WEST FRANKFORT SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 22ND, 2023

1. MAYOR ARVIEW CALLED THE SPECIAL MEETING TO ORDER AT 1:00 P.M. REQUESTING A ROLL CALL. ALL COMMISSIONERS, THE CITY ATTORNEY AND THE CITY CLERK WERE IN ATTENDANCE.

   THE MAYOR STATED PART OF THE OPEN MEETINGS ACT IS, WE ARE REQUIRED TO ALLOW PUBLIC COMMENTS FOR EVERY MEETING. HOWEVER, WE ARE LIMITING PUBLIC COMMENTS TO ONLY THE AGENDA ITEMS, WE WANT TO GET THROUGH THIS MEETING AND GET THESE ITEMS TAKING CARE OF.

2. APPROVAL OF A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH STARBUCKS CAFÉ FOR A COMMERCIAL BUILDING DEVELOPMENT PROJECT UTILIZING TAX INCREMENT FINANCING. COMMISSIONER HOWARD MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER WARREN. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR ARVIEW VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.

3. THE NEXT ITEM WAS AN EMERGENCY ITEM ADDED AFTER THE AGENDA WENT OUT. THE OPEN MEETINGS ACT ALSO INCLUDES LANGUAGE THAT DOES NOT PRECLUDE US TO CONSIDER ITEMS THAT MAY NOT HAVE MADE IT TO THE AGENDA IN CASE OF AN EMERGENCY, AND THIS IS ONE OF THOSE CASES. APPROVAL TO ACCEPT A PROPOSAL FOR COVERAGE FROM ARTHUR J. GALLAGHER & CO. OR IML RISK MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATION REGARDING INSURANCE FOR THE CITY OF WEST FRANKFORT, EFFECTIVE DECEMBER 1,2023 TO NOVEMBER 30, 2024, REGARDING PROPERTY, LIABILITY AND WORKERS COMPENSATION INSURANCE. THE MAYOR STATED OUR INSURANCE FOR OUR CITY WORKERS AND THE CITY IS EXPIRING BEOFRE NEXT COUNCIL MEETING SO WE ARE NEEDING TO GET THIS APPROVED. COMMISSONER HOWARD, OUR TREASURER, CITY CLERK AND MYSELF HAD A WEBINAR WITH GALLAGHER AND THEY EXPLAINED TO US THEIR RECOMMENDATIONS. COMMISSIONER HOWARD STATED THE COST OF THIS FOR 2023-2024 WOULD BE $591,692.00 THE EXPIRING PREMUIM FOR 2022-2023 WAS $622,429.00, FOR AN ACTUAL DECREASE OF $30,737.00 AND MORE COVERAGE. COMMISSIONER HOWARD MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED

BY COMMISSIONER WARREN. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR ARVIEW VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.

4. THE NEXT ITEM WAS APPROVAL TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS. THE MAYOR STATED WE WILL RETURN AND POSSIBLY HAVE SOME DECISIONS FOR AFTER WE COME OUT, IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO STAY UNTIL WE ARE FINISHED. AT 1:07 P.M. COMMISSIONER HARKINS MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER STANLEY. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR ARVIEW VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.

5. THE NEXT ITEM WAS APPROVAL OF A MOTION TO RETURN TO OPEN SESSION AT 2:01 P.M. COMMISSIONER HARKINS MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HOWARD. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR ARVIEW VOTED TO APPROVE. MOTION CARRIED.

6. THE NEXT ITEM WAS DISCUSSION, WITH POSSIBLE ACTION, OF A PROPOSED NEW COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY AND LABORERS LOCAL 773/ DISPATCHERS TO COVER THE PERIOD OF MARCH 1, 2023 THROUGH FEBRUARY 28,2026. MAYOR ARVIEW MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HOWARD. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR ARVIEW VOTED TO APPROVE. THE CITY ATTORNEY STATED THE COUNCIL DIDN'T KNOW WHAT THEY WERE VOTING ON. RHETT BARKEY STATED THEY WILL NEED TO MAKE A MOTION TO RECONSIDER AND REVOTE BASED ON THE MOTION TO RECONSIDER. COMMISSIONER HOWARD MADE A MOTION TO RECONSIDER THE VOTE THAT WAS ALREADY TAKEN SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER WARREN ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR ARVIEW VOTED TO APPROVE. THE MAYOR MADE A MOTION TO RENEW THE MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HOWARD. THE MAYOR STATED NOW WE WILL HAVE A DISSCUSSION, THERE ARE SOME ISSUES THAT WERE BROUGHT UP IN OUR EXECUTIVE SESSION THAT THE COMMISSIONERS WOULD LIKE TO BARGAIN. COMMISSIONER WARREN STATED WE WANT TO LOOK AT A COUPLE OF THINGS AND JUST CLARIFY THEM IS WHY WE WANT TO

GO BACK. THE MAYOR STATED A VOTE OF YES WOULD APPROVE THE CONTRACT AS IS, A VOTE OF NO WILL TAKE IT BACK TO THE BARGAINING TABLE. ROLL CALL VOTE: COMMISSIONER HOWARD AND MAYOR ARVIEW VOTED YES, COMMISSIONER WARREN, HARKINS, AND STANLEY VOTED NO. ITEM WAS TABLED

7. THE NEXT ITEM WAS DISCUSSION, WITH POSSIBLE ACTION, OF A PROPOSED NEW COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY AND ILLINOIS FOP LABOR COUNCIL/SWORN POLICE OFFICERS TO COVER THE PERIOD OF MARCH 1, 2023 THROUGH FEBRUARY 28,2026. THE MAYOR STATED THE COMMISSIONERS HAS SOME QUESTIONS THEY WOULD LIKE TO TAKE BACK TO THE BARGAINING TABLE. MAYOR ARIVIEW MADE A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HOWARD. ROLL CALL VOTE. MAYOR ARVIEW VOTED YES, ALL COMMISSONERS VOTED NO. ITEM WAS TABLED

8. THE NEXT ITEM WAS DISCUSSION, WITH POSSIBLE ACTION, OF A PROPOSED NEW COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY AND ILLINOIS FOP LABOR COUNCIL/CAPTAINS TO COVER THE PERIOD OF MARCH 1, 2023 THROUGH FEBRUARY 28,2026. THE MAYOR STATED THIS IS THE SAME DEAL THE COMMISSIONERS ARE WANTING TO GO BACK TO THE BARGAINING TABLE. MAYOR ARVIEW MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HOWARD. MAYOR ARVIEW VOTED YES; ALL COMMISSIONERS VOTED NO. ITEM WAS TABLED

9. PUBLIC COMMENTS/QUESTIONS:
   NO PUBLIC COMMENTS WERE MADE.

10. WITH NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO BE DISCUSSED, THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED ON A MOTION BY COMMISSIONER HARKINS AT 2:10 P.M. SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER WARREN.

MAYOR, TIM ARVIEW

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ANDREA BOLEN, CITY CLERK