



**REGULAR MEETING
OF THE
BURBANK CITY COUNCIL
DECEMBER 20, 2023**

- CALL TO ORDER** The meeting of December 20, 2023 was called to order by Mayor Dan M. Foy at 7:30 PM in the Council Chambers at 6530 West 79th Street Burbank, Il.
- ROLL CALL** A roll call by Clerk Szymczak indicated the following members present: Ald. Barb Gagle, Ald. Robert Contreras, Ald. Sheri Gustafson, Ald. Claude Haerr, Ald. John Pacella, Ald. Mitchell Piznarski, Ald. Thomas Phillips, Mayor Dan Foy, Clerk Barry J. Szymczak and Treasurer Dave Viverito. Also in attendance: City Attorney Vince Cainkar.
- PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** Mayor Foy asked all to rise for the Pledge of Allegiance.
- JOURNAL** Mayor Foy asked for a motion to approve the minutes of November 22, 2023. The motion was made by Ald. Contreras and seconded by Ald. Piznarski with unanimous approval by voice vote and so declared by the Chair.
- CURRENT BILLS** Mayor Foy then asked for a motion to approve the current list of bills. The motion was made by Ald. Contreras and seconded by Ald. Pacella. A roll call indicated 7 Ayes and 0 Nays. Voting Aye: Ald. Gagle, Ald. Contreras, Ald. Gustafson, Ald. Haerr, Ald. Pacella, Ald. Piznarski and Ald. Phillips.
- ADMINISTRATION REPORT** No report was filed by the Mayor for this meeting.
- CLERK'S REPORT** No report was filed by the City Clerk for this meeting.
- TREASURER'S REPORT** No report was filed by the Treasurer for this meeting.
- ORDINANCES / PETITIONS / RESOLUTIONS**
- Ald. Haerr made a motion seconded by Ald. Gustafson to adopt Ordinance #22-12-23 requesting a variation to install a 6' privacy fence on front yard side set back for the property located at 6001 State Rd. Burbank, Illinois. A roll call indicated 7 Ayes and 0 Nays. Voting Aye: Ald. Gagle, Ald. Contreras, Ald. Gustafson, Ald. Haerr, Ald. Pacella, Ald. Piznarski and Ald. Phillips.
- Ald. Phillips made a motion seconded by Ald. Gustafson to adopt Ordinance #23-12-23 requesting a variation to install a 6' privacy fence on front yard side set back for the property located at 7801 Lamon Ave. Burbank, Illinois. A roll call indicated 7 Ayes and 0 Nays. Voting Aye: Ald. Gagle, Ald. Contreras, Ald. Gustafson, Ald. Haerr, Ald. Pacella, Ald. Piznarski and Ald. Phillips.

**ORDINANCES /
RESOLUTIONS /
PETITIONS
(CONT'D.)**

Ald. Haerr made a motion seconded by Ald. Phillips to ask the City Attorney to prepare an ordinance for Dept. of Zoning, Planning and development Petition #23-11-1 Properties Investment Group LLC. 5900 W. 79th St. Burbank, Il. requesting special use for a drive-up window which was approved by Zoning with a 2/3 vote. A roll call indicated 7 Ayes and 0 Nays. Voting Aye: Ald. Gagle, Ald. Contreras, Ald. Gustafson, Ald. Haerr, Ald. Pacella, Ald. Piznarski and Ald. Phillips. Mayor Foy asked the property owner, who was in attendance, about perspective business interests at the location. He said he is in negotiations with a coffee shop at the present time and demolition could start by March 2024.

Ald. Haerr made a motion seconded by Ald. Gustafson to approve a Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Burbank and the Illinois Council of Police referencing a 12 hr. work schedule. A roll call indicated 7 Ayes and 0 Nays. Voting Aye: Ald. Gagle, Ald. Contreras, Ald. Gustafson, Ald. Haerr, Ald. Pacella, Ald. Piznarski and Ald. Phillips.

**COMMITTEE
REPORTS**

No reports were filed for this meeting.

**POLICE DEPT.
REPORT**

Chief Garcia reported that year to date, his department has 1200 arrests, 158 investigations, 9000 citations issued, 581 vehicle tows, a \$10,000.00 grant towards the body camera program and the Department Accreditation Program is in progress. The Mayor and City Council thanked the Chief and his support staff for the diligent work they are performing.

**FIRE DEPT.
REPORT**

Chief Gilgenberg reported the new fire engine is still about 5 months out for completion and all the other fire equipment has gone through preventative maintenance and is running at 100%.

**BUILDING
AND
ZONING**

Comm. Hession reported 14 contractor licenses, 64 building permits, including 1 new home construction, have been issued as of 12/20/23. He also reported that the hotel project at 79th & State Rd. has secured additional funding and work is to resume in early 2024.

**PUBLIC
WORKS
REPORT**

Dir. Burris reported the new tree chipper is in service and his department has secured a grant from the Morton Arboretum for \$25,000.00 to \$150,000.00 a tree replacement and planting program.

**CITY
ENGINEER
REPORT**

City Engineer Geary reported that the roof projects have been completed with minor inspections to follow.

**OLD
BUSINESS**

There was no old business brought before City Council.

**NEW
BUSINESS**

Ald. Gustafson made a motion seconded by Ald. Contreras to approve payment of \$50,000.00, in 2 installments of \$25,000.00 each, first to be paid by the end of the fiscal year ending December 31st, and the 2nd to be paid in June 2024, to the Burbank Park District for joint sponsorship for the 2024 Burbank Party in the Park to be held June 27th through June 30th, 2024. A roll call indicated 7 Ayes and 0 Nays. Voting Aye: Ald. Gagle, Ald. Contreras, Ald. Gustafson, Ald. Haerr, Ald. Pacella, Ald. Piznarski and Ald. Phillips.

Ald. Gagle made a motion seconded by Ald. Haerr to promote Sgt. Manuel Escalante to the rank of Lieutenant with the Burbank Police Department. A roll call indicated 7 Ayes and 0 Nays. Voting Aye: Ald. Gagle, Ald. Contreras, Ald. Gustafson, Ald. Haerr, Ald. Pacella, Ald. Piznarski and Ald. Phillips. The candidate was sworn in by Fire-Police Commission Secretary Chris Wiest.

Ald. Gagle made a motion seconded by Ald. Piznarski to promote Patrol Officer Victor Villanueva to the rank of Sergeant with the Burbank Police Department. A roll call indicated 7 Ayes and 0 Nays. Voting Aye: Ald. Gagle, Ald. Contreras, Ald. Gustafson, Ald. Haerr, Ald. Pacella, Ald. Piznarski and Ald. Phillips.

**CITIZEN'S
REPORT**

No reports were submitted for this meeting.

**ADMINIS-
TRATION**

Mayor Foy wished all in attendance a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year from the City of Burbank.

There being no further business, the Chair asked for a motion to adjourn. The motion was made by Ald. Contreras and seconded by Ald. Piznarski with unanimous approval and so declared by the Chair. The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 PM.

Barry J. Szymczak, City Clerk

APPROVED