CARRIED**

### **VIII. MISCELLANEOUS**

#### STREETS

Alderman Markham asked Public Works what streets were next to be repaired; Director Wilmes explained that the streets were being assessed based on necessity. Leverage of Water Fund to pave more streets along with water/sewer repair projects. Alderman Markham questioned the lamination of the street lights and if they could be brighter; Mr. Wilmes said the lamination will be standardized throughout the City. Alderman Markham requested increase in water rates. Mr. Wilmes explained there was no current contract for a rate study and anticipated bringing to Council in March.

#### TAX REVENUE (CANNABIS AND CASINO)

Alderman Markham questioned when there would be discussion of designating the tax revenue to the pension funds and capital projects generated from cannabis and the casino. Interim Comptroller explained there were no licenses given yet; Attorney Simon added that medical marijuana was exempt from taxes. Mayor Rockingham clarified that the City of North Chicago would get **15%** of **5%** of monies from the casino.

Alderman January asked if the fees were established for the dispensary considering our home rule status. Attorney Simon explained that the City could charge a fee the process, such as the zoning process but could not charge a licensing fee.

#### APPRECIATION

Alderman Allen appreciated the Public Works Director for assisting with water leak and repairs made expeditiously on Argonne Drive. Director Wilmes said he would pass the message because the Public Works staff was the intricate part of its success.

Alderman Allen recognized the Mayor and Engineer for the great paving near Green Bay School.

#### GAS FUMES

Alderman Runnels concerned with gas fumes in the air along Route 41 and Buckley Road. Mayor Rockingham explained there was a high pressure gas line ruptured that North Shore Gas Co. was currently working on.

#### CENSUS / COUNCIL PACKETS

Alderman Mayfield announced the Census Bureau was paying approximately **\$29.50**/hour for workers and interested parties could apply online or call (855)-JOBS-2020. Alderman Mayfield also requested Council packets be distributed Thursdays starting in February. She lastly wished Alderman Fisher a Happy Birthday.

#### ABSENCE

Mayor Rockingham announced that he would not be present for the January **21, 2020** Council Meeting. He prayed that North Chicago continue to move forward, thanked the Council and stated his appreciation toward working together.

### **IX. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Council; a motion was made by Alderman Runnels, seconded by Alderman Markham that the meeting stand adjourned.

**MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE**

The Council Meeting adjourned at 7:48 p.m.

**ATTEST:**

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**Lori L. Collins**, City Clerk

# MINUTES

The City Council of North Chicago met in a Regular meeting, Tuesday, January 21, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers at 1850 Lewis Avenue with Temporary Chairman, Alderman Allen presiding.

## **I. CALL TO ORDER**

## **II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

## **III. INVOCATION**

## **IV. ROLL CALL**

Upon roll call being taken, the following members were present:

Present: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Absent: None

**Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman January to appoint Alderman Bobby Allen as Temporary Chairman in the absence of the Mayor.**

### **ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

## **MOTION CARRIED**

4-1 Promotion of Firefighter, Matthew Stoll to Rank of Lieutenant

Fire Chief, Dell Urban was very appreciative of him as a firefighter and named his accomplishments received and swore him in as rank of Lieutenant. The ceremonial pinning of the badge was by his daughter and girlfriend Alexandria.

## **V. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA**

5-1 Minutes of Regular Council Meeting, **January 06, 2020**

5-2 Minutes of Standing Committee Meetings, **January 06, 2020**

5-3 Water Department Report – **December 2019**

5-4 Fire Department Report - **December 2019**

5-5 Treasurer's Report - **December 2019**

5-6 Monthly Budget Report - **December 2019**

5-7 An Ordinance Enacting and Levying a Gas Use Tax

5-8 Municipal Gas Tax Collection Agreement between the City of North Chicago and North Shore Gas Co.

**Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve the Omnibus Vote Agenda, Items 5-1 thru 5-8 as presented.**

Alderman January clarified hasn't an in depth presentation of how the city funds were being invested and requested an updated detailed report. If not available, she suggested that it was presented at the next meeting. Interim Comptroller, Daniela Partipilo explained the investment transfer of **\$10,000,000 to the wealth management** was in **September 2019** to the U.S. Treasury (90 day treasury initially) and matured in **February 2020** continually monthly until **2022**. The interest rate was **1.9%**. She questioned the definition of the e-pay clearing account. Mrs. Partipilo explained it was the online payments by credit card or electronic fund

transfer for online water bill payments thru Illinois Funds. She, Alderman January reiterated request.

Alderman Allen requested a detailed report provided for the Aldermen.

**ROLL CALL**

Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels

Nays: January

Absent: None

**MOTION CARRIED**

**VI. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

NONE

**VII. REGULAR AGENDA**

7-1 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF CITY BILLS

<b>General Corporate Fund</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>173,929.26</b>
<b>Motor Fuel Tax</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>35,000.04</b>
<b>Water Operations</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>534,992.36</b>
<b>Community Development - CDBG</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>10,571.15</b>
<b>911 Emergency Telephone Sys.</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>414.00</b>
<b>TIF II Downtown/Industrial</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>2,042.50</b>
<b>Skokie Highway TIF III</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>8,372.50</b>
<b>Grant Place Operating Fund</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>3,189.70</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>768,511.51</b>

**MOTION:**

**Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to pay the bills of Council Run 1/21/20 in the amount of \$768,511.51 when funds become available.**

Alderman Evans questioned **pg. 9**; MNTC Repair and the specific leased vehicles. Mrs. Partipilo explained it was an abbreviation for maintenance and would send the information in detail to the Aldermen. Alderman Evans compared bills displaying detail.

Alderman January requested more comparison, where were they servicing the vehicles and who was submitting the bill. There was a large disparity with the maintenance cost. Mrs. Partipilo clarified that Enterprise was only the manager and did not choose what vendors the City utilizes.

Alderman January requested a list of any and all maintenance of City owned vehicles and costs for the prior 2 weeks. Would like a list of what was paid to Enterprise and what the actual cost of repairs were.

Alderman Evans questioned clarification if the City decided what vendor is being used. Mrs. Partipilo explained the purpose of Enterprise was a maintenance repository.

Alderman January explained the City paid for expensive software for tracking the fleet. Mrs. Partipilo explained there were savings of **(3)** salaries.

Alderman Evans stressed need of a mechanic. Mrs. Partipilo referred him to the attachment.

Alderman Mayfield stated she was approached by a business owner that indicated their submitted bills were not being paid by Enterprise. Mrs. Partipilo explained that cost over **\$750** had to be approved by staff. Alderman Mayfield clarified the vendor wasn't paid for (3) months and felt that was excessive.

Mrs. Partipilo explained that cost variations between the parts/labor and staffing for mechanics

Alderman January questioned approval of **\$750** threshold and the amount should be lower. Mrs. Partipilo explained it took more time and staff did a fine job in reviewing the bills.

Alderman January questioned if funds were available and when dispensed. Interim Comptroller, Daniela Partipilo acknowledged there were; the amount of **\$1,590,660.73** from the Enterprise Fund and next quarterly transfer of **\$650,000** next the month of April **2020**.

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels

Nays: January

Absent: None

**MOTION CARRIED**

**VIII. MISCELLANEOUS**

**VARIOUS**

Alderman Mayfield explained different methods of being counted for the census; via phone, internet or mail. It would be due the middle of **March 2020**; the City videographer had a medical emergency and she was thankful for receiving the council packets earlier.

**SCHEDULED DISCUSSION**

Alderman Allen informed the public of an information seminar with Reginald & Crystal Boysin, every **Wednesday** beginning **6 p.m.**, located at Foss Park Community Center to discuss "how to purchase a home, build credit and get mortgages."

**IX. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Council; a motion was made by Alderman Runnels, seconded by Alderman Mayfield that the meeting stand adjourned.

**MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE**

The Council Meeting adjourned at 6:51 p.m.

**ATTEST:**

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**Lori L. Collins**, City Clerk

# M INUTES

The City Council of North Chicago met in a Regular meeting, Monday, February 03, 2020 at 6:02 p.m. in the City Council Chambers at 1850 Lewis Avenue with Mayor Leon Rockingham, Jr., presiding.

## **I. CALL TO ORDER**

## **II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

## **III. INVOCATION**

## **IV. ROLL CALL**

Upon roll call being taken, the following members were present:

Present: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Absent: None

## **MOTION CARRIED**

4-1 Resolution Presented to Staff Sergeant Jesus A. Ruiz

Deputy City Clerk read the Resolution.

**Alderman Mayfield moved, seconded by Alderman Runnels to approve the Resolution Honoring Staff Sergeant, Jesus A. Ruiz.**

## **MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE**

## **V. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA**

5-1 Minutes of Regular Council Meeting, **January 06, 2020**

5-2 Minutes of Standing Committee Meetings, **January 06, 2020**

5-3 Departmental Reports – **January 2020**

**Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Evans to approve the Omnibus Vote Agenda, Items 5-1 thru 5-3 as presented.**

## **MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE**

## **VI. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

NONE

## **VII. REGULAR AGENDA**

7-1 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF CLASS B LIQUOR LICENSE – 2004 MARTIN LUTHER KING DR., KSK, INC.

**Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Allen to Table agenda item 7-1 and 7-3.**

## **MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE**

7-2 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF GP LIQUOR LICENSE – 1720 SHERIDAN RD.

**Alderman Mayfield moved, seconded by Alderman Fisher to approve the GP Liquor License at 1720 Sheridan Rd.**

## **ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Runnels

Nays: Evans, Allen, Markham, January

Absent: None

**MOTION FAILED**

- 7-3 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF B LIQUOR LICENSE – 2704 MARTIN LUTHER KING DR., GOLDEN PETROLEUM

**TABLED – SEE AGENDA ITEM 7-1**

- 7-4 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL – ZONING ORDINANCE MAP AMENDMENT AND VARIANCES AT 1905 ARGONNE DRIVE (NEAL MATH & SCIENCE ACADEMY)

Alderman January expressed appreciation of Abbvie for their generous support and donations; agreed with concept yet felt monies could be used for multiple facilities throughout the district to be utilized by every child (ie. school books and ipads for learning).

The Mayor stated differently, that it was a worthy project, books and proper facility constructed. It lacked funding and Abbvie was providing the “state of the art” for children of North Chicago and a beautiful opportunity.

Alderman Markham questioned if the street behind the school was part of the development. Alderman Evans mention it was part of the primary construction once the school was built.

Alderman Allen stated that Abbvie would change the image of the City and showed their committed. This was a good stepping stone for improvement.

District 187 Superintendent, John Price was grateful with joint effort of staff development team and City Council.

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels

Nays: January

Absent: None

**MOTION CARRIED**

- 7-5 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL – TAI WORK ORDER IN AMOUNT OF \$88,900 FOR DESIGN / BIDDING SERVICES FOR THE 14<sup>TH</sup> STREET WATERMAIN REPLACEMENT PROJECT

**Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Allen to approve the TAI work order in amount of \$88,900 for design / bidding services for the 14<sup>th</sup> Street Watermain Replacement Project.**

Alderman January questioned potential exceeding amount. City Engineer, Steve Cieslica stated no there wasn't.

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

**MOTION CARRIED**

- 7-6 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL – TAI WORK ORDER IN AMOUNT OF

**Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Allen to approve the TAI work order in amount of \$76,300 for design / bidding services for the Dugdale Watermain Extension Project.**

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January  
Nays: None  
Absent: None

**MOTION CARRIED**

**7-7 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF CITY BILLS**

<b>General Corporate Fund</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>322,918.83</b>
<b>Library</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>7,725.16</b>
<b>Motor Fuel Tax</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>21,507.02</b>
<b>Water Operations</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>453,330.21</b>
<b>Dental and Vision</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>93.50</b>
<b>Retiree's Insurance Prem</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>16,067.34</b>
<b>Skokie Highway TIF III</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>2,212.50</b>
<b>Grant Place Operating Fund</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>3,646.79</b>
<b>Grant Place Capital Fund</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>1,750.00</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>829,251.35</b>

**MOTION:**

**Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to pay the bills of Council Run 2/03/20 in the amount of **\$829,251.35** when funds become available.**

Alderman Evans questioned frequent light outage on Argonne Drive. Public Works Director, Ed Wilmes explained it was a 50-year system, and wire failures. ComEd and City Electrician was testing wires that were dead. The contractor charge costs were reasonable.

Alderman January questioned sufficient funds and when dispensed. Interim Comptroller, Daniela Partipilo acknowledged there were; the amount of **\$1,979,520.46** from the Enterprise Fund and next quarterly transfer of **\$650,000** next the month of April **2020**.

Alderman Markham requested information e-mailed.

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels  
Nays: January  
Absent: None

**MOTION CARRIED**

**VIII. MISCELLANEOUS**

**STREET LIGHTS**

Alderman Markham questioned street light change. Mr. Wilmes stated there would be a citywide replacement with LED lights.

**3<sup>rd</sup> WARD MEETING**

Alderman Evans announced 3<sup>rd</sup> Ward meeting scheduled, **March 14, 2020; 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.**, held at the Foss Park Community Center. He encouraged participation. Another event, **April 25, 2020; 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.**, also held at the same location.

VARIOUS

Alderman Mayfield encouraged taking pledge for census and picture directing individuals to Jim Moran, Interim Communication Coordinator. She announced the new animal warden who received many accolades. The job was properly advertised through Human Resources Department. He was in the interim position for (6) months and hired full-time with the City.

Alderman Markham requested to meet the new personnel.

Alderman Mayfield directed attention to Superintendent Price, looking forward to the groundbreaking ceremony and thanked Abbvie for the donation.

**IX. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Council; a motion was made by Alderman Runnels, seconded by Alderman Mayfield that the meeting stand adjourned.

**MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE**

The Council Meeting adjourned at 6:49 p.m.

**ATTEST:**

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**Lori L. Collins, City Clerk**

# MINUTES

The City Council of North Chicago met in a Regular meeting, Monday, February 17, 2020 at 6:01 p.m. in the City Council Chambers at 1850 Lewis Avenue with Mayor Leon Rockingham, Jr., presiding.

## **I. CALL TO ORDER**

## **II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

## **III. INVOCATION**

## **IV. ROLL CALL**

Upon roll call being taken, the following members were present:

Present: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels

Absent: January

Mayor Rockingham announced that Alderman January would not be present due to illness.

## **V. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA**

5-1 Minutes of Regular Council Meeting, **February 03, 2020**

5-2 Minutes of Standing Committee Meetings, **February 03, 2020**

5-3 Departmental Reports – **January 2020**

5-4 Treasurer's Report – **January 2020**

5-5 Monthly Budget Report – **January 2020**

5-6 Ordinance Adopting and Levying a Municipal Cannabis Retailers' Occupation Tax

5-7 Resolution Authorizing the Participation in the Northern Illinois Municipal Electric Collaborative (NIMEC) and Authorizing the Mayor to Approve a Contract with the Lowest Cost Electricity Provider for a Period up to **(36) Months**

5-8 Agreement for the Purchase and Installation of Microwaves which will Link the North Chicago Fire Radio Network and Waive Competitive Bidding

**Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Allen to approve the Omnibus Vote Agenda as presented.**

## **MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE**

**Alderman January was absent**

## **VI. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

**NONE**

## **VII. REGULAR AGENDA**

7-1 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN AND UPDATED PROJECTS

**Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Allen to approve the Capital Improvement updated projects.**

Alderman Allen thanked the staff for the **50%** allocation to the Police and Fire Pensions. Mayor Rockingham said that District **187** emailed a request to obtain a percentage and stated that it would be looked at in the future.

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Fisher, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels

Nays: Mayfield

Absent: January

**MOTION CARRIED**

7-2 **CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL – ACCEPT HIGHEST RESPONSIBLE BID FOR 0 KEMBLE AVENUE (PIN 12-05-222-024) SUBJECT TO BUYER’S EXECUTION OF REAL ESTATE CONTRACT ACCEPTANCE OF BIDS/AWARDING OF BID**

Prior to the vote Attorney Simon stated that a supermajority was required to approve the bid (6 votes including the Mayor). The highest responsible bid was **\$500**. Alderman Evans asked if the funds were received; Attorney Simon said this particular bid did not require it prior to approval.

Alderman Evans asked why the process was different from other bids. Attorney Simon explained that a real estate contract with the City would need to be signed and funds would be needed at that time.

Alderman Mayfield asked why this particular case was so much different. Attorney Simon referred to **9-8-3B** of the City Code stating the auction method which was used. He further explained that the Council could accept any bid it thinks is in the best interest of the City. He clarified that the reason for Council to reject the highest was due to funds not being available.

Alderman Mayfield questioned why funds are required other times. Economic Development Director Victor Barrera explained there were some with structures on the property; **10%** was needed. Alderman Markham gave an example where funds were needed prior.

Alderman Evans suggested motion to accept the bid who provided the money. Alderman Markham stated that it was a mute subject because no motion was made. Attorney Simon explained the agenda stated the **highest responsible bidder** regardless of who Council determined.

**Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Allen to accept the second highest Responsible bidder that provided funds to purchase 0 Kemble Avenue (PIN 12-05-222-024) subject to the Buyer’s execution of Real Estate Contract acceptance of bids/awarding of bid.**

Alderman Mayfield asked if there was any liability for accepting the next bid. Attorney Simon read City Code “the City Council may accept the high bid or any other bid determined to be in the best interest of the City by a vote of three-fourths (**3/4**) of the Mayor and Aldermen then holding office. A majority vote of those holding office, may reject “any and all bids.” It was completely in the Aldermen’s discretion.

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, Mayor Rockingham

Nays: None

Absent: January

**MOTION CARRIED**

7-3 **CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL – FIRST AMENDMENT TO THE AGREEMENT DATED, NOVEMBER 13, 2018 BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF LAKE AND THE**

CITY OF NORTH CHICAGO, FOR THE JURISDICTIONAL TRANSFER OF AND THE COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH THE IMPROVEMENTS TO 14<sup>TH</sup> STREET BETWEEN ILLINOIS ROUTE 131/GREEN BAY ROAD AND ILLINOIS ROUTE 137/SHERIDAN ROAD

**Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Fisher to approve the First Amendment to the Agreement dated, November 13, 2018 between the County of Lake and the City of North Chicago for the Jurisdictional Transfer of and the cost associated with the improvements to 14<sup>th</sup> Street between Illinois Route 131/Green Bay Rad and Illinois Route 137/Sheridan Road. This agreement includes a 5 year payment plan to the County for the city share of additional cost items totaling \$1,167,847.18.**

Alderman Allen questioned why not a 10-year plan; Mayor Rockingham explained the County Board would only agree to a 5-year repayment plan with no interest. City of Staff Deb Waszak said it was a collaborative effort.

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels

Nays: None

Absent: January

**MOTION CARRIED**

7-4 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF CITY BILLS

<b>General Corporate Fund</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>103,016.53</b>
<b>Library</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>156.79</b>
<b>Motor Fuel Tax</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>37,801.62</b>
<b>Water Operations</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>321,117.97</b>
<b>Community Development - CDBG</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>86,886.42</b>
<b>911 Emergency Telephone Sys.</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>689.10</b>
<b>Dental and Vision</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>931.67</b>
<b>Grant Place Operating Fund</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>10,236.31</b>
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<b>Additional Bills</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>39,643.47</b>
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<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>600,479.88</b>

**MOTION:**

**Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to pay the bills of Council Run 2/17/20 in the amount of \$600,479.88 (which included an addition of \$39,643.47) when funds become available.**

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels

Nays: None

Absent: January

**MOTION CARRIED**

**VIII. MISCELLANEOUS**

5<sup>TH</sup> WARD MEETING

Alderman Markham announced the 5<sup>th</sup> Ward Quarterly Meeting, Saturday, **March 07, 2020; 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.**, held at the Foss Park Community Center.

VARIOUS

Alderman Mayfield announced the census forms were to be mailed in middle of March 2020. The numbers in the census determined funding for many groups. She questioned the new street lighting appearing dimmer. Public Works Director, Ed Wilmes explained that Alderman Allen, Markham and Mayor had also shared the same concerns. The process has been put on hold until discussion was about correcting this issue. ComEd was scheduling a meeting to discuss the issue of LED lights that were more directional and maybe the need of a diffuser. Alderman Mayfield stressed need for brighter illumination.

The Mayor would contact the council members when he received a response from ComEd.

3<sup>RD</sup> WARD MEETING

Alderman Evans announced the 3<sup>rd</sup> Ward Meeting, Saturday, **March 14, 2020**. He extended the invitation to all.

METRA TRAIN STATUS

Alderman Allen questioned status of Metra Train Station; the Mayor explained they were in the final plan process.

Chief of Staff, Deb Waszak explained that Metra requested additional safety revisions estimating **\$500,000+**. The amended agreement would be presented to council.

Alderman Allen requested Metra train schedules be available now to inform the public.

**IX. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Council; a motion was made by Alderman Runnels, seconded by Alderman Mayfield that the meeting stand adjourned.

**MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE**

Alderman January was absent

The Council Meeting adjourned at 6:41 p.m.

**ATTEST:**

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**Lori L. Collins, City Clerk**

# MINUTES

The City Council of North Chicago met in a Regular meeting, Monday, March 02, 2020 at 6:03 p.m. in the City Council Chambers at 1850 Lewis Avenue with Mayor Leon Rockingham, Jr. presiding.

## I. CALL TO ORDER

## II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

## III. INVOCATION

## IV. ROLL CALL

Upon roll call being taken, the following members were present:

Present: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Absent: None

## V. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA

5-1 Minutes of Regular Council Meeting, **February 17, 2020**

5-2 Minutes of Standing Committee Meetings, **February 17, 2020**

5-3 Departmental Reports – **February 2020**

5-4 Audit Fiscal Year Ending, **April 30, 2019**

5-5 “Summer Up” Program Agreement

5-6 Ordinance Amending **Title 6** of the City Code to Adopt Fair Housing Regulations

**Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Runnels to approve items of the Omnibus Vote Agenda as presented.**

Alderman January requested to move items **5-4 – 5-6** to Regular Agenda.

### **MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE**

## VI. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Suzanne Belinky

Announced that early voting had started at City Hall through March 17, 2020.

Karim Merchant

Mr. Merchant explained that he would like to have a liquor license to sell more than beer and wine. Mayor Rockingham informed him that he would be allowed to present at the time of Committee; it was on the agenda.

