

MINUTES

The City Council of North Chicago met in a Regular meeting, Monday, January 04, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. via Virtual media Zoom Link with Mayor Leon Rockingham, Jr. presiding.

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. INVOCATION

III. ROLL CALL

Upon roll call being taken, the following members were present:

Present: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Absent: None

IV. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA

4-1 Minutes of Regular Council Meeting, **December 21, 2020**

4-2 Minutes of Standing Committee Meetings, **December 21, 2020**

4-3 Repeal – Assistant Comptroller Ordinance (**Ord. No. 982; 07-07-03**)

4-4 Approval – FY **2021** Budget Amendment

4-5 Approval – Grant Agreement with the Steans Family Foundation in the amount of **\$60,000** for Summer Up! Youth Program

4-6 Approval – Independent Contractor Agreement in the amount of **\$72,000** with KeOne Carter for the Management of the Summer Up! Youth Program

4-7 Approval – Intergovernmental Agreement with Regional Transit Authority (RTA) for the Lewis Ave./Buckley Rd. Intersection Improvement Project

Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Runnels to approve the Omnibus Vote 4-1 thru 4-7 as presented.

Alderman January requested that Items **4-3** thru **4-7** be moved to the Regular Agenda.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS

City Clerk Lori L. Collins stated there was a public comment from Mr. Anthony Coleman. Mr. Coleman was not available at the time of virtual public comments.

VI. REGULAR AGENDA

4-3 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL – REPEAL ASSISTANT COMPTROLLER ORDINANCE (ORD. NO. 982; 07-07-03)

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Jackson to approve the Repealing of the Assistant Comptroller Ordinance (Ord. No. 982; 07-07-03).

Alderman January asked what ensured protection mechanisms were in place for the City and Comptroller's Office upon repealing the ordinance. Mayor Rockingham explained by

repealing the ordinance, it required language to be removed; that there were protections in place and there was nothing else that needed to be done at the time.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Runnels

Nays: Markham, January

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

4-4 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL – FY 2021 BUDGET AMENDMENT

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Runnels to approve the FY 2021 Budget Amendment.

ROLL CALL

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels

Nays: January

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

4-5 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL – GRANT AGREEMENT WITH THE STEANS FAMILY FOUNDATION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$60,000 FOR SUMMER UP! YOUTH PROGRAM

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman January to approve the Grant Agreement with the Steans Family Foundation in the amount of \$60,000 for Summer Up! Youth Program.

ROLL CALL

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

4-6 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL – INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR AGREEMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$72,000 WITH KEONE CARTER FOR THE MANAGEMENT OF THE SUMMER UP! YOUTH PROGRAM

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve the Independent Contractor Agreement in the amount of \$72,000 with KeOne Carter for the Management of the Summer Up! Youth Program.

Alderman January questioned the source of the **\$72,000**. Chief of Staff Deb Waszak explained that the previous year, the Steans Family Foundation provided an **\$80,000** grant and there was a portion that had not been used; the remaining would be used this upcoming year.

ROLL CALL

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

4-7 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT WITH REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY (RTA) FOR THE LEWIS AVE./BUCKLEY RD. INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to the Intergovernmental Agreement with Regional Transit Authority (RTA) for the Lewis Ave./Buckley Rd. Intersection Improvement Project

ROLL CALL

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

The Mayor was checking if Mr. Anthony Coleman was currently muted and if he would like to present any comments. City Clerk, Lori Collins confirmed that Mr. Coleman was present though muted.

6-1 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF GRANT AGREEMENT WITH ABBVIE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$128,000 FOR ENHANCING PUBLIC SAFETY WITH PURCHASING, INSTALLATION, MAINTENANCE OF STREET LIGHTS

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve the Grant Agreement with Abbvie in the amount of \$128,000 for enhancing public safety with purchasing, installation and maintenance of street lights.

ROLL CALL

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

6-2 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF BIDS FOR 0 GREEN BAY ROAD (PINs 12-06-204-032, 12-06-204-033, 12-06-204-014, 12-06-204-015) IN THE AMOUNT OF \$5,500

Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve the bids for 0 Green Bay Rd. (PINs 12-06-204-032, 12-06-204-033, 12-06-204-014, 12-06-204-015) in the amount of \$5,500.

Alderman January asked if the purchaser was aware of the requirements set forth in the bidding information. Senior City Planner Nimrod Warda explained that recipient would need to apply for permit within 12 months of receiving the property deed. Mr. Cole (purchaser) was aware there was a 24-month conceding as home-owner occupant requirement.

ROLL CALL

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

6-3 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF BIDS FOR 0 FAIRWAY LANE (PIN 08-31-414-008) IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,500

Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Evans to approve the bid for 0 Fairway Lane (PIN 08-31-414-008) in the amount of \$2,500.

Alderman Jackson asked if the purchaser was aware of the requirements set forth in the bidding information. Mr. Warda explained that the awarded bid was the same bid recipient as 0 Green Bay Rd; Mr. Cole and he was aware of the requirements.

ROLL CALL

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

6-4 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF CITY BILLS

General Corporate Fund	\$	336,317.08
Library	\$	4,404.92
Motor Fuel Tax	\$	30,841.73
Water Operations	\$	111,440.65
Grant	\$	2,533.73
Community Development - CDBG	\$	34,100.00
911 Emergency Telephone Sys.	\$	1,279.86
Retiree's Insurance Prem.	\$	11,613.27
TIF II Downtown/Industrial	\$	11,767.50
TIF II Sheridan Crossing	\$	1,836.69
Skokie Hwy TIF III	\$	55,382.83
Grant Place Operating Fund	\$	974.11
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TOTAL	\$	602,492.37

MOTION:

Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to pay the bills of Council Run 1/04/21 in the amount of **\$602,492.37 when funds become available.**

Alderman January asked if there were sufficient funds; when checks would be processed and dispensed. Assistant Comptroller Tawanda Joyner stated funds were available; checks would be disbursed before end of week. Alderman January asked the balance of the Water Fund and the next transfer; Ms. Joyner provided the balance of the Water Operations Fund in the amount of **\$841,995.61** and transfer of **\$675,000** at end of January 2021.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels

Nays: January

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

VII. MISCELLANEOUS

CITIZENS CONCERN

Alderman Evans stated was informed of citizen concern and he expressed the need to re-evaluate the 7th Ward. He stated that it was mainly military residents, minimal voters to the city. Occupants of the rental federal property weren't paying taxes or water bills to the city in

that ward. He preferred not misleading the citizens and it was necessary to know who is properly representing them. He encouraged anyone with questions or concerns.

PRELIMINARY DISCUSSION

Alderman Jackson clarified that it was a preliminary conversation unaware of **2020** Census and redistricting that could potentially change. Alderman January thanked everyone for their comments. She also offered capability of e-mailing or contacting her.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Alderman Mayfield announced Happy Birthday to both Donna Kalinoski, a valued member of the community and upcoming one for Mayor.

POLITICAL SIGNS

Alderman Jackson stated was informed by a concerned resident of premature erecting of political signs. He cited Chapter **12**; Section Letter O. It was a violation of city ordinance. He suggested removing the signs immediately until **30** days prior to the election.

The Mayor stated the city ordinance wasn't updated. Governor Pat Quinn passed House Bill **3785** that allowed political signs annually; (**2011**) municipalities had the rights to amend the size of the signs and was permitted on private property. The City couldn't super-cede the State Statute. Alderman Jackson clarified it was enacted in year **2015**.

Attorney Welch explained the bill was passed in **2011** and pre-empted home-rule; first amendment rights to free speech; ordinance needed to be updated and signs only erected on private property.

Alderman January questioned clarification if signs erected only on private property; Mr. Welch confirmed not on a public parkway.

Alderman January questioned sign ordinance concerning political signs; Mr. Warda explained it was a standard for political sign size that carried over from **2008**. She suggested ordinance review.

Alderman Jackson suggested judicial review with staff in cleaning the needed language ensuring proper compliance.

The Mayor strongly stated ensuring the candidate signs were placed on private property.

Alderman Allen questioned if signs could be placed at City Hall; The Mayor explained they could if early voting was held at the City of North Chicago. He was unaware if there would be early voting at City Hall based on financial impact.

Attorney Welch added that signs were permitted of any governmental property providing was a polling place.

The Mayor stated was checking if Mr. Coleman was available for Public Comments due to possible technical difficulties.

Anthony Coleman stated concern with his political signs if compliant with the city ordinance and State Statutes.

Mayor Rockingham stated that candidates needed to do their due diligence and it was the responsibility of the candidate to know the requirements before erecting the signs.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council; a motion was made by Alderman Allen, seconded by Alderman Mayfield that the meeting stand adjourned.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

The Council Meeting adjourned at 6:49 p.m.

ATTEST:

Lori L. Collins, City Clerk

MINUTES

The City Council of North Chicago met in a Regular meeting, Tuesday, January 19, 2021 at 6:05 p.m. via Virtual media Zoom Link with Mayor Leon Rockingham, Jr. presiding.

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. INVOCATION

III. ROLL CALL

Upon roll call being taken, the following members were present:

Present: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Absent: None

3-1 Resolution Honoring DeWayne K. Roberson, Sr.

City Clerk Lori L. Collins read the Resolution Honoring DeWayne K. Roberson, Sr.

Alderman Mayfield moved, seconded by Alderman Runnels that Resolution Honoring DeWayne K. Roberson Sr. be approved.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

IV. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA

4-1 Minutes of Regular Council Meeting, **January 04, 2021**

4-2 Minutes of Standing Committee Meetings, **January 04, 2021**

4-3 Water Department Report – **December 2020**

4-4 Treasurer's Report – **December 2020**

4-5 Monthly Budget Report – **May 01, 2020 – December 31, 2020**

4-6 Ordinance for Zoning Map Amendment at **1026 Sheridan Road** from B2 to CW (Adam's Auto Body Shop)

4-7 Ordinance for Special Use Permit at **1026 Sheridan Road** for Auto Repair Services, Automotive Sales and Automobile Rental (Adam's Auto Body Shop)

Alderman January requested that Items 4-6 & 4-7 be moved to the Regular Agenda.

Alderman January moved, seconded by Alderman Markham to approve the Omnibus Vote 4-1 thru 4-5 as presented.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels

Nays: January

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Sherry Spaid

City Clerk Lori L. Collins read comments from Ms. Spaid; appreciative of the education that LEARN 10 had provided to her twin boys and thanked the aldermen who supported parent's choice for education.

Donnette Bishop

Ms. Bishop spoke testimony to the advantages of LEARN 10 education. She had a daughter that attended since 2017 and the school was an asset to the community.

Derek Emter

Stated that his family was transferred to Great Lakes with the military in 2017. Much of the feedback of the North Chicago school system was not good. He agreed that LEARN 10 was a great school and would consider staying in the area for his children to continue attending the school if were not for military requiring his family to move.

Alicia Coleman

Recognized LEARN 10 as a wonderful school.

Mayor Rockingham thanked everyone in support of LEARN 10. He stated that the City Council was in support of both LEARN 10 and North Chicago School District 187.

VI. REGULAR AGENDA

4-6 ORDINANCE FOR ZONING MAP AMENDMENT AT 1026 SHERIDAN ROAD FROM B2 TO CW (ADAM'S AUTO BODY SHOP)

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Allen to approve the Ordinance for Zoning Map Amendment at 1026 Sheridan Road from B2 to CW (Adam's Auto Body Shop).

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

4-7 ORDINANCE FOR SPECIAL USE PERMIT AT 1026 SHERIDAN ROAD FOR AUTO REPAIR SERVICES, AUTOMOTIVE SALES AND AUTOMOBILE RENTAL (ADAM'S AUTO BODY SHOP)

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Jackson to approve the Ordinance for Special Use Permit at 1026 Sheridan Road for Auto Repair Services, Automotive Sales and Automobile Rental (Adam's Auto Body Shop).

ROLL CALL

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

6-1 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF THE NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICES ADMINISTRATOR/FIRE MARSHAL

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve the Neighborhood Services Administrator/Fire Marshal position.

Alderman January questioned why the Neighborhood Services Administrator/Fire Marshal position was resubmitted for approval after it was voted down. Mayor Rockingham explained one of the aldermen that was opposed decided to present again for approval. Alderman Jackson said that he was the alderman that requested to revisit the vote; felt the position was beneficial in the long run.

ROLL CALL

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Markham, Runnels, January

Nays: Allen

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

6-2 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL – LOAN AGREEMENT BETWEEN CITY OF NORTH CHICAGO AND PNG 1490 LEWIS AVENUE, LLC (GEORGE’S FRESH MARKET AND HAROLD’S CHICKEN & SHRIMP)

Alderman January moved, seconded by Alderman Jackson to table the approval of the Loan Agreement between City of North Chicago and PNG 1490 Lewis Ave, LLC until further notice, more discussion and the final agreement to be presented.

Alderman January explained that her motion to table was based on protocol in ordinance 2-2-6F; each item presented to council must have 2 readings before approval. She also stated that the City was not loan officer/banker. Further discussion was needed.

Alderman Evans said the City needed to move forward with the approval and it had been discussed several times. Alderman Allen questioned pages 11 (7-16) tax id number; Attorney Adam Simon explained it would be inserted upon approval, page 12 address; Attorney said already corrected, page 19 Lender corrected to City of North Chicago not Village; corrected.

Alderman Allen asked for clarification of reimbursement. Attorney Simon explained that the longer they were in business at the location, the more of the loan is forgiven. Attorney Simon referred to 2-2-6F and emphasized that this Council meeting was the second time the matter had been presented if the rule applied; as long as there was no Ordinance or Resolution the agreement could be approved by just a motion.

Mayor Rockingham commented that the grocery store and restaurant were needed in the community. Although the city was lending money, it is sometimes needed to bring the business. Alderman Mayfield said North Chicago needed a grocery store for over 20 years; felt the citizens would agree with the process. Alderman January stated that North Chicago was not a food desert; this is not a full grocery store. She was not against economic development.

Alderman Jackson stated that the funding of this project was a good portion of coffers saved and what would be offered to the next developer. Mayor Rockingham hoped to put funds in place to help others.

ROLL CALL TO TABLE:

Ayes: Jackson, January

Nays: Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels

Absent: None

MOTION FAILED

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Allen to approve the Loan Agreement between City of North Chicago and PNG 1490 Lewis Avenue, LLC (George's Fresh Market and Harold's Chicken & Shrimp).

Alderman Markham said he emailed his concerns and his concerns were addressed therefore he was voting to approve.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels

Nays: Jackson, January

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

6-3 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF CITY BILLS

General Corporate Fund	\$	126,596.66
Library	\$	68.00
Motor Fuel Tax	\$	25,200.81
Water Operations	\$	102,525.51
Grant	\$	12,000.00
Community Development - CDBG	\$	3,032.55
Retiree's Insurance Prem.	\$	273.60
Grant Place Operating Fund	\$	1,294.01

TOTAL	\$	270,991.14
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MOTION:

Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to pay the bills of Council Run 1/19/21 in the amount of **\$270,991.14 when funds become available.**

Alderman January asked if there were sufficient funds; when checks would be processed and dispensed. Assistant Comptroller Tawanda Joyner stated funds were available; checks would be disbursed before end of week. Alderman January asked the balance of the Water Fund and the next transfer; Ms. Joyner provided the balance of the Water Operations Fund in the amount of **\$1,202,314.84** and transfer of **\$675,000** at last business day of January **2021**.

Alderman Allen questioned bill for Village of Vernon Hills, pg. 20. Public Works Director Ed Wilmes explained that it was part of the Quiet Zone share. City Treasurer Kenneth Robinson said the loan George's Fresh Market and Harold's Chicken & Shrimp should be added to the bill run. Attorney Simon explained that the loan was included in the Budget Amendment. There was no purchase therefore not needed on the bill run; this was a loan.

Alderman Jackson questioned if there would be a bill once funds were disbursed. Attorney Simon said the loan was approved as a separate agenda item and didn't also need to be included in the bill run. It would not be included in the bill run. Mayor Rockingham asked how it would appear to auditors; Attorney Simon said it would show as a payment.

Alderman Allen questioned the billing; would funds be disbursed upon receiving an invoice. Mayor Rockingham agreed they would. The Mayor announced new Interim Comptroller Tim McPhillips. Mr. McPhillips introduced himself and stated his focus were 2 initiatives; ERP System and the budgeting software Cleargov.

Alderman January welcomed Interim Comptroller and looked forward to working with him.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels

Nays: January

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

VII. MISCELLANEOUS

GROCERY STORE

Alderman Evans encouraged the Council members needing to address the managers prior to meeting. He thanked Alderman Markham for his efforts to get more information. He was disappointed there was not full support of a grocery store.

Alderman Jackson was offended by the comments of Alderman Evans and said that he communicated with constituents and votes accordingly. Alderman Evans said his comments were without names. Alderman Markham said everyone's opinion should be respected and could disagree; there shouldn't be disrespect with other ideas.

Alderman Mayfield commended Victor Barrera, Alderman Evans and Alderman Allen in efforts to bring the grocery store and restaurant to North Chicago. Alderman Allen "Teamwork Made the Dream Work."

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council; a motion was made by Alderman Runnels, seconded by Alderman Mayfield that the meeting stand adjourned.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

The Council Meeting adjourned at 7:08 p.m.

ATTEST:

Lori L. Collins, City Clerk

MINUTES

The City Council of North Chicago met in a Regular meeting, Monday, February 01, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. via Virtual media Zoom Link with Mayor Leon Rockingham, Jr. presiding.

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. INVOCATION

III. ROLL CALL

Upon roll call being taken, the following members were present:

Present: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Absent: None

3-1 COVID-19 Victims and Survivors Memorial Day Resolution

The Mayor explained was informed through the U.S. Council of Mayors. There were asking that the Resolution was approved and presented as

Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Evans to approve COVID-19 Victims and Survivors Memorial Day Resolution be approved.

City Clerk Lori L. Collins read the Resolution as requested by Alderman Allen and Alderman January.

Alderman January clarified misinformation in Resolution. She had received federal guidance as a registered nurse provided from the CDC during and continuing with the pandemic. The Mayor; so duly noted.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels

Nays: January

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

IV. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA

4-1 Minutes of Regular Council Meeting, **January 19, 2021**

4-2 Minutes of Standing Committee Meetings, **January 19, 2021**

4-3 Resolution Adopting Northern Lakeshore Trail Connectivity Plan

4-4 TAI Work Order in amount of **\$28,000** for Engineering Services for the **2021 14th St. Sewer Lining Project**

Alderman Jackson moved, seconded by Alderman Markham to approve the Omnibus Vote excluding the Items 4-3 to Regular Agenda.

Also Alderman January requested that Item 4-4 moved to Regular Agenda.

Alderman Jackson amended motion seconded by Alderman Markham to include items 4-3 and 4-4 from Omnibus Vote to Regular Agenda.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS

ZUBIN TANTRA

Mr. Tantra stated had rental property in North Chicago. His tenants had requested a payment plan for remaining balance and was charge a late fee. He suggested that it was revoked.

The Mayor explained that it was exclusive to landlords and it was applicable to everyone accordingly. Per ordinance a late fee would be incurred until it was entirely paid. He provided options of paying with a charge card. He, the Mayor would consider Mr. Tantra's suggestion.

VI. REGULAR AGENDA

4-3 RESOLUTION ADOPTING NORTHERN LAKESHORE TRAIL CONNECTIVITY PLAN

Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Evans to approve the Resolution Adopting Northern Lakeshore Trail Connectivity Plan.

Alderman Jackson noted type-o with wording in the Resolution. The Mayor acknowledged as requested.

ROLL CALL

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

4-4 TAI WORK ORDER IN AMOUNT OF \$28,000 FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR 2021 14TH ST. SEWER LINING PROJECT

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Allen to approve the TAI Work Order in amount of \$28,000 for Engineering Services for 2021 14th St. Sewer Lining Project.

ROLL CALL

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

6-1 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL – REQUEST FOR A DECLARATION OF SURPLUS FOR (6) ITEMS LISTED IN THE TABLE AND AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH ENTERPRISE FLEET MANAGEMENT FOR THE SALE OF (5) OUT-OF-SERVICE POLICE UNITS (VEHICLES) LISTED IN THE TABL

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Allen to approve Request for declaration of surplus for (6) items listed in the table and authorization to enter into an agreement with Enterprise Fleet Management for the sale of (5) out-of-service police units (Vehicles) listed in the table as is.

ROLL CALL

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

6-2 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF CITY BILLS

General Corporate Fund	\$ 1,096,800.32
Library	\$ 23,321.40
Motor Fuel Tax	\$ 12,833.95
Water Operations	\$ 449,417.28
Grant	\$ 1,125.00
Community Development - CDBG	\$ 24,727.70
Retiree's Insurance Prem.	\$ 15,156.49
Grant Place Operating Fund	\$ 1,803.84

TOTAL \$ 1,625,185.98

MOTION:

Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to pay the bills of Council Run 2/01/21 in the amount of \$1,625,185.98 when funds become available.

Alderman January asked if there were sufficient funds; when checks would be processed and dispensed. Assistant Comptroller Tawanda Joyner stated funds were available; checks would be disbursed before end of week. Alderman January asked the balance of the Water Fund and the next transfer; Ms. Joyner provided the balance of the Water Operations Fund in the amount of \$728,803.29 and transfer of \$675,000; January 29, 2021 and next transfer with same amount in April 2021 before end of month.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels

Nays: January

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

VII. MISCELLANEOUS

FENCE – 19TH PLACE

Alderman Markham questioned if a fence was chosen and when would it be replaced; Public Works Director, Ed Wilmes explained he had a variety of estimates for fences. Per Mayor's request, Alderman Markham would reach out to the individuals and Mr. Wilmes would provide the information to Alderman Markham.

