

REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAGINAW, MICHIGAN, HELD MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2013, AT 6:30 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER OF CITY HALL.

PRAYER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Council Member Braddock offered a prayer and led the pledge of allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Mayor Branch called the meeting to order. Council Members present: Floyd Kloc, Daniel Fitzpatrick, Larry Coulouris, Mayor Pro Tem Dennis Browning, Norman Braddock, Annie Boensch and Mayor Greg Branch - 7. Council Members absent: Amos O'Neal and Andrew Wendt - 2.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

City Clerk Janet Santos made the following announcements:

- the City's Waste Convenience Station will be open Saturday, September 14 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. and;
- October 7 is the last day to register to vote in the November 5 City Election.

Council Member Fitzpatrick read a proclamation declaring September 19, 2013 as "Drive 4 Pledges Day." Gavin Goetz, Regional Director External Affairs for AT & T Michigan accepted the proclamation and thanked the Council for participating in their awareness efforts to publicize the "It Can Wait" campaign regarding no texting while driving.

Council Member Wendt entered the meeting at 6:37 p.m.

PUBIC HEARINGS

City Clerk Janet Santos announced the public hearing on the Industrial Facilities Tax Exemption Certificate for Solutions 4 Automation, Inc. at 2124 S. Michigan Avenue. Mayor Branch called for comments. Steve Jonas of Saginaw Future spoke in favor of the exemption request. Gary Severt, Solutions 4 Automation President, presented history and future plans of the company and requested approval of the exemption request. Mayor Branch called for comments two more times.

Moved by Council Member Coulouris, seconded by Council Member Kloc to close the public hearing. 8 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent. Motion carried.

PERSONAL APPEARANCES

The following person addressed the Council: Annie Ransford, Tanya Welch and Shatoris Jackson.

Council Member O'Neal entered the meeting at 6:45 p.m. during Personal Appearances.

REMARKS OF COUNCIL

Remarks were heard from the following Council Members: Fitzpatrick, Mayor Pro Tem Browning, Wendt, Braddock, Boensch, O'Neal and Mayor Branch.

REPORTS FROM CITY MANAGERManagement Update

City Manager Darnell Earley introduced Office of Management and Budget Director Yolanda Jones, Deputy City Manager/CFO Tim Morales and City Controller Angela Brooks. He announced that the City received the Government Finance Officers Association Certificate of Achievement for financial reporting. This award is the highest award of recognition by the Association and is the fourth consecutive year the City has received this honor. Mr. Morales expressed his gratitude to City staff for their daily work efforts toward this accomplishment.

City Manager Darnell Earley introduced Employee Services Director Dennis Jordan. Mr. Jordan presented an overview of the recent Diversity & Sensitivity training sessions held for all City employees. Evaluations reflect positive feedback with an overall rating of good to excellent.

City Manager Darnell Earley announced the appointment of Christopher Van Loo as Acting Fire Chief, effective September 10, 2013, for a period of six months based on a tentative agreement that is contingent upon a ratification vote by the IAFF Union Local 102 membership. The tentative agreement allows for an additional six month extension.

City Manager Darnell Earley introduced Chief Inspector John Stemple. Mr. Stemple provided information for the \$11.2 million demolition grant with the Michigan State Housing and Development Authority. Recommendation for Council's approval is needed to continue project work without delay.

Consent Agenda

City Clerk Janet Santos announced that consent agenda items #18 and 19 were added and a revised agenda was distributed. Clerk Santos read consent agenda items #18 and 19 as requested by Mayor Branch.

1. Approve the August 19, 2013 regular council meeting minutes.
2. Approve Petition 13-10 from Saginaw Arts and Enrichment Commission to erect banner located at Court Street from November 5 through December 4, 2013 to promote annual "Hollyday Fair."
3. Approve the Consent to City Attorney Andre Borrello's representation of the Saginaw Midland Municipal Water Supply Corporation (SMMWSC) and the City of Saginaw as related to the proposed Raw Water Service Agreement between the SMMWSC and the Bay County Road Commission and the 2013 Revenue Contract Supplement.
4. Approve a purchase order for \$6,000 to Bentley Systems, Inc. to renew Water GEMS hydraulic water modeling software used by the Public Services Department.
5. Approve the HOME Grant Agreement from the Department of Housing and Urban Development for Fiscal Year 2014 for the HOME Investment Partnership Program for \$351,178.

6. Approve the HOME Sub-recipient Contracts for Fiscal Year 2014 with Habitat for Humanity for \$14,250 for operating expenses and \$61,750 for rehabilitation activities; and with Saginaw County Community Action Committee for \$123,500 for rehabilitation activities.
7. Approve the Emergency Solutions Grant Agreement from the Department of Housing and Urban Development for Fiscal Year 2014 in the amount of \$154,488.
8. Approve the Emergency Solutions Grant Sub-recipient contracts for Fiscal Year 2014 to four organizations providing shelter and transitional housing for the homeless.
9. Approve the Community Development Block Grant Agreement from the Department of Housing and Urban Development for Fiscal Year 2014 for \$2,131,785.
10. Approve the Community Development Block Grant Sub-recipient Contracts and Memorandums of Understanding for Fiscal Year 2014 with various organizations for housing, economic development, public improvements, and public service activities.
11. Approve the easement agreement for 235 S. Washington Avenue with Consumers Energy.
12. Approve the amended contractor list for Fiscal Year 2013-2014 demolition projects.
13. Approve a blanket purchase order for Fiscal Year 2014 to Warwick Cleaners for \$10,000 for annual dry cleaning services for the Police Department.
14. Approve a blanket purchase order for Fiscal Year 2014 to Warwick Cleaners for \$3,000 for annual dry cleaning services for the Fire Department.
15. Approve a purchase order to Decorative Concrete Resources for \$5,051.80 for materials to reseal the stamped concrete sidewalks around City Hall.
16. Approve a purchase order to Pace Analytical Service, Inc. for \$2,820 for Unregulated Contaminants Monitoring Rule 3 Analysis for the Water Treatment Division.
17. Approve a purchase order to Infor for \$11,567.