# OFFICIAL BUSINESS OF THE GARY COMMON COUNCIL

OF THE CITY OF GARY, INDIANA

## MINUTES OF December 21, 2021

VIA ZOOM VIDEO CONFERENCE

## THE HONORABLE WILLIAM GODWIN

Councilman 1st District, Common Council President

## THE HONORABLE COZEY WEATHERSPOON

Councilman 2<sup>nd</sup> District

#### THE HONORABLE MARY BROWN

Councilwoman 3rd District

## THE HONORABLE TAI ADKINS

Councilwoman 4th District, Common Council Vice-President

## THE HONORABLE LINDA BARNES-CALDWELL

Councilwoman 5th District

## THE HONORABLE DWIGHT WILLIAMS

Councilman 6th District

## THE HONORABLE RONALD BREWER

Councilman-At-Large, Parliamentarian

## THE HONORABLE MICHAEL BROWN

Councilman-At-Large,

## THE HONORABLE CLORIUS LAY

Councilman-At-Large

THE HONORABLE JEROME PRINCE, MAYOR, CITY OF GARY THE HONORABLE SUZETTE RAGGS, GARY CITY CLERK

**BE IT REMEMBERED**, that the Common Council of the City of Gary, Lake County, Indiana met in Regular Session pursuant to the Laws and Rules of the Common Council of the City of Gary, Indiana, via zoom video conference on the 21<sup>st</sup> Day of December, 2021 at 6:00 pm with the Honorable William Godwin presiding and the following members present/absent:

#### **PRESENT**

#### **ABSENT**

THE HONORABLE TAI ADKINS

THE HONORABLE DWIGHT WILLIAMS

THE HONORABLE RONALD BREWER

THE HONORABLE MARY BROWN

THE HONORABLE MICHAEL BROWN

THE HONORABLE LINDA BARNES-CALDWELL

THE HONORABLE WILLIAM GODWIN

THE HONORABLE CLORIUS LAY

THE HONORABLE COZEY WEATHERSPOON

The meeting was opened at 6:17 pm with a moment of prayer by Reverend Dr. Maurice White, followed by the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Chair asked for Roll Call.

Roll call showed 8 present 1 absent (Councilwoman Adkins). The Chair declared this duly a quorum in order to conduct business in the City of Gary.

The Chair asked for reading of the minutes.

Councilman Brewer moved to approve and accept the minutes from the meeting of November 16, 2021. It was seconded by Councilwoman Brown and Councilman Weatherspoon.

Roll call showed a vote of 8 ayes 0 nays. The Chair declared this motion duly passed.

## ASSIGNMENT OF COUNCIL PENDING ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS:

#### C.P.O. 2021-106

AN ORDINANCE FOR THE CITY OF GARY, LAKE COUNTY, INDIANA ESTABLISHING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE GENESIS CENTER ENTERPRISE FUND-279 AND THE CASINO OPERATING FUND-277. Sponsored by: Mayor Jerome Prince, City of Gary, Mileak Harper, City Controller

#### FINANCE COMMITTEE

#### C.P.O. 2021-107

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING SUBSIDIES FOR FUND 251-HUDSON CAMPBELL FUND 216-MARQUETTE PAVILION, AND FUND 101-GENERAL. Sponsored by: Mayor Jerome Prince, City of Gary, Mileak Harper, City Controller

#### FINANCE COMMITTEE

#### C.P.O. 2021-108

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A TRANSFER OF FUNDS WITHIN FUND 261-508- YOUTH SERVICES BUREAU. Sponsored by: Mayor Jerome Prince, City of Gary, Mileak Harper, City Controller

#### FINANCE COMMITTEE

#### C.P.O. 2021-109

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 15 ENTITLED "LAND USAGE" CHAPTER 123 ENTITLED "ZONING CODE" OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GARY, INDIANA FOR THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT: 4977-79 BROADWAY. Petitioner: Addie Kinsey **Property: 4977-79 Broadway, Gary, Indiana** 

#### PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

#### C.P.O. 2021-110

AN ORDINANCE FOR THE CITY OF GARY, LAKE COUNTY, INDIANA APPROVING ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS FROM THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT (ARPA) FOR BROADBAND UPDATES TO THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS. Sponsored by: Mayor Jerome Prince, City of Gary, Mileak Harper, City Controller, William Godwin, Councilman 1<sup>st</sup> District

#### WAYS/MEANS COMMITTEE

#### **COMMITTEE MEETINGS:**

#### Councilwoman Brown, Chairwoman Finance Committee has:

#### C.P.O. 2021-106

AN ORDINANCE FOR THE CITY OF GARY, LAKE COUNTY, INDIANA ESTABLISHING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE GENESIS CENTER ENTERPRISE FUND-279 AND THE CASINO OPERATING FUND-277. Sponsored by: Mayor Jerome Prince, City of Gary, Mileak Harper, City Controller before it. For the record Councilwoman Brown and Councilwoman Caldwell approved C.P.O. 2021-106 to be reported out of committee.

#### C.P.O. 2021-107

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING SUBSIDIES FOR FUND 251-HUDSON CAMPBELL FUND 216-MARQUETTE PAVILION, AND FUND 101-GENERAL. Sponsored by: Mayor Jerome Prince, City of Gary, Mileak Harper, City Controller before it. For the record Councilwoman Brown and Councilwoman Caldwell approved C.P.O. 2021-107 to be reported out of committee.

#### C.P.O. 2021-108

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A TRANSFER OF FUNDS WITHIN FUND 261-508- YOUTH SERVICES BUREAU. Sponsored by: Mayor Jerome Prince, City of Gary, Mileak Harper, City Controller

before it. For the record Councilwoman Brown, Councilwoman Caldwell and Councilwoman Adkins approved C.P.O. 2021-108 to be reported out of committee.

#### Councilman Brewer, Chairman of Planning & Development Committee has:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 15 ENTITLED "LAND USAGE" CHAPTER 123 ENTITLED "ZONING CODE" OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GARY, INDIANA FOR THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT: 4977-79 BROADWAY. Petitioner: Addie Kinsey Property: 4977-79 Broadway, Gary, Indiana before it. For the record Councilman Brewer and Councilman Godwin approved C.P.O. 2021-109 to be reported out of committee.

#### Councilwoman Caldwell, Acting Chairwoman Ways/Means Committee has:

#### C.P.O. 2021-110

AN ORDINANCE FOR THE CITY OF GARY, LAKE COUNTY, INDIANA APPROVING ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS FROM THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT (ARPA) FOR BROADBAND UPDATES TO THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS. Sponsored by: Mayor Jerome Prince, City of Gary, Mileak Harper, City Controller, William Godwin, Councilman 1<sup>st</sup> District before it. For the record Councilwoman Caldwell and Councilman Brown approved C.P.O. 2021-110 to be reported out of committee.

### **REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:**

#### FINANCE COMMITTEE:

Councilwoman Brown reported the following legislation out of committee: C.P.O. 2021-106, 2021-107 and 2021-108.

#### **WAYS/MEANS COMMITTEE:**

Councilwoman Caldwell reported the following legislation out of committee: C.P.O. 2021-110.

#### PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE:

Councilman Brewer reported the following legislation out of committee: C.P.O. 2021-109.

Councilwoman Brown moved to Suspend the Rules to include **C.P.O. 2021-102** (amended) to the agenda. It was seconded by Councilwoman Caldwell and Councilman Brown.

The Chair asked the Clerk to read C.P.O. 2021-102 (amended) into the record.

#### C.P.O. 2021-102 AMENDED

AN ORDINANCE SETTING THE HOURLY RATE OF PAY FOR SWORN AND CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES THAT REPRESENTS PREMIUM PAY. Sponsored by: William Godwin, Councilman 1st District

Roll call on the Suspension of the Rules showed a vote of 8 ayes 0 nays. The Chair declared this motion duly passed.

