



Berwyn City Council Regular Meeting
August 11, 2020 at 8:00 PM

ITEM NO. C-18/25/20
DATE
DISPOSITION Approved as Submitted

Clerk's Note: Governor Pritzker's Executive Order No. 5, section 6 and Order No. 8 allowed the suspension of "in-person attendance" by elected officials and limited the number of people that could congregate in public places due to the Covid-19 pandemic. The City of Berwyn uses best efforts to comply with the Governor's Order and the spirit of the Open Meetings Act. The City Council has taken the following measures to provide residents with notice of changes to the Regular Meeting and ability to observe the meeting in progress through a live video stream:

- The City posts Meeting Notices and Agendas on its website and in City Hall with directions on how the public may view meetings, participate in public meetings, and address the City Council during Open Forum.
- The City posts directions to the public on its Face Book page on how they may participate and or view the public meeting.
- City staff live-stream the meeting on the City of Berwyn website (www.berwyn-il.us), Berwyn Facebook page, and YouTube during the City Council meeting. The video stream / audio is recorded and available to the public.

A. **Roll Call, Pledge of Allegiance, and Moment of Silence:**

Mayor Lovero called the meeting to Order at 8:00 p.m. The following Aldermen attended the council meeting in person and responded present on the call of the roll: Lennon, Reardon, Fejt, Santoy, Ruiz, and Nowak. Treasurer Miranda, Ald. Ramirez, Ald. Avila, Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Director Mendicino participated remotely.

The attendees recited the Pledge of Allegiance. Mayor Lovero asked for a moment of silence to remember our First Responders.

B. **Open Forum:** The following people were recognized and made remarks during Open Forum:

1. Ms. Dianne Milford and Ms. Angelica Ramos were present and addressed the council regarding parking issues on the 2200 Block of Grove. They presented a 6-point document expressing their concerns and their need for restricted parking.
2. Mr. Ernest Rosado submitted comments to council via email. Clerk Paul read aloud the email in favor of the Black Lives Matter mural issue.
3. Clerk Paul commented on the availability of Emergency Renter through Beds Plus and Emergency Mortgage Assistance through the State of Illinois. She distributed handouts with the information to all the Aldermen present.

C. **Approval of Minutes:** Ald. Avila made the motion, seconded by Ald. Fejt, to approve the Minutes for the Regular July 28, 2020 City Council Meeting as submitted. The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

D. **Bid Openings:** Nothing submitted for the agenda.

E. **Berwyn Township, Berwyn Health District, Berwyn Development Corporation:** Nothing submitted.

F. **Reports from the Mayor:**

F-1: Proclamation: Ald. Lennon made the motion, seconded by Ald. Nowak, to adopt the Proclamation declaring August 2020 as National Black Business Month in Berwyn. The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote. Mayor Lovero presented copies of the Proclamation to Antonia Ruppert, owner of Antonia Ruppert Fine Art, Antonette Shearrill owner of Face2Face Spa Studio, and Professor Darryl E. Allen of The Mentorship Institute.

F-2: Proclamation: Ald. Avila made the motion, seconded by Ald. Nowak, to adopt the Proclamation recognizing May 13, 2020 as Ann Mackin Day in Berwyn. The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote. Ald. Avila spoke on Mrs. Mackin's dedication to the North Berwyn Park District.

G. **Reports from the Clerk:** Nothing submitted.

H Zoning Boards of Appeals: Nothing submitted.

I. Reports from the Aldermen, Committees, and Boards:

- I-1: Ald. Avila made the motion, seconded by Ald. Lennon, to accept the Minutes of the Police and Fire Aldermanic Committee meeting of August 4, 2020 as informational regarding Illegal Fireworks and to distribute the committee’s recommendations to the appropriate city departments. The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.
- I-2: Ald. Reardon made a motion, seconded by Ald. Ramirez, to refer her communication to the Human Relations Aldermanic Committee to clarify the work of the Committee, the Community Relations Commission, and the Ad Hoc Diversity Committee for a joint meeting. The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.
- I-3: Ald. Ruiz made motion, seconded by Ald. Nowak, to approve her request for City services and to close 16th Street off from Wenonah to Home Avenue for an event on September 5, 2020 called End of Summer Movie Night that she will be sponsoring with School District 98. The Mayor stipulated that details of the event must be submitted to the Unified Command for approval under the Mayor’s and Governor’s Emergency Orders due to COVID-19. Ald. Ruiz amended her motion making it subject to approval by Unified Command. The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.
- I-4: Ald. Ruiz made a motion, seconded by Ald. Reardon, to refer her communication regarding the Diversity Commission to the Human Relations Aldermanic Committee. The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

J. Reports from the Staff:

J-1: Resolution: Ald. Lennon made the motion, seconded by Ald. Reardon, to adopt the Resolution entitled: **A Resolution Approving the City of Berwyn’s “Consolidated Plan for Program Years 2020-2024, and Annual Action Plan for Program Year 2020” for Community Development Block Grant (“CDBG”) Funds, and for Authorization to Submit Same to the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (“HUD”)** as submitted, authorize the Corporate Authorities to affix the necessary signatures and send it on its way to passage. The motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote.

K. Consent Agenda:

K-3: Ald. Santoy made the motion, seconded by Ald. Reardon, to bring forward item K-3 from the Consent Agenda. Discussion ensued with Ald. Avila advocating in favor of the event and Ald. Santoy and Reardon advocating to follow the recommendation of the Unified Command to deny permission for the event. Thereafter, Ald. Avila made the motion, seconded by Ald. Fejt, to approve the requested event. The motion was defeated with Ald. Avila and Ald. Fejt voting AYE and Aldermen Lennon, Ramirez, Reardon, Santoy, Ruiz, and Nowak voting NAY.

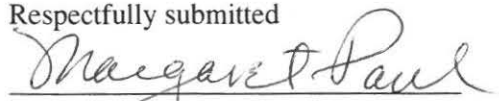
K-1 and K-2: Ald. Santoy made the motion, seconded by Ald. Avila, to approve the remainder of the Consent Agenda (Items K1 through K2) by omnibus designation. The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

Committee Meetings: Ald. Santoy announced a Budget and Finance Committee meeting for August 27, 2020 at 5:30. Ald. Ruiz announced and Public Works meetings for September 8, 2020; time to be announced.

Adjournment: Ald. Nowak made the motion, seconded by Ald. Lennon, to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

The meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted


Margaret Paul, City Clerk