

**CITY OF LIVONIA – CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES OF STUDY MEETING HELD JANUARY 19, 2022**

Meeting was called to order at 9:07 p.m. by President Jim Jolly. Present: Scott Bahr, Rob Donovic, Scott Morgan, Brandon McCullough, Kathleen McIntyre and President Jim Jolly. Absent: Vice President Laura Toy.

Elected and appointed officials present: Mark Taormina, Director of Planning and Economic Development; Todd Zilincik, City Engineer; Paul Bernier, City Attorney; Susan M. Nash, City Clerk, Dave Heavener, Fire Chief, Josh Sabo, Director of Community Resources, Doug Moore, Assistant Director of Public Works.

President Jolly announced that Laura Toy is not present and she regrets not being able to attend due to the advice of her doctors.

AUDIENCE COMMUNICATION: None

NEW BUSINESS

1. REQUEST FOR DESIGNATION AS A NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION: Josh Kirk, President, Athletika Warriors, re: as required by the State of Michigan to obtain a Charitable Gaming License to allow a raffle fundraiser in the future.

Josh Kirk, 32051 Washington, was present to explain he is a youth baseball coach of 12U baseball team and started the non-profit in 2020 and is now asking to be recognized as a non-profit to be able to trade their volunteer time at a casino for a portion of the proceeds that go back to the team.

Rob Donovic offered an approving resolution for the Consent Agenda.

DIRECTION:	APPROVING	CONSENT
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2. REQUEST TO BARRICADE CITY STREETS: Alyssa Choraszewski, St. Priscilla Catholic Church, re: on Saturday, May 21, 2022, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., beginning and ending at 19120 Purlingbrook, for a 5K run and 1.5K walk to benefit charity work of the parish.

Alyssa Choraszewski, 23217 Hawthorn Street, Farmington, was present to explain the route for the 5K run will be through the subdivision side streets. They do not plan to block any City streets and do not expect a huge turnout. She stated this is one of the ideas to raise funds for the charities that the church supports.

President Jolly asked if there will be people along the route to direct runners. Choraszewski replied that the parishioners will be there to help the runner and

walker traffic along the routes. President Jolly challenged others on Council to participate in the 5K. Councilmember Donovic agreed to participate.

Scott Bahr offered an approving resolution for the Consent Agenda.

DIRECTION: APPROVING CONSENT

3. REQUEST FOR AUTHORIZATION TO PURCHASE TWO (2) POWER LOAD AMBULANCE COT LOADING SYSTEMS: Livonia Fire Department, re: to be placed in frontline vehicles and improve worker and patient safety, from budgeted funds.

Dave Heavener, Fire Chief, presented the request to Council. Explained that the loading systems are installed in the floor of the ambulances in the back, extend out and attach to the stretchers to stabilize the patient and bring them back into the cot to limit exposure and wear and tear on the firefighters. The same equipment is currently on all of their frontline vehicles. Ordering them now avoids a 10% price increase.

Brandon McCullough offered an approving resolution for the Consent Agenda.

DIRECTION: APPROVING CONSENT

- AWARD OF BID: Departments of Parks and Recreation and Community Resources, re: for the printing of three issues of the City of Livonia's Connections Magazine for 2022, from budgeted funds.

Josh Sabo, Director of Community Resources, presented the request to Council. He explained the current vendor is intending to end their contract as a result of a significant material cost increases, which is the reason for bidding the project. The lowest bidder would be a cost savings of \$200 from the current contract. Councilmember McIntyre asked if the new vendor was considered the last time and that the current publisher is getting out of the business.

Sabo clarified that they are not getting out of the business, but their prices were now beyond what Council had approved.

McIntyre asked what he has heard about the combined magazine format. Sabo has not received much feedback but feels good at the direction of things. He is hoping to deliver a comprehensive look at services in the City, but also the ability to highlight things for the residents that might be of a particular interest and present them in a more accessible way.

Donovic asked about the paper quality; gloss-style or matte paper.

Sabo stated that it will continue to be like the current Connections magazine is with the front and back page being glossier and thin interior is a higher quality print than a newspaper, with full color.

Donovic asked if residents or businesses want to advertise if they can in this paper.

Sabo indicate that there are existing agreements that Parks and Recreation had had with at least one local business, but they are not looking for any additional advertising.

President Jim Jolly responded that he has received quite a bit of feedback. The first issue was disappointing with the clarity of some of the images and some of the printing. Hopefully, this can be avoided moving forward.

Sabo stated that they met with the vendor regarding that issue.

Kathleen McIntyre offered an approving resolution for the Consent Agenda.