## **ASSIGNMENT OF COUNCIL PENDING ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS:**

#### C.P.O. 2021-102 AMENDED

AN ORDINANCE SETTING THE HOURLY RATE OF PAY FOR SWORN AND CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES THAT REPRESENTS PREMIUM PAY. Sponsored by: William Godwin, Councilman 1st District

#### WAYS/MEAN COMMITTEE

#### Councilwoman Caldwell, Acting Chairwoman Ways/Means Committee has:

#### C.P.O. 2021-102 AMENDED

AN ORDINANCE SETTING THE HOURLY RATE OF PAY FOR SWORN AND CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES THAT REPRESENTS PREMIUM PAY. Sponsored by: William Godwin, Councilman 1<sup>st</sup> District before it. For the record Councilwoman Caldwell and Councilman Brown approved C.P.O. 2021-102 (amended) to be reported out of committee.

#### **WAYS/MEANS COMMITTEE:**

Councilwoman Caldwell reported the following legislation out of committee: C.P.O. 2021-102 (amended).

## COUNCIL PENDING ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS ON THIRD AND/OR FINAL READING:

#### C.P.O. 2021-49

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 8831 TO INCLUDE REQUIREMENTS FOR ARMED SECURITY GUARDS AT CERTAIN ESTABLISHMENTS BETWEEN DUSK AND DAWN AND REQUIRING 24-HOUR ARMED SECURITY AT OTHER ESTABLISHMENTS WITH A HISTORY OF VIOLENT CRIME. Sponsored by: Mayor Jerome A. Prince, City of Gary, Councilman Cozey Weatherspoon, 2<sup>nd</sup> District

Councilman Brewer moved to table C.P.O. 2021-49. It was seconded by Councilwoman Caldwell.

Councilwoman Brown, Councilman Brewer, and Councilman Lay spoke on the motion to refer C.P.O. 2021-90.

Roll call showed a vote of 8 ayes 0 nays. The Chair declared this motion duly passed.

#### C.P.O. 2021-90

AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR THE SPECIAL REVENUE BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2022 AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2022. Sponsored by: Mayor Jerome A. Prince, City of Gary, Mileak Harper, City Controller

Councilwoman Adkins moved to refer **C.P.O. 2021-90** back to Ways/Means Committee with a committee hearing set for January 11, 2022 at 5:30 pm. It was seconded by Councilwoman Brown.

Roll call showed a vote of 8 ayes 0 nays. The Chair declared this motion duly passed.

#### C.P.O. 2021-91

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ROLLOVER OF TEMPORARY INTERFUND LOANS DUE BETWEEN CITY OF GARY FUNDS. Sponsored by: Mayor Jerome Prince, City of Gary, Mileak Harper, City Controller

Councilwoman Brown moved for passage of C.P.O. 2021-91. It was seconded by Councilwoman Caldwell.

Mileak Harper (City Controller) gave a brief overview of C.P.O. 2021-91.

Councilman Brewer, President Godwin and Atty. Arlene Colvin (Director of Community Development) spoke in regards to **C.P.O. 2021-91.** 

Roll call showed a vote of 7 ayes 1 abstention (Brewer). The Chair declared this Council Pending Ordinance duly **PASSED.** 

#### C.P.O. 2021-92

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE TRANSFER OF FUNDS FOR PROJECTS AND TRANSFERRING APPROPRIATIONS FOR YEAR-END EXPENDITURES OR PROJECTED DEFICIT BALANCES IN THE GEN FUND-101, AND MOTOR VEHICLE HIGHWAY (MVH) FUND 232, FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021 EXPENSES AND FORWARDED TO THE COMMON COUNCIL FOR ACTION AND PASSAGE PURSUANT TO IC 6-1.1-18-6. Sponsored by: Mayor Jerome Prince, City of Gary, Mileak Harper, City Controller

Councilwoman Brown moved for passage of C.P.O. 2021-92. It was seconded by Councilwoman Caldwell.

Councilwoman Brown moved to amend **C.P.O. 2021-92** by substitution. It was seconded by Councilwoman Caldwell.

Mileak Harper (City Controller) and Atty. Arlene Colvin (Director of Community Development) gave a brief overview of C.P.O. 2021-92.

Roll call showed a vote of 8 ayes 0 nays. The Chair declared this motion duly passed.

