MINUTES OF THE TWO THOUSAND FIFTEENTH REGULAR MEETING APRIL 28, 2025

On April 28, 2025, the above meeting was held at the City Hall, 33000 Civic Center Drive, Livonia, Michigan, and was called to order by the President of the Council at 7:00 p.m. Councilmember Toy led the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll was called with the following result: Laura Toy, Rob Donovic, Martha Ptashnik, Carrie Budzinski, Lynda Scheel, and Brandon McCullough. Absent: Scott Morgan.

Elected and appointed officials present: Carter Fisher, City Attorney; Lori L. Miller, City Clerk; Mark Taormina, Planning and Economic Development Director; Sara Kasprowicz, Program Supervisor of Council Office; and Todd Zilincik, City Engineer.

On a motion by Councilmember Scheel, supported by Vice President Ptashnik, and unanimously adopted, it was:

> **#114-25** RESOLVED, that the Minutes of the 2014th Regular Meeting of the Council held April 28, 2025 are approved as presented.

During Audience Communication, Steve King, 33950 Coventry, asked for clarification on the Council candidate nominating petitions. Secondly, stated it would be wise to keep the current economic state in mind at this time.

Nicole Reid, 43646 Lombardi, expressed her opinion on the importance of the Americans with Disabilities Act.

Laura Janika, Munger St., spoke about the repurposing of old buildings rather than destruction and rebuilding.

John Stomach, 11035 Berwick, asked for support from Council regarding the property at 11033 Berwick.

Christopher Martin, Livonia resident, advocated for the continuation of the three-minute rule during Audience Communication no matter the position of the speaker.

Sandra Rychlinski, 17698 Vacri Ln, inquired on the expenditure of the money granted from the Americans with Disabilities Act.

Ellen Dorman, 17211 Mayfield, addressed the senior housing near her home.

Vice President Ptashnik expressed frustration over the Berwick home and her personal involvement with it.

Councilmember Toy stated the importance of taking the senior living situation to the State.

Councilmember Donovic gave his thoughts and prayers to the Catholics regarding the passing of the Pope. Councilmember Donovic gave his thanks to the Department of Public Works and Engineering for their hard work regarding the lead water and sewer lines. Lastly, Councilmember Donovic expressed his opinion favoring the expedition of the Berwick home.

Councilmember Budzinski mentioned the master plan open house urging residents to give feedback. Councilmember Budzinski mentioned upcoming events including a Star Wars theme family night at the Wilson barn on May 4th; a coffee hour on Saturday, May 17th at Madonna University; a presentation regarding recycling on June 5th at the Civic Center Library; and the same presentation at June 13th at the Senior Center.

Councilmember Toy mentioned a women's connection event at Cardwell Florist on June 1st which will include a food truck.

President McCullough announced new data for Items #13 and #14.

On a motion by Councilmember Toy, supported by Vice President

Ptashnik, and unanimously adopted, it was:

#115-25 RESOLVED, that having considered a communication from the Fire Chief, dated April 1, 2025, which bears the signatures of the Director of Finance and the City Attorney, and is approved for submission by the Mayor, the Council does hereby authorize the purchase of one (1) 2027 or newer Life Line Type-1 Superliner Ambulance on a 2026 or newer Ford F-450 XLT chassis, from R & R Fire Truck, 295 Industrial Park Drive, Belleville, MI 48111 (Representative for Life Line Emergency Vehicles, 1 Lifeline Drive, PO Box 299, Sumner, IA 50674.), in an amount not to exceed $336,123.00, to replace a current frontline vehicle as part of the department's Capital Vehicle Replacement Program; FURTHER, an amount not to exceed $336,123.00 is hereby authorized to be expended from funds already budgeted for this purpose in Account No. 401-000-985-000; FURTHER, the Council does hereby authorize said purchase without competitive bidding inasmuch as the same is being purchased through the Houston-Galveston Area Council (HGAC-Buy) Cooperative Purchasing Consortium, under HGAC Contract: AM10-23/Product Code: NA06 Life Line Type-1 Superliner 171" Body, Ford F-450, Superliner Type-1, 171" Body, 4x4 Gas, pursuant to Council Resolution 61-17, adopted on February 27, 2017, and such action is taken in accordance with the provisions set forth in Section 3.04.140.E.4 of the Livonia Code of Ordinances, as amended.