5-4 AUDIT FISCAL YEAR ENDING, APRIL 30, 2019

**Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Allen to approve the Audit Fiscal Year Ending, April 30, 2019 as presented.**

### **ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

### **MOTION CARRIED**

5-5 “SUMMER UP” PROGRAM AGREEMENT

**Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve the “Summer Up” Program Agreement as presented.**

Alderman January asked for a brief overview. Chief of Staff, Deb Waszak explained the Parameters of the program that **100** students to work with the City over the summer break. The **\$80,000** grant was from the Stein’s Foundation; Ms. Carter (Program Administrator) would be paid **\$60,000** and **\$20,000** for transportation. There were also college courses the students could attend, paid directly from the Stein’s Foundation.

5-6 ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE6 OF THE CITY CODE TO ADOPT FAIR HOUSING REGULATIONS

**Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Runnels to approve the Ordinance Amending Title 6 of the City Code to Adopt Fair Housing Regulations.**

Alderman Allen asked if there were any changes from what was presented previously; Senior City Planner Nimrod Wards assured there were not.

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

**MOTION CARRIED**

**VII. REGULAR AGENDA**

7-1 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL – RESOLUTION REALLOCATING 2020 PRIVATE ACTIVITY BOND CAP AMOUNT OF \$3,125.850 TO BUFFALO GROVE, IL

**Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Runnels to approve the Resolution Reallocating 2020 Private Activity Bond Cap Amount of \$3,125,850 to Buffalo Grove, IL**

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

**MOTION CARRIED**

7-2 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL – AUTHORIZATION FOR COMCAST SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT OF \$27,518.39

**Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve the Comcast Settlement Agreement of \$27,518.39.**

Alderman Allen clarified that the funds were to be paid to the City; Mayor Rockingham acknowledged.

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

**MOTION CARRIED**

7-3 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL – RESOLUTION of 2020 CDBG PUBLIC SERVICES FUND

**Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Allen to approve the Resolution of 2020 Public Services Fund.**

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

**MOTION CARRIED**

7-4 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF CITY BILLS

<b>General Corporate Fund</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>369,701.39</b>
<b>Library</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>7,720.51</b>
<b>Motor Fuel Tax</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>32,485.51</b>
<b>Water Operations</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>150,989.02</b>
<b>Grant</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>13,250.04</b>
<b>CDBG</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>7,803.45</b>
<b>911 Emergency Telephone Sys.</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>475.00</b>
<b>Retiree's Insurance Prem</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>15,776.69</b>
<b>TIF II Sheridan Crossing</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>3,436.25</b>
<b>Skokie HWY TIF III</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>7,443.67</b>
<b>Grant Place Operating Fund</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>877.86</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>609,959.39</b>

**MOTION:**

**Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to pay the bills of Council Run 3/02/20 in the amount of \$609,959.39 when funds become available.**

Alderman Markham questioned page 12, NICASA; Interim Comptroller Daniela Partipilo explained the bills were for teen court of which NICASA inadvertently had not Billed for over a year. He asked if the Illinois Municipal League (IML) was to pay for any of the Mayor's conference expenses since he was the current President. Mayor Rockingham explained that certain conferences/expenses for travel and lodging would be paid through IML.

Alderman Markham questioned airfare for the Chief of Staff to Cuba; Mayor Rockingham said that they were both going as delegates for the National League of Cities.

Alderman January questioned if funds were available and when checks would be disbursed. Mrs. Partipilo said funds were available and checks sent by end of the week Alderman January asked how much was in the Water Fund and the next transfer; Mrs. Partipilo stated \$1,308,660.50; the next transfer would be April in the amount of \$650,000.

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels  
Nays: January  
Absent: None

**MOTION CARRIED**

**VIII. MISCELLANEOUS**

5<sup>TH</sup> WARD MEETING

Alderman Markham announced the 5<sup>th</sup> Ward Meeting at the Foss Park Community Center, Saturday, **March 07, 2020; 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.** He invited everyone.

CENSUS

Alderman Mayfield announced the census was approaching and there would be a “Come to Census Kickoff” **March 22, 2020; 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.**

CORONAVIRUS

Fire Chief, Dell Urban explained the virus was similar to the common cold or influenza. Recommended stressing good quality hygiene and cleaning the surfaces. She clarified it Wasn't at the pandemic stage yet and also no vaccine for the corona virus. Recommended Remaining at home if any flu-like symptoms. If affected the elderly and people with low Immune. Pamphlets were provided on the back counter of the council chambers. Any further Questions/concerns, contact the Fire Department or CDC Website. Masks were provided to Police Chief Perez for the officers. She reiterated if any contact with flu-like symptoms, to contact the Fire Department. She would updated the information as received.

Alderman January questioned if the masks were professionally fitted. She requested that the Officers were tested for the virus beforehand.

The Mayor added there were conference calls from the White House in the process of issuing more tests for the virus. The main issue was good hygiene. Chief Urban stated it was presumed that up to (1) year for the vaccination. The Mayor expressed his appreciation for the update.

VARIOUS

Alderman Evans had concern of attendees for the 3<sup>rd</sup> Ward Meeting, Saturday, **March 14, 2020; 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.**, held at the Foss Park Community Center. He added the announcement of the Black Woman Expo, **April 14, 2020;** the fee of **\$25** and the check be issued to the City of North Chicago re: 3<sup>rd</sup> Ward Meeting.

**IX. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Council; a motion was made by Alderman Runnels, seconded by Alderman Allen that the meeting stand adjourned.

**MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE**

**Alderman Fisher was absent.**

The Council Meeting adjourned at 6:31 p.m.

**ATTEST:**

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**Lori L. Collins**, City Clerk

# MINUTES

The City Council of North Chicago met in a Special meeting, Thursday, March 05 2019 at 6:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers at 1850 Lewis Avenue with Mayor Leon Rockingham, Jr. presiding.

## I. CALL TO ORDER

## II. ROLL CALL

Upon roll call being taken, the following members were present:

Present: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Runnels

Absent: Markham, January

## III. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Suzanne Belinky

Ms. Belinky was in favor of the city support of the Cannabis growers. There was a homeowner's meeting at the Hampton's. Bob Runnels, 6<sup>th</sup> Ward Alderman was present. She supported the idea.

## IV. REGULAR AGENDA

### 4-1 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL – MARIJUANA GROWERS

**Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Runnels to approve the Marijuana Growers.**

Mr. Kevin O'Connor, applicant clarified it was growers, infusers and transportation; technically (3) different entities.

**Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Runnels to approve the Marijuana Growers, Infusers and transportation.**

Alderman Mayfield questioned if the 2.5% was designation by the State or City. Attorney Simon explained impact on community. They had their own security yet a possibility of additional police officers. Upon reviewing the application, it was subject to negotiation with impact between the applicant and City.

### **ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: Markham

**Alderman January entered the council chambers at 6:03 p.m.**

### 4-2 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL – 2020 ANNUAL MFT RESOLUTION AND MFT MAINTENANCE ENGINEERING AGREEMENT

**Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Allen to approve 2020 Annual Resolution and MFT Maintenance Engineering Agreement.**

### **ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: Markham

**MOTION CARRIED**

Attorney Simon recommended zoning regulations for craft growers, infusers and transportation. A letter would be sent to the State.

The Mayor further explained the letter would acknowledge that the City of North Chicago would allow cannabis growers, infusers and transportation. Following a final vote for the location would be made. It was more of an industry for cultivating indoors, a regulated secure building and transportation of the product.

Alderman Allen questioned when it was effective. The Mayor stated the next day.

Alderman January expressed her appreciation with prior discussion and a more pro-active approach of the council members. She supported the potential area moving forward.

## **V. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Council; a motion was made by Alderman Runnels, seconded by Alderman Mayfield that the meeting stand adjourned.

### **MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE**

**Alderman Markham was absent.**

The Council Meeting adjourned at 6:10 p.m.

**ATTEST:**

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**Lori L. Collins, City Clerk**

# MINUTES

The City Council of North Chicago met in a Regular meeting, Monday, March 16, 2020 at 6:05 p.m. in the City Council Chambers at 1850 Lewis Avenue with Mayor Leon Rockingham, Jr., presiding.

## I. CALL TO ORDER

## II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

## III. INVOCATION

## IV. ROLL CALL

The Mayor announced that City Hall would be closed, Wednesday, March 18-30, 2020 due to the Covid - 19 outbreak. He elaborated further it was to ensure the safety of the city and employees. He requested that Committee wasn't discussed. He directed council member's directive of city staff for any questions or concerns.

Upon roll call being taken, the following members were present:

Present: Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Runnels, January (RP)

Absent: Fisher, Markham

### 4-1 Public Hearing – Review IEPA for Proposed Water Tower

Alderman Fisher and Markham were absent at Roll Call.

City Engineer, Steve Cieslica, Trotter, explained in year of **2017** city staff recommended a water tank built located at the end of **20<sup>th</sup>** St. adjacent to the Foss Park Golf Course, near the City Water Treatment Plant. There were no environmental impacts. The Public Hearing was for discussion moving forward with the project; he stated there were two designs.

### **Alderman Markham entered the council chambers at 6:11 p.m.**

Alderman Evans questioned if the City could connect to the existing water tank. Mr. Cieslica explained the existing tank was called a stand pipe that could only hold 2 million gallons he stated there wasn't adequate pressure; pipes from the water plant provided pumping the water. The proposed would assist in reducing pressure and was larger than the current.

Alderman Allen questioned the amount of water pumped daily, it was the "cart before the horse," the limit was up to **(13)** and have debt unnecessarily; sell the water first. Mr. Cieslica clarified the city was not increasing the water rates for the project.

The Mayor added could remove **(1)** shift of workers saving cost.

The Public Hearing closed at **6:23 p.m.**

## V. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA

5-1 Minutes of Regular Council Meeting, **March 02, 2020**

5-2 Minutes of Special Council Meeting, **March 05, 2020**

5-3 Minutes of Standing Committee Meetings, **March 02, 2020**

5-4 Fire Department Report – **February 2020**

5-5 Water Department Report - **February 2020**

5-6 I.T Department Report – **Nov-February 2020**

5-7 Treasurer's Report - **February 2020**

5-8 Monthly Budget Report - February 2020

**Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Runnels to approve items 5-1 thru-5-8 of the Omnibus Vote Agenda as presented.**

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels

Nays: January (RP)

Absent: Fisher

**MOTION CARRIED**

**VI. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Joe Roth

He requested to amend the Ordinance Repealing/Replacing Chapter 12, Title 12 of the City Code. He would then ensure residents could save their homes. Attorney Adam Simon questioned how was it determined which properties would be saved. Mr. Roth stated that foreclosures would be increased based on the ordinance.

Oscar Hawthorne – District 187

He introduced himself as the Deputy Superintendent, discussed concern of cannabis dispensary, illegal statistics and 143 days lost due to drug-related incidents.

Alderman Allen stated were bilingual classes provided to train the students. He questioned what city action to assist on the reverse side. Mr. Hawthorne explained was state mandated and general curriculum.

Alderman Markham questioned the amount spent and the requested percent. Attorney explained the ordinance unsure if feasible for fixed dollar amount or %. Mr. Hawthorne; estimated \$250,000.

Alderman Evans inquired of the various closed schools and demolition. Mr. Hawthorne stated the cost was the factor but the desire was to repurpose.

Alderman Markham suggested a liaison be present at Council to discuss the issue with council members.

**VII. REGULAR AGENDA**

**Alderman Allen left at 6:46 p.m.**

7-1 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL - AMENDMENT #1 TO THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL FUNDING AGREEMENT FOR THE EXTERIOR RENOVATION OF COMMUTER STATION IN THE CITY OF NORTH CHICAGO

**Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Runnels to approve Amendment #1 to the Intergovernmental Funding Agreement for the Exterior Renovation of Commuter Station in the City of North Chicago.**

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Mayfield, Evans, Markham, Runnels, January (RP)

Nays: None

Absent: Fisher, Allen

**MOTION CARRIED**

7-2 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL – ORDINANCE REPEALING AND REPLACING CHAPTER 12, TITLE 12 OF THE CITY CODE (REGISTRATION AND MAINTENANCE FOR FORECLOSED OR VACANT PROPERTIES)

**Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve the Ordinance Repealing and Replacing Chapter 12, Title 12 of the City Code (Registration and Maintenance for Foreclosed or Vacant Properties).**

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Mayfield, Evans, Markham, Runnels, January (RP)

Nays: None

Absent: Fisher, Allen

**MOTION CARRIED**

**7-3 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL – AGREEMENT WITH PROPERTY REGISTRATION CHAMPIONS, LLC (PROCHAMPS)**

**Alderman Evans moved, to table item 7-3 and motion died due to Lack of Second.**

**Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve the Agreement with Property Registration Champions, LLC (ProChamps).**

**Alderman Allen returned at 6:49 p.m.**

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Mayfield, Allen, Runnels

Nays: Evans, Markham, January (RP)

Absent: Fisher

The Mayor broke tie with Aye Vote.

**MOTION CARRIED**

**7-4 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF CITY BILLS**

<b>General Corporate Fund</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>131,146.02</b>
<b>Motor Fuel Tax</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>70,624.15</b>
<b>Water Operations</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>106,042.83</b>
<b>Grant</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>19,137.22</b>
<b>TIF 2007A Debt Service</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>475.00</b>
<b>911 Emergency Telephone Sys.</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>250.00</b>
<b>Grant Place Operating Fund</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>7,494.19</b>

**TOTAL** **\$** **335,169.41**

**MOTION:**

**Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to pay the bills of Council Run 3/16/20 in the amount of **\$335,169.41** when funds become available.**

Alderman January questioned if funds were available and when checks would be disbursed. Mrs. Partipilo said funds were available, checks sent by end of week. Alderman January asked amount in the Water Fund and the next transfer; Mrs. Partipilo stated **\$1,326,185.64**; the next transfer would be April in the amount of **\$650,000**.

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels

Nays: January (RP)

Absent: Fisher

**MOTION CARRIED**

## **VIII. MISCELLANEOUS**

### SPECIAL MEETING ITEM

Alderman Markham questioned if unethical to add an item to the Special Council Agenda. Attorney Simon clarified nothing was found to be unethical as the changes were done before the 48 hour requirement. Alderman Markham stated the items were different. Attorney Simon elaborated further; until the agenda is posted there could be changes.

### QUESTIONS/CONCERNS

Alderman Mayfield questioned options of the council members for attendance at the next meeting. Attorney Simon provided overview of relaxed law for meetings. Alderman Mayfield requested daily updates from the city staff regarding the Covid-19 Pandemic.

The Mayor explained a letter was submitted, requesting activation of the Community Disaster Loan Program. He prayed that everyone stay safe and practiced great hygiene.

## **IX. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Council; a motion was made by Alderman Runnels, seconded by Alderman Mayfield that the meeting stand adjourned.

### **MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE**

The Council Meeting adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

### **ATTEST:**

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**Lori L. Collins**, City Clerk

# MINUTES

The City Council of North Chicago met in a Regular meeting, Monday, April 06, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers at 1850 Lewis Avenue with Mayor Leon Rockingham, Jr., presiding.

## I. CALL TO ORDER

## II. INVOCATION

## III. ROLL CALL

Upon roll call being taken, the following members were present:

Present: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Absent: None

3-1 Ordinance Adopting Temporary Rules for Public Comment during the Governor's Declaration of Emergency.

**Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Allen to approve the Ordinance Adopting Temporary Rules for Public Comment during the Governor's Declaration of Emergency.**

The City Clerk, Lori Collins read the Ordinance as requested by Alderman January.

**MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE**

## IV. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA

4-1 Minutes of Regular Council Meeting, **March 16, 2020**

**Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman January to approve items 5-1 of the Omnibus Vote Agenda as presented.**

**MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE**

## V. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Charles January

Mr. January requested via telephone to City Clerk the following: had concerns with hard liquor being sold at the gas stations; questioned plan for coronavirus; the Spanish translation was incorrect on the automated phone call; disagreed with cash in Treasurer's Office; correction on amount and requested that the words "Be Safe" was placed on the city website.

Treasurer, Kenneth Robinson announced Town Hall Zoom Meeting, hosted by Waukegan Township, Tuesday, **April 7, 2020; 4:00-5:00 p.m.** "How COVID-19 impacted the black community." He provided the following information: Phone: **312-679-6799; ID# 469420712 and Password: 089318.**

Alderman Markham requested he was e-mailed to City Clerk for distribution.

Mayor Rockingham explained why the change in meeting format. The virtual meeting was due to the coronavirus; the cases globally; over **74,000 deaths** up to **10,000 cases** in Illinois; **63** more cases added and **17** deaths. It was a real issue; **30-34** cases were in the North Chicago community. The IL Governor issued a "stay in place" order and requested masks to lower contamination. The Mayor expressed appreciation of the 1<sup>st</sup> responders; Fire and Police Departments. The Fire Department EMT's were more susceptible and the Police Department was responding to ongoing calls. Some employees had also tested positive. All physicians and their staff were acknowledged and there was a terrible issue with the country. At some point, would need to expand it directing services to **211** Lake County Helpline

City Hall would be closed at this time. He encouraged to call neighbors to check on them. Some people have lost their employment. The hospitals weren't as safe, it was a difficult time and he directed community residents to remain at home if all possible with attempt for (1) person to handle regular tasks. The City was providing their best to ensure safety.

## **VI. REGULAR AGENDA**

### **6-1 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL– MAYOR’S AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENT WITH SHOTSPOTTER, INC.**

**Alderman Mayfield moved, seconded by Alderman Allen to approve Mayor’s Authorization to enter into Agreement with ShotSpotter, Inc.**

Alderman January questioned clarification of item 1. Police Chief, Lazaro Perez explained it was a 3-year agreement in the amount of **\$250,000** with funds available, Funded by Abbvie.

#### **ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

#### **MOTION CARRIED**

### **6-2 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL – PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR NORTH CHICAGO TRAIN STATION**

**Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Allen to approve the Professional Services for North Chicago Train Station.**

#### **ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

#### **MOTION CARRIED**

### **6-3 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF HARD LIQUOR REQUEST AT 2004 MLK DR & LEWIS AVE; KSK INC. GAS STATION**

**Alderman January moved, seconded by Alderman Markham to Table items 6-3 and 6-4, returning items at the next Committee Meeting, 4/20/20 for further discussion.**

#### **ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

#### **MOTION CARRIED**

### **6-4 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF HARD LIQUOR REQUEST AT 2704 MLK DR. & PROSPECT AVE; GOLDEN PETROLEUM INC.**

#### **TABLED**

### **6-5 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF CITY BILLS**

<b>Water Operations</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>504,954.42</b>
<b>Grant</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>11,140.80</b>
<b>Community Development - CDBG</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>46,394.37</b>
<b>911 Emergency Telephone Sys.</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>325.00</b>
<b>Dental and Vision</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>1,270.50</b>
<b>Retiree's Insurance Prem</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>15,969.34</b>
<b>TIF II Downtown / Industrial</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>2,280.00</b>
<b>TIF II Sheridan Crossing</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>142.50</b>
<b>Skokie Highway TIF III</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>3,895.00</b>
<b>Grant Place Operating Fund</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>417.07</b>
 <b>TOTAL</b>	 <b>\$</b>	 <b>1,478,251.72</b>

**MOTION:**

**Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to pay the bills of Council Run 4/06//20 in the amount of \$1,478,251.72 when funds become available.**

Alderman January questioned if funds were available and when check would be disbursed. Mrs. Partipilo acknowledged they were and checks sent by end of the week. Alderman January asked amount in the Water Fund and the next transfer. Mrs. Partipilo stated

Alderman January questioned if funds were available and when checks would be disbursed. Mrs. Partipilo stated funds were available and checks sent by end of week. Alderman January asked amount in the Water Fund and the next transfer. Mrs. Partipilo stated **\$1,227,387.90** in the Operating Water Fund; the next transfer would be April in the Amount of **\$650,000**.

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels

Nays: January

Absent: None

**MOTION CARRIED**

6-6 **RESOLUTION APPROVING AND EXTENDING THE DECLARATION OF A LOCAL STATE OF EMERGENCY IN RESPONSE TO THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC**

**Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman January to approve the Resolution**

**Approving and Extending the Declaration of a Local State of Emergency in Response to the COVID-19 Pandemic.**

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

**MOTION CARRIED**

**VIII. MISCELLANEOUS**

**CENSUS**

Alderman Mayfield encourage completion of the **2020** Census. The Mayor echoed her sentiments.

#### QUESTIONS/COMMENTS/CONCERNS

Alderman January clarified the number of reported cases in North Chicago were (**39**); Waukegan; **150**. She questioned if there was a strategic plan and increased cases of COVID-19.

The Mayor stated there was more focus with staffing and manpower working at a staff level and if State or National Guard was necessary. The Fire Chief was the emergency operator and it was discussed at the staff meeting.

Alderman January requested local plans for resident and report via-email; schematic plan; she asked to address the daily changes and the burden level with the Fire Department. She acknowledged the Mayor and Chief of Staff for updates; requested that anyone entering the Fire Department have their temperature taken with full protective gear; goggles gown ad N95 masks; increased paramedic with needed supplies and other avenues if transported. The cases numbered daily, blackboard connect comments and requested a contingency plan.

Alderman Allen clarified, “we are all in it together.” Alderman January had a nursing degree stressing her level of communication and asked that she provided more information to the Council for education purposes.

Alderman Markham questioned clarification of North Chicago case numbers; Alderman January directed him to the Lake County website. The Mayor also explained the updated COVID-19 information was provided on the North Chicago website.

Alderman Mayfield asked the information was updated x3 weekly by the Chief of Staff. Alderman January appreciated her diligence with COVID-19, yet it should be disseminated by the Fire Chief.

The Mayor explained the Fire Chief provided information to the Staff and each staff member ensured that the City continued to run efficiently.

#### WASTE MANAGEMENT

Alderman Markham questioned the Waste Management Company. There was debris that remained in the streets once trucks left and where/who were the bulk items to be directed. The Mayor instructed that all trash should be inside the bins and that it need to be addressed to the residents.

Public Works Director, Ed Wilmes explained had observed loose debris in the street and would contact the company.

Alderman Evans added it was a problem in the e3rd ward, echoing the sentiments of Mr. Wilmes. He suggested that another truck followed behind to catch any fallen items and possibly considering another vendor. The Mayor agreed to bid for other vendors before contract expired. Mr. Wilmes stated it was a 5-year contract that termed in **2021**.

#### ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Alderman Allen acknowledged the efforts of Mr. Wilmes and Economic & Community Development Director, Victor Barrera.

Alderman Evans acknowledged the Fire Department upon their strong efforts in responding to an unfortunate incident.