Councilwoman Brown moved for passage of **C.P.O. 2021-92** as amended. It was seconded by Councilwoman Caldwell.

Roll call showed a vote of 8 ayes 0 nays. The Chair declared this Council Pending Ordinance duly PASSED.

#### C.P.O. 2021-93

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A NEW FUND AND BUDGET FOR THE 2021 SOUTH SHORE CONVENTION AND VISITOR'S AUTHORITY (SSCVA) GRANT. Sponsored by: Mayor Jerome Prince, City of Gary, Councilman William Godwin Esq., First District, Mileak Harper, City Controller

Councilwoman Caldwell moved for passage of C.P.O. 2021-93. It was seconded by Councilwoman Brown.

Mileak Harper (City Controller) gave a brief overview of C.P.O. 2021-93.

President Godwin spoke in regards to C.P.O. 2021-93.

Roll call showed a vote of 8 ayes 0 nays. The Chair declared this Council Pending Ordinance duly PASSED.

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 15 ENTITLED "LAND USAGE" CHAPTER 123 ENTITLED "ZONING CODE" OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GARY, INDIANA FOR THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 735 HANLEY ST. Petitioner: Maurisha Wilson **Property: 735 Hanley Street, Gary, Indiana** 

Councilman Brewer moved for passage of C.P.O. 2021-94. It was seconded by Councilwoman Caldwell.

Eric Boria (Director of Zoning Department) gave a brief overview of C.P.O. 2021-94.

Councilman Brown, Councilman Lay, President Godwin, Councilman Weatherspoon, and Councilman Brewer spoke in regards to **C.P.O. 2021-94.** 

Roll call showed a vote of 0 ayes 7 nays (\*Councilwoman Caldwell temporarily left the meeting). The Chair declared this Council Pending Ordinance duly **DEFEATED**.

#### C.P.O. 2021-95

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 15 ENTITLED "LAND USAGE" CHAPTER 123 ENTITLED "ZONING CODE" OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GARY, INDIANA FOR THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 2389 WILSON ST. Petitioner: Dominique M. Starks **Property: 2389 Wilson Street, Gary, Indiana** 

Councilman Brewer moved for passage of C.P.O. 2021-95. It was seconded by Councilwoman Caldwell.

Eric Boria (Director of Zoning Department) gave a brief overview of C.P.O. 2021-95.

Councilman Lay spoke in regards to C.P.O. 2021-95.

Roll call showed a vote of 0 ayes 8 nays The Chair declared this Council Pending Ordinance duly DEFEATED.

#### C.P.O. 2021-96

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 15 ENTITLED "LAND USAGE" CHAPTER 123 ENTITLED "ZONING CODE" OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GARY, INDIANA FOR PROPERTIES LOCATED ON OR ABOUT 3870 CHASE ST., 3870 WAITE ST., 3870 WAITE APPR. Petitioner: Cedomir Aleksic Property: 3870 Chase Street, 3870 Waite Street, 3830 Waite Street, 3870 Waite Appr., Gary, Indiana

Councilman Brewer moved for passage of C.P.O. 2021-96. It was seconded by Councilwoman Caldwell.

Eric Boria (Director of Zoning Department) gave a brief overview of C.P.O. 2021-96.

Councilman Lay, Atty. Nathan Vis (Vis Law Firm, LLC), representing the petitioner, Councilman Weatherspoon and Councilman Brewer spoke in regards to **C.P.O. 2021-96.** 

Councilman Brewer moved to amend **C.P.O. 2021-96** by stating "that all trucks that reside on the property must be registered with the City of Gary, Indiana". It was seconded by Councilwoman Caldwell.

President Godwin and Atty. Vis (Vis Law Firm, LLC) spoke in regards to C.P.O. 2021-96.

President Godwin requested that the Clerk place into the record "that the petitioner will transfer the address/point of origin for each vehicle to the City of Gary".

Councilman Brewer, Councilman Lay, President Godwin and Atty. Vis (Vis Law Firm LLC) spoke in regards to **C.P.O. 2021-96.** 

Councilman Brewer restated his amendment of **C.P.O. 2021-96** by stating "that all trucks that reside on the property must be registered with the City of Gary, Indiana by November 1, 2022". It was seconded by Councilwoman Caldwell.

