

MINUTES
Regular Berwyn City Council Meeting
March 10, 2020

MINUTES

March 10, 2020

T- 2

C-/

DATE

3-24-2026

Amended - 704E, /Absent

Ald. Cennon Abstained then change

A. Meeting Opening:

Mayor Lovero called the Regular Meeting of the City Council to Order at 8:00 P.M. Ald. Lennon, Reardon, Feit, Santoy, Ruiz, Avila, and Nowak answered Present on the Call of the Roll. Ald. Avila made the motion, seconded by Ald. Nowak, to excuse Ald. Ramirez. The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote. Mayor Lovero led the Council and those in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance. He asked for a moment of silence for the safety of our local First Responders.

B. Open Forum:

- Ms. Gloria Maldonado gave a presentation about the J. Sterling Morton West High School Junior State of America's recent trip to Washington, D.C. and thanked the City of Berwyn for their support.
- Three representatives of Youth Crossroads spoke about their upcoming out-of-state service trip to Chattanooga, TN doing removal of invasive plant species and other conservation work, as well as previous trips. They have a fundraising goal of \$7,000 and have half of the funds needed. The trip will occur from 3/29/20 to 4/5/20 during spring break. They distributed pamphlets.
- Andrew Sullivan of the 3000 block of Wisconsin, who is also an apartment owner on Harlem, spoke about the issue of Superzone parking on the 3000 block of Wisconsin.
- Richard Mikuta of the 3000 block of Maple expressed his support to proposed Superzone parking on the 3000 block of Maple.
- Mary Porkevick of Wisconsin Avenue spoke regarding parking issues on her block and her opposition to the 3000 block of Maple proposed Superzone.
- Leticia Garcia of 3019 Maple spoke in favor of allowing their block to become a Superzone.
- Mike Dastice of the 3000 block of Maple spoke in support of Superzone parking on his block.
- Margaret Sullivan of 3014 Wisconsin spoke about her opposition to Superzone parking on Maple.
- Don Marvin of the 3200 block of Wisconsin spoke about his opposition to Superzone parking on Maple.
- Ald. Avila reminded the Council of the upcoming Cannabis Symposium hosted by Mayor Lovero and IL State Representative Elizabeth Hernandez scheduled to meet on Wednesday March 11, 2020 from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM in the community room of the Berwyn Police Department.
- Ald. Reardon apologized to the Mayor for becoming impatient with him during the last meeting.
- Ald. Ruiz thanked the Mayor for actions taken and the expansion of the Diversity Commission, and expressed thanks to the Police Dept. for meeting with the Commission and their open-mindedness to the Commission's recommendations.
- Former Ald. Rick Toman addressed the City Council regarding the parking issues along Maple and his belief that apartment owners on Harlem Avenue renting better class of clientele would help the
- Jennifer Fernandez of the 3000 block of Maple spoke of her support to having her block become a Superzone.

C. Approval of Minutes:

Motion by Ald. Avila, seconded by Ald. Fejt, to approve the Committee of the Whole and Regular City Council Minutes of February 25, 2020 as submitted. The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

- D. Bid Openings: None submitted.
- E. Berwyn Township, Berwyn Health District, Berwyn Development Corporation: E-1: Ald. Avila made the motion, seconded by Ald. Ruiz, to adopt the Ordinance entitled An Ordinance of the City of Berwyn, Cook County, Illinois, Approving First Amendment to Tax Increment Redevelopment Plan and

Berwyn City Council Minutes March 10, 2020 continued

Project for the Harlem Avenue Redevelopment Project Area, direct the Corporate Authorities to affix the necessary signatures and send it on its way to passage. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

E-2: Ald. Avila made the motion, seconded by Ald. Ruiz, to adopt the Ordinance entitled An Ordinance of the City of Berwyn, Cook County, Illinois, Designating the First Amended Harlem Avenue Redevelopment Project Area Pursuant to the Tax Increment Allocation Redevelopment Act, direct the Corporate Authorities to affix the necessary signatures and send it on its way to passage. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

E-3: Ald. Avila made the motion, seconded by Ald. Ruiz, to adopt the Ordinance entitled An Ordinance of the City of Berwyn, Cook County, Illinois, Adopting Tax Increment Allocation Financing for the First Amended Harlem Avenue Redevelopment Project Area, direct the Corporate Authorities to affix the necessary signatures and send it on its way to passage. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

E-4: Ald. Fejt made the motion, seconded by Ald. Lennon, to adopt the Ordinance entitled An Ordinance of the City of Berwyn, Cook County, Illinois, Approving a Tax Increment Redevelopment Plan and Redevelopment Project for the Ridgeland Avenue Redevelopment Project Area, direct the Corporate Authorities to affix the necessary signatures and send it on its way to passage. On the call of the roll, Aldermen Lennon, Fejt, Santoy, Ruiz, Avila, and Nowak voted AYE. Alderman Reardon voted NAY. The motion passed.