VARIOUS

Alderman January expressed appreciation to the Public Works Department and Director in maintaining the streets and their services during the snowstorm; noted trash on Martin Luther King Dr. near the Broadway apartments. The Mayor directed Mr. Wilmes

VACCINATIONS

The Mayor announced that the City of North Chicago would be a site for administering vaccinations and he was very pleased. He encouraged the Aldermen to reach out to others in the community. He offered option of the website: allvax.lakecohealth.org to sign up or contact#: 847-377-8130 and 211. Also ensured would be place on the North Chicago website. Was currently in the logistics stage and more information moving forward.

Alderman Allen would reach out to his constituents.

VIII.ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council; a motion was made by Alderman Runnels, seconded by Alderman Mayfield that the meeting stand adjourned.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

The Council Meeting adjourned at 6:33 p.m.

ATTEST:

Lori L. Collins, City Clerk

MINUTES

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II. INVOCATION

III. ROLL CALL

Upon roll call being taken, the following members were present:

Present: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Runnels, January

Absent: Markham

3-1 Resolution Honoring Robert “Bob” S. Leben

Alderman Mayfield moved, seconded by Alderman Allen to approve the Resolution Honoring Robert “Bob” S. Leben

City Clerk Lori L. Collins read the Resolution as requested.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: Markham

MOTION CARRIED

The Mayor questioned if Alderman Markham had contacted the City Clerk’s Office; Clerk Collins stated had not received information of his absence.

IV. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA

4-1 Minutes of Regular Council Meeting, **February 01, 2021**

4-2 Water Department Report – **January 2021**

4-3 Treasurer’s Report – **January 2021**

4-4 Monthly Budget Report – **May 01, 2020 – January 31, 2021**

Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Evans to approve the Omnibus Vote from Items 4-1 thru 4-4.

Clerk Collins noted type-o with vaccination e-mail announced incorrectly at **February 01, 2021** in Miscellaneous.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Runnels

Nays: January

Absent: Markham

MOTION CARRIED

IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Danny Lozano

The City Clerk read voicemail received from Mr. Lozano. He stated there was funding available from last year’s budget for (6) additional police officers and questioned when it was anticipated.

Police Chief Perez explained **30** of **65** candidates passed the test. There were **(12)** performed of **(30)** background checks. He was continuing to seek other candidates. They would be hosting other tests in **May** or **June**.

The Mayor questioned if any of the officers were inclusive of the police grant; Chief Perez indicated the grant was from year **2016** that was exhausted.

The City Clerk would forward the information received. The Mayor directed Chief Perez to follow up with Mr. Lozano and he acknowledged he would.

VI. REGULAR AGENDA

6-1 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL – AWARDING 14TH STREET LINING PROJECT TO INSITUFORM TECHNOLOGIES, USA, LLC IN THE AMOUNT OF \$278,845.60

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Allen to approve the Awarding of 14th Street Lining Project to Insituform Technologies, USA, LLC in the amount of \$278,845.60.

ROLL CALL

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: Markham

MOTION CARRIED

6-2 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL – HOTEL/MOTEL USE TAX ORDINANCE

Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve the Hotel/Motel Use Tax Ordinance.

Alderman January questioned amount imposed in the Ordinance; Chief of Staff, Deb Waszak who directed question to Attorney Simon; the amount % was the same and changed how it was collected from a broader tax base.

Mrs. Waszak added the timeframe was the same and as previous date.

ROLL CALL

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: Markham

MOTION CARRIED

6-3 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF CITY BILLS

General Corporate Fund	\$	221,143.45
Motor Fuel Tax	\$	9,419.90
Water Operations	\$	159,041.58
Grant	\$	20,112.50
Community Development - CDBG	\$	181,435.90
TIF 2007A Debt Service	\$	475.00
TIF II Downtown/Industrial	\$	6,155.53
Skokie Hwy TIF III	\$	14,059.00
Grant Place Operating Fund	\$	771.36
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TOTAL	\$	612,614.22

MOTION:

Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to pay the bills of Council Run 2/15/21 in the amount of \$612,614.22 when funds become available.

Alderman January asked if there were sufficient funds; when checks would be processed and dispensed. Assistant Comptroller Tawanda Joyner stated funds were available; checks would be disbursed before end of week. Alderman January asked the balance of the Water Fund and the next transfer; Ms. Joyner provided the balance of the Water Operations Fund in the amount of \$880,395.22 and transfer of \$675,000; 2021 and next transfer with same amount in April 2021.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Runnels

Nays: January

Absent: Markham

MOTION CARRIED

VII. MISCELLANEOUS

VARIOUS

The Mayor announced ribbon cutting that Alderman Jackson and Allen had attended for opening of COVID-19 vaccination sites initiated by AbbVie and North Chicago Community Partners. It also included sites of Greenbelt Cultural Center, Lake County Health Department, City of North Chicago and City of Waukegan.

He urged those 65 and older to receive the free vaccination. The contact number: (847)-582-1362. It was simple, safe and more importantly could be life-saving.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council; a motion was made by Alderman Runnels, seconded by Alderman Allen that the meeting stand adjourned.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: Markham

MOTION CARRIED

The Council Meeting adjourned at 6:17 p.m.

ATTEST:

Lori L. Collins, City Clerk

MINUTES

The City Council of North Chicago met in a Regular meeting, Monday, March 01, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. via Virtual media Zoom Link with Mayor Leon Rockingham, Jr. presiding.

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. INVOCATION

III. ROLL CALL

Upon roll call being taken, the following members were present:

Present: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Runnels

Absent: Markham, January

IV. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA

4-1 Minutes of Regular Council Meeting, **February 15, 2021**

4-2 Minutes of Standing Committee Meetings, **February 15, 2021**

4-3 Retail Lease for Yes Vital RX (**1817** Sheridan Rd.)

4-4 Retail Lease for Intervention Arms Medical Center (**1809** Sheridan Rd.)

4-5 Sign Ordinance Amendments

Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Evans to approve the Omnibus Vote from Items 4-1 thru 4-5.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Runnels

Nays: None

Absent: Markham, January

MOTION CARRIED

IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS

NONE

VI. REGULAR AGENDA

6-1 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION – ALLOCATION OF VOLUME CAP OF \$3,125,850 TO BUFFALO GROVE, IL

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve the Resolution Allocating Volume Cap of \$3,274,770 to Buffalo Grove, IL.

Alderman Jackson questioned if any projects applied with volume cap amount; Chief of Staff, Deb Waszak explained the Prairie View Apartments project had benefited previously. Typically utilized for housing projects.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Runnels

Nays: None

Absent: Markham, January

MOTION CARRIED

6-2 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF ILLINOIS HOUSING DEVELOPMENT
AUTHORITY – STRONG COMMUNITY PROGRAM

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve the Illinois Housing Development Authority Strong Community Program.

Alderman Jackson questioned if it was the second read; The Mayor explained it was time sensitive and questions could be addressed on the council floor. David Silverman explained that second readings is internal suggestion but not law.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Runnels

Nays: None

Absent: Markham, January

MOTION CARRIED

6-3 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF CITY BILLS

General Corporate Fund	\$	291,675.52
Library	\$	5,383.07
Motor Fuel Tax	\$	36,045.99
Water Operations	\$	102,889.05
Grant	\$	6,308.00
Community Development - CDBG	\$	13,322.92
Retiree's Insurance Premium	\$	13,384.97
TIF II Downtown/Industrial	\$	1,700.77
Skokie Hwy TIF III	\$	1,752.99
Grant Place Operating Fund	\$	13,864.50

TOTAL	\$	486,327.78
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MOTION:

Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to pay the bills of Council Run 3/01/21 in the amount of **\$486,327.78 when funds become available.**

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Runnels

Nays: None

Absent: Markham, January

MOTION CARRIED

Alderman Markham entered Zoom meeting at 6:08 p.m.

VII. MISCELLANEOUS

SENIORS REGISTERED FOR VACCINATIONS

The Mayor urged seniors 65 and older to register for COVID-19 vaccinations. He offered the contact number: 847-582-1362.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council; a motion was made by Alderman Runnels, seconded by Alderman Mayfield that the meeting stand adjourned.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Runnels, Markham

Nays: None

Absent: January

MOTION CARRIED

The Council Meeting adjourned at 6:10 p.m.

ATTEST:

Lori L. Collins, City Clerk

MINUTES

The City Council of North Chicago met in a Regular meeting, Monday, March 15, 2021 at 6:01 p.m. via Virtual media Zoom Link with Mayor Leon Rockingham, Jr. presiding.

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. INVOCATION

III. ROLL CALL

Upon roll call being taken, the following members were present:

Present: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Absent: None

IV. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA

4-1 Minutes of Regular Council Meeting, **March 01, 2021**

4-2 Minutes of Standing Committee Meetings, **March 01, 2021**

4-3 Water Department Report – **February 2021**

4-4 Treasurer's Report – **February 2021**

4-5 Monthly Budget Report – **May 01, 2021 0 February 28, 2021**

4-6 Gaming Parlor License for Lucky Spin; Terrance Pirtile – **1506 Sheridan Rd.**

Alderman Jackson asked the Item 4-6 be moved to the Regular Agenda; Alderman January requested the same.

Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Evans to approve the Omnibus Vote Items 4-1 thru 4-5.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels

Nays: January

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS

NONE

VI. REGULAR AGENDA

4-6 **GAMING PARLOR LICENSE FOR LUCKY SPIN; TERRANCE PIRTILE – 1506 SHERIDAN RD.**

Alderman Mayfield moved, seconded by Alderman Runnels to approve the Gaming Parlor License for Lucky Spin; Terrance Pirtile – 1506 Sheridan Rd.

Alderman Jackson stated concerns with the number of existing gaming locations and there were currently over 22 locations in North Chicago; that was already too many.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Runnels

Nays: Jackson, Markham, January

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

- 6-1 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF MR. AARON RILEY'S BID FOR 2014 GREENFIELD AVE. (\$20,100)

Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Evans to approve bid from Mr. Aaron Riley for 2014 Greenfield Ave. in the amount of \$20,100.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

- 6-2 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF ASSIGNMENT & ASSUMPTION AGREEMENT – 1113 MCASLISTER AVE.

Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Evans to approve the Assignment & Assumption Agreement – 1113 McAlister Ave.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

- 6-3 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF MUSTAFA ABDULLAH'S APPOINTMENT TO THE NORTH CHICAGO HOUSING BOARD (5 YEAR TERM – 2026)

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Allen to approve the appointment of Mustafa Abdullah to the North Chicago Housing Board (5 year term – 2026).

Alderman January asked if a 5 year term was customary for the Housing Board; Mayor Rockingham said that he clarified with the Housing Authority that 5 years was accurate.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

- 6-4 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF 14th STREET JURISDICTIONAL TRANSFER FROM CITY OF NORTH CHICAGO TO THE COUNTY OF LAKE

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve the 14th Street Jurisdictional Transfer to Lake County.

Alderman Jackson asked if there was a new ordinance to be approved. Attorney Adam Simon said changing jurisdictions was part of the provisions for the intergovernmental agreement with Lake County (14th St. reconstruction project). The next step was complete the IDOT required forms that is what needed to be signed and approved.

Alderman Jackson questioned the resolution addendum #2; City Engineer Steve Cieslica explained believed those referred to the changes in the IGA. Public Works Director Ed

Wilmes there was several agreements for the project including changing the name to Audrey Nixon Boulevard.

Alderman Markham clarified the other County controlled streets; MLK Ave. and Lewis Ave.; Mayor said the State had Green Bay Rd. and part of Sheridan Rd. but the City does the plowing of those. Mr. Wilmes stated the uniqueness of 14th St., Lewis Ave. and MLK Ave. is that the city has permanent authority for Lewis Ave and 14th St.; by retaining permanent authority allows the city control over access to the roads from all property adjacent to the roadway.

Alderman Allen questioned from Green Bay to Sheridan and who would plow. Mr. Wilmes clarified not east of Jackson St and North Chicago/Waukegan would plow. Alderman Jackson asked who would own assets on 14th St.; Mr. Wilmes said North Chicago would own the property on the right-of-ways for sidewalks, crosswalks and roadway lighting on the south side of the street.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels

Nays: January

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

6-5 **CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF FAST TRACK DEMOLITION – REQUEST TO WAIVE COMPETITIVE BIDDING**

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Allen to approve the Fast Track demolition request to waive competitive bidding.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

6-6 **CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF CITY BILLS**

General Corporate Fund	\$	297,996.87
Library	\$	220.27
Motor Fuel Tax	\$	60,128.62
Water Operations	\$	197,583.84
Retiree's Insurance Premium	\$	1,173.84
TIF II Downtown/Industrial	\$	5,842.50
Skokie Hwy TIF III	\$	9,096.25
Grant Place Operating Fund	\$	685.14

TOTAL	\$	572,727.33
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MOTION:

Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to pay the bills of Council Run 03/15/21 in the amount of **\$572,727.33 when funds become available.**

Alderman January asked if there were sufficient funds; when checks would be processed and dispensed. Assistant Comptroller Tawanda Joyner stated funds were available; checks would be disbursed by Wednesday. Alderman January asked the balance of the Water Fund as of close that day and the next transfer with amount; Ms. Joyner provided the balance of the Water Operations Fund in the amount of **\$1,385,619.20** and last transfer of fiscal year 2020 would be **\$675,000** approximately **April 15, 2021**.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels

Nays: January

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

VII. MISCELLANEOUS

Mayor Rockingham acknowledged that the City of North Chicago was currently among the Elite 8 best water plants in the country and encouraged everyone to vote for North Chicago to receive the #ELGKnope Award.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council; a motion was made by Alderman Runnels, seconded by Alderman Mayfield that the meeting stand adjourned.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

The Council Meeting adjourned at 6:24 p.m.

ATTEST:

Lori L. Collins, City Clerk

MINUTES

The City Council of North Chicago met in a Regular meeting, Monday, April 05, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. via Virtual media Zoom Link with Mayor Leon Rockingham, Jr. presiding.

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. INVOCATION

III. ROLL CALL

Upon roll call being taken, the following members were present:

Present: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels

Absent: January

The Mayor announced that Alderman January was unable to attend the meeting.

IV. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA

4-1 Minutes of Public Hearing, **March 15, 2021**

4-2 Minutes of Regular Council Meeting, **March 15, 2021**

4-3 Minutes of Standing Committee Meetings, **March 15, 2021**

4-4 Reappointment of the Following Library Board Trustees: Etta Robinson – 3-year Term; Caroline Harrington - 3-year Term; Peter Villanueva - 3-year Term; Robert Runnels Sr. - 3-year Term;

Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Evans to approve the Omnibus Vote Items 4-1 thru 4-4.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels

Nays: None

Absent: January

MOTION CARRIED

IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Chris White – SEIU Local 73 Field Organizer

City Clerk Lori L. Collins read Mr. White's emailed concern of Public Works Committee Item 4; Review/Discussion regarding a proposal received from Operations Services, Inc. for the Evaluation of Processes, Procedures and Staffing at the Water Treatment Plant. He was unclear if it was relative to outsourcing of union workers employment or the management of the plant. He strongly disagreed with outsourcing and/or privatization of any method; impacting local tax dollars from the community. He urged the committee to carefully interrogate the intention of the proposal and reject it.

The Mayor replied that he agreed with the Union in keeping those jobs within the community; he asked that they (the Union) were patient and collaborate with the City.

VI. REGULAR AGENDA

6-1 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF AVA'S CAFÉ PURCHASE

Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Evans to approve the purchase of Ava's Café.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Runnels

Nays: Markham

Absent: January

MOTION CARRIED

6-2 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF REPEALING SECTION 2-3-4 (VITAL STATISTICS)

Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Evans to approve Repealing Section 2-3-4.

Alderman Jackson asked for an overview; City Clerk, Lori Collins explained that the City Clerk's Office no longer provided Birth or Death Certificates.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels

Nays: None

Absent: January

MOTION CARRIED

6-3 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF ORDINANCE APPROVING AN AMENDMENT TO THE CITY OF NORTH CHICAGO COMPREHENSIVE PLAN (MAY 2016), APPROVING A SPECIAL USE PERMIT FOR A PHASE PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT, (PUD), APPROVING A COMBINED PRELIMINARY AND FINAL PLAN AND PLAT OF SUBDIVISION FOR PHASE I AND A PRELIMINARY PLAN AND PLAT OF SUBDIVISION FOR PHASE 2 AND APPROVING VACATIONS OF CERTAIN PLATTED AND ABANDONED ALLEY AND STREET RIGHTS-OF-WAY

Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve Ordinance Approving an Amendment to the City of North Chicago Comprehensive Plan (May 2016), Approving a Special Use Permit for a Phase Planned Unit Development, (PUD), Approving a Combined Preliminary/Final Plan/Plat of Subdivision for Phase I /Preliminary Plan and Plat of Subdivision for Phase 2/Approving Vacations of Certain Platted, Abandoned Alley and Street Rights-of-Way.

Alderman Jackson asked for an overview; Victor Barrera, Economic & Community Development Director explained this document was Phase I of multiple phases for development at Sheridan Crossing; including a 220,000 sq. ft. distribution center.

Attorney Silverman added it was a portion of redevelopment, amendment to the Comprehensive Plan; it approves pre-plan and a plat of the entire property occupied by Narot, LLC. It also approved a plan and plat of the entire property which was Phase II.

Alderman Evans questioned if specifics were exclusive for Sheridan Crossing; Attorney Silverman acknowledged it was.

Alderman Allen amended motion, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to add that the vacations, alleys and street rights-of-way only pertained to Sheridan Crossing, LLC.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels

Nays: None

Absent: January

MOTION CARRIED

6-4 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION FOR 2021 CDBG PROGRAM FUNDING – PUBLIC SERVICES

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve the Resolution for 2021 CDBG Program Funding (Public Services).

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels

Nays: None

Absent: January

MOTION CARRIED

6-5 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF ORDINANCE – SPECIAL USE PERMIT AT 2300 MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. DR.

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve the Special Use Permit at 2300 Martin Luther King Jr. Dr.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Runnels

Nays: Markham

Absent: January

MOTION CARRIED

6-6 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE JURISDICTIONAL TRANSFER OF 14TH STREET FROM THE CITY OF NORTH CHICAGO TO COUNTY OF LAKE HIGHWAY SYSTEM

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Allen to approve the Ordinance providing for the Jurisdictional Transfer of 14th Street from the City of North Chicago to County of Lake Highway System.

Alderman Jackson asked for an overview of Item 6-6; Ed Wilmes, Public Works Director explained it was a procedural housekeeping matter and the City would retain permanent authority (control of 14th Street).

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels

Nays: None

Absent: January

MOTION CARRIED

6-7 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF TAI WORK ORDER IN THE AMOUNT OF \$33,600 FOR THE WATER SYSTEM RISK AND RESILIENCY ASSESSMENT AND EMERGENCY RESPONSE PLAN

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Jackson to approve the TAI Work Order in the amount of \$33,600 for the Water System Risk, Resiliency Assessment and Emergency Response Plan.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels

Nays: None

Absent: January

MOTION CARRIED

6-8 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF CITY BILLS

General Corporate Fund	\$	446,720.20
Library	\$	5,277.81
Motor Fuel Tax	\$	24,674.49
Water Operations	\$	182,020.95
Grant	\$	6,000.00
Community Development - CDBG	\$	38,078.05
Retiree's Insurance Premium	\$	13,346.27
TIF II Downtown/Industrial	\$	5,696.10
TIF II Sheridan Crossing	\$	54,219.94
Grant Place Operating Fund	\$	20,116.48

TOTAL **\$** **796,150.29**

MOTION:

Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to pay the bills of Council Run 4/05/21 in the amount of **\$796,150.29 when funds become available.**

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels

Nays: None

Absent: January

MOTION CARRIED

VII. MISCELLANEOUS

CONCERN

Alderman Mayfield had concerns of racing and speeding vehicles in the 2nd Ward. She directed request to Police Chief Perez to monitor the area. Chief Perez acknowledged.

IN-HOUSE MEETINGS

Alderman Allen questioned when Council Meetings would resume in-house; The Mayor explained was following directive of the Governor and have decided to remain virtual. The COVID numbers were rising.

VACCINATION

Alderman Mayfield questioned clarification with age requirements for the vaccinations; The Mayor explained currently ages **16 and over** qualify. The contact#: 847-582-1362 to make an appointment to get the vaccination.

Mayor Rockingham wished all election candidates good luck in their endeavors.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council; a motion was made by Alderman Runnels, seconded by Alderman Mayfield that the meeting stand adjourned.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels

Nays: None

Absent: January

MOTION CARRIED

The Council Meeting adjourned at 6:25 p.m.

ATTEST:

Lori L. Collins, City Clerk

MINUTES

The City Council of North Chicago met in a Regular meeting, Monday, April 19, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. via Virtual media Zoom Link with Mayor Leon Rockingham, Jr. presiding.

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. INVOCATION

III. ROLL CALL

Upon roll call being taken, the following members were present:

Present: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Absent: None

IV. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA

4-1 Minutes of Regular Council Meeting, **April 05, 2021**

4-2 Minutes of Standing Committee Meetings, **April 05, 2021**

4-3 Water Department Report – **March 2021**

4-4 Treasurer's Report – **March 2021**

4-5 Monthly Budget Report: **May 01, 2020 – March 31, 2021**

4-6 Highway Authority Agreement (**1410** N. Sheridan Rd./Former Ted Wells Service Station IEMA **20010976**) County of Lake, Abbvie, City of North Chicago

4-7 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) for the Year Ending **April 30, 2020**

Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve the Omnibus Vote Items 4-1 thru 4-7.

