OFFICIAL BUSINESS OF THE GARY COMMON COUNCIL

OF THE CITY OF GARY, INDIANA

MINUTES OF July 30, 2021 Special Emergency Meeting

VIA ZOOM VIDEO CONFERENCE

THE HONORABLE WILLIAM GODWIN

Councilman 1st District, Common Council President

THE HONORABLE COZEY WEATHERSPOON

Councilman 2nd 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 Special Emergency Session pursuant to the Laws and Rules of the Common Council of the City of Gary, Indiana, via zoom video conference on the 30th Day of July, 2021 at 5:30 pm with the Honorable William Godwin presiding and the following members present/absent:

PRESENT

ABSENT

THE HONORABLE TAI ADKINS

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 HONORABLE DWIGHT WILLIAMS

The meeting was opened at 5:30 pm.

The Chair asked for Roll Call.

Roll call showed 9 present 0 absent. The Chair declared this duly a quorum in order to conduct business in the City of Gary.

The Chair asked the Clerk to read the Call of the Meeting.

The Clerk read the Call of the Meeting. (See attached)

The Chair requested that Attorney Rinzer Williams (Council's Legal Advisor) give an overview in regards to the pending litigation and how the Common Council's Investigation Committee work under the Indiana State Statue.

Atty. Williams (Council's Legal Advisor) gave a brief overview to the Council in regards to the Investigation Committee.

President Godwin gave a statement in regards to the pending litigation as it relates to the sale of the Genesis Convention Center and the Ivanhoe transaction.

Councilman Brewer moved to open the Investigation Committee and launch an investigation of the sale of the Genesis Convention Center and the Ivanhoe transaction. It was seconded by Councilwoman Adkins and Councilwoman Brown.

Councilwoman Caldwell requested clarification from Atty. Williams (Council's Legal Advisor).

Atty. Williams (Council's Legal Advisor) gave a brief overview to the Council in regards to the Investigation Committee.

Councilman Brown spoke in regards to the Indiana Governor extending the moratorium on zoom meetings.

Roll call showed a vote of 9 ayes 0 nays. The Chair declared this motion duly passed.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS BEFORE THE COMMON COUNCIL, THE CHAIR DECLARED THIS MEETING OF July 30, 2021 ADJOURNED AT 5:50 PM SO ORDERED.

WILLIAM GODWIN

PRESIDING OFFICER

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The Gary Common Council

From:

Gary City Clerk Suzette Ragge Watte Saga

Date:

July 28, 2021

Re:

Special Emergency Meeting

In accordance with policy and procedure, this memorandum serves as official notification that the members of the Gary Common Council have hereby called for a Special Emergency Meeting of the Gary Common Council to be held on Friday, July 30, 2021 at 5:30 p.m. (via zoom meeting).

The nature, object and purpose of this Special Emergency Meeting will be to discuss THE GENESIS CENTER AND IVANHOE TRANSACTIONS. You are requested to govern yourselves accordingly.