#116-25 RESOLVED, that having considered a communication from the Executive Director of Housing, dated March 31, 2025, which bears the signatures of the Director of Finance and the City Attorney, and is approved for submission by the Mayor, the Council does hereby accept the bid of Lyon Mechanical, PO Box 126, 30100 South Hill Road, New Hudson, MI 48165 for performing all work required in connection with the replacement of the old Weather-Rite make-up air system with a new Weather-Rite or equivalent make-up air system at Building #2 of McNamara Towers, 19300 Purlingbrook, Livonia, MI 48152, to include natural gas, 208 voltage, 3 phase, 540,000 BTU, indirect fire, and a Summer/Winter conversion switch integrated into a Honeywell system, for an amount not to exceed $60,203.00, utilizing funds allocated by the Community Development Block Grant Program, pursuant to CR 166-24, adopted on May 20, 2024, the same having been the lowest bid received and meets all specifications; FURTHER, the Council does hereby authorize an expenditure in an amount not to exceed $60,203.00, from authorized grant funds in Account No. 233-800-818-678 for this purpose; and the Mayor and City Clerk are hereby authorized to execute a contract, approved as to form and substance by the Department of Law, for and on behalf of the City of Livonia with the aforesaid bidder and to do all other things necessary or incidental to the full performance of this resolution.

#117-25 RESOLVED, that having considered a communication from the Superintendent of Parks and Recreation, dated March 25, 2025, which bears the signatures of the Director of Finance and the City Attorney, and is approved for submission by the Mayor, the Council does hereby accept the bid of Midwest Pools Inc., 3090 W. Cook Rd., Grand Blanc, MI 48439, to perform all work required in connection with the replacement of the leisure pool decking at the Jack E. Kirksey Recreation Center, to include removal of the existing vinyl decking material, replacing the tile, and installing a decorative quartz-sealed coating, in an amount not to exceed $129,378.75, the same having been in fact the only qualified bid received which meets all specifications; FURTHER, the Council does hereby authorize an expenditure in an amount not to exceed $129,378.75 from funds budgeted in Account No. 208-755-971-000 for this purpose; and the Mayor and City Clerk are hereby authorized to execute a contract, approved as to form and substance by the Department of Law, for and on behalf of the City of Livonia with the aforesaid bidder and to do all other things necessary or incidental to the full performance of this resolution.

#118-25 RESOLVED, that having considered a communication from the Superintendent of Parks and Recreation, dated March 27, 2025, which bears the signatures of the Director of Finance and the City Attorney, and is approved for submission by the Mayor, the Council does hereby accept the bid of Slide Guys Restoration, Inc., 4342 Old M51, Croswell, MI 48422, to perform all work required in connection with the waterslide refurbishment at the Jack E. Kirksey Recreation Center, including deep cleaning, repairing/replacing slide material in areas, sealing seams, painting the slide, inspecting slide bolts while coating with a rust inhibitor, and sealing the slide stairs, in an amount not to exceed $72,220.00, the same having been in fact the second lowest bid received which meets all specifications; FURTHER, the Council does hereby accept this recommendation based on the City's positive history with Slide Guys Restoration, Inc., their shorter timeline for project completion and their longer warranty for workmanship; FURTHER, the Council does hereby authorize an expenditure in an amount not to exceed $72,220.00 from funds budgeted in Account No. 208-755-971-000 for this purpose; and the Mayor and City Clerk are hereby authorized to execute a contract, approved as to form and substance by the Department of Law, for and on behalf of the City of Livonia with the aforesaid bidder and to do all other things necessary or incidental to the full performance of this resolution.