City Clerk, Lori Collins stated was informed a type-o in the Standing Committee Minutes; the name of Harold's Chicken should read "Harold's Shrimp and Chicken" due to (2) different establishments.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels

Nays: January

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS

City Clerk Collins explained had received several voicemails and an e-mail.

Chris White –SEIU LOCAL 73 Field Organizer

City Clerk Collins read the e-mail from Mr. White in behalf of the members highly concerned with the proposal. The agenda item was tabled at the last Public Works Committee Meeting. They had requested that it be voted to reject. They disagreed with outside agencies or contracts supervising at the Water Plant. The estimated **\$500,000** could be invested in the employees. They demanded to bargain with the change. They were investigating a grievance and possible other actions for failure to post vacant positions. Included would be a FOIA request regarding outsourced work; in particular as residents and employees requesting exact cost with changes to the city fleet and other work that was contracted. Many employees from other departments were interested in positions of a Water Plant Operator yet weren't accepted. They were proud

of the record from the Water and Sewer Department and complex system well operated, resulting in delivery of quality water. Many employees have left from North Chicago becoming managers in other plants. They urged the City with continual collaboration and its legacy. The City of Flint Michigan was compared that failed to adhere to the existing water and sewer employees that resulted in causing suffering.

Public Works Proposal

Clerk Collins played audible voicemail from an individual that left a comment of Public Works proposal to City Council trying to hire (2) water operators of **\$100,000** in the next (4) years. There were Street Distribution employees that applied within (5) years and were told there would be a reduction in pay for that position and it wasn't fair. He read the pay scale and suggested a lateral move from the Street Department. The department was currently understaffed and hiring would also eliminate the overtime. Disagreed with proposal of hiring (2) operators and a mechanic.

Tim - Water Plant Operator

Audible Voicemail – Tim, a Water Plant Operator of 21+ years heard of the proposal that he reviewed. Suggesting that it was implemented without an outside contractor. He was compelled to speak the truth even if resulting in possible retaliation. He explained his experience history from Abbott Labs leading to current operator position. There was a suggestion box at the Water Plant and there was never discussion. They weren't asked for their feedback generalized suggestion from internal employees. Previously had suggested meetings for mandatory training. Despite the obstacles presented before him and others, they performed their jobs and provided continued safe drinking water yet was disrespected.

Concerned Public Works Employee

Audible Voicemail – He stated that many employees departed from the department and no rehiring year to date. They currently were understaffed and he requested hiring practices as a Union.

Submitted Question

She asked why the City of North Chicago was outsourcing. Suggesting financial resources that could be utilized toward hiring Public Works employees and/or Fire & Police Pensions.

The Mayor stated the comments would be addressed at a later day.

VI. REGULAR AGENDA

6-1 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL – ENGAGEMENT WITH MILLER COOPER FOR FY22 AUDITING SERVICES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$54,375

Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve the Engagement with Miller Cooper for FY22 Auditing Services in the Amount of \$54,375.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels

Nays: January

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

6-2 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF ORDINANCE FOR SPECIAL USE PERMIT TO AMEND THE PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT AT 12632 W. BIRCHWOOD AVE. (A.K.A., 3337 W. BERWYN AVE.)

Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Allen to approve the Ordinance for Special Use Permit to Amend the Planned Unit Development at 12632 W. Birchwood Ave. (a.k.a., 3337 W. Berwyn Ave.)

Alderman January requested an overview questioning the Special Use Permit; Senior City Planner, Nimrod Warda explained the Planned Unit Development was approved years previously referring to Kugel Cobble. The Hirsch Family would be selling the southern portion of property accommodating separate development. It provided flexibility reflective of the address change. The subsequent development would be discussed in Committee. She questioned the memo concerning to retain original PUD approval rights; how would it impact them if the City decided not to sell portion of the property; Mr. Warda stated there was a safeguard measure with continuing the rights and provided flexibility in selling the property. Essentially it had a default and could operate smoothly with time deadlines. The Ordinance referenced to (2) separate Exhibits and reviewed by Attorney Silverman.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

6-3 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF ORDINANCE FOR CLASS A-B LIQUOR LICENSE AT 2300 MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. DR. – TKO SERVICES LLC (SHAWN WHITE).

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve the Ordinance for Class A-B Liquor License at 2300 Martin Luther King Jr. Dr. – TKO Services LLC (Shawn White).

Alderman Jackson questioned concerns of Mr. White's residency; Attorney Simon explained that every liquor license applicant is submitted for a police background check and were allowed a local manager as a resident. Alderman Jackson asked if there would be a resident manager; Mr. White acknowledged there would. Alderman Jackson was satisfied.

Alderman January questioned if an A-B Liquor license allowed serving under a tent; Attorney Simon explained the tent was more of a zoning issue and the license allowed sale of liquor on or package sale off the premises.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Runnels, January

Nays: Jackson, Markham

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

6-4 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF ORDINANCE APPROVING DISPOSAL OF SURPLUS PROPERTY (CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS FURNITURE AND A/V EQUIPMENT)

Alderman Jackson moved, seconded by Alderman Markham to approve the Ordinance for Disposal of Surplus Property (City Council Chambers Furniture and A/V Equipment).

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

6-5 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF THE SECOND AND FINAL CONTRACT EXTENSION TO OLMOS LANDSCAPING FOR THE LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE SERVICES FOR CITY HALL, ARGONNE DRIVE AND CITY GATEWAY SIGNAGE

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Jackson to approve the second and final contract extension to Olmos Landscaping for the landscape maintenance services for City Hall, Argonne Drive and City Gateway signage.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

6-6 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF THE SECOND AND FINAL CONTRACT EXTENSION TO TRI-STATE PLATINUM LANDSCAPES FOR GRASS CUTTING SERVICES FOR THE NORTH CHICAGO METRA COMMUTER STATION, THE RIGHT-OF-WAY ALONG SHERIDAN ROAD AND VARIOUS INDIVIDUAL SCATTERED SITE LOCATIONS THROUGHOUT THE CITY

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve the second and final contract extension to Tri-State Platinum Landscapes for grass cutting services for the North Chicago Metra Commuter Station, the right-of-way along Sheridan Road and various individual scattered site locations throughout the City.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

6-7 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF CITY BILLS

General Corporate Fund	\$	136,402.05
Library	\$	45.91
Motor Fuel Tax	\$	27,841.33
Water Operations	\$	175,453.19
TIF 2005A Debt Service	\$	40,100.00
TIF Grant Pl Debt Serv. 2007C	\$	158,922.92
TIF 2007A Debt. Serv.	\$	11,366.67
TIF Debt. Serv. 2007B	\$	102,696.66
FED. Forfeited Property (DEA)	\$	15,775.00
Retiree's Insurance Premium	\$	208.33
Grant Place Operating Fund	\$	4,162.84

TOTAL **\$** **672,974.90**

MOTION:

Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to pay the bills of Council Run 4/19/21 in the amount of \$672,974.90 when funds become available.

Alderman January asked if there were sufficient funds; when checks would be processed and dispensed. Assistant Comptroller Tawanda Joyner stated funds were available; checks would be disbursed by Wednesday. Alderman January asked the balance of the Water Fund as of close that day and the next transfer with amount; Ms. Joyner provided the balance of the Water Operations Fund in the amount of **\$661,225.93** and the last transfer of fiscal year would be approximately **April 05, 2021**.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels

Nays: January

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

VII. MISCELLANEOUS

ANIMAL WARDEN

Alderman Allen questioned the cost of an Animal Warden; The Mayor acknowledged there was and discussion would be in Committee.

CONGRATULATIONS

Attorney Simon congratulated all the candidates and he appreciated Alderman Torrance Markham for his volunteerism and services; Alderman Allen appreciated his services from the last (4) years and wished him future endeavors. The Mayor echoed Attorney Simon's sentiments adding for his service in the community and to the 5th Ward.

VARIOUS

The Mayor recognized Treasurer Kenneth Robinson for his many years of city services and those that were reelected; He explained COVID procedures virtually with swearing in the elected officials. Attorney Simon added that anyone lawfully authorized could administer the oath. The Mayor explained would like to recognize and present to those departing from their elected position. All were to serve the community with North Chicago moving forward. Alderman Allen acknowledged Treasurer, Kenneth Robinson for his many years in the Treasury Department and blessed him on his journey.

VARIOUS ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Alderman Markham thanked God, Family and his constituents for the strength and wisdom to serve; he appreciated everyone on Council; would assist the new upcoming 5th Ward Alderman and that North Chicago was a "great City and deserved great leadership." Mayor Rockingham appreciated Alderman Markham's service as well.

The Mayor requested a lighter agenda at the next Committee Meeting, **May 03, 2021**. It was due to allowing fellowship with candidate's family and others.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council; a motion was made by Alderman Mayfield, seconded by Alderman Allen that the meeting stand adjourned.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

The Council Meeting adjourned at 6:40 p.m.

ATTEST:

Lori L. Collins, City Clerk

MINUTES

The City Council of North Chicago met in a Regular meeting, Monday, May 03, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. via Virtual media Zoom Link with Mayor Leon Rockingham, Jr. presiding.

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. INVOCATION

III. ROLL CALL

Upon roll call being taken, the following members were present:

Present: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Runnels, January

Absent: Markham

3-1 Swearing in of Elected Officials

Reverend Johnson administered oath to Mayor Leon Rockingham, Jr. as Mayor requested his family members join him in the Council Chambers.

The Mayor stated that City Clerk, Lori Collins was sworn-in previously.

Judge Reggie Mathews expressed honor for being requested to swear in Mr. Vance Dane Wyatt as Treasurer. Judge Mathews administered the oath.

Justice George Bridges administered the oath to Michael R. Jackson as 1st Ward Alderman at Alexander Middle School (virtually). He appreciated the opportunity for joining swearing-in the former “Top Cop” of Waukegan and he will excel as the “Top Ward Alderman” for the City of North Chicago. Justice Bridges congratulated Alderman Michael Jackson and the Mayor echoed his sentiments.

The Mayor commended/appreciated Alderman Evans with his ward and serving all residents for a third term. He administered the oath to Carl Evans as the 3rd Ward Alderman.

Alderman Evans acknowledged the Mayor in administering the oath for him. He clarified ensuring that the officials were collaborating as a team. Would continue enhancing the City for the betterment of North Chicago.

The Mayor stated that patience and endurance always wins. He administered the oath to Kenneth Smith as the 5th Ward Alderman. He congratulated Alderman Smith.

City Clerk Lori L. Collins stated that 7th Ward Alderman Kathy January’s oath had been administered previously by Judge Diane E. Winters.

Mayor Rockingham offered all the elected officials an opportunity to make a statement.

The City Attorney David Silverman advised that Roll Call be taken prior to continuing meeting because there were new members of the Council. The City Clerk performed Roll Call.

Mayor Rockingham offered all newly/re-elected officials the opportunity to make a statement.

Alderman Jackson was thankful to God, his family, extended family and friends. Also to the citizens of the 1st Ward was he grateful and extended an open invitation to contact him with questions, concerns and information.

Alderman Evans thanked all of North Chicago and the 3rd Ward.

Alderman Smith (5th Ward) was excited for the journey and being a team player.

Alderman January stated honor for serving the last years and thanked the 7th Ward constituents for their support. She welcomed Alderman Smith and Alderman Jackson. Alderman January looked forward to continued transparency and moving the City forward.

City Clerk Lori L. Collins thanked the citizens for allowing her to represent. She hoped that her mother (predecessor) was proud.

Treasurer Vance D. Wyatt thanked God for allowing him to serve. He looked forward to working with Mayor, City Clerk and Aldermen. He was appreciative to the community for their vote of confidence to allow him as Treasurer.

Mayor Rockingham was thankful to God for allowing him the past 16 years and another 4 years to serve as Mayor. He looked forward to working with all the elected officials. Mayor Rockingham was grateful to his family. He was assured to provide safety, restoration of neighborhoods, rebuilding streets and economic development.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

3-2 Resolution Honoring Kenneth Robinson

The City Clerk read the resolution Honoring Kenneth Robinson as Treasurer. Mayor Rockingham presented a plaque in Mr. Robinson's honor.

Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Jackson to approve the Resolution Honoring Kenneth Robinson as Treasurer.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

3-3 Resolution Honoring Torrance A. Markham, Sr.

City Clerk Lori L. Collins explained that the resolution that was being read and presented for approval differed from the information previously presented at the request of Alderman Markham. Ms. Collins read the newly provided resolution. Mayor Rockingham presented a plaque in honor of Torrance A. Markham, Sr.

Alderman January moved, seconded by Alderman Allen to approve the Resolution Honoring 5th Ward Alderman Torrance A. Markham, Sr. as presented.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

Due to interference by a hacker the Virtual Zoom meeting was shut-down at 6:51 p.m. and resumed at 7:02 p.m.

Upon re-opening of the City Council Meeting a Roll Call was taken.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith, Runnels, January

Absent: None

3-4 Resolution Honoring James Sisson

City Clerk Lori L. Collins read the resolution Honoring James Sisson.

Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Evans to approve the Resolution honoring James Sisson.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

IV. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA

4-1 Minutes of Regular Council Meeting, April 19, 2021

4-2 Minutes of Standing Committee Meetings, April 19, 2021

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Allen to approve the Omnibus Vote Agenda as presented.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

V. PUBLIC COMMENTS

VI. REGULAR AGENDA

6-1 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF ZONING ORDINANCE TEXT AMENDMENT FOR LIMITED COMMERCIAL RESIDENCE (CONNECT HOMES LLC)

Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Evans to approve the Zoning Text Amendment for Limited Commercial Residence (Connect Homes LLC).

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

6-2 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF ORDINANCE FOR SPECIAL USE PERMIT AT 613 10TH STREET FOR LIMITED COMMERCIAL RESIDENCE (CONNECT HOMES, LLC)

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Allen to approve the Ordinance for Special Use Permit at 613 10th Street for Limited Commercial Residence (Connect Homes, LLC).

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

- 6-3 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF ORDINANCE FOR SPECIAL USE PERMIT AT 611 10TH STREET FOR LIMITED COMMERCIAL RESIDENCE (CONNECT HOMES, LLC)).

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Jackson to approve the Ordinance for Special Use Permit at 611 10th Street for Limited Commercial Residence (Connect Homes, LLC).

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

- 6-4 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF FY22 BUDGET AND CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve the FY22 Budget and Capital Improvement Plan.

Alderman Jackson asked if motion could read “with any necessary corrections”; there weren’t any specific corrections that he foresaw currently but possibly later. Attorney David Silverman explained what was being presented was discussed previous in Committee adding that language would make it unclear what was being voted.

Mayor Rockingham stated that there could be amendments later.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith, Runnels

Nays: January (the accounting function used was not appropriate)

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

- 6-5 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF FY22 CITY SALARY ORDINANCE (CSO) AMENDMENT

Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Runnels to approve the FY22 City Salary Ordinance Amendment.

Alderman January asked for an overview; Human Resource Director elaborated the changes. Alderman January asked if there was any change to paygrade or step increases for either the Police or Fire Chiefs; Mrs. Black assured there were not.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

- 6-6 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF THE ANNUAL MFT MAINTENANCE RESOLUTION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,200,000, ESTIMATE OF MAINTENANCE COSTS AND TAI MAINTENANCE ENGINEERING AGREEMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$129,400 FOR THE 2021 MFT ROAD PROGRAM

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve the Annual MFT Maintenance Resolution in the amount of \$2,200,000, estimate of maintenance costs and TAI maintenance engineering agreement in the amount of \$129,400 for the 2021 MFT Road Program.

Alderman Jackson asked for an overview. City Engineer Steve Cieslica introduced himself and explained MFT Maintenance Resolution was allotted annual monies from for expected street maintenance activity; he listed those items costs. Alderman Allen reiterated that the MFT Funds were State provided monies.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

- 6-7 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL – AWARD OF THE COUNCIL CHAMBER RENOVATION PROJECT TO IDI PACIFIC JV LLC IN THE AMOUNT OF \$437,509

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman January to approve Award of the Council Chamber Renovation Project to IDE Pacific JV LLC in the amount of \$437,509.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Smith, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: Allen

MOTION CARRIED

- 6-8 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL – CLASS A SPECIAL LIQUOR LICENSE TO ELEVEN 19 KITCHEN & COCKTAILS AT 1119 10TH STREET (MICHAEL COLEMAN)

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Jackson to approve the Class A Special Liquor License to Eleven 19 Kitchen & Cocktails at 1119 10th Street (Michael Coleman).

Alderman January asked Alderman Jackson if the residents of the Ward and he were in agreement with the proposal. Alderman Jackson said he was 100% in agreement and stated there was previously a liquor license at that location. The residents didn't have a concern with it.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Smith, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: Allen

MOTION CARRIED

6-9 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF CITY BILLS

General Corporate Fund	\$	289,683.11
Library	\$	7,772.90
Motor Fuel Tax	\$	35,769.45
Water Operations	\$	121,024.44
Grant Place Operating Fund	\$	12,914.02
Dental & Vision	\$	5,292.68
Retiree's Insurance Premium	\$	13,445.17
TIF II Downtown/Industrial	\$	23,529.67
TIF II Sheridan Crossin	\$	1,826.00
Skokie Hwy TIF III	\$	3,785.75
Grant Place Operating Fund	\$	2,621.88
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TOTAL	\$	517,665.07

MOTION:

Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to pay the bills of Council Run 5/03/21 in the amount of \$517,665.07 when funds become available.

Alderman January asked if there were sufficient funds; when checks would be processed and dispensed. Assistant Comptroller Tawanda Joyner stated funds were available; checks would be disbursed by Wednesday. Alderman January asked the balance of the Water Fund as of close that day and the next transfer with amount; Ms. Joyner provided the balance of the Water Operations Fund in the amount of **\$636,230.94**.

Interim Comptroller explained that the total transfer for the last year was **\$2,175,000** this year it would lowered by 10% totaling **\$1,957,000**. The transfers take place quarterly in the amount of **\$489,375/quarter**.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith, Runnels

Nays: January

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

VII. MISCELLANEOUS

COUNCIL CHAMBERS

Alderman January asked when renovation of the Council Chambers would begin; Mayor estimated within the next couple of weeks. Alderman January questioned the amount of time to complete. Facilities Manager Chris Chirikos guestimate August but it was contingent upon material availability, supplies and orders. The biggest concern was is audio/visual. Alderman January asked for periodic updates.

Alderman Jackson suggested that the aldermen clean out their Council desks.

HAROLD'S SHRIMP & CHICKEN

Alderman Allen questioning the opening; Mr. Barrera said the following day.

ELECTED OFFICIALS

Alderman Allen welcomed newly elected officials and stated the best was yet to come. Mayor Rockingham wished him safe travels back home.

Mayor Rockingham read the Retirement Letter of Alderman Runnels in public service. Mayor Rockingham thanked him for his service and his last meeting would be May 17, 2021. He was an asset to the Council and City.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council; a motion was made by Alderman Jackson, seconded by Alderman January that the meeting stand adjourned.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

The Council Meeting adjourned at 7:38 p.m.

ATTEST:

Lori L. Collins, City Clerk

MINUTES

The City Council of North Chicago met in a Regular meeting, Monday, May 17, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. via Virtual media Zoom Link with Mayor Leon Rockingham, Jr. presiding.

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. INVOCATION

III. ROLL CALL

Upon roll call being taken, the following members were present:

Present: Jackson, Mayfield, Allen, Smith, Runnels, January

Absent: Evans

3-1 Resolution Honoring Robert Alexander (Bob) Runnels, Sr.

City Clerk Collins read the Resolution Honoring Robert A. (Bob) Runnels, Sr. Mayor Rockingham presented a plaque in Mr. Runnel's honor.

Alderman Mayfield moved, seconded by Alderman January to approve the Resolution Honoring Robert A. (Bob) Runnels, Sr.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

Mayor Rockingham commended Alderman Runnels & expressed appreciation for his (14) years of service and accomplishments.

IV. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA

4-1 Minutes of Regular Council Meeting, May 03, 2021

4-2 Water Department Report - April 2021

4-3 Monthly Budget Report – April 2021

4-4 Treasurer's Report – April 2021

Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve the Omnibus Vote Agenda items 4-1 thru 4-4 as presented.

City Clerk noted/received corrections to the Council Minutes.

Alderman Allen amended motion, seconded by Alderman Mayfield with proper corrections to the Council Minutes.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith, Runnels

Nays: January

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

V. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Anthony Coleman – Resident

Mr. Coleman congratulated Alderman Runnels on his retirement.

VI. REGULAR AGENDA

- 6-1 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF A PROPOSAL RECEIVED FROM NORTHERN DIVERS, USA IN THE AMOUNT OF \$164,820.00 FOR SERVICES ASSOCIATED WITH THE REMOVAL OF TWO (2) INOPERABLE 36-INCH WEDGE VALVES ON THE RAW WATER INTAKE LINES AT THE WATER TREATMENT PLANT AND THE REPLACEMENT OF THE SAME WITH TWO (2) NEW PRATT BUTTERFLY VALVES. DUE TO THE NATURE AND TIME CONSTRAINTS FOR COMPLETING THIS WORK, I AM REQUESTING THAT COMPETITIVE BIDDING BE WAIVED

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Allen to award the contract amount not to exceed \$170,803.00 to Northern Divers, USA Inc., for work defined in proposal #16486579 dated May 17, 2021; \$165,808.00 to replace (2) inoperable 36-inch water intake valves at the Water Plant for cost associated obtaining a performance bond for the work; \$4,975.00 and that competitive bidding be waived for this project.

NOTE: Funding for this work has been budgeted in adopted CIP Plan Project #21-1049

The Mayor agreed with the previous and presented proposal. He was hoping for the lesser amount not to exceed yet providing the needed safety at the Water Plant was necessary for best practices.

