

**CITY OF MARKHAM REGULAR
COUNCIL MEETING
February 16, 2022**

Mayor, Roger Agpawa called the Regular Meeting of the Markham City Council to order at 7:11p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance. Prayer led by Ald. McDowell. Roll Call was taken by City Clerk, Leslie Trimuel.

ROLL CALL: ALDERMAN PRESENT Alderman Rondal Jones
Alderman William Barron
Alderman Wanda McDowell
Alderman Breanna Hampton

ALSO PRESENT: Attorney Steven Miller
Attorney Lauren M. DaValle
Treasurer – Belinda Richardson

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
February 2, 2022**

Motion to approve minutes of February 2, 2022, by Ald. McDowell, seconded by Ald. Barron
Call: 4 Yes/0 No/0 Absent-Motion Carried

AUTHORIZATION OF CLAIMS

Motion by Ald. Hampton-Houser, seconded by Ald. Barron, to adopt Authorization of Claims and Accounts Bill list, totaling \$428,146.67, with manual checks of \$3,204.00 for a grand total of \$431,350.67
Roll Call: 4 Yes/0 No/0 Absent-Motion Carried

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

MAYOR AGPAPWA

Under special presentations, there are none, but I'm going to ask the Council to give me a little room to try to address the public so we can carry business on tonight, because we have more than our usual crowd here tonight. Good evening, everyone, welcome. I want to try to address an item on our agenda tonight, that has brought many of you out. I wanted to try to get ahead of what is going on with the item that's on there, and obviously will give everyone an opportunity to express themselves but let me just say that I got a notice here today, that there will be no action taken on the existing ordinance. We'll see if that actually takes its course during the evening. We'd have to get to that and then the Alderman will have to take their position about the Ordinance. But let me say this about the action, you've obviously been heard. My office has been called; all the Council has been called. That's democracy at its best, that's how it should be. I just want to make sure that everybody understands that everybody's has a voice, and everybody's got reasonable rationale for what they see or what they want. We all up here represent this community, and when the majority of the Council says something, then that's just the way it goes. It doesn't matter what the mayor thinks or what he wants, if he has a point of view. But one thing for sure, most of the time I can say that the Council pretty much does go in line with what the mayor is thinking, or thought should be. That's why I got elected was to have a vision for the city in the direction it should go. That doesn't mean that there were extremes set about how far we go with liquor licenses in the city, that two o'clock is too long, maybe four o'clock would be better, or 12 is even better, it's all over the map of what it would be. It doesn't mean that we closed alcohol in the city of Markham on any venture. That was never it, but just as well as this room is full of people here this evening, there are another 13,000 people that may see different and they represent the wards just like I represent the community. Whatever that majority comes up to at the end of the day, whatever this community says it wants it doesn't matter. That's what will be voted upon and that's what

