# OFFICIAL BUSINESS OF THE GARY COMMON COUNCIL

OF THE CITY OF GARY, INDIANA

# MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 15, 2022

HYBRID VIDEO CONFERENCE 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, on the 15th Day of November, 2022 at 6:00 pm with the Honorable William Godwin presiding and the following members present/absent:

**PRESENT** 

**ABSENT** 

THE HONORABLE TAI ADKINS

THE HONORABLE MARY BROWN

THE HONORABLE RONALD BREWER

THE HONORABLE DWIGHT WILLIAMS (\*see page 5)

THE HONORABLE LINDA BARNES-CALDWELL

THE HONORABLE WILLIAM GODWIN

THE HONORABLE CLORIUS LAY

THE HONORABLE COZEY WEATHERSPOON

THE HONORABLE DARREN WASHINGTON

The meeting was opened at 6:09 pm with a moment of prayer by Councilman Brewer; followed by the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Chair asked for Roll Call.

Roll call showed 7 present 2 absent (Brown, Williams). 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 previous meeting of November 1, 2022. It was seconded by Councilwoman Caldwell.

Roll call showed a vote of 7 ayes 0 nays. The Chair declared this motion duly passed.

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

#### C.P.O. 2022-125

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NUMBER 9448 TO MAKE CHANGES TO THE 2022 OPERATING BUDGET OF THE PUBLIC SAFETY INCOME TAX FUND (FUND 2240). Sponsored by: Mayor Jerome Prince, City of Gary, Mileak Harper, City Controller

#### WAYS/MEANS COMMITTEE

#### C.P.O. 2022-126

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE TRANSFER OF FUNDS FOR TRANSFERRING APPROPRIATIONS FOR OMNIBUS EQUIPMENT NEEDS FOR THE GARY FIRE DEPARTMENT LINE ITEMS. Sponsored by: Mayor Jerome Prince, City of Gary, Mileak Harper, City Controller

#### WAYS/MEANS COMMITTEE

#### C.P.O. 2022-127

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NUMBER 9948 AND ORDINANCE NUMBER 9949 TO MAKE CHANGES TO THE 2022 OPERATING AND SALARY BUDGETS FOR THE CITY COURTS DEPARTMENT AND THE CITY CLERK DEPARTMENT. Sponsored by: Mayor Jerome A. Prince, City of Gary, Mileak Harper, City Controller

#### WAYS/MEANS COMMITTEE

# **COMMITTEE MEETINGS:**

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

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#### C.P.O. 2022-127

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NUMBER 9948 AND ORDINANCE NUMBER 9949 TO MAKE CHANGES TO THE 2022 OPERATING AND SALARY BUDGETS FOR THE CITY COURTS DEPARTMENT AND THE CITY CLERK DEPARTMENT. Sponsored by: Mayor Jerome A. Prince, City of Gary, Mileak Harper, City Controller before it. For the record Councilwoman Adkins, Councilwoman Caldwell and Councilman Washington approved C.P.O. 2022-125, 2022-126, and 2022-127to be reported out of committee.

Councilwoman Adkins moved to Suspend the Rules to add C.P.O. 2022-128 to the agenda. It was seconded by Councilman Lay.

Roll call showed a vote of 7 ayes 0 nays. The Chair declared this motion duly passed.

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

#### C.P.O. 2022-128

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NUMBER 9948 AND ORDINANCE NUMBER 9949 TO MAKE CHANGES TO THE 2022 OPERATING AND SALARY BUDGETS FOR THE GARY COMMON COUNCIL DEPARTMENT. Sponsored by: Mayor Jerome A. Prince, City of Gary, Mileak Harper, City Controller

WAYS/MEANS COMMITTEE

# **COMMITTEE MEETINGS:**

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

#### C.P.O. 2022-128

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NUMBER 9948 AND ORDINANCE NUMBER 9949 TO MAKE CHANGES TO THE 2022 OPERATING AND SALARY BUDGETS FOR THE GARY COMMON COUNCIL DEPARTMENT. Sponsored by: Mayor Jerome A. Prince, City of Gary, Mileak Harper, City Controller before it. For the record Councilwoman Adkins, Councilwoman Caldwell and Councilman Washington approved C.P.O. 2022-128 to be reported out of committee.

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

#### WAYS/MEANS COMMITTEE:

Councilwoman Adkins reported the following legislation out of committee: C.P.O. 2022-125, 2022-126, 2022-127 and 2022-128.

### PRESENTATION (S):

President Godwin provided an opportunity for local photographer Terra Cooks to make a presentation before the Common Council.