Eric Boria (Director of Zoning Department) and Councilman Lay spoke in regards to C.P.O. 2021-96.

Roll call showed a vote of 8 ayes 0 nays. The Chair declared this motion duly passed.

Councilman Brewer moved for passage of **C.P.O. 2021-96** as amended. It was seconded by Councilwoman Caldwell.

Roll call showed a vote of 8 ayes 0 nays The Chair declared this Council Pending Ordinance duly PASSED.

#### C.P.O. 2021-97

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 15 ENTITLED "LAND USAGE" CHAPTER 123 ENTITLED "ZONING CODE" OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GARY, INDIANA FOR THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 5334 W. RIDGE ROAD. Petitioner: Satwinder Singh **Property: 5334 W. Ridge Road, Gary, Indiana** 

Councilman Brewer moved for passage of C.P.O. 2021-97. It was seconded by Councilwoman Caldwell.

Eric Boria (Director of Zoning Department) and Atty. Tramel Raggs (Harris Law Firm), representing the petitioner, gave a brief overview of **C.P.O. 2021-97**.

Councilman Lay, Eric Boria (Director of Zoning Department), Atty. Raggs (Harris Law Firm) and Councilman Brown spoke in regards to **C.P.O. 2021-97.** 

Roll call showed a vote of 2 ayes 6 nays (Councilman Brown, Caldwell, Lay, Weatherspoon, Williams, Godwin). The Chair declared this Council Pending Ordinance duly **DEFEATED**.

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 15 ENTITLED "LAND USAGE" CHAPTER 123 ENTITLED "ZONING CODE" OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GARY, INDIANA FOR THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 741-751 LAKE ST. Petitioner: Benjamin and Laura Hecht **Property: 741-751 Lake Street, Gary, Indiana** 

Councilman Brewer moved for passage of C.P.O. 2021-98. It was seconded by Councilwoman Caldwell.

Eric Boria (Director of Zoning Department) and Laura Hecht (petitioner)gave a brief overview of C.P.O. 2021-98.

Councilman Lay, President Godwin and Councilwoman Caldwell spoke in regards to C.P.O. 2021-98.

Roll call showed a vote of 8 ayes 0 nays The Chair declared this Council Pending Ordinance duly PASSED.

#### C.P.O. 2021-99

AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING A DONATION FROM HORIZON BANK TO BE USED TO PURCHASE CHRISTMAS LIGHTS FOR DECORATION. Sponsored by: Councilman Cozey Weatherspoon, 2<sup>nd</sup> District, Councilman Clorius Lay, At-Large, Mayor Jerome Prince, City of Gary, Mileak Harper, City Controller

Councilwoman Brown, Councilman Weatherspoon, President Godwin and Councilman Lay spoke in regards to **C.P.O. 2021-99**.

Councilwoman Brown moved for passage of C.P.O. 2021-99. It was seconded by Councilwoman Caldwell.

Councilman Brewer spoke in regards to C.P.O. 2021-99.

Councilwoman Brown moved to approve and ratify C.P.O. 2021-99. It was seconded by Councilwoman Caldwell.

Councilman Lay, Councilman Brewer, Councilman Weatherspoon and President Godwin spoke in regards to **C.P.O. 2021-99.** 

Roll call showed a vote of 7 ayes 0 nays (\*\*Councilman Brown temporarily left the meeting). The Chair declared this Council Pending Ordinance duly **PASSED.** 

#### C.P.O. 2021-100

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A NEW FUND AND BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF GARY CITY COURT OR AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING A DONATION INTO FUND. Sponsored by: Judge Deidre L. Monroe, Gary City Court

Councilwoman Brown moved for passage of C.P.O. 2021-100. It was seconded by Councilwoman Caldwell.

Judge Deidre Monroe (Gary City Court) gave a brief overview of C.P.O. 2021-100.

Councilman Lay, President Godwin and Atty. Colvin (Director of Community Development) spoke in regards to C.P.O. 2021-100.

Councilwoman Brown moved to amend C.P.O. 2021-100 by substitution. It seconded by Councilwoman Caldwell.