they'll respond to. At this point, the intention is for this Council to go to work over this issue and try to see where they want to land with it, this isn't the first time we've had that. I've got no problem with bars because I don't have one a formal one in my house but I'm not against it. But it'd be nice if we can equally have that as well. And certainly, I think that in some places, it's good if we have this kind of matter way ahead of time about what we're doing. You know, I would call this a Chamber of Commerce, well then use it, use it to talk to one another about the behavior of one another so we can conduct business properly and appropriate. We all have our opinions, and we should respect that, if I as the mayor say that we should be open to for that, I may have some other people that may not like that. But by the same token it needs to be respected because there are other people that think different and they have that right they live here, some of you do live here, some of you don't. Some of you have an interest for business and commercial, and that's fine and we respect that. I think we just need to certainly take it in stride and have some understanding and respect for one another. I was not disrespectful to anyone in this process, this is not the first time that I've had this issue come before me and that's just how it is, but listen, that's why this is democracy. We got people here that say well, Mayor, that's wonderful that you have that grandiose idea about your utopia of how you think it should be, but they'll vote it up, they'll vote down, let them do their job, and let me do mine, that's all we ask. If you speak tonight, I ask and I will demand that you're respectful. This council will not be disrespected nor the city if you do, I will put you out, I will ask you to leave. Some of the things that have happened, I'm correcting that. I have taken on administration that was way out of balance and way out of line. I've been tasked with trying to do that with this Council to straighten this community out, and we have done that. So, you know, it was important that I open it up, when should you choose to speak tonight, I think that you probably want to limit some of it because you don't want to undo if you got this far. Some you might want to be careful with that on how you handle these Aldermen because they have some pressure on them about how they have to not just deal with you, but their constituents. Be careful with that and be respectful of that, I am, I respect all of my colleagues here, I respect you enough to tell you tonight as the leader of the city, what's going on. So that's part of what I just wanted to mention what I would suggest typically under public session, we will have you sign if you want to speak when we get to public session tonight. We'll let you do that we have some business we need to take care of along the way. We know that will be in an Executive Session., but we're going have you to speak before if you have something to say. We'll try and keep you abreast of whatever the process is that we determine or decide about over the I would say the next 30 days or however long the Council decides they want. But let me make this clear, and I'm looking at a note, is that the mayor doesn't have the right for any bar, your bar or some other bar to go yank your license off the wall and close you, it just doesn't work that way. It's a process, so if you happen to be coming to the meeting, or somebody is coming to a meeting like this and it's for you, the same process will apply the same due process will be given, this doesn't work that way. We have issues that should be addressed, and the resources I can tell you that we've had to try to deal with these things, it's been a task in trying to put these in order. So, we were charged with trying to correct some of the things that got us here and we're working on that. But by the same token, we have to we have other measures that we can take as a Council. I don't think we want to go that way, let's talk about it, maybe we don't want to do that it might affect a lot of people, let's look at it different, so that's what's going on. But by the same token, that's an option that's available to the city should they choose it, But not where we're at, in the meantime, I can assure you that the thing that got us here is being dealt with and if it becomes you one day, it'll be dealt with the same way. I would recommend tonight that we get you to sign up if you want to speak tonight, you'll be allowed to do that. We only give an allotted time when that time comes, we should begin to that pretty quick, I'm just going to demand that you're respectful. Yes, we had planned a vote on it tonight, but I'm understanding that isn't what the pleasure is of the Council tonight, but you all can decide that when the attorney reads it off. To my left here is the City Council. I would recommend that you line up over there if you want to sign your name. If you're going to speak tonight, do that and we're going to carry on with business. And when we get to that portion, you all can do what you're going to do. Okay, thank you Council. I appreciate the latitude, to be able to deal with that.

CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT

Members of Council members of the public with respect to the city attorney's report, starting with a proposed resolution approving the extension and renewal of the Re-Proclamation and Declaration of a continued local state of emergency, within the City of Markham, and approving the Mayor's Determination Regarding Modifications to In-person Meetings in Response to the COVID-19 Pandemic, (February 16, 2022)

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ADOPT RESOLUTION

22-R-672

Motion by Ald. Barron, seconded by Ald. McDowell, to adopt Resolution 22-R-672

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE EXTENSION AND RENEWAL OF THE RE-PROCLAMATION AND DECLARATION OF A CONTINUED LOCAL STATE OF EMERGENCY WITHIN THE CITY OF MARKHAM AND APPROVING THE MAYOR'S DETERMINATION REGARDING MODIFICATIONS TO IN-PERSON MEETINGS IN RESPONSE TO THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC (February 16, 2022)

Roll Call: 4 Yes/0 No/0 Absent-Motion Carried

WAIVE READING OR ORDINANCE

Motion by Ald. Barron, seconded by Ald. McDowell, to waive reading of Ordinance

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 112.0 "LICENSE CLASSIFICATION, SALE HOURS, AND FEES", SECTION 112.023, "NUMBER OF LICENSES, AND SECTION 112.045, "UNLAWFUL HOURS OF OPERATION/SALE HOURS" OF CHAPTER 112, "ALCOHOLIC LIQUOR" OF TITLE Xi, "BUSINESS REGULATIONS," OF THE CODE OF MARKHAM TO DECREASE THE NUMBER OF AND LIQUOR SALE AND OPERATION HOURS FOR CLASS A LIQUOR LICENSES IN THE CITY OF MARKHAM, COOK COUNTY ILLINOIS

Roll Call: 4 Yes/0 No/0 Absent-Motion Carried

MOTION TO TABLE ORDINANCE

Motion by Ald. Barron, seconded by Ald. McDowell, to Table Ordinance

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 112.0 "LICENSE CLASSIFICATION, SALE HOURS, AND FEES", SECTION 112.023, "NUMBER OF LICENSES, AND SECTION 112.045, "UNLAWFUL HOURS OF OPERATION/SALE HOURS" OF CHAPTER 112, "ALCOHOLIC LIQUOR" OF TITLE Xi, "BUSINESS REGULATIONS," OF THE CODE OF MARKHAM TO DECREASE THE NUMBER OF AND LIQUOR SALE AND OPERATION HOURS FOR CLASS A LIQUOR LICENSES IN THE CITY OF MARKHAM, COOK COUNTY ILLINOIS

Roll Call: 3 Yes/1 No/0 Absent-Motion Carried

Questions:

Ald. Jones – For how long?

