

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

**MINUTES OF
OCTOBER 4, 2022**

GARY COMMON COUNCIL CHAMBERS
401 BROADWAY, GARY, INDIANA 46402

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

THE HONORABLE CLORIUS LAY
Councilman-At-Large, Parliamentarian

THE HONORABLE DARREN WASHINGTON
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 hybrid/zoom conference on the **4TH Day of October, 2022 at 6:00 pm** with the Honorable William Godwin presiding and the following members present/absent:

PRESENT

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

ABSENT

The meeting was opened at 6:10 pm with a moment of prayer by Councilman Brewer; followed by the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Chair acknowledged that the Common Council recognized October as “Breast Cancer Awareness Month”.

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 for reading of the minutes of the previous meeting.

Councilman Brewer moved to approve and accept the minutes from the meeting of September 20, 2022. It was seconded by Councilwoman Adkins and Councilman Lay.

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

ASSIGNMENT OF COUNCIL PENDING ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS:

The Chair requested that **C.P.O. 2022-116** and **C.P.O. 2022-117** be read first on the agenda.

C.P.O. 2022-116

AN ORDINANCE VACATING A PUBLIC WAY IN THE CITY OF GARY LOCATED EAST OF UNION STREET AND WEST OF VANDERBURG STREET RUNNING NORTH AND SOUTH BETWEEN OAK AVENUE AND MAPLE AVENUE. Sponsored by: Tai Adkins, Fourth District Council Member

C.P.O. 2022-117

AN ORDINANCE VACATING A PUBLIC WAY IN THE CITY OF GARY LOCATED NORTH OF US HWY 20 AND SOUTH OF US HWY 12 RUNNING EAST AND WEST BETWEEN BIGGER STREET AND INDUSTRIAL HIGHWAY. Sponsored by: Cozey Weatherspoon, Second District Councilman

President Godwin stated that due to his involvement with **C.P.O. 2022-116** he will recuse himself from any vote or comments and allowed Atty. Rinzer Williams (Council Legal Advisor) to speak before the Council relevant to those particular legislations.

Atty. Williams (Council Legal Advisor), Councilman Lay, and Councilman Brewer spoke in regards to **C.P.O. 2022-116** and **C.P.O. 2022-117**.

The Chair opened the floor for a Public Hearing on **C.P.O. 2022-116**.

SPEAKERS BEFORE THE COUNCIL:

None

The Chair opened the floor for a Public Hearing on **C.P.O. 2022-117**.

SPEAKERS BEFORE THE COUNCIL:

None

The Chair assigned **C.P.O. 2022-116** and **C.P.O. 2022-117** to the Planning & Development Committee.

C.P.O. 2022-110

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A TRANSFER OF FUNDS WITHIN FUND 1101-253 (PARKS DEPARTMENT). Sponsored by: Mayor Jerome A. Prince, City of Gary, Mileak Harper, City Controller

FINANCE COMMITTEE

C.P.O. 2022-111

AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING A DONATION FROM JOSEPH AND BONNIE FAULSTICH, GRACE POTOCKI, MARY LOUISE BERTOLUZZI, AND THE METHODIST HOSPITAL GARY CRITICAL CARE NURSES TO BE USED TO ASSIST THE RAINBOW-ARK SHELTER. Sponsored by: Councilwoman Mary Brown, 3rd District, Mayor Jerome A. Prince, City of Gary, Mileak Harper, City Controller

FINANCE COMMITTEE

C.P.O. 2022-112

AN ORDINANCE FOR ENFORCEMENT OF ORDINANCES THROUGH ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEEDINGS; APPEAL. Sponsored by: Mayor Jerome A. Prince, City of Gary

WAYS/MEANS COMMITTEE

C.P.O. 2022-113

AN ORDINANCE CONCERNING REAL PROPERTY; ACTION TO BRING COMPLIANCE; EXPENSES OR COSTS OF ACTION AS A LIEN AGAINST PROPERTY OR BILL TO OWNER; COLLECTION OF DELINQUENCIES. Sponsored by: Mayor Jerome A. Prince, City of Gary