Terra Cooks presented Mayor Jerome A. Prince and the Gary Common Council with a painted canvas portrait of Gary City Hall that she painted and wanted to gift it to the City of Gary.

President Godwin provided an opportunity for Yolanda Hughes to make a presentation before the Common Council.

Yolanda Hughes asked for support from the citizens of the City of Gary to help her win the "Greatest Baker" contest.

#### **BOARDS & COMMISSIONS:**

Councilwoman Caldwell moved to reappoint Dr. Lucille Washington to Gary Library Board. It was seconded by Councilman Weatherspoon.

Roll call showed a vote of 7 ayes 0 nays. The Chair declared this motion duly passed.

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Nick Vassel

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

#### 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, 4<sup>th</sup> District Councilman William Godwin, 1<sup>st</sup> District

(G.C.C. Meeting 11/15/2022 Cont.)

Councilwoman Adkins moved for passage of C.P.O. 2022-89. It was seconded by Councilwoman Caldwell.

Mileak Harper (City Controller) gave a brief overview of C.P.O. 2022-89.

Councilman Lay and President Godwin spoke in regards to C.P.O. 2022-89.

Councilwoman Adkins moved to amend C.P.O. 2022-89 by substitution. It was seconded by Councilman Brewer.

\*President Godwin acknowledged the presence of Councilman Williams to the meeting.

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

Roll call showed a vote of 8 ayes 0 nays. The Chair declared this Council Pending Ordinance 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, 4<sup>th</sup> District Councilman William Godwin, 1<sup>st</sup> District

Councilwoman Adkins moved to amend **C.P.O. 2022-90** by substitution. It was seconded by Councilwoman Caldwell.

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.O. 2022-90. It was seconded by Councilwoman Caldwell.

Mileak Harper (City Controller) gave a brief overview of C.P.O. 2022-90.

Roll call showed a vote of 8 ayes 0 nays. The Chair declared this Council Pending Ordinance 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 for passage of C.P.O. 2022-91. It was seconded by Councilwoman Caldwell.

Councilwoman Adkins moved to amend **C.P.O. 2022-91** by substitution. It was seconded by Councilwoman Caldwell.

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

Mileak Harper (City Controller) gave a brief overview of C.P.O. 2022-91.

Councilwoman Adkins, President Godwin, Councilman Lay and Mayor Jerome Prince spoke in regards to **C.P.O. 2022-91.** 

Roll call showed a vote of 1 aye (Williams), 7 nays. The Chair declared this Council Pending Ordinance duly **DEFEATED.** 

#### 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, 4<sup>th</sup> District Councilman William Godwin, 1<sup>st</sup> District

Councilwoman Adkins moved for passage of C.P.O. 2022-93. It was seconded by Councilwoman Caldwell.

Councilwoman Adkins moved to amend **C.P.O. 2022-93** by substitution. It was seconded by Councilwoman Caldwell.

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

Mileak Harper (City Controller) gave a brief overview of C.P.O. 2022-93.

President Godwin and Councilman Lay spoke in regards to C.P.O. 2022-93.

Roll call showed a vote of 8 ayes 0 nays. The Chair declared this Council Pending Ordinance 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 INFRATRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS AT 6<sup>TH</sup> AND HOWARD STREETS. Sponsored by: Mayor Jerome A. Prince, City of Gary, Mileak Harper, City Controller

Councilwoman Adkins moved for passage of C.P.O. 2022-94. It was seconded by Councilwoman Caldwell.

Councilwoman Adkins moved to amend **C.P.O. 2022-94** by substitution. It was seconded by Councilwoman Caldwell.

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

Mileak Harper (City Controller) gave a brief overview of C.P.O. 2022-94.

President Godwin and Councilman Lay spoke in regards to C.P.O. 2022-94.

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

#### C.P.O. 2022-109

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 9159 ENTITLED TOWING SERVICES USED BY THE CITY AND ALL RELATED MUNICIPAL CODE SECTIONS. Sponsored by: Mayor Jerome Prince, City of Gary

Councilwoman Adkins moved to refer C.P.O. 2022-109 back to Ways/Means Committee with a committee hearing set for December 5, 2022 at 5:30 pm. 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. 2022-112

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

Councilwoman Adkins moved to lay C.P.O. 2022-112 on the table. 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. 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 to refer **C.P.O. 2022-113** back to Ways/Means Committee with a committee hearing set for December 5, 2022 at 5:30 pm. 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. 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

Councilwoman Adkins moved to refer **C.P.O. 2022-114** back to Ways/Means Committee with a committee hearing set for December 5, 2022 at 5:30 pm. 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. 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

