

A WORK SESSION WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:00 P.M. BY CLERK RAGONA FOR THE PURPOSE OF REVIEWING ITEMS ON THE NOVEMBER 4, 2024 AGENDA WITH THE CITY COUNCIL. THE WORK SESSION ADJOURNED AT 7:10 P.M.

Minutes of the Regular Meeting

of the City Council of the

CITY OF DARIEN

NOVEMBER 4, 2024

7:30 P.M.

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

The regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Darien was called to order at 7:30 P.M. by Clerk Ragona.

2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Clerk Ragona led the Council and audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. **ROLL CALL** — The Roll Call of Aldermen by Clerk Ragona was as follows:

Present:	Thomas J. Belczak	Ted V. Schauer
	Eric K. Gustafson	Ralph Stompanato
	Joseph A. Kenny	Mary Coyle Sullivan
	Gerry Leganski	

Absent: None

Also in Attendance: JoAnne E. Ragona, City Clerk
Michael J. Coren, City Treasurer
Gregory Thomas, Police Chief
Daniel Gombac, Director of Municipal Services

4. **DECLARATION OF A QUORUM** – There being seven aldermen present, Clerk Ragona declared a quorum.

ELECTION OF MAYOR PRO-TEM

Due to the absence of Mayor Marchese, Clerk Ragona asked Council for nominations for Mayor Pro-Tem.

It was motioned by Alderwoman Sullivan and seconded by Alderman Stompanato to appoint Alderman Kenny as Mayor Pro-Tem. There being no other nominations, she closed the election and called for the question.

Roll Call: Ayes: Belczak, Gustafson, Kenny, Leganski, Schauer, Stompanato, Sullivan

Nays: None

Absent: None

Results: Ayes 7, Nays 0, Absent 0

MOTION DULY CARRIED

5. **QUESTIONS, COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS – GENERAL**

Dave Kaduk, 67th Street, voiced his concerns with speeding on 67th Street. He inquired about improvements to resolve the issue. He noted the light on 67th Street & Clarendon Hills Road has had no impact on 67th Street speeding; bollards have slowed down traffic. Alderman Belczak commented on alternate options. Director Gombac will review traffic study from radar signs and provide an update. He stated a stop sign at 67th Street & Wilmette is unwarranted.

6. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – October 21, 2024

It was moved by Alderman Schauer and seconded by Alderman Leganski to approve the minutes of the City Council Meeting of October 21, 2024.

Roll Call: Ayes: Belczak, Gustafson, Kenny, Leganski, Schauer, Stompanato, Sullivan

Nays: None

Absent: None

Results: Ayes 7, Nays 0, Absent 0

MOTION DULY CARRIED

7. **RECEIVING OF COMMUNICATIONS**

Alderman Sullivan received communication regarding the STOP work action by IDOT along North & South Frontage Roads between Cass Avenue & Clarendon Hills Road, which has an anticipated completion date of spring 2025. Director Gombac is awaiting response from IDOT to his communication; Senator Curran and State Representative La Ha have also been contacted. Director Gombac commented on issues including gas main and fiber optic cable. He addressed Council questions.

8. **MAYORS REPORT**

There was no report.

9. **CITY CLERK'S REPORT**

Clerk Ragona announced candidate petitions paperwork for Alderman in Wards 1, 3, 5, and 7 will be accepted from Tuesday, November 12, 2024 at 8:30 A.M. through Monday, November 18, 2024 at 5:00 P.M.

10. **CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT**

There was no report.

11. **DEPARTMENT HEAD INFORMATION/QUESTIONS**

A. POLICE DEPARTMENT – NO REPORT

B. MUNICIPAL SERVICES – NO REPORT

Alderman Sullivan voiced her concerns with the unsightly donations dropped off at Salvation Army Thrift Store (old CVS location), which is scheduled to open November 14. Situation continues to reoccur after removal of initial items. Council discussion ensued. Director Gombac commented on plans to keep the dumping from becoming a habitual issue.

12. **TREASURER'S REPORT**

A. WARRANT NUMBER 24-25-13

It was moved by Alderman Sullivan and seconded by Alderman Stompanato to approve payment of Warrant Number 24-25-13 in the amount of \$715,658.44 from the enumerated funds, and \$319,804.06 from payroll funds for the period ending 10/31/24 for a total to be approved of \$1,035,462.50.