WAYS/MEANS COMMITTEE

C.P.O. 2022-114

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING GARY MUNICIPAL CODE SECTION 44-50 ENTITLED STUMPS; DEAD AND DISEASED TREES. Sponsored by: Mayor Jerome A. Prince, City of Gary

PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

C.P.O. 2022-115

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING GARY MUNICIPAL CODE SECTION 36-158 AND 36-159 TITLED: PETITIONS; INVESTIGATION AND RECOMMENDATION; AND PUBLIC HEARING; DETERMINATION. Sponsored by: Mayor Jerome A. Prince, City of Gary

PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

COMMITTEE MEETINGS:

Councilwoman Brown, Chairwoman of the Finance Committee has:

C.P.O. 2022-110

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A TRANSFER OF FUNDS WITHIN FUND 1101-253 (PARKS DEPARTMENT). Sponsored by: Mayor Jerome A. Prince, City of Gary, Mileak Harper, City Controller **before it. For the record Councilwoman Brown, Councilwoman Caldwell and Councilwoman Adkins approved C.P.O. 2022-110 to be reported out of committee.**

C.P.O. 2022-111

AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING A DONATION FROM JOSEPH AND BONNIE FAULSTICH, GRACE POTOCKI, MARY LOUISE BERTOLUZZI, AND THE METHODIST HOSPITAL GARY CRITICAL CARE NURSES TO BE USED TO ASSIST THE RAINBOW-ARK SHELTER. Sponsored by: Councilwoman Mary Brown, 3rd District, Mayor Jerome A. Prince, City of Gary, Mileak Harper, City Controller **before it. For the record Councilwoman Brown, Councilwoman Caldwell and Councilwoman Adkins approved C.P.O. 2022-111 to be reported out of committee.**

Councilwoman Adkins, Chairwoman of the Ways/Means Committee has:

C.P.O. 2022-112

AN ORDINANCE FOR ENFORCEMENT OF ORDINANCES THROUGH ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEEDINGS; APPEAL. Sponsored by: Mayor Jerome A. Prince, City of Gary

C.P.O. 2022-113

AN ORDINANCE CONCERNING REAL PROPERTY; ACTION TO BRING COMPLIANCE; EXPENSES OR COSTS OF ACTION AS A LIEN AGAINST PROPERTY OR BILL TO OWNER; COLLECTION OF DELINQUENCIES. Sponsored by: Mayor Jerome A. Prince, City of Gary **before it. For the record Councilwoman Adkins, Councilwoman Caldwell and Councilman Washington approved C.P.O. 2022-112 and C.P.O. 2022-113 to be reported out of committee.**

Councilwoman Adkins, Chairwoman of the Planning & Development Committee has:

C.P.O. 2022-114

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING GARY MUNICIPAL CODE SECTION 44-50 ENTITLED STUMPS; DEAD AND DISEASED TREES. Sponsored by: Mayor Jerome A. Prince, City of Gary

C.P.O. 2022-115

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING GARY MUNICIPAL CODE SECTION 36-158 AND 36-159 TITLED: PETITIONS; INVESTIGATION AND RECOMMENDATION; AND PUBLIC HEARING; DETERMINATION. Sponsored by: Mayor Jerome A. Prince, City of Gary

C.P.O. 2022-116

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C.P.O. 2022-117

AN ORDINANCE VACATING A PUBLIC WAY IN THE CITY OF GARY LOCATED NORTH OF US HWY 20 AND SOUTH OF US HWY 12 RUNNING EAST AND WEST BETWEEN BIGGER STREET AND INDUSTRIAL HIGHWAY. Sponsored by: Cozey Weatherspoon, Second District Councilman **before it. For the record Councilwoman Adkins and Councilwoman Caldwell approved C.P.O. 2022-114, C.P.O. 2022-115, C.P.O. 2022-116 and C.P.O. 2022-117 to be reported out of committee.**

Councilman Lay and President Godwin spoke in regards to **C.P.O. 2022-116.**

President Godwin stated for the record, that he is abstaining his vote to bring **C.P.O. 2022-116** only out of Planning & Development committee and voting yes to bring **C.P.O. 2022-114, C.P.O. 2022-115** and **C.P.O. 2022-117** out of the Planning & Development committee.