Alderman Mayfield was appreciated of the Employees Assistance Program offered by the Human Resources Director, Liz Black including the entire public safety team.

The Mayor asked that everyone take care and stay safe.

**IX. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Council; a motion was made by Alderman Runnels, seconded by Alderman Mayfield that the meeting stand adjourned.

**MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE**

The Council Meeting adjourned at 7:01 p.m.

**ATTEST:**

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**Lori L. Collins, City Clerk**

# MINUTES

The City Council of North Chicago met in a Regular meeting, Monday, April 20, 2020 at 6:02 p.m. in the City Council Chambers at 1850 Lewis Avenue with Mayor Leon Rockingham, Jr., presiding.

## **I. CALL TO ORDER**

## **II. INVOCATION**

## **III. ROLL CALL**

Upon roll call being taken, the following members were present:

Present: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels

Absent: January

## **IV. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA**

4-1 Minutes of Regular Council Meeting, **April 06, 2020**

4-2 Water Department Report – **March 2020**

4-3 Treasurer's Report – **March 2020**

4-4 Monthly Budget Report - **March 2020**

**Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Runnels to approve items 4-1 -4--4 of the Omnibus Vote Agenda as presented.**

Alderman Allen questioned item **4-4** collection of taxes history; he requested a copy of the information.

The Mayor elaborated further.

Alderman Markham questioned if the transfer amount of **\$650,000** impacted the Water and Sewer Fund. Mrs. Partipilo explained there was a surplus.

Alderman Allen questioned the Police Department overtime; he was concerned of the **\$1,000,000** amount. Mrs. Partipilo directed to **pg. 5**; it would be lower once the dispatchers transferred to Mundelein, IL and clarified was the lowest since she arrived.

### **ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels

Nays: January

Absent: None

**Alderman January joined in the meeting at 6:09 p.m.**

## **V. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

**NONE**

## **VI. REGULAR AGENDA**

6-1 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF CITY BILLS

General Corporate Fund	\$	253,325.68
Motor Fuel Tax	\$	30,007.78
Water Operations	\$	92,509.34
Grant	\$	14,037.73
Community Development - CDBG	\$	6,519.60
Dental and Vision	\$	341.65
TIF II Downtown / Industrial	\$	1,092.50
Skokie Highway TIF III	\$	6,373.55
Grant Place Operating Fund	\$	750.00
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TOTAL	\$	404,957.83
Ancel Glink Attny Fees (addition)	\$	80,841.24
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TOTAL	\$	485,799.07

**MOTION:**

**Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to pay the bills of Council Run 4/20//20 in the amount of \$485,799.07 when funds become available.**

**Alderman Evans questioned what was included in the additional city bills; the Mayor explained the easement for the North Chicago Lumber Yard litigation.**

Alderman Allen stated his unawareness of **pg.6**. Mrs. Partipilo clarified it was an easement judgement and not a lawsuit. The Mayor elaborated further.

Alderman January questioned if funds were available and when checks would be disbursed. Mrs. Partipilo stated funds were available and checks sent by end of week. Alderman January asked amount in the Water Fund and the next transfer. Mrs. Partipilo stated **\$1,401,040.35 in the Operating Water Fund**; the next transfer would be July in the amount of **\$650,000**.

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels  
 Nays: January  
 Absent: None

**MOTION CARRIED**

**VIII. MISCELLANEOUS**

**VARIOUS**

Alderman Mayfield encouraged completion of the **2020** Census; Mayor Rockingham echoed her sentiments.

**QUESTIONS/COMMENTS/CONCERNS**

The Mayor indicated schools would be closed until end of **2020** year and students were continuing with “e learning.” The Middle of May could be the earliest Illinois would reopen. It was contingent upon the decision next week. In the interim, there were “food giveaways” in the City. Representative Rita Mayfield was also providing food during the weekend. He acknowledged the Chief of Staff, Deb Waszak for providing continuous Coronavirus updates.

The Police, Fire and Public Works were operating. Comptroller's Office was in operations and someone was handling Code enforcement and inspection issues.

**IX. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Council; a motion was made by Alderman Runnels, seconded by Alderman Allen that the meeting stand adjourned.

**MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE**

The Council Meeting adjourned at 6:26 p.m.

**ATTEST:**

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**Lori L. Collins, City Clerk**

# MINUTES

The City Council of North Chicago met in a Regular meeting, Monday, May 04, 2020 at 6:02 p.m. via Virtual media Zoom Link with Mayor Leon Rockingham, Jr., presiding.

## **I. CALL TO ORDER**

## **II. INVOCATION**

## **III. ROLL CALL**

Upon roll call being taken, the following members were present:

Present: Fisher, Mayfield, Allen, Runnels, January

Absent: Evans, Markham

## **IV. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA**

- 4-1 Minutes of Regular Council Meeting, **April 20, 2020**
- 4-2 Minutes of Standing Committee Meetings, **April 20, 2020**
- 4-3 Annual Engagement Agreement with Sikich – Fiscal Year Ending **April 30, 2020**
- 4-4 Consideration/Approval of Awarding Contract for **2020** Street Sweeping to LRS Recycling Services; the Low Successful Bidder on a Municipal Purchasing Cooperative Solicitation for Bids
- 4-5 Consideration/Approval – Extending **2019** Publicly Bid Contract Awarded to Olmos Landscaping, Inc. for **2020** Landscape Maintenance Services for City-owned Properties/Medians on Argonne Dr. and Adams St.
- 4-6 Consideration/Approval for Extending **2019** Publicly Bid Contract Awarded to Tri-State Platinum for **2020** Landscapes Maintenance Services of Various Right-of-Way and Vacant Scattered Site Properties Maintained by the City
- 4-7 Consideration/Approval for Request – Authorization to Advertise for Bid (Traffic and Pedestrian Control Signal Maintenance Services)
- 4-8 Consideration/Approval for Procurement/Installation of Materials Request for Honorary Street Naming for Ward **3** – Hazel S. Moore Way, according to the Policy set forth for such Honorary Naming of City Streets
- 4-9 Consideration/Approval for Procurement/Installation of Materials Request for Honorary Street Naming for Ward **5** – Michael “Snip” McBride Way, according to the Policy set forth for such Honorary Naming of City Streets
- 4-10 Consideration/Approval of a 2-year Term – N.C. Public Library Reappointment for Herbert Handy, Edward Houston, Lawrence Brown and Jeanette Allen

**Alderman Markham joined meeting at 6:05 p.m.**

**Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Runnels to approve items 4-1 thru 4--10 of the Omnibus Vote Agenda as presented.**

### **ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Allen, Markham, Runnels

Nays: January

Absent: Evans

### **MOTION CARRIED**

## **V. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

**NONE**

**VI. REGULAR AGENDA**

6-1 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL – EXTENSION OF INTERIM COMPTROLLER, DANIELA PARTIPILO’S CONTRACT WITH GOVHR UNTIL OCTOBER 30, 2020

**Alderman Mayfield moved, seconded by Alderman Runnels to approve the Extension of Interim Comptroller Daniela Partipilo’s Contract with HRGov until October 30, 2020.**

Alderman Allen stressed the need of training for the Assistant Comptroller to avoid continual extensions for the Interim. Mayor Rockingham agreed and stated that was the direction.

Alderman January requested to refresh with the salary and the amount previously. Chief of Staff, Deb Waszak explained that GovHR was paid \$70/hour for approximately 40 hrs/week.

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: Evans

**MOTION CARRIED**

6-2 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL – REQUEST FOR DECLARATION OF SURPLUS AND AUTHORIZATION SELLING VEHICLES LISTED TO ENTERPRISE FLEET MANAGEMENT FOR APPRAISED VALUE

**Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve the Declaration of Surplus/Authorization selling vehicles to Enterprise Fleet Management to appraised value.**

Alderman Allen suggested that several of the vehicles could be utilized in other departments; opposed to buying new vehicles. Mayor Rockingham stated that option was being reviewed. Alderman Allen further stated that the vehicles were not fuel efficient for everyday use.

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Allen, Markham, Runnels

Nays: January

Absent: Evans

**MOTION CARRIED**

6-3 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF CITY BILLS

<b>General Corporate Fund</b>	\$	<b>469,324.63</b>
<b>Library</b>	\$	<b>6,185.85</b>
<b>Motor Fuel Tax</b>	\$	<b>21,279.80</b>
<b>Water Operations</b>	\$	<b>135,605.01</b>
<b>Grant</b>	\$	<b>9,828.98</b>
<b>Community Development - CDBG</b>	\$	<b>2,109.60</b>
<b>TIF Grant Place Debt Service</b>	\$	<b>166.67</b>
<b>TIF 2007A Debt Service</b>	\$	<b>166.67</b>
<b>TIF Debt Service 2007B</b>	\$	<b>166.66</b>
<b>Dental and Vision</b>	\$	<b>201.00</b>
<b>Retiree's Insurance Prem</b>	\$	<b>14,887.44</b>
<b>Grant Place Operating Fund</b>	\$	<b>1,928.26</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	\$	<b>661,850.57</b>
<b>Additional</b>	\$	<b>380,963.75</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	\$	<b>1,042,814.32</b>

**MOTION:**

**Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to pay the bills of Council Run 5/04//20 in the amount of \$1,042,814.32 when funds become available.**

Alderman January questioned if funds were available and when checks would be disbursed. Mrs. Partipilo stated funds were available and checks sent by end of week. Alderman January asked amount in the Water Fund and the next transfer. Mrs. Partipilo stated the amount in the Operating Water Fund **\$1,219,991.82**; she was not sure what the final transfer amount would be until a budget was approved but approximated **July** in the amount of **\$650,000**.

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Allen, Runnels

Nays: Markham, January

Absent: Evans

**MOTION CARRIED**

**Alderman Evans joined meeting at 6:30 p.m.**

**VIII. MISCELLANEOUS**

**VARIOUS COMMENTS/QUESTIONS**

Alderman Markham questioned progress of progress for the 911 Call Center and the number of dispatch operators currently working. Police Chief, Lazaro Perez stated the transfer date of **June 03, 2020** and currently 8 dispatchers. Alderman Markham asked if 8 dispatchers was enough; Chief Perez said there was only **(1)** on duty at times.

Alderman Markham asked if someone was in charge of emergency services, other than the Chief of Staff. The Mayor explained that Fire Chief Urban provided information to Staff and Chief of Staff (who distributes the information).

Alderman Markham questioned the number of casualties in North Chicago from COVID-19; Mayor Rockingham estimated **250-259** cases and unsure of number of casualties. Alderman

Markham asked if there was to be a testing center in North Chicago; Mayor Rockingham said it was organized by the Governor and County.

Chief of Staff Deb Waszak explained the Rosalind Franklin does testing of public if you call; cost incurred if there is no insurance. Also that she was only aware of one fatality.

Alderman January appreciated the information update. Fire Chief Dell Urban explained that she was only aware of one fatality from COVID-19. The number of cases changes daily. Alderman January asked if any first responders had tested positive for the disease; she stated there weren't in the Fire Department; Police Chief Lazaro Perez stated one officer tested positive.

Mayor Rockingham explained that one employee tested positive was quarantined and is back to work. He recommended that everyone quarantine on their own.

Alderman Mayfield stated concern with cost about drive-by celebrations and visits by the first responders. Chief Urban stated there was no overtime, there was cost of fuel and have been considered public relation events. Chief Perez said the shifts were able to do the drive-by without overtime.

Alderman Mayfield requested the Comptroller and Treasurer to present an overview of the City's investments.

Alderman Evans expressed appreciation to those that have participated in giving to those in need during this time. Alderman January questioned if there was liability with food drives and requirements from the Health Department. The Mayor explained that the City gave approval to the drive but not sure if Health Department was needed. Alderman January requested that an application be presented for the drive-by events.

City Treasurer Kenneth Robinson announced there would be a North Chicago High School graduation ceremony May 29<sup>th</sup> in the parking lot.

## **IX. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Council; a motion was made by Alderman Runnels, seconded by Alderman Mayfield that the meeting stand adjourned.

### **ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

### **MOTION CARRIED**

The Council Meeting adjourned at 6:48 p.m.

### **ATTEST:**

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**Lori L. Collins**, City Clerk

# MINUTES

The City Council of North Chicago met in a Regular meeting, Monday, May 18, 2020 at 6:02 p.m. via Virtual media Zoom Link with Mayor Leon Rockingham, Jr., presiding.

## **I. CALL TO ORDER**

## **II. INVOCATION**

## **III. ROLL CALL**

Upon roll call being taken, the following members were present:

Present: Fisher, Mayfield, Allen, Runnels

Absent: Evans, Markham, January

The Mayor announced the absence of Alderman Markham.

## **IV. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA**

4-1 Minutes of Regular Council Meeting, **May 04, 2020**

4-2 Minutes of Standing Committee Meetings, **May 04, 2020**

4-3 lake County/City of North Chicago CDBG Joint Agreement Renewal

4-4 HOME Investment Partnership Program Consortium Renewal

4-5 Grant Place Retail Lease Agreement between City of North Chicago and Lake Forest Bank & Trust

4-6 Budget Report – May 01, 2019 through April 30, 2020

**Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Runnels to approve items 4-1 thru 4--6 of the Omnibus Vote Agenda as presented.**

### **ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Allen, Runnels

Nays: None

Absent: Evans, Markham, January

### **MOTION CARRIED**

## **V. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

**NONE**

## **VI. REGULAR AGENDA**

6-1 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF CITY BILLS

<b>General Corporate Fund</b>	\$	<b>185,161.67</b>
<b>Library</b>	\$	<b>393.67</b>
<b>Motor Fuel Tax</b>	\$	<b>8,482.03</b>
<b>Water Operations</b>	\$	<b>425,848.83</b>
<b>Grant</b>	\$	<b>19,800.00</b>
<b>Community Development - CDBG</b>	\$	<b>9,970.00</b>
<b>TIF 2007A Debt Service</b>	\$	<b>475.00</b>
<b>TIF Debt Service 2007B</b>	\$	<b>475.00</b>
<b>Retiree's Insurance Prem.</b>	\$	<b>2,619.71</b>
<b>Grant Place Operating Fund</b>	\$	<b>1,613.24</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	\$	<b>654,839.15</b>

**MOTION:**

**Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to pay the bills of Council Run 5/18//20 in the amount of \$654,839.15 when funds become available.**

Alderman Allen questioned donation of James Sisson; Interim Comptroller, Daniela Partipilo explained it was a food drive held by Alderman Evans.

The Mayor stated he understood it was designated for Ralph Peterson, Activist and elaborated further. Mrs. Partipilo explained the amount was for all Alderman and it shouldn't reflect separately.

The Mayor requested an additional \$500 to Mr. Peterson.

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Allen, Runnels

Nays: Markham, January

Absent: Evans

**MOTION CARRIED**

**Alderman Evans joined meeting at 6:30 p.m.**

**VIII. MISCELLANEOUS**

**CENSUS REMINDER**

Alderman Mayfield stressed reminder to complete census. She stated that North Chicago was estimated at 45%.

**QUESTIONS/COMMENTS/CONCERNS**

Alderman Allen questioned scheduled date of Mr. Ralph Peterson. The Mayor stated the date of **May 23, 2020** and would update him with the time until. Waukegan Township held at Foss Park Community Center; **May 19, 2020; 11:00 a.m.**,

**IX. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Council; a motion was made by Alderman Runnels, seconded by Alderman Allen that the meeting stand adjourned.

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Allen, Runnels

Nays: None

Absent: Evans, Markham, January

**MOTION CARRIED**

The Council Meeting adjourned at 6:11 p.m.

**ATTEST:**

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**Lori L. Collins**, City Clerk

# MINUTES

The City Council of North Chicago met in a Regular meeting, Monday, June 01, 2020 at 6:01 p.m. via Virtual media Zoom Link with Mayor Leon Rockingham, Jr., presiding.

## I. CALL TO ORDER

## II. INVOCATION

## III. ROLL CALL

Upon roll call being taken, the following members were present:

Present: Fisher, Mayfield, Allen, Runnels, January

Absent: Evans, Markham

### **Alderman Markham joined meeting at 6:03 p.m.**

The Mayor addressed the protestors staging in North Chicago and it was dissolved with police presence. Waukegan had a curfew; in process of closing Lewis Avenue from Argonne Dr. to 17<sup>th</sup> St; and group from Lake Bluff (mixed) peaceful march.

## IV. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA

4-1 Minutes of Regular Council Meeting, **May 18, 2020**

4-2 Minutes of Standing Committee Meetings, **May 18, 2020**

4-3 Intergovernmental Agreement for Resurfacing of Great Lakes Metra Parking Lot

4-4 Treasurer's Report – **April 2020**

**Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Runnels to approve items 4-1 thru 4-4 of the Omnibus Vote Agenda as presented.**

Alderman January requested to move item **4-3** and Alderman Mayfield; **4-4** from Omnibus Vote Agenda to Regular Agenda.

### **MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE**

**Alderman Evans was absent.**

## V. PUBLIC COMMENTS

**NONE**

## VI. REGULAR AGENDA

4-3 INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT FOR RESURFACING OF GREAT LAKES METRA PARKING LOT

**Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve the Intergovernmental Agreement for Resurfacing of Great Lakes Metra Parking Lot.**

### **ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: Evans

### **MOTION CARRIED**

4-4 TREASURER'S REPORT – APRIL 2020

**Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Runnels to approve the Treasurer's Report for May 2020.**

Alderman Mayfield questioned who decided what investment; Treasurer, Kenneth Robinson stated he did including with the bank.

Alderman January questioned if the City had control of what is under the wealth account; Mr. Robinson explained the Investment manager.

Alderman Mayfield questioned who was the investment manager and the number of municipalities; Mr. Robinson explained the bank had **\$10,000,000**.

The Mayor announced that Alderman Evans was unable to attend the meeting.

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Allen, Markham, Runnels

Nays: January

Absent: Evans

**MOTION CARRIED**

6-1 **CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF CITY BILLS**

<b>General Corporate Fund</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>349,846.80</b>
<b>Library</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>6,771.19</b>
<b>Motor Fuel Tax</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>10,568.00</b>
<b>Water Operations</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>65,845.02</b>
<b>Grant</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>14,254.00</b>
<b>Community Development - CDBG</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>1,261.81</b>
<b>Dental and Vision</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>184.00</b>
<b>Retiree's Insurance Prem</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>17,929.05</b>
<b>Skokie Highway TIF III</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>2,226.25</b>
<b>Grant Place Operating Fund</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>55,653.32</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>524,539.44</b>

**MOTION:**

**Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to pay the bills of Council Run 6/01/20 in the amount of **\$524,539.44** when funds become available.**

Alderman January questioned if funds were available and when checks were disbursed; Interim Comptroller, Daniela Partipilo acknowledged they were and sent at end of the week. Alderman January asked amount in the Water Fund and next transfer; Mrs. Partipilo stated amount of **\$1,415,419.93** and estimated transfer amount of **650,000** in July 2020. She clarified that the exact number was contingent upon the budget.

Alderman Allen questioned reimbursement of COVID-19 General Fund and why The City didn't apply for a loan; The Mayor stated the government agreed and would have to manage it differently as a municipality.

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Allen, Markham, Runnels

Nays: January

Absent: Evans

**MOTION CARRIED**

**VIII. MISCELLANEOUS**

CENSUS REMINDER

Alderman Mayfield stressed reminder to complete census. She stated that North Chicago was estimated at **47%** completed.

QUESTIONS/COMMENTS/CONCERNS

Alderman Allen questioned/suggested that new officers and firefighters were introduced.

Alderman January questioned status with reopening to the public; The Mayor decided to wait another week with report from Lake County. At this time there were stickers on the floor for social distancing; face masks available; hand sanitizer throughout the building; plexiglass installed in certain departments/offices and staggered shift for employees. He estimated **June 08 or 15, 2020** to reopen. Alderman January requested to send the finalize plan for council review. She appreciated the due diligence for safety purposes.

**IX. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Council; a motion was made by Alderman Runnels, seconded by Alderman Mayfield that the meeting stand adjourned.

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: Evans

**MOTION CARRIED**

The Council Meeting adjourned at 6:33 p.m.

**ATTEST:**

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**Lori L. Collins**, City Clerk

# MINUTES

The City Council of North Chicago met in a Regular meeting, Monday, June 15, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. via Virtual media Zoom Link with Mayor Leon Rockingham, Jr., presiding.

## I. CALL TO ORDER

## II. INVOCATION

## III. ROLL CALL

Upon roll call being taken, the following members were present:

Present: Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Absent: Fisher

Prior to Council Meeting, Mayor announced Alderman Fisher's absence.

## IV. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA

4-1 Minutes of Regular Council Meeting, **June 01, 2020**

4-2 Minutes of Standing Committee Meetings, **June 01, 2020**

4-3 1412 Lincoln Street – Disposal of Surplus Property

4-4 Treasurer's Report – **May 2020**

**Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Runnels to approve items 4-1 thru 4--4 of the Omnibus Vote Agenda as presented.**

Alderman January requested to move item **4-3** from Omnibus Vote Agenda to Regular Agenda.

### **ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Runnels

Nays: January

No Response: Markham

Absent: Fisher

### **MOTION CARRIED**

## V. PUBLIC COMMENTS

**NONE**

## VI. REGULAR AGENDA

4-3 1412 LINCOLN STREET – DISPOSAL OF SURPLUS PROPERTY

**Alderman Mayfield moved, seconded by Alderman Allen to approve disposal of surplus property at 1412 Lincoln Street.**

### **ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, January

Nays: None

Absent: Fisher

### **MOTION CARRIED**

6-1 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF THE APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE

**Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Markham to table item 6-1 until July 06, 2020.**

Attorney Welch announced Public Hearing scheduled **July 06, 2020**. There could be discussion.

Alderman Evans questioned clarification of copies prior to the meeting.

Chief of Staff, Deb Waszak explained could discuss it at this time.

Interim Comptroller, Daniela Partipilo explained an update from **6/01/20**. General Fund - Police, (Cops Grant of 250,000) applied to revenue; COLA (Cost of Living Adjustment) & Step increase for CSO (City Salary Ordinance); promotion in Public Works; **127,401** increase expenditures from last year; **\$566,702** (net loss); Metra Parking Lot will be reimbursed; library's budget of **\$1,77,417** expenditures and Appropriation/Budget, **7/06/20**

Alderman Markham questioned call center reflective of city savings; Mrs. Partipilo explained the police department with overtime and transfer. Alderman Markham questioned prior to COVID-19; Mrs. Partipilo explained **\$8,440,000 last year/\$8,150,000/** Expenses for transfer still lingering. Alderman Markham asked if the Enterprise Fleet Was assisting with the savings; Mrs. Partipilo stated following (6) months into the budget; **\$25,000** for CSO increases.