#119-25 RESOLVED, that having considered a communication from the City Engineer, dated March 20, 2025, which bears the signatures of the Director of Public Works, the Director of Finance and the City Attorney, and is approved for submission by the Mayor, the Council does hereby accept the bid of Joe Rotondo Construction Corp., 38807 Ann Arbor Road, Suite 2, Livonia, Michigan 48150 ("Rotondo"), for performing all work required in connection with the Newburgh Road Sidewalk Extension Project, Pembroke Avenue to Joshua Simmons Drive, and determines as follows:

1. To authorize an expenditure in an amount not to exceed $145,814.40 from budgeted funds in Account No. 204-463-818-117

for the Newburgh Road Sidewalk Extension Project – Pembroke Avenue to Joshua Simmons Drive;

2. To award a contract in the not-to-exceed amount of $145,814.40 to Joe Rotondo Construction Corp., 38807 Ann Arbor Road, Suite 2, Livonia, Michigan 48150, the same having been the lowest bid received which meets all specifications. The award should be on the basis of the bid unit prices, said amount to be adjusted based upon quantities of work actually completed;

3. To authorize the Mayor and the City Clerk to execute an amendment to the Engineering contract with Hubbell, Roth and Clark, Inc., 555 Hulet Drive, P.O. Box 824, Bloomfield Hills, Michigan 48303-0824 in an amount not to exceed $13,550.00 for the Newburgh Road Sidewalk Extension survey staking and as-built drawings;

4. To approve an expenditure in an amount not to exceed $13,550.00, payable to Hubbell, Roth and Clark, Inc., from funds budgeted in Account No. 204-463-818-117; and

5. To authorize the City Engineer to approve minor adjustments in the work as it becomes necessary but this authorization does not entitle the City Engineer to authorize any increase in the not to exceed amount or to contract with other parties.

#120-25 RESOLVED, that having considered a communication from the Assistant City Engineer, dated March 27, 2025, which bears the signatures of the Superintendent of Parks and Recreation, the Executive Director of Housing, the Director of Finance and the City Attorney, and is approved for submission by the Mayor, the Council does hereby accept the bid of Golden Gate Constructions, LLC, 915 Cricket Cove Drive, Troy, Michigan 48084 to perform all work required in connection with the Country Homes Park Sidewalk Installation, in an amount not to exceed $51,827.50; the same having been the lowest bid received which meets all specifications; FURTHER, the Council does hereby authorize an appropriation and expenditure in an amount not to exceed $51,827.50 from Account No. 233-800-818-681 (Neighborhood Revitalization Fund) for this purpose; and the City Engineer is hereby authorized to approve minor adjustments in the work as it becomes necessary, but this authorization does not entitle the City Engineer to authorize any increase in the not to exceed amount or to contract with other parties; and the Mayor and City Clerk are hereby authorized to execute a contract, approved as to form and substance by the Department of Law, for and on behalf of the City of Livonia with the aforesaid bidder and to do all other things necessary or incidental to the full performance of this resolution.

#121-25 RESOLVED, that having considered a communication from the Assistant City Engineer, dated March 31, 2025, which bears the signatures of the Superintendent of Parks and Recreation, the Executive Director of Housing, the Director of Finance and the City Attorney, and is approved for submission by the Mayor, the Council does hereby accept the bid of Titan Pavement, 6460 Williams Lake Road, Waterford, Michigan 48329 to perform all work required in connection with the Clements Circle Park Walking Path Renovations, in an amount not to exceed $49,249.20; the same having been the lowest bid received which meets all specifications; FURTHER, the Council does hereby authorize an appropriation and expenditure in an amount not to exceed $49,249.20 from Account No. 233-800-818-681 (Neighborhood Revitalization Fund) for this purpose; and the City Engineer is hereby authorized to approve minor adjustments in the work as it becomes necessary but this authorization does not entitle the City Engineer to authorize any increase in the not to exceed amount or to contract with other parties; and the Mayor and City Clerk are hereby authorized to execute a contract, approved as to form and substance by the Department of Law, for and on behalf of the City of Livonia with the aforesaid bidder and to do all other things necessary or incidental to the full performance of this resolution.