Alderman Jackson questioned clarification of the proposal with additional fees.

Attorney Simon added it was to apply for the Performance Bond that the contractors were required guaranteeing payment of their employees for the performance of their work.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

- 6-2 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF A FORBEARANCE AND STIPULATION AGREEMENT WITH ROSALIND FRANKLIN UNIVERSITY

Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman January to approve the Forbearance and Stipulation Agreement with Rosalind Franklin University.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

- 6-3 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF CITY BILLS

General Corporate Fund	\$	286,403.08
Motor Fuel Tax	\$	6,422.43
Water Operations	\$	167,133.41
Grant	\$	400.00
TIF 2007A Debt. Service	\$	475.00
TIF 2007B Debt. Service	\$	475.00
Skokie Hwy TIF III	\$	10,412.50
Grant Place Operating Fund	\$	7,512.56
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TOTAL	\$	479,233.98

MOTION:

Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to pay the bills of Council Run 5/17/21 in the amount of \$479,233.98 when funds become available.

Alderman January asked if there were sufficient funds; when checks would be processed and dispensed. Assistant Comptroller Tawanda Joyner stated funds were available; checks would be disbursed by Wednesday. Alderman January asked the balance of the Water Fund as of close that day and the next transfer with amount; Ms. Joyner provided the balance of the Water Operations Fund in the amount of \$952,585.25. The next quarterly transfer would be in **July 2021** in the amount of **\$607,500**.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith, Runnels

Nays: January

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

VII. MISCELLANEOUS

VARIOUS

Alderman Allen appreciated Alderman Runnel's services. He also provided his condolence to Alderman Jackson and his family in behalf of North Chicago for their loss. Alderman Allen stated he strongly supported Alderman Jackson.

CONDOLENCE

The Mayor stated that Evelyn Alexander was a pillar of the community, explained her various positions with the City of North Chicago and for the State Senator. He highly respected her and she would be dearly missed. A Resolution would be presented prior to the next Council Meeting, **June 07, 2021**. If needed, the City would have assistance with police escorts during the services.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Alderman Jackson acknowledged Alderman Runnels, expressing appreciation of his city services and his country. Alderman Smith appreciated Alderman Runnel's support and his city services. Alderman Mayfield strongly appreciated all of Alderman Runnel's services and he would be dearly missed.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council; a motion was made by Alderman Allen, seconded by Alderman Mayfield that the meeting stand adjourned.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith, Runnels, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

The Council Meeting adjourned at 6:27 p.m.

ATTEST:

Lori L. Collins, City Clerk

MINUTES

The City Council of North Chicago met in a Regular meeting, Monday, June 07, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. via Virtual media Zoom Link with Mayor Leon Rockingham, Jr. presiding.

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. INVOCATION

III. ROLL CALL

Upon roll call being taken, the following members were present:

Present: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith, January

Absent: None

3-1 Resolution Honoring Evelyn Alexander

City Clerk Collins read the Resolutions; Honoring Evelyn Alexander.

Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman January to approve the Resolution Honoring Evelyn Alexander.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

Mayor Rockingham expressed appreciation to Mrs. Evelyn Alexander as she was the pillar of community.

3-2 Resolution Honoring Jimmy L. Baldwin

City Clerk Collins read the Resolutions; Honoring Jimmy L. Baldwin

Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve the Resolution Honoring Jimmy L. Baldwin.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

City Clerk Collins read the Proclamation from Lake County for Bob Runnels.

IV. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA

4-1 Minutes of Regular Council Meeting, May 17, 2021

4-2 Minutes of Standing Committee Meetings, May 17, 2021

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Allen to approve the Omnibus Vote Agenda items 4-1 thru 4-2 as presented.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

V. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Nick Bretwisch – Director of Sales & Relationship Management (Lucy Lincoln Gaming LLC)
Clerk Collins read the note from Mr. Bretwisch that on behalf of his customers, Teepee Liquors and Food Mart, he requested discussion amending the North Chicago Gaming Ordinance; asking that the council approved verbiage in the ordinance allowing **50%** of the fees billed to the Video Gaming Terminal Operator to assist in alleviating some of the expenses on the business owner. He provided a few comparison municipalities.

The Mayor stated could consider the request placing under license fees for discussion.

Anthony Coleman – Resident

Mr. Coleman wished a Happy Father's Day to all June 20, 2021.

VI. REGULAR AGENDA

6-1 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF REAPPOINTMENTS OF THE FOLLOWING NAMES FOR NORTH CHICAGO POLICE CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE: MICHAEL BRANKIN: (3 Years); VICKI ESTES-BROWN: (3 Years); EVA BALDWIN (3 Years); TABITHA WRAY (3 Years)

The Mayor explained item **6-1** was the following reappointments of the North Chicago Police Advisory Committee members naming them.

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Smith to approve the reappointments of the following names as presented.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

6-2 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF ORDINANCE DECLARING SURPLUS OF REAL PROPERTY – 1741 ELIZABETH AVENUE AND 0 SHERIDAN ROAD

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Allen to approve the Ordinance Declaring Surplus of Real Property – 1741 Elizabeth Avenue and 0 Sheridan Road.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

6-3 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF ISAAC'S FINER FOOD (FAED ABDALLAH) GP LIQUOR LICENSE AT 2217 MLK DR.

Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Smith to approve the GP Liquor License at 2217 MLK Dr.

Alderman January questioned feedback from the 5th Ward residents with the new idea; Alderman Smith stated there was nothing received against the idea. Isaac's had offset changing hours of previous liquor stores.

Alderman Evans questioned clarification with concern of the fees; Mayor explained could continue with current ordinance fees of **\$1,000**.

Alderman January explained her view against additional liquor to the City.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith

Nays: January

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

6-4 **CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF DEMOLITION CONTRACT WITH C-FORCE CONSTRUCTION (\$218,822.47)**

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Allen to approve the demolition contract with C-Force Construction in the amount of \$218,822.47.

Alderman Evans amended motion, seconded by Alderman Allen to include a not to exceed amount of \$218,822.47.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

6-5 **CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF LISTING AGREEMENT – GRANT PLACE**

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Allen to approve the Grant Place Listing Agreement.

Alderman January questioned clarification exceeding amount; Senior City Planner, Nimrod Warda explained there was no direct fees aside from sale or lease. Alderman January questioned the rate amount.

Attorney Silverman directed council to Exhibit A that he read.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith, January

Nays: Jackson

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

6-6 **CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF A RESOLUTION APPROVING A NON-EXCLUSIVE LICENSE AGREEMENT FOR THE CITY PARKING LOT (SOUTH EAST CORNER OF COMMONWEALTH & MARTIN LUTHER KING DR.)**

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Allen approving Resolution with a non-exclusive license agreement for the City parking lot (South east corner of Commonwealth & Martin Luther King Dr.)

Alderman Jackson questioned project; Attorney Silverman explained it was for the rental of City parking lot for housing the steel for the development of Sheridan Road.

Alderman Allen explained the agreement was a **\$500** monthly fee.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

- 6-7 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF (2) PROPOSALS RECEIVED FROM NORTHERN DIVERS, USA, INC., FOR THE CLEANING OF THE (2) WATER INTAKE LINES AND BOTH SIDES OF THE WET WELL AT THE CITY'S WATER INTAKE AND TREATMENT PLANT: PROPOSAL #016448555 IS FOR THE CLEANING AND TELEVISIONING OF THE INTAKE LINES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$223,400 AND PROPOSAL #01648463 IS FOR THE CLEANING AND TELEVISIONING OF THE WET WELLS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$38,000

DUE TO THE NATURE AND TIME CONSTRAINTS FOR COMPLETING THIS WORK, REQUESTING THAT COMPETITIVE BIDDING BE WAIVED

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Allen to award a contract in an amount not to exceed \$223,400 to Northern Divers USA, Inc., for the work defined in proposal #1648555, dated May 2021 for the cleaning and televising of (2) intake lines at the water treatment plant, PLUS the costs associated with obtaining a Performance Bond for this work which is \$6,702, for a TOTAL award value of \$230,102.

I would also like to include in this motion, a recommendation for awarding a contract in an amount not to exceed \$38,000 to Northern Divers USA, Inc., for the work defined in proposal #01648463, dated May 17, 2021 for the cleaning and televising of the wet wells at the water treatment plant and that competitive bidding be waived FOR BOTH of these projects.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

- 6-8 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF AZAVAR TECHNOLOGIES CORPORATION CONTRACT FOR LOCAL TAX ADMINISTRATION SOFTWARE MODULE AND SERVICES

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve Azavar Technologies Corporation Contract for Local Tax Administration Software Module and Services.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

- 6-9 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL – APPOINTMENT OF DONA MURPHY AS 6TH WARD ALDERMAN

The Mayor stated with the retirement of Alderman Runnels, he request the appointment of Dona Murphy.

Alderman Allen asked her to discuss her biggest objective; Ms. Murphy explained her goal was for all citizens to thrive.

Alderman Jackson questioned any conflict with the Homeowner's Association; Ms. Murphy stated no current concern and would reclude herself from matters pertaining.

Attorney Silverman explained that the Mayor could administer the oath to Ms. Murphy for 6th ward Alderman; the Mayor honored his direction.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

6-10 **CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF CITY BILLS**

General Corporate Fund	\$	353,785.18
Library	\$	7,169.72
Motor Fuel Tax	\$	72,859.35
Water Operations	\$	253,241.59
Grant	\$	13,459.72
Community Development - CDBG	\$	34,906.40
Retiree's Insurance Prem	\$	13,505.57
TIF II Downtown/Industrial	\$	11,582.07
TIF II Sheridan crossing	\$	16,441.07
Skokie Hwy TIF III	\$	1,472.50
Grant Place Operating Fund	\$	5,321.01

TOTAL **\$** **783,744.18**

MOTION:

Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to pay the bills of Council Run 6/07/21 in the amount of **\$784,744.18 when funds become available.**

Alderman January asked if there were sufficient funds; when checks would be processed and dispensed. Assistant Comptroller Tawanda Joyner stated funds were available; checks would be disbursed by Wednesday. Alderman January asked the balance of the Water Fund as of close that day and the next transfer with amount; Ms. Joyner provided the balance of the Water Operations Fund in the amount of **\$1,290,993**. The next quarterly transfer would be in **July 2021** in the amount of **\$607,500**.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith, Murphy

Nays: January

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

VII. MISCELLANEOUS

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

Alderman Allen acknowledged the Public Works Team on behalf of the 4th Ward residents with their work accomplishments in a timely manner. They also offered Ed Wilmes, Public Works Director a happy meal.

RETIREMENT

The Mayor announced the retirement letter of the Fire Chief, Dell Urban, effective June **11**, 2021 for her walkout. She has elected to retire; appointed as Fire Chief **(9)** of **29+** years served. She has done an excellent job, raising the bar for both the Fire Department and City of

North Chicago as a whole. She was very well respected in the City and Lake County. He strongly encouraged council attendance and will strongly miss her.

TEMPORARY APPOINTMENT

The Mayor explained would appoint Battalion Chief, John Umek as the Temporary Fire Chief. A resume' package was also provided.

Alderman Evans questioned location of Fire Station; The Mayor stated #1 at North Chicago City Hall.

Alderman Allen acknowledged & commended Dell for her fantastic job as Fire Chief in the City and wished her well. She exchanged appreciation to both Alderman Allen and the Mayor.

Alderman Smith also wished her well including a photoshoot before she left.

Alderman Jackson really enjoyed time with Dell including his other employment and truly wished her the very best. Dell stated her feelings were mutual.

Alderman Mayfield expressed that Dell would be dearly missed in the City and Lake County including all of her accomplishments before becoming the Fire Chief. Dell stated it was a difficult decision; acknowledged successes to her staff; appreciated all of the kind words and would definitely miss everyone.

Alderman Evans she was a Great Fire Chief in the length of time he has known her; wished Dell well on her endeavors

Alderman January echoed everyone's sentiments, she was much appreciated, a fantastic staff; saddened on her departure, yet wished her the best. Dell exchanged her appreciation.

The Mayor added many thanks for Dell's service. A Resolution including other awards would be presented to her at the next **Council Agenda, June 21, 2021**

Alderman Jackson asked the official day of the temporary appointment for Fire Chief; The Mayor explained it would be following the walkout day of **June 11th**.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council; a motion was made by Alderman Allen, seconded by Alderman Mayfield that the meeting stand adjourned.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith, Murphy, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

The Mayor announced if Public Works Committee could proceed first since the speaker was present. Alderman Evans embraced the suggestion.

The Council Meeting adjourned at 7:01 p.m.

ATTEST:

Lori L. Collins, City Clerk

MINUTES

The City Council of North Chicago met in a Regular meeting, Monday, June 21, 2021 at 6:02 p.m. via Virtual media Zoom Link with Mayor Leon Rockingham, Jr. presiding.

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. INVOCATION

III. ROLL CALL

Upon roll call being taken, the following members were present:

Present: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith, Murphy, January

Absent: None

3-1 Resolution Honoring Chief Dell Urban – Retiring as Fire Chief

City Clerk Collins read the Resolution; Honoring Chief Dell Urban.

Alderman Mayfield moved, seconded by Alderman Jackson to approve the Resolution Honoring Chief Dell Urban.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith, Murphy, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

Mayor Rockingham expressed appreciation to Dell Urban as she established the higher standards for the City of North Chicago.

3-2 Senior Citizen Hall of Fame Award to Gerneice Sibert

City Clerk Collins read Proclamation for Senior Citizen Hall of Fame Award to Gerneice Sibert.

Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman January to approve the Proclamation for Senior Citizen Hall of Fame Award to Gerneice Sibert.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith, Murphy, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

The Mayor recognized Ms. Gerneice Sibert

City Clerk Collins read the Proclamation for Senior Senior Citizen Hall of Fame Award to Blondena Skipper.

Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve the Proclamation for Senior Citizen Hall of Fame Award to Blondena Skipper.

Alderman Allen reminded the Mayor presentation and pictures of awards were scheduled, **July 01, 2021.**

The Mayor stated the senior recipients were well deserving of their awards.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith, Murphy, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

IV. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA

4-1 Minutes of Regular Council Meeting, **June 07, 2021**

4-2 Minutes of Standing Committee Meetings, **June 07, 2021**

4-3 Water Department Report – **May 2021**

4-4 Treasurer's Report – **May 2021**

4-5 Ordinance Amending Section **2-4-3**; Duties in the City of North Chicago Code

4-6 Ordinance Amendment to SWALCO Intergovernmental Agreement

Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Evans to approve the Omnibus Vote Agenda items 4-1 thru 4-6 as presented.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith, Murphy, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

V. PUBLIC COMMENTS

NONE

VI. REGULAR AGENDA

6-1 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL – AUTHORITY FOR MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEEMENT BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF NORTH CHICAGO AND LOWEST BIDDER TO PROVIDE FULL REQUIREMENTS ELECTRICITY SUPPLY AND RELATED SERVICES FOR THE CITY OF NORTH CHICAGO'S ELECTRIC AGGREGATION PROGRAM AND PASS ANY AND ALL SAVINGS TO RESIDENTS

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Allen to approve Authority for Mayor to enter into an agreement by and between the City of North Chicago and lowest bidder to provide full requirements electricity supply and related services for the City's Electric Aggregation Program and pass any and all savings to the residents.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith, Murphy, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

6-2 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF SPEEDY TACO GP LIQUOR LICENSE AT 2722 MLK DR.

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Smith to approve the GP Liquor License at 2722 MLK Dr.

The Mayor stated he provided the drawings of the establishment to the City Clerk's Office that day and the drawings reflected the gaming would be in the back of the restaurant.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith, Murphy

Nays: January

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

6-3 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF CITY BILLS

General Corporate Fund	\$	121,080.01
Motor Fuel Tax	\$	3,293.35
Water Operations	\$	317,186.93
Grant	\$	750.00
Community Development - CDBG	\$	263,694.00
TIF II Downtown/Industrial	\$	5,410.00
Skokie Hwy TIF III	\$	9,177.50
Grant Place Operating Fund	\$	773.62
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TOTAL	\$	721,365.41

MOTION:

Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to pay the bills of Council Run 6/21/21 in the amount of \$721,365.41 when funds become available.

Alderman January asked if there were sufficient funds; when checks would be processed and dispensed. Assistant Comptroller Tawanda Joyner stated funds were available; checks would be disbursed by Wednesday. Alderman January asked the balance of the Water Fund as of close that day and the next transfer with amount; Ms. Joyner provided the balance of the Water Operations Fund in the amount of **\$1,956,499.42**. The next quarterly transfer would be in **July 23, 2021** in the amount of **\$607,500**.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith, Murphy

Nays: January

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

VII. MISCELLANEOUS

VARIOUS

The Mayor announced that former Mayor Bobby Thompson passed away the morning of **June 21, 2021**. He also acknowledged Alderman January's Birthday.

Alderman Smith clarified that Bobby Thompson was previously in the **5th** Ward.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council; a motion was made by Alderman Allen, seconded by Alderman Mayfield that the meeting stand adjourned.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith, Murphy, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

The Council Meeting adjourned at 6:28 p.m.

ATTEST:

Lori L. Collins, City Clerk

MINUTES

The City Council of North Chicago met in a Regular meeting, Tuesday, July 06, 2021 at 6:01 p.m. via Virtual media Zoom Link with Mayor Leon Rockingham, Jr. presiding.

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. INVOCATION

III. ROLL CALL

Upon roll call being taken, the following members were present:

Present: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Murphy, January

Absent: Smith

The Mayor announced the absence of Alderman Smith that he was unable to attend.

3-1 Resolution Honoring Former Mayor Bobby E. Thompson

City Clerk Collins read the Resolution; Honoring Bobby E. Thompson.

Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve the Resolution Honoring former Mayor Bobby E. Thompson.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Allen, Murphy

Nays: None

Absent: Evans, Smith, January

MOTION CARRIED

IV. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA

4-1 Minutes of Regular Council Meeting, **June 21, 2021**

4-2 Minutes of Standing Committee Meetings, **June 21, 2021**

4-3 Special Council Meeting, **June 24, 2021**

Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve the Omnibus Vote Agenda items 4-1 thru 4-3 as presented.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Allen, Murphy

Nays: None

Absent: Evans, Smith, January

MOTION CARRIED

V. PUBLIC COMMENTS

NONE

VI. REGULAR AGENDA

6-1 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL – RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CITY TREASURER TO DESIGNATE CERTAIN BANKS AND OTHER FINANIAL INSTITUTIONS AS DESPOSITORIES IN WHICH CITY OF NORTH CHICAGO FUNDS AND MONIES MAY BE DEPOSITED

Alderman Mayfield moved, seconded by Alderman Allen to approve the Resolution Authorizing City Treasurer to designate certain banks and other financial

institutions as depositories in which City of North Chicago funds and monies may be deposited.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Allen, Murphy

Nays: None

Absent: Evans, Smith, January

MOTION CARRIED

6-2 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF PNC COMMUNITY OUTREACH VEHICLE LICENSE AGREEMENT

Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Jackson to approve the PNC Community Outreach Vehicle License Agreement.

The Mayor asked Attorney Silverman if all issues were resolved; Attorney Silverman acknowledged that Attorney Simon confirmed.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Allen, Murphy

Nays: None

Absent: Evans, Smith, January

MOTION CARRIED

6-3 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF CLOSING CITY OF NORTH CHICAGO DOB KENNELS/SHELTER AND COVERT ANIMAL WARDEN POSITION TO A POLICE COMMUNITY SERVICE OFFICER

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve closing City of North Chicago Dog Kennels/Shelter and convert Animal Warden Position to a Police Community Service Officer.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Allen, Murphy

Nays: None

Absent: Evans, Smith, January

MOTION CARRIED

6-4 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF AWARDING A CONTRACT TO SCHROEDER ASPHALT FOR 2021 ASPHALT PAVEMENT PATCHING SERVICES; SCHROEDER WAS THE LOW SUCCESSFUL BIDDER IN A 2021 MPI COOPERATIVE BID SOLICITATION

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Allen to approve motion awarding to Schroeder Asphalt Services, Inc in an amount not to exceed \$130,000 for scattered asphalt patching services.

Schroeder Asphalt was the low successful bidder in a 2021 MPI Cooperative Bid Solicitation in which the City participated.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Murphy

Nays: None

Absent: Smith, January

MOTION CARRIED

Alderman Evans and Alderman January entered the meeting at 6:17 p.m. Alderman January noted that she was present at the open of the meeting but was inaudible.

6-5 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF AWARDED A CONTRACT TO CAM, LLC FOR PAVEMENT PRESERVATION SERVICES ON SELECT CITY STREETS; CAM, LLC WAS THE LOW SUCCESSFUL BIDDER IN A 2021 MPI COOPERATIVE BID SOLICITATION

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Allen to approve motion awarding a contract to Corrective Asphalt Materials, LLC (CAM, LLC) not to exceed \$70,000 for pavement preservation for 2021.

CAM, LLC was the low successful bidder in a 2021 MPI Cooperative Bid Solicitation in which the City participated.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Murphy, January

Nays: None

Absent: Smith

MOTION CARRIED

6-6 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF AWARDED A CONTRACT TO TKG SWEEPING FOR CITY STREETS; TKG WAS THE LOW SUCCESSFUL BIDDER IN A 2020 LCML COOPERATIVE BID SOLICITATION

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Allen to approve awarding a contract to TKG Environmental Services, LLC for 2021 Street Sweeping Services not to exceed \$80,000.