E-5: Ald. Fejt made the motion, seconded by Ald. Lennon, to adopt the Ordinance entitled An Ordinance of the City of Berwyn, Cook County, Illinois, Designating the Ridgeland Avenue Redevelopment TIF Project Area of said City Redevelopment Project Area Pursuant to the Tax Increment Allocation Redevelopment Act, direct the Corporate Authorities to affix the necessary signatures and send it on its way to passage. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

E-6: Ald. Fejt made the motion, seconded by Ald. Lennon, to adopt the Ordinance entitled An Ordinance of the City of Berwyn, Cook County, Illinois, Adopting Tax Increment Allocation Financing for the Ridgeland Avenue Redevelopment Project Area, direct the Corporate Authorities to affix the necessary signatures and send it on its way to passage. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

E-7: Ald. Lennon made the motion, seconded by Ald. Nowak, to **adopt** the **Resolution** approving the 30th Annual Route 66 Car Show on 8/29/20 and authorization of city services and necessary street closures. The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

F. Reports from the Mayor:

F-1: Ald. Ruiz made the motion, seconded by Ald. Avila, to **adopt** the **Proclamation** recognizing **March 2020 as Women's History Month** in Berwyn, direct the Corporate Authorities to affix the necessary signatures and place it on its way to passage. The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

F-2: Ald. Ruiz made the motion, seconded by Ald. Avila, to adopt the Ordinance entitled An Ordinance Amending Chapter 262 of the Codified Ordinances of Berwyn Regarding Increasing the Number of Commissioners on the Fire and Police Commission from Three to Five, direct the Corporate Authorities to affix the necessary signatures and place it on its way to passage. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

F-3: Ald. Ruiz made the motion, seconded by Ald. Avila, to concur with the Mayor's appointment of Alice Solis and Kenneth Waszak to the Fire and Police Commission. The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

F-4: Ald. Avila made the motion, seconded by Ald. Nowak, to concur with and accept as informational Police Chief Cimaglia's communication which is germane to F-5, F-6 and F-7. The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

F-5: Ald. Avila made the motion, seconded by Ald. Nowak, to concur with the Mayor's recommendation to appoint Michael G. Cirolia to the Auxiliary Review Board. The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

F-6: Ald. Avila made the motion, seconded by Ald. Nowak, to concur with the Mayor's recommendation to appoint Michael G. Cirolia to the 9-1-1 Emergency Telephone System Board. The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

F-7: Ald. Avila made the motion, seconded by Ald. Nowak, to concur with the Mayor's recommendation to appoint Guy Papa to the 9-1-1 Emergency Telephone System Board. The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

- G. Reports from the Clerk: None submitted.
- H. Reports from Zoning, Planning, and Development Commission: None submitted.

H-1: Ald. Lennon made the motion, seconded by Ald. Nowak, to approve the plan and adopt the Ordinance entitled An Ordinance Approving a Preliminary and Final Plan for a Planned Development/Special Use within the C-2 Traditional Mixed-Use Zoning District at the Addresses Commonly Known as 6737-6747 W. Cermak, 2207-2211 S. Oak Park Avenue, and 2215-2219 S. Oak Park Avenue – GW Cermak Oak Park, LLC, direct the Corporate Authorities to affix the necessary signatures and place it on its way to passage. Ald. Reardon urged the Council to not

Berwyn City Council Minutes March 10, 2020 continued

approve this Ordinance. On the call of the roll, Ald. Lennon, Avila, Nowak, and Mayor Lovero voted "Aye" and Ald. Reardon, Ruiz and Fejt voted "Nay." Ald. Santoy abstained.

I. Reports from the Aldermen, Committees and Boards:

I-1: Motion by Ald. Reardon, seconded by Ald. Nowak, to accept as informational her communication regarding Youth Crossroads. The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

I-2: Motion by Ald. Reardon, seconded by Ald. Ruiz, to deny Superzone parking for the 3000 block of Maple Ave. On the call of the roll, Ald. Reardon, Santoy, Ruiz and Avila voted "Aye" and Ald. Fejt and Nowak voted "Nay." Ald. Lennon abstained.

J. Reports from the Staff:

- J-1: Communication was deemed moot by the Mayor upon the vote of H-1 and removed from the Agenda.
- J-2: Communication was deemed moot by the Mayor upon the vote of H-1 and removed from the Agenda.
- J-3: Ald. Avila made the motion, seconded by Ald. Ruiz, to accept as informational the communication from Police Chief Cimaglia regarding the North Berwyn Park District's request to hold an Easter Parade on 4/11/2020 from 10AM to 11:00 AM. The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.
- J-4: Ald. Avila made the motion, seconded by Ald. Nowak, to accept as informational the communication from Police Chief Cimaglia regarding the request from St. Mary of Celle Parish to hold a Stations of the Cross Procession on 4/10/2020 from 1:00 PM to 3:30 PM. The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.
- J-5: Ald. Avila made the motion, seconded by Ald. Ruiz, to approve Fire Chief Hayes' request for permission to contact the Police and Fire Commission regarding the hiring of the next qualified candidate for fire fighter/paramedic list. The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.
- J-6: Ald. Avila made the motion, seconded by Ald. Ruiz, to concur with the City Attorney's request for settlement of 2019L004114 in the amount of \$165,000.00. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.
- J-7: Ald. Ruiz made the motion, seconded by Ald. Avila, to authorize the Public Works Dir. to request proposals for landscaping maintenance in the four commercial corridors. The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.
- J-8: Ald. Fejt made the motion, seconded by Ald. Lennon, to defer for two weeks the adoption of the Ordinance entitled The Annual Appropriation Ordinance of the City of Berwyn, Cook County, Illinois for the Fiscal Year 2020. The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

K. Consent Agenda:

Motion by Ald. Avila, seconded by Ald. Lennon, to approve items K-1 through K-12 as submitted by omnibus designation. The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

Aldermanic Committee Meetings / Announcements: Ald. Reardon announced a 3rd Ward Meeting at 6:30PM on Thursday, March 19, 2020 at Proksa Park. There will be a 5th Ward Meeting on March 16, 2020 at 6:00PM at Hett Park. Public Works meeting at 8:30AM on March 17, 2020 in Council Chambers and an Administration meeting on March 18, 2020 at 5:30 PM.

Adjournment: Mayor Lovero made the motion, seconded by Ald. Lennon, to adjourn. The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote. The meeting adjourned at the hour of 9:15 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Margaret Paul, City Clerk