#122-25 RESOLVED, that having considered a communication from the Department of Law, dated April 15, 2025, to which is attached a proposed License Agreement between the City of Livonia and TAP, 12900 Hall Road, Suite 350, Sterling Heights, Michigan 48313, to provide a portion of the 16th District Courthouse as depicted in Exhibit A to the License Agreement, to be used for performing drug and alcohol testing services for participants, probationers, and defendants; FURTHER, in consideration for the use of the Licensed Area, TAP shall pay to the City of Livonia the sum of $1,100.00 per month; the Council does hereby approve of the aforesaid license agreement and authorizes the Mayor and City Clerk, for and on behalf of the City of Livonia, to execute the attached license agreement, as well as to do all other things necessary or incidental to the full performance of this resolution.

A roll call vote was taken on the foregoing resolutions with the following result:

AYES: Toy, Donovic, Budzinski, Scheel, Ptashnik, McCullough.

NAYS: None.

Councilmember Scheel took from the table, for second reading and adoption, the following Ordinance:

> An Ordinance Amending Sections 110, 120, 220 Of Title 6 (Animals), Chapter 01, Of The Livonia Code Of Ordinances, As Amended.

A roll call vote was taken on the foregoing Ordinance with the following result:

AYES: Toy, Donovic, Ptashnik, Budzinski, Scheel, McCullough.

NAYS: None.

The President declared the foregoing Ordinance duly adopted and would become effective on publication.

Vice President Ptashnik took from the table, for second reading and adoption, the following Ordinance:

> An Ordinance Amending Title 3, Chapter 04 (Financial Procedures) Of The Livonia Code Of Ordinances, As Amended.

A roll call vote was taken on the foregoing Ordinance with the following result:

AYES: Toy, Donovic, Ptashnik, Budzinski, Scheel, McCullough.

NAYS: None.

The President declared the foregoing Ordinance duly adopted and would become effective on publication.

Councilmember Toy took from the table, for second reading and adoption, the following Ordinance:

> An Ordinance Amending Chapter 23 (Department Of Management Information Systems) Of Title 2 Of The Livonia Code Of Ordinances, As Amended.

A roll call vote was taken on the foregoing Ordinance with the following result:

AYES: Toy, Donovic, Ptashnik, Budzinski, Scheel, McCullough.

NAYS: None.

The President declared the foregoing Ordinance duly adopted and would become effective on publication.

Councilmember Donovic took from the table, for second reading and adoption, the following Ordinance:

An Ordinance Repealing Chapter 25 (Capital Improvement) To Title 2 Of The Livonia Code Of Ordinances, As Amended.

A roll call vote was taken on the foregoing Ordinance with the following result:

AYES: Toy, Donovic, Ptashnik, Budzinski, Scheel, McCullough.

NAYS: None.

The President declared the foregoing Ordinance duly adopted and would become effective on publication.

A communication received from Dan West, President/CEO, Livonia Westland Chamber of Commerce, dated April 25, 2025, in support of the millage request being placed on the ballot, was received and placed on file for the information of the Council.

On a motion by Councilmember Scheel, supported by Councilmember Donovic, and unanimously adopted, it was:

#123-25 RESOLVED, that having considered a communication from the City Attorney, dated April 3, 2025, approved for submission by the Mayor, wherein a request is made for consideration of placing a millage request on the August 2025 Primary Election Ballot for the purpose of Civic Center Campus site improvements, the Council does hereby adopt the following proposed resolution:

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Livonia (the "City") has determined that it is necessary for the health, safety and welfare of the City and its residents that the City pay all or part of the cost of acquiring land and buildings for use by the City, and acquiring, constructing, renovating, furnishing and equipping various capital improvement projects and municipal facilities in the City, including necessary rights of way, related site improvements, appurtenances, attachments and ancillary facilities therefor, including, but not limited to (I) acquiring, constructing, furnishing and equipping a new police station with adjacent parking structure and a new library; (II) renovating, expanding, improving, furnishing and equipping Fire Station Nos. 1, 3, 4, 5, and 6; (III) acquiring, constructing, equipping and providing recreational facilities within a public greenspace; (IV) demolishing existing buildings and structures located on public use spaces, including, but not limited to, the existing police station, the existing library, and the existing City Hall, located at the Five Mile Road and Farmington Road Civic Center campus site; and (V) improving the City owned property located at the Five Mile Road and Farmington Road Civic Center campus site (the "Project"); and