TKG was the low successful bidder in a 2020 LCML Cooperative Bid Solicitation in which the City participated. 2021 is the second year of a 3-year bid package the TKG submitted.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Murphy, January

Nays: None

Absent: Smith

MOTION CARRIED

6-7 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF AWARDED A CONTRACT TO PATRIOT PAVEMENT MAINTENANCE FOR CRACK-FILLING SERVICES ON SELECT CITY STREETS; PATRIOT WAS THE LOW SUCCESSFUL BIDDER IN A 2020 LCML COOPERATIVE BID SOLICITATION

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Allen to approve motion awarding a contract to Patriot Pavement Maintenance 2021 City Street Crack sealing services not to exceed \$70,000.

Patriot was the low successful bidder in a 2020 LCML Cooperative Bid Solicitation in which the City participated. 2021 is the second year of a 3-year bid package that Patriot Pavement Maintenance submitted.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Murphy, January

Nays: None

Absent: Smith

MOTION CARRIED

6-8 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF DECLARING SELECT PUBLIC WORKS VEHICLES AND EQUIPMENT SURPLUS AND TO DISPOSE OF THEM VIA BID PROCESS THAT WILL BE PUBLICLY ADVERTISED

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Allen to approve declaring select public works vehicles and equipment surplus and to dispose of them via bid process that will be publicly advertised.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Murphy, January

Nays: None

Absent: Smith

MOTION CARRIED

6-9 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF CITY BILLS

General Corporate Fund	\$	363,982.69
Library	\$	6,656.55
Motor Fuel Tax	\$	13,526.91
Water Operations	\$	302,082.13
Grant	\$	19,819.75
Community Development - CDBG	\$	8,571.17
Retiree's Insurance Premium	\$	11,509.24
TIF II Downtown/Industrial	\$	18,787.94
Skokie Hwy TIF III	\$	2,067.25
Grant Place Operating Fund	\$	3,118.87
TOTAL	\$	750,122.50

MOTION:

Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to pay the bills of Council Run 7/06/21 in the amount of **\$750,122.50 when funds become available.**

Alderman January asked if there were sufficient funds; when checks would be processed and dispensed. Assistant Comptroller Tawanda Joyner stated funds were available; checks would be disbursed by Wednesday. Alderman January asked the balance of the Water Fund as of close that day and the next transfer with amount; Ms. Joyner provided the balance of the Water Operations Fund in the amount of **\$1,383,533.99**. The next quarterly transfer would be in **July 23, 2021** in the amount of **\$607,500**.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Murphy

Nays: January

Absent: Smith

MOTION CARRIED

VII. MISCELLANEOUS

3RD WARD MEETING

Alderman Evans appreciated the attendees of the 3rd Ward Meeting; it was an exciting event and he encouraged other officials the same.

SENIOR CITIZEN HALL OF FAME

Alderman Allen was very appreciative for the attendees of the recipients; Gerneice Sibert and Blondena Skipper.

VARIOUS

The Mayor announced the Committee Appointments. They would be sent the following day with a hard copy placed in the Aldermanic mailboxes. He encouraged the Committee Chairs familiarizing themselves with the Department Heads.

He heavily announced the departure of Deb Waszak, Chief of Staff to the Village of Fox Lake as Administrator. He expressed appreciation for her services and wished her well. Her last day would be **August 13, 2021**. In the interim, he would be initiating the search for another individual.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council; a motion was made by Alderman Allen, seconded by Alderman Evans that the meeting stand adjourned.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Murphy, January

Nays: None

Absent: Smith

MOTION CARRIED

The Council Meeting adjourned at 6:34 p.m.

ATTEST:

Lori L. Collins, City Clerk

MINUTES

The City Council of North Chicago met in a Regular meeting, Monday, July 19, 2021 at 6:02 p.m. via Virtual media Zoom Link with Temporary Chairman, Alderman Bobby Allen presiding.

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. INVOCATION

III. ROLL CALL

City Clerk, Lori Collins nominated Alderman Allen as Temporary Chairman in the absence of The Mayor.

Alderman Mayfield moved, seconded by Alderman Jackson to approve Alderman Allen as Temporary Chairman.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith, Murphy, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

Upon roll call being taken, the following members were present:

Present: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith, Murphy, January

Absent: None

3-1 Resolution Honoring Eugene Green Sr.

City Clerk Collins read the Resolution; Honoring Eugene Green, Sr.

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman January to approve the Resolution Honoring Eugene Green, Sr.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith, Murphy, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

IV. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA

4-1 Minutes of Regular Council Meeting, **June 21, 2021**

4-2 Minutes of Standing Committee Meetings, **June 21, 2021**

4-3 Water Department Report – **June 2021**

4-4 Treasurer's Report – **June 2021**

4-5 Proclamation – Municipal Treasurer's Week, **July 19-23, 2021**

4-6 Davis Bancorp Agreement for Armorer Car Service

Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve the Omnibus Vote Agenda items 4-1 thru 4-6 as presented.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith, Murphy, January

Nays: January

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

V. PUBLIC COMMENTS

NONE

VI. REGULAR AGENDA

- 6-1 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF A REQUEST WAIVING COMPETITIVE BIDDING REQUIREMENT AWARDING A CONTRACT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$26,500 TO PROFESSIONAL PRESTRESSED SERVICES FOR THE REPAIR OF THE STREET DEPARTMENT SALT STORAGE BUILDING PRECAST ROOFING PANELS

Alderman Jackson moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve a request waiving competitive bidding requirement awarding a contract in the amount of \$26,500 to Professional Pre-stressed Services for the repair of the Street Department salt storage building precast roofing panels.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith, Murphy, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

- 6-2 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF A REQUEST DECLARING (2) CITY VEHICLES, (1) TRAILER, MISCELLANEOUS EQUIPMENT SURPLUS AND TO DISPOSE OF THEM VIA A BID PROCESS THAT WILL BE PUBLICLY ADVERTISED

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve a request declaring (2) city vehicles, (1) trailer, miscellaneous equipment surplus and to dispose of them via a bid process that will be publicly advertised.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith, Murphy, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

- 6-3 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL – ACCEPTANCE OF BID FOR 2001 PROSPECT AVENUE AND AWARDING BID TO RON HULEY AND RHONDA PITTS

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Smith to approve acceptance of bid for 2001 Prospect Avenue and awarding bid to Ron Huley and Rhonda Pitts in the amount of \$21 for side yard program.

Senior City Planner, Nimrod Warda explained the adjacent property owner had no interest. The bid was under the minimum bid yet appropriate to move forward.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith, Murphy, January

Nays: Jackson

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

- 6-4 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL – ACCEPTANCE OF BID FOR 2130 KRISTAN AVENUE AND AWARDING BID TO

Alderman Mayfield moved, seconded by Alderman January tabling item 6-4 and return to Committee for further discussion.

Mr. Warda explained the lot dimension didn't coincide with the development and he elaborated further.

Mr. Jeffrey Jones emphasized when bidding/auction and land is already secured, he won the bid according to purchase amount. Mr. Warda commented.

Alderman Evans stated that it seemed to be an ongoing problem; Mr. Jones bid higher and should receive it. Shouldn't have advertised if side-yard; Attorney Welch explained the criteria wasn't just for the highest bidder and no wrong with accepting a lower bid.

Alderman Jackson questioned if the bid property could be built upon; Mr. Warda explained the single lot could not and couldn't create a non-conforming lot.

Alderman Evans questioned if he could have purchased (2) lots; Mr. Warda acknowledged the lots could be sold as a package; (2) or (1) lot to adjacent owner.

Alderman Jackson understood it was not advertised as such.

Alderman Mayfield suggested continued discussion.

Attorney Welch clarified was a good case yet City didn't violate any laws.

Mr. Warda continued that a full legal description and pin number was provided and he reiterated could purchase the other (2) lots.

Alderman Allen confirmed sentiments of Alderman Mayfield returning to Committee for further discussion.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith, Murphy, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

6-5 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION ACCEPTING A GRANT FROM THE ILLINOIS HOUSING DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY'S ABANDONE RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY MUNICIPAL RELIEF PROGRAM

Alderman Mayfield moved, seconded by Alderman Evans to approve Resolution Accepting a Grant from the Illinois Housing Development Authority's Abandoned Residential Property Municipal Relief Program.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith, Murphy, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

6-6 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF AN ORDINANCE APPROVING VARIANCES AT 1911 SHERMAN AVENUE

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve the Ordinance Variances at 1911 Sherman Avenue.

Alderman January requested list of variances; Economic & Community Development Director, Victor Barrera explained the footage of the driveway and elaborated further.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith, Murphy, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

- 6-7 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF AWARDING A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$5,318 TO TRANSYSTEMS ENGINEERING FOR THE DESIGN AND PERMIT SUBMITTAL TO IDOT FOR THE INSTALLATION OF NEW ROADWAY LIGHTING FIXTURES ALONG NORTHBOUND SHERIDAN ROAD, GENERALLY FROM FOSS PARK AVE., NORTH TO 12TH ST.

Alderman Mayfield moved, seconded by Alderman Murphy to approve Awarding a Professional Services Contract not to exceed \$15,318 to Transystems Engineering for the Design and Permit submittal to IDOT for the installation of new roadway lighting fixtures along northbound Sheridan Road, generally from Foss Park, north to 12th St.

Ed Wilmes, Public Works Director introduced John Forman, Transystems. He explained had worked previously with IDOT.

Alderman Allen questioned if this was the design to be financed by Abbvie; Mr. Wilmes clarified that they paid **100%**.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith, Murphy, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

- 6-8 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF AWARDING A CONTRACT IN THE AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$108,318 TO MEADE ELECTRIC FOR THE INSTALLATION OF A NEW ROADWAY LIGHTING CONTROLLER AND NEW POLES/FIXTURES ALONG NORTHBOUND SHERIDAN ROAD, GENERALLY FROM FOSS PARK AVE., NORTH TO 12TH ST.

Alderman Mayfield moved, seconded by Alderman Evans to approve awarding a contract in the amount not to exceed \$108,318 to Meade Electric for the installation of a new roadway lighting controller and new poles/fixtures along northbound Sheridan Road, generally from Foss Park Ave., north to 12th St.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith, Murphy, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

- 6-9 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF CITY BILLS

General Corporate Fund	\$	152,662.04
Library	\$	513.17
Motor Fuel Tax	\$	17,432.31
Water Operations	\$	78,742.73
Grant	\$	1,200.00
Retiree's Insurance Premium	\$	2,039.17
Skokie Hwy TIF III	\$	129,427.64
Grant Place Operating Fund	\$	3,033.81
 TOTAL	 \$	 385,050.87

MOTION:

Alderman Mayfield moved, seconded by Alderman Evans to pay the bills of Council Run 7/019/21 in the amount of **\$385,050.87 when funds become available.**

Alderman January asked if there were sufficient funds; when checks would be processed and dispensed. Assistant Comptroller Tawanda Joyner stated funds were available; checks would be disbursed by Wednesday. Alderman January asked the balance of the Water Fund as of close that day and the next transfer with amount; Ms. Joyner provided the balance of the Water Operations Fund in the amount of **\$1,190,790.47**. The next quarterly transfer would be on **July 23, 2021** in the amount of **\$607,500**.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith, Murphy

Nays: January

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

VII. MISCELLANEOUS

MONTHLY REPORTS

Alderman Mayfield suggested resuming the monthly department reports.

TRAIN STATION CONCERN

Alderman Allen was very concerned with no trash cans or benched areas outside the North Chicago Metra Train station; Senior City Planner, Nimrod Ward explained that he spoke with Metra.

Alderman Smith question who was responsible contract for remodel; Alderman Mayfield clarified there was a grant for only the interior. There was no new sitting area. She perceived that additional funding needed suggesting the Chief of Staff maybe could explain for more clarity before she departs.

Alderman Smith questioned if the contractors performed the remodel as indicated, secondly, why smaller funding amount and suggested additional funding.

Treasurer, Vance Wyatt explained was part of a process suggesting pressuring Metra for more funding; Mr. Ward explained there was discussion with Metra of possible additional funding and would provide more information offline.

QUESTION/CONCERN:

Alderman Jackson questioned if meeting would resume in the North Chicago Council Chambers at the next meeting, **August 02, 2021**; Victor Barrera, Economic & Community Development Director explained wouldn't be ready until October.

City Clerk, Lori Collins continued explaining last virtual meeting **July 24, 2021**. The Public Hearing would be held at Foss Park District Community Center until it reopened; Alderman January questioned clarification; Clerk Collins explained per Governor's direction.

Attorney Welch added the emergency proclamation was written by the Governor would be expiring and resuming abbreviated activities.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council; a motion was made by Alderman Jackson, seconded by Alderman January that the meeting stand adjourned.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith, Murphy, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

The Council Meeting adjourned at 6:58 p.m.

ATTEST:

Lori L. Collins, City Clerk

MINUTES

The City Council of North Chicago met in a Regular meeting, Monday, August 02, 2021 at 6:04 p.m. held in the Blue Room at Foss Park Community Center, 1730 Lewis Avenue with Leon Rockingham, Jr., presiding.

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. INVOCATION

III. ROLL CALL

Upon roll call being taken, the following members were present:

Present: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Murphy, January

Absent: Smith

The Mayor announced the absence of Alderman Smith that he was unable to attend.

IV. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA

4-1 Minutes of Regular Council Meeting, **June 19, 2021**

4-2 Minutes of Standing Committee Meetings, **June 19, 2021**

4-3 Special Council Meeting Minutes – **June 29, 2021**

Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Evans to approve the Omnibus Vote Agenda items 4-1 thru 4-3 as presented.

MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE

Alderman January stated no.

Alderman Smith was absent.

V. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Dorothy Drake

Ms. Drake recited prayer for life; God would correct issues; they were attempting to return the black Americans to slavery; she blessed Dr. King and announced a march held by Reverend Al Sharpton, **August 28, 2021.**

VI. REGULAR AGENDA

6-1 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL - APPOINTMENT OF JOHN UMEK FROM INTERIM FIRE CHIEF TO FIRE CHIEF

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve the appointment of John Umek from Interim to Fire Chief.

John Umek expressed his appreciation to the Mayor and council members for the appointment of Fire Chief.

The Mayor congratulated Fire Chief, John Umek. He had served in the Fire Department for many years and raised in the City of North Chicago.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Murphy, January

Nays: None

Absent: Smith

MOTION CARRIED

6-2 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF JOHN UMEK AND VANCE WYATT TO THE FIRE PENSION BOARD

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve John Umek and Vance Wyatt to the Fire Pension Board.

Alderman January requested appointments be voted separately

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve appointment of John Umek to the Fire Pension Board.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Murphy, January

Nays: None

Absent: Smith

MOTION CARRIED

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman January to approve appointment of Vance Wyatt to the Fire Pension Board.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Murphy, January

Nays: None

Absent: Smith

MOTION CARRIED

6-3 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL REGARDING BLACKBOARD CONNECT FOR ALDERMANIC USE – (2) CALLS ANNUALLY

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Allen to approve BlackBoard Connect for Aldermanic use with (2) calls annually.

Alderman Jackson called motion to amend.

Alderman Jackson moved to amend, seconded by Alderman January to include reviewing in (6) months to ascertain its usage and estimated opt-outs.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Murphy, January

Nays: None

Absent: Smith

MOTION CARRIED

6-4 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF A REQUEST TO AWARD A CONTRACT TO PUMPRITE AS THE LOW QUALIFIED BIDDER FOR THE REMOVAL, REHABILITATION AND RETURN TO SERVICE OF ABBVIE RAW WATER PUMP NUMBER 3 AND FOR THE PURCHASE OF MATERIALS REQUIRED FOR REBUILDING OF ABBVIE RAW WATER PUMP NUMBER 4 IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$147,700

Alderman Jackson moved, seconded by Alderman Allen to approve request to award a contract to PumpRite as the low qualified bidder for the removal, rehabilitation and return to service of Abbvie raw water pump number 3 and for the purchase of materials required for rebuilding of Abbvie raw water pump number 4 in an amount not to exceed \$147,700.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Murphy, January

Nays: None

Absent: Smith

MOTION CARRIED

- 6-5 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL TO DISPOSE AND SELL SURPLUS VEHICLES, MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS AND EQUIPMENT TO THE SUCCESSFUL BIDDERS AS SHOWN IN THE BID TABULATION PROVIDED HEREWITH FOR SURPLUS SALE 2021 - 01

Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve to dispose and sell surplus vehicles, miscellaneous items and equipment to the successful bidders as shown in the bid tabulation provided herewith for surplus sale 2021 – 01.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Murphy, January

Nays: None

Absent: Smith

MOTION CARRIED

- 6-6 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF CITY BILLS

Library	\$	8,624.93
Motor Fuel Tax	\$	556.63
Water Operations	\$	320,730.28
Grant	\$	6,000.00
Community Development -CDBG	\$	108,716.49
Dental and Vision	\$	2,280.38
Retiree's Insurance Premium	\$	13,199.19
Grant Place Operating Fund	\$	55,538.57

TOTAL	\$	817,762.29
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MOTION:

Alderman Mayfield moved, seconded by Alderman Allen to pay the bills of Council Run 8/02/21 in the amount of **\$817,762.29 when funds become available.**

Alderman January asked if there were sufficient funds; when checks would be processed and dispensed. Assistant Comptroller Tawanda Joyner stated funds were available; checks would be disbursed by Wednesday. Alderman January asked the balance of the Water Fund as of close that day and the next transfer with amount; Ms. Joyner provided the balance of the Water Operations Fund in the amount of **\$576,241.94**. The next quarterly transfer would be on **October 22, 2021** in the amount of **\$607,500**.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Murphy

Nays: January

Absent: Smith

MOTION CARRIED

VII. MISCELLANEOUS

VARIOUS

Alderman Mayfield requested a bulletin requesting residents to retrieve trash cans from curb after pick up and she received complaints of loud music every Saturday, requested monitoring.

VARIOUS

The Mayor was hoping and praying reduction in COVID numbers and he urged vaccinations. Stated appreciation to Foss Park District allowing the City to hold meetings in the Blue Room; announced National Nite Out the next day and encouraged residents to turn on blue light on their porch. The police officers gave oaths to serve the people; they should be recognized and participants would be stopping at different area. He announced Community Days: Friday, **August 06, 2021** would be a movie in the park with the children (Foss Park field); Saturday, **August 07, 2021** at **10:00 a.m.** would be a Parade and **9:00 p.m.** that evening, Fireworks.

Alderman Allen asked the time of National Nite Out; and requested list of monies collected from contributors for Community Days.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council; a motion was made by Alderman Allen, seconded by Alderman Mayfield that the meeting stand adjourned.

MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE

Alderman Smith was absent

The Council Meeting adjourned at 6:28 p.m.

ATTEST:

Lori L. Collins, City Clerk

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING
CITY OF NORTH CHICAGO
HELD IN THE BLUE ROOM AT FOSS PARK COMMUNITY CENTER**

1730 Lewis Avenue, North Chicago, IL 60064

**6:00 P.M.
MONDAY
AUGUST 16, 2021**

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

III. INVOCATION

IV. ROLL CALL

4-1 Swearing-in of John Umek for Fire Chief

4-2 Swearing-in of Thomas Deinken for Battalion Chief

4-3 Promotion of Adam Chiapetta for Lieutenant

V. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA

5-1 Minutes of Regular Council Meeting, **August 02, 2021**

5-2 Minutes of Standing Committee Meetings, **August 02, 2021**

5-3 Departmental Reports – City Clerk; Water; Public Works; Economic & Community Development, Human Resources

5-4 Treasurer Report – **July 2021**

VI. PUBLIC COMMENTS

VII. REGULAR AGENDA

7-1 Consideration/Approval – Appointment of Thomas Deinken for Battalion Chief

7-2 Consideration/Approval of (Consulting Agreement DJK LLC) – David Kilbane

7-3 Consideration/Approval - Resolution Authorizing City Treasurer to Designate Certain Banks and other Financial Institutions as Depositories in which City of North Chicago Funds and Monies may be Deposited – Additional Investment Firms

7-4 Consideration/Approval of City Bills

VIII. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

IX. ADJOURNMENT

MINUTES

The City Council of North Chicago met in a Regular meeting, Tuesday, September 07, 2021 at 6:02 p.m. via Virtual media Zoom Link with Mayor Leon Rockingham, Jr. presiding.

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. INVOCATION

III. ROLL CALL

Upon roll call being taken, the following members were present:

Present: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith, Murphy, January

Absent: None

3-1 RESOLUTION HONORING BETTY J. FISHER

The City Clerk read the Resolution Honoring Betty J. Fisher.

Alderman Jackson moved, seconded by Alderman Allen to approve the Resolution Honoring Betty J. Fisher.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith, Murphy, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

IV. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA

4-1 Minutes of Regular Council Meeting, **August 16, 2021**

4-2 Minutes of Standing Committee Meetings, **August 16, 2021**

4-3 Minutes of Special Council Meeting, **August 20, 2021**

4-4 Minutes of Standing Committee Meeting, **August 20, 2021**

4-5 Ordinance Amendment to Parking Regulations (**Title 10; Chapter 5**)

4-6 Bid Authorization for **2021** MFT Resurfacing Project

4-7 Parking Variance at **1808** Sheridan Rd.

Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Murphy to approve the Omnibus Vote Agenda items 4-1 thru 4-7 as presented.

Alderman Jackson requested to remove item **4-7** from Omnibus Vote Agenda to Regular Agenda.

Alderman January requested to remove items **4-5** and **4-6** from Omnibus Vote Agenda to Regular Agenda.

Senior City Planner added that he received request from Alderman to remove item **4-7**; the Mayor suggested moving item to Regular Agenda and table it.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Evans, Allen, Smith, Murphy

Nays: January

Absent: Mayfield

MOTION CARRIED

V. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Charles January

Mr. January announced his 12th wedding Anniversary; voiced concern of many shootings in the City; acknowledged Alderman Evans, Jackson and Allen feedback from their constituents; no business license on Martin Luther King for tire business; informed of Mr. Kim's passing; and concern of Alderman Allen receiving many complaints from Harold's Chicken & Shrimp establishment.