Councilwoman Caldwell moved to Suspend the Rules to add **C.P.R. 2022-13** to the agenda. It was seconded by Councilman Lay.

ASSIGNMENT OF COUNCIL PENDING ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS:

C.P.R. 2022-13

A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING OCTOBER 2022 AS BREAST CANCER AWARENESS MONTH. Sponsored by: Mayor Jerome Prince, City of Gary and the Gary Common Council

BOARDS & COMMISSIONS COMMITTEE

COMMITTEE MEETINGS:

Councilwoman Adkins, Chairwoman of the Planning & Development Committee has:

C.P.R. 2022-13

A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING OCTOBER 2022 AS BREAST CANCER AWARENESS MONTH. Sponsored by: Mayor Jerome Prince, City of Gary and the Gary Common Council **before it. For the record Councilwoman Caldwell, Councilwoman Brown and Councilman Williams approved C.P.R. 2022-13 to be reported out of committee.**

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

FINANCE COMMITTEE:

Councilwoman Brown reported the following legislation out of committee: **C.P.O. 2022-110 and C.P.O. 2022-111.**

PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE:

Councilwoman Adkins reported the following legislation out of committee: **C.P.O. 2022-114, C.P.O. 2022-115, C.P.O. 2022-116 and C.P.O. 2022-117**

WAYS/MEANS COMMITTEE:

Councilwoman Adkins reported the following legislation out of committee: **C.P.O. 2022-112 and C.P.O. 2022-113.**

BOARDS & COMMISSIONS COMMITTEE:

Councilwoman Caldwell reported the following legislation out of committee: **C.P.R. 2022-13.**

PRESENTATION (S):

The Chair requested that Major Jerry Williams (Indiana State Police) give a presentation before the Council.

Major Williams (Indiana State Police) gave an overview of the initiatives regarding the City of Gary Police Department.

Councilman Brewer and Councilman Lay spoke in regards to the presentation from Major Williams (Indiana State Police).

Councilman Brewer announced that the Public Safety Committee meeting will be changed from October 12, 2022 at 5:30 pm to October 25, 2022 at 6:00 pm.

Atty. Williams (Council Legal Advisor) spoke in regards to litigation cases discussed during the Executive Session.

Councilman Brewer moved to dismiss the litigation of the “Gary Common Council v/s Mayor Jerome Prince”, and “Mayor Jerome Prince v/s the Gary Common Council” as outlined by Atty. Williams (Council Legal Advisor). It was seconded by Councilman Lay and Councilwoman Caldwell.

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

Atty. McCain (Deputy Mayor) introduced Jasmine Thomas as the new (Director of the City of Gary Parks and Recreation Department).

Jasmine Thomas (Director of the City of Gary Parks and Recreation Department) gave an overview of her future plans for the City of Gary.

President Godwin, President Lay, Councilwoman Brown, Councilwoman Adkins, Councilman Weatherspoon and Councilman Brewer welcomed Jasmine Thomas (Director of the City of Gary Parks and Recreation Department).

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Ernest Walton

Jim Nowacki

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

C.P.O. 2022-67

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING SALARY AND OPERATING BUDGETS FOR THE CITY OF GARY'S COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM (PROGRAM YEAR 2022), EMERGENCY SOLUTIONS GRANT PROGRAM (PROGRAM YEAR 2022), HOME PROGRAM (PROGRAM YEAR 2022) NEIGHBORHOOD STABILIZATION PROGRAM (PROGRAM YEAR 2022) AND FORECLOSURE PREVENTION PROGRAM (PROGRAM YEAR 2022). Sponsored by: Mayor Jerome Prince, City of Gary, Mileak Harper, City Controller, Arlene Colvin, Director of Community Development Department

Councilwoman Adkins moved to refer **C.P.O. 2022-67** back to committee, with a Committee Hearing set for October 11, 2022 at 5:30 pm. It was seconded by Councilwoman Caldwell.