WHEREAS, the City Council has determined that the City should borrow money in an aggregate amount not to exceed One Hundred Fifty Million Dollars ($150,000,000) and issue general obligation unlimited tax bonds of the City in such amount, in one or more series, for the purpose of paying the cost of the Project; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has determined that a proposal to issue bonds for the Project shall be submitted to the qualified electors of the City at an election to be held in the City on Tuesday, August 5, 2025 (the "Election Date"); and

WHEREAS, in order for the proposal to be submitted to the City's electors on the Election Date, it is necessary for the City Council to certify the ballot wording of the proposal to the City Clerk and the County Clerk of the County of Wayne, Michigan, as required by Act 116, Public Acts of Michigan, 1954, as amended (the "Michigan Election Law").

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. The proposal attached to this Resolution as Exhibit A (the "Municipal Facilities Proposal") shall be submitted to a vote of the qualified electors of the City of Livonia, County of Wayne, Michigan, at the election to be held on Tuesday, August 5, 2025.

2. The ballot wording of the Municipal Facilities Proposal is hereby certified to the City Clerk and to the Clerk of the County of Wayne (the "County Clerk"). The City Clerk is hereby authorized

and directed to file this Resolution and/or complete any such forms, certificates or documents as may be required by the County Clerk to evidence the foregoing certification and/or submission by no later than 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, May 13, 2025.

3. The City Clerk and the County Clerk are hereby directed to (A) post and publish notice of last day of registration and notice of election for the Election Date as required by the Michigan Election Law; and (B) have prepared and printed, as provided by the Michigan Election Law, ballots for submitting the Municipal Facilities Proposal at the Election Date, which ballots shall contain the proposal appearing herein, or the proposition shall be stated as a proposal on the voting machines, which ballots may include other matters presented to the electorate on the same date.

4. The estimated first year millage rate and simple average annual millage rate set forth in the Municipal Facilities Proposal, which have been prepared by the City's financial advisor, are reasonable estimates of such millage rates based on current assumptions.

5. All resolutions and parts of resolutions, insofar as they conflict with the provisions of this Resolution, are hereby repealed.

Exhibit A

MUNICIPAL FACILITIES PROPOSAL

Shall the City of Livonia, County of Wayne, Michigan, borrow the principal sum of not to exceed One Hundred Fifty Million Dollars ($150,000,000) and issue its general obligation unlimited tax bonds, in one or more series, payable in not to exceed twenty-five (25) years from the date of issuance of each series, for the purpose of paying all or part of the cost of acquiring land and buildings for use by the City, and acquiring, constructing, renovating, furnishing and equipping various capital improvement projects and municipal facilities in the City, including necessary rights of way, related site improvements, appurtenances, attachments and ancillary facilities therefor, including, but not limited to (I) acquiring, constructing, furnishing and equipping a new police station with adjacent parking structure and a new library; (II) renovating, expanding, improving, furnishing and equipping Fire Station Nos. 1, 3, 4, 5, and 6; (III) acquiring, constructing, equipping and providing recreational facilities within a public greenspace; (IV) demolishing existing buildings and structures located on public use spaces, including, but not limited to, the existing police station, the existing library, and the existing City Hall, located at the Five Mile Road and Farmington Road Civic Center campus site; and (V) improving the City owned property located at the Five Mile Road and Farmington Road Civic Center campus site?

If approved, the estimated millage to be levied in December 2025 is 1.4300 mills ($1.43 per $1,000 of taxable value) and the estimated simple average annual millage rate required to retire the bonds is 1.4300 mills ($1.43 per $1,000 of taxable value).

YES ☐

NO ☐

Mayor Maureen Miller Brosnan addressed the outdated municipal buildings, and the declining and aging population. Mayor Maureen Miller Brosnan asked the community to invest in its safety, children, and future. Mayor Maureen Miller Brosnan continued to explain the contents of the proposed millage which can be found at www.LivoniaBuilt.org.