Councilwoman Adkins moved to refer **C.P.O. 2022-115** back to Ways/Means Committee with a committee hearing set for December 5, 2022 at 5:30 pm. 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. 2022-121

AN ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH REGULATIONS PERTAINING TO SHORT-TERM RENTAL UNITS. Sponsored by: Mayor Jerome A. Prince, City of Gary, Mileak Harper, City Controller

Councilwoman Adkins moved to refer **C.P.O. 2022-121** back to Planning & Development Committee with a committee hearing set for December 5, 2022 at 7:00 pm. 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. 2022-69

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 2, ARTICLE IX, DIVISION II, SECTION 2-1073 OF THE CITY OF GARY CODE OF ORDINANCES REGARDING RESPONSIBILITIES OF BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS REGARDING POLICE DEPARTMENT. Sponsored by: Mayor Jerome Prince, City of Gary

Councilman Brewer moved for passage of C.P.O. 2022-69. It was seconded by Councilwoman Caldwell.

Councilman Brewer moved to amend **C.P.O. 2022-69** by substitution. It was seconded by Councilwoman Caldwell.

Atty. Rodney Pol (City Attorney) gave a brief overview of C.P.O. 2022-69.

Atty. Rinzer Williams (Council's Legal Advisor), Councilman Lay and President Godwin spoke in regards to **C.P.O. 2022-69**.

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

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

#### C.P.O. 2022-70

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 2, ARTICLE IX, DIVISION II, SECTION 2-1072 OF THE CITY OF GARY CODE OF ORDINANCES REGARDING RULES FOR POLICE CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION. Sponsored by: Mayor Jerome Prince, City of Gary

Councilman Brewer moved for passage of C.P.O. 2022-70. It was seconded by Councilwoman Caldwell.

Councilman Brewer moved to amend C.P.O. 2022-70 by substitution. It was seconded by Councilwoman Caldwell.

Atty. Rodney Pol (City Attorney) gave a brief overview of C.P.O. 2022-70.

Councilman Lay and President Godwin spoke in regards to C.P.O. 2022-70.

President Godwin stated the amendment of "inserting after shall constitute a) insert majority and quorum." Councilman Brewer moved to amend **C.P.O. 2022-70** by substitution. It was seconded by Councilwoman Caldwell.

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

Roll call showed a vote of 6 ayes 0 nays 2 abstentions (Adkins, Godwin). The Chair declared this Council Pending Ordinance duly **PASSED**.

#### C.P.O. 2022-71

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 2, ARTICLE IX, DIVISION II, SECTION 2-1070 OF THE CITY OF GARY CODE OF ORDINANCES REGARDING POLICE CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION. Sponsored by: Mayor Jerome Prince City of Gary

Councilman Brewer moved for passage of **C.P.O. 2022-71**. It was seconded by Councilwoman Caldwell.

Councilman Brewer moved to amend C.P.O. 2022-71 by substitution. It was seconded by Councilwoman Caldwell.

Atty. Rodney Pol (City Attorney) gave a brief overview of C.P.O. 2022-71.

Councilman Lay, President Godwin and Atty. Williams (Council's Legal Advisor) spoke in regards to **C.P.O. 2022-71**.

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

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

#### C.P.O. 2022-72

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 2, ARTICLE IX, DIVISION II, SECTION 2-1023 OF THE CITY OF GARY CODE OF ORDINANCES REGARDING MEMBERS OF POLICE. Sponsored by: Mayor Jerome A. Prince, City of Gary

Councilman Brewer moved for passage of C.P.O. 2022-72. It was seconded by Councilman Weatherspoon.

Councilman Brewer moved to amend **C.P.O. 2022-72** by substitution. It was seconded by Councilwoman Caldwell.

Atty. Rodney Pol (City Attorney) gave a brief overview of C.P.O. 2022-72.

Councilman Lay and President Godwin spoke in regards to C.P.O. 2022-72.

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

Roll call showed a vote of 6 ayes 0 nays 2 abstentions (Adkins, Godwin). The Chair declared this Council Pending Ordinance duly **PASSED**.

#### C.P.O. 2022-73

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 2, ARTICLE IX, DIVISION II, SECTION 2-1085 OF THE CITY OF GARY CODE OF ORDINANCES REGARDING RESTORATION TO DUTY OF SUSPENDED OFFICERS. Sponsored by: Mayor Jerome A. Prince, City of Gary

Councilman Brewer moved for passage of C.P.O. 2022-73. It was seconded by Councilman Weatherspoon.

Councilman Brewer moved to amend **C.P.O. 2022-73** by substitution. It was seconded by Councilwoman Caldwell.