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

C.P.O. 2022-87

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NUMBER 9446 ENTITLED AN ORDINANCE FOR THE CITY OF GARY, LAKE COUNTY, INDIANA APPROVING AN AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT (ARPA) SPENDING PLAN FOR DEMOLITION OF BLIGHTED PROPERTIES. Sponsored by: Mayor Jerome A. Prince, City of Gary, Mileak Harper, City Controller, Councilwoman Tai Adkins, 4th District Councilman William Godwin, 1st District

C.P.O. 2022-92

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NUMBER 9446 ENTITLED AN ORDINANCE FOR THE CITY OF GARY, LAKE COUNTY, INDIANA APPROVING AN AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT (ARPA) SPENDING PLAN FOR A 50/50 SIDEWALK PROGRAM. Sponsored by: Mayor Jerome A. Prince, City of Gary, Mileak Harper, City Controller, Councilwoman Tai Adkins, 4th District Councilman William Godwin, 1st District

C.P.O. 2022-98

AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING MONIES FOR THE PURPOSES OF DEFRAYING THE EXPENSES OF THE GARY PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF GARY, INDIANA, FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2023 AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2023 INCLUDING ALL OUTSTANDING CLAIMS AND OBLIGATIONS AND FIXING A TIME WHEN THE SAME SHALL TAKE EFFECT. Sponsored by: Mayor Jerome A. Prince, City of Gary, Mileak Harper, City Controller

C.P.O. 2022-99

AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING MONIES FOR THE PURPOSES OF DEFRAYING THE EXPENSES OF THE GARY/CHICAGO INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT TAX-BASED FUNDS OF THE CITY OF GARY, INDIANA, FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2023 AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2023 INCLUDING ALL OUTSTANDING CLAIMS AND OBLIGATIONS AND FIXING A TIME WHEN THE SAME SHALL TAKE EFFECT. Sponsored by: Mayor Jerome A. Prince, City of Gary, Mileak Harper, City Controller

Councilwoman Adkins moved to refer **C.P.O. 2022-67, C.P.O. 2022-87, C.P.O. 2022-92, C.P.O. 2022-98 and C.P.O. 22-99** back to committee, with a Committee Hearing set for October 11, 2022 at 5:30 pm. It was seconded by Councilwoman Caldwell.

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

Councilwoman Adkins stated that **C.P.O. 2022-98** and **C.P.O. 2022-99** had to hold a Public Hearing.

The Chair requested that **C.P.O. 2022-98** be read.

C.P.O. 2022-98

AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING MONIES FOR THE PURPOSES OF DEFRAYING THE EXPENSES OF THE GARY PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF GARY, INDIANA, FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2023 AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2023 INCLUDING ALL OUTSTANDING CLAIMS AND OBLIGATIONS AND FIXING A TIME WHEN THE SAME SHALL TAKE EFFECT. Sponsored by: Mayor Jerome A. Prince, City of Gary, Mileak Harper, City Controller

Mileak Harper (City Controller) and Freddy McMillon (GPTC Finance Director) gave a brief overview of **C.P.O. 2022-98**.

THIS BEING THE NIGHT SET ASIDE FOR PUBLIC HEARING, THE CHAIR ASKED IF THERE WAS ANYONE WHO WISHED TO SPEAK FOR/AGAINST THIS COUNCIL PENDING ORDINANCE.

SPEAKERS BEFORE THE COUNCIL:

Nick Vassel

Councilman Williams, Councilman Weatherspoon, President Godwin, Atty. McCain (Deputy Mayor), Marianetta Barber (Director of Board of Public Works & Safety) spoke in regards to **C.P.O. 2022-98**.

