

**MINUTES**  
**BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY**  
**MAY 25, 2017**

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Public Works and Safety convened at 9:00 a.m. on Thursday, May 25, 2017, in the Council Chambers of Hammond City Hall. A roll call was taken: Mr. Dostatni – present; Ms. Garay – present; Mr. Margraf – present.

Motion by Mr. Margraf to defer approval of the minutes of April 27, 2017 seconded by Ms. Garay. AYES ALL. Motion carried.

Mr. Dostatni acknowledged Councilman Pete Torres and Councilwoman Janet Venecz in the audience.

Request for advertising dates of June 1, 2017 and June 8, 2017 with a bid opening date of June 22, 2017 for the 3rd District Local Street Project – Rhode Avenue Reconstruction – Becker Street to Carroll Street. Motion by Ms. Garay; seconded by Mr. Margraf. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Res. No. 2857)

Agreement with Nies Engineering, Inc. to provide design engineering services in the Stanton Avenue Lighting Project – Railroad Street to Indianapolis Boulevard at a cost of \$13,600. Motion by Ms. Garay; seconded by Mr. Margraf. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 17-420)

Agreement with Nies Engineering, Inc. to provide design engineering services in the Dearborn Avenue, 141st Street and 143rd Street Lighting Project at a cost of \$71,400. Motion by Ms. Garay; seconded by Mr. Margraf. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 17-421)

Agreement with Nies Engineering, Inc. to provide design engineering services in the Reese Avenue – 119th Street to Indianapolis Boulevard Lighting Project at a cost of \$10,900. Motion by Ms. Garay; seconded by Mr. Margraf. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 17-422)

Correspondence received from Mobilitie requesting “No Parking” signs be posted at 118 through 144 Ogden Street, May 23, 2017. Motion by Ms. Garay to ratify the approval of Mr. Dean Button, City Engineer, to grant the sign posting; seconded by Mr. Margraf. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 17-423)

Correspondence received from 1st District Councilman Mark Kalwinski requesting \$95,900 of gaming money be allocated for lighting design in the 1st District. Motion by Ms. Garay; seconded by Mr. Margraf. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 17-424)

Correspondence received from 2nd District Councilman Pete Torres requesting \$48,094.30 of gaming money be allocated for Change Order No. 1 in the Summer Street Lighting Project – Maywood Street to Calumet Avenue for additional lighting. Motion by Ms. Garay; seconded by Mr. Margraf. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 17-425)

Correspondence received from 1st District Councilman Mark Kalwinski requesting \$740,000 be allocated for the 2017 Overlay Program. Motion by Ms. Garay; seconded by Mr. Margraf. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 17-426)

Correspondence received from 2nd District Councilman Pete Torres requesting \$ 792,000 of gaming money be allocated for the 2017 Overlay Program. Motion by Ms. Garay; seconded by Mr. Margraf. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 17-427)

Disposal Authorizations received from the Hammond Police Department. Motion by Ms. Garay; seconded by Mr. Margraf. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 17-428)

Resolution of the Board of Public Works & Safety of the City of Hammond, Indiana, Approving a Guaranteed Energy Savings Contract, Authorizing the Financing Thereof and Other Related Matters. Motion by Ms. Garay; seconded by Mr. Margraf. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 17-429) (Res. No. 4051)

Correspondence received from Chief of Inspections, Mr. Kelly Kearney, requesting IESCO Construction, Inc.'s low bid for the demolition of 3205 176th Street, 7051 Arizona Avenue and 6521 California Avenue be removed due to inability to complete the work and award to the next low bidder, Actin Contracting with a bid of \$22,365. Motion by Ms. Garay; seconded by Mr. Margraf. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 17-430)

Correspondence received from Chief of Inspections, Mr. Kelly Kearney, requesting IESCO Construction, Inc.'s low bid for the demolition of 1550 Atlas Street, 521 Conkey Street, 3905 Oakcrest Lane, 6518 Parrish Avenue and 816 Summer Street be removed due to inability to complete the work and award to the next low bidder, RSR Demolition, LLC with a bid amount of \$59,983. Motion by Ms. Garay; seconded by Mr. Margraf. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 17-431)

