

CITY OF VALPARAISO
SPECIAL MEETING/EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES
January 22, 2024

The City Commission met this date in a special session in the Commission Chambers. A quorum being present, the meeting was called to order at 5:00 PM with the following in attendance.

Mayor	:	Hubert B. Smith
Commissioners	:	Christine Wasdin
	:	Edward Crosby
	:	Clark (Tom) Browning, IV
City Clerk	:	Tammy Johnson
Police Chief	:	Joe Hart
City Attorney	:	Hayward Dykes
Public Works Director	:	Nathan Kelley (camera)

Others in attendance: Amber Rodriguez (Court Reporter)

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mayor Smith stated the City of Valparaiso will hold a special meeting in order to adjourn and meet in an executive session to discuss the pending litigation in Grand American Enterprises, Inc. v. City of Valparaiso and Watree Construction and Land Development, LLC case number 23-00084 and the meeting will be for last approximately 45 minutes. Mr. Dykes said when we come back to the open session we will need the commission to have a vote. For the record Comm. Hamilton is not in attendance. We will turn off the video and audio. Special Meeting moved to the executive session at 5:04 PM. Now we will ask for the room to be cleared other than those listed in the notice.

Executive
Session
Grand
American
v. City
and
Watree
Const.

SPECIAL MEETING

The special meeting was reconvened at 5:45 PM.

COMM. BROWNING MADE A MOTION TO ALLOW WATREE CONSTRUCTION TO WITHDRAW ITS BID ON 363 WASHINGTON AVE. AND RETURN THEIR DEPOSIT COMM. CROSBY SECOND THE MOTION. MOTION PASSED WITH A UNANIMOUS VOTE OF THE COMMISSION 4 TO 0.

ADJOURN

There being no further business to be brought before the Commission, the meeting adjourned at 6:48 PM.

Hubert B. Smith
Mayor

Catherine Hamilton
Chair, VCA

ATTEST:

Tammy Johnson, CMC
City Clerk

A recording of the January 22, 2024, Special Commission meeting will be kept on the City’s secure file server as a permanent part of these minutes.