C.P.O. 2022-99

AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING MONIES FOR THE PURPOSES OF DEFRAYING THE EXPENSES OF THE GARY/CHICAGO INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT TAX-BASED FUNDS OF THE CITY OF GARY, INDIANA, FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2023 AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2023 INCLUDING ALL OUTSTANDING CLAIMS AND OBLIGATIONS AND FIXING A TIME WHEN THE SAME SHALL TAKE EFFECT. Sponsored by: Mayor Jerome A. Prince, City of Gary, Mileak Harper, City Controller

Mileak Harper (City Controller) and Steve Dalton (Gary/Chicago International Airport Consultant) gave a brief overview of **C.P.O. 2022-99**.

THIS BEING THE NIGHT SET ASIDE FOR PUBLIC HEARING, THE CHAIR ASKED IF THERE WAS ANYONE WHO WISHED TO SPEAK FOR/AGAINST THIS COUNCIL PENDING ORDINANCE.

SPEAKERS BEFORE THE COUNCIL:

Jim Nowacki

Councilman Brewer, Councilman Lay, Councilman Weatherspoon, Councilwoman Adkins spoke in regards to **C.P.O. 2022-99**.

Councilman Brewer, Councilwoman Adkins, Mileak Harper (City Controller), Karl Cender (Cender/Dalton Municipal Advisors) and President Godwin spoke in regards to the timeline of passing of the City of Gary 2023 budgets.

C.P.O. 2022-95

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING SALARIES FOR THE EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY OF GARY'S GENERAL, PARKS, COIT, MVH, PENSION, AND FIRE TAX-BASED FUNDS FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 2023.

Sponsored by: Mayor Jerome A. Prince, City of Gary, Mileak Harper, City Controller

Mileak Harper (City Controller) and Karl Cender (Cender/Dalton Municipal Advisors) gave a brief overview of **C.P.O. 2022-95**.

THIS BEING THE NIGHT SET ASIDE FOR PUBLIC HEARING, THE CHAIR ASKED IF THERE WAS ANYONE WHO WISHED TO SPEAK FOR/AGAINST THIS COUNCIL PENDING ORDINANCE.

SPEAKERS BEFORE THE COUNCIL:

None

President Godwin and Mileak Harper (City Controller) spoke in regards to **C.P.O. 2022-95**.

C.P.O. 2022-96

AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING MONIES FOR THE PURPOSES OF DEFRAYING THE EXPENSES OF THE GENERAL, PARKS, COIT, CEDIT, CCI, CCD, MVH, LRS, FIRE PENSION, AND POLICE PENSION, TAX-BASED FUNDS OF THE CITY OF GARY, INDIANA, FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2023 AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2023, INCLUDING ALL OUTSTANDING CLAIMS AND OBLIGATIONS AND FIXING A TIME WHEN THE SAME SHALL TAKE EFFECT. Sponsored by: Mayor Jerome Prince, City of Gary, Mileak Harper, City Controller

Mileak Harper (City Controller) gave a brief overview of **C.P.O. 2022-96**.

THIS BEING THE NIGHT SET ASIDE FOR PUBLIC HEARING, THE CHAIR ASKED IF THERE WAS ANYONE WHO WISHED TO SPEAK FOR/AGAINST THIS COUNCIL PENDING ORDINANCE.

SPEAKERS BEFORE THE COUNCIL:

None

C.P.O. 2022-97

AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING MONIES FOR THE PURPOSES OF DEFRAYING THE EXPENSES OF THE SPECIAL REDEVELOPMENT GENERAL TAX-BASED FUND OF THE CITY OF GARY, INDIANA, FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2023 AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2023 INCLUDING ALL OUTSTANDING CLAIMS AND OBLIGATIONS AND FIXING A TIME WHEN THE SAME SHALL TAKE EFFECT. Sponsored by: Mayor Jerome A. Prince, City of Gary, Mileak Harper, City Controller

Mileak Harper (City Controller) gave a brief overview of **C.P.O. 2022-97**.