City Clerk, Lori Collins was expecting comment from Ms. Charlotte Burns and unaware if she was connected.

VI. REGULAR AGENDA

4-5 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF ORDINANCE AMENDMENT TO PARKING REGULATIONS (TITLE 10; CHAPTER 5)

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Allen to approve the Ordinance Amendment to the Parking Regulations (Title 10; Chapter 5)

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith, Murphy

Nays: January

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

4-6 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF BID AUTHORIZATION FOR 2021 MFT RESURFACING PROJECT

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Allen Approving Bid Authorization for 2021 MFT Resurfacing Project.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith, Murphy, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

4-7 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF PARKING VARIANCE AT 1808 SHERIDAN RD.

Alderman Jackson moved, seconded by Alderman January that item 4-7 be tabled until further notice.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith, Murphy, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

6-1 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL FOR AN EMERGENCY PURCHASE AUTHORIZATION FOR WATER TREATMENT PLANT EQUIPMENT (1) "EXCHANGE" LITNING REDUCTION GEARBOX FOR RAPID MIX WEST TANK

FRO SPX FLOW US, LLC IN THE AMOUNT OF \$16,346.24 (THIS ITEM INCLUDES A REQUEST TO WAIVE COMPETITIVE BIDDING DUE TO THE PROPRIETARY NATURE OF REPLACEMENT ITEM)

Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman January, to approve emergency purchase authorization; water treatment plant equipment for (1) “exchange” Litning Reduction Gearbox for Rapid Mix West Tank form SPX Flow US, LLC in the amount of \$16,346.24.

.... (THIS ITEM INCLUDES A REQUEST TO WAIVE COMPETITIVE BIDDING DUE TO THE PROPRIETARY NATURE OF REPLACEMENT ITEM).

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith, Murphy, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

6-2 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF ORDINANCE AMENDMENT TO TITLE 3; CHAPTER 2; SECTION 11; AMBULANCE FEES

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve the Ordinance Amendment to Title 3; Chapter 2; Section 11; Ambulance Fees.

Alderman Jackson questioned why item **6-2** wasn’t discussed for review; the Mayor explained thought it was discussed in Public Safety. They coordinated with attorneys ensuring ordinance verbiage was correct.

Alderman January asked to highlight the amendments; the Mayor clarified it was bolded in red. Fire Chief, John Umek read a letter regarding ambulance fees since **2011**. Alderman January questioned Human and Health Services providing a rate reimbursement or charging the patient; Former Chief, Tom Deegan explained the Fire Department would bill Medicaid directly who reimbursed the City.

Alderman January asked why charging the citizen and not Medicaid; Mr. Deegan stated if the patient has Medicare, Medicaid or insurance, no invoice was billed to the patient. She disagreed and recalled an incident of being charged; the Mayor explained the claim needed to be submitted to their insurance company.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith, Murphy

Nays: January

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

6-3 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF WAUKEGAN/NORTH CHICAGO ENTERPRISE ZONE BOUNDARY AMENDMENT

Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Evans to approve the Waukegan/North Chicago Enterprise Zone Boundary Amendment.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith, Murphy, January

Nays: None
Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

6-4 CONSIDERATION OF ORDINANCE APPROVING AGREEMENT – RICKY ROCKETS

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve the Ordinance Amendment to Rickey Rockets.

Alderman Jackson questioned clarification of the economic incentive and its process; Victor Barrera, Economic & Community Development Director explained the City provide developer an incentive facilitating construction primarily offsite improvement beyond the normal costs; the developer would be reimbursed contingent upon performance basis amount of **\$2.95** million. Both the City and developer agreed to share **50/50%** of property tax reimbursement and sales tax revenue; developer; **75% City; 25%** offsetting cost. Alderman Jackson had concerns of any city costs; Mr. Barrera assured him of that.

Alderman January explained why she disagreed due to enough gas establishments along Rt. 41; gaming and liquor sales.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith, Murphy

Nays: January

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

6-5 CONSIDERATION OF ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 8; CHAPTER 15; ANIMALS CONCERNING HENS AND ROOSTERS

Alderman Mayfield moved, seconded by Alderman Jackson to approve 6-5 as presented for discussion.

Alderman January asked for amendment briefing; Victor Barrera, Economic & Community Development Director explained the proposed ordinance amendment would prohibit roosters; permitting (4) hens for pets or purpose of providing eggs; permit requirement for chicken coup with construction and distance on the property.

Alderman Smith questioned clarification and Mayor explained the ordinance.

Alderman January clarified no to original motion.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Mayfield

Nays: Jackson, Evans, Allen, Smith, Murphy, January

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

6-6 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF CITY BILLS

Water Operations	\$	131,262.36
Grant	\$	59,008.58
Community Development -CDBG	\$	116,721.34
Retiree's Insurance Premium	\$	13,323.44
TIF II Downtown/Industrial	\$	3,657.50
TIF II Sheridan Crossing	\$	771.75
Skokie Hwy TIF III	\$	7,440.00
Grant Place Operating Fund	\$	539.57
 TOTAL	 \$	 795,322.83

MOTION:

Alderman Mayfield moved, seconded by Alderman Murphy to pay the bills of Council Run 9/07/21 in the amount of \$795,322.83 when funds become available.

Alderman January asked if there were sufficient funds; when checks would be processed and dispensed. Funds were available; Interim Comptroller, Tim McPhillips stated the checks would be disbursed Wednesday evening. Alderman January asked the balance of the Water Fund as of close that day and the next transfer with amount; Mr. McPhillips provided the balance of the Water Operations Fund in the amount of **\$1,307,007.17**. The next quarterly transfer would be end of **October 2021** in the amount of **\$607,500**.

Alderman Allen questioned the previous city bills; phone bills; **pg. 5** and **pg. 13**. Alderman Smith was misinformed that he could obtain a City cellular phone to be paid by the City; Alderman Allen clarified requested itemized list for the amount; Alderman Smith explained. Alderman Allen directed him to the Mayor for use of the City credit card. The Mayor explained they had discussion with more clarity and Alderman Smith would reimburse any costs incurred.

Alderman Allen questioned conference amount not indicative of per diem costs; Treasurer, Vance Wyatt explained there was inadequate timing for check disbursement and moving forward would be issued a paper check.

Alderman Allen presumed that Legislative was listed as separate budgets for the aldermen; the Mayor explained it was in one account at this time for aldermanic expenses; it wasn't individualized.

Interim Comptroller, Tim McPhillips agreed would be in one account though reporting separately; Alderman Allen questioned remaining amount sent to the aldermen; he would provide the information the next day moving forward with its correct usage.

Alderman Jackson clarified it was agreed by the Aldermen allocated for one "pot of money;" budgeted amount of **\$42,000** and itemized listing for expenditures. He was hoping of final ruling for the issue.

Alderman Mayfield suggested discussion in next Finance Committee for following budget year in **October 2021**. The Mayor stated the new budget would be discussed the following month.

Alderman Jackson questioned if the city bill was approved contingent upon reimbursement; Treasurer, Vance Wyatt explained the card was automatically paid and could be reimbursed the following month.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith, Murphy

Nays: January

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

VII. MISCELLANEOUS

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Alderman Evans greatly appreciated the Fire Department for all their hard work in the community and also Police Department for efforts and ensuring safety. The Mayor echoed Alderman Evans' sentiments.

Alderman Mayfield added a great Fire and Police Department.

VARIOUS CONCERNS

Alderman Mayfield concerned for children's safety with a light pole replacement on 17th St. near the High School; she suggested police speed monitoring (2) blocks between Neal Math & Science Academy and High School during school hours; Police Chief, Lazaro Perez acknowledged he would. The Mayor noticed the students relocated to Foss Park.

NOISE COMPLAINTS

Alderman Allen received noise complaints; the Mayor agreed received more from the vehicle mufflers.

BUSINESS OWNER CONCERN

Alderman Jackson was informed of a business owner's concern. He would send the information to the City Clerk and requested that it was shared with the council members.

VARIOUS

Alderman January noticed closure of George's Gyro; Senior City Planner explained he had shortage of labor and insufficient employees to run both business locations. She asked if he was informed and concern with loss of revenue. She asked if Kukla Towers was privatized and the owner's name; the Mayor clarified still under the North Chicago Housing Authority. Alderman January asked their last meeting; Mayor stated monthly, not aware if in person or virtually.

Alderman Jackson stated was held every 3rd Wednesday of the month; **5:30 p.m.** Alderman January asked if there was a Citizen Advisory Committee; the Mayor explained would be replacing Ms. Betty Fisher. She appreciated the updated information.

The Mayor noticed chats and their concerns; City Clerk Lori Collins has been managing them and sent accordingly.

Mrs. Charlotte Burns stated was unable to discuss her concern during public comments. The Mayor allowed her to speak. She expressed her appreciation to Chief Perez and the Police Department; suggested a hard copy pass placed in the resident's window vs. continuing receiving nuisance calls from her neighbor; the Mayor clarified that police need to follow up

with complaint calls; she was grateful for the police and their efforts; the nuisance calls have continued for approximately (90) days; she asked rights as a citizen; she had strong concerns with the police calls against her as a professional Doctor and she attempted resolving issue with neighbor. The Mayor referred her concern to Attorney Welch.

Attorney Welch requested her information and could be directed to another person experienced with neighbor issues. The Mayor directed response to the City Clerk and be sent to the City Attorney.

Alderman January questioned if the incident would be deemed a false claim reporting with continued call unfounded; Chief Perez clarified would have to prove the mental health of the individual filing a false claim.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council; a motion was made by Alderman Jackson, seconded by Alderman Mayfield that the meeting stand adjourned.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith, Murphy, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

The Council Meeting adjourned at 7:27 p.m.

ATTEST:

Lori L. Collins, City Clerk

MINUTES

The City Council of North Chicago met in a Regular meeting, Monday, September 20, 2021 at 6:03 p.m. via Virtual media Zoom Link with Mayor Leon Rockingham, Jr. presiding.

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. INVOCATION

III. ROLL CALL

Upon roll call being taken, the following members were present:

Present: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith, January

Absent: Murphy

The Mayor announced the absence of Alderman Murphy.

IV. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA

4-1 Minutes of Regular Council Meeting, **September 07, 2021**

4-2 Minutes of Standing Committee Meetings, **September 07, 2021**

4-3 Treasurer's Report – **August 2021**

4-4 **2021** Annual Treasurer's Report

4-5 Departmental Reports – City Clerk; Water Department; City Engineer; Human Resources; Public Works Department; Economic & Community Development

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Jackson to approve the Omnibus Vote Agenda items 4-1 thru 4-5 as presented.

Alderman Allen requested to remove item **4-3** from Omnibus Vote to Regular Agenda.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield Evans, Allen, Smith, January

Nays: None

Absent: Murphy

MOTION CARRIED

V. PUBLIC COMMENTS

NONE

VI. REGULAR AGENDA

4-3 TREASURER'S REPORT – AUGUST 2021

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve the Treasurer's Report from August 2021.

Alderman Allen questioned concern purchasing bonds and investment policy; Treasurer Vance Wyatt explained. The City has the ability to purchase bonds of other government entity bonds; would be preferable in the event of a default.

Alderman Allen asked why the previous year investments were making money why now. Treasurer Wyatt further noted that the current bonds did not comply with current policy. He asked if Treasurer Wyatt discussed issue with Mayor and Interim Chief of Staff. He had not at the time, in the preliminary stage to develop a plan/correct the current plan.

Attorney Simon acknowledged that the City could purchase bonds issued by other local governments. Those bonds are not secured by real estate; generally secured by the taxing body. He agreed that it is ideal for maturity of longest investment be 3 years; investments should match cash flow needs.

Attorney Simon stated that Treasury Bills and Government Securities have active markets and less likely in loss of monies.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith, January

Nays: None

Absent: Murphy

MOTION CARRIED

6-1 **CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF ZONING ORDINANCE MAP AMENDMENT;
SPECIAL USE PERMIT AND PRELIMINARY PLAT – RICKY ROCKETS**

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield, to approve Zoning Ordinance Map Amendment; Special Use Permit and Preliminary Plat for Ricky Rockets.

The Mayor asked Economic & Community Development Director Victor Barrera to explain and he provided a brief summary of the process to open Ricky Rockets gas station on Route 41.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith

Nays: January

Absent: Murphy

MOTION CARRIED

6-2 **CONSIDERATION / APPROVAL OF AMENDMENT NO. 2 -
INTERGOVERNMENTAL FUNDING AGREEMENT FOR RENOVATION OF THE
EXTERIOR OF THE COMMUTER STATION IN THE CITY OF NORTH CHICAGO**

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Smith to approve Amendment No. 2 - Intergovernmental Funding Agreement for Renovation of the exterior of commuter station in the City of North Chicago.

Alderman Jackson clarified the interior renovation was under-budget and expressed his appreciation to Metra for allowing reallocation of funding for the exterior.

Alderman Allen was thankful to those who participated in the ribbon cutting ceremony.

The Mayor explained was contacted by Chairman Hart verifying the progress of the work.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith, Murphy January

Nays: None

Absent: Murphy

MOTION CARRIED

6-3 **CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL TO AWARD 2021 MFT ROAD RESURFACING
PROJECT TO PETER BAKER & SON IN AMOUNT OF \$1,145,731.15**

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Allen to approve Award 2021 MFT Road Resurfacing Project to Peter Baker & Son in amount of \$1,145,731.15.

Alderman Jackson strongly emphasized the project was \$180,000 over-budgeted and questioned the source for funding; Steve Cieslica explained that some roadways were removed. Alderman Jackson asked if the City could reduce amounts; Mr. Cieslica stated preferred not to eliminate more streets.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith

Nays: Jackson, January

Absent: Murphy

MOTION CARRIED

- 6-4 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL – PROPOSAL PROVIDED BY AMERESCO FOR THE REPLACEMENT OF CERTAIN CITY-OWNED ROADWAY AND PEDESTRIAN LIGHTING FIXTURES WITH LED FIXTURES AND RETROFIT KITS (COMED ENERGY EFFICIENCY MUNICIPAL PROGRAM)

The Mayor questioned clarification if it was for purpose of Martin Luther King Dr.; Ed Wilmes, Public Works Director acknowledged it was. The Mayor suggested tabling it until other method of funding is researched

Alderman Jackson moved, seconded by Alderman January Tabling item 6-4.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith, Murphy January

Nays: None

Absent: Murphy

MOTION CARRIED

- 6-5 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF BID ACCEPTANCE OF \$21.00 FROM RONNIE HULEY AND RHONDA PITTS FOR SURPLUS REAL PROPERTY AT 2001 PROSPECT AVENUE (PINS 1205112001)

Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Smith to approve the bid acceptance of \$21.00 from Ronnie Huley and Rhonda Pitts for surplus real property at 2001 Prospect Avenue (PINS 1205112001).

Alderman Jackson clarified the initial bid was **\$3,000** and why **\$21.00 now**; Attorney Simon elaborated further that it was a buildable lot.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith

Nays: Jackson, January

Absent: Murphy

MOTION CARRIED

- 6-6 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF BID ACCEPTANCE OF \$3,501.00 FROM GUADALUPE CASTRO AND SOCORRO CASTRO FOR SURPLUS REAL PROPERTY AT 2130 KRISTAN AVENUE (PINS 1205223025)

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Jackson to approve the bid of \$3,501 from Guadalupe and Socorro Castro for surplus real property at 2130 Kristan Avenue (PINS 1205223025).

Alderman Jackson asked if any existing encroachments; Nimrod Warda, Senior City Planner clarified there wasn't.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith, January

Nays: None

Absent: Murphy

MOTION CARRIED

6-7 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF CITY BILLS

General Corporate Fund	\$	150,594.43
Library	\$	59.54
Motor Fuel Tax	\$	39,983.49
Water Operations	\$	445,103.29
Grant	\$	68,756.45
Community Development -CDBG	\$	3,400.00
Retiree's Insurance Premium	\$	212.50
TIF II Downtown/Industrial	\$	1,538.75
Grant Place Operating Fund	\$	3,197.67
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TOTAL	\$	712,846.12
SPECIAL BILLS	\$	472.26
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GRAND TOTAL	\$	713,318.38

MOTION:

Alderman Mayfield moved, seconded by Alderman Jackson to pay the bills of Council Run 9/20/21 in the amount of **\$713,318.38 including Special Bills of **\$472.26** when funds become available.**

Alderman January asked if there were sufficient funds; when checks would be processed and dispensed. Funds were available; Interim Comptroller, Tim McPhillips stated the checks would be disbursed Wednesday evening. Alderman January asked the balance of the Water Fund as of close that day and the next transfer with amount; Mr. McPhillips provided the balance of the Water Operations Fund in the amount of **\$1,109,434.62**. The next quarterly transfer would be end of **October 2021** in the amount of **\$607,500**.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith

Nays: January

Absent: Murphy

MOTION CARRIED

VII. MISCELLANEOUS

VARIOUS CONCERNS

Alderman Mayfield received downtown parking complaints and she suggested possibly building a parking lot; Mr. Warda explained that there were **138** existing parking spaces on Sheridan Rd., from **16th** to Broadway Ave. was inclusive of alley and side streets. He agreed a parking lot was needed but not feasible at the time; an estimated **\$100-200,000** to build another; there were enough spaces currently; a demand for street parking for increased traffic in the future.

Alderman Mayfield questioned possibly limiting beauty salons within a 2 block radius of one another; Attorney Simon explained usually with different types of businesses with possible negative impact ie; adult entertainment and/or cannabis dispensary but was not familiar with other businesses.

Alderman Jackson wasn't aware of other communities limiting the beauty or barbershops.

CITY VACCINATION STATISTICS

Attorney Simon explained the current vaccination rate was **39.4%** in the City of North Chicago, **60064** and one of the lowest in the area. The Mayor echoed his sentiments and encouraged everyone to get vaccinated. The COVID cases rise daily.

Alderman January suggested directing any questions/concerns to their doctors.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council; a motion was made by Alderman Allen, seconded by Alderman Mayfield that the meeting stand adjourned.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith, January

Nays: None

Absent: Murphy

MOTION CARRIED

The Council Meeting adjourned at 6:42 p.m.

ATTEST:

Lori L. Collins, City Clerk

MINUTES

The City Council of North Chicago met in a Regular meeting, Monday, October 04, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. via Virtual media Zoom Link with Mayor Leon Rockingham, Jr. presiding.

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. INVOCATION

III. ROLL CALL

Upon roll call being taken, the following members were present:

Present: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith, Murphy, January

Absent: None

IV. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA

4-1 Minutes of Regular Council Meeting, **September 20, 2021**

4-2 Minutes of Standing Committee Meetings, **September 20, 2021**

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Allen to approve the Omnibus Vote Agenda items 4-1 thru 4-2 as presented.

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield Evans, Allen, Smith, Murphy, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

V. PUBLIC COMMENTS

City Clerk, Lori Collins read comments from the following:

Donna Kalinoski; she explained had more problems with dogs than ridding of roosters vs. chickens.

Claire Kim; No problem with chickens, provided eggs to the community, her problem was the barking stray dogs.

Dave Mowry; it was the homeowners in favor of chickens vs. the tenants; currently there was a large number of liquors stores; gaming halls; boarded-up buildings etc. In favor of the chickens as pets and imploring the City saying no to the Ordinance Amendment.

Elizabeth Rivera; a resident of **10 years+**; agreed to owning chicken as a food source/pets; suggested a separate meeting to discuss rooster issue.

Adaliz Rivera; against banning the chickens; provided eggs to the community and they were good therapy.

Those that requested to speak were the following:

Michael Brankin

Mr. Brankin urged not to ban all the chickens and agreed only for roosters; his autistic son has chickens as pets.

Rene Pierre – Think Tank

Mr. Pierre strongly stated that chickens were right to survival; the ethics were ethical.

Charles January

Mr. January appreciated those against the chickens; Mayor was aware of issue with Police Chief and former Chief of Staff; trying to sell Grant Place for **\$800,000**; suggested should rid the chickens.

William Coleman - Think Tank

Mr. Coleman questioned how the City dealt with complaints and clarified no high quality food in North Chicago.

The Mayor appreciated those with their comments concerning the chickens; North Chicago was an urban City and announced the opening of George's Fresh Market, Thursday; **10:00 a.m.**

VI. REGULAR AGENDA

6-1 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF ORDINANCE AMENDMENT; 8-15-7; SWINE AND POULTRY FOWL PROHIBITED

Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Jackson, to approve Ordinance Amendment to 8-15-7; Swine and Poultry Fowl Prohibited.

Alderman Murphy questioned when/where the problem occurred; suggested utilizing current ordinance to address anti-rooster and not removing the chickens.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Allen, Murphy

Nays: Mayfield, Evans, Smith, January

Absent: None

MOTION FAILED

6-2 CONSIDERATION / APPROVAL OF CARMECIA HAWTHORN FOR APPOINTMENT TO AN UNEXPIRED TERM ENDING APRIL 30, 20 , TO THE NORTH CHICAGO PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve Carmecia Hawthorn for appointment of North Chicago Public Library Board.

Alderman January clarified inappropriate due to not identifying the term and recommended a date before voting.

ROLL

Ayes: Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith, Murphy

Nays: Jackson, January

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

6-3 CONSIDERATION / APPROVAL OF GIOVANNI ULISES VERDIN-HEREDIA FOR APPOINTMENT TO AN UNEXPIRED TERM ENDING APRIL 30, 20 , TO THE NORTH CHICAGO PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve Giovanni Ulises Verdin-Heredia for appointment of North Chicago Public Library Board.