Roll Call: Ayes: Belczak, Gustafson, Kenny, Leganski, Schauer, Stompanato, Sullivan

Nays: None

Absent: None

Results: Ayes 7, Nays 0, Absent 0

MOTION DULY CARRIED

B. MONTHLY REPORT – SEPTEMBER 2024

Treasurer Coren reviewed year-to-date sources of revenue, expenditures, and fund balances through the month of September 2024.

General Fund: Revenue \$9,874,467; Expenditures \$8,362,350; Current Balance \$8,492,341

Water & Water Depreciation Funds: Revenue \$2,355,010; Expenditures \$2,863,269; Current Balance \$3,217,704

Motor Fuel Tax Fund: Revenue \$436,808; Expenditures \$1,773,434; Current Balance \$350,381

Capital Improvement Fund: Revenue \$346,220; Expenditures \$77,995; Current Balance \$17,289,679

13. **STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Administrative/Finance Committee – Chairwoman Sullivan announced the Administrative/Finance Committee meeting is scheduled for December 2, 2024 at 6:00 P.M. She noted Committee-of-the-Whole Goal Setting will be held on November 20, 2024 at 6:30 P.M. in the Police Department Training Room.

Municipal Services Committee – Chairman Belczak announced the Municipal Services Committee meeting is scheduled for November 25, 2024 at 6:00 P.M.

Police Committee – Chairman Kenny announced the Police Committee meeting is scheduled for November 18, 2024 in the Police Department Training Room.

Police Pension Board – Liaison Coren announced the Police Pension Board quarterly meeting is scheduled for Thursday, November 7, 2024 at 6:00 P.M. in the Police Department Training Room.

14. **QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS – AGENDA RELATED**

There were none.

15. **OLD BUSINESS**

There was no Old Business.

16. **CONSENT AGENDA**

It was moved by Alderman Belczak and seconded by Alderwoman Sullivan to approve by Omnibus Vote the following items on the Consent Agenda:

A. ORDINANCE NO. O-22-24 **AN ORDINANCE ANNEXING CERTAIN PROPERTY TO THE CITY OF DARIEN IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 7-1-9 OF THE ILLINOIS MUNICIPAL CODE**

B. RESOLUTION NO. R-85-24 **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXTENSION OF A PROPOSAL FROM JC LANDSCAPING & TREE SERVICES, INC., AT THE PROPOSED SCHEDULE OF PRICES FOR THE REAR YARD DRAINAGE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM FOR THE PERIOD OF MAY 1, 2025 THROUGH APRIL 30, 2026**

C. RESOLUTION NO. R-86-24 **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXTENSION OF A PROPOSAL FROM ROUTE 66 ASPHALT COMPANY FOR BITUMINOUS PRODUCTS AS REQUIRED FOR VARIOUS PUBLIC WORKS PROJECTS AT THE SPECIFIED UNIT PRICING FOR THE PERIOD OF MAY 1, 2025 THROUGH APRIL 30, 2026**

D. RESOLUTION NO. R-87-24 **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXTENSION OF A PROPOSAL FROM VULCAN CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS, LLC, FOR THE PURCHASE AND DELIVERY OF STONE FOR PUBLIC WORKS PROJECTS FOR A PERIOD OF MAY 1, 2025 THROUGH APRIL 30, 2026**

E. RESOLUTION NO. R-88-24 **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXTENSION OF A PROPOSAL FROM VULCAN CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS, LLC, FOR THE PURCHASE AND PICK UP OF STONE FOR VARIOUS PUBLIC WORKS PROJECTS AT THE**

**PROPOSED UNIT OF PRICES FOR A PERIOD OF
MAY 1, 2025 THROUGH APRIL 30, 2026**

- F. RESOLUTION NO. R-89-24** **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXTENSION OF A PROPOSAL FROM M & J ASPHALT PAVING COMPANY, INC., FOR THE REMOVAL AND REPLACEMENT OF BITUMINOUS APRONS AND ROAD PATCHES AT THE PROPOSED UNIT PRICING AS REQUIRED FOR VARIOUS PUBLIC WORKS PROJECTS FOR A PERIOD OF MAY 1, 2025 THROUGH APRIL 30, 2026**