Roll call showed a vote of 8 ayes 0 nays. The Chair declared this amendment duly passed.

Councilwoman Brown moved for passage of **C.P.O. 2021-100** as amended. It was seconded by Councilwoman Caldwell.

President Godwin spoke in regards to C.P.O. 2021-100.

Roll call on the motion as amended showed a vote of 8 ayes 0 nays. The Chair declared this Council Pending Ordinance duly **PASSED.** 

#### C.P.O. 2021-103

AN ORDINANCE FOR THE CITY OF GARY, LAKE COUNTY, INDIANA APPROVING ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS FROM THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT (ARPA) FUND (176) FOR AN ARPA MANAGER. Sponsored by: Mayor Jerome Prince, City of Gary, Mileak Harper, City Controller

Councilwoman Caldwell moved to refer **C.P.O. 2021-103** back to Ways/Mean Committee with a Committee Hearing (via hybrid conference) set on January 11, 2022 at 5:30 pm. It was seconded by Councilwoman Brown.

Roll call showed a vote of 8 ayes 0 nays. The Chair declared this motion duly passed.

#### C.P.O. 2021-104

AN ORDINANCE FOR THE CITY OF GARY, LAKE COUNTY, INDIANA APPROVING ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS FROM THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT (ARPA) FUND (176) FOR A JOINT VENTURE BROADBAND INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECT. Sponsored by: Mayor Jerome Prince, City of Gary, Mileak Harper, City Controller

Councilwoman Caldwell moved to refer **C.P.O. 2021-103** back to Ways/Mean Committee with a Committee Hearing (via hybrid conference) set on January 11, 2022 at 5:30 pm. It was seconded by Councilwoman Brown.

Roll call showed a vote of 8 ayes 0 nays. The Chair declared this motion duly passed.

#### C.P.O. 2021-105

AN ORDINANCE FOR THE CITY OF GARY, LAKE COUNTY, INDIANA APPROVING ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS FROM THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT (ARPA) FUND (176) FOR A LEADERSHIP AND JOB TRAINING DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM. Sponsored by: Mayor Jerome Prince, City of Gary, Mileak Harper, City Controller

Councilwoman Caldwell moved to refer **C.P.O. 2021-105** back to Ways/Mean Committee with a Committee Hearing (via hybrid conference) set on January 11, 2022 at 5:30 pm. It was seconded by Councilwoman Brown.

Roll call showed a vote of 8 ayes 0 nays. The Chair declared this motion duly passed.

#### COUNCIL PENDING ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS ON SECOND READING:

#### C.P.O. 2021-102 AMENDED

AN ORDINANCE SETTING THE HOURLY RATE OF PAY FOR SWORN AND CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES THAT REPRESENTS PREMIUM PAY. Sponsored by: William Godwin, Councilman 1st District

Councilwoman Caldwell moved to Suspend the Rules to pass **C.P.O. 2021-102** as amended on all 3 readings. It was seconded by Councilwoman Brown.

Councilman Lay, Mileak Harper (City Controller), President Godwin and Atty. Colvin (Director of Community Development) spoke on **C.P.O. 2021-102.** 

President Godwin requested that the following amendment be made by striking "Such payments shall be tendered within 30 calendar days of this ordinance's enactment" and replace it with "all paid employees under this section shall be provided in a list format to the Common Council by the first Council meeting in February of 2022".

Councilman Lay moved to amend **C.P.O. 2021-102** by "strike the issues of the payments that are listed of all new employees eligible to be paid be provided the Council listing by the first Council meeting in February". It was seconded by Councilwoman Caldwell.

Roll call showed a vote of 8 ayes 0 nays. The Chair declared this motion duly passed.

Councilman Lay moved for passage of **C.P.O. 2021-102** on all 3 readings as amended. It was seconded by Councilwoman Brown, Councilman Brown and Councilwoman Caldwell.

Councilman Brewer spoke in regards to C.P.O. 2021-102.

Roll call showed a vote of 8 ayes 0 nays. The Chair declared this motion duly passed.