Alderman Allen questioned if inclusive of step increase; Mrs. Partipilo explained would be additional.

The Mayor clarified no step increases with **3-4** years and should receive a step increase. Mrs. Partipilo added that many have reached at end of salary scale.

The Mayor reiterated were entitled to their raises.

6-2 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF CITY BILLS

<b>General Corporate Fund</b>	\$	<b>213,294.84</b>
<b>Motor Fuel Tax</b>	\$	<b>72,874.34</b>
<b>Water Operations</b>	\$	<b>106,636.23</b>
<b>Grant</b>	\$	<b>650.00</b>
<b>Grant Place Operating Fund</b>	\$	<b>876.61</b>
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	\$	<b>394,332.02</b>
<b>ADDITIONAL BILLS</b>	\$	<b>1,268.77</b>
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<b>TOTAL</b>	\$	<b>395,600.79</b>

**MOTION:**

**Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to pay the bills of Council Run June 15, 2020 in the amount of \$394,332.02; Additional Bills; 1,268.77 = \$395,600.79 when funds become available.**

Alderman January questioned the Interim Comptroller, Daniela Partipilo if funds were available and when the checks would be disbursed; Mrs. Partipilo acknowledged they were and end of the week. Alderman January questioned amount of Water Fund, the transfer date and amount; Mrs. Partipilo stated **\$1,139,004.00** from the Water Fund; transfer amount of **\$675,000, July 01, 2020**.

Alderman Markham questioned COVID-19 refund; Chief of Staff, Deb Waszak replied there were types of expenses reimbursed.

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels

Nays: January

Absent: Fisher

**MOTION CARRIED**

**VIII. MISCELLANEOUS**

**COVID -19 FUND REIMBURSEMENT**

Chief of Staff, Deb Waszak explained reimbursed expected from Lake County. The Mayor added the County had received federal funding and the City of North Chicago would collect a portion of it.

**QUESTIONS/COMMENTS/CONCERNS**

Alderman January expressed her appreciation for “well wishes and prayers; She urged everyone following CDC guidelines to wear a mask and 6 ft. social distancing. The Mayor stated was unaware of her illness and would pray for her; He echoed Alderman January with social distancing.

Mayor Rockingham announced a food giveaway, hosted by the Chapel of Libertyville and Northern Illinois Food Bank, held at North Chicago City Hall.

**IX. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Council; a motion was made by Alderman Runnels, seconded by Alderman Allen that the meeting stand adjourned.

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, January

Nays: None

Absent: Fisher

The Council Meeting adjourned at 6:39 p.m.

**ATTEST:**

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**Lori L. Collins, City Clerk**

# MINUTES

The City Council of North Chicago met in a Regular meeting, Monday, July 6, 2020 at 6:02 p.m. via Virtual media Zoom Link with Mayor Leon Rockingham, Jr. presiding.

## I. CALL TO ORDER

## II. INVOCATION

## III. ROLL CALL

Upon roll call being taken, the following members were present:

Present: Mayfield, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Absent: Fisher

## IV. PUBLIC HEARING ON TENTATIVE BUDGET & APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE

**Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Allen to open the Public Hearing.**

Alderman January asked why the Public Hearing is held during Council meeting as part of City business and thought it was to be done separately. Attorney David Silverman explained as long as it is on the agenda and held at the time advertised then it was appropriate.

### **ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Mayfield, Allen, Runnels, **Mayor Rockingham**

Nays: Markham, January

Absent: Fisher, Evans

Attorney Silverman stated that the Mayor should vote as four (4) was needed to carry on the action.

**Mayor Rockingham voted Aye**

Alderman January asked for clarification that the Mayor vote when there is no tie. Alderman Markham explained there was five voting aldermen and there was no tie; the Mayor was only to break a tie. Attorney Silverman explained that Mayor Rockingham could vote in any instance being North Chicago is Home Rule. Alderman Markham clarified that Robert's Rules of Order does not apply; Attorney Silverman stated that it did not.

Interim Comptroller Daniela Partipilo noted Appropriations Ordinance is normally 105% over budgeted items to accommodate any overages.

Alderman Allen asked for clarification. Mrs. Partipilo explained.

**Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to close the Public Hearing.**

### **ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Mayfield, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: Fisher, Evans

## **MOTION CARRIED**

Mayor Rockingham stated Alderman Evans sent a text to vote Aye but unsure as to what. Attorney Silverman said to obtain information. City Clerk Lori L. Collins explained that Alderman Evans said it was to open the Public Hearing to discuss the Appropriations Ordinance.

**V. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA**

5-1 Minutes of Regular Council Meeting, **June 15, 2020**

5-2 Minutes of Standing Committee Meetings, **June 15, 2020**

5-3 Resolution – Illinois Association of Chiefs of Police Affirmation of Shared Principles

**Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Runnels to approve items 5-1 thru 5-3 in the Omnibus Vote Agenda as presented.**

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: Fisher

**MOTION CARRIED**

**VI. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Douglas Winston

The City Clerk read a letter from the Fire Pension Board President Doug Winston requesting “that the City make the Fund whole for those payments already agreed for Fiscal Year **2020** and ensure that payment levels previously agreed are met, to avoid the need for the Pension Board, as fiduciaries to the Fund, to take additional steps that would involve outside entities.”.

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Asked for consideration of withholding code changes concerning hardwire sprinklers. Mayor Rockingham clarified.

Economic Development Director Victor Barrera explained his thought that the requirement may have been met; changes would apply at time of sell. He would look into it further. The City Clerk would forward this information to the Economic Development Director.

Mayor Rockingham said that there would be a meeting with the Fire Pension Board to resolve issue with funding. Mrs. Partipilo explained that the budget for FY19 called for **\$1.15** mil in contributions; in fact the City made **\$1,401,723.11** in contributions, which was over the amount agreed. The current year there was less funding; **\$1,108,278.29** was given, with the overage in FY19 the City was still over **\$60,001.40**. They had contributed as promised with some monies remaining.

Mrs. Partipilo stated that there could be a better standard/schedule of payments to alleviate some of these questions. The City does not always collect **100%** in a given year. There would be more discussion.

**VII. REGULAR AGENDA**

7-1 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF BUDGET SUMMARY REPORT FY20

**Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve the Budget Summary Report FY20.**

Alderman Markham questioned if Pension payments were progressions of what the City agreed to pay included in current budget. Mrs. Partipilo explained that the City increased their contribution by **\$150,000** from the previous year. There may be a budget amendment based on COVID expenses and revenue in late fall.

Alderman January asked if there was a deficit or positive for FY20. Mrs. Partipilo said those were unaudited figures yet anticipated a positive of approximately \$391,000 for the general fund in year 2020.

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Runnels

Nays: Markham, January

Absent: Fisher

**MOTION CARRIED**

7-2 **CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF THE APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE FY21**

**Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve the Appropriation Ordinance FY21 as presented.**

Alderman January asked if the budget needed to be approved first. Attorney Silverman clarified that the Appropriations Ordinance had set the Tax Levy for the City that gives rights to the budget. The budget could be voted first if desired yet not necessary.

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Runnels

Nays: Markham, January

Absent: Fisher

**MOTION CARRIED**

7-3 **CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF BUDGET FY21**

**Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve the Budget FY21.**

Alderman January stated (before voting) that her decision was due to lack of aldermanic discussion, effects of COVID-19 pandemic and budget FY21 appeared to begin with a deficit.

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Runnels

Nays: Markham, January

Absent: Fisher

**MOTION CARRIED**

7-4 **CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF 14<sup>th</sup> ST. WATER MAIN REPLACEMENT – RECOMMENDATION TO AWARD CONTRACT**

**Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve the 14<sup>th</sup> St. Water Main Replacement – Recommendation Award Contract in the amount of \$912,967.45 to low bidder Patnick Construction.**

Alderman January said the agenda does not reflect the company awarded the contract or the amount. City Engineer Steve Cieslica explained the bid opening was the prior week with (10) bidders; the lowest bid was Patnick Construction for \$912,967.45. Alderman Markham agreed the amount and company should have been placed on the agenda.

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels

Nays: None

Absent: Fisher

**MOTION CARRIED**

**7-5 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF DUGDALE AVE. WATER MAIN EXTENSION – RECOMMENDATION TO AWARD CONTRACT**

**Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve Dugdale Ave. Water Main Extension – Recommendation to Award Contract amended including the amount of \$635,122.25 to Patnick Construction.**

Mr. Cieslica explained there were nine bidders. Alderman January asked how many of the bidders were minorities. Mr. Cieslica explained the City has a DBE goal for all projects, approximately 3 on this project.

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: Fisher

**MOTION CARRIED**

**7-6 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF CITY BILLS**

<b>General Corporate Fund</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>283,014.41</b>
<b>Library</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>6,236.85</b>
<b>Motor Fuel Tax</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>69,168.25</b>
<b>Water Operations</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>155,455.50</b>
<b>Grant</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>13,350.00</b>
<b>Community Development - CDBG</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>12,180.00</b>
<b>Dental and Vision</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>706.00</b>
<b>Retiree's Insurance Prem</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>15,699.64</b>
<b>Grant Place Operating Fund</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>321.26</b>
<b>Capital Project</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>5,867.50</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>561,999.41</b>

**MOTION:**

**Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to pay the bills of Council Run 07/06/20 in the amount of \$561,199.41 when funds become available.**

Alderman January questioned if there were sufficient funds and when checks would be disbursed. Interim Comptroller Daniela Partipilo stated that funds were available and checks would be sent possibly the next day. Alderman January asked the amount in the Water Fund at the close of that day; Mrs. Partipilo gave the amount of \$1,815,403.75. Alderman January asked the next fund transfer; Mrs. Partipilo explained that the transfer amount would \$675,000 within the next week.

Alderman Markham referred to page 22; Moran Marketing, LLC (COVID19) and asked if that was an individual. Mrs. Partipilo explained that Jim Moran was the Interim Information Coordinator; hopeful to get reimbursed for his work in regards to COVID19. He is currently not an employee yet is a contractor.

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels

Nays: January

Absent: Fisher

**MOTION CARRIED**

**VIII. MISCELLANEOUS**

VARIOUS

Alderman Markham asked for an update with a stolen car and purse; Police Chief Perez explained there was more patrol assigned to that area.

Alderman Markham questioned what was done to curb the fireworks (illegal in Illinois). Mayor Rockingham said it was illegal but made a concerted decision not to do extra patrol. There were no injuries in regards to fireworks.

Mayor Rockingham said calls were answered but they weren't due to fireworks.

Alderman Allen expressed frustration of grass cutting on Vickie Lane. The Department Heads should ensure issues were addressed without having to contact the Mayor. Mayor Rockingham said field correction notices process was 30 days. Alderman Allen suggested that they were cited.

Alderman January was concerned if the drunk driver in her neighborhood was cited. She stated there was a report but no repercussions or arrest of the offender. Chief Perez said he was unaware of the situation but would inform her.

Alderman Evans stated that officers have been walking within the community and it was a good program. Grass cutting shouldn't require a follow up; Department Heads should make sure the rules were followed and he commended the Fire and Police Department for Father's Day Parade.

**IX. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Council; a motion was made by Alderman Runnels, seconded by Alderman Allen that the meeting stand adjourned.

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: Fisher

**MOTION CARRIED**

The Council Meeting adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

**ATTEST:**

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**Lori L. Collins, City Clerk**

# MINUTES

The City Council of North Chicago met in a Regular meeting, Monday, July 20, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. via Virtual media Zoom Link with Mayor Leon Rockingham, Jr. presiding.

## I. CALL TO ORDER

## II. INVOCATION

## III. ROLL CALL

Upon roll call being taken, the following members were present:

Present: Mayfield, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Absent: Fisher

## IV. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA

4-1 Minutes of Regular Council Meeting, **July 06, 2020**

4-2 Minutes of Standing Committee Meetings, **July 06, 2020**

4-3 **14<sup>th</sup> Street Water Main Replacement – Approval of Work Order for Construction Engineering Services in the amount of \$139,190**

4-4 **Dugdale Road Water Main Extension – Approval of Work Order for Construction Engineering Services in the amount of \$88,370**

4-5 **Treasurer’s Report – June 2020**

4-6 **Monthly Budget Report – May 01 thru June 30, 2020**

**Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Allen to approve items 4-1 thru 4-6 in the Omnibus Vote Agenda as presented.**

Alderman January requested to move Omnibus Vote Agenda items **4-3** and **4-4** to Regular Agenda.

### **ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels

Nays: January

Absent: Fisher

### **MOTION CARRIED**

Mayor Rockingham stated that Alderman Fisher was ill and would not be in attendance.

## V. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Don Cederberg – Dog Kennel

Economic & Community Development Director Victor Barrera requested further discussion in Committee Meeting. The Senior Planner had a report to present.

## VI. REGULAR AGENDA

4-3 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF 14<sup>th</sup> STREET WATER MAIN REPLACEMENT - APPROVAL OF WORK ORDER FOR CONSTRUCTION ENGINEERING SERVICES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$139,190

**Alderman Mayfield moved, seconded by Alderman Runnels to approve the 14<sup>th</sup> Street Water Main replacement/approval of work order for construction engineering Services in the amount of \$139,190.**

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January  
Nays: None  
Absent: Fisher

4-4 **CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF DUGDALE ROAD WATER MAIN EXTENSION – APPROVAL OF WORK ORDER FOR CONSTRUCTION ENGINEERING SERVICES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$88,730**

**Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Evans to approve the Dugdale Road Water Main Extension of work order for construction Engineering Services in the amount of 88,370.**

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January  
Nays: None  
Absent: Fisher

**MOTION CARRIED**

6-1 **CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF GP LIQUOR LICENSE AT 601 10<sup>TH</sup> STREET – AVIDA PARTNERS**

**Alderman Evans moved, Alderman Markham to Table item 6-1 and return to Committee Meeting.**

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January  
Nays: Mayfield  
Absent: Fisher

**MOTION CARRIED**

Attorney Simon stated that there were several inquiries to make comments via Zoom, one being Andre Madison. Alderman January asked that the City Clerk read the letter from Mr. Madison. The City Clerk read the letter. Mr. Madison's letter reflected his disappointment with the lack of development in North Chicago.

The City Clerk read chat from Leslie Rogers as to how to participate in the meeting. The Mayor apologized for the inconvenience of Ms. Rogers and said that he would reply to Mr. Madison via email.

6-2 **CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF GP LIQUOR LICENSE AT 1492 LEWIS AVE. – PARIS BANQUET HALL**

**Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve the GP license at 1492 Lewis Ave., Paris Banquet Hall.**

Alderman Markham questioned the approval of item 6-2 and not 6-1; the Mayor explained 6-1 was voted based on the alderman request.

Alderman Allen explained that Paris had existing business, now developing a restaurant and grocery store. The liquor would be for the restaurant.

Alderman January disagreed with additional liquor licenses and gaming; clarified the need of more city revenue.

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Runnels, January

Nays: Markham

Absent: Fisher

**MOTION CARRIED**

- 6-3 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF CLASS B LIQUOR LICENSE AT 2004 MLK DR., KSK INC.

**Alderman Evans moved, to approve the Class B liquor License at 2004 MLK Dr., KSK INC.**

**DIED DUE TO LACK OF SECOND**

**MOTION FAILED**

- 6-4 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL – ORDINANCE APPROVING A ZONING MAP AMENDMENT FOR 2323 GREEN BAY ROAD – MIDWEST VETERANS CLOSET

**Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Runnels to approve the Zoning Map Amendment for 2323 Green Bay Road, Midwest Veterans Closet.**

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels

Nays: None

Absent: Fisher

**MOTION CARRIED**

- 6-5 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL – RESOLUTION FOR PLAT OF DEDICATION OF RIGHT-OF-WAY ALONG 24<sup>TH</sup> ST. TO THE CITY OF NORTH CHICAGO FOR ROADWAY PURPOSES

**Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Evans to approve Resolution for Plat of Dedication for Right-of Way along 24<sup>th</sup> St. to the City of North Chicago for roadway purposes.**

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: Fisher

**MOTION CARRIED**

- 6-6 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL TO DECLARE THE NORTH CHICAGO LIBRARY'S 2008 CHEVROLET BOOKMOBILE AS SURPLUS AND FOR THE AUTHORITY TO ADVERTISE AND SOLICIT PUBLIC BIDS FOR THE SALE OF SAME TO THE HIGHEST ND MOST RESPONSIVE BIDDER

**Alderman January moved, seconded by Alderman Runnels to approve declaring the North Chicago 2008 Chevrolet Vehicle, once the Library's Bookmobile, as Surplus and for the Authority to Advertise and Solicit Public Bids for the sale of same to the highest and most responsive bidder.**

**Alderman January moved, seconded by Alderman Runnels to amend and approve declaring the North Chicago 1997 Chevrolet Vehicle, once the Library's Bookmobile as Surplus and for the Authority to Advertise and Solicit Public Bids for the sale of same to the highest and most responsive bidder.**

Alderman Allen questioned how citizens could obtain a bid slip.

Ed Wilmes, Public Works Director said a list of all surplus vehicles for sale, legal notices to post where and how to submit bids.

Attorney Simon questioned when advertised; Mr. Wilmes replied Wednesday.

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: Fisher

**MOTION CARRIED**

- 6-7 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL AND ADDITIONAL MOTION PERTAINING TO THE DISPOSITION OF SURPLUS CITY VEHICLES PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL AT MAY 04, 2020, TO ALLOW FOR SURPLUS SALES FOR THIS GROUP OF VEHICLES VIA MULTIPLE OPTIONS

**Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Evans to approve additional motion pertaining to the disposition of surplus city vehicles passed by the City Council at May 04, 2020, to allow for surplus sales for the group of vehicles via multiple options.**

The Mayor questioned clarification; Mr. Wilmes explained that some of surplus sales would cost the City if only sold to Enterprise Fleet opposed to making money from the sale.

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: Fisher

**MOTION CARRIED**

- 6-8 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL FOR AUTHORITY TO ENTER INTO AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT WITH LAKE COUNTY STORMWATER MANAGEMENT COMMISSION (LCSMC) REGARDING THE ACQUISITION, USE MAINTENANCE AND FUTURE DISPOSITION OF REAL PROPERTY

**Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve authority to enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement with Lake County Stormwater Management Commission (LCSMC) regarding the acquisition, use maintenance and future disposition of real property.**

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: Fisher

**MOTION CARRIED**

6-9 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL – REQUEST FOR HONORARY NAMING OF 20<sup>TH</sup> STREET FROM DUGDALE RD TO THE WEST CUL-DE-SAC, AS PASTOR CHARLES E. HENRY WAY

**Alderman Markham moved, Alderman January to approve request for Honorary Naming of 20<sup>th</sup> Street from Dugdale Rd. to the West Cul-de-sac, as Pastor Charles E. Taylor Drive.**

Alderman Allen clarified page 2 should indicate 5<sup>th</sup> Ward.

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: Fisher

**MOTION CARRIED**

6-10 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF CITY BILLS

<b>General Corporate Fund</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>185,339.44</b>
<b>Library</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>141.16</b>
<b>Motor Fuel Tax</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>18,784.45</b>
<b>Water Operations</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>257,825.07</b>
<b>Community Development - CDBG</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>887.40</b>
<b>911 Emergency Telephone Systems</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>3,702.04</b>
<b>Retiree's Insurance Prem</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>1,581.93</b>
<b>TIF II Downtown/Industrial</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>12,241.50</b>
<b>Grant Place Operating Fund</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>6,117.82</b>
<b>Capital Project</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>4,486.00</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>491,106.81</b>

**MOTION:**

**Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to pay the bills of Council Run 07/20/20 in the amount of \$491,106.81 when funds become available.**

Alderman January questioned if there were sufficient funds and when checks would be disbursed. Interim Comptroller Daniela Partipilo stated that funds were available and checks would be sent possibly the next day. Alderman January asked the amount in the Water Fund at the close of that day; Mrs. Partipilo gave the amount of **\$1,219,656.47**. Alderman January asked the next fund transfer; Mrs. Partipilo explained that the transfer amount of **\$675,000** was issued that day.

Alderman Allen questioned city reimbursement for body cam; Mrs. Partipilo explained it was a regular expense and not reimbursed.

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels

Nays: January

Absent: Fisher

**MOTION CARRIED**

**VIII. MISCELLANEOUS**

**REDUCTION OF SLOTS**

Alderman Evans explained that the owner at 1720 Sheridan Road has reduced gaming machine request from (5) to (3). The Mayor referred to Attorney Simon who agreed.

This will be placed on Committee Agenda for further discussion.

**STATUS OF CUT-OFFS**

Alderman Mayfield questioned status of water shutoffs; the Mayor explained there would need to be a re-evaluation and would speak to the Attorneys. She suggested alternative methods due to higher bills and hoped City would consider the financial distress of those citizens. The Mayor offered residents to contact 2-1-1 to assist with utilities. Ms. Mayfield requested to place information on the city website.

**ANNOUNCEMENT**

Treasurer, Kenneth Robinson announced the Foss Park movie in the Park; **Wednesday, 8:00 p.m.** drive-in to reserve a spot.

**CENSUS REMINDER**

Mayor Rockingham said that Joan Battley, Library Director was on the virtual meeting to remind everyone to complete the 2020 Census.

**IX. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Council; a motion was made by Alderman Runnels, seconded by Alderman Markham that the meeting stand adjourned.

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Mayfield, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: Fisher, Evans

**MOTION CARRIED**

The Council Meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

**ATTEST:**

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**Lori L. Collins**, City Clerk

# MINUTES

The City Council of North Chicago met in a Regular meeting, Monday, August 03, 2020 at 6:02 p.m. via Virtual media Zoom Link with Mayor Leon Rockingham, Jr. presiding.

## I. CALL TO ORDER

## II. INVOCATION

## III. ROLL CALL

Upon roll call being taken, the following members were present:

Present: Mayfield, Allen, Markham, Runnels

Absent: Fisher, January

Mayor Rockingham announced that Alderman Fisher would not be present due to illness.

## IV. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA

4-1 Minutes of Regular Council Meeting, **July 20, 2020**

4-2 Minutes of Standing Committee Meetings, **July 20, 2020**

**Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Runnels to approve items 4-1 and 4-2 in the Omnibus Vote Agenda as presented with correction.**

Alderman Evans noted that 6-1 should have been removed and not returned for discussion.