Ald. Barron – My reason for this to be tabled is I need more time to do some research. I've talked to many people in this room, and I'm researching some other options. I would like to see obviously, the only way that we can do this with the Council is we're going to have to do a one on one or meet privately but I think we, the City Council can come back to the mayor with the list of proposals on how we can deal with this matter without taking proposed actions proposed in this Ordinance. That's what I believe that I don't believe we can get it done in done two weeks. I think it'll be closer to the end of the month of March.

Ald. Jones - By doing that we still basically made it two o'clock?

Mayor Agpawa - Everything stays, nothing's changing.

Ald. Barron - And you know, and there's a problem that exists. I mean, for anybody that's here, there's problems that exist, but I don't know that we have explored every possibility or maybe changes. I've had several conversations with the mayor. I've had conversations with every member of the City Council, and I believe that we all feel the same that, you know, we can put our heads together and do some research and come back and work on a resolution or workout some kind of resolution to this to these problems.

Ald. Jones - I think there's one problem that exists.

Ald. Barron - I'm not going to identify one problem or several problems. I'm just going to say that, we need to look at this very hard before we propose any kind of drastic action.

Ald. Jones - Is there possibility that midnight change that's on the table.

Ald. Barron – That is not my stance of thinking.

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Mayor Agpawa - Any other questions? So, on the tabling, I just have a comment is that's what tabling is about to me it's about everybody again. Even the public is, I've stated when we opened, you have an opinion. You'd like you said you feel strong about, Ald. Barron feels the way he does. I'm all over it, I'm wherever we have to go with it. But I also think that I'm strong about the way I feel about being all over. So, we can go anywhere with it. And I think that that the point being made my point is I'm not to an extreme the word was used prohibition to say prohibition. Nobody's going to be doing that, but, you know, that's not the case. I mean, in its extreme opinion, and, you know, that's fine. I mean, it maybe you know, maybe 10 o'clock is prohibition, but we didn't say 10 o'clock, you know, we said that in the ordinance, it said 12 And there's other things that prohibition is no alcohol, you know, so that's what it means. But I just think that there's room for expression for everybody, I think that we all represent everybody. So, if you feel that there's only one way to do it. That's where is that where you're at, I don't feel there's one way to do it. I think there's a lot of ways to do. So that's, that's and that's my opinion. And that's not prohibition. Well, I mean, I think that this before we get to this point, I think that that's where I think this word came from. I don't just answer to the bars, and I don't just answer to the to the fast-food chains, I answer to the residents. I've talked with the bar owners before I've talked with all of them, and if I didn't support them, they would know that I call them and tell him I don't support them. I've supported all of them being open, I helped some of them, so that's not the issue. When other people in the community reach out and call and they say other things contrary to what just the bars want, that has to be listened to well, so there's residents that don't want certain things, whether it involves them or not. They just want it different, and it just so happens that it falls on them too, that's how they want it. I've heard that maybe you haven't heard that. Maybe your constituents have said that they'd like to see a different. Maybe they haven't, but I've heard all sides of it. So yeah, I understand that.

Ald. Jones - But I'm comfortable with two o'clock

Mayor Agpawa - I'm comfortable with listening to anything.

WAIVE READING OF ORDINANCE 22-O-2325

Motion by Ald. Barron, seconded by Ald. McDowell, to waive reading of Ordinance 22-O-2325

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 21-O-2305 AUTHORIZING THE HIRING OF LATERAL TRANSFER POLICE PATROL OFFICERS INTO THE MARKHAM POLICE DEPARTMENT

Roll Call: 4 Yes/0 No/0 Absent-Motion Carried

Discussion:

Ald. Barron – Ordinance 21-O-2305 had a sunset clause in there and things haven't worked out the way we wanted; we still need policeman. It's not just the city of Markham, it's all the communities around us less than a desirable job. So, all this ordinance is doing, is we're removing the sunset clause and provision are basically almost the same ordinance that we called before.