DIRECTION: APPROVING CONSENT

5. AWARD OF BID: Public Service Division, re: for Aggregates (road gravel, slag and stone) for the City's 2022 calendar year requirements, from budgeted funds.

Doug Moore, Assistant Director of Public Works, presented the request to Council. He stated this is one of three housekeeping items that comes before Council every year. It was put on MITN in December and received three bidders and all bidders are noted in the information provided.

Rob Donovic offered an approving resolution for the Consent Agenda.

DIRECTION: APPROVING CONSENT

6. AWARD OF BID: Public Works Division, re: for Ready-Mix Concrete for the City's 2022 calendar year requirements, from budgeted funds.

Doug Moore, Assistant Director of Public Works, presented the request to Council. This is an annual item, and they were excited this year because they received two bidders when they usually have one. He is asking Council to approve both bids as a backup.

Scott Bahr offered an approving resolution for the Consent Agenda.

DIRECTION: APPROVING CONSENT

7. AWARD OF BID: Public Works Division, re: Water Main Repair Clamps for the City's 2022 calendar year requirements; from budgeted funds.

Doug Moore, Assistant Director of Public Works, presented the request to Council. He stated that this is the most important of the three items, as this is what fixes the water main breaks. He received two bidders and asked for approval on both to be able to use the second lowest bidder as a backup.

Scott Morgan offered an approving resolution for the Consent Agenda.

DIRECTION: APPROVING CONSENT

8. REQUEST TO APPROVE FINAL COST INFORMATION AND TO AUTHORIZE ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION AND EXPENDITURE: Engineering Division, re: for the 2021 Sidewalk Program - Contract 21-G (CR 84-21).

Todd Zilincik, City Engineer, presented the request to Council. He stated that it was a housekeeping issue brought to Council every year after the sidewalk repairs are completed by Rotundo Construction. They came in under budget, as the authorized amount was \$755,587.25 and the total cost was \$706,858.81. A lot of people had done the work themselves, which is why the reduction. The tree repairs were \$407,176.78. Over \$100,000 was spent to fix local roads to make sure they were ADA compliant. Water and sewer repairs, just under \$19,000. Two bills, one to AT&T and one to the City and Housing. He is asking approval for final numbers for auditing purposes and to complete and close out the contract.

Brandon McCullough offered an approving resolution for the Consent Agenda.

DIRECTION: APPROVING CONSENT

9. REQUEST FOR AUTHORIZATION TO PURCHASE ONE (1) 2022 FORD ESCAPE AND ONE (1) 2022 FORD F-250 PICK-UP TRUCK: Engineering Division, re: to replace vehicles assigned to the Engineering Division, from budgeted funds.

Todd Zilincik, City Engineer, presented the request to Council. He explained that this will be replacing vehicles. One was taken off the road for safety concerns, given to them by the Inspection Department. The second vehicle was used for snow plowing and also for helping DPW in the winter. Total cost will be \$77,026, using MIDeal and getting quotes back in December. This will complete the vehicles for the fleet for hopefully another ten years.

Scott Bahr clarified that the reason for the cost of two vehicles is due to the significant amount of upfitting of each vehicle. Zilincik agreed with this statement and clarification.

Scott Bahr offered an approving resolution for the Consent Agenda.

DIRECTION: APPROVING CONSENT

10. PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE LIVONIA CODE OF ORDINANCES, AS AMENDED: Planning and Economic Development Department, re: to amend Chapter 15.56 Section 035 (Permits and Inspection Fees), to add and revise Zoning Fees, including Zoning Board of Appeals Fees, Site Plan Review

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Application Fees, Waiver and Conditional Use Fees, Appeal to City Council Fee, and Zoning Amendment Fees, and to comport with Livonia Vision 21 Zoning Ordinance.

Mark Taormina, Planning and Economic Development Director, presented the request to Council. This will consolidate all of the fees associated with Planning, Land Development and Zoning under a single Chapter. This will comport with the new Zoning Ordinance. In most cases, the fees will remain unchanged, however, for the ZBA, the flat fee of \$450 would replace the previous fee schedule, ranging from \$150 to \$500, depending on the nature of the request. The proposed change will more accurately reflect the actual cost of Inspection and Law Departments involved in the Zoning Board cases. Placing all of the fees into a single section will be more consistent and easier to reference and locate.

Scott Bahr offered FIRST READ on the Regular Agenda.

DIRECTION:

FIRST READ

AUDIENCE COMMUNICATION: None

As there were no further questions or comments President Jolly adjourned the Study Session at 9:30 p.m. on Wednesday, January 19, 2022.

For the 1937th Regular Meeting of January 31, 2022

DATED: January 20, 2022

SUSAN M. NASH, CITY CLERK

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