Councilmember Donovic addressed the current condition of the city owned buildings, the renovations that could be taken care of, and what the upcoming millage proposal means in that regard.

Councilmember Budzinski gave her opinion supporting the upcoming millage proposal and the great things that it could help the city accomplish.

The following residents spoke in favor of the millage request:

- Ed Buison, 9289 Liberty
- Gini Krenz, 34075 Pembroke
- Robert Wallach, 13222 Merriman

The following residents spoke in opposition of the millage request:

- Christopher Martin, Livonia resident
- Barbara Glover, Myrna Ct.
- Julie McAvoy, 33900 Wadsworth
- Laura Janica, Munger St.
- Jim Biga, 35354 Lancashire
- Denise Mica, Lancashire

The following Residents spoke in favor of moving the millage request to the November ballot:

- Bill McAvoy, 33900 Wadsworth
- Greg Ralko, Golfridge Villa
- Sandra Rychlinski, 17698 Vacri Ln
- Denny Behrendsen, 20012 Wayne
- Margaret Earl, 34354 Pembroke
- Jim Biga, 35354 Lancashire

- Steve King, Coventry Gardens

Gavel was offered to and rejected by Vice President Ptashnik to remain in the discussion.

Gavel was passed to Laura Toy.

President McCullough offered a substitute motion to add Noble, Sandburg, and Greenmead to the listed eligible improvements and the motion failed due to a lack of support.

President McCullough offered a substitute motion to move the ballot question to the November ballot and the motion failed due to a lack of support.

President McCullough offered a substitute motion to make the ballot language solely refer to Police and Fire facilities improvements as eligible uses for funds and the motion failed due to a lack of support.

Gavel was returned the President McCullough.

President McCullough took time clearing up misinformation, the numerous meetings that took place, and his opinions on various points of the upcoming millage proposal.

Councilmember Donovic also took the time clearing up misinformation, explained how all of the information regarding the upcoming millage proposal is out in the open online, and gave his own opinion on various points of the upcoming millage proposal.

Vice President Ptashnik gave her opinion stating how it would be a mistake to add more onto the millage proposal and gave her supporting opinion to add the millage proposal to the upcoming election.

An email communication received from the Assistant Director of Public Works, dated April 15, 2025, responding to questions asked by Council at the Study Meeting held April 14, 2025, in favor of this item, was received and filed for the information of the Council.

On a motion by Councilmember Donovic, supported by Councilmember Toy, and unanimously adopted, it was:

#124-25 RESOLVED, that having considered a communication from the Assistant Director of Public Works, dated March 24, 2025, which bears the signatures of the Director of Public Works, the Director of Finance, and the City Attorney, and is approved for submission by the Mayor, wherein it is requested that Council Resolution 360-24, adopted on October 21, 2024, be amended to accurately reflect the monies quoted for the 2025-2028 calendar year requirements for the Portable Toilet Program, the Council does hereby amend and revise Council Resolution #360-24, so as to read as follows:

> **#360-24** RESOLVED, that having considered a communication from the Director of Public Works, dated September 12, 2024, which bears the signature of the Director of Finance, and is approved for submission by the Mayor, and a subsequent communication from the Assistant Director of Public Works, dated March 24, 2025, requesting an amendment to CR #360-24 to accurately reflect the monies quoted for the 2025-2028 calendar year requirements for the Portable Toilet Program, the Council does hereby accept the unit price bid of United Rentals, 1080 John A. Papalas Dr., Lincoln Park, MI 48146, to provide portable toilet service for the City's 2025 through 2028 calendar year requirements for seasonal use placements and special events at the unit prices agreed upon in their proposal, dated September 3, 2024, at a four-year total contract amount not to exceed $524,934.23, the same having been in fact the lowest bid received which meets all specifications; FURTHER, the Council does hereby authorize an amount not to exceed $524,934.23 from funds budgeted in Account No: 226-528-818-010 (Municipal Refuse Fund) for this purpose and future budgets shall reflect this contractual obligation; FURTHER, in the event the low bidder is unable to complete the work for whatever reason, the Council does hereby accept the unit price bid of the second lowest bidder, Greenwood Enterprises Inc. (d/b/a Jay's Septic), 2787 Greenwood Rd., Lapeer, MI 48446, at an estimated annual cost of a total contract amount not to exceed $630,560.65; and the Mayor and City Clerk are hereby authorized to execute a contract, approved as to form and substance by the Department of Law, for and on behalf of the City of Livonia with the aforesaid bidder(s) and to do all other things necessary or incidental to the full performance of this resolution.