ADOPT ORDINANCE 22-O-2325

Motion by Ald. Barron, seconded by Ald. Jones, to adopt Ordinance 22-O-2325 amending Ordinance 21-O-2305

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 21-O-2305 AUTHORIZING THE HIRING OF LATERAL TRANSFER POLICE PATROL OFFICERS INTO THE MARKHAM POLICE DEPARTMENT

Roll Call: 4 Yes/0 No/0 Absent-Motion Carried

LITIGATION

We have litigation matter with respect to a case concerning final Settlement Release and Settlement Agreement, which is noted as case number 20 L 5494. This matter will be discussed in Executive Session.

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CLERK REPORT

No report

MAYOR'S REPORT

Just operationally, I have to say that we're on task, I think that we got through the snow pretty reasonable. I think that we're going to have another bit of a challenge again here with weather again this evening and going into tomorrow. Patience is always asked; I know that Public Works gets to everyone. I know that we really had good staff to really step up. I think I indicated that to you all, how they came in. Some people took them 45 minutes to get to work and they still came, and they didn't live far. They live in next town over; it took that long to get here. So, I really have to commend the employees for stepping up and I was definitely going to try and get to you all about really trying to address commending them about what they've been doing and definitely Public Works. We had the fire guys, a couple the fire chief and the assistant were plowing, you know, they are salaried employees. They get nothing extra to do it, but they stayed out there with the Public Works guys, equally with smaller plows to lend the hand and so you can't really ask for more and of course the other fire guys take care of their own buildings with their plow but it's good that we have that where they're working together and was good that we got people that will get up and come to work, we just can't ask for more with that. So operationally, things pretty status quo. For the sake of time, I just was going to just mention that. I am extremely still excited, I didn't get a chance to wear all of my African American garb like I wanted to this month, I'm pretty disappointed about that. I have actually was in a African American by African wedding, I should say years ago and I still have all my garb I wanted to wear. It came from Africa, I thought that it would have been nice to do that. Maybe I'll have to do it in March, or April. But either way, I'm glad to see all the things that we have displayed at our city to African Americans that have done so much. I'm proud myself to be part of some of that. I've worked with many of the people here of the Markham nite through the years with our first black mayor of the city, which is attorney Miller's dad worked with him for a number of years. I think that I got an opportunity to sit here probably by him being who he was, and I think that that really helped a lot of us. I think I'll go down here and just say Ald. Jones, Ald. Hampton. We're sitting here look down at Ald. McDowell we're sitting here on some other people's bootstraps, you know, we made it and even locally, Harold Murphy Miss Cannon. I worked with Pat Crawford, he was the first black chief and myself I was the first black fire chief. Nobody knew it. You have to talk to me long enough to find out because my standing joke that you have to ask who I am, but I have fun with it, and so that's a real blessing that we have some history here locally. We've got more than that, and I would like to do is really do is embrace more of our history in the community. We got a lot of people who have done a lot of things, and I'm working on talk to Finance Department that's going to talk with the Council about trying to do some things budget wise to for us to really work on archives in history in our community. Not just what has happened, abroad but what has happened here locally, and how we're able to archive it in the community to be proud of it. I have to say that I'm equally reasonably versed in white history or anybody else's history because I've been here that long. I've been here like Ald. Baron. Ald. Baron actually gave me my first job working with the CETA program until they fired me for chasing girls at the college or the school, but anyway, I just wanted to say all those things, because history is important, and that's what makes us all of us who we are in it's good that we have a month to reflect that we reflect we started the Hispanic Heritage later in the year. I know that we'll be doing some things I believe we'll be doing some this for Juneteenth because that's a national holiday in the state is recognized it so we'll be doing some things that way as well. We have a lot of things to be proud of in our community and in our city. And we're going to have some differences, but that's what makes us who we are and makes us better. We're supposed to have some differences, but we shouldn't fall out we should get right back at it and try and make each other stronger and better. That's the end of my report. Mr. Champion is not here to see me he's absent at a Bulls, he went down there to network. To invite and try to get more African American firemen and policemen. So, he's part of a group that's networking down there, that's called the Black Fire Brigade, if you look him up there on channel nine this month, and they're trying to induce more African Americans into the fold, if you will, and that's with me. You know, I mean, we want in our communities, a little bit more of what looks like us, and that is what it's all about, in many ways.

