

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BURBANK CITY COUNCIL JANUARY 22, 2014

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting of January 22, 2014 was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Mayor Klein in the Council Chambers, 6530 W. 79th Street,

ROLL CALL

Roll call indicated the following Council members present: Alderman Foy, Looney, Szymczak, Grider, Pacella, Piznarski and Pyle. Also present: Mayor Klein, Treasurer Viverito, Clerk Roach and Attorney Vince Cainkar.

The meeting opened with the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

JOURNAL

Motion made by Alderman Grider seconded by Alderman Looney to approve the minutes of January 8, 2014 as presented was unanimously approved by voice vote and so declared by the Chair.

CURRENT BILLS Motion made by Alderman Grider seconded by Alderman Szymdzak to approve the current list of bills. A roll call vote indicated 7 Ayes and 0 Nays. The Chair declared the motion carried. Voting Aye: Alderman Pyle, Piznarski, Foy, Grider, Looney, Szymczak and Pacella.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Treasurer Viverito gave a financial report for the year ending 2013, He reported that it was not as bad as it could have been due to Mayor Klein asking our department heads to cease spending any unnecessary money. We recently passed a budget for 19 million dollars and spent 17.7 million in revenue. He said we ended up the year with \$1,900,000 in reserves. In 2007 we were at \$10,800,000 in reserves. As of today, he said that he has 1.1 million dollars available in designated operating funds, that means that between now and the end of January we will also have gone through more funds. He said last year he filed with the County Clerk that we expected to take in \$17,102,850 and we actually took in \$17,065,321 which was less than a \$40,000 difference between estimated and true revenues taken in. As of today, he said that we have 1.1 million dollars available in designated operating funds which is less than the City spends in one month. He said it is very important that we have a balanced budget in 2014. If we don't have a balanced budget this year, other projects could suffer such as our capital improvement projects, etc.

Treasurer Viverito said there are budgeting tools which can be used to reevaluate our ongoing appropriation needs such as zero-based budgeting, priority budgeting, target-based budgeting or budgeting for outcomes. He said there are organizations which he is a part of such as Government Finance Officers of America which are based here in Chicago who could provide us with assistance in considering the various budget tools available to help us revise our spending until the economy stabilizes. He ended his report saying it is his job to bring his report in as accurately as he can.

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DEPT. OF ADMINIS-TRATION

Mayor Klein thanked Dean for his report and said that it is his job to see that the City runs on a cash basis. He reminded everyone that he sent a budget constraint letter several months ago to all the department heads wherein he stated that they have to stay within their means. He said that we are not going to spend more than we take in and if that means that he has to look very seriously into cutting staff or whatever it takes to balance the city budget, he won't be reluctant to do it. He said the department heads are sitting in front of him except for Bill Trovato who has the flu but suffice to say He said "sharpen your pencils with your respective budgets, or I will sharpen the pencils for you."

PUBLIC HEARING

Mayor Klein then turned the meeting over to the City Attorney for consideration of the City of Burbank's issuance of its not to exceed \$5,175,000 Cultural Facility Revenue Bonds (The Black Ensemble Theater Cultural Center Project), Series 2014. the proceeds of which will be loaned to the Black Ensemble Theater Corporation, an Illinois not for profit corporation.

Attorney Cainkar said the public hearing is being conducted on the proposed issuance by the City of Burbank, of not to exceed \$5,175,000 in Cultural Facility Revenue Bonds (the Black Ensemble Theater Cultural Center Project) Series 2014. Proceeds of the bond will be loaned to the Black Ensemble Theater Corporation to repay a loan made to it for the purpose of financing a portion of the cost and acquisition and construction of a 49,069 square feet theater and cultural center owned and operated known as the Black Ensemble Cultural center (consisting of 20,171 square feet of newly constructed space and 28.898 square feet of renovated space) located at 4450 North Clark street, Chicago, Illinois together with related parking and other facilities, to pay or reimburse for certain additional capital expenditures, paid with respect to the project and to pay cost of issuance. The bond would not constitute an indebtedness of the City of Burbank within the meaning of any provision of the Constitution or statues of the state of Illinois or a pledge of faith and credit on the City of Burbank or grant to the owners thereof any right to have the City of Burbank levy any taxes or appropriate any funds for the payment of the principal thereof or interest thereon. The bonds will be payable solely out of the revenues and other funds pledged for their payment in accordance with the loan agreement under which the bond is to be issued.

The notice of the Public hearing was published on January 2, 2014 in the Burbank Stickney Independent, a newspaper of general circulation in Burbank. All persons interested in expressing their views either for or against such bonds for the financing and refinancing of the project could speak now. Attorney Cainkar asked if anyone wished to speak at that time. He then said let the records reflect that no one wished to speak. He then asked the City Clerk if any written statements were filed with the City. Clerk Roach replied they were not. Attorney Cainkar said as a matter of information the City receives a fee of approximately \$26,000 for this loan and there is no liability on the part of the City, but they pay the City either \$25,000 or \$26,000.00. Mayor Klein said let the records reflect that the public hearing was held according to law.

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DEPT. OF PUBLIC WORKS

Alderman Foy made the motion seconded by Alderman Szymczak that the following ordinances are special service areas:

Ordinanaces 4-1-14 – 17-1-14

Special Service Areas #37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44 45, 49, 50, 51, 52 and 53

A roll call vote indicated 7 Ayes and 0 Nays. The Chair declared the motion carried. Voting Aye: Alderman Foy, Szymczak, Grider, Looney, Pacella, Piznarski and Pyle.

DEPT. OF FINANCE

Alderman Grider made the motion seconded by Alderman Pyle to approve Ordinance No. 18-1-14 authorizing the issuance and sale by the City of Burbank, Cook County, Illinois of its not to exceed \$5,175,000 Cultural Facility Revenue Bond (The Black Ensemble Theatre Cultural Center Project), Series 2014, for the purpose of financing and refinancing costs of a portion of the costs of acquisition and construction of the Black Ensemble Theater Cultural Center owned and operated by the Black Ensemble Theater Corporation, authorizing the execution and delivery of a Bond and loan agreement under which the bond will be issued and sold to JP Morgan Chase Bank, N.A. and the proceeds of the **Bond will be loaned to the Black Ensemble Theater Corporation;** approving certain other agreements; and related matters. A roll call vote indicated 7 Ayes and 0 Nays. The Chair declared the motion carried. Voting Aye: Alderman Looney, Pacella, Pyle, Szymczak, Foy, Piznarski and Grider.

DEPT. OF PUBLIC SAFETY

Alderman Foy made the motion seconded by Alderman Piznarski to appoint Lieutenant Mark Meli to the rank of **Battalion Chief**, to fill the vacancy created by the retirement of Battalion Chief John Seper. A roll call vote indicated 7 Ayes and 0 Nays. The Chair declared the motion carried. Voting Aye: Alderman Szymczak, Looney, Pacella, Foy, Pyle, Grider and Piznarski.

Mayor Klein asked Lieutenant Mark Meli to come forward and he said that Mark has been previously sworn in as an officer of the Fire department and he said he is privileged to pin his new badge on him. Everyone in the audience applauded and the Mayor read a short bio on him:

Mark Meli is being appointed to the rank of Battalion Chief to fill the vacancy created by the retirement of Battalion Chief John Seper.

Mark began his career with the Burbank Fire Department In May of 1983 as a firefighter/paramedic Mark worked his way through the ranks being promoted to the rank of Engineer in January of 1994 and then Lieutenant in August of 2005. Mark holds an Associate's degree in Fire Science in addition to a number of certifications including Fire Officer II through the Office of the State Fire Marshal. Mark and his family are long time residents of Burbank.

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ZONING DEPT.

Alderman Foy made the motion seconded by Alderman Pacella to authorize the attorney to prepare an ordinance for Item #13-12-1 John Courtney, 8406 Mayfield, Burbank, Il. Approved by Zoning. A roll call vote indicated 7 Ayes and 0 Nays. The Chair declared the motion carried. Voting Aye: Alderman Pyle, Piznarski, Foy, Grider, Looney, Szymczak and Pacella.

Alderman Foy said the second item he wanted to give some input on was the rental housing agreements to prevent crime. He said he met with the Building Commissioner and he is going to come up with 20 names per week and he met with Joe Cainkar and he got the forms from him.

DEPT. OF ADMINIS-TRATION

Mayor Klein then invited the Reavis students to come up front after the meeting is adjourned and have their government class papers signed. He told them that anyone at the front table or the Council table could sign them. He thanked everyone for coming.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

There being no further business to be brought before the City Council, the Chair asked for a motion to adjourn. The motion was made by Alderman Szymczak seconded by Alderman Foy to adjourn was agreed upon by voice vote and so declared by the Chair.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

PATRICIA E ROACH, CITY CLERK

APPROVED