

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

**MINUTES OF
September 12, 2023**
GARY COMMON COUNCIL CHAMBERS
401 BROADWAY, GARY, INDIANA 46402

THE HONORABLE TAI ADKINS
Councilwoman 4th District, **Common Council President**

THE HONORABLE DAVID FOSSETT
Councilman 2nd District

THE HONORABLE MARY BROWN
Councilwoman 3rd District

THE HONORABLE LINDA BARNES-CALDWELL
Councilwoman 5th District **Parliamentarian**

THE HONORABLE DWIGHT WILLIAMS
Councilman 6th District

THE HONORABLE RONALD BREWER
Councilman-At-Large

THE HONORABLE LORI LATHAM
Councilwoman-At-Large,

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 **12th Day of September, 2023** at **6:00 pm** with the Honorable Tai Adkins presiding and the following members present/absent:

PRESENT

THE HONORABLE TAI ADKINS
THE HONORABLE RONALD BREWER
THE HONORABLE LINDA BARNES-CALDWELL
THE HONORABLE DAVID FOSSETT
THE HONORABLE LORI LATHAM
THE HONORABLE DARREN WASHINGTON
THE HONORABLE DWIGHT WILLIAMS

ABSENT

THE HONORABLE MARY BROWN (See pg 7)

The meeting was opened at 6:07 pm with a moment of prayer by Reverend Marlon Mack, followed by the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Chair asked for Roll Call.

Roll call showed 7 present 1 absent (Councilwoman Brown). The Chair declared this duly a quorum in order to conduct business in the City of Gary.

Councilman Brewer moved to approve and accept the minutes of the August 22, 2023. It was seconded by Councilman Washington and Councilman Fossett.

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

Councilwoman Caldwell moved to reschedule the Gary Common Council meeting of Tuesday, September 19, 2023 to Tuesday, September 26, 2023. It was seconded by Councilman Washington.

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. 2023-49

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A TRANSFER OF FUNDS WITHIN THE 1101-GENERAL FUND FOR THE GARY COMMON COUNCIL. Sponsored by: Gary Common Council, Celita Green, City Controller

WAYS/MEANS COMMITTEE

C.P.O. 2023-53

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A SPECIAL USE PERMIT FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT 7201 MELTON RD FOR PETITIONER. Sponsored by: Shavone King, Department of Zoning **Petitioner: William Nolan via BMD Properties LLC**

PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

C.P.O. 2023-54

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A SPECIAL USE PERMIT FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT 422 RIDGE RD FOR PETITIONER. Sponsored by: Shavone King, Department of Zoning **Petitioner: William Nolan via BMD Properties LLC**

PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

C.P.O. 2023-56

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF GARY, INDIANA, APPROVING A GUARANTEED SAVINGS CONTRACT PURSUANT TO INDIANA CODE 36-1-12.5, AS AMENDED; AUTHORIZING THE FINANCING OF THE ENERGY CONSERVATION IMPROVEMENTS UNDER SUCH GUARANTEED SAVINGS CONTRACT THROUGH AN INSTALLMENT CONTRACT OR EQUIPMENT LEASE AGREEMENT; PROVIDING THAT THE PAYMENT OF SUCH FINANCING SHALL BE SUBJECT TO ANNUAL APPROPRIATION BY THE CITY; OTHER MATTERS CONNECTED THEREWITH; AND REPEALING ORDINANCES INCONSISTENT HERewith. Sponsored by: Mayor Jerome A. Prince, City of Gary, Celita Green, City Controller

WAYS/MEANS COMMITTEE

C.P.O. 2023-57

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING SALARIES FOR THE EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY OF GARY'S GENERAL, PARKS, POLICE AND FIRE COIT, CEDIT, MVH, POLICE AND FIRE PENSION TAX BASED FUNDS FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 2024. Sponsored by: Mayor Jerome Prince, City of Gary, Celita Green, City Controller

FINANCE COMMITTEE

C.P.O. 2023-58

AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING MONIES FOR THE PURPOSES OF DEFRAYING THE EXPENSES OF THE GENERAL, PARKS, POLICE AND FIRE LIT, CEDIT, CCI, CCD, MVH, LRS, RIVERBOAT CASINO, LDA, FIRE AND POLICE PENSION, TAX-BASED FUNDS OF THE CITY OF GARY, INDIANA, FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2024, AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2024 INCLUDING ALL OUTSTANDING CLAIMS AND OBLIGATIONS AND FIXING A TIME WHEN THE SAME SHALL TAKE EFFECT. Sponsored by: Mayor Jerome Prince, City of Gary, Celita Green, City Controller