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ALD JONES

Good evening, and thank you all for coming out, I really appreciate you all, I hope you continue to be successful, and you all have lived and struggled to get your business up and running and I feel for your need to balance. Markham is doing a great job and the mayor is doing a great job to bring in Amazon and bring in different types of businesses. I believe that the club scene is also a vital element to that balance. I used to be young at one time and I understand the twenty-five and younger but I'm a bit older and sometimes I like to go out so go out and relax and listen to some nice jazz music and talk to friends like cheers commercials. I mean this for me is open to one's understanding. We have grant money coming for cameras running down 159th Street, and the cameras are for security because we value your safety, the police department doing a great job. We want to do that it's about not being in a daycare or a babysitter. Last but not least, Black History Month, I love what you're doing here far as the banners and signs, but I was thinking that I see in Tinley Park has something for the Veterans where they had things actually put them on the poles outside and the Crock family would pay for a banner that they can put up for Black History Month, maybe we can do some like that to get it outside. We can do things and for St. Patrick's Day, Hispanic Heritage Day.

ALD. BARRON

I share your sentiments for Public Works and all those city departments have done an excellent job. I think we had another lull coming, but I believe that will not be as severe. Given everything that's going on, I think I'll just pass on additional comments.

ALD. HAMPTON-HOUSER

Good evening, Mayor, Council, and members attending our meeting tonight. I'm just going to be short and brief just to elaborate just a little bit in reference to the concerns that we have right now with our with our bars. I appreciate you all so much for being patient with us, because again, we want to make sure that we make the right decision to move forward, and not jeopardize anyone else's business. You know, they say, one bad apple spoils the whole bunch really trying to make a change to that. Thank you for allowing us to table this so we can make sure we make the right decision to move forward for the betterment of the city and for the betterment of your businesses as well. I appreciate all the phone calls that I received, some were lengthy phone calls, trust me I do hear you and I do understand exactly what your position is. I've been in entrepreneurship for many years, unfortunately not in that category, but I do understand that's a livelihood we are trying to make sure that we make the correct decisions to make sure that you can survive, and then also the residents would be content as well. I appreciate you all for coming out for that, second, I know I've had quite a few water breaks in my ward, especially on one of our major streets on Laflin, and I just want to say to the residents that we definitely have been on top of that I've been out there speaking directly with them and let them know it's a water main break and we're going to make sure that we can rectify. We're in the process of getting grant monies to repair these streets and our pipelines, many times the reason why we have a lot of these main breaks not only because it's cold because we have trees in our community that should be in wood areas, but we are also trying to make sure that we rectify those as well. Also, I want to say kudos again to Public Works and to the fire department as well because they definitely were out there. They were doing a good job also be other contractors that were out there as well making sure that the senior citizens homes get plowed. Even though I received phone calls when we first got the snow, where's the plows? I explained that to the residents to just be patient and be a little bit more understanding. Last but not least, I want to say Black History Month, I think we really do take the opportunity to display Black History Month. Thank you, Ald. McDowell for heading that up, I think it is a beautiful job. We asked individuals to just come through and just look at all the different individuals on the podium, whatever and then and learn a little bit more about our history. I do agree with Ald. Jones in reference to us putting flags up because I know Hazel Crest has flags out. So if we can actually be diverse and do that for other cultures in our community, that would be an awesome thing.

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ALD. MCDOWELL

Good evening, Mayor, City Council and everyone, here tonight, I know you're here for different reasons, but I encourage people to take a little time to enjoy the black history display and learn about our American Black History. I hope all the residents enjoyed the Valentine gifts, they came from Mayor Roger Agpawa and our City Council It was a pleasure to be able to serve each one of you and I hope that we were able to spread some love to everyone.

MOTION TO OPEN FLOOR TO PUBLIC

Motion by Ald. Barron, seconded by Ald. McDowell to Open Floor to Public.

Roll Call: 4 Yes/0 No/0 Absent-Motion Carried

CLERK

Calls names of public listed below:

Cindy Valente

Good evening, thank you, I'm here since 2007 and yes, we've had issues with the bar before and we've been here for quite a while. We've been through a lot of different changes and a lot of different times that it's just been affecting our business. I think that we've run a good business, in your community we do not live here but we are not far. The people that come to our business. are local people, they are from the community even those that they moved away still come back to us. We have video gaming, we have pool tables, we have darts in and half the time we have a puzzle on our pool table so that people can come in and do that. But we had struggles with COVID and with the timing of being shut down, we just want to stay here you know for a couple more years, hopefully, and be a part of your community. I think we are not at issue; I would just like to say if you could just consider us as business owners. We've tried to make a business for ourselves, and really appreciate that. Thank you for listening to me.