Councilwoman Caldwell moved for passage of **C.P.O. 2021-102** as amended. It was seconded by Councilwoman Brown.

Roll call showed a vote of 8 ayes 0 nays. The Chair declared this Council Pending Ordinance duly PASSED.

#### C.P.O. 2021-106

AN ORDINANCE FOR THE CITY OF GARY, LAKE COUNTY, INDIANA ESTABLISHING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE GENESIS CENTER ENTERPRISE FUND-279 AND THE CASINO OPERATING FUND-277. Sponsored by: Mayor Jerome Prince, City of Gary, Mileak Harper, City Controller

#### C.P.O. 2021-107

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING SUBSIDIES FOR FUND 251-HUDSON CAMPBELL FUND 216-MARQUETTE PAVILION, AND FUND 101-GENERAL. Sponsored by: Mayor Jerome Prince, City of Gary, Mileak Harper, City Controller

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A TRANSFER OF FUNDS WITHIN FUND 261-508- YOUTH SERVICES BUREAU. Sponsored by: Mayor Jerome Prince, City of Gary, Mileak Harper, City Controller

Councilwoman Brown moved for passage of **C.P.O. 2021-106, 2021-107 and 2021-108** (second reading) with a Committee Hearing set for January 11, 2022 at 6:30 pm (via zoom) and Public Hearing set for January 18, 2022 at 6:00 pm (via zoom). It was seconded by Councilwoman Caldwell.

Roll call showed a vote of 8 ayes 0 nays. The Chair declared this motion duly passed.

#### C.P.O. 2021-109

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 15 ENTITLED "LAND USAGE" CHAPTER 123 ENTITLED "ZONING CODE" OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GARY, INDIANA FOR THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT: 4977-79 BROADWAY. Petitioner: Addie Kinsey **Property: 4977-79 Broadway, Gary, Indiana** 

Councilman Brewer moved for passage of **C.P.O. 2021-109** (second reading) with a Committee Hearing set for January 11, 2022 at 5:00 pm (via zoom) and Public Hearing set for January 18, 2022 at 6:00 pm (via zoom). It was seconded by Councilwoman Caldwell.

Roll call showed a vote of 8 ayes 0 nays. The Chair declared this motion duly passed.

#### C.P.O. 2021-110

AN ORDINANCE FOR THE CITY OF GARY, LAKE COUNTY, INDIANA APPROVING ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS FROM THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT (ARPA) FOR BROADBAND UPDATES TO THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS. Sponsored by: Mayor Jerome Prince, City of Gary, Mileak Harper, City Controller, William Godwin, Councilman 1st District

Councilwoman Caldwell moved for passage of **C.P.O. 2021-110** (second reading) with a Committee Hearing set for January 11, 2022 at 5:30 pm (via zoom) and Public Hearing set for January 18, 2022 at 6:00 pm (via zoom). It was seconded by Councilwoman Caldwell.

Roll call showed a vote of 8 ayes 0 nays. The Chair declared this motion duly passed.

## REPORTS/QUESTIONS OF CITY OFFICIALS

Atty. Trent McCain (Deputy Mayor) presented the following announcements/updates on behalf of the administration:

- 1) Condolences were expressed to the family of Mary Felton.
- 2) Appreciation was expressed to those that participated in the Mayor's Holiday Trilogy with the Senior Luncheon at the YWCA, along with the "Mayor's Gift of Warmth Coat Give-Away" for over 100 children at City Hall and ending with "Movies with the Mayor" for the younger viewers.

Councilman Lay wished everyone in the City of Gary (including the Common Council, Mayor Prince, Judge Monroe and Clerk Raggs) a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Councilman Brewer wished the Common Council and the citizens of Gary a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

President Godwin wished the Common Council and the citizens of Gary a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year; and announced that the next Common Council meeting will be on January 3, 2022 at 5:00 pm.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS BEFORE THE COMMON COUNCIL, THE CHAIR DECLARED THIS MEETING OF **December 21, 2021** ADJOURNED AT 9:20 PM SO ORDERED.

WILLIAM GODWIN

PRISIDING OFFICER

SUZETTE RAGGS,

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