



Berwyn City Council Regular Meeting
June 23, 2020 at 8:00 PM

ITEM NO. C-1
DATE - 7/14/2020
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, present in chambers, called the meeting to Order at 8:00 p.m. The following Aldermen attending in person responded, "Present": Lennon, Ramirez, Reardon, Fejt, Ruiz, Avila, and Nowak. Alderman Santoy participated remotely and responded Present. Treasurer Miranda participated remotely. The attendees recited the Pledge of Allegiance. Mayor Lovero asked for a moment of silence recognizing our First Responders.

B. **Open Forum**

- Mayor Lovero remarked about the issue of illegal fireworks and their increasing use. He explained the difficulty the police have when residents refuse to sign complaints and testify.
- Administrative Manager Claudia Ayala apprised the council on continuing U.S. Census Complete Count efforts. Erie House has provided outdoor outreach at City Hall during vehicle sticker sales. She recently assisted in a successful Census Car parade with Erie House in the essential Hard to Count Neighborhoods. The city is currently experiencing a 58% Census response rate.
- Berwyn Development Corporation (BDC) Executive Director David Hulseberg reminded the council that the State of Illinois is entering Phase 4 of the re-opening plan. He informed the Council that the Illinois Commerce Commission information, and other useful information, is posted on the BDC website and on the City's COVID-19 portal.
- Ald. Nowak announced his 8th Ward Clean-Up event scheduled for July 11, 2020 at 10:00 a.m.
- Ald. Ruiz announced her 6th Ward Clean-Up event scheduled for June 27, 2020.
- Clerk Paul stated she received an email submission for Open Forum from Ms. Elvira Mendoza requesting information about the list of Qualified Police Candidates. Clerk Paul advised that she was able to provide the requested information to Ms. Mendoza.

C. Mr. Octavio Torres submitted an email statement to Council for Open Forum concerning El Nuevo Vallarta located on the corner of Oak Park and Cermak. Mr. Torres asked that the noise level from the live and recorded outdoor music at this venue be addressed. He stated he had called the police department making a complaint several time. The Clerk advised that she had forwarded Mr. Torres' email to Mayor Lovero and Ald. Avila. Both Mayor Lovero and Ald. Avila spoke on the issue.

D. **Approval of Minutes:** Ald. Avila made the motion, seconded by Ald. Fejt, to approve the Minutes for the Regular City Council Meeting held on June 9, 2020 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:

E-1: Tax Increment Revenue Bond: Ald. Lennon made the motion, seconded by Ald. Avila, to **adopt** the Ordinance entitled **An Ordinance Providing for the Issuance of Not to Exceed \$7,500,000 Tax Increment Revenue Bonds, Series 2020 (South Berwyn Corridor Project), of the City of Berwyn, Cook County, Illinois and Providing for the Execution of a Trust Indenture in Connection Therewith**, direct the Corporate Authorities to affix the necessary signatures and send it on its way to passage. The motion carried by a unanimous call of the roll.

F. Reports from the Mayor:

F-1: Ordinance Establishing a City Diversity Commission: Ald. Reardon made the motion, seconded by Ald. Ruiz, to defer this item generally. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

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. Santoy made the motion, seconded by Ald. Lennon, to mark his communication regarding the Minutes of the Budget and Finance Committee of June 11, 2020 as informational. The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

I-2: Ald. Avila made the motion, seconded by Ald. Nowak, to approve the promotion of Ryan Hickerson to the rank of Lieutenant on the Berwyn Fire Department. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

I-3: Ald. Avila made the motion, seconded by Ald. Nowak, to approve the promotion of Brian Madden to the rank of Lieutenant on the Berwyn Fire Department. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

J. Reports from the Staff:

J-1: Ald. Avila made the motion, seconded by Ald. Nowak, to approve the contract submitted by the Berwyn Police Department with Benchmark Analytics as submitted. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

J-2: Ald. Avila made the motion, seconded by Ald. Nowak, to authorize Fire Chief Hayes to contact the Police and Fire Commission to recommend the hiring of the next two qualified candidates on the Firefighter/Paramedic Eligibility List due to the retirements of Lieutenants Fron and Tokarczyk. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

J-3: Ald. Avila made the motion, seconded by Ald. Nowak, to approve the promotions of Scott Waszak and Robert McCorry to the positions of Engineer in the Berwyn Fire Department. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

J-4: Ald. Fejt made the motion, seconded by Ald. Ruiz, to approve the demolition of the house and garage at 3129 S. Oak Park Avenue. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

J-5: Ald. Lennon made the motion, seconded by Ald. Reardon, to authorize the Berwyn Library to send the project for re-carpeting of the lower level and ancillary costs out for bid. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

J-6: Ald. Lennon made the motion, seconded by Ald. Avila, to **adopt** the Resolution entitled: **A Resolution Approving the City of Berwyn’s Citizens Participation Plan Amendment for use with Grants from the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)** 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.

J-7: Ald. Lennon made the motion, seconded by Ald. Ruiz, to **adopt** the Resolution entitled: **A Resolution Approving the City of Berwyn’s “Substantial Amendment” to the Consolidated Plan for Program Years 2015-2019 for Community Development Block Grant (“CDBG”) Funds and to Include and Implement the Corona Aid, Relief and Economic Security Act (“CARES Act”) Community Development Block Grant COVID-19 (“CDBG-CV”) Funds and for Authorization to Submit Same to the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (“HUD”)** 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.

J-8: Ald. Lennon made the motion, seconded by Ald. Fejt, to **adopt** the Resolution entitled: **A Resolution Authorizing and Approving the City of Berwyn’s Amended Action Plan for Program Year 2019 for Community Development Block Grant (“CDBG”) Funds and to Include the Implement the Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security (“CARES”) Act Community Development Block Grant COVID-19 (“CDBG-CV”) Funds and Submission of same to the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (“HUD”)** 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.

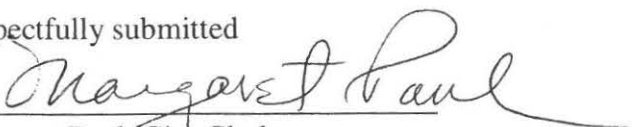
J-9: Ald. Avila made the motion, seconded by Ald. Nowak, to defer this item generally. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

K. Consent Agenda: Ald. Avila made the motion, seconded by Ald. Santoy, to approve the Consent Agenda (Items K1 through K4) by omnibus designation. The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

Adjournment: Ald. Nowak made the motion, seconded by Ald. Avila, 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