THIS BEING THE NIGHT SET ASIDE FOR PUBLIC HEARING, THE CHAIR ASKED IF THERE WAS ANYONE WHO WISHED TO SPEAK FOR/AGAINST THIS COUNCIL PENDING ORDINANCE.

SPEAKERS BEFORE THE COUNCIL:

Jim Nowacki

President Godwin and Councilman Brewer spoke on **C.P.O. 2022-97**.

President Godwin, Councilman Brewer, Councilwoman Adkins and Atty. Williams (Council Legal Advisor) spoke in regards to legislation on the agenda.

Councilwoman Adkins moved to refer **C.P.O. 2022-67**, **C.P.O. 2022-87**, **C.P.O. 2022-92**, **C.P.O. 2022-98** and **C.P.O. 2022-99** back to the Ways/Means Committee with a committee hearing on, Tuesday, October 11, 2022 at 5:30 pm and a Public Hearing set for Tuesday, October 18, 2022. It was seconded by Councilwoman Caldwell.

Councilman Lay, President Godwin, Councilman Brewer, Atty. Williams (Council Legal Advisor) spoke on removing the legislation from the agenda.

The Chair requested that Councilwoman Adkins restate her motion.

Councilwoman Adkins moved to refer **C.P.O. 2022-67**, **C.P.O. 2022-87**, **C.P.O. 2022-92**, **C.P.O. 2022-98** and **C.P.O. 2022-99** back to the Ways/Means Committee with a committee hearing on, Tuesday, October 11, 2022 at 5:30 pm and a Public Hearing set for Tuesday, October 18, 2022. It was seconded by Councilwoman Caldwell.

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

C.P.O. 2022-89

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NUMBER 9446 ENTITLED AN ORDINANCE FOR THE CITY OF GARY, LAKE COUNTY, INDIANA APPROVING AN AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT (ARPA) SPENDING PLAN FOR SUPPORT OF GARY ARE NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS. Sponsored by: Mayor Jerome A. Prince, City of Gary, Mileak Harper, City Controller, Councilwoman Tai Adkins, 4th District Councilman William Godwin, 1st District

Councilwoman Adkins moved to refer **C.P.O. 2022-89**, back to the Ways/Means Committee with a committee hearing set for Tuesday, November 8, 2022 at 5:30 pm. It was seconded by Councilwoman Caldwell and Councilman Lay.

Atty. McCain (Deputy Mayor) stated that November 8, 2022 was an Election Day.

Councilwoman Adkins rescinded her motion and moved to refer **C.P.O. 2022-89**, back to the Ways/Means Committee with a committee hearing set for Wednesday, November 9, 2022 at 5:30 pm. It was seconded by Councilwoman Caldwell.

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

C.P.O. 2022-90

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NUMBER 9446 ENTITLED AN ORDINANCE FOR THE CITY OF GARY, LAKE COUNTY, INDIANA APPROVING AN AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT (ARPA) SPENDING PLAN FOR DOWNPAYMENT ASSISTANCE. Sponsored by: Mayor Jerome A. Prince, City of Gary, Mileak Harper, City Controller, Councilwoman Tai Adkins, 4th District Councilman William Godwin, 1st District

Councilwoman Adkins moved to refer **C.P.O. 2022-90**, back to the Ways/Means Committee with a committee hearing set for Wednesday, November 9, 2022 at 5:30 pm and a Public Hearing set for Tuesday, November 15, 2022. It was seconded by Councilman Lay.

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

C.P.O. 2022-91

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NUMBER 9446 ENTITLED AN ORDINANCE FOR THE CITY OF GARY, LAKE COUNTY, INDIANA APPROVING AN AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT (ARPA) SPENDING PLAN FOR TUITION PROGRAM FOR LIBRARY SCIENCE EDUCATION. Sponsored by: Mayor Jerome A. Prince, City of Gary, Mileak Harper, City Controller

Councilwoman Adkins moved to refer **C.P.O. 2022-91**, back to the Ways/Means Committee with a committee hearing set for Wednesday, November 9, 2022 at 5:30 pm and a Public Hearing set for Tuesday, November 15, 2022. It was seconded by Councilman Lay.