Alderman January reiterated was inappropriate due to not identifying the term and recommended a date before voting.

ROLL

Ayes: Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith, Murphy

Nays: Jackson, January

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

6-4 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF CITY BILLS

General Corporate Fund	\$ 387,603.93
Library	\$ 7,146.30
Motor Fuel Tax	\$ 778.68
Water Operations	\$ 330,656.39
Grant	\$ 10,423.10
Community Development -CDBG	\$ 4,633.65
TIF 2005A Debt Service	\$ 1,010,100.00
TIF Grant PI Debt Service 2007C	\$ 758,756.25
TIF 2007A Debt Service	\$ 281,200.00
TIF Debt Service 2007B	\$ 102,530.00
Retiree's Insurance Premium	\$ 14,023.87
TIF II Downtown/Industrial	\$ 9,196.10
Skokie Highway TIF III	\$ 14,385.25
Grant Place Operating Fund	\$ 567.25
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TOTAL	\$ 2,932,000.77
SPECIAL BILLS	\$ 180.00
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GRAND TOTAL	\$ 2,932,180.77

MOTION:

Alderman Mayfield moved, seconded by Alderman Evans to pay the bills of Council Run 10/04/21 in the amount of **\$2,932,000.77 including Special Bills of **\$180.00** when funds become available.**

Alderman January asked if there were sufficient funds; when checks would be processed and dispensed. Funds were available; Interim Comptroller, Tim McPhillips stated the checks would be disbursed Wednesday evening. Alderman January asked the balance of the Water Fund as of close that day and the next transfer with amount; Mr. McPhillips provided the balance of the Water Operations Fund in the amount of **\$1,330,456.12**. The next quarterly transfer would be end of **October 2021** in the amount of **\$607,500**.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith, Murphy

Nays: January

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

VII. MISCELLANEOUS

OVERNIGHT PARKING ISSUE

Alderman Mayfield explained overnight parking issue at **16th** block of Elizabeth Avenue and wrong direction for drivers, she asked for possible surveillance.

CAT PROBLEM

Alderman Smith expressed concern of cat problem. Police Chief, Lazaro Perez suggested exploring Fat Cat Organization services.

HALLOWEEN PARADE

Alderman Evans invited the public to a Halloween Parade; **10:30 a.m.** on Martin Luther King Drive and **1:15 p.m.**; costume contest.

ANNOUNCEMENT

Alderman Smith announced city-wide clean sweep. The regular day of garbage bigger bulk items could be included at the curb.

Alderman Murphy stated would attend the Halloween Parade and asked if there would be a regular Trick or Treat event.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council; a motion was made by Alderman Evans, seconded by Alderman Mayfield that the meeting stand adjourned.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith, Murphy

Nays: None

Absent: January

MOTION CARRIED

The Council Meeting adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

ATTEST:

Lori L. Collins, City Clerk

MINUTES

The City Council of North Chicago met in a Regular meeting, Monday, October 18, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. via Virtual media Zoom Link with Mayor Leon Rockingham, Jr. presiding.

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. INVOCATION

III. ROLL CALL

Upon roll call being taken, the following members were present:

Present: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith, Murphy, January

Absent: None

City Clerk Lori L. Collins read the Proclamations for both Senior Citizen Hall of Fame recipients.

3-1 Senior Citizens Hall of Fame Award Proclamation to Willie Jackson

Alderman Mayfield moved, seconded by Alderman Allen to approve the Resolutions for both Willie Jackson and George Jackson, Jr.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith, Murphy, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

3-2 Senior Citizens Hall of Fame Award Proclamation to George Jackson, Jr.

Combined the (2) Recipients in one Motion since from the same Family.

IV. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA

4-1 Minutes of Regular Council Meeting, **October 04, 2021**

4-2 Minutes of Standing Committee Meetings, **October 04, 2021**

4-3 Treasurer's Report – **September 2021**

4-4 Departmental Reports – **September 2021**; City Clerk, Water Department, Police Department, Human Resources, City Engineer; Economic & Community Development

4-5 Proclamation – Rotary "International World Polio Day"

Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve the Omnibus Vote Agenda items 4-1 thru 4-5 as presented.

City Clerk noted Alderman January's vote for October 04, 2021 City Bills was Nay.

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield Evans, Allen, Smith, Murphy

Nays: January

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

V. PUBLIC COMMENTS

City Clerk, Lori Collins read comments from the following:

Gladys Kneeland

Mrs. Kneeland and her neighbors personally appreciated Mayor Leon Rockingham for his attention to their concerns; Second Ward Alderman, Bonny Mayfield and Lt. Fredrick Diez for their prompt response concerning the loud noise in their neighborhood due to Senior Citizens and seriously ill residents and Alderman Carl Evans for his attentiveness with the Senior Citizens.

Adaliz Rivera

Ms. Rivera urged not to ban the chickens; her children was saddened to hear was another meeting; she suggested a fee for having them; some areas in Illinois were cities and allowed the chickens with a fee including limits and rules.

Andrea Loftis

Ms. Loftis addressed Mayor Rockingham and Aldermen; she expressed feeling against allowing Swine and Poultry Fowl in the City; her family also had the same views; she clarified that North Chicago wasn't unincorporated as in year **1901**; the goals were to advance just as the neighboring areas of Lake Forest and Highland Park, Illinois. She and her Family were long-time residents of **65** years; she was a proud homeowner; has witnessed the city progress and urged not to regress.

Michael Brankin

Mr. Brankin urged not to ban the chickens

Dr. Lisa Fields

Ms. Fields was a tenant at Grant Place in North Chicago within the past **(11)** years; she suggested if the City was planning to sell Grant Place, that a moratorium was established delaying **(10)** years increasing the rent. If not, it would negatively impact the medical providers and community would suffer.

The Mayor questioned her lease termed date; Ms. Fields explained it was on a yearly basis, an estimated date of February **2022**. She added had received letters signed from the patients and urged its consideration.

VI. REGULAR AGENDA

6-1 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF RESOLUTON AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AGREEMENT WITH KMA

Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield, to approve the Resolution Authorizing Execution of Agreement with KMA.

Alderman January asked for a synopsis of the agenda item; Interim Chief of Staff, Dave Kilbane explained was asking to extend higher level advisory services; assisting with financial issues. Phil McKenna had vast experience, his familiarity assisting to move the City forward; the agreement was not to exceed **\$10,000**.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith, Murphy, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

6-2 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF ATHLETICO LEASE – GRANT PLACE

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve the Athletico Lease at Grant Place.

Alderman January questioned clarification of the lease amount; clarified no security amount indicated; asked for a copy of the lease; she appreciated the comments from Dr.

Fields; Athletico was nationwide company and urged to be mindful of the underserved community.

Alderman Jackson questioned clarification if it was for the lease of the rotunda; Attorney Simon acknowledged it was.

Alderman Smith asked if the discussion was to sell the building; Attorney Simon clarified it wasn't included at this time. Alderman Smith question if Ms. Field's concern would be addressed at a later time; the Mayor added if City's decision to sell, there would be an agreement with the buyer.

ROLL

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith, Murphy, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

6-3 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF ORDINANCE DECLARING SURPLUS AND AUTHORIZING THE DISPOSAL OR SALE OF CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY

Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Smith to approve Ordinance Declaring Surplus and Authorizing the Disposal or Sale of Certain Real Property.

ROLL

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith, Murphy, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

6-4 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF POSSIBLE RECONSIDERATION OF THE VOTE -ORDINANCE AMENDMENT 8-15-7; SWINE AND POULTRY PROHIBITED

Alderman Smith moved, seconded by Alderman Allen to approve Possible Reconsideration of the Vote.

Attorney Simon explained the rule was a procedural motion and explained the proposal. The Mayor elaborated further.

Alderman January stated was displeased the item was returned and there were other pressing issues. The Mayor clarified was open to any council member not to be judged for their decision.

ROLL

Ayes: Jackson, Allen, Smith, Murphy

Nays: Mayfield, Evans, January

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Jackson to approve Ordinance Amendment 8-15-7; Swine and Poultry Fowl Prohibited.

Alderman Mayfield expressed strong disappointment with removing the resident's food source and that the City just received a grocery store.

Alderman Evans expressed his disappointment of changing the decision and explained wasn't to discredit anyone; the Mayor reiterated any aldermen had the right. Alderman Evans disagreed.

ROLL

Ayes: Jackson, Allen, Smith, Murphy

Nays: Mayfield, Evans, January

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

6-5 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF 2021 HALLOWEEN PROCLAMATION

Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve the 2021 Halloween Proclamation.

ROLL

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith, Murphy

Nays: January

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

6-6 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF CITY BILLS

General Corporate Fund	\$	358,367.11
Motor Fuel Tax	\$	71,665.83
Water Operations	\$	202,276.07
Grant	\$	250.00
Grant Place Operating Fund	\$	840.88

TOTAL	\$	633,399.89
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MOTION:

Alderman Mayfield moved, seconded by Alderman Evans to pay the bills of Council Run 10/18/21 in the amount of **\$633,399.89 when funds become available.**

Alderman January asked if there were sufficient funds; when checks would be processed and dispensed. Funds were available; Interim Comptroller, Tim McPhillips stated the checks would be disbursed Wednesday evening. Alderman January asked the balance of the Water Fund at the close that day and the next transfer with amount; Mr. McPhillips provided the balance of the Water Operations Fund in the amount of **\$1,823,185.92**. The next quarterly transfer would be following week of **October 2021** in the amount of **\$607,500**.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith, Murphy

Nays: January

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

VII. MISCELLANEOUS

VARIOUS

Alderman Mayfield questioned status with push tax; Attorney Simon explained would continue discussion the following week, scheduled deadline of **November 01, 2021**. Alderman Mayfield congratulated both Willie and George Jackson Jr. being inducted in North Chicago Senior Citizen Hall of Fame; commented on George's Fresh Market good quality; noted a

parking issue on Elizabeth during police 3rd shift directed to the Police Chief Perez and she would speak to him at another time.

VARIOUS

Alderman Evans clarified wasn't yelling at the Mayor; need to move correctly with council decision; suggested informing the residents of what has occurred and upcoming events. He announced a Halloween Parade, **October 30, 2021**.

VARIOUS

Alderman Smith announced the "Clean Sweep" of North Chicago; several people have been cited and goal of ward challenge; he expressed issue of bad press on George's Fresh Market; encouraging city support clarifying they had fine food quality.

CURRENT DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS

Alderman Allen listed the following current development projects: **14th St.**; Audrey Nixon Boulevard, Renovation of Neal Math & Science Academy and Starbucks focusing on positive items.

The Mayor echoed everyone's comments moving forward.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council; a motion was made by Alderman Allen, seconded by Alderman Evans that the meeting stand adjourned.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith, Murphy, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

The Council Meeting adjourned at 6:58 p.m.

ATTEST:

Lori L. Collins, City Clerk

MINUTES

The City Council of North Chicago met in a Regular meeting, Monday, November 01, 2021 at 6:03 p.m. via Virtual media Zoom Link with Mayor Leon Rockingham, Jr. presiding.

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. INVOCATION

III. ROLL CALL

Upon roll call being taken, the following members were present:

Present: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith, Murphy, January

Absent: None

IV. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA

4-1 Minutes of Regular Council Meeting, **October 18, 2021**

4-2 Minutes of Standing Committee Meetings, **October 18, 2021**

4-3 Entering into a Contract with Morton Salt for Purchase of Road Salt for winter of **2021/22** in Amount not to exceed **\$110,000**; Morton was the Low Successful Bidder on a 2-year **2020** Lake County DOT Joint Bid Procurement and this Commodity will be rebid by LCDOT in **2022**

Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve the Omnibus Vote Agenda items 4-1 thru 4-3 as presented.

Alderman January requested to move item **4-3** to Regular Agenda.

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield Evans, Allen, Smith, Murphy

Nays: January

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

V. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Charles January

Mr. January felt a disservice to the working community for Council scheduled at **6:00 p.m.**; complaints of bad meat received from George's Fresh Market; Harold's Chicken & Shrimp was a disappointment; he disagreed with the Push Tax for an economically depressed town; vote of no confidence received for the Police Chief and will return his findings; appreciated the aldermen; suggested removing the "Home Rule" for North Chicago and unable to move city forward.

The Mayor explained item **6-6** was also placed on the Council Agenda; approved in a Special Council Meeting, **October 30, 2021** due to legislative revised deadline before **October 31, 2021**.

VI. REGULAR AGENDA

4-3 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL ENTERING INTO A CONTRACT WITH MORTON SALT FOR PURCHASE OF ROAD SALT FOR WINTER OF **2021/22** IN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED **\$110,000**; MORTON WAS THE LOW SUCCESSFUL BIDDER ON A 2-YEAR **2020** LAKE COUNTY DOT JOINT BID PROCUREMENT AND THIS COMMODITY WILL BE REBID BY LCDOT IN **2022**

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Allen to approve entering into a contract with Morton Salt for purchase of road salt for winter of 2021/22 in amount not to exceed \$110,000; Morton was the low successful bidder on a 2-year 2020 Lake

County DOT Joint Bid Procurement and this Commodity will be rebid by LCDOT in 2022.

Alderman Jackson clarified Lake County Division of Transportation vs. Department.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith, Murphy, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

- 6-1 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF CONSULTING AGREEMENT WITH COMPREHENSIVE TTP LLC – MICHAEL PETERSON

Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Evans, to approve the Resolution Authorizing Execution of Consulting Agreement with Comprehensive TTP LLC – Michael Peterson as Comptroller.

The Mayor congratulated Mr. Peterson

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith, Murphy, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

- 6-2 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF ENTERING INTO A CONTRACT WITH OLMOS LANDSCAPING FOR WINTER OF 2021/22 SNOW AND ICE MANAGEMENT SERVICES AT CITY HALL COMPLEX; THIS IS THE 3RD AND FINAL PERIOD FOR THIS CONTRACT AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$35,000

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Allen to approve entering into a Contract with Olmos Landscaping for Winter of 2021/22 Snow and Ice Management Services at City Hall Complex; this is the 3rd and final period for this contract amount not to exceed \$35,000.

Alderman January questioned type of ice management; The Mayor stated was strictly for the City Hall complex and would utilize salt.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith, Murphy, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

- 6-3 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF ENTERING INTO A CONTRACT WITH TRI-STATE PLATINUM LANDSCAPING, LLC FOR WINTER OF 2021/22 SNOW AND ICE MANAGEMENT SERVICES AT NORTH CHICAGO METRA COMMUTER STATION AND SNOW PLOWING SERVICES FOR ALLEYS WITHIN CITY OF NORTH CHICAGO; THIS IS THE 3RD AND FINAL RENEWAL PERIOD FOR THIS CONTRACT AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$40,000

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve entering into a contract with Tri-State Platinum Landscaping, LLC for Winter of 2021/22 Snow and Ice Management Services at North Chicago Metra Commuter Station and Snow

Plowing Services for Alleys within City of North Chicago; this is the 3rd and final period for contract amount not to exceed \$40,000.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith, Murphy, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

- 6-4 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT RECEIVED FROM ABBVIE TO THE EXISTING SHOT SPOTTER AGREEMENT BETWEEN CITY OF NORTH CHICAGO AND ABBVIE; TO EXPAND EXISTING AGREEMENT REGARDING PERMISSABLE USE OF THE FUNDS RECEIVED AS WELL AS TO ADDITIONAL FUNDING TO THE AGREEMENT VIA SUPPLEMENT #1 IN AMOUNT OF \$75,000 FOR PROPOSED SAFETY ENHANCEMENTS ALONG SHERIDAN ROAD CORRIDOR

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Allen to approve Supplemental Agreement received from Abbvie to the existing Shot Spotter Agreement between City of North Chicago and Abbvie; to expand existing agreement regarding permissible use of the funds received as well as to additional funding to the agreement via supplement #1 in Amount of \$75,000 for proposed safety enhancements along Sheridan Road Corridor.

The Mayor questioned if it was related to the road diet; Mr. Cieslica explained Abbvie's approval of **\$75,000** applied to project and additional funding from IDOT; Mr. Cieslica explained possibly a supplement to original agreement. The Mayor questioned clarification if the City's same amount; Mr. Cieslica explained the letter was signed by Mayor to IDOT; cost of **\$134,402**. The Mayor questioned the additional funding from Abbvie; Mr. Cieslica stated Abbvie initially committed to amount of **\$75,000**; the City requested amount of **\$45,402** from IDOT funding shortfall; **\$14,000** from the City. IDOT revenue agreement ensuring concordance. He was reaching out to Abbvie with additional funding for city cost of **\$14,000**.

The Mayor suggested reaching out to Abbvie for the additional funding was finalized.

The Mayor requested to table both items; **6-4** and **6-5** until funding was finalized.

Alderman Jackson amended moved, seconded by Alderman January to include items 6-4 and 6-5 table until funding was finalized.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith, Murphy, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

- 6-5 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF A \$135,000 CONTRACT PREPARED BY TRANSYSTEMS FOR THE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES REQUIRED TO COMPLETE PHASE I ENGINEERING REQUIRED BY IDOT FOR PROPOSED RESTRIPING AND LANE REDUCTION (ROAD DIET) OF SHERIDAN ROAD FROM 10TH TO 16TH STREET

INCLUDED IN MOTION WITH ITEM 6-4

6-6 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF AN ORDINANCE PERTAINING TO AMUSEMENT TAXES

REMOVED; APPROVED AT SPECIAL MEETING, OCTOBER 30, 2021

6-7 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A REDEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF ORTH CHICAGO AND BITTERSWEET, LLC (MULCH CENTER SALES FACILITY PROJECT)

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield, to approve the Redevelopment Agreement between City of North Chicago and Bittersweet LLC (Mulch Center Sales Facility Project).

Alderman Allen questioned clarification of wording Push Tax and Amusement Tax; The Mayor explained.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith, Murphy, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

6-8 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A SPECIAL USE PERMIT FOR A PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT; APPROVAL WITH PLAT OF VACATION; PLAT OF DEDICATION AND PLAT OF EASEMENT (MULCH CENTER SALE FACILITY PROJECT)

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith, Murphy, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

6-9 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF CITY BILLS

General Corporate Fund	\$	241,174.80
Library	\$	7,778.77
Motor Fuel Tax	\$	870.93
Water Operations	\$	20,327.27
Grant	\$	7,449.43
CDBG	\$	2,196.11
Retiree's Insurance Premium	\$	12,610.05
Grant Place Operating Fund	\$	1,795.87

TOTAL **\$** **294,203.23**

Special Bills; Rittenhouse LLC **\$** **16,995.00**

GRAND TOTAL **\$** **311,198.23**

MOTION:

Alderman Mayfield moved, seconded by Alderman Evans to pay the bills of Council Run 11/01/21 in the amount of \$311,198.23 including Special Bills of \$16,995 when funds become available.

Alderman January asked if there were sufficient funds; when checks would be processed and dispensed. Funds were available; Interim Comptroller, Tim McPhillips stated the checks would be disbursed Wednesday. Alderman January asked the balance of the Water Fund at the close that day and the next transfer with amount; Mr. McPhillips provided the balance of the Water Operations Fund in the amount of **\$1,228,495.14**. The next quarterly transfer would be following week of **October 2021** in the amount of **\$607,500**.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith, Murphy

Nays: January

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

VII. MISCELLANEOUS

VARIOUS INFORMATION

Alderman Evans stated had received several calls of the grocery store; upcoming city development moving forward and asked the council to “Push for the Best.”

VARIOUS INFORMATION

Alderman Smith expressed his excitement of the city’s direction; there was more positive vs. negative feedback; the key was harmony as part of the team and he supported Alderman Evans’ Halloween Event.

VARIOUS INFORMATION

Alderman Mayfield stated the citizens on Elizabeth commended Police Chief Perez for removing the parked vehicles from the roadway; received suggestions for next newsletter that homeowners were responsible in maintaining their property; the city was no longer cleaning the overgrown brush from the alleys and she advocated the city businesses.

VARIOUS INFORMATION

Alderman Allen clarified nothing was perfect; suggested utilizing the businesses in the community; he asked if Council could contact their constituents concerning the Push Tax; the Mayor clarified it was partially their responsibility and he suggested posting on the website.

Alderman Allen announced the 4th Ward meeting held at the North Chicago Fire Station, **November 20, 2021; 11-1:30 p.m.** and the theme was “Be Thankful”! He encouraged everyone’s support.

VARIOUS INFORMATION

Alderman Jackson acknowledged Interim Chief of Staff’s efforts with reaching out to GovHR seeking Interim Comptroller’s reduction in pay; acknowledged Public Works team cleaning the streets including their timeliness and he asked the Mayor if he would be conducting a 5th Monday Meeting; He recalled upcoming last Monday scheduled the virtual Tree Lighting Ceremony, **November 29, 2021** and the hiring of the new Communication Information Coordinator, Wendy Bondi. He encouraged introducing themselves.

Alderman Smith acknowledged the Public Works Department awesome job with the clean sweep; The Mayor stated the city was moving in the right direction, continued support, with residents, council and staff; acknowledged Alderman Evans’ Halloween Parade event;

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council; a motion was made by Alderman Allen, seconded by Alderman Evans that the meeting stand adjourned.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith, Murphy, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

The Council Meeting adjourned at 6:43 p.m.

ATTEST:

Lori L. Collins, City Clerk

MINUTES

The City Council of North Chicago met in a Regular meeting, Monday, November 15, 2021 at 6:03 p.m. via Virtual media Zoom Link with Mayor Leon Rockingham, Jr. presiding.