- G. RESOLUTION NO. R-90-24** **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXTENSION OF A PROPOSAL FROM 119TH ST MATERIALS FOR TIPPING AND TRANSFER FEES AT THE PROPOSED UNIT PRICES FOR CERTAIN GENERATED WASTE FROM VARIOUS PUBLIC WORKS PROJECTS FOR THE PERIOD OF MAY 1, 2025 THROUGH APRIL 30, 2026**

- H. RESOLUTION NO. R-91-24** **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXTENSION OF A PROPOSAL FROM JC LANDSCAPING & TREE SERVICE AT THE SCHEDULE OF PRICES FOR THE DITCH LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE PROGRAM FOR THE PERIOD OF MAY 1, 2025 THROUGH APRIL 30, 2026**

- I. ORDINANCE NO. O-23-24** **AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF PERSONAL PROPERTY OWNED BY THE CITY OF DARIEN**

- J. RESOLUTION NO. R-92-24** **A RESOLUTION TO ENTER INTO AN ENGINEERING AGREEMENT WITH CHRISTOPHER B. BURKE ENGINEERING, LTD. FOR THE 2025 STREET MAINTENANCE PROGRAM BID BOOKLET IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$40,030.00**

- K. RESOLUTION NO. R-93-24** **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN ENGINEERING AGREEMENT WITH CHRISTOPHER B. BURKE ENGINEERING, LTD. FOR PAVEMENT CORING FOR THE PROPOSED 2025 STREET**

MAINTENANCE PROGRAM, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$7,800.00

L. RESOLUTION NO. R-94-24

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING TO PURCHASE AND DEPLOY A WEB-BASED PERMITTING SOFTWARE, FOR THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT-BUILDING AND PERMITTING AND PLANNING AND ZONING SERVICE PLATFORMS, WITH OPENGOV, INC., IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$32,069.25

M. RESOLUTION NO. R-95-24

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF BEET HEET LIQUID DEICER PRODUCT FROM K-TECH SPECIALTY COATINGS, INC., AT THE PROPOSED UNIT PRICES IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$62,000.00

N. RESOLUTION NO. R-96-24

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION OF ONE VARITECH 1,035 GALLON TANK FOR USE ON A 9-TON TRUCK FROM LINDCO EQUIPMENT SALES, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$21,861.00

O. RESOLUTION NO. R-97-24

A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE PROPOSAL SUBMITTED BY V & L MOLINA TRUCKING FOR TRUCKING SERVICES RELATING TO HAULING WASTE GENERATED FROM EXCAVATIONS EFFECTIVE NOVEMBER 5, 2024 THROUGH APRIL 30, 2026

Roll Call: Ayes: Belczak, Gustafson, Kenny, Leganski, Schauer, Stompanato, Sullivan

Nays: None

Absent: None

Results: Ayes 7, Nays 0, Absent 0

MOTION DULY CARRIED

17. **NEW BUSINESS**

There was no New Business.

18. **QUESTIONS, COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS – GENERAL**

Alderwoman Sullivan...

...noted correction to quarterly community calendar postcard: Darien Historical Society Annual Tree Lighting Ceremony will be held on November 17 (not December 8). Details and timing are available on City website under “Calendar” quick link.

...reminded all that Citizen of the Year applications became available November 1. She encouraged residents to nominate a worthy individual and to include their many attributes; deadline for submittal is January 6, 2025. The Citizen of the Year will be awarded in January followed by a celebratory dinner dance on Friday, February 28.

Mayor Pro-Tem Kenny noted Holiday Home Decorating Contest nominations are due December 2, with winners announced at the December 16 City Council Meeting.

19. **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the City Council, it was moved by Alderman Leganski and seconded by Alderman Schauer to adjourn the City Council meeting.

VIA VOICE VOTE – MOTION DULY CARRIED

The City Council meeting adjourned at 7:56 P.M.

Mayor

City Clerk

All supporting documentation and report originals of these minutes are on file in the Office of the City Clerk under File Number 11-04-24. Minutes of 11-04-24 CCM.