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

C.P.O. 2022-93

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NUMBER 9446 ENTITLED AN ORDINANCE FOR THE CITY OF GARY, LAKE COUNTY, INDIANA APPROVING AN AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT (ARPA) SPENDING PLAN FOR A NEW HEALTH DEPARTMENT FACILITY. Sponsored by: Mayor Jerome A. Prince, City of Gary, Mileak Harper, City Controller, Councilwoman Tai Adkins, 4th District Councilman William Godwin, 1st District

Councilwoman Adkins moved to refer **C.P.O. 2022-93**, back to the Ways/Means Committee with a committee hearing set for Wednesday, November 9, 2022 at 5:30 pm and a Public Hearing set for Tuesday, November 15, 2022. It was seconded by Councilman Lay.

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

C.P.O. 2022-94

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NUMBER 9446 ENTITLED AN ORDINANCE FOR THE CITY OF GARY, LAKE COUNTY, INDIANA APPROVING AN AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT (ARPA) SPENDING PLAN FOR INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS AT 6TH AND HOWARD STREETS.

Sponsored by: Mayor Jerome A. Prince, City of Gary, Mileak Harper, City Controller

Councilwoman Adkins moved to refer **C.P.O. 2022-94**, back to the Ways/Means Committee with a committee hearing set for Wednesday, November 9, 2022 at 5:30 pm and a Public Hearing set for Tuesday, November 15, 2022. It was seconded by Councilman Lay and Councilwoman Brown.

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

COUNCIL PENDING ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS ON SECOND READING:

C.P.O. 2022-110

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A TRANSFER OF FUNDS WITHIN FUND 1101-253 (PARKS DEPARTMENT). Sponsored by: Mayor Jerome A. Prince, City of Gary, Mileak Harper, City Controller

Councilwoman Brown moved for passage of **C.P.O. 2022-110** (Second Reading) with a Committee Hearing set on Monday, October 11, 2022 at 5:00 pm and a Public Hearing set on Tuesday, October 18, 2022. It was seconded by Councilwoman Caldwell.

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

C.P.O. 2022-111

AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING A DONATION FROM JOSEPH AND BONNIE FAULSTICH, GRACE POTOCKI, MARY LOUISE BERTOLUZZI, AND THE METHODIST HOSPITAL GARY CRITICAL CARE NURSES TO BE USED TO ASSIST THE RAINBOW-ARK SHELTER. Sponsored by: Councilwoman Mary Brown, 3rd District, Mayor Jerome A. Prince, City of Gary, Mileak Harper, City Controller

Councilwoman Brown moved to Suspend the Rules to pass **C.P.O. 2022-111** on all 3 readings. It was seconded by Councilwoman Caldwell.

Roll call showed a vote of 8 ayes 0 nays (*Councilman Williams temporarily left the meeting). The Chair declared this motion duly passed.

Councilwoman Brown moved for passage of **C.P.O. 2022-111** on all 3 readings. It was seconded by Councilman Lay.

Mileak Harper (City Controller) gave an overview of **C.P.O. 2022-111**.

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

C.P.O. 2022-112

AN ORDINANCE FOR ENFORCEMENT OF ORDINANCES THROUGH ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEEDINGS; APPEAL. Sponsored by: Mayor Jerome A. Prince, City of Gary

C.P.O. 2022-113

AN ORDINANCE CONCERNING REAL PROPERTY; ACTION TO BRING COMPLIANCE; EXPENSES OR COSTS OF ACTION AS A LIEN AGAINST PROPERTY OR BILL TO OWNER; COLLECTION OF DELINQUENCIES. Sponsored by: Mayor Jerome A. Prince, City of Gary

Councilwoman Adkins moved for passage of **C.P.O. 2022-112 and 2022-113** (Second Reading) with a Committee Hearing set on Wednesday, November 9, 2022 at 5:30 pm and a Public Hearing set on Tuesday, November 15, 2022. It was seconded by Councilwoman Caldwell.