On a motion by Councilmember Toy, supported by Councilmember Donovic, and unanimously adopted, it was:

#125-25 RESOLVED, that having considered the report and recommendation of the Fire Chief, dated April 14, 2025, which bears the signature of the Director of Finance and is approved for submission by the Mayor, the Council does hereby, for and on behalf of the City of Livonia, accept the Michigan Department Of Labor & Economic Opportunity's Special Grant Award (Grant No: LIVONIAFD25), in the amount of $1,000,000.00, to be deposited into Account No: 401-000-528-050, and to be utilized by the Fire Department for the purchase of one (1) Pierce 107' ascendant aerial apparatus, on a Pierce custom enforcer chassis, 500 gallon water tank, 2000 GPM PUC pump, 6-person cab, Paccar MX13 510 HP engine, rear mounted aerial, single rear axle, to replace a 2009 engine with nearly 100,000 miles and is in the current Vehicle Replacement Program, from Halt Fire, 50168 Pontiac Trail #5, Wixom, MI 48393, for a total amount not to exceed $1,800,000.00, with the State of Michigan's portion being $1,000,000.00 and the City's portion being $800,000.00, from funds budgeted in Account No. 401-000-985-000 for this purpose, with the provision that this account be reimbursed from the proceeds of the LIVONIAFD25 Grant funds; FURTHER, the Council does hereby determine to authorize the said purchase without competitive bidding inasmuch as the same is based upon the low State of Michigan bid price under the Sourcewell cooperative purchasing consortium; and no advantage to the City would result from competitive bidding, and such action is taken in accordance with the provisions set forth in Section 3.04.140.E.4 of the Livonia Code of Ordinances, as amended.

Robert Jennison, Fire Chief, spoke about the resolution and the work that was put in towards the grant funding provided.

On a motion by Councilmember Budzinski, supported by Councilmember Scheel, and unanimously adopted, it was:

#126-25 RESOLVED, that having considered a communication from the Superintendent of Parks and Recreation, dated March 5, 2025, which bears the signature of the Director of Finance and is approved for submission by the Mayor, the Council does, for and on behalf of the City of Livonia, accept a cash donation in the amount of $100,000.00 from Bill Brown Ford, the same to be deposited in and credited to Account No. ***[to be determined]*** to support the redevelopment of Shelden Park.

Ted Davis, Superintendent of Parks and Recreation, thanked Bill Brown Ford for the generous donation, and Councilmember Donovic for his help.

On a motion by Councilmember Budzinski, supported by Vice President Ptashnik, and unanimously adopted, it was:

#127-25 RESOLVED, that having considered a communication from the Superintendent of Parks and Recreation, dated March 19, 2025, approved for submission by the Mayor, the Council does hereby approve the annual Memorial Day ceremony to be held on Saturday, May 24, 2025, from 8:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.; FURTHER, the Council does hereby request that the Wayne County Department of Public Service allow the City of Livonia to close Farmington Road north and southbound from Five Mile Road to Roycroft Street and Five Mile Road from Shadyside Drive to Farmington Road, between the hours of 8:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. or until the road is returned to normal traffic operation; that the City of Livonia will assume liability for any damage claims which may arise as a result of the road closure, as to Wayne County only; and that Senior Police Officer Michael Arakelian is hereby designated and authorized to sign the road closure permit on behalf of the City of Livonia.