WAYS/MEANS COMMITTEE

C.P.O. 2023-59

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, 2024 AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2024 INCLUDING ALL OUTSTANDING CLAIMS AND OBLIGATIONS AND FIXING A TIME WHEN THE SAME SHALL TAKE EFFECT. Sponsored by: Mayor Jerome Prince, City of Gary, M. Celita Green, City Controller

FINANCE COMMITTEE

C.P.O. 2023-60

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, 2024 AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2024 INCLUDING ALL OUTSTANDING CLAIMS AND OBLIGATIONS AND FIXING A TIME WHEN THE SAME SHALL TAKE EFFECT. Sponsored by: Mayor Jerome Prince, City of Gary, M. Celita Green, City Controller

WAYS/MEANS COMMITTEE

C.P.O. 2023-61

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, 2024 AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2024 INCLUDING ALL OUTSTANDING CLAIMS AND OBLIGATIONS AND FIXING A TIME WHEN THE SAME SHALL TAKE EFFECT. Sponsored by: Mayor Jerome Prince, City of Gary, M. Celita Green, City Controller

FINANCE COMMITTEE

C.P.O. 2023-62

AN ORDINANCE REPEALING ORDINANCE NUMBER 9522 AND AUTHORIZING ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE AMERICAM RESCUE PLAN ACT FUND (FUND 2487) - PARK PROJECT/GARY ONE LOVE FIREFIGHTERS ASSOCIATION. Sponsored by: Mayor Jerome Prince, City of Gary, M. Celita Green, City Controller, Councilwoman Tai Adkins, 4th District

WAYS/MEANS COMMITTEE

C.P.R. 2023-06

A RESOLUTION OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GARY, INDIANA APPROVING AND RATIFYING THE SELECTION OF A QUALIFIED PROVIDER TO EVALUATE AND RECOMMEND CONSERVATION MEASURES FOR THE CITY OF GARY. Sponsored by: Ronald G. Brewer, Sr., Council-At-Large

WAYS/MEANS COMMITTEE

COMMITTEE MEETINGS:

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

C.P.O. 2023-49

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A TRANSFER OF FUNDS WITHIN THE 1101-GENERAL FUND FOR THE GARY COMMON COUNCIL. Sponsored by: Gary Common Council, Celita Green, City Controller

C.P.O. 2023-56

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF GARY, INDIANA, APPROVING A GUARANTEED SAVINGS CONTRACT PURSUANT TO INDIANA CODE 36-1-12.5, AS AMENDED; AUTHORIZING THE FINANCING OF THE ENERGY CONSERVATION IMPROVEMENTS UNDER SUCH GUARANTEED SAVINGS CONTRACT THROUGH AN INSTALLMENT CONTRACT OR EQUIPMENT LEASE AGREEMENT; PROVIDING THAT THE PAYMENT OF SUCH FINANCING SHALL BE SUBJECT TO ANNUAL APPROPRIATION BY THE CITY; OTHER MATTERS CONNECTED THEREWITH; AND REPEALING ORDINANCES INCONSISTENT HERewith. Sponsored by: Mayor Jerome A. Prince, City of Gary, Celita Green, City Controller

C.P.O. 2023-58

AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING MONIES FOR THE PURPOSES OF DEFRAYING THE EXPENSES OF THE GENERAL, PARKS, POLICE AND FIRE LIT, CEDIT, CCI, CCD, MVH, LRS, RIVERBOAT CASINO, LDA, FIRE AND POLICE PENSION, TAX-BASED FUNDS OF THE CITY OF GARY, INDIANA, FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2024, AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2024 INCLUDING ALL OUTSTANDING CLAIMS AND OBLIGATIONS AND FIXING A TIME WHEN THE SAME SHALL TAKE EFFECT.