Atty. Rodney Pol (City Attorney) gave a brief overview of C.P.O. 2022-73.

Councilman Lay and President Godwin spoke in regards to C.P.O. 2022-73.

Roll call showed a vote of 7 ayes 0 nays (\*\*Councilman Williams temporarily left the meeting). The Chair declared this motion duly passed.

Roll call showed a vote of 6 ayes 0 nays (\*\*\*Councilwoman Caldwell temporarily left the meeting). The Chair declared this Council Pending Ordinance duly **PASSED**.

#### C.P.O. 2022-75

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 2, ARTICLE IX, DIVISION II, SECTION 2-1081 OF THE CITY OF GARY CODE OF ORDINANCES TO UPDATE DISCIPLINE HEARING PROCEDURE FOR POLICE COMMISSION. Sponsored by: Mayor Jerome A. Prince, City of Gary

Councilman Brewer moved for passage of C.P.O. 2022-75. It was seconded by Councilman Washington.

Councilman Brewer moved to amend **C.P.O. 2022-75** by substitution. It was seconded by Councilwoman Caldwell.

Atty. Rodney Pol (City Attorney) gave a brief overview of C.P.O. 2022-75.

Councilman Lay, President Godwin, Councilman Brewer and Atty. Pol (City Attorney) spoke in regards to **C.P.O. 2022-75**.

Councilman Lay moved to amend **C.P.O. 2022-75** by striking "or" and replacing it with "and" in paragraph B, and in paragraph C by inserting wording that incorporates he/she has seven days to appeal to the police chief and seven days to appeal to the police commission. It was seconded by Councilwoman Caldwell.

Roll call showed a vote of 7 ayes 0 nays (\*\*\*\*Adkins temporarily left the meeting). The Chair declared this motion duly passed.

Roll call showed a vote of 6 ayes 0 nays 1 abstention (Godwin). The Chair declared this Council Pending Ordinance duly **PASSED**.

#### C.P.O. 2022-76

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 2, ARTICLE IX, DIVISION II, SECTION 2-1083 OF THE CITY OF GARY CODE OF ORDINANCES TO UPDATE JUDICIAL REVIEW OF POLICE COMMISSION DECISIONS. Sponsored by: Mayor Jerome A. Prince, City of Gary

Councilman Brewer moved for passage of C.P.O. 2022-76. It was seconded by Councilwoman Caldwell.

Councilman Brewer moved to amend C.P.O. 2022-76 by substitution. It was seconded by Councilman Lay.

Atty. Rodney Pol (City Attorney) gave a brief overview of C.P.O. 2022-76.

Councilman Lay spoke in regards to C.P.O. 2022-76.

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

Councilman Brewer spoke in regards to C.P.O. 2022-76.

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

#### C.P.O. 2022-80

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 2, ARTICLE IX, DIVISION II, SECTION 2-1075 OF THE CITY OF GARY CODE OF ORDINANCES REGARDING PROMOTIONS FOR POLICE DEPARTMENT. Sponsored by: Mayor Jerome A. Prince, City of Gary

Councilman Brewer moved for passage of C.P.O. 2022-80. It was seconded by Councilwoman Caldwell.

Councilman Brewer moved to amend **C.P.O. 2022-80** by substitution. It was seconded by Councilwoman Caldwell.

Atty. Rodney Pol (City Attorney) gave a brief overview of C.P.O. 2022-80.

Councilman Lay spoke in regards to C.P.O. 2022-80.

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

Roll call showed a vote of 5 ayes 2 nays (Caldwell, Godwin) and 1 abstentions (Adkins). The Chair declared this Council Pending Ordinance duly **PASSED.** 

#### C.P.O. 2022-81

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF GARY REGARDING PROCEDURES FOR A DISCIPLINARY HEARING BEFORE THE POLICE CHIEF. Sponsored by: Mayor Jerome A. Prince City of Gary

Councilman Brewer moved for passage of C.P.O. 2022-81. It was seconded by Councilwoman Caldwell.

Councilman Brewer moved to amend C.P.O. 2022-81 by substitution. It was seconded by Councilwoman Caldwell.

Atty. Rodney Pol (City Attorney) gave a brief overview of C.P.O. 2022-81.

Councilman Lay and Sergeant Gregory Wolfe (President of the FOP) spoke in regards to C.P.O. 2022-81.

Councilman Lay moved to amend C.P.O. 2022-81 by striking in Section 8, VI all and leaving "Executive Board member of the FOP". It was seconded by Councilwoman Caldwell

Roll call showed a vote of 7 ayes 0 nays (\*\*\*\*\*President Godwin temporarily left the meting). The Chair declared this motion duly passed.