**Alderman January joined the meeting at 6:03 p.m.**

### **ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels

Nays: January

Absent: Fisher

### **MOTION CARRIED**

## V. PUBLIC COMMENTS

NONE

## VI. REGULAR AGENDA

6-1 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT – COVID – 19 RELIEF FUND

**Alderman Mayfield moved, Alderman Runnels to approve the Intergovernmental Agreement for COVID-19 Relief Fund.**

Chief of Staff Deb Waszak explained the COVID-19 Relief Fund and that it was with Lake County. Time sensitive document; approximately \$219,000. It provided payment to local governments for the impact of pandemic COVID-19.

### **ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: Fisher

### **MOTION CARRIED**

6-2 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF AN ORDINANCE DECLARING SURPLUS AND AUTHORIZING THE DISPOSAL OR SALE OF CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY

**Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve the Ordinance Declaring Surplus and Authorizing the Disposal or Sale of Certain Real Property.**

Alderman Markham questioned terminology of “Real Property.” Senior Planner Nimrod Warda explained that it referred to two (2) specific properties on Argonne and Green Bay Road. Alderman Markham asked why that isn’t written in the ordinance. Mr. Warda said that ordinance was standard verbiage. Attorney Chris Welch explained the motion covers the legal language stated in the ordinance.

Alderman Allen stated that the public and Council should be aware of the properties they are voting on. He questioned if this was just the ordinance to allow surplus property; Attorney Welch agreed.

Alderman Evans asked why vehicles weren’t separate from property; Mayor explained there were no vehicles for this ordinance.

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Runnels

Nays: Markham, January

Absent: Fisher

**MOTION CARRIED**

6-3 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF 1234 SHERIDAN RD. – HIGHWAY AUTHORITY AGREEMENT

**Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Evans to approve the Highway Authority Agreement at 1234 Sheridan Rd.**

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: Fisher

**MOTION CARRIED**

6-4 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF CHRIS AYERS TO CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE – RELACEMENT OF DAVID STONER UNTIL APRIL 2022

**Alderman Mayfield moved, seconded by Alderman Runnels to approve the appointment of Chris Ayers to the Police Citizens Advisory Committee for replacement of David Stoner until April 2022.**

The Mayor explained a resume was provided. Mr. Stoner submitted a resignation.

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels

Nays: None

No Response: January

Absent: Fisher

**MOTION CARRIED**

6-5 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF CITY BILLS

<b>General Corporate Fund</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>164,452.03</b>
<b>Library</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>406.56</b>
<b>Motor Fuel Tax</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>23,940.51</b>
<b>Water Operations</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>62,918.01</b>
<b>Grant</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>5,650.00</b>
<b>Community Development - CDBG</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>15,310.00</b>
<b>Capital Improvement Fund</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>45,594.87</b>
<b>Dental and Vision</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>1,558.19</b>
<b>Seized Drug Monetary Fund/ST</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>28,778.50</b>
<b>Retiree's Insurance Prem</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>1,895.13</b>
<b>TIF II Downtown/Industrial</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>12,215.24</b>
<b>Skokie Highway TIF III</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>4,692.50</b>
<b>Grant Place Operating Fund</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>2,201.90</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>369,613.44</b>

**MOTION:**

**Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to pay the bills of Council Run 08/03/20 in the amount of \$369,613.44 when funds become available.**

Alderman January questioned if there were sufficient funds and when checks would be disbursed. Interim Comptroller Daniela Partipilo stated that funds were available and checks would be sent possibly the next day. Alderman January asked the amount in the Water Fund at the close of that day; Mrs. Partipilo gave the amount of \$1,257,343.04. Alderman January asked the next fund transfer; Mrs. Partipilo explained that the transfer amount of \$675,000 in month of October.

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Runnels

Nays: Markham, January

Absent: Fisher

**MOTION CARRIED**

**VIII. MISCELLANEOUS**

**ANNOUNCEMENT**

The Mayor announced that he was notified Wednesday, **July 29, 2020** that Mr. Edwynne Ford, 5<sup>th</sup> ward resident and former alderman passed away.

**FIREWORKS**

The Mayor explained that the only event for North Chicago Community Days was fireworks this year due to COVID-19 and safety concerns. He thanked staff and all that attended.

**IX. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Council; a motion was made by Alderman Runnels, seconded by Alderman Allen that the meeting stand adjourned.

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: Fisher

**MOTION CARRIED**

The Council Meeting adjourned at 6:21 p.m.

**ATTEST:**

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**Lori L. Collins**, City Clerk

# MINUTES

The City Council of North Chicago met in a Regular meeting, Monday, August 17, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. via Virtual media Zoom Link with Mayor Leon Rockingham, Jr. presiding.

## I. CALL TO ORDER

## II. INVOCATION

## III. ROLL CALL

Upon roll call being taken, the following members were present:

Present: Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Absent: Fisher

The Mayor announced the absence of Alderman Fisher.

3-1 Resolution Honoring Mr. Edwynne L. Ford

**Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Markham to approve the Resolution Honoring Mr. Edwynne L. Ford.**

City Clerk, Lori Collins read the Resolution as requested.

The Mayor added that the Resolution was presented to the Family.

### **ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: Fisher

### **MOTION CARRIED**

## IV. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA

4-1 Minutes of Regular Council Meeting, **August 03, 2020**

4-2 Minutes of Standing Committee Meetings, **August 03, 2020**

4-3 Water Department Report – **July 2020**

4-4 Treasurer's Report – **July 2020**

4-5 Intergovernmental Agreement between the Department of Healthcare and Family Services and North Chicago Fire Department

4-6 Entering into an Intergovernmental Agreement with Lake County Stormwater Commission and United States Navy – Professional Services required for Completion of a Storm Water Study to Reduce Regional Flooding

4-7 Awarding Contract Valued at a Not to Exceed Limit of **\$35,000** with Precision Pavement Marking Services for Striping of City Streets

4-8 Awarding Contract Valued at a Not to Exceed Limit of **\$25,000** to CAM, LLC for Pavement Preservation Treatment Services of Select City Streets

4-9 Ordinance Amending Zoning Ordinance in the City of North Chicago – As Amended Concerning Cannabis Manufacturing Business Establishments

**Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Runnels to approve items 4-5 thru 4-5 in the Omnibus Vote Agenda as presented.**

Alderman January requested the remaining items of 4-5 thru 4-9 be sent to Regular Agenda.

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels  
Nays: January  
Absent: Fisher

**MOTION CARRIED**

**V. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

**NONE**

**VI. REGULAR AGENDA**

4-5 INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTHCARE AND FAMILY SERVICES AND NORTH CHICAGO FIRE DEPARTMENT

**Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve the Intergovernmental Agreement between the Department of Healthcare and Family Services and North Chicago Fire Department.**

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January  
Nays: None  
Absent: Fisher

**MOTION CARRIED**

4-6 ENTERING INTO AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT WITH LAKE COUNTY STORMWATER COMMISSION AND UNITED STATES NAVY – PROFESSIONAL SERVICES REQUIRED FOR COMPLETION OF A STORM WATER STUDY TO REDUCE REGIONAL FLOODING

**Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Runnels to approve the Intergovernmental Agreement with Lake County Stormwater Commission and United States Navy, Professional Services required for completion of a storm water study to reduce regional flooding.**

Alderman January questioned city cost incurred for the study. Attorney Simon explained was a TIF expense.

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January  
Nays: None  
Absent: Fisher

**MOTION CARRIED**

4-7 AWARDING CONTRACT VALUED AT A NOT TO EXCEED LIMIT OF \$35,000 WITH PRECISION PAVEMENT MARKING SERVICES FOR STRIPING OF CITY STREETS

**Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Allen to approve awarding contract valued at a not to exceed limit of \$35,000 with Precision Pavement Marking Services for Striping of City Streets.**

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: Fisher

**MOTION CARRIED**

- 4-8 AWARDING CONTRACT VALUED AT A NOT TO EXCEED LIMIT OF \$25,000 TO CAM, LLC FOR PAVEMENT PRESERVATION TREATMENT SERVICES OF SELECT CITY STREETS

**Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Allen to approve awarding contract valued at a not to exceed limit of \$25,000 to CAM, LLC for Pavement Preservation Treatment Services of select city streets.**

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: Fisher

**MOTION CARRIED**

- 4-9 ORDINANCE AMENDING ZONING ORDINANCE IN THE CITY OF NORTH CHICAGO – AS AMENDED CONCERNING CANNABIS MANUFACTURING BUSINESS ESTABLISHMENTS

**Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve the Zoning Ordinance Amendment in the City of North Chicago as amended concerning cannabis manufacturing business establishments.**

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Runnels, January

Nays: Markham

Absent: Fisher

**MOTION CARRIED**

- 6-1 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF GP LIQUOR LICENSE FOR (3) VIDEO MACHINES AT 1720 SHERIDAN RD.

**Alderman Mayfield moved, Alderman Runnels to approve the GP Liquor License for (3) Video Machines at 1720 Sheridan Rd.**

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Mayfield, Evans, Runnels

Nays: Allen, Markham, January

Absent: Fisher

The Mayor broke the tie of an Aye Vote.

**MOTION CARRIED**

- 6-2 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF AWARDING PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT IN AMOUNT OF \$16,800.00 TO TRI-R SYSTEMS INC. FOR INTEGRATOR SERVICES REQUIRED FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF A NEW SCADA OPERATING SYSTEM FOR THE WATER INTAKE AND TREATMENT PLANT

**Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve of Awarding Professional Services Contract in Amount of \$16,800.00 to Tri-R Systems Inc. for Integrator Services required for the Implementation of a new SCADA Operating System for the Water Intake and Treatment Plant.**

Alderman Allen questioned if the City sent bids. Ed Wilmes, Public Works Director explained not formally solicited bids. He had reached out to Trotter & Associates as requested. Tri-R had presented a very competitive bid. They visited the water plant prior to submitting a contract.

Mr. Wilmes explained he received information from Mr. Bob Benson, Trotter & Associates. The Mayor suggested considering decision recommendation from the engineering firm of the Water Plant.

Alderman Allen requested comparing opinion from Waukegan Mayor.

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Mayfield, Evans, Runnels,

Nays: Allen, Markham, January

Absent: Fisher

The Mayor broke the tie with an Aye Vote.

**MOTION CARRIED**

6-3 **CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL – REVIEW POSSIBLE ACCEPTANCE OF BIDS RECEIVED FOR SALE OF SURPLUS VEHICLES**

**Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve acceptance of bids received for sale of surplus vehicles.**

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: Fisher

**MOTION CARRIED**

6-4 **CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF ORDINANCE ENACTING AND LEVYING GAS USE TAX AMENDMENT**

**Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve the Ordinance Enacting and Levying Gas Use Tax Amendment.**

Alderman Markham questioned if just changing the date of the ordinance; Attorney Simon explained it was a scribbler's error. It was ensuring the same information as the collection agreement with the Gas Company for city record accuracy.

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: Fisher

**MOTION CARRIED**

6-5 **CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF CITY BILLS**

<b>General Corporate Fund</b>	\$	<b>282,253.72</b>
<b>Library</b>	\$	<b>8,910.11</b>
<b>Motor Fuel Tax</b>	\$	<b>2,443.00</b>
<b>Water Operations</b>	\$	<b>493,629.86</b>
<b>Grant</b>	\$	<b>18,903.00</b>
<b>Community Development - CDBG</b>	\$	<b>17,749.82</b>
<b>TIF Grant PL Debt. Serv. 2007C</b>	\$	<b>475.00</b>
<b>Federal Forfeited Property (DEA)</b>	\$	<b>20,724.85</b>
<b>911 Emergency Telephone Sys.</b>	\$	<b>12,665.15</b>
<b>Retiree's Insurance Prem</b>	\$	<b>15,715.64</b>
<b>Grant Place Operating Fund</b>	\$	<b>718.74</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	\$	<b>874,188.89</b>

**MOTION:**

**Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to pay the bills of Council Run 08/17/20 in the amount of \$874,188.89 when funds become available.**

Alderman January questioned if there were sufficient funds and when checks would be disbursed. Interim Comptroller Daniela Partipilo stated that funds were available and checks would be sent possibly the next day. Alderman January asked the amount in the Water Fund at the close of business day; Mrs. Partipilo gave the amount of **\$1,373,180.84**. Alderman January asked the next fund transfer; Mrs. Partipilo explained that the transfer amount of **\$675,000** in month of October.

Alderman Allen requested copy of Community Day bills for his records.

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels

Nays: January

Absent: Fisher

**MOTION CARRIED**

**VII. MISCELLANEOUS**

**VIII. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Council; a motion was made by Alderman Runnels, seconded by Alderman Mayfield that the meeting stand adjourned.

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: Fisher

**MOTION CARRIED**

The Council Meeting adjourned at 6:34 p.m.

**ATTEST:**

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**Lori L. Collins, City Clerk**

# MINUTES

The City Council of North Chicago met in a Regular meeting, Tuesday, September 08, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. via Virtual media Zoom Link with Mayor Leon Rockingham, Jr. presiding.

## I. CALL TO ORDER

## II. INVOCATION

## III. ROLL CALL

Upon roll call being taken, the following members were present:

Present: Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels

Absent: Fisher, January

3-1 Resolution Honoring Ernest. B. Fisher, Sr.

**Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Markham to approve the Resolution Honoring Ernest B. Fisher, Sr.**

City Clerk, Lori Collins read the Resolution as requested.

The Mayor stated that Alderman Fisher would be truly missed.

### **ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels

Nays: None

Absent: Fisher, January

### **MOTION CARRIED**

## IV. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA

4-1 Minutes of Regular Council Meeting, **August 017, 2020**

4-2 Minutes of Standing Committee Meetings, **August 17, 2020**

4-3 Water Department Report – **August 2020**

**Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve items 4-1 thru 4-3 in the Omnibus Vote Agenda as presented.**

### **ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels

Nays: None

Absent: Fisher, January

### **MOTION CARRIED**

## V. PUBLIC COMMENTS

City Clerk Collins stated she received (3) public comments via e-mail and forwarded to the Mayor's Office.

### **Unique Williams**

Ms. Williams, a North Chicago graduate sent e-mail concern of North Chicago economic quality of life; ensuring financial stability, rentals; high unemployment rate; how has the City engaged with Abbott Labs and neighboring companies to create opportunities for the citizens and economic development for high risk neighborhood areas.

William and Tamara Coleman – North Chicago Think Tank

They requested improved political stability; questioned the City’s position with defunding the police; what was encouraged in building their trust; requested condemning police brutality; war on drugs; over-policing negatively impacting minorities.

Veronica Lynn Willis – North Chicago Think Tank

Stated had represented the North Chicago Think Tank. She questioned how the City contributed to the health, clean air and needs of the North Chicago families. She questioned the Mayor what was the quality of life in North Chicago when subjected to a “food desert”, if the air, soil and water were consistently being tested by Abbotts and those test results. The “carbon footprint” of the City; the current plans with a more environmentally friendly, cooperating with Rosalind Franklin University, Lake County Health Department; the city officials that allowed drug paraphernalia;

The Mayor stated he would prepare a response to those questions and City Council members.

**VI. REGULAR AGENDA**

6-1 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL – DISPOSAL OF SURPLUS PROPERTY (PIN 12-06-210-027) – 2920 20<sup>TH</sup> PL

**Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve the disposal of surplus property (PIN 12-06-210-027) – 2920 20<sup>TH</sup> PL. The bid amount of \$10,000 was received from Amias Turman.**

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels

Nays: None

Absent: Fisher, January

**MOTION CARRIED**

6-2 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF CITY BILLS

<b>General Corporate Fund</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>322,851.70</b>
<b>Library</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>5,924.89</b>
<b>Motor Fuel Tax</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>44,431.40</b>
<b>Water Operations</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>135,056.52</b>
<b>Grant</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>18,208.52</b>
<b>Community Development - CDBG</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>2,610.00</b>
<b>Fed.Forfeited Property (DEA)</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>11,291.25</b>
<b>911 Emergency Telephone Systems</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>1,086.17</b>
<b>Retiree's Insurance Prem</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>16,227.23</b>
<b>TIF II Downtown/Industrial</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>1,938.79</b>
<b>Skokie HWY TIF III</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>6,002.50</b>
<b>Grant Place Operating Fund</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>4,027.19</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>569,656.16</b>

**MOTION:**

**Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to pay the bills of Council Run 09/08/20 in the amount of \$569,656.16 when funds become available.**

Alderman Allen requested copy of Community Day bills for his records.

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Runnels

Nays: Markham

Absent: Fisher, January

**MOTION CARRIED**

**VII. MISCELLANEOUS**

**COMMUNITY DAYS**

Alderman Allen received report from Interim Comptroller, Daniela Partipilo. He questioned clarification of the **\$30,000** in proceeds and **\$35,000 expenditures**. The stage/stage manager deposits were carried over to the following year. They were paid prior to COVID-19. Alderman Allen directed to ensure monies were collected prior to expenditures.

The Mayor clarified that the City was unable to solicit as usual due to COVID-19. The additional funds collected was utilized from Community Development. Alderman Allen strongly stressed to be more mindful of spending.

Alderman Markham questioned payment to company PMG and amount for Community Days prior year; Mrs. Partipilo explained. She couldn't recall the amount prior and would return the information to him. The revenue and expenditures were placed in an escrow account.

The Mayor received information that the City didn't exceed the proceed monies.

**COMPLAINT RECEIVED**

Alderman Evans received complaint from an employee concerning a non-employee that disciplines within the department repeatedly. The Mayor directed to be addressed to the Department Head or Human Resources with employment issues. Alderman Evans stated that staff had complained concerning Non-Department Head mistreatment. He would approach the Mayor with the information and hoping it would be resolved.

**VIII. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Council; a motion was made by Alderman Runnels, seconded by Alderman Mayfield that the meeting stand adjourned.

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels

Nays: None

Absent: Fisher, January

**MOTION CARRIED**

The Council Meeting adjourned at 6:29 p.m.

**ATTEST:**

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**Lori L. Collins, City Clerk**

# MINUTES

The City Council of North Chicago met in a Regular meeting, Monday, September 21, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. via Virtual media Zoom Link with Mayor Leon Rockingham, Jr. presiding.

## I. CALL TO ORDER

## II. INVOCATION

## III. ROLL CALL

Upon roll call being taken, the following members were present:

Present: Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, January

Absent: Runnels

3-1 Resolution Honoring Pastor Arthur J. Gass

**Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman January to approve the Resolution Honoring Arthur J. Gass.**

City Clerk, Lori Collins read the Resolution as requested.

Alderman Runnels entered the virtual Zoom Meeting at 6:07 p.m.

### **ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

### **MOTION CARRIED**

3-2 Resolution Honoring Pastor Walstone E. Francis

**Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Markham to approve the Resolution Honoring Walstone E. Francis.**

City Clerk, Lori Collins read the Resolution as requested.

### **ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

### **MOTION CARRIED**

## IV. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA

4-1 Minutes of Regular Council Meeting, **September 08, 2020**

4-2 Minutes of Standing Committee Meetings, **September 08, 2020**

4-3 Treasurer's Report – **August 2020**

4-4 Monthly Budget Report – **July 01 thru August 30, 2020**

4-5 Grant and Waive the City's Competitive Bidding Requirement and Award the Contract to the Preferred City Contractor, C Force Construction for Fast Track Demolition

**Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve items 4-1 thru 4-5 in the Omnibus Vote Agenda as presented.**

### **ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Runnels

Nays: January  
Absent: None  
Inaudible: Markham

Mayor Rockingham questioned the necessity of a 2/3 vote for waiving of bids for the Fast Track Demolition. Attorney Adam Simon agreed and it is 2/3 of the Corporate Authority.

**Alderman Markham voted Aye during discussion**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**V. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

**Charles January** – Gave condolences for Alderman Fisher; also stated that Pastor Gass and Francis would be missed in the community. Concerned and disappointed that Mrs. Betty Fisher was the only candidate presented to Council for the appointment of First Ward Alderman. He felt that her being Vice Chairman of the North Chicago Housing Authority was a conflict of interest.

The citizens weren't aware of what was being approved. He also commented that the City salaries were too high; in contrast to the average income of residents was \$30,000.

**VI. REGULAR AGENDA**

6-1 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF MANUFACTURER'S PROPOSAL IN AMOUNT OF \$28,612.00 PREPARED BY CENTRISYS/CNP OF KENOSHA, WI FOR THE REPAIR AND INSTALLATION OF A PROPRIETARY CENTRIFUGE USED AT THE WATER TREATMENT PLANT FOR TH DEWATERING OF SLUDGE THAT RESULTS FORM THE WATER PURIFICATION PROCESS

**Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman January to approve the Manufacturer's Proposal in amount of \$28,612.00, prepared by Centrisys/CNP for the repair and installation of a proprietary centrifuge.**

Alderman January questioned if it was a final amount; Public Works Director said it was a firm proposal and the contractor analyzed before amount was submitted to Council. Alderman January stated that pervious situations exceeded the budget; she suggested to include "Not to Exceed" in the motion.

**Alderman Evans amended motion, Alderman January amended second to include "Not to Exceed".**

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January  
Nays: None  
Absent: None

**MOTION CARRIED**

6-2 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF AMENDING INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT ENTERED INTO ON OR ABOUT JULY 20, 2020 BY THE CITY WITH LAKE COUNTY STORMWATER MANAGEMENT AGENCY REGARDING FLOOD RELIEF AND MONETARY REIMBURSEMENT FOR WORK ASSOCIATED WITH THE STRAWBERRY CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION FLOOD RELIEF IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

**Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve Amending Intergovernmental entered into on or about July 20, 2020 by the City with Lake**

**County Stormwater Management Agency regarding Flood Relief and Monetary Reimbursement for Work Associated with the Strawberry Condominium Association Flood Relief Improvement Project.**

Alderman January asked for a brief overview; Public Works Director Ed Wilmes stated that more funds were being disbursed to the City and asked that City Planner Nimrod Warda elaborate. Mr. Warda explained there would be a full reimbursement and back taxes along with current taxes.

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

**MOTION CARRIED**

6-3 **CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL TO AWARD THE NORTH CHICAGO TRAIN STATION TO INTEGRAL CONSTRUCTION IN AMOUNT OF \$232,000**

Alderman Evans asked for a point of clarification if the city was relinquishing the train station to Integral Construction. It appeared the City was giving the property. The Mayor explained that Integral was rehabbing the property. Mayor

**Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve Award to Integral Construction for the rehab of North Chicago Train Station in the amount of \$232,000.**

Attorney Simon explained that there was to be a different amount to be approved. Mr. Barrera explained that the amount should reflect \$266,000. Alderman Markham referred to the memo that stated \$266,000 and if monies were to be refunded in whole or a portion. Mr. Barrera stated all monies would be refunded.