C.P.O. 2023-60

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, 2024 AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2024 INCLUDING ALL OUTSTANDING CLAIMS AND OBLIGATIONS AND FIXING A TIME WHEN THE SAME SHALL TAKE EFFECT. Sponsored by: Mayor Jerome Prince, City of Gary, M. Celita Green, City Controller

C.P.O. 2023-62

AN ORDINANCE REPEALING ORDINANCE NUMBER 9522 AND AUTHORIZING ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT FUND (FUND 2487) - PARK PROJECT/GARY ONE LOVE FIREFIGHTERS ASSOCIATION. Sponsored by: Mayor Jerome Prince, City of Gary, M. Celita Green, City Controller, Councilwoman Tai Adkins, 4th District

C.P.R. 2023-06

A RESOLUTION OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GARY, INDIANA APPROVING AND RATIFYING THE SELECTION OF A QUALIFIED PROVIDER TO EVALUATE AND RECOMMEND CONSERVATION MEASURES FOR THE CITY OF GARY. Sponsored by: Ronald G. Brewer, Sr., Council-At-Large **before it. For the record President Adkins, Councilman Washington, and Councilwoman Caldwell approved C.P.O. 2023-49, C.P.O. 2023-56, C.P.O. 2023-58, C.P.O. 2023-60, C.P.O. 2023-62 and C.P.R. 2023-06 to be reported out of committee.**

Councilman Washington, Chairman of Planning & Development Committee has:

C.P.O. 2023-53

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A SPECIAL USE PERMIT FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT 7201 MELTON RD FOR PETITIONER. Sponsored by: Shavone King, Department of Zoning **Petitioner: William Nolan via BMD Properties LLC**

C.P.O. 2023-54

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A SPECIAL USE PERMIT FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT 422 RIDGE RD FOR PETITIONER. Sponsored by: Shavone King, Department of Zoning **Petitioner: William Nolan via BMD Properties LLC before it. For the record Councilman Washington, Councilwoman Adkins, Councilwoman Latham and Councilman Fossett approved C.P.O. 2023-53 and C.P.O. 2023-54 to be reported out of committee.**

Councilwoman Caldwell, Acting Chairwoman of Finance Committee has:

C.P.O. 2023-57

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING SALARIES FOR THE EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY OF GARY'S GENERAL, PARKS, POLICE AND FIRE COIT, CEDIT, MVH, POLICE AND FIRE PENSION TAX BASED FUNDS FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 2024. Sponsored by: Mayor Jerome Prince, City of Gary, Celita Green, City Controller

C.P.O. 2023-59

AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING MONIES FOR THE PURPOSES OF DEFRAIVING THE EXPENSES OF THE GARY/CHICAGO INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT TAX BASED FUNDS OF THE CITY OF GARY, INDIANA, FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2024 AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2024 INCLUDING ALL OUTSTANDING CLAIMS AND OBLIGATIONS AND FIXING A TIME WHEN THE SAME SHALL TAKE EFFECT. Sponsored by: Mayor Jerome Prince, City of Gary, M. Celita Green, City Controller

C.P.O. 2023-61

AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING MONIES FOR THE PURPOSES OF DEFRAIVING THE EXPENSES OF THE GARY PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF GARY, INDIANA, FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2024 AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2024 INCLUDING ALL OUTSTANDING CLAIMS AND OBLIGATIONS AND FIXING A TIME WHEN THE SAME SHALL TAKE EFFECT. Sponsored by: Mayor Jerome Prince, City of Gary, M. Celita Green, City Controller **before it. For the record Councilwoman Caldwell and Councilwoman Adkins, approved C.P.O. 2023-57, C.P.O. 2023-59 and C.P.O. 2023-61 to be reported out of committee.**

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

WAYS/MEANS COMMITTEE:

President Adkins reported the following legislation out of committee: **C.P.O. 2023-49, C.P.O. 2023-56, C.P.O. 2023-58, C.P.O. 2023-60, C.P.O. 2023-62 and C.P.R. 2023-06.**

PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE:

Councilman Washington reported the following legislation out of committee: **C.P.O. 2023-53 and C.P.O. 2023-54.**

FINANCE COMMITTEE:

Councilwoman Caldwell reported the following legislation out of committee: **C.P.O. 2023-57, C.P.O. 2023-59** and **C.P.O. 2023-61**.

BOARDS AND COMMISSION COMMITTEES:

Councilwoman Caldwell moved to remove Charles Smith from the Fire Civil Service Commission. It was seconded by Councilman Washington.

Roll call showed a vote of 6 ayes 1 nay (Latham). The Chair declared this motion duly passed.

