
PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE TOWN OF CICERO

The Board of Trustees of the Town of Cicero met Tuesday, June 28, 2022 at 10:15 A.M., in the Town Hall Council Chambers, Town of Cicero.

On roll call there were present:

President: Dominick
Clerk: Punzo-Arias
Trustees: Cava, Garcia, Porod, Reitz, Vargas, Virruso.
Absent: Trustee Cundari - Excused

Thereupon, President Dominick declared a quorum present and the meeting duly convened and requested that all present in attendance stand and join in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

On motion of Trustee Porod seconded by Trustee Vargas, the minutes of the Regular Meeting held Tuesday, June 14, 2022 at 10:00 o'clock A.M., were approved, the reading being dispensed with, each member having received a copy.

APPROVAL OF BILLS

(89-22)

On motion of Trustee Virruso seconded by Trustee Garcia, the list of bills itemized in Warrant #12, dated June 23, 2022, in the total amount of \$2,189,931.86, the list of manual checks dated June 10 thru June 24, in the total amount of \$4,472.23, and the list of online payments dated June 11 thru June 23, in the total amount of \$0.00, were accepted, placed on file and approved for payment; action taken by the following vote:

Ayes: Cava, Garcia, Porod, Reitz, Vargas, Virruso.

Nays: None.

(90-22)

On motion of Trustee Garcia seconded by Trustee Cava, payroll (*Estimated Corporate \$1,610,053.27 & Library \$26,297.31*) was approved for the active employees listed on the printout dated 06-23-22; action taken by the following vote:

Ayes: Cava, Garcia, Porod, Reitz, Vargas, Virruso.
Nays: None.

(91-22)

By Trustee Vargas:

RESOLVED, that the list of medical claims and the stop loss insurance policy premium for the month of May/2022, prepared by Blue Cross & Blue Shield of Illinois, in the total amount of \$1,165,202.74, be accepted, placed on file and approved for payment.

Which was on motion of Trustee Vargas seconded by Trustee Virruso, approved by the following vote:

Ayes: Cava, Garcia, Porod, Reitz, Vargas, Virruso.
Nays: None.

(92-22)

By Trustee Virruso:

RESOLVED, that the list of HMO medical claims insurance policy premium for the month of July/2022, prepared by Blue Cross & Blue Shield of Illinois, in the total amount of \$37,934.72, be accepted, placed on file and approved for payment.

Which was on motion of Trustee Virruso seconded by Trustee Cava, approved by the following vote:

Ayes: Cava, Garcia, Porod, Reitz, Vargas, Virruso.
Nays: None.

(93-22)

By Trustee Vargas:

RESOLVED, that the life and accidental death & dismemberment insurance premium for the month of July/2022, prepared by Blue Cross & Blue Shield of Illinois, in the total amount of \$6,466.28, be accepted, placed on file and approved for payment.

Which was on motion of Trustee Vargas seconded by Trustee Garcia, approved by the following vote:

Ayes: Cava, Garcia, Porod, Reitz, Vargas, Virruso.
Nays: None.

(94-22)

By Trustee Virruso:

RESOLVED, that the Town of Cicero Animal Shelter personnel health insurance premium for the month of June/2022, prepared by Local 705 I.B.T. Health & Welfare and Pension Fund, in the total amount of \$11,232.00, be accepted, placed on file and approved for payment.

Which was on motion of Trustee Virruso seconded by Trustee Cava, approved by the following vote:

Ayes: Cava, Garcia, Porod, Reitz, Vargas, Virruso.

Nays: None.

BLOCK PARTY PERMITS

(95-22)

On motion of Trustee Porod seconded by Trustee Vargas, permission was granted the residents in the 3600 block of 55th Avenue to conduct a block party on July 9, contingent upon compliance of all town ordinances; action taken by the following vote:

Ayes: Cava, Garcia, Porod, Reitz, Vargas, Virruso.

Nays: None.

(96-22)

On motion of Trustee Porod seconded by Trustee Vargas, permission was granted the residents in the 3700 block of 61st Court to conduct a block party on July 16, contingent upon compliance of all town ordinances; action taken by the following vote:

Ayes: Cava, Garcia, Porod, Reitz, Vargas, Virruso.

Nays: None.