Neil Valente

My name is Neil Valente and we've been here for 15 years. Quite a few of our people come to engage in conversation while the jukebox is playing in the background. We also have live music on the weekends. Blues, Motown stuff like that classic rock. We don't charge a cover charge; we're trying to do this for the community. Most of our customers live within two three miles of Markham. Property taxes don't go down our fees seem like the are constantly going up. If our hours get cut to midnight, that's 720 hours a year that we will not be making any money to help us pay \$20,000 plus property taxes, pretty sure we'll be out if the hours change. I understand the problems that you have and I just hope everything works out for everyone.

Earnest Sutton

Thank you, guys, for allowing us an opportunity to speak and tabling this decision for thirty days. The only answer that I have is that this has brought some of the bar owners closer together. In that regard, it would be good if we were involved in that process, if our opinions were heard, and we help with some of the ideas that we might be able to do to help everybody, none of us want any bad things happening and establishment. It would good to be a part of that process would be greatly appreciated. We think we can help you guys and help the Council in a partnership get to a point that is amendable for everybody.

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Pamela Mack

Good evening, Mayor, Council, I am here like everyone else because of what we thought was going to happen tonight and we are so grateful that this is tabled and giving us an opportunity to as Mr. Sutton said, we want to be a part of this. We want to be a part of you all coming up with a solution, because we don't live in the community doesn't mean we aren't about community. We are here in this community because we want to be here. We want to stay here and we want to thrive here, I agree with the Valente's about the taxes. We have to make sure that we all do our part to help offset the bad apples. The bad apples are not supposed to be with the good apples. The wheat is not supposed to be with the tare, it doesn't work that way. We are actually talking since this happened, I talked with Mr. Valente for the first time today. I spoke with all the alderman I spoke with Mr. Sutton, and I met with another bar owner who escapes me right now because I'm very nervous. We feel as if and we've been talking about task force doing something where we combine the municipality with the business owners, because it's not just about bad bars or restaurants that have A class license that it could be any bad business in Markham, they want to get rid of. So there has to be a process that we help to put in place because I don't want to be in the bad club. We need to separate ourselves from these people, and we have to do what we have to do, and we shouldn't be the ones that are collateral damage because of something that one or two people or businesses are doing. That's all I'm going to say because I can go on all day about this, I'm very passionate. Thank you so much.

Cornell Darden, Jr.

Good evening, Mr. Mayor, good evening, thank you for giving me an opportunity to speak. My name is Dr. Cornell Darden, Jr. President CEO of the Southland Black Chamber of Commerce with the largest Black Business Association in state of Illinois. I definitely want to commend you guys for handling the situation tonight. I think it was a great idea to table it, and we would like to be a part of the conversation. We've actually got about three or four new members, since we heard about what was going on, like Mr. Sutton mentioned, bought a lot of Markham together. I've met bar owners from bars and restaurants that I didn't even know exist. I think that the video that I saw on the news about what happened with the one bar was horrible. I think that it's definitely a conversation that as a community, we should have, even on a regional level. I know you're the head of the regional Black Mayors caucus, and I think coming up with some type of solution on a regional level would be a good idea, I think it'd be something that can heal some of the wounds in the community that happens at some of the bar, and also put something in place as a suggestion to all of our Southland community. Thank you.

Wallace Gator Bradley

A lot of people are leaving Chicago and they are coming to the Southland. But I'm so I'm glad that this body decided to table it to allow the business owners to be able to have input because it takes everyone to come to a compromise to make things better for your city. I think, no, I think they're gonna set precedents. We're all businesspeople, whatever it is, we have to come together to help the individuals that feel that they can come into a community and shoot up a community not care about the businesses and the people, because your concern is public safety, for constituents as well as the businesses. So you know, normally, I'll be speaking as adversary. I did know, you would find something to be right to let people know that what the concern was raised.

MOTION TO CLOSE FLOOR TO PUBLIC

Motion by Ald. McDowell, seconded by Ald. Barron to close Floor to Public.

Roll Call: 4 Yes/0 No/0 Absent-Motion Carried

Mayor Agpawa – Meeting is recessed for Executive session.

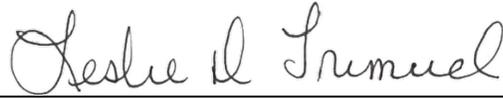
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ADJOURNMENT Motion by Ald. McDowell, seconded by Hampton-Houser to adjourn at 8:40p.m.
Roll Call: 4 Yes/0 No/ 0 Absent-Motion Carried

Submitted by:

DATED: February 16, 2022



Leslie Trimuel, City Clerk