*The Chair acknowledge the presence of Councilwoman Brown to the meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

None

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

C.P.O. 2023-41

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 WORKFORCE HOUSING-EASTSIDE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT. Sponsored by: Mayor Jerome Prince, City of Gary, Celita Green, City Controller

Councilwoman Latham moved to lay **C.P.O. 2023-41** on the table. 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. 2023-42

AN ORDINANCE FOR THE CITY OF GARY, LAKE COUNTY, INDIANA AUTHORIZING ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT FUND (FUND 2487) FOR THE GARY EASTSIDE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION WORKFORCE HOUSING. Sponsored by: Mayor Jerome Prince, City of Gary, Celita Green, City Controller

Councilwoman Latham moved to lay **C.P.O. 2023-42** on the table. 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. 2023-47

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 THE WASHINGTON MANOR SUBDIVISION. Sponsored by: Mayor Jerome Prince, City of Gary, Councilwoman Tai Adkins, 4th District, Celita Green, City Controller

Councilman Washington moved for passage of **C.P.O. 2023-47**. It was seconded by Councilwoman Caldwell, Councilman Fossett and Councilman Williams.

Councilman Washington moved to amend **C.P.O. 2023-47** by substitution. It was seconded by Councilwoman Caldwell.

Atty. Angela Lockett (Corporation Counsel) gave a brief overview of **C.P.O. 2023-47**.

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

SPEAKING BEFORE THE COUNCIL:

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Vernita Leslie (Executive Director of Broadway Area Community Development Corporation)

Councilman Brewer and President Godwin spoke in regards to **C.P.O. 2023-47**.

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

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

C.P.O. 2023-48

AN ORDINANCE FOR THE CITY OF GARY, LAKE COUNTY, INDIANA AUTHORIZING ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT FUND (FUND 2487) FOR THE WASHINGTON MANOR SUBDIVISION. Sponsored by: Mayor Jerome Prince, City of Gary, Councilwoman Tai Adkins, 4th District, Celita Green, City Controller

Councilman Washington moved for passage of **C.P.O. 2023-48**. It was seconded by Councilwoman Caldwell.

Councilman Washington moved to amend **C.P.O. 2023-48** by substitution. It was seconded by Councilwoman Caldwell.

Atty. Angela Lockett (Corporation Counsel) gave a brief overview of **C.P.O. 2023-48**.

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

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

SPEAKING BEFORE THE COUNCIL:

None

Councilman Brewer and Vernita Leslie (Executive Director of Broadway Area Community Development Corporation) spoke in regards to **C.P.O. 2023-48**.

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

C.P.O. 2023-51

AN ORDINANCE OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GARY, INDIANA APPROVING THE AMENDMENT OF GARBAGE COLLECTION FEES FOR USERS LOCATED IN THE CITY OF GARY.

Sponsored by: Mayor Jerome Prince, City of Gary, Celita Green, City Controller

Councilman Brewer moved to postpone **C.P.O. 2023-51** to October 17, 2023. It was seconded by Councilman Washington and Councilwoman Caldwell.

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. 2023-49

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A TRANSFER OF FUNDS WITHIN THE 1101-GENERAL FUND FOR THE GARY COMMON COUNCIL. Sponsored by: Gary Common Council, Celita Green, City Controller

Councilman Brewer moved to Suspend the Rules for passage of **C.P.O. 2023-49** on all 3 Readings. It was seconded by Councilwoman Caldwell.

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. 2023-49** on all 3 Readings. It was seconded by Councilwoman Caldwell and Councilman Fossett.

President Adkins gave a brief overview of **C.P.O. 2023-49**.

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

C.P.O. 2023-53

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A SPECIAL USE PERMIT FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT 7201 MELTON RD FOR PETITIONER. Sponsored by: Shavone King, Department of Zoning **Petitioner: William Nolan via BMD Properties LLC**

C.P.O. 2023-54

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A SPECIAL USE PERMIT FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT 422 RIDGE RD FOR PETITIONER. Sponsored by: Shavone King, Department of Zoning **Petitioner: William Nolan via BMD Properties LLC**

Councilman Washington moved for passage of **C.P.O. 2023-53 and C.P.O. 2023-54** (Second Reading) with a Committee Hearing set on October 10, 2023, at 5:30 pm and a Public Hearing set for October 17, 2023. 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. 2023-56