Correspondence received from Chief of Inspections, Mr. Kelly Kearney, requesting IESCO Construction, Inc.'s low bid for the demolition of 932 Sibley Street and 5643 Walter Avenue be removed due to inability to complete the work and award to the next low bidder JM Industrial Services with a bid amount of \$24,100. Motion by Ms. Garay; seconded by Margraf. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 17-432)

Correspondence received from Chief of Inspections, Mr. Kelly Kearney, requesting IESCO Construction, Inc.'s low bid for the demolition of 47 Mason Street be removed due to inability to complete the work and award to the next low bidder JM Industrial Services with a bid amount of \$8,400. Motion by Ms. Garay; seconded by Mr. Margraf. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 17-433)

Correspondence received from Chief of Inspections, Mr. Kelly Kearney, requesting IESCO Construction, Inc.'s low bid for the demolition of 954 Sibley Street be removed due receiving a letter from the company withdrawing the bid and award to the next low bidder JM Industrial Services with a bid amount of \$18,250. Motion by Ms. Garay; seconded by Mr. Margraf. AYES ALL. Motion

carried. (Ins. No. 17-434)

Rental registration hearing on property located at 7518 Jackson Avenue. Property owner, Mr. Adnon Abbasi, appears. Mr. Tom Novak, Inspector, Inspection Department, appears, said there was a rental registration hearing in 2014, a late fee was imposed and 2017 is now past due. Mr. Abbasi said he is currently under doctor's care and forgot what day the fee was due. Motion by Ms. Garay to waive the late fee and assess rental registration at \$5 per unit for 2017; seconded by Mr. Margraf. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 17-435)

Rental registration hearing on property located at 913 Kane Street. Property owner appears, said he received notification of the payment being late from Smith Sersic and only owes for 2017. Motion by Ms. Garay to waive the late fee and assess rental registration at \$5 per unit for 2017; seconded by Mr. Margraf. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 17-436)

Rental registration hearing on property located at 735 – 739 115th Street and 233 142nd Street. Property owner appears, said he was in Arizona and did not come back to Hammond until April 22, 2017 when he came to make payments. Mr. Bill Lewter, Inspector, Inspections Department, advised the property owner has been timely in the past. Motion by Ms. Garay to waive the late fee and assess rental registration at \$5 per unit for eight (8) units for 2017; seconded by Mr. Margraf. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 17-437)

Rental registration hearing on property located at 237 142nd Street. Property owner appears. Mr. Lewter said rental registration for 2011 is unpaid and there were a paying tenants at the two (2) unit property. Motion by Ms. Garay to waive the late fee and assess rental registration at \$80 per unit; seconded by Mr. Margraf. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 17-438)

Rental registration hearing on property located at 1125 Wilcox Street. Property owner fails to appear. Mr. Rich Castro, Inspector, Inspections Department, said he was advised by the property owner that he forgot to pay rental registration for 2016. Motion by Ms. Garay to waive the late fee and assess rental registration at \$5 per unit for 2016; seconded by Mr. Margraf. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 17-439)

Rental registration hearing on property located at 523 Gostlin Street – 2nd floor front. Property owner appears by wife who said she did not know that she had to pay the rental registration fee. Mr. Kelly Kearney, Chief of Inspections, requested an inspection be done prior to the decision on rental registration. Motion by Ms. Garay to defer this matter to allow an inspection to take place; seconded by Mr. Margraf. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 17-440)

Rental registration hearing on property located at 4614 Johnson Avenue, 4633 Henry Avenue and 4339 Henry Avenue. Property owner appears by wife who said 4614 Johnson Avenue was purchased in 2016, had a tenant in 2016 and 2017 rental registration has been paid, 4633 Henry Avenue has a friend who pays no rent living there and rental registration is owing for 4339 Henry Avenue for the years 2016 and 2017. Mr. Castro said all three (3) properties are single family homes. Motion by Ms. Garay to dismiss 4614 Johnson Avenue and 4339 Henry Avenue and to waive the late fee but assess rental registration at \$5 per unit for 2016 and 2017 for 4633 Henry

Avenue; seconded by Mr. Margraf. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 17-441)

Rental registration hearing on property located at 7339 Parrish Avenue. Property owner fails to appear. Mr. Lewter said rental registration has not been paid in 2016 or 2017 for this four (4) unit building. Motion by Ms. Garay to assess the late fee of \$500 for each unit for the years 2016 and 2017 and rental registration of \$5 per unit for years 2016 and 2017; seconded by Mr. Margraf. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 17-442)

