Saginaw City Council
Regular Meeting Agenda
Temple Theatre
201 N. Washington Ave.
September 17, 2021
9:00 a.m.

PRAYER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

ROLL CALL:

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

PUBLIC INPUT:

(A list will be provided following submittal deadline.)

REMARKS OF COUNCIL:

REPORTS FROM MANAGER:

CONSENT AGENDA:

1. Approve the August 23, 2021 committee of the whole and regular council meeting minutes.

2. Approve the amendments to the Rules of Order of the Council of the City of Saginaw.

3. Approve the Financially Distressed Cities, Villages, and Townships Grant Agreement with the Michigan Department of Treasury for the Outdoor Facilities Lighting Replacement/Upgrade to LED Fixtures project for the Facilities Division, Public Services Department. Further, approve a budget adjustment to recognize these funds.

BOARD/COMMISSION/COMMITTEE REPORTS:

APPOINTMENT OF BOARD/COMMISSION/COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

ORDINANCE INTRODUCTION:

ORDINANCE CONSIDERATION AND ADOPTION:

RESOLUTIONS:

1. Accepting the Financially Distressed Cities, Villages, and Townships Grant Agreement with the Michigan Department of Treasury.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS:

ADJOURNMENT:

Timothy Morales
City Manager

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A COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAGINAW, MICHIGAN, WAS HELD MONDAY, AUGUST 23, 2021, AT 5:30 P.M. IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS AT CITY HALL, 1315 S. WASHINGTON AVENUE, SAGINAW, MICHIGAN.

OPENING PRAYER

Council Member Lamar-Silvia offered the opening prayer and Mayor Moore led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

ROLL CALL

Council Members present: Monique Lamar-Silvia, Annie Boensch, Autumn Scherzer, Bill Ostash, George Copeland, and Brenda Moore: 6. Council Members absent: Reggie Williams II, Michael Balls, and Michael Flores: 3.

Clerk Santos reminded Council that the purpose of the Committee of the Whole is for Council to have discussion regarding the current crime, preventative measures, and crime reduction.

PUBLIC INPUT

No members of the public signed up prior to the deadline to address the Council.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

City Manager Tim Morales introduced Police Chief Robert Ruth. Chief Ruth presented a packet of statistics from January 1, 2021 through August 22, 2021. The stats compared to 2020 reflect a reduction in shootings and homicides. The call volume listing from Saginaw County 911 showing 2008 through 2020 was reviewed. Chief Ruth mentioned the reduction in city staff due to loss of revenue over the years. Discussion was held.

Chief Ruth introduced Michigan State Police Lt. Jasen Sack.

Council Member Flores entered the meeting at 6:07 p.m.

Lt. Sack explained the service provided by the Michigan State Police. The services included a proactive patrol, assist the City Police Department as necessary, and participate in specific programs such as Bridge the Gap, Light up the City, Neighborhood Association's meetings, etc. Discussion was held.

Council Member Williams entered the meeting at 6:25 p.m.

Council consent was given for City Manager Morales and Mayor Moore to plan the best way and time to schedule another meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Moore adjourned the Committee of the Whole session at 6:43 p.m.

As recorded by,

Janet Santos, MiPMC/MMC
City Clerk

A REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAGINAW, MICHIGAN, WAS HELD MONDAY, AUGUST 23, 2021, AT 6:52 P.M. IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS AT CITY HALL, 1315 S. WASHINGTON AVENUE, SAGINAW, MICHIGAN.

OPENING PRAYER

Council Member Copeland offered the opening prayer and Council Member Ostash led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

ROLL CALL

Council Members present: Monique Lamar-Silvia, Reggie Williams II, Annie Boensch, Autumn Scherzer, Bill Ostash, Michael Flores, George Copeland, and Brenda Moore: 8.
Council Members absent: Michael Balls: 1.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Clerk Santos made the following announcements:

- A revised agenda has been distributed with the additions of consent agenda items #21 a purchase with AKT Peerless for $52,286 for hazardous services, and #22 a purchase with Rohde Bros. Excavating for $197,715 for demolition services.
- City Hall will be closed Monday, September 6 for the Labor Day holiday.
- The September 13 regular meeting has been rescheduled for Friday, September 17 and will begin at 9:00 a.m. at the Temple Theatre. The September 17 meeting includes a Strategic Planning session.
- The filing deadline for the September 17 Public Input is Thursday, September 16 at 4:00 p.m.