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF GARY, INDIANA, APPROVING A GUARANTEED SAVINGS CONTRACT PURSUANT TO INDIANA CODE 36-1-12.5, AS AMENDED; AUTHORIZING THE FINANCING OF THE ENERGY CONSERVATION IMPROVEMENTS UNDER SUCH GUARANTEED SAVINGS CONTRACT THROUGH AN INSTALLMENT CONTRACT OR EQUIPMENT LEASE AGREEMENT; PROVIDING THAT THE PAYMENT OF SUCH FINANCING SHALL BE SUBJECT TO ANNUAL APPROPRIATION BY THE CITY; OTHER MATTERS CONNECTED THEREWITH; AND REPEALING ORDINANCES INCONSISTENT HERewith. Sponsored by: Mayor Jerome A. Prince, City of Gary, Celita Green, City Controller

Councilwoman Caldwell moved for passage of **C.P.O. 2023-56** (Second Reading) with a Committee Hearing set on October 10, 2023, at 6:00 pm and a Public Hearing set for October 17, 2023. It was seconded by Councilman Brewer.

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

C.P.O. 2023-57

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING SALARIES FOR THE EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY OF GARY'S GENERAL, PARKS, POLICE AND FIRE COIT, CEDIT, MVH, POLICE AND FIRE PENSION TAX BASED FUNDS FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 2024. Sponsored by: Mayor Jerome Prince, City of Gary, Celita Green, City Controller

Councilwoman Caldwell moved for passage of **C.P.O. 2023-57** (Second Reading) with a Committee Hearing set on September 18, 19, 20, 2023, at 4:00 pm and a Public Hearing set for October 17, 2023. It was seconded by Councilman Brewer.

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

C.P.O. 2023-58

AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING MONIES FOR THE PURPOSES OF DEFRAIVING THE EXPENSES OF THE GENERAL, PARKS, POLICE AND FIRE LIT, CEDIT, CCI, CCD, MVH, LRS, RIVERBOAT CASINO, LDA, FIRE AND POLICE PENSION, TAX-BASED FUNDS OF THE CITY OF GARY, INDIANA, FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2024, AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2024 INCLUDING ALL OUTSTANDING CLAIMS AND OBLIGATIONS AND FIXING A TIME WHEN THE SAME SHALL TAKE EFFECT. Mayor Jerome Prince, City of Gary, Celita Green, City Controller

Councilwoman Caldwell moved for passage of **C.P.O. 2023-58** (Second Reading) with a Committee Hearing set on September 18, 19, 20, 2023, at 4:00 pm and a Public Hearing set for October 17, 2023. It was seconded by Councilman Brewer.

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

C.P.O. 2023-59

AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING MONIES FOR THE PURPOSES OF DEFRAIVING THE EXPENSES OF THE GARY/CHICAGO INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT TAX BASED FUNDS OF THE CITY OF GARY, INDIANA, FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2024 AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2024 INCLUDING ALL OUTSTANDING CLAIMS AND OBLIGATIONS AND FIXING A TIME WHEN THE SAME SHALL TAKE EFFECT. Sponsored by: Mayor Jerome Prince, City of Gary, M. Celita Green, City Controller

Councilwoman Caldwell moved for passage of **C.P.O. 2023-59** (Second Reading) with a Committee Hearing set on September 18, 19, 20, 2023, at 4:00 pm and a Public Hearing set for October 17, 2023. It was seconded by Councilman Brewer.

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

C.P.O. 2023-60

AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING MONIES FOR THE PURPOSES OF DEFRAIVING THE EXPENSES OF THE SPECIAL REDEVELOPMENT GENERAL TAX-BASED FUND OF THE CITY OF GARY, INDIANA, FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2024 AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2024 INCLUDING ALL OUTSTANDING CLAIMS AND OBLIGATIONS AND FIXING A TIME WHEN THE SAME SHALL TAKE EFFECT. Sponsored by: Mayor Jerome Prince, City of Gary, M. Celita Green, City Controller

Councilwoman Caldwell moved for passage of **C.P.O. 2023-60** (Second Reading) with a Committee Hearing set on September 18, 19, 20, 2023, at 4:00 pm and a Public Hearing set for October 17, 2023. It was seconded by Councilman Brewer.

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

C.P.O. 2023-61

AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING MONIES FOR THE PURPOSES OF DEFRAIVING THE EXPENSES OF THE GARY PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF GARY, INDIANA, FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2024 AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2024 INCLUDING ALL OUTSTANDING CLAIMS AND OBLIGATIONS AND FIXING A TIME WHEN THE SAME SHALL TAKE EFFECT. Sponsored by: Mayor Jerome Prince, City of Gary, M. Celita Green, City Controller

Councilwoman Caldwell moved for passage of **C.P.O. 2023-61** (Second Reading) with a Committee Hearing set on September 18, 19, 20, 2023, at 4:00 pm and a Public Hearing set for October 17, 2023. It was seconded by Councilman Brewer.