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. INVOCATION

III. ROLL CALL

Upon roll call being taken, the following members were present:

Present: Jackson, Mayfield, Allen, Smith, Murphy, January

Absent: Evans

Mayor Rockingham, Jr. announced that Alderman Evans would not be in attendance.

IV. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA

4-1 Minutes of Special Council Meeting, **October 30, 201**

4-2 Minutes of Regular Council Meeting, **November 01, 2021**

4-3 Minutes of Standing Committee Meetings, **November 01, 2021**

4-4 Departmental Reports – Economic Development, Human Resources, City Clerk, Water

4-5 Treasurer's Report – **October 2021**

Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Jackson to approve the Omnibus Vote Agenda items 4-1 thru 4-5 as presented.

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Allen, Smith, Murphy

Nays: January

Absent: Evans

MOTION CARRIED

V. PUBLIC COMMENTS

NONE

VI. REGULAR AGENDA

6-1 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF CITY BILLS

General Corporate Fund	\$	204,344.09
Library	\$	489.73
Motor Fuel Tax	\$	16,324.55
Water Operations	\$	269,559.22
Grant	\$	316.00
Community Development - CDBG	\$	4,664.92
Retiree's Insurance Premium	\$	1,952.78
TIF II Downtown/Industrial	\$	40.95
Skokie Highway TIF 111	\$	727.95
Grant Place Operating Fund	\$	13,298.78

TOTAL	\$	511,718.97
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MOTION:

Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to pay the bills of Council Run 11/15/21 in the amount of \$511,718.97 when funds become available.

Alderman January asked if there were sufficient funds; when checks would be processed and dispensed. Funds were available; Assistant Comptroller, Tawanda Joyner stated the checks would be disbursed Wednesday. Alderman January asked the balance of the Water Fund at the close that day and the next transfer with amount; Mr. McPhillips provided the balance of the Water Operations Fund in the amount of \$1,051,915.47. The next transfer would be **January 2022** in the amount of \$607,500.

Alderman Allen questioned the possibility of not utilizing Water Funds to pay the future bills. Mayor Rockingham, Jr. stated that the Interim Chief of Staff and the Interim Comptroller were to be in discussion concerning that possibility.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Allen, Smith, Murphy

Nays: January

Absent: Evans

MOTION CARRIED

VII. MISCELLANEOUS

VARIOUS INFORMATION

Alderman Allen emphasized that the City use local businesses within the city to purchase items/food for events and functions of the City. He announced the 4th Ward Meeting, **November 20, 2021, 11 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.** with a “Be Thankful” theme.

VARIOUS INFORMATION

Mayor Rockingham, Jr. announced that there would not be a Council Meeting **November 29, 2021** (5th Monday); there would be a virtual tree lighting ceremony that day at 6 p.m. He wished Alderman Evans a Happy Birthday.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council; a motion was made by Alderman Allen, seconded by Alderman Mayfield that the meeting stand adjourned.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Allen, Smith, Murphy, January

Nays: None

Absent: Evans

MOTION CARRIED

The Council Meeting adjourned at 6:12 p.m.

ATTEST:

Lori L. Collins, City Clerk

MINUTES

The City Council of North Chicago met in a Regular meeting, Monday, December 06, 2021 at 6:12 p.m. via Virtual media Zoom Link with Mayor Leon Rockingham, Jr. presiding.

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. INVOCATION

III. ROLL CALL

Upon roll call being taken, the following members were present:

Present: Jackson, Mayfield, Allen, Smith, Murphy

Absent: Evans, January

IV. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA

4-1 Minutes of Regular Council Meeting, **November 15, 2021**

4-2 Minutes of Standing Committee Meetings, **November 15, 2021**

4-3 Monthly Budget

Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve the Omnibus Vote Agenda items 4-1 thru 4-3 as presented.

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Allen, Smith, Murphy

Nays: None

Absent: Evans, January

MOTION CARRIED

The Mayor announced he was notified by Alderman January the previous day she was ill.

V. PUBLIC COMMENTS

NONE

VI. REGULAR AGENDA

6-1 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF THE OWENS GROUP CONTRACT RENEWAL

Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve The Owens Group 2021 Contract Renewal.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Allen, Smith, Murphy

Nays: None

Absent: Evans, January

MOTION CARRIED

6-2 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF CONTRACT AWARD TO INDUSTRIAL SYSTEMS FOR PURCHASE OF DEICING LIQUIDS IN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$15,000.

Alderman Mayfield moved, seconded by Alderman Allen to approve the Contract Award to Industrial Systems for purchase of deicing liquids in amount Not to Exceed \$15,000.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith, Murphy

Nays: None
Absent: January

MOTION CARRIED

- 6-3 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL – AUTHORIZATION OF MAYOR TO EXECUTE ABBVIE GRANT AGREEMENT IN AMOUNT OF \$90,000 FOR MODIFIED PHASE I ROAD DIET STUDY

Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve Authorization of Mayor to execute Abbvie Grant Agreement in amount of \$90,000 for Modified Phase I Road Diet Study.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith, Murphy
Nays: None
Absent: January

MOTION CARRIED

- 6-4 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF CONTRACT AWARD TO TRANSYSTEMS FOR SHERIDAN ROAD MODIFIED PHASE I TRAFFIC ANALYSIS IN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$134,376

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve the Contract Award to TranSystems for Sheridan Road Modified Phase I Traffic Analysis I amount not to exceed \$134,376.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith, Murphy
Nays: None
Absent: January

MOTION CARRIED

- 6-5 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF BIG THUNDER 2021 GP LICENSE AT 1610 SHERIDAN RD.

Alderman Mayfield moved, seconded by Alderman Murphy to approve Big Thunder 2021 GP License at 1610 Sheridan Rd.

Mr. Brad Shafer, Big Thunder Partner addressed Council concerns of the building zoned for residential with GP license. He clarified that he and the partners owned and managed the building. He would offer incentives to the existing residents.

The Mayor questioned if applicable to the new tenants; Mr. Shafer clarified only to the existing tenants.

Alderman Evans questioned why adding the terms before approval; Attorney Silverman suggested consideration upon licensee delivering the letter with agreed terms.

The Mayor suggested tabling item until **December 20, 2021** to Council Meeting.

Attorney Silverman suggested postponing item until later or based upon licensee delivering the letter with agreed terms.

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Jackson to postpone item 6-5 until December 20, 2021.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith, Murphy

Nays: None
Absent: January

MOTION CARRIED

6-6 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF RICHARD OTERO CINTRON APPOINTMENT TO THE NORTH CHICAGO POLICE CITIZEN ADVISORY COMMITTEE (TERM: 3 YEARS).

Alderman Mayfield moved, seconded by Alderman Murphy to approve the appointment of Richard Otero Cintron to the North Chicago Police Citizens Advisory Committee (Term: 3 Years).

Alderman Evans questioned what had occurred; the Mayor explained a member, Eva Baldwin was stepping down; He, Alderman Evans questioned why it wasn't discussed; the Mayor explained there was lack of commitment and she was employed in the evening.

Alderman Allen clarified the President and Vice Chairman were unaware of the new appointment.

Alderman Evans questioned the number of members on the board; Mayor; **5.**

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Jackson to postpone item 6-6 until Council Meeting, December 20, 2021.

Alderman Smith questioned clarification; The Mayor and Attorney Silverman explained that Mr. Otero Cintron would be continuing the term and could be reappointed once expired.

City Clerk Lori Collins explained the term appointment history. Ms. Baldwin was reappointed **June 07, 2021** after term had expired.

The Mayor questioned if Ms. Baldwin would continue to be active; Attorney Silverman explained she was until replaced.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith, Murphy

Nays: None

Absent: January

MOTION CARRIED

6-7 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF PURCHASE SALE AGREEMENT AT GRANT PLACE

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Allen to approve the Purchase Sale Agreement at Grant Place.

Alderman Jackson questioned if the very best price for Grant Place property; the Mayor acknowledged it was and only committed offer.

Alderman Smith questioned if the current occupants was offered an extended lease and if able to negotiate; the Mayor clarified only until the lease had termed. He explained **85%-90%** occupied at Grant Place and a fair price.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith, Murphy

Nays: None

Absent: January

MOTION CARRIED

- 6-8 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF VARIANCE ORDINANCE TO MAXIMUM UNIT COUNT INCLUDING RELATED MINIMUM LOT WIDTH AND LOT AREA FOR EXISTING NONCONFORMING STRUCTURE AT 1542 VICTORIA AVE (PIN# 08-33-307-039)

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve the Variance Ordinance to maximum unit Count including related minimum lot width and area for existing nonconforming structure at 1542 Victoria Avenue (PIN# 08-33-307-039).

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith, Murphy

Nays: None

Absent: January

MOTION CARRIED

- 6-9 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL FOR PLAT OF SUBDIVISION AT 12632 W. BIRCHWOOD AVE. (PIN# 12-07-301-014) (PARTIAL), 12715 W. BIRCHWOOD AVE. (PIN# 12-07-303-037), 12685 W. BIRCHWOOD AVE. (PIN# 12-07-303-038) AND 12660 W. BITTERSWEET AVE. (PIN# 12-07-303-028)

Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Evans to approve item 6-9 as presented.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith, Murphy

Nays: None

Absent: January

MOTION CARRIED

- 6-10 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF CITY BILLS

General Corporate Fund	\$	456,499.13
Library	\$	7,748.24
Motor Fuel Tax	\$	196,810.49
Water Operations	\$	116,746.95
Grant	\$	48,372.30
Community Development - CDBG	\$	1,430.10
Retiree's Insurance Premium	\$	13,917.95
TIF II Downtown/Industrial	\$	8,316.20
Skokie Highway TIF 111	\$	15,124.50
Grant Place Operating Fund	\$	6,154.67

TOTAL \$ 871,120.53

MOTION:

Alderman Mayfield moved, seconded by Alderman Evans to pay the bills of Council Run 12/06/21 in the amount of **\$871,120.53** when funds become available.

Alderman Jackson asked if there were sufficient funds; when checks would be processed and dispensed. Funds were available; Comptroller, Mike Peterson explained the first new

report should satisfy some of the questions at the lower hand corner. He stated there was “cleaning up” needed. Alderman Jackson asked the balance of the Water Fund at the close that day and the next transfer with amount; the next transfer would be **January 20, 2022** in the amount of **\$607,500**.

The Mayor appreciated the detailed report.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith, Murphy

Nays: None

Absent: January

MOTION CARRIED

Comptroller, Mike Peterson explained a more transparent report for the City Bills. He recognized Ms. Mary Woodson for preparing it.

VII. MISCELLANEOUS

VARIOUS CONCERNS

Alderman Allen had strong concerns after meeting with Chief of Staff, Dave Kilbane who identified issues with Department Heads resulting in **\$2.3 million dollars** uncollected monies; the Mayor explained was in process of identifying need of correction in various departments and had discussed issue with the staff. It impacted everyone. He recommended removing some of the silos for more transparencies in various areas; He directed Chief of Staff updating the council members in a timelier basis. Alderman Allen clarified was a large amount of costs; he suggested increasing the police staff on the 3rd shift; The Mayor clarified there was a world-wide issue. He recommended qualified individuals and not negatively impact their department and supported the fire & police officers. It may require additional testing to hire them.

COMMITTEE MEETING

Alderman Mayfield requested to schedule a separate evening to discuss various contracts. She requested Monday; **6:00 p.m.** The Mayor asked an alternate day for the meeting; consensus of aldermen was Tuesday December 14, 2021.

VARIOUS INFORMATION

Alderman Jackson noticed holiday decoration placed on **10th St.** suggested a more festive area on the North Chicago boundaries. The Mayor could provide the decorations next year moving forward. He recognized Officer Rollins; “Shop With A Cop.”

ANNOUNCEMENT

Alderman Smith announced the Christmas Parade; **Sunday, December 18, 2021.** He encouraged event participation.

The Mayor recognized everyone for their participation in the tree lighting event. He echoed Alderman Jackson’s sentiments adding appreciated Target store for allowing those to “Shop With A Cop” before their opening.

LOCAL CEREMONY

Alderman Allen announced the local ceremony at the North Shore Garden of Memories; **December 18, 2021; 10:00 a.m., 1801 Green Bay Rd.** The wreath donation was for military unnamed gravesites. He will e-mail the information to all elected officials.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council; a motion was made by Alderman Jackson, seconded by Alderman Evans that the meeting stand adjourned.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith, Murphy

Nays: None

Absent: January

MOTION CARRIED

The Council Meeting adjourned at 7:26 p.m.

ATTEST:

Lori L. Collins, City Clerk

MINUTES

The City Council of North Chicago met in a Regular meeting, Monday, December 20, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. via Virtual media Zoom Link with Mayor Leon Rockingham, Jr. presiding.

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. INVOCATION

III. ROLL CALL

Upon roll call being taken, the following members were present:

Present: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Murphy

Absent: Smith, January

IV. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA

4-1 Minutes of Regular Council Meeting, **December 06, 2021**

4-2 Minutes of Standing Committee Meetings, **December 06, 2021**

4-3 Minutes of Committee of the Whole, **December 14, 2021**

4-4 Treasurer's Report – **November 2021**

4-5 Departmental Report – City Clerk; Water Department; Human Resources; Economic Development; City Engineer

Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve the Omnibus Vote Agenda items 4-1 thru 4-5 as presented.

Alderman Allen requested to move item **4-5** to Regular Agenda

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Murphy

Nays: None

Absent: Smith, January

MOTION CARRIED

The Mayor announced he was notified by Alderman January the previous day was ill.

V. PUBLIC COMMENTS

NONE

VI. REGULAR AGENDA

4-5 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS – CITY CLERK; WATER DEPARTMENT; HUMAN RESOURCES; ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT; CITY ENGINEER

Alderman Jackson moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve the departmental reports as presented.

Alderman Allen questioned page 1; George's Fresh Market Loan Agreement; Victor Barrera, Economic & Community Development Director explained it was to ensure the equipment at the location per agreement; he may also need to discuss with Attorney, pictures of equipment at the location for change to list.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Murphy

Nays: None

Absent: Smith, January

MOTION CARRIED

- 6-1 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF 2021 TAX LEVY ORDINANCE; \$9,445,890.00

Alderman Mayfield moved, seconded by Alderman Allen to approve The 2021 Tax Levy Ordinance; \$9,445,890.00.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Allen, Murphy

Nays: Evans

Absent: Smith, January

MOTION CARRIED

- 6-2 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF GOVTEMP CONTRACT AGREEMENT (TYLER SOFTWARE DEPLOYMENT 112/HR.) – ANNMARIE MAMPE

Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve the GovTemp Contract Agreement (Tyler Software Deployment 112/hr.) – Annmarie Mampe

Alderman Evans questioned clarification that contractor was working at home; Mr. Peterson explained; a savings of **\$4,000** from December **2021** to April **2022**; **16** hrs. weekly.

Alderman Allen questioned clarification why she was deployed at her home; Mr. Peterson explained she was an contracted GovTemp employee; the City was **(1)** of her **(3)** clients and charged on an hourly basis;

Chief of Staff, Dave Kilbane asked for updated status of Tyler Software; Mr. Peterson explained charge of accounts to be uploaded; general ledger software deployment; accounts payable and directly interfaced with Code Enforcement and goal by **May 01, 2022**.

Alderman Evans questioned need of updating software since inactive for **2+** years; Mr. Peterson stated the City paid annual maintenance fees inclusive of updates; currently remaining in **2020** version due to glitches for **2021**.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Murphy

Nays: None

Absent: Smith, January

MOTION CARRIED

- 6-3 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION – LRS (LAKESHORE RECYCLING SYSTEMS) STREET SWEEPING SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT IN AMOUNT OF \$42,700.

Alderman Jackson moved, seconded by Alderman Allen to approve the Resolution for LRS (Lakeshore Recycling Systems) Street Sweeping Settlement in amount of \$42,700.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Murphy

Nays: None

Absent: Smith, January

MOTION CARRIED

- 6-4 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF ORDINANCE DECLARING SURPLUS REAL PROPERTY – 1426 GREENFIELD AVENUE

Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Jackson to approve the Ordinance Declaring Surplus Real Property at 1426 Greenfield Avenue.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Murphy

Nays: None

Absent: Smith, January

MOTION CARRIED

6-5 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF BIG THUNDER 2021 GP LICENSE AT 1610 SHERIDAN RD.

Alderman Mayfield moved, seconded by Alderman Murphy to approve Big Thunder 2021 GP License at 1610 Sheridan Rd.

The Mayor received the letter from their attorney to our City Attorney; The potential owners proposed at last meeting discussion to freeze monthly rent increase to existing tenants for (7) years; **\$50** credit toward food providing those current with monthly rent were paid in rent they were allowed in gaming room.

Alderman Evans stated it was perceived as dictating how people spent their money; questioned why the City would consider a gambling establishment in a residential location and strongly disagreed.

Alderman Mayfield clarified they had abided by council requests.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Mayfield, Murphy

Nays: Jackson, Evans, Allen

Absent: Smith, January

MOTION FAILED

6-6 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF AUTHORIZATION TO AWARD CONTRACT FOR MUNICIPAL ROOF REPAIR TO MALCOR ROOFING IN THE AMOUNT OF \$423,000

Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve Authorization to Award Contract for Municipal Roof Repair to Malcor Roofing in the amount of \$423,000.

Alderman Jackson questioned if 3-bid offer; Steve Cieslica, City Engineer explained that it was properly advertised and placed on city web-site for estimated (1) month; there were (3) of (7) that submitted a bid; Riddiford, Waukegan and Malcor Roofing.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Murphy

Nays: None

Absent: Smith, January

MOTION CARRIED

6-7 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL – RESOLUTION RATIFYING AND APPROVING THE FISCAL YEAR 2022 PURCHASES AND CONTRACTS

Alderman Mayfield moved, seconded by Alderman Jackson to approve the Resolution Ratifying and Approving the Fiscal Year 2022 Purchases and Contracts.

Mr. Kilbane explained the additional contractor from December 14, 2021 meeting discussion; with James M. Smith Printing Co., the City has expended \$10,981.00 at this time and he asked they were added to the list requesting not to exceed amount of \$15,000 until the Fiscal Year. He has spoken with the Community Information Coordinator and she would participate at some time. The procurement first training was scheduled upcoming Wednesday, December 23, 2021; 10:00 a.m. for the staff.

Alderman Mayfield amended motion, seconded by Alderman Jackson to include additional vendor of James M. Smith Printing Co. not to exceed \$15,000.

Alderman Evans questioned clarification; The Mayor explained that some of the contracts weren't presented before council approval for item exceeding \$10,000. The Resolution would ratify the contracts for city vendors and completing list for 2021. There may be other contractors to bid in 2022. He added that any department utilizing vendors over the amount of \$10,000 for entire year would need council approval. Moving forward in a proper way for the City. Alderman Evans asked why the contracts weren't presented to council; the Mayor explained they were omitted; new staff have reviewed it more thoroughly and the result of their findings. It would also ensure favorable ratings received from the Auditors.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Murphy

Nays: None

Absent: Smith, January

MOTION CARRIED

6-8 **CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF CITY BILLS**

General Corporate Fund	\$	191,459.26
Motor Fuel Tax	\$	18,686.77
Water Operations	\$	97,675.89
Grant	\$	29,991.58
Skokie Highway TIF 111	\$	1,715.75
Grant Place Operating Fund	\$	<u>4,486.67</u>

TOTAL **\$** **344,015.92**

MOTION:

Alderman Mayfield moved, seconded by Alderman Allen to pay the bills of Council Run 12/020/21 in the amount of \$344,015.92 when funds become available.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Murphy

Nays: None

Absent: Smith, January

MOTION CARRIED

VII. MISCELLANEOUS

VARIOUS COMMENTS

Alderman Evans appreciated all of the council members; The City didn't have to settle for less including the staff, attorneys and council members; trying to move city forward as it was growing; Happy Holidays; strive for betterment and asked for city support.

VARIOUS COMMENTS

Alderman Allen expressed appreciation for the fire department staff decorating a firefighter's house they lost in death; acknowledgment to the Comptroller, Mike Peterson and Chief of Staff, Dave Kilbane for their diligence and he enjoyed all of the attendees, event team efforts for the previous Saturday event.

VARIOUS COMMENTS

Alderman Mayfield stated wishes of Happy Holidays and Safety; echoed Alderman Allen's sentiments, appreciating strong efforts of both the Comptroller and Chief of Staff sending Happy Holidays to their Family.

Alderman Smith joined the Zoom meeting at 6:30 p.m.

VARIOUS COMMENTS

Alderman Smith sent Happy Holidays continued prayers for the City, leadership and he appreciated all team efforts for the parade event, moving forward to a new year for North Chicago, the "City of Vision," thankful as part of the council team.

VARIOUS COMMENTS

Alderman Jackson sent gratitude to all Department Heads, especially the Fire and Police Department; note to his 1st ward constituents; he has his contact number posted; a Facebook page post; sending a joyous and safe holiday and starting fresh for "2022."

VARIOUS COMMENTS

Alderman Murphy echoed comments of her colleagues; the parade was a joyous occasion; feedback received from her constituents; sending a very Merry Holiday and best health and prosperous New Year. She expressed her thankfulness of all the wonderful happenings in the City.

The Mayor recognized the staff with their part in the parade event, looking forward to 2022; acknowledged Police Officer Davis in the parade event and to the Fire and Police Department; including the council members in behalf of trying to move North Chicago forward and sending Happy Holidays to all.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council; a motion was made by Alderman Jackson, seconded by Alderman Evans that the meeting stand adjourned.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith, Murphy

Nays: None

Absent: January

MOTION CARRIED

The Council Meeting adjourned at 6:42 p.m.

ATTEST:

Lori L. Collins, City Clerk