Council Member Flores presented a recognition certificate that March 31, 2021 was Cesar Chavez Day. Roberto “Gil” Guevara of the American G.I. Forum accepted the certificate.

PUBLIC INPUT

Public input that addressed the Council: Teresa Stitt, Tarsha Works, Jean Olivares, Nye Clark-Young, Jeffrey Bulls, Carly Rose, Matthew Carpus, and Angie Miller.

REMARKS OF COUNCIL

Remarks were heard from the following Council Members: Scherzer, Ostash, Flores, Copeland, Lamar-Silvia, Williams, Boensch, and Moore.

REPORTS FROM CITY MANAGER

City Manager Morales provided information and updates regarding City projects. He introduced Darrin Jerome, Director of Neighborhood Services and Inspections. Director Jerome presented the current status of the Tiny Homes Project.

Council Member Flores left the meeting at 8:24 p.m. and returned at 8:27 p.m.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Moved by Council Member Scherzer, seconded by Council Member Boensch to approve the consent agenda, allowing room for exceptions. An exception was made to item 22. 8 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent. Motion approved.

1. Approve the August 9, 2021 regular council meeting minutes.

2. Approve the amendments to the FY 2022 Approved Budget to recognize changes that have occurred during the August period.

3. Approve the Affiliation Agreement with Central Michigan University for the Human Resources Department.

4. Approve the purchase with Phoenix Safety Outfitters for $21,396 for a Digital Fire Training System for the Fire Department.

5. Approve the purchase with Webster Garner for $960 for FY 2022; and pending budget approval, for FY 2023 and FY 2024 for propane service for the Fire Department, Training Division.

6. Approve a blanket purchase with Hammer Restoration, Inc. for $18,000 for emergency board up services for FY 2022; and pending budget approval, for FY 2023 and FY 2024 for Neighborhood Services and Inspections, Inspections Division.

7. Accept the donation of a Positivity Bench for Bliss Park from Team One Credit Union, with a value of $810, for the Public Services Department, Parks and Facilities Division

8. Approve the purchase with Hymmco, LLC for $15,000 for concrete restoration supplies for the Public Service Department, Streets Division.

9. Approve the purchases with Begick Nursery and Garden Center and Kluck Nursery, Inc. for $5,000 each for trees for the Public Service Department, Streets Division.

10. Approve the purchase with TT Technologies for $12,550 for two Grundomat 75P Horizontal Boring Tools for the Public Services Department, Maintenance and Service Division.

11. Approve the purchase with Rapid Water Recovery Services, LLC for $19,250 water meter testing services for the Public Services Department, Maintenance and Service Division.

12. Approve the proposed parking regulation change as recommended by the Traffic Committee.

13. Approve the contract with D. V. M. Utilities, Inc. for $2,263,547 for the Portsmouth Road Transmission Main Auxiliary Loop project for the Public Services Department, Maintenance and Service Division.

14. Approve the purchase with MSDSonline, dba VelocityEHS, for $2,399 for FY 2022; and pending budget approval, for $2,471 for FY 2023 and $2,545 for FY 2024 for annual software maintenance/support for the Michigan Safety Data Sheets software for the Public Services Department.

15. Approve the contract with Wobig Construction, Inc. for $199,280 for the Cooper Avenue pedestrian improvements in cooperation with the Covenant Healthcare Project for the Public Services Department, Right of Way Division. Further, approve a budget adjustment to recognize these funds.

16. Approve the purchase with USA BlueBook Company for $3,885 for Hach chemical reagents for the Water and Wastewater Treatment Services Department, Water Treatment Division.

17. Approve the purchase with Infor for $18,438 for the EAM software annual renewal maintenance fee for the Water and Wastewater Treatment Services Department, Water and Wastewater Treatment Divisions through the Instrumentation and Process Controls Division.