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

C.P.O. 2022-114

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING GARY MUNICIPAL CODE SECTION 44-50 ENTITLED STUMPS; DEAD AND DISEASED TREES. Sponsored by: Mayor Jerome A. Prince, City of Gary

C.P.O. 2022-115

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING GARY MUNICIPAL CODE SECTION 36-158 AND 36-159 TITLED: PETITIONS; INVESTIGATION AND RECOMMENDATION; AND PUBLIC HEARING; DETERMINATION. Sponsored by: Mayor Jerome A. Prince, City of Gary

C.P.O. 2022-117

AN ORDINANCE VACATING A PUBLIC WAY IN THE CITY OF GARY LOCATED NORTH OF US HWY 20 AND SOUTH OF US HWY 12 RUNNING EAST AND WEST BETWEEN BIGGER STREET AND INDUSTRIAL HIGHWAY. Sponsored by: Cozey Weatherspoon, Second District Councilman

Councilwoman Adkins moved for passage of **C.P.O. 2022-114, 2022-115 and 2022-117** (Second Reading) with a Committee Hearing set on Wednesday, November 9, 2022 at 6:30 pm and a Public Hearing set on Tuesday, November 15, 2022. It was seconded by Councilman Lay.

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

C.P.O. 2022-116

AN ORDINANCE VACATING A PUBLIC WAY IN THE CITY OF GARY LOCATED EAST OF UNION STREET AND WEST OF VANDERBURG STREET RUNNING NORTH AND SOUTH BETWEEN OAK AVENUE AND MAPLE AVENUE. Sponsored by: Tai Adkins, Fourth District Council Member

Councilwoman Adkins moved for passage of **C.P.O. 2022-116** (Second Reading) with a Committee Hearing set on Wednesday, November 9, 2022 at 6:30 pm and a Public Hearing set on Tuesday, November 15, 2022. It was seconded by Councilman Lay.

Roll call showed vote of 7 ayes 0 nays 1 abstention (Godwin). The Chair declared this motion duly passed.

C.P.R. 2022-13

A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING OCTOBER 2022 AS BREAST CANCER AWARENESS MONTH.
Sponsored by: Mayor Jerome Prince, City of Gary and the Gary Common Council

Councilwoman Caldwell moved to Suspend the Rules to pass **C.P.R. 2022-13** on all 3 readings. It was seconded by Councilman Lay.

Atty. McCain (Deputy Mayor) gave an overview of **C.P.R. 2022-13**.

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

Councilwoman Adkins moved for passage of **C.P.R. 2022-13** on all 3 readings. It was seconded by Councilman Lay and Councilman Weatherspoon.

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

REPORTS/QUESTIONS OF CITY OFFICIALS:

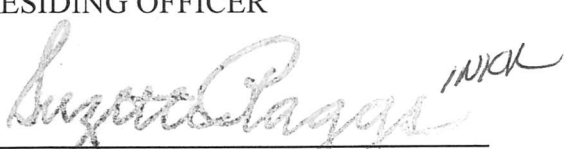
Atty. Trent McCain (Deputy Mayor) presented the following announcement/update on behalf of the administration:

- 1) Condolences were expressed to the family of Jeffrey Cain on his passing.

Councilman Lay announced that the Common Council is invited to a celebration on November 1, 2022 at North Gleason Park Pavilion in honor of Councilman Weatherspoon as his role as the new Calumet Township Accessor in January 2023.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS BEFORE THE COMMON COUNCIL, THE CHAIR DECLARED THIS MEETING OF **October 4, 2022** ADJOURNED AT 9:30 PM SO ORDERED.

WILLIAM GODWIN
PRESIDING OFFICER


SUZETTE RAGGS, GARY CITY CLERK
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