**Alderman Evans amended motion, seconded amended by Alderman Mayfield to approve Award to Integral Construction for the rehab of North Chicago Train Station in the amount of \$266,000.**

Alderman January asked if there was a lump sum reimbursement; Economic Development Victor Barrera replied funds would be reimbursed as work progressed.

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

**MOTION CARRIED**

6-4 **CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF ZONING MAP AMENDMENT FOR 2100 MLK DR. FROM B2 TO CW**

**Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Evans to approve the Zoning Map Amendment for 2100 MLK Dr. from B2 to CW.**

Alderman January asked for distinction of the codes and titles. City Planner Nimrod Warda explained B2 – General Business (typically retail, restaurant and office use) and CW – Commercial and Wholesale (hybrid between business and industrial).

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

**MOTION CARRIED**

6-5 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL - APPOINTMENT OF BETTY FISHER AS 1<sup>ST</sup> WARD ALDERMAN

**Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve the appointment of Betty Fisher as 1<sup>st</sup> Ward Alderman.**

Mayor Rockingham stated prior to Alderman Fisher’s passing he (Alderman Fisher) asked that his wife Betty Fisher be considered to take his place as alderman until the election. He spoke to other qualified individuals to fill the role. Currently in the election cycle and her appointment would only last until someone was elected. He said that she stated her willingness to fill the position until the election.

Alderman Allen thought that other names were to be presented with further discussion. There was to be a process. Mayor Rockingham explained that it was his appointment with the approval of Council.

Alderman Markham asked if there was a conflict of interest with being on the North Chicago Housing Authority (NCHA) Committee. Attorney Simon explained there was no conflict; NCHA was a separate body. If there were votes pertaining to that Housing Authority, she would recuse herself.

Alderman January agreed there should have been a process. She reminded that the appointment of the Housing Authority Committee was also performed by the Mayor. There should be a resignation of the Housing Authority Committee prior to the 1<sup>st</sup> Ward appointment.

Mrs. Betty Fisher stated that she would resign from the Housing Authority Committee prior to filling the 1<sup>st</sup> Ward position. She would appreciate the opportunity to continue the legacy of her husband as alderman.

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Mayfield, Runnels

Nays: Evans, Allen, Markham, January

Absent: None

**MOTION CARRIED**

6-6 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF CITY BILLS

<b>General Corporate Fund</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>281,025.93</b>
<b>Motor Fuel Tax</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>15,980.25</b>
<b>Water Operations</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>664,524.20</b>
<b>Dental and Vision</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>1,438.45</b>
<b>Grant Place Operating Fund</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>1,066.14</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>964,034.97</b>

**MOTION:**

**Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to pay the bills of Council Run 09/21/20 in the amount of \$964,034.97 when funds become available.**

Alderman January asked if there were sufficient funds; when checks would be made and dispensed. Interim Comptroller Daniela Partipilo said funds were available; checks would be cut and sent within the week. Alderman January asked the balance of the Water Fund and the next transfer; Mrs. Partipilo gave the balance of \$1,743,345.98 in the Water Operations Fund with the next transfer to be in October for \$675,000.

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels

Nays: January

Absent: None

**MOTION CARRIED**

**VII. MISCELLANEOUS**

**JOBS** – Alderman Evans requested a copy of how City jobs were being advertised. It had been stated that there weren't qualified applicants. Human Resources Director Elizabeth Black said she was unaware of the request. She further said there were several job boards that were used. Alderman Evans reiterated being told that there were no applicants from the community; people in the community have said they weren't aware of the available positions.

**COVID** – Alderman Evans questioned if any funds received from Lake County. Mayor Rockingham stated "not at this time".

**SHERIDAN CROSSING** – Alderman Evans asked if there were any prospective businesses for Sheridan Crossing. Mayor Rockingham stated there was nothing final but discussion of a warehouse.

**STREET LIGHTS** – Alderman Evans concerned with street lights going out and the time it takes to have them repaired/replaced. Mayor Rockingham explained the citizen could call directly to City Hall or ComEd to reduce reporting time.

**911 CALL CENTER** – Alderman Markham asked if there could be an update of the Call Center (monies spent; progress; date of completion). Mayor Rockingham said it could be placed on a future agenda.

**BUSINESSES** – Alderman Markham questioned businesses that had been reported for lack of cleanliness and why inspectors were not following up with the complaints. Attorney Simon explained the process of Field Correction Notices and there was a process of approximately 30 days prior to a result. Alderman Markham felt Inspectors should work more diligently to remedy the issues of the appearance of the businesses.

**CENSUS** – Alderman Markham asked if Spanish speaking enumerators for the Census were working in North Chicago. Mayor Rockingham said that there were Spanish speakers and explained that North Chicago was a hard count community. Alderman Markham asked if there was a deadline extension; Mayor Rockingham said the final date was September 30<sup>th</sup>.

**"TRICK OR TREAT"** – Alderman Evans asked if there was going to be Trick or Treat in North Chicago. Mayor Rockingham stated concern of COVID pandemic; mentioned a possible "Trunk or Treat" hosted by Foss Park. Alderman Evans was presented with the matter but didn't think it was advisable at the time. Mayor Rockingham said it would be discussed at the next Regular Meeting. Alderman Markham didn't agree with the event. Alderman Mayfield agreed with an event at the Park District but not to homes.

**COMED** – Alderman Allen advised that if there was a street light outage there was a ComEd number that anyone can call. Alderman Evans agreed but thought there was a process; the lights were blowing at a rapid rate.

**HOTEL** – Alderman January concerned about a hotel in the 6<sup>th</sup> Ward on Buckley Road with a flashing red light that shines on top of the building. Police Chief Lazaro Perez stated he was sending a police to access the situation.

## **VIII. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Council; a motion was made by Alderman Runnels, seconded by Alderman Allen that the meeting stand adjourned.

### **ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

### **MOTION CARRIED**

The Council Meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

### **ATTEST:**

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**Lori L. Collins**, City Clerk

# MINUTES

The City Council of North Chicago met in a Regular meeting, Monday, October 05, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. via Virtual media Zoom Link with Mayor Leon Rockingham, Jr. presiding.

## I. CALL TO ORDER

## II. INVOCATION

## III. ROLL CALL

Upon roll call being taken, the following members were present:

Present: Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Absent: None

## IV. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA

4-1 Minutes of Regular Council Meeting, **September 21, 2020**

4-2 Minutes of Standing Committee Meetings, **September 21, 2020**

4-3 Intergovernmental Agreement Among the County of Lake, Villages of Bartlett, Hoffman Estates, Barrington Hills, South Barrington, Barrington, Deer Park, Lake Zurich, Hawthorn Woods, Long grove, Libertyville, Mettawa, Green Oaks and the City of North Chicago for the Equally Share Costs for Engineering Work towards them Recertification of a Quiet Corridor along the Elgin, Joliet and Eastern Railroad

**Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Evans to approve items 4-1 thru 4-2 in the Omnibus Vote Agenda as presented.**

Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Evans to remove item **4-3** from Omnibus Vote to Regular Agenda.

### **ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

## **MOTION CARRIED**

## V. PUBLIC COMMENTS

### Clyde McLemore

Mr. McLemore stated he was a recovered addict of **24** years. He agreed with the organization attempting to assist North Chicago for possible recovering addicts. The Mayor stated would consider his comment.

### Charles January

Mr. January highly commended the 1<sup>st</sup> Ward appointee, Mr. Michael R. Jackson, was a fine gentlemen and a former police officer of Waukegan; he never abused his power as an officer; he would be a great addition to the City Council as an Alderman, commended the Mayor and hoped the Council would also consider him. The City had another attorney, State Representative Charles Welch who was to be very knowledgeable. He suggested different Committee structure with public comments and encouraged council consideration.

4-3 INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT AMONG THE COUNTY OF LAKE, VILLAGES OF BARTLETT, HOFFMAN ESTATES, BARRINGTON HILLS, SOUTH BARRINGTON, BARRINGTON, DEER PARK, LAKE ZURICH,

HAWTHORN WOODS, LONG GROVE, LIBERTYVILLE, METTAWA, GREEN OAKS AND THE CITY OF NORTH CHICAGO FOR THE EQUALLY SHARED COSTS FOR ENGINEERING WORK TOWARDS THE RECERTIFICATION OF A QUIET CORRIDOR ALONG THE ELGIN, JOLIET AND EASTERN RAILROAD

**Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Evans that the Intergovernmental Agreement and the City of North Chicago for the equally shared costs for engineering work towards the recertification of a Quiet Corridor along the Elgin, Joliet and Eastern Railroad.**

Chief of Staff, Deb Waszak requested the need of recertification of the Quiet Corridor Intergovernmental Agreement; shared city costs of **\$3,338.46** with named communities.

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

**MOTION CARRIED**

**VI. REGULAR AGENDA**

**6-1 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL – APPOINTMENT OF MICHAEL R. JACKSON AS 1<sup>ST</sup> WARD ALDERMAN**

**Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve the appointment of Michael R. Jackson as 1<sup>st</sup> Ward Alderman.**

The Mayor stated that Mr. Jackson would support the 1<sup>st</sup> Ward and would ensure that the City of North Chicago would continue to strive to be a better place.

Attorney Welch advised that the 1<sup>st</sup> Ward Appointee, Michael R. Jackson be sworn in at this time and explained that he would be able to participate in the remainder of the meeting. Mayor Rockingham swore in Mr. Jackson.

Alderman Jackson appreciated his family, was a public servant to the City of North Chicago his dedication and commitment in the 1<sup>st</sup> Ward and City of North Chicago. He would prefer meeting with the aldermen individually as time permitted. He thanked the Aldermen and Mayor. Clerk Collins would supply an October 5<sup>th</sup> distribution packet and arrange for a key to the aldermanic office for him.

Alderman January congratulated and welcomed Alderman Michael R. Jackson. Alderman Jackson stated he was looking forward to a solidified council.

The Mayor explained he would need to sign the elected official documents when able in the City Clerk's Office, in the Human Resources Department and the I.T. Department. A contact number would be provided by the Mayor.

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

**MOTION CARRIED**

**6-2 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL – SEBASTIAN RODRIGUEZ TO THE NORTH CHICAGO LIBRARY BOARD REPLACING RAMONA HARVEY FOR A 3-YEAR TERM:**

**Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve the appointment of Sebastian Rodriguez to the North Chicago Library Board replacing Ramona Harvey for a 3-year term.**

The Mayor stated that Mr. Rodriguez was very instrumental to the City moving forward with ensuring the children and residents a fine experience at the North Chicago Library.

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

**MOTION CARRIED**

6-3 **CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF CITY SALARY ORDINANCE (CSO) AMENDMENT – PAYGRADE FROM A-27 TO A-28 FOR CHIEF OF STAFF POSITION**

**Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve City Salary Ordinance (CSO) Amendment to paygrade from A-27 to A-28 for Chief of Staff Position.**

**Alderman January amended motion, amended second by Alderman Markham to include a one-time bonus of \$20,000 for her accomplishments: recommendation from the City Council of North Chicago.**

Alderman Jackson questioned clarification if it was in lieu of original item **6-3**; the Mayor acknowledged it was in addition.

Attorney Welch advised there were (2) motions; the amended motion of the one-time **\$20,000** bonus took president over the original one for the amendment of paygrade from **A-27** to **A-28**.

**ROLL CALL FOR \$20,000 BONUS:**

Ayes: Mayfield, Evans, Markham, Runnels, January

Nays: Jackson, Allen

Absent: None

**MOTION CARRIED**

Mayor asked for roll call of original motion; item **6-3** for clarification:

**ROLL CALL FOR PAYGRADE CHANGE:**

Ayes: Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Runnels, January

Nays: Jackson, Markham

Absent: None

**MOTION CARRIED**

6-4 **CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF CITY SALARY ORDINANCE (CSO) AMENDMENT - FLSA RECLASSIFICATION OF FACILITIES MANAGER TO A-18**

**Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve City Salary Ordinance (CSO) Amendment – FLSA Reclassification of Facilities Manager to A-18.**

Alderman Jackson questioned clarification of item **6-4** from Grade **14-18**; The Mayor explained his original position and additional duties to an exempt status of duties within

the City of North Chicago. Alderman Jackson questioned overtime spent since the new position of Building & Facilities Manager.

Interim Comptroller, Daniela Partipilo stated estimated **\$5,500** for overtime and **\$1,300** of compensatory time.

Alderman Jackson asked what step within Grade A-18 for the Facilities Manager; Mrs. Partipilo stated 6<sup>th</sup> Step and exempt from overtime; an additional **\$1,800**.

Alderman January questioned if Grade A-16 and 17 were exempt status; Mrs. Partipilo acknowledged both were.

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

**MOTION CARRIED**

6-5 **CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF CITY SALARY ORDINANCE (CSO) AMENDMENT - FLSA RECLASSIFICATION OF COMMUNITY INFORMATION COORDINATOR TO A-18**

**Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve City Salary Ordinance (CSO) Amendment – FLSO Reclassification of Facilities Manager to A-18.**

Alderman Allen clarified that the current Community Information Coordinator was aware of the salary before being hired. He questioned why a raise as a contractor; the Mayor explained the position had been evolving with increased responsibilities. It wasn't the person yet the position and moving to an exempt position from overtime.

Alderman Jackson asked what step proposed; Mrs. Partipilo explained Step 3 (\$70,803) of Grade A-18 approximately \$1,400 more than the previous Coordinator and no overtime or compensatory time.

Alderman Markham agreed with Alderman Allen; why couldn't the position remain outsourced, not knowing future finances.

Alderman January agreed with Alderman Allen and Markham; asked if he was to be hired as a city employee; the Mayor acknowledged he would be. The City needed to be cautious of its finances. The Mayor explained it would not continue to be outsourced and still intended to hire.

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Mayfield, Evans, Runnels

Nays: Jackson, Allen, Markham, January

Absent: None

**MOTION FAILED**

6-6 **CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF CITY SALARY ORDINANCE AMENDMENT**

**Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve the City Salary Ordinance.**

City Clerk Collins questioned clarification of Grade for Community Information Coordinator as the proposed Salary Ordinance reflected the change which failed.

Attorney Charles Welch agreed that the motion and approval was to be reflective without the Community Coordinator change.

**Alderman Runnels amended motion, second amended by Alderman Mayfield to approve the City Salary Ordinance excluding Community Information Coordinator grade change.**

City Clerk Collins questioned clarification of Grade for Community Information Coordinator as the proposed Salary Ordinance reflected the change which failed. Attorney Charles Welch agreed that the motion and approval was to be reflective without the Community Coordinator change.

Alderman January asked for overview; Liz Black, Human Resources Director provided overview of **pg. 7; letter G (VESSA) and I (Whistleblower) and pg. 8; letter J (Expense Reimbursement Policy) and K (Credit Card Policy).**

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

**MOTION CARRIED**

6-7 **CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF CANCELLING HALLOWEEN “TRICK OR TREAT”**

**Alderman Mayfield moved, seconded by Alderman Markham to approve the cancellation of Halloween “Trick or Treat” due to the COVID-19 pandemic.**

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

**MOTION CARRIED**

6-8 **CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF AMENDING 6-1-2, PERTAINING TO PROPERTY MAINTENANCE FOR ALLEY RIGHTS-OF-WAY**

**Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Allen to approve Amending 6-1-2, pertaining to property maintenance for alley rights-of-way.**

Alderman Jackson questioned for an overview; Ed Wilmes, Public Works Director explained the property owner would be responsible for maintaining a portion in parkway/alley.

The Mayor explained the Public Works Department would do the initial 1<sup>st</sup> cut.

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels

Nays: Jackson, January

Absent: None

**MOTION CARRIED**

6-9 **CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF RECOMMENDATION TO AWARD CONTRACT FOR THE 2020 METRA PARKING LOT SURFACE IMPROVEMENTS TO CHADWICK CONTRACTING COMPANY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$195,648.50**

**Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Allen to approve the recommendation to award contract for the 2020 Metra Parking Lot Surface Improvements to Chadwick Contracting Company in the amount of \$195,648.50.**

Alderman Markham questioned if funds were reimbursed; City Engineer, Steve Cieslica acknowledged they were as part of an Intergovernmental Agreement.

Alderman Jackson inquired if any minorities were employed by Chadwick; Mr. Cieslica explained he was unaware of IDOT requirement.

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

**MOTION CARRIED**

- 6-10 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF RECOMMENDATION TO AWARD THE 2020 MFT STREET RESURFACING PROJECT TO BROTHERS ASPHALT PAVING, INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$554,469.46

**Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Mayfield to approve the recommendation to award the 2020 MFT Street Resurfacing Project to Brothers Asphalt Paving, Inc. in the Amount of \$554,469.46.**

Alderman January asked what streets and to include statement “not to exceed.” City Engineer explained.

**Alderman January moved, seconded by Alderman Markham to amend motion to include verbiage amount not to exceed \$554,469.46.**

**ROLL CALL TO INCLUDE NOT TO EXCEED:**

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

**MOTION CARRIED**

**ROLL CALL AS AMENDED:**

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

**MOTION CARRIED**

- 6-11 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF TAI'S WORK ORDER FOR DESIGN ENGINEERING & BIDDING SERVICES FOR 16<sup>TH</sup> STREET AND KEMBLE AVENUE TRANSMISSION MAIN IN THE AMOUNT OF \$420,664.00.

**Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Mayfield to approve the TAI'S Work order for Design Engineering & Bidding services for 16<sup>th</sup> Street and Kemble Avenue Transmission Main in the Amount not to exceed \$420,664.00.**

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

**MOTION CARRIED**

6-12 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF GRANT PLACE LEASE RENEWAL – BOYS & GIRLS CLUB

**Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Evans to approve the Grant Place Lease Renewal for Boys & Girls Club.**

Mr. Barrera requested to remove item **6-12** for corrections.

**Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Evans to withdraw motion.**

**Alderman January moved, seconded by Alderman Markham returning to Committee Meeting for further discussion.**

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

**MOTION CARRIED**

6-13 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF CITY BILLS

<b>General Corporate Fund</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>383,152.08</b>
<b>Library</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>4,353.62</b>
<b>Motor Fuel Tax</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>6,934.90</b>
<b>Water Operations</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>66,047.02</b>
<b>Grant</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>5,632.23</b>
<b>911 Emergency Telephone Sys.</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>1,553.72</b>
<b>Retiree's Insurance Premium</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>15,401.85</b>
<b>TIF II Downtown/Industrial</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>3,277.50</b>
<b>Skokie Hwy TIF III</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>4,443.75</b>
<b>Grant Place Operating Fund</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>9,664.11</b>

**TOTAL** **\$** **500,460.78**

**MOTION:**

**Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to pay the bills of Council Run 10/05/20 in the amount of \$500,460.78 when funds become available.**

Alderman January asked if there were sufficient funds; when checks would be made and dispensed. Interim Comptroller Daniela Partipilo stated funds were available; checks would be disbursed within the week. Alderman January asked the balance of the Water Fund and the next transfer; Mrs. Partipilo gave the balance of \$2,253,337.97 in the Water Operations Fund with the next transfer to be in October for \$675,000.

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels

Nays: January

Absent: None

**MOTION CARRIED**

**VII. MISCELLANEOUS**

**FENCE REQUEST**

Alderman Markham inquired if a new design fence could be placed on **19<sup>th</sup>** Place; the Mayor suggested to remove it at this time and he would acquire the cost estimate.

The Mayor requested a census extension.

#### COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Alderman January questioned the structure of the Committee Meetings and if Public Comments were to be included for each Committee. Attorney Welch stated that it was possible to have a Committee of the Whole. He was confident that the City was in compliance.

#### CENSUS

Mayor Rockingham announced the extension of the Census deadline.

Alderman Jackson clarified apathy and distrust; thought of no benefit to the age groups of **19-25**. They were afraid the census information was to be used for other reasons. Alderman January asked current level; Alderman Jackson said approx. 56%.

#### CARBON MONOXIDE MONITORS

Alderman Allen reminded council members of the carbon monoxide monitor available to seniors of over **65** years of age.

### **VIII. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Council; a motion was made by Alderman Runnels, seconded by Alderman Markham that the meeting stand adjourned.

#### **ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

#### **MOTION CARRIED**

The Council Meeting adjourned at 7:29 p.m.

#### **ATTEST:**

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**Lori L. Collins, City Clerk**

# MINUTES

The City Council of North Chicago met in a Regular meeting, Monday, October 19, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. via Virtual media Zoom Link with Mayor Leon Rockingham, Jr. presiding.

## I. CALL TO ORDER

## II. INVOCATION

## III. ROLL CALL

Upon roll call being taken, the following members were present:

Present: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, January

Absent: Runnels

3-1 Resolution Honoring Zera Dickerson

**Alderman Mayfield moved, seconded by Alderman Markham to approve the Resolution Honoring Zera Dickerson.**

Lori L. Collins, City Clerk read the Resolution.

### **ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, January

Nays: None

Absent: Runnels

### **MOTION CARRIED**

## IV. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA

4-1 Minutes of Regular Council Meeting, **October 05, 2020**

4-2 Minutes of Standing Committee Meetings, **October 05, 2020**

4-3 Water Department Report – **September 2020**

4-4 Monthly Budget Report – **May 01 thru September 30, 2020**

4-5 Proclamation – **2020 Red Ribbon Week**

**Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve the Omnibus Vote Agenda as presented.**

### **ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham

Nays: January

Absent: Runnels

### **MOTION CARRIED**

## V. PUBLIC COMMENTS

NONE

## VI. REGULAR AGENDA

6-1 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL – REAPPOINTMENT OF TIMOTHY CLARK TO THE POLICE PENSION BOARD (TERM: MAY 01, 2020 THRU APRIL 30, 2022)

**Alderman Allen moved, seconded Alderman Jackson to approve the Reappointment of Timothy Clark to the Police Pension Board (Term: May 01, 2020 thru April 30, 2022).**

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, January

Nays: None

Absent: Runnels

**MOTION CARRIED**

- 6-2 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF AWARDING CONTRACT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$25,171.91 TO HACH FOR CY21 SERVICES ASSOCIATED WITH OPERATION/MAINTENANCE OF PROPRIETARY CHEMICAL DOSAGE MONITORING AND REPORTING EQUIPMENT REQUIRED AT THE WATER TREATMENT PLANT FOR PROCESSING AND PURIFICATION OF POTABLE WATER

**Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman January to approve the Award Contract in the amount of \$25,171.91 to HACH for CY21 Services Associated with Operation/Maintenance of Proprietary Chemical Dosage Monitoring and Report Equipment Required at the Water Treatment Plant for Processing and Purification of Potable Water.**

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, January

Nays: None

Absent: Runnels

**MOTION CARRIED**

- 6-3 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF CITY BILLS

<b>General Corporate Fund</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>197,437.15</b>
<b>Motor Fuel Tax</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>6,096.76</b>
<b>Water Operations</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>665,754.05</b>
<b>TIF 2005A Debt Service</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>963,200.00</b>
<b>TIF Grant PL Debt Serv 2007C</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>724,733.75</b>
<b>TIF 2007A Debt Service</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>271,300.00</b>
<b>TIF Debt Serv 2007B</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>102,530.00</b>
<b>911 Emergency Telephone Sys.</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>167,708.00</b>
<b>Retiree's Insurance Prem</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>860.17</b>
<b>TIF II Downtown/Industrial</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>5,202.14</b>
<b>TIF II Sheridan Crossing</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>7.14</b>
<b>Skokie Highway TIF III</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>16,590.90</b>
<b>Grant Place Operating Fund</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>422.99</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>3,121,843.05</b>

Alderman Runnels entered the virtual meeting at 6:20 p.m.

**MOTION:**

**Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Evans to pay the bills of Council Run 10/19/20 in the amount of \$3,121,843.05 when funds become available.**

Alderman January asked if there were sufficient funds; when checks would be processed and dispensed. Interim Comptroller Daniela Partipilo stated funds were available; checks would be disbursed within the week. Alderman January asked the balance of the Water Fund and the next transfer; Mrs. Partipilo gave the balance of \$766,846.03 in the Water Operations Fund at the end of that day.

Alderman January questioned the lower balance of the Water Fund in comparison to the previous meeting. Mrs. Partipilo explained that there are water funds, this was the operational portion of the cash; various accounts with higher yields.

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels

Nays: January

Absent: None

**MOTION CARRIED**

**VII. MISCELLANEOUS**

**SAFETY FAIR**

Alderman Mayfield announced that a Safety Fair in conjunction with the Exchange Club, would be providing free Public Safety kits, **October 31, 2020; 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.** More information would be provided. She encouraged participation to everyone.

**VARIOUS TOPICS**

Alderman Jackson thanked all the Department Heads and staff in the attempt to getting him acclimated as alderman. He also requested that the Preliminary Agenda be sent prior to the packets being sent out. The City Clerk explained to Alderman Markham there was a request that the aldermen not receive the preliminary; she further stated that packets timing were sent based on information received from the departments.

Alderman Allen asked if reimbursement was received; Chief of Staff Deb Waszak explained the total allocation was approximately \$1.4 million which was submitted on October 14, 2020. An update would be presented to the Council upon receiving funding.

Alderman Markham asked for a follow-up of the 911 Center; Mayor Rockingham stated that it would be presented the following meeting. Interim Comptroller Daniela Partipilo said that she resubmitted state report and did a close out effective April 30, 2020. Once it is completed the appropriate amount would be reimbursed. Alderman Markham asked if all 911 funds were transferred; Mrs. Partipilo said no not all but were some.

Mayor Rockingham asked for a review of the carbon-monoxide detector program. Fire Chief Dell Urban gave an update explaining that it was part of a grant; there was no fee and is installed by the Fire Department.

**VIII. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Council; a motion was made by Alderman Allen, seconded by Alderman Mayfield that the meeting stand adjourned.

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

**MOTION CARRIED**

The Council Meeting adjourned at 6:29 p.m.

**ATTEST:**

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**Lori L. Collins**, City Clerk

# MINUTES

The City Council of North Chicago met in a Regular meeting, Monday, November 02, 2020 at 6:03 p.m. via Virtual media Zoom Link with Mayor Leon Rockingham, Jr. presiding.

## I. CALL TO ORDER

## II. INVOCATION

## III. ROLL CALL

Upon roll call being taken, the following members were present:

Present: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Absent: None

### MOTION CARRIED

## IV. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA

4-1 Minutes of Regular Council Meeting, **November 02, 2020**

4-2 Minutes of Standing Committee Meetings, **November 02, 2020**

4-3 Minutes of Finance/Audit Committee Meetings, **November 11, 2020**

4-4 Monthly Budget Report – **May 01, 2020** thru **October 31, 2020**

4-5 Water Department Report – **October 2020**

4-6 Treasurer's Report – **October 2020**

**Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Evans to approve the Omnibus Vote Agenda as presented.**

Alderman Markham inquired of the insurance in the Treasurer's Report (approximately \$600,000); Treasurer, Kenneth Robinson explained monies were in the General Fund and the dollars are restricted. Billing comes out of the General Fund. Alderman Markham suggested the funds be removed from General Fund.

### ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Runnels

Nays: Markham, January

Absent: None

### MOTION CARRIED

## V. PUBLIC COMMENTS

NONE

## VI. REGULAR AGENDA

6-1 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL – REDFLEX TRAFFIC SYSTEMS AGREEMENT

**Alderman Mayfield moved, seconded Alderman Evans to approve the Redflex Traffic Systems Agreement.**

### ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

**MOTION CARRIED**

- 6-2 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL – GP LICENSE FOR 1712 SHERIDAN RD. (WAUP STOP)

**Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve the GP License for 1712 Sheridan Rd. (Waup Stop)**

**ROLL CALL**

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Runnels

Nays: Markham, January

Absent: None

**MOTION CARRIED**

- 6-3 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL – AWARD THE 2020 FAST TRACK DEMOLITION PROJECT TO C-FORCE CONSTRUCTION IN THE AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$354,792.00

**Alderman moved, seconded by Alderman to approve the Award of 2020 Fast Track Demolition Project to C-Force Construction in the amount not to exceed \$354,792.00.**

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

**MOTION CARRIED**

- 6-4 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL – AWARD A CONTRACT IN A NOT TO EXCEED VALUE OF \$ AS THE LOW BIDDER FOR THE GRINDING OF TREE STUMPS AND PARKWAY RESTORATION AT LOCATIONS THROUGHOUT THE CITY; FUNDING SOURCE IS 2020 CDBG FUNDS:

**Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Allen to approve the award not to exceed value of \$ as the low bidder for the grinding of tree stumps and parkway restoration at locations throughout the city; funding source is 2020 CDBG Funds.**

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

**MOTION CARRIED**

- 6-5 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL – AWARD A CONTRACT IN A NOT TO EXCEED VALUE OF \$ AS THE LOW BIDDER FOR THE REMOVAL AND REPLACEMENT OF SIDEWALKS DEEMED TO BE HAZARDOUS AT LOCATIONS THROUGHOUT THE CITY; FUNDING SOURCE IS 2020 CDBG FUNDS.

**Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Allen to approve the award not to exceed value of \$ as the low bidder for the removal and replacement of sidewalks deemed to be hazardous at locations throughout the City; funding source is 2020 CDBG Funds.**

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Nays: None  
Absent: None

**MOTION CARRIED**

6-6 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF CITY BILLS

<b>General Corporate Fund</b>	\$	<b>313,575.65</b>
<b>Library</b>	\$	<b>11,476.21</b>
<b>Motor Fuel Tax</b>	\$	<b>3,352.95</b>
<b>Water Operations</b>	\$	<b>102,157.18</b>
<b>Grant</b>	\$	<b>5,088.50</b>
<b>911 Emergency Telephone Sys.</b>	\$	<b>19,783.56</b>
<b>Dental and Vision</b>	\$	<b>577.35</b>
<b>Retiree's Insurance Prem.</b>	\$	<b>13,384.61</b>
<b>TIF II Downtown/Industrial</b>	\$	<b>250.00</b>
<b>TIF II Sheridan Crossing</b>	\$	<b>625.00</b>
<b>Skokie Highway TIF III</b>	\$	<b>625.00</b>
<b>Grant Place Operating Fund</b>	\$	<b>5,017.16</b>
<b>Capital Project</b>	\$	<b>142,206.32</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	\$	<b>618,119.49</b>

**MOTION:**

**Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to pay the bills of Council Run 11/02/20 in the amount of \$618,119.49 when funds become available.**

Alderman January asked if there were sufficient funds; when checks would be processed and dispensed. Treasurer, Kenneth Robinson stated funds were available; checks would be disbursed before end of the week. Alderman January asked the balance of the Water Fund and the next transfer; Treasurer Robinson provided the balance of \$1,729,637.71 in the Water Operations Fund and transfer of \$650,000 in January 2021.

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels

Nays: January

Absent: None

**MOTION CARRIED**

**VII. MISCELLANEOUS**

911 CALL CENTER STATUS

Alderman Markham stated had previously requested the status of the 911 Call Center and when the information would be submitted; The Mayor stated it would be placed on the next **Committee Meeting, November 16, 2020** for discussion.

Alderman Evans explained that several questions could be addressed to the Department Heads prior to the meeting.

APPRECIATIVE

Alderman Allen was very gracious of the condolences and prayers received in the loss of his sister.

VARIOUS

Alderman Mayfield sent thanks to the Public Safety team & Fire Department for their participation in the Public Safety Fair in conjunction with the Exchange Club distributing safety kits. She commended the Police Department for distribution of candy in the neighborhood for Halloween. She reminded those to complete Sexual Harassment Training including the Elected Officials before end of the year.

VARIOUS

Alderman January had strong concerns of receiving the incorrect agendas yet stated they needed to be received in a timely way; disappointed that the Interim Comptroller's contract wasn't renewed; she had extensive knowledge of the costly software recently purchased who would have been the best person to implement the system. She felt the Assistant Comptroller should be a contractor based on City Ordinance.

The Mayor stated candidate for interview November 6, 2020 as Interim Comptroller. He stated the current Assistant Comptroller was capable of handing the current duties; she was familiar with the functions of the office.

Mayor Rockingham stated if there were errors in the agenda prior to the meeting (Thursday) there is opportunity for the aldermen to make necessary changes/corrections.

**VIII. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Council; a motion was made by Alderman Runnels, seconded by Alderman Mayfield that the meeting stand adjourned.

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

**MOTION CARRIED**

The Council Meeting adjourned at 6:35 p.m.

**ATTEST:**

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**Lori L. Collins, City Clerk**

# FINANCE/AUDIT COMMITTEE MEETING

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 2020  
12:30 PM

Alderman Runnels called the meeting to order

## ROLL CALL:

Present: Jackson, Mayfield, Markham, Runnels

Absent: Evans, Allen, January

## I. DISCUSSION OF FIRE PENSION:

Alderman Runnels explained the Tax Levy would be discussed at the Regular Standing Committee Meeting November 11, 2020.

Treasurer, Kenneth Robinson introduced Fire Pension President, Doug Winston and Carolyn Clifford, Fire Pension Board Counsel. She explained a letter was sent to the Mayor's Office **October 5, 2020** questioning status of Fire Pension contributions after audited. The Board was cooperative in working with the City **\$1.3 million**; the actual contribution was **\$1,105,680** leaving a deficiency of **\$194,321**. Cumulative approach of only **\$60,000** additional including the **\$150,000** City contribution; payment was made independently to hold interception. The contribution timeframe was in **2018-2019** for **2016 & 2017**.

Chief of Staff, Deb Waszak stated she was not present in the meeting with the Board and Interim Comptroller; she was unaware why funds were applying to the **2016** shortfall. The information received never mentioned that contributions were to be applied to **2016** or how far back funding was going. According to her calculations **\$337,000** would be accurate for the agreed scenario #1.

Ms. Clifford explained the calculations based on the audit by Lauterbach & Amen of the City contribution and funding transition plan. Chief of Staff Waszak reiterated that the understanding was to move forward not back.

Attorney Adam Simon explained the deficiency was not based upon the agreed transition contribution. Looking at the contribution of **2019** the City gave **\$1.4 million** which resulted in a surplus contribution of **\$250,000**. The **\$250,000** should roll forward. The City agreed to follow the transition plan.

City Treasurer Kenneth Robinson stated that there was never an indication that funding would be for future payments. Mrs. Clifford said that **\$150,000** contribution was received in **2019**.

Attorney Simon calculated a deficit/shortfall of **\$92,570** for **2020**. Mrs. Clifford suggested that the information be sent to the Attorney and Chief of Staff for further deliberation. Attorney Simon emphasized that the City's high tax rate and didn't not prefer to raise property taxes. Pension contributions were paid with property taxes and other revenue. When the City adopted the Tax Levy it would not reflect the entire contribution that was owed for **2021**; it will be less. Mrs. Clifford understood.

Chief of Staff Waszak explained that the pension was from many sources within the budget. Ms. Clifford stated concern of funding the current pensions being funded. Treasurer Robinson stated that any dollars paid in excess of the transition plan would be stated for future contributions/obligations.

## II. DISCUSSION OF 2020 TAX LEVY:

Per Alderman Runnels, this will be discussed at the next **Meeting, November 16, 2020.**

Alderman Mayfield moved, seconded by Alderman Jackson that Finance/Audit Committee Meeting stand adjourned.

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Markham, Runnels

Nays: None

Absent: Evans Allen, January

The meeting adjourned at 1:04 p.m.

# MINUTES

The City Council of North Chicago met in a Regular meeting, Monday, November 16, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. via Virtual media Zoom Link with Mayor Leon Rockingham, Jr. presiding.

## I. CALL TO ORDER

## II. INVOCATION

## III. ROLL CALL

Upon roll call being taken, the following members were present:

Present: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Absent: None

### MOTION CARRIED

## IV. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA

4-1 Minutes of Regular Council Meeting, **November 02, 2020**

4-2 Minutes of Standing Committee Meetings, **November 02, 2020**

4-3 Minutes of Finance/Audit Committee Meetings, **November 11, 2020**

4-4 Monthly Budget Report – **May 01, 2020** thru **October 31, 2020**

4-5 Water Department Report – **October 2020**

4-6 Treasurer’s Report – **October 2020**

City Clerk Lori L. Collins explained that there were corrections to Minutes of Finance/Audit Committee November 11, 2020; the day of the meeting “Wednesday” not “Monday” and the word “seconded” to be added in the motion.

**Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Runnels to approve the Omnibus Vote Agenda as presented with the corrections stated for Finance/Audit Committee November 11, 2020.**

### ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels

Nays: Jackson, January

Absent: None

### MOTION CARRIED

## V. PUBLIC COMMENTS

**There were no comments.**

## VI. REGULAR AGENDA

6-1 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL – REDFLEX TRAFFIC SYSTEMS AGREEMENT

**Alderman Allen moved, seconded Alderman Evans to approve the Redflex Traffic Systems Agreement.**

### ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

**MOTION CARRIED**

- 6-2 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL – GP LICENSE FOR 1712 SHERIDAN RD. (WAUP STOP)

**Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve the GP License for 1712 Sheridan Rd. (Waup Stop).**

Alderman January questioned if there was opposition in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Ward for gaming at that location and if it was across the street from Senior Housing. Alderman Mayfield stated there was no disagreement that she was aware of and confirmed that it was located near Senior Housing.

**ROLL CALL**

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Runnels

Nays: Markham, January

Absent: None

**MOTION CARRIED**

- 6-3 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL – AWARD THE 2020 FAST TRACK DEMOLITION PROJECT TO C-FORCE CONSTRUCTION IN THE AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$354,792.00

**Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Allen to approve the Award of 2020 Fast Track Demolition Project to C-Force Construction in the amount not to exceed \$354,792.00.**

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

**MOTION CARRIED**

- 6-4 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL – AWARD A CONTRACT IN A NOT TO EXCEED VALUE OF \$20,000 AS THE LOW BIDDER FOR THE GRINDING OF TREE STUMPS AND PARKWAY RESTORATION AT LOCATIONS THROUGHOUT THE CITY; FUNDING SOURCE IS 2020 CDBG FUNDS:

**Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Evans to approve the award contract to New Horizons Tree Service Company in an amount not to exceed value of \$20,000 as the low bidder for the grinding of tree stumps and parkway restoration at locations throughout the City; funding source is 2020 CDBG Funds.**

Alderman January expressed disappointment of approving without presenting to Council for discussion initially. She questioned why C-Force was not chosen. Ed Wilmes, Public Works Director explained there was (2) separate bids; the stump grinding; item 6-4 was awarded to New Horizons Tree Service Company. Item 6-5 was awarded for Sidewalk Replacement for trip hazards which was awarded to C-Force. She clarified should have a dollar amount to the bids. Mr. Wilmes explained the bidding was delayed due to unique circumstances and Friday was the selected day. He added that the notice was properly advertised. She indicated the option of a digital notice to the Aldermen.

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

**MOTION CARRIED**

6-5 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL – AWARD A CONTRACT IN A NOT TO EXCEED VALUE OF \$31,290 at \$7.00/SQ FT AS THE LOW BIDDER FOR THE REMOVAL AND REPLACEMENT OF SIDEWALKS DEEMED TO BE HAZARDOUS AT LOCATIONS THROUGHOUT THE CITY; FUNDING SOURCE IS 2020 CDBG FUNDS.

**Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Evans to approve the award contract to C-Force in the amount not to exceed value of \$31,290 at \$7.00/Sq. Ft. as the low bidder for the removal and replacement of sidewalks deemed to be hazardous at locations throughout the City; funding source is 2020 CDBG Funds.**

Alderman Jackson asked for clarification as the amount didn't coincide with the values in the document. Public Works Director Ed Wilmes explained that the amount reflected 845 square foot of sidewalk, totaling 4470 square foot times \$7.00 is the total of \$31,290. The repairs were based on the severity.

Alderman Jackson also was conflicted with information not being presented prior to the meeting and the cost was misleading with paperwork provided at the time. The Mayor explained that the City allocated up to \$35,000 for as many number of sidewalks needed.

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Runnels

Nays: Jackson, Markham, January

Absent: None

**MOTION CARRIED**

6-6 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF CITY BILLS

<b>General Corporate Fund</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>220,751.22</b>
<b>Library</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>42.50</b>
<b>Motor Fuel Tax</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>55,702.25</b>
<b>Water Operations</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>217,924.46</b>
<b>CDBG</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>12,955.07</b>
<b>Retiree's Insurance Prem.</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>281.60</b>
<b>TIF II Downtown/Industrial</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>3,657.50</b>
<b>Skokie Hwy TIF III</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>3,632.50</b>
<b>Grant Place Operating Fund</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>1,113.84</b>
<b>Capital Project</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>5,867.50</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>521,928.44</b>

**MOTION:**

**Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to pay the bills of Council Run 11/16/20 in the amount of \$521,928.44 when funds become available.**

Alderman January asked if there were sufficient funds; when checks would be processed and dispensed. Assistant Comptroller Tawanda Joyner stated funds were available; checks would be disbursed before end of the week. Alderman January asked the balance

of the Water Fund and the next transfer; Ms. Joyner provided the balance of **\$1,221,065.92** in the Water Operations Fund and transfer of **\$675,000** in January **2021**.

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels

Nays: January

Absent: None

**MOTION CARRIED**

**VII. MISCELLANEOUS**

**NEAL MATH & SCIENCE**

Mrs. Dora King, District **187**, congratulated Aldermen Michael Jackson on his appointment as 1<sup>st</sup> Ward Alderman. She expressed excitement of the new Neal Math & Science School in process and on the way to North Chicago. Mayor Rockingham thanked Mrs. King in her efforts and involvement with the upcoming project.

**CDBG CLARIFICATION**

Alderman Evans asked that the Public Works Director Ed Wilmes provided an explanation of CDBG. Mr. Wilmes explained it was Community Development Block Grant Funds from County to the City specifically for city improvement projects. This year it was utilized for the Stump Grinding, Sidewalk Replacement and Holiday decorations. The city infrastructure project would be for year of **2021**. Alderman Evans and the Mayor appreciated the explanation.

**VARIOUS**

Alderman Mayfield reminded the Elected Officials of Harassment training required to be completed by the end of year. The Human Resources Director could assist if necessary. She also requested that Fire Chief Urban provided a weekly update of the COVID-19 situation for the City of North Chicago in the month of December.

**TREE LIGHTING**

Mayor Rockingham wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving; with COVID-19 he emphasized caution of gatherings and continued social distancing. He announced that the City would host a tree lighting ceremony virtually on the 5<sup>th</sup> Monday of November. Details were to follow.

**VIII. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Council; a motion was made by Alderman Mayfield seconded by Alderman Runnels that the meeting stand adjourned.

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

**MOTION CARRIED**

The Council Meeting adjourned at 6:33 p.m.

**ATTEST:**

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**Lori L. Collins, City Clerk**

# MINUTES

The City Council of North Chicago met in a Regular meeting, Monday, December 07, 2020 at 6:01 p.m. via Virtual media Zoom Link with Mayor Leon Rockingham, Jr. presiding.

## I. CALL TO ORDER

## II. INVOCATION

## III. ROLL CALL

Upon roll call being taken, the following members were present:

Present: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Absent: None

### MOTION CARRIED

## IV. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA

4-1 Minutes of Regular Council Meeting, **November 16, 2020**

4-2 Minutes of Standing Committee Meetings, **November 16, 2020**

4-3 Water Department Report – **November 2020**

4-4 Consideration/Approval: Amendment to Section **3.B.1**; from Ordinance **2020-04** Increasing the Height Variation from **68** to **75** feet (Neal Math and Science Academy)

4-5 Consideration/Approval of 2020 Tax levy Ordinance; **\$7,321,378.00**

4-6 Consideration/Approval of the Owens Group Liability Insurance Contract Renewal

**Alderman Jackson moved, seconded by Alderman Markham to move Item 4-5 to the Regular Agenda for discussion and pass the remainder of the Omnibus Vote Agenda.**

Alderman Allen requested that Items 4-4 thru 4-6 be moved to the Regular Agenda.

**Alderman Jackson moved, seconded by Alderman Allen to amend motion to approve the Omnibus Vote Agenda Items 4-1 thru 4-3 and 4-4 thru 4-6 be moved to Regular Agenda.**

Alderman Markham clarified the motion was to be amended.

### **ROLL CALL ON AMENDED MOTION:**

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels

Nays: January

Absent: None

### MOTION CARRIED

## V. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Terry Coleman

Mayor Rockingham explained that he would allow more than the maximum 3 minutes due to the circumstances.

Ms. Cunningham complained that the North Chicago Police were unprofessional and lied on the police report (August 29, 20). Her handicap son assaulted her; the police ridiculed her and tried to diagnose her son. Her efforts are to alert Mayor and Council of the mistreatment of citizens by the police and denied medical treatment. Her son was mentally challenged and suicidal; she was unable to institutionalize him because he is an adult.

Mayor Rockingham stated that he reviewed the report and body video camera. He didn't feel there was anything inappropriate. He advised that if she wasn't satisfied with the result she could move forward as she felt necessary. He also invited the Elected Officials to review the tapes.

Alderman January thanked Ms. Cunningham for bringing the matter to the Elected Officials. She questioned what training the police received for mental issues. Police Chief Perez explained that most officers were trained in mental health; the newer officers have not completed the training due to the pandemic. Alderman January asked the number of hours and program for training in mental health. Chief Perez stated was mandated State training at the Police Academy; approximately **35** of the **50** officers is trained in it.

## **VI. REGULAR AGENDA**

### **4-4 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL: AMENDMENT TO SECTION 3.B.1; FROM ORDINANCE 2020-04 INCREASING THE HEIGHT VARIATION FROM 68 TO 75 FEET (NEAL MATH AND SCIENCE ACADEMY)**

**Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve the Amendment to Section 3.B.1.; from Ordinance 2020-04 increasing the height variation from 68 to 75 feet (Neal Math and Science Academy).**

#### **ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels

Nays: January

Absent: None

### **4-5 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF 2020 TAX LEVY ORDINANCE; \$7,321,378.00**

**Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve the 2020 Tax Levy Ordinance in the amount of \$7,321,378.00.**

#### **QUESTIONS:**

Alderman Jackson questioned the contribution in Section 6 (Firefighter's Pension Fund). Would there remain a deficit in the pension after the allotted amount in the Levy. Chief of Staff Deb Waszak stated there was discussion with the Fire Pension Board, Assistant Comptroller Tawanda Joyner, Fire Chief Dell Urban and Treasurer Kenneth Robinson to about additional funding to the budget of approximately \$65,000 as part of the settlement agreement.

Alderman Jackson clarified the difference of shortfall and asked how it was to be settled. Mrs. Waszak explained that the City was on track with the agreement. The amount budgeted in the Tax Levy was to prevent percentage about 4.9%, the remainder of the funds were disbursed from the General Fund.

Alderman January asked what percentage of the Tax Levy was designated for Fire Pension Fund, was it within the threshold of 4.9%. Mrs. Waszak said that it was below 5%, otherwise a Public Hearing was required but she was unsure of the exact number. She elaborated that there was no increase from the previous year.

Alderman Markham asked what fund the \$65,000 would be disbursed from. Mrs. Waszak stated that it would be presented at a later date and there was additional information to follow. There was additional revenue that had been generated from Gas Tax update. Alderman Markham questioned why the additional funding could not be designated to the

Police and Fire Pension Fund. Mrs. Waszak stated that it could but was not sure of the numbers for the Police Pension Fund.

Treasurer Kenneth Robinson further explained that the \$65,000 would be for the shortfall 2019-2020 budget. He explained that the next year's budget would include \$1,450,000 (the agreed amount). Alderman Markham asked the exact amount discovered; Mrs. Waszak said \$745,447.00/year. Alderman Markham felt the monies should be earmarked for the pension funds to be leveled.

Treasurer Robinson explained that the shortfall was for the upcoming fiscal year.

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels

Nays: January

Absent: None

**MOTION CARRIED**

4-6 **CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF THE OWENS GROUP LIABILITY INSURANCE CONTRACT RENEWAL**

**Alderman Mayfield moved, seconded by Alderman Allen to approve the Owens Group Liability Insurance Contract Renewal.**

**QUESTIONS:**

Alderman January questioned the amount; Bruce Mitchell of The Owens Group said \$946,214. She asked for clarity with difference of previous year; it appeared that there was \$500,000 budgeted for liability and questioned where the remaining funds of over \$400,000 would come from.

Assistant Comptroller explained that the funds were disbursed from various line items; \$500,000 from the General Fund, \$65,000 Workman's Compensation, \$273,000 Risk Management (Water Fund) and \$17,800 Library for a total of \$865,800. Funding total was paid over 2 fiscal years.

Alderman Jackson stated the shortfall was \$90,414 and questioned where it would come from. Chief of Staff Deb Waszak explained the insurance is billed as a calendar payment and the City funding is based on fiscal year.

Alderman Markham stated there were to be savings with downsizing and 911 dispatch move. Mrs. Waszak said there were significant savings. Alderman Mayfield reiterated that there wasn't a shortage because of the difference between fiscal and calendar.

Alderman Jackson asked for a 6 month Budget Report update. Alderman January asked for the exact amount owed to Police and Fire Pension. Treasurer Robinson; approximately \$23 million.

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels

Nays: January

Absent: None

**MOTION CARRIED**

6-1 **CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF GP LIQUOR LICENSE OF PARIS BANQUET AT 1492 LEWIS AVENUE**

**Alderman Evans moved, seconded Alderman Runnels to approve the GP Liquor License of Paris Banquet at 1492 Lewis Avenue.**

**QUESTIONS:**

Alderman January concerned with giving liquor and gaming license during a pandemic, no one was allowed inside and asked why it was being approved now. Mayor Rockingham explained they were preparing the business for when able to open and operate. The building is not rehabilitated completely, the state will also have to approve licensing. There were building permits required to accommodate gaming.

Alderman Allen said the owner of the business has come to the City and spent \$1,200,000. If he doesn't make money the business will close, not right to hold their progress. Alderman Markham felt the grocery store they were opening should have been priority and did not see the purpose now. There was nothing in motion.

Alderman January explained that there was not going to be Harold's Chicken in that establishment. She knew personally they do not do business where liquor is involved. They have to have a franchise license from the owner if they are franchisees.

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Runnels

Nays: Jackson, Markham, January

Absent: None

**MOTION CARRIED**

- 6-2 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL FOR AWARD CONTRACT NOT TO EXCEED \$40,596.00 TO CORE AND MAIN FOR THE PURCHASE OF (2) NEW PRATT 36-INCH BUTTERFLY VALVES, PIPES AND INSTALLATION SUPPLIES FOR REPLACEMENT OF THE (2) EXISTING INOPERABLE 36-INCH WEDGE VALVES ON THE 42" WATER INTAKE LINE AT THE WATER TREATMENT PLANT. (COST FOR THE (2) VALVES TOTAL \$26,920 AND THE ADDITIONAL INSTALLATION SUPPLIES TOTAL \$13,676 EQUALING THE NOT TO EXCEED AMOUNT OF \$40,596)

**Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Allen to award contract not to exceed \$40,596 to core and main for the purchase of (2) new Pratt 36-inch butterfly valves, pipes and installation supplies for replacement of the (2) existing inoperable 36-inch valves on the 42" water intake line at the water treatment plant (cost for the (2) valves total \$26,920 and the additional installation supplies total \$13,676 equaling the not to exceed amount of \$40,596).**

**QUESTIONS:**

Alderman January asked the warranty of the parts/pieces. Public Works Director Ed Wilmes explained the pieces didn't have warranties per say; only guarantee that the parts are free of defects. Subject to high stress. Mr. Wilmes approximated the life cycle to be 50 years, the amount of maintenance performed determines its life expectancy.

**ROLL CALL**

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, Jackson

Nays: None

Absent: None

**MOTION CARRIED**

6-6 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF CITY BILLS

<b>General Corporate Fund</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>224,582.70</b>
<b>Library</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>228.15</b>
<b>Motor Fuel Tax</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>82,675.42</b>
<b>Water Operations</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>513,959.39</b>
<b>Grant</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>5,000.00</b>
<b>Community Development - CDBG</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>2,507.85</b>
<b>Fed. Forfeitted Property (DEA)</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>8,289.94</b>
<b>911 Emergency Telephone Sys.</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>1,091.12</b>
<b>Dental and Vision</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>1,465.14</b>
<b>Retiree's Insurance Prem</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>13,403.63</b>
<b>TIF II Sheridan Crossing</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>698.75</b>
<b>Grant Place Operating Fund</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>3,626.92</b>
<b>Captial Project</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>220.00</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>857,749.01</b>

**MOTION:**

**Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to pay the bills of Council Run 12/07/20 in the amount of **\$857,749.01** when funds become available.**

Alderman January asked if there were sufficient funds; when checks would be processed and dispensed. Assistant Comptroller Tawanda Joyner stated funds were available; checks would be disbursed before end of the week. Alderman January asked the balance of the Water Fund and the next transfer; Ms. Joyner provided the balance of **\$1,042,316.17** in the Water Operations Fund and transfer of **\$675,000** in January **2021**.

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Runnels

Nays: Markham, January

Absent: None

**MOTION CARRIED**

**VII. MISCELLANEOUS**

**COUNCIL MEETINGS**

Alderman Evans stated that Council packets were disbursed prior to the meeting; questions from the Council could be directed to the Administration before the meeting. The aldermen should be in unison and focus on their wards. The Directors are available for questioning. Alderman Markham stated that elected officials can question at any time.

**STOP SIGN & ALLEYS**

Alderman Mayfield thanked Public Works for replacing a stop sign expeditiously.

Alderman January also recognized Public Works for cleaning the alleys and making them look great.

**FIRE**

Alderman Allen thanked the Police and Fire Departments for response to a big fire.

**SHOP WITH A COP**

Alderman Jackson thanked and congratulated the Police Department for Shop with a Cop program. He also recognized the Public Works Department in response to service for fly pick-ups

Chief Perez announced that there would be distribution of toys to 50 families that was purchased for Shop with a Cop, December 12, 2020 starting at 9 a.m.

**FOOD GIVEAWAY**

Mayor Rockingham announced there would be a food giveaway at the City of North Chicago hosted by Chapel of Libertyville 9:30 a.m. December 12, 2020 starting at Paris Banquet Hall.

**VIII. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Council; a motion was made by Alderman Runnels seconded by Alderman Mayfield that the meeting stand adjourned.

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

**MOTION CARRIED**

The Council Meeting adjourned at 7:26 p.m.

**ATTEST:**

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**Lori L. Collins, City Clerk**

# MINUTES

The City Council of North Chicago met in a Regular meeting, Monday, December 21, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. via Virtual media Zoom Link with Mayor Leon Rockingham, Jr. presiding.

## I. CALL TO ORDER

## II. INVOCATION

## III. ROLL CALL

Upon roll call being taken, the following members were present:

Present: Jackson, Mayfield, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Absent: Evans

### MOTION CARRIED

3-1 Resolution Honoring Charles Shipley

Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve the Resolution Honoring Charles Shipley.

### ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: Evans

### MOTION CARRIED

City Clerk Lori L. Collins read the Resolution as requested

## IV. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA

4-1 Minutes of Regular Council Meeting, **December 07, 2020**

4-2 Minutes of Standing Committee Meetings, **December 07, 2020**

4-3 Treasurer's Report – **November 2020**

4-4 Monthly Budget Report – **May 01, 2020 thru November 30, 2020**

4-5 ClearGov Inc. Budget Software in amount of **\$5,350**

4-6 Resolution/IGA - Lake County Land Bank Association for Abandonment Proceedings

4-7 Ordinance Declaring Surplus/Authorizing Disposal or Sale of Certain Property

4-8 Adoption of Lake County Watershed Development Updates as Recently Amended by Lake County, **October 13, 2020**

**Alderman Jackson moved, seconded by Alderman January to approve the Omnibus Vote Agenda Items 4-1 thru 4-4.**

Alderman Jackson requested to move item **4-5** to Regular Agenda. Alderman January requested moving items **4-6** thru **4-8**.

### ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels

Nays: January

Absent: None

### MOTION CARRIED

**V. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Charles January

Wished everyone a safe and happy holiday.

**VI. REGULAR AGENDA**

**4-5 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL – CLEARGOV INC. BUDGET SOFTWARE IN AMOUNT OF \$5,350**

**Alderman Evans moved, seconded Alderman Runnels to approve the ClearGov Inc. budget software in amount of \$5,350**

Alderman Jackson expressed concerned with **\$57,073.72** cost from Tyler Technologies Inc. in addition to this purchase. There is already a system. The Mayor clarified the software served **2** different purposes.

Tawanda Joyner, Assistant Comptroller explained that Tyler provided the main software (financial for budget). ClearGov is where the budget is created, developed and disbursed; the software worked together.

Deb Waszak, Chief of Staff added that the budget involved **300** pages of paper. The budget process currently was a manual processed spreadsheet. If it is not effective it would be cancelled in 2 years.

Alderman January echoed the sentiments of Alderman Jackson. She was unaware of the city financial status with pandemic and other issues; need to be mindful of the budget and unaware of the urgency.

The Mayor stated that financial obligations had been met; there was more in the pension funds and he commended the staff with budgeting. There had been additional funds added to the coffers.

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Runnels

Nays: Jackson, Markham, January

Absent: None

**MOTION CARRIED**

**4-6 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION/IGA – LAKE COUNTY LAND BANK ASSOCIATION FOR ABANDONMENT PROCEEDINGS**

**Alderman Evans moved, seconded Alderman Mayfield to approve Resolution/IGA for Lake County Land Bank Association for Abandonment Proceedings.**

**ROLL CALL**

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

**MOTION CARRIED**

**4-7 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF ORDINANCE DECLARING SURPLUS/AUTHORIZING DISPOSAL OR SALE OF CERTAIN PROPERTY**

**Alderman Evans moved, seconded Alderman Allen to approve the Ordinance Declaring Surplus/Authorizing Disposal or Sale of Certain Property.**

Alderman January asked for the list to be read. City Clerk Lori Collins read the list as requested; **2330 Lewis Ave., 0 Casmir Pulaski Dr., 0 Greenfield Ave., 720 18<sup>th</sup> St., 0 Prospect Ave., 0 18<sup>th</sup> St., 0 19<sup>th</sup> St., 2952 MLK Jr. Dr., 0 22<sup>nd</sup> St., 2014 Greenfield Ave., 12733 W. Berwyn Ave., 12715 W. Berwyn Ave.**

Alderman Evans invited anyone to Economic & Community Development for more information about available properties for sale.

Alderman January clarified should value the amount included; Attorney Simon explained that the Ordinance only identified the surplus and wasn't selling them. The process to sale would be determined after further discussion.

**ROLL CALL**

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

**MOTION CARRIED**

- 4-8 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL: ADOPTION OF LAKE COUNTY WATERSHED DEVELOPMENT UPDATES AS RECENTLY AMENDED BY LAKE COUNTY, OCTOBER 13, 2020

**Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve the Neighborhood Service Administrator/Fire Marshal.**

**ROLL CALL**

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

**MOTION CARRIED**

- 6-1 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF AMENDED & RESTATED RDA (REDEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT) – SHERIDAN CROSSING

**Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Allen to approve the Amended & Restated RDA (Redevelopment Agreement) for Sheridan Crossing.**

**ROLL CALL**

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Runnels

Nays: Markham, January

Absent: None

**MOTION CARRIED**

- 6-2 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF EXTENDING 2019/2020 CONTRACTS FOR SNOW AND ICE REMOVAL SERVICES OF 2020/2021 FOR THE CITY HALL COMPLEX TO OLMOS LANDSCAPING, INC. AND TO TRI-STATE PLATINUM LANDSCAPING, LLC FOR THE NORTH CHICAGO METRA COMMUTER STATION AND ALL ALLEYS IN THE CITY FOR THE 2020/2021 WINTER SEASON

Alderman January stated there were no dollar amounts and would like those before voting. Alderman Markham said the amount should be read in the motion first and then discussed.

**Alderman Jackson moved, seconded by Alderman Markham to approve extending 2019/2020 Contracts for Snow and Ice removal services of 2020/2021 for the City Hall Complex to Olmos Landscaping, Inc. and to Tri-State Platinum Landscaping, LLC for the North Chicago Metra Commuter Station and all alleys in the City for the 2020/2021 Winter Season.**

**Alderman January moved, seconded by Alderman Markham to amend motion to include the dollar amount**

Mr. Ed Wilmes, Public Works Director explained there was no dollar amount set; cost was based on occurrence. Provided was the amount budgeted and it may be more or less. The bid was awarded to lowest bidder for the services.

Alderman Markham asked to include cost of previous year without stating “not to exceed.” Attorney Simon explained that the amendment could include the bid tabulation.

**Alderman January moved, seconded by Alderman Markham to revise amended motion for approval of Contracts for Snow and Ice removal services from Olmos Landscaping and Tri-State Platinum for 2020/2021 adding the bid tabulations.**

**ROLL CALL**

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

**MOTION CARRIED**

- 6-3 **CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL FOR TRI-R SYSTEMS TO PURCHASE ON THE CITY’S BEHALF, WONDERWARE SOFTWARE LICENSES TO COMPLETE THE SCADA SYSTEM UPGRADE IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$35,175.00**

**Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve the Tri-R Systems to purchase on the City’s behalf, Wonderware software licenses to complete the SCADA System upgrade in an amount not to exceed \$35,175.**

**ROLL CALL**

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

**MOTION CARRIED**

- 6-4 **CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL: NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICES ADMINISTRATOR / FIRE MARSHALL**

**Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman January to approve the position of Neighborhood Services Administrator/Fire Marshall.**

Alderman Jackson disagreed with high amount of salaries. Could the Neighborhood Services Administrator be a contracted position?

The Mayor stated possibility of contracting the position. It would only be a \$5,000 increase overall. This was two positions combined and benefit to the City.

Alderman Jackson questioned if the current Fire Marshall was in-house at this time; The Mayor stated the process of initial internal search.

Alderman Allen questioned how he/she would be removed from the position if the purpose wasn't successful; The Mayor said there wouldn't be a rehire in that position if it did not work and could be considered upon review of the City Salary Ordinance.

Mrs. Waszak explained when hired there would be a 6-month probation; Alderman Jackson questioned procedure if the revenue should lower; last one in first one out? Mrs. Waszak explained.

The Mayor clarified that Fire inspections and code enforcement was essential. He iterated the benefit with combined services; he/she would accomplish both tasks in one position. It opens time for more Economic Development.

**ROLL CALL**

Ayes: Mayfield, Evans, Runnels

Nays: Jackson, Allen, Markham, January

Absent: None

**MOTION FAILED**

6-5 **CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL – ACCEPTANCE OF BID AT 812 14<sup>TH</sup> ST.**

**Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve the acceptance of bid at 812 14<sup>th</sup> St.**

Alderman Jackson questioned if bidder complied with criteria and the property's purpose; Mr. Barrera explained was phase I of many steps prior the bidder being able to use the land. The next step is to rezone from residential to commercial and total bid amount was **\$4,500.**

**ROLL CALL**

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

**MOTION CARRIED**

6-6 **CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL TO INCREASE THE VALUE OF A CONTRACT AWARDED TO C-FORCE CONSTRUCTION AT THE NOVEMBER 16, 2020 CITY COUNCIL MEETING FOR CDBG-FUNDED SIDEWALK REPLACEMENT WORK FOR CURRENT UPPER LIMIT OF \$31,290 TO \$34,100, WHICH IS THE FULL VALUE AWARDED TO THE CITY FOR 2020**

**Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Allen to increase in value of a contract awarded to C-Force Construction at the November 16, 2020 City Council Meeting for CDBG funded sidewalk replacement work for current upper limit of \$31,290 to \$34,100, which is the full value awarded to the City for 2020.**

**ROLL CALL**

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

**MOTION CARRIED**

6-7 **CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF CITY BILLS**

<b>General Corporate Fund</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>261,410.05</b>
<b>Motor Fuel Tax</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>480,435.66</b>
<b>Water Operations</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>405,750.08</b>
<b>Grant</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>9,950.00</b>
<b>Community Development - CDBG</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>72,780.13</b>
<b>911 Emergency Telephone Sys.</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>1,340.00</b>
<b>Grant Place Operating Fund</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>6,581.15</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>1,238,247.07</b>

**MOTION:**

**Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to pay the bills of Council Run 12/21/20 in the amount of \$1,238,247.07 when funds become available.**

Alderman Jackson questioned Tyler Technologies Inc. **pg. 15**. Mrs. Waszak explained it was a portion of a larger amount; it gets paid as the process continues, the total amount had not been paid. There will be more bills to come.

Alderman January asked if there were sufficient funds; when checks would be processed and dispensed. Assistant Comptroller Tawanda Joyner stated funds were available; checks would be disbursed before end of the week. Alderman January asked the balance of the Water Fund and the next transfer; Ms. Joyner provided the balance of in the Water Operations Fund in the amount of **\$1,249,850.66** and transfer of **\$675,000** in January 2021.

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels

Nays: January

Absent: None

**MOTION CARRIED**

**VII. MISCELLANEOUS**

**VARIOUS**

Alderman Evans expressed joy with the Christmas parade and North Chicago was 1 of the best cities in Illinois. Packets were disbursed on Thursday and Directors were available for any questions before the meetings. Council should be informed to spread information to the community; noted house on MLK Jr. Dr. with abundance of trash. He has received numerous calls for that ward and he was willing to discuss the issue.

Alderman Markham was unaware of the location; Alderman Evans stated at MLK Jr. Dr. & Dickey Ave.

**GROCERY STORE GRANT**

Alderman Markham questioned \$100,000 grant for a grocery store and where the funds were. Mayor Rockingham explained that there was no grocer that came at the time the grant was available; the local stores weren't willing to expand. The funding had to be utilized specifically and grant money wasn't received. He said there was a current market in development that is looking for assistance.

Alderman Markham questioned if resubmitting; the Mayor stated was based on funding availability and he was uncertain.

Alderman Allen expressed difficulty of obtaining another grant if unavailable and there were some other projects forthcoming.

**SANTA PARADE**

Alderman January commented on the success of the parade and especially in the 7<sup>th</sup> Ward. She acknowledged/thanked the staff and Mayor.

**VARIOUS**

The Mayor announced the passing of Dwayne Roberson who was an employee that recently retired from the Water Plant. He acknowledged staff for participation in Christmas parade; commended Alderman Evans for the idea of the parade and starting previously; a rough year with the pandemic that ravished the world, gracious of those that provided when able; commending the elected officials and staff in general for everything.

**VIII. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Council; a motion was made by Alderman Evans, seconded by Alderman Mayfield that the meeting stand adjourned.

The Council wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

**MOTION CARRIED**

The Council Meeting adjourned at 7:12 p.m.

**ATTEST:**

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**Lori L. Collins**, City Clerk