18. Approve the Agreement with Kendall Electric, a sole source, for $5,765.00 for hardware/software product support through Rockwell Automation, Inc. for the Water and Wastewater Treatment Services Department, Water and Wastewater Treatment Divisions through the Instrumentation and Process Controls Division.

19. Approve the appointment of Kaylene VanWagner as officer delegate and Lisa Crook as alternate officer delegate, and Jen Tafel as employee delegate and Dave Kendziorski as alternate employee delegate, to attend the Municipal Employees Retirement System's 75th Annual Meeting.

20. Approve the introduction of the proposed amendment to the City Council Rules of Order.

21. Approve the purchase with AKT Peerless for $52,286 for environmentally hazardous materials services for residential and commercial demolitions for the Department of Neighborhood Services and Inspections, Inspections Division.

22. Approve the purchase with Rohde Bros. Excavating, Inc. for $197,715 for demolition services at 1010 Hess Avenue for the Department of Neighborhood Services and Inspections.

Moved by Council Member Lamar-Silvia, seconded by Council Member Boensch to approve consent agenda item 22, as presented. 8 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent. Motion approved.

BOARD/COMMISSION/COMMITTEE REPORTS

Council Member Scherzer reported that the Saginaw Economic Development Corporation is hosting a Small Business Expo Thursday, August 26 from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the Morley Plaza.

APPOINTMENT OF BOARD AND COMMISSION MEMBERS

Moved by Council Member Scherzer, seconded by Council Member Copeland to approve the following:

1. the Council reappointment of Dennis Browning to the Saginaw Transit Authority Regional Services with a term to expire September 30, 2024.
2. the Council reappointment of Floyd Kloc to the Saginaw Transit Authority Regional Services with a term to expire September 30, 2024.
3. the Council reappointment of Vickie Dillon to the Saginaw Transit Authority Regional Services with a term to expire September 30, 2024.

8 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent. Motion approved.

RESOLUTIONS

Moved by Council Member Lamar-Silvia, seconded by Council Member Scherzer to adopt the resolution supporting the transfer of an Obsolete Property Rehabilitation Certificate located at 413 Adams Street from Caspco, LLC to Fifth Avenue Limited Partnership. 8 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent. Motion approved.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

Moved by Council Member Scherzer, seconded by Council Member Copeland to enter a closed session to discuss pending litigation in Williams v. City of Saginaw per MCL 15.268(e). Mayor Moore asked Clerk Santos to conduct a roll call vote.

Ayes:	Williams, Boensch, Scherzer, Ostash, Flores, Copeland, Lamar-Silvia, Moore
Nays:	None
Absent:	Balls

Motion approved.

Council entered a closed session at 8:33 p.m.

Moved by Council Member Lamar-Silvia, seconded by Council Member Williams to return to regular session at 8:42 p.m. 8 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent. Motion approved.

Moved by Council Member Scherzer, seconded by Council Member Copeland to approve the recommendation of legal counsel as discussed in closed session regarding pending litigation regarding the Williams case. 8 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent. Motion approved.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Council Member Copeland, seconded by Council Member Boensch to adjourn the meeting at 8:43 p.m. 8 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent. Motion approved.

As recorded by,

Janet Santos, MiPMC/MMC
City Clerk

COUNCIL COMMUNICATION CC-2

From: Timothy Morales, City Manager

Subject: Council Rules of Order Amendment

Prepared by: Janet Santos, City Clerk

Recommendation:

I recommend approval of the amendment to the Rules of Order of the Council of the City of Saginaw.

Justification:

On August 9, 2021, Council approved a motion to bring forth for introduction an amendment to the Council Rules of Order, regarding "Section 6: Public Input," item 3 by changing the speaker limit from three (3) to five (5) minutes. The language change is as follows:

Section 6: Public Input

3. Each speaker is limited to five (5) minutes unless the Council shall by majority vote extend that time.

According to "Section 17: Amendments," "these rules may be amended by the affirmative vote of six Council members, notice having been given in writing of proposed amendments at a previous meeting." A Council communication of the amendment was provided to Council for review and introduced at August 23, 2021 regular meeting of the City Council.