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

#### C.P.O. 2022-82

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF GARY REGARDING NON-DUTY EMPLOYMENT OF POLICE OFFICERS PENDING DISCIPLINARY ACTION. Sponsored by: Mayor Jerome A. Prince, City of Gary

Councilman Brewer moved for passage of **C.P.O. 2022-82**. It was seconded by Councilwoman Caldwell and Councilman Weatherspoon.

Councilman Brewer moved to amend **C.P.O. 2022-82** by substitution. It was seconded by Councilwoman Caldwell.

Atty. Rodney Pol (City Attorney) gave a brief overview of C.P.O. 2022-82.

Roll call showed a vote of 7 ayes 0 nays. The Chair declared this motion duly passed.

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

#### C.P.O. 2022-83

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 2, ARTICLE IX, DIVISION II, SECTION 2-1080 OF THE CITY OF GARY CODE OF ORDINANCES REGARDING DISCIPLINE AT POLICE DEPARTMENT. Sponsored by: Mayor Jerome A. Prince, City of Gary

Councilman Brewer moved for passage of C.P.O. 2022-83. It was seconded by Councilman Weatherspoon.

Councilman Brewer moved to amend **C.P.O. 2022-83** by substitution. It was seconded by Councilwoman Caldwell.

Atty. Rodney Pol (City Attorney) gave a brief overview of C.P.O. 2022-83.

Councilman Lay, Councilwoman Adkins and Sergeant Wolfe (President of the FOP) spoke in regards to **C.P.O. 2022-83**.

Councilwoman Adkins moved to amend **C.P.O. 2022-83** by including in Subsection 3 "the chief of police or the chief's designee or in cases of appeal, or termination or demotion the commission determines them guilty of misconduct." It was seconded Caldwell.

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

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

## COUNCIL PENDING ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS ON SECOND READING:

#### C.P.O. 2022-125

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NUMBER 9448 TO MAKE CHANGES TO THE 2022 OPERATING BUDGET OF THE PUBLIC SAFETY INCOME TAX FUND (FUND 2240). Sponsored by: Mayor Jerome Prince, City of Gary, Mileak Harper, City Controller

#### C.P.O. 2022-126

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE TRANSFER OF FUNDS FOR TRANSFERRING APPROPRIATIONS FOR OMNIBUS EQUIPMENT NEEDS FOR THE GARY FIRE DEPARTMENT LINE ITEMS. Sponsored by: Mayor Jerome Prince, City of Gary, Mileak Harper, City Controller

#### C.P.O. 2022-127

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NUMBER 9948 AND ORDINANCE NUMBER 9949 TO MAKE CHANGES TO THE 2022 OPERATING AND SALARY BUDGETS FOR THE CITY COURTS DEPARTMENT AND THE CITY CLERK DEPARTMENT. Sponsored by: Mayor Jerome A. Prince, City of Gary, Mileak Harper, City Controller

Councilwoman Adkins moved for passage of **C.P.O. 2022-125, 2022-126, 2022-127** (Second Reading) with a Committee Hearing set on December 13, 2022 at 5:30 pm and a Public Hearing set on December 20, 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. 2022-128

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NUMBER 9948 AND ORDINANCE NUMBER 9949 TO MAKE CHANGES TO THE 2022 OPERATING AND SALARY BUDGETS FOR THE GARY COMMON COUNCIL DEPARTMENT. Sponsored by: Mayor Jerome A. Prince, City of Gary, Mileak Harper, City Controller

Councilwoman Adkins moved to Suspend the Rules to pass C.P.O. 2022-128 on all 3 readings. It was seconded by Councilwoman Caldwell.

Whitney Chapman (Council Chief of Staff) gave a brief overview of C.P.O. 2022-128.

President Godwin and Councilman Weatherspoon spoke in regards to C.P.O. 2022-128.

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.O. 2022-128. It was seconded by Councilman Washington.

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

# REPORTS/QUESTIONS OF CITY OFFICIAL:

There was no "Mayor's Report" given.

Councilman Brewer announced that the Snow Plan Committee will have a meeting on December 1, 2022 at 5:00 pm in the Common Council Chambers.

President Godwin announced that there will be a Gary Common Council Radio Show at WLTH on Friday, December 2, 2022 at 9:00 am.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS BEFORE THE COMMON COUNCIL, THE CHAIR DECLARED THIS MEETING OF November 15, 2022 ADJOURNED AT 10:30 PM SO ORDERED.

WILLIAM GODWIN
PRESIDING OFFICER
SUZETTE RAGGS, GARY CITY CLERK
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