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

C.P.O. 2023-62

AN ORDINANCE REPEALING ORDINANCE NUMBER 9522 AND AUTHORIZING ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT FUND (FUND 2487) - PARK PROJECT/GARY ONE LOVE FIREFIGHTERS ASSOCIATION. Sponsored by: Mayor Jerome Prince, City of Gary, M. Celita Green, City Controller, Councilwoman Tai Adkins, 4th District

Councilman Brewer moved for passage of **C.P.O. 2023-62** (Second Reading) with a Committee Hearing set on October 10, 2023, at 6:00 pm and a Public Hearing set for October 17, 2023. It was seconded by Councilman Fossett.

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

C.P.R. 2023-06

A RESOLUTION OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GARY, INDIANA APPROVING AND RATIFYING THE SELECTION OF A QUALIFIED PROVIDER TO EVALUATE AND RECOMMEND CONSERVATION MEASURES FOR THE CITY OF GARY. Sponsored by: Ronald G. Brewer, Sr., Council-At-Large

Councilman Brewer moved for passage of **C.P.R. 2023-06** (Second Reading) with a Committee Hearing set on October 10, 2023, at 6:00 pm and a Public Hearing set for October 17, 2023. It was seconded by Councilman Fossett.

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

President Adkins and Councilwoman Brown spoke in regards to the joint Ways/Means and Finance Committee meetings scheduled to be held on Monday, September 18, 2023, Tuesday, September 19, 2023 and Wednesday, September 20, 2023.

REPORTS/QUESTIONS OF CITY OFFICIAL:

There were no announcements or updates from the Administration.

President Adkins announced that the “State of the City Address” will be held on Thursday, September 14, 2023 at Marquette Park Pavilion. The Luncheon will be from 11:00 am to 12:30 pm followed by the “State of the City Address” at 1:00 pm.

Councilman Brewer announced that there will be a City-Wide Cleanup on Friday, September 15, 2023 in the Black Oak area. He also spoke in regards to the paving in the City of Gary for the year 2023.

Councilwoman Latham acknowledged the presence of Councilman Clorius Lay (Lake County Council) and congratulated him on being awarded the “Golden Hoosier Award”.

President Adkins announced that Councilman Clorius Lay (Lake County Council) will also receive the “Key to the City” at the “State of the City Address”.

Councilman Washington congratulated Councilman Clorius Lay (Lake County Council) for the honors.

(G.C.C. Meeting 9/12/23 Cont.)

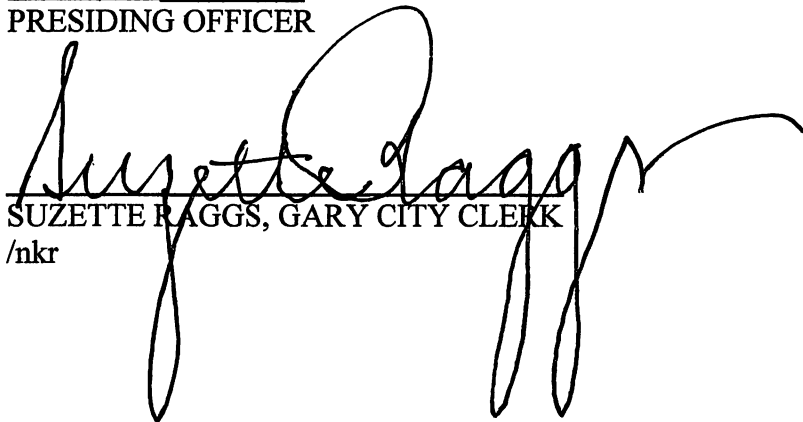
Councilman Fossett congratulated the Means Family for the award given in their honor.

Councilman Williams stated that there be a 6X6 Cleanup meeting on September 28, 2023 for the 6th District.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS BEFORE THE COMMON COUNCIL, THE CHAIR DECLARED THIS MEETING OF **September 12, 2023** ADJOURNED AT 7:25 PM SO ORDERED.

Tail Adkins

PRESIDING OFFICER

A large, stylized handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Suzette Raggs', is written over the printed name and title.

SUZETTE RAGGS, GARY CITY CLERK

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