Council Action:

Motion to approve the recommendation of the Manager.

COUNCIL COMMUNICATION CC-3

From: Timothy Morales, City Manager

Subject: FDCVT Grant Agreement 210111-21 for Outdoor Facilities Lighting Replacement/Upgrade to LED Fixtures

Prepared by: Beth London, Public Services Department

Manager's Recommendation:

I recommend the approval of the Financially Distressed Cities, Villages, and Townships (FDCVT) Grant Agreement 210111-21 with the Michigan Department of Treasury for the Outdoor Facilities Lighting Replacement/Upgrade to LED Fixtures project for the Facilities Division, Public Services Department.

It is further recommended that a budget adjustment be completed to increase the General Fund Revenues, State Grant Account No. 101-0000-539.000 from $90,000 to $127,109, which is a $37,109.00 increase.

Justification:

On May 17, 2021, the City applied for a State of Michigan Department of Treasury FDCVT Grant in the amount of $37,109.00 to replace and upgrade 95 deteriorated or missing outdoor light fixtures and posts at various city facilities and parks. Grant funds will be used to purchase all materials necessary for the installations and upgrades, and City electricians will complete the installations. All lighting will be upgraded to LED fixtures. This project will improve public safety, enhance facility appearance and save the City and estimated $2,526.67 annually or $12,633.33 over five years in electric energy costs.

This budget increase is necessary in order to recognize the grant from the Michigan Department of Treasury for the LED fixtures. This increase in revenue will be offset by an increase to the General Fund, Department of Public Services, Facilities Division, Fixtures Account No. 101-7575-985.000.

A resolution to approve the subject Agreement appears under the Resolutions business of this agenda.

I have approved the agreement as to substance and the City Attorney has approved as to form.

Council Action:

Motion to approve the recommendation of the City Manager.

CITY OF SAGINAW
COUNTY OF SAGINAW
ACCEPTING FDCVT GRANT NO. 210111-21

Moved by Council Member __________, seconded by Council Member _________ to adopt the following resolution:

WHEREAS: the State of Michigan Department of Treasury has given preliminary notice of its intent to award a Financially Distressed Cities, Villages, and Townships (FDCVT) grant in the amount of $37,109 toward reimbursement of expenditures required to implement the Outdoor Facilities Lighting Replacement/Upgrade to LED Light Fixtures project; and

WHEREAS: the State of Michigan requires each municipality's governing body to adopt a resolution authorizing participation in the proposed project prior to finalizing the award of grants from the State of Michigan's FDCVT grant program; and

WHEREAS: the City of Saginaw acknowledges that it:

1. Has filed its annual financial report (F65) or audit per the Uniform Budgeting and Accounting Act or the Uniform System of Accounting Act.

2. Has filed its financial plan (deficit elimination plan) per the Glenn Steil State Revenue Sharing Act, as applicable.

3. Is not delinquent in making payments that are due on loans issued pursuant to the Emergency Municipal Loan Act.

4. Does not have a payment due and owing to the state and is eligible to participate in a FDCVT grant funded project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the Saginaw City Council hereby authorizes participation in the Outdoor Facilities Lighting Replacement/Upgrade to LED Light Fixtures project, and on behalf of the City of Saginaw authorizes Timothy Morales, City Manager, to provide this resolution indicating its approval to the State of Michigan, and to submit and execute documents requested by the State of Michigan relating to the FDCVT grant requirements.

Ayes:
Nays:
Absent:

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED

I, Janet Santos, City Clerk of the City of Saginaw, Michigan, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and a complete copy of the resolution adopted by the City of Saginaw, Saginaw County, State of Michigan, at a public meeting held on September 17, 2021; the original thereof is on file in the records of my office; the meeting was conducted and public notice of said meeting was given pursuant to Act No. 267, Public Acts of Michigan, 1976, as amended, and minutes of this meeting were kept and will be made available as required.

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Janet Santos, MiPMC/MMC
City Clerk