

**OFFICIAL BUSINESS OF THE  
GARY COMMON COUNCIL  
OF THE CITY OF  
GARY, INDIANA**

**SPECIAL MEETING  
MINUTES OF  
January 7, 2021**

VIA ZOOM VIDEO CONFERENCE

**THE HONORABLE WILLIAM GODWIN**  
Councilman 1<sup>st</sup> District, **Common Council President**

**THE HONORABLE COZEY WEATHERSPOON**  
Councilman 2<sup>nd</sup> District

**THE HONORABLE MARY BROWN**  
Councilwoman 3<sup>rd</sup> District

**THE HONORABLE TAI ADKINS**  
Councilwoman 4<sup>th</sup> District, **Common Council Vice-President**

**THE HONORABLE LINDA BARNES-CALDWELL**  
Councilwoman 5<sup>th</sup> District

**THE HONORABLE DWIGHT WILLIAMS**  
Councilman 6<sup>th</sup> 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 Special Session pursuant to the Laws and Rules of the Common Council of the City of Gary, Indiana, via zoom video conference on the **7<sup>th</sup> Day of January, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.** with the Honorable William Godwin presiding and the following members present/absent:

**PRESENT**

THE HONORABLE TAI ADKINS  
THE HONORABLE RONALD BREWER  
THE HONORABLE LINDA BARNES-CALDWELL  
THE HONORABLE WILLIAM GODWIN  
THE HONORABLE CLORIUS LAY  
THE HONORABLE COZEY WEATHERSPOON  
THE HONORABLE DWIGHT WILLIAMS

**ABSENT**

THE HONORABLE MARY BROWN  
THE HONORABLE MICHAEL BROWN

The meeting was opened at 6:05 p.m. with a moment of prayer by Councilman Ronald Brewer, followed by the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Chair asked for Roll Call.

Roll call showed 7 present 2 absent (Councilwoman Brown, Councilman Brown). The Chair declared this duly a quorum in order to conduct business in the City of Gary.

**COUNCIL PENDING ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS ON THIRD AND/OR FINAL READINGS:**

**C.P.R. 2021-01**

A RESOLUTION OF THE GARY COMMON COUNCIL SUPPORTING MORATORIUM ON CHARTER SCHOOLS IN GARY, INDIANA. Sponsored by: William Godwin, Councilman 1<sup>st</sup> District, Cozey Weatherspoon, Councilman 2<sup>nd</sup> District, Mary Brown, Councilwoman 3<sup>rd</sup> District, Tai Adkins, Councilwoman 4<sup>th</sup> District, Linda Barnes-Caldwell, Councilwoman 5<sup>th</sup> District, Ronald Brewer, Councilman-At-Large, Clorius Lay, Councilman-At-Large

Councilman Brewer moved for passage of **C.P.R. 2021-01**. It was seconded by Councilwoman Caldwell.

The Chair requested that Councilwoman Adkins read **C.P.R. 2021-01** for the record.

Councilwoman Adkins read **C.P.R. 2021-01** in its entirety.

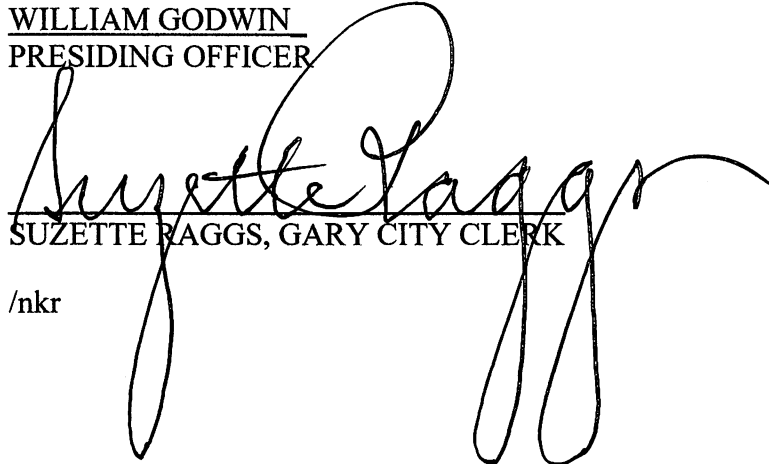
President Godwin, Councilwoman Adkins, Councilman Lay, Councilman Williams, Councilman Brewer spoke regarding **C.P.R. 2021-01**.

Roll call showed a vote of 7 ayes 0 nays. The Chair declared this Council Pending Resolution duly **PASSED**.

Councilman Lay spoke regarding the impeachment of President Trump and the 25<sup>th</sup> Amendment.

**THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS BEFORE THE COMMON COUNCIL, THE CHAIR DECLARED THIS MEETING OF JANUARY 7, 2021 ADJOURNED AT 6:45 PM SO ORDERED.**

WILLIAM GODWIN  
PRESIDING OFFICER

  
SUZETTE RAGGS, GARY CITY CLERK

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