On a motion by Councilmember Toy, supported by Councilmember Budzinski, and unanimously adopted, it was:

#128-25 RESOLVED, that having considered the report and recommendation of the Assistant Director of Public Works, dated March 28, 2025, which bears the signatures of the Director of Public Works, the Director of Finance and the City Attorney, and is approved for submission by the Mayor, to which is attached a proposed Animal Sheltering Agreement between the City of Livonia and the Michigan Humane Society, 30300 Telegraph Road, Suite 220, Bingham Farms, Michigan 48025, for a 3-year period commencing January 1, 2025 to December 31, 2027, by extending all terms and conditions of the current agreement, with the following changes:

1. The monthly boarding/handling flat fee will increase:

    a. $10,885 per month for 2025 (a 45% increase)
    b. $14,695 per month for 2026 (a 26% increase)
    c. $19,835 per month for 2027 (a 26% increase)

2. The City will document the reasoning for any animal delivered to MHS with a "do not release" directive.

3. The City will provide adequate documentation of any injury or harm done to animals during capture and transport.

4. All ACO vehicles must be equipped with functioning microchip scanners. All animals must be scanned before transport to MHS and a log provided showing they are unable to contact the owner.

5. The City shall provide MHS with evidence of membership with the Municipal Risk Authority.

6. After hours or non-ordinary business hours, drop-offs will be limited only to animals which are healthy and do not require medical attention.

The Council does hereby authorize the Mayor and City Clerk, for and on behalf of the City of Livonia, to execute the attached agreement in the manner and form herein submitted; FURTHER, the Council does hereby authorize monthly expenditures for a period of three (3) years, commencing January 1, 2025, in the amount of $10,885.00; $14,695.00 effective January 1, 2026; and $19,835.00 effective January 1, 2027, from funds budgeted in Account No: 226-529-805-000 (Animal Collection) for this purpose; FURTHER, the Council does hereby authorize the said item without competitive bidding in accordance with Section 3.04.140.E.3 of the Livonia Code of Ordinances, as amended, for the reason competitive bidding is not available for this specialized service.

Robb Drzewicki, Director of Government Affairs, explained various points of the contract and the reasoning behind it.

Christopher Martin, Livonia resident, expressed concern over the taxpayers paying for animal control services.

On a motion by Councilmember Toy, supported by Vice President Ptashnik, and unanimously adopted, it was:

#129-25 RESOLVED, that having considered the report and recommendation of the City Engineer, dated April 11, 2025, which bears the signatures of the Director of Public Works, the Director of Finance and the City Attorney, and is approved for submission by the Mayor, requesting additional expenditure for unforeseen items as part of the installation of the 12-inch water main relative to the Merriman Road Water Main Improvement Project (Plymouth Road to the CSX Railroad Right-of-Way), pursuant to CR 230-24 and CR 231-24, adopted on July 1, 2024, the Council does hereby determine to:

1. Authorize an expenditure in the not-to-exceed amount of \$445,000.00 from funds budgeted in Account No. 592-559-158-000 for this purpose;

2. Approve payment to HMC, LLC., 6120 Millett Ave., Sterling Heights, Michigan 48312 in the not-to-exceed amount of \$335,000.00 from Account No. 592-559-158-000 thereby increasing the final contract amount from \$1,616,966.50 to \$1,951,966.50 to close out the contract for the work performed;

3. Approve payment to Hubbell, Roth and Clark, Inc., P.O. Box 824, Bloomfield Hills, Michigan 48303-0824 in the not-to-exceed amount of \$110,000.00 from Account No. 592-559-158-000 thereby increasing the contract amount from \$145,450.00 to \$255,450.00 for the additional construction engineering and administrative services, including providing as-built drawings for the Merriman Road Water Main Replacement Project from Plymouth Road to the CSX Railroad Right-of-Way; and

4. Authorize the City Engineer to make minor adjustments to the work as it becomes necessary, but this authorization does not entitle the City Engineer to authorize any increase in the not to exceed amount or to contract with other parties.

Todd Zilincik, City Engineer, gave a brief overview of the expenditure.

During Audience Communication, Jim Biga, 35354 Lancashire Rd, stated there is a functionality problem with the City's website not allowing residents to put in their questions or concerns.

On a motion by Councilmember Toy, supported by Vice President Ptashnik, and unanimously adopted, this 2,015th Regular Meeting of the Council of the City of Livonia was adjourned at 9:23 p.m.

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Lori L. Miller, City Clerk