PERMIT

(97-22)

On motion of Trustee Garcia seconded by Trustee Vargas, permission was granted Erie Neighborhood House to set up a table to provide information of their services at the Town of Cicero Municipal Complex every Monday through Thursday from 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM and 4:00 PM to 6:00 PM.

(98-22)

On motion of Trustee Vargas seconded by Trustee Cava, permission was granted Inner City to close 23rd Place from 51st Avenue to Laramie Avenue for their 2nd Annual Back to School Bash event on Monday, August 8th from 10:00 AM to 8:00 PM.

(99-22)

On motion of Trustee Vargas seconded by Trustee Cava, permission was granted Mary, Queen of Heaven Parish to conduct their 2022 Annual Parish Summer Festival, which includes blocking of streets surrounding the church (53rd Avenue between 24th Street and 25th Street (up to alley) and all of 24th Place between 53rd Avenue & 54th Avenue) as follows:

Starting:	Wednesday	August 10 th	3:00 PM	to	10:00 PM
	Thursday	August 11 th	3:00 PM	to	10:00 PM
	Friday	August 12 th	3:00 PM	to	11:00 PM
	Saturday	August 13 th	12:00 PM	to	11:00 PM
Ending:	Sunday	August 14 th	9:00 AM	to	10:00 PM

(All festival activities will stop and close by 10PM; streets will remain close until Midnight for shutting down and clean up only.)

(100-22)

On motion of Trustee Vargas seconded by Trustee Porod, permission was granted the Salvation Army to conduct their annual Red Kettle Campaign from November 1st thru December 24th (Monday thru Saturday) at various locations.

(101-22)

On motion of Trustee Vargas seconded by Trustee Garcia, permission was granted the Office of 24th District State Representative Elizabeth “Lisa” Hernandez to host a Shred Day in the “EL” Strip parking lot located behind 2137 S. Lombard Avenue on Saturday, July 19th from 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM (Noon).

ORDINANCES

(“O” 34-22)

On motion of Trustee Virruso seconded by Trustee Porod, the Ordinance granting a sign variance for the operation of a Midwest Express Clinic at 3314 S. Cicero Avenue was accepted, placed on file and approved for passage by the following vote:

Ayes: Cava, Garcia, Porod, Reitz, Vargas, Virruso.

Nays: None.

(“O” 35-22)

On motion of Trustee Cava seconded by Trustee Vargas, the Ordinance granting a sign variance for the operation of an existing “Mr. Submarine” projecting sign to remain at 5632 W. Cermak Road was accepted, placed on file and approved for passage by the following vote:

Ayes: Cava, Garcia, Porod, Reitz, Vargas, Virruso.

Nays: None.

(“O” 36-22)

On motion of Trustee Virruso seconded by Trustee Porod, the Ordinance approving a plat of subdivision for 4700 W. 19th Street was accepted, placed on file and approved for passage by the following vote:

Ayes: Cava, Garcia, Porod, Reitz, Vargas, Virruso.

Nays: None.

RESOLUTIONS

(“R” 75-22)

On motion of Trustee Garcia seconded by Trustee Porod, the Resolution authorizing a certain advisory referendum to be placed on the ballot to be voted on at the General Primary Election to be held on November 8, 2022:

<p>“Shall ballots cast for write-in candidates for President, Clerk, Supervisor, Assessor, Collector, and Trustees of the Town of Cicero be counted at the Town’s Nonpartisan Primary Elections subject to the specifications detailed herein?”</p>	<p>Yes/No</p>
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was accepted, placed on file and approved for adoption by the following vote:

Ayes: Cava, Garcia, Porod, Reitz, Vargas, Virruso.

Nays: None.

(“R” 76-22)

On motion of Trustee Virruso seconded by Trustee Vargas, the Resolution authorizing a certain advisory referendum to be placed on the ballot to be voted on at the General Primary Election to be held on November 8, 2022:

“Shall the Cook County State’s Attorney be required to press and prosecute charges where firearms are used or discharged during the commission of an alleged crime, including felonies and misdemeanors?”	Yes/No
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was accepted, placed on file and approved for adoption by the following vote:

Ayes: Cava, Garcia, Porod, Reitz, Vargas, Virruso.

Nays: None.