Rental registration hearing on property located at 7340 Jackson Avenue. Property owner fails to appear. Mr. Tom Novak, Inspector, Inspections Department, said \$2,000 was paid in 2013 for rental registration and now 2014, 2015, 2016, and 2017 are now due for the single family home. Motion by Ms. Garay to assess the late fee of \$500 for each 2014, 2015, 2016 and 2017 and rental registration at \$5 per unit; seconded by Mr. Margraf. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 17-443)

Rental registration hearing on property located at 2030 Superior Avenue – 2nd floor. Property owner fails to appear. Mr. Lewter said 2017 has not been paid. Motion by Ms. Garay to assess the late fee and rental registration at \$5 per unit; seconded by Mr. Margraf. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 17-444)

Correspondence received requesting rental registration hearings. Motion by Ms. Garay to set these matters for June 29, 2017; seconded by Mr. Margraf. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 17-445)

Agreement to Rehabilitate Property Located at 250 Hanover Street. Ms. Kantar advised this property had been on the demolition list. Motion by Ms. Garay; seconded by Mr. Margraf. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 17-446)

Order to Rescind Order to Demolish property located at 6320 Harrison Avenue. Ms. Kantar said the property has been rehabilitated. Motion by Ms. Garay; seconded by Mr. Margraf. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 17-447)

License Agreement for property located at 6821 – 23 Grand Avenue. Motion by Mr. Margraf; seconded by Ms. Garay. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 17-448)

Sweeping Services with the Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT). Ms. Kantar said INDOT pays the City to sweep state-owned roads. Motion by Ms. Garay; seconded by Mr. Margraf. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 17-449)

Agreement to Rehabilitate Property Located at 7450 Southeastern Avenue – Final Extension. Ms. Kantar requested the agreement be approved as the property owner has almost all repairs complete. Motion by Ms. Garay; seconded by Mr. Margraf. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 17-450)

Garage Sale Permits submitted for approval. Motion by Ms. Garay; seconded by Mr.

Margraf. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 17-451)

Under Matters from Board Members, Mr. Dostatni received a newly worded contract from INDOT which had already been signed by the Board several times and now with rewording needs to be signed again. Motion by Ms. Garay; seconded by Mr. Margraf. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 17-452)

Mr. Dostatni also received an Agreement with SEH Engineering, LLC for supervision in the Montana Avenue project with a not to exceed fee of \$20,880. Motion by Ms. Garay to approve subject to Ms. Kantar's review; seconded by Mr. Margraf. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 17-453)

Correspondence received from the Hammond Fire Department regarding a disciplinary matter. Motion by Ms. Garay; seconded by Mr. Margraf. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 17-454)

Under Meeting Opened to the Public, Ms. Tracy Hernandez, 1311 Hoffman Street, requested the alley behind her home be closed on July 2, 2017 for a party and also permission to have a bounce house in the alley. Mr. Dostatni said you cannot place a bounce house on public property. Motion by Ms. Garay to approve the alley closure; seconded by Mr. Margraf. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (ins. No. 17-455)

There being no further business to come before the Board, motion by Ms. Garay to adjourn; seconded by Mr. Margraf. The regularly scheduled meeting adjourned at 9:49 a.m.

APPROVED:

BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
Stanley Dostatni, President

ATTEST:

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Lynn Laviolette, Secretary

The meeting resumed at 9:54 a.m. with all members present.

Mr. Lewter requested the rental registration hearing on property located at 2030 Superior Avenue – 2<sup>nd</sup> floor be reheard. Mr. Lewter said this is a two (2) unit with one (1) unit vacant and one (1) occupied. Mr. Lewter then said one (1) does have 2017 rental registration paid and the other vacant unit does not. Motion by Ms. Garay to waive the late fee and assess rental registration at \$5 for 2017; seconded by Mr. Margraf. AYES ALL. Motion carried.

There being no further business to come before the Board, motion by Ms. Garay to adjourn; seconded by Mr. Margraf. The regularly scheduled meeting adjourned at 9:58 a.m.

APPROVED:

BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
Stanley Dostatni, President

ATTEST:

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Lynn Laviolette, Secretary