(“R” 77-22)

On motion of Trustee Garcia seconded by Trustee Vargas, the Resolution authorizing a certain advisory referendum to be placed on the ballot to be voted on at the General Primary Election to be held on November 8, 2022:

“Shall the closing hours of businesses holding a liquor license be moved up one hour where the new closing time shall be 1:00 AM on Mondays (Sunday night into Monday morning) through Fridays (Thursday night into Friday morning) and 2:00 AM on Saturdays (Friday night into	Yes/No
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<p>Saturday morning) and Sundays (Saturday night into Sunday morning), with all patrons needing to leave the premises no more than fifteen (15) minutes after closing, except that these new sale hours will not apply to businesses where the gross receipts for the sale of alcoholic liquor account for less than fifty percent (50%) of the total gross receipts or where the specific license classification dictates hours of operation different than those stated in this question?"</p>	
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was accepted, placed on file and approved for adoption by the following vote:

Ayes: Cava, Garcia, Porod, Reitz, Vargas, Virruso.

Nays: None.

("R" 78-22)

On motion of Trustee Virruso seconded by Trustee Vargas, the Resolution ratifying an invoice from Klandestino Entertainment Inc. and authorizing the Town President to enter into agreements with Klandestino Entertainment Inc. to provide services to the Town (*Entertainment, refreshments and equipment rentals for the Cinco de Mayo Fest 2022 (May 5 thru May 8), Cicero Fest 2022 (June 30 thru July 3), Houby Fest 2022 (October 7 thru October 9) and Mexican Independence Festival (September 15 thru September 18, 2022)*), was accepted, placed on file and approved for adoption by the following vote:

Ayes: Cava, Garcia, Porod, Reitz, Vargas, Virruso.

Nays: None.

("R" 79-22)

On motion of Trustee Cava seconded by Trustee Vargas, the Resolution authorizing and approving certain invoices from ADB Entertainment, Inc. for services provided to the Town (*Equipment and tent rentals for the Cinco de Mayo Fest 2022 (May 5 thru May 8)*), was accepted, placed on file and approved for adoption by the following vote:

Ayes: Cava, Garcia, Porod, Reitz, Vargas, Virruso.

Nays: None.

(“R” 80-22)

On motion of Trustee Virruso seconded by Trustee Garcia, the Resolution authorizing and approving the purchase of the Town of Cicero’s workers’ compensation insurance policy with Safety National Casualty Corporation was accepted, placed on file and approved for adoption by the following vote:

Ayes: Cava, Garcia, Porod, Reitz, Vargas, Virruso.

Nays: None.

(“R” 81-22)

On motion of Trustee Porod seconded by Trustee Garcia, the Resolution authorizing and approving the purchase of a vacant property and liability insurance policies with Illinois Counties Risk Management Trust for the Town, was accepted, placed on file and approved for adoption by the following vote:

Ayes: Cava, Garcia, Porod, Reitz, Vargas, Virruso.

Nays: None.

(“R” 82-22)

On motion of Trustee Virruso seconded by Trustee Vargas, the Resolution authorizing and approving the purchase of the Town of Cicero’s special events insurance policies with Lloyd’s of London – General Liability and National Specialty Insurance Company – Dram Shop Insurance, was accepted, placed on file and approved for adoption by the following vote:

Ayes: Cava, Garcia, Porod, Reitz, Vargas, Virruso.

Nays: None.

(“R” 83-22)

On motion of Trustee Garcia seconded by Trustee Cava, the Resolution authorizing and approving a certain proposal from EHMS Mechanical Services, All Mechanical Industries, Inc. for services provided to the Town (*Repairs to the Municipal Complex Council Chambers Compressor Replacement in the total amount of \$21,860.00*), was accepted, placed on file and approved for adoption by the following vote:

Ayes: Cava, Garcia, Porod, Reitz, Vargas, Virruso.

Nays: None.

President Dominick opened the meeting to the public for their comments.

Resident Jose Villarreal expressed concerns with tinted windshields, windows, and many damaged plates, making it hard to read the numbers on the vehicle plates.

On motion of Trustee Virruso seconded by Trustee Vargas, the board then stood adjourned at 10:18 A.M. to meet on Tuesday, July 12, 2022 at 10:00 A.M., in the Town Hall, Town of Cicero.

MARIA A. PUNZO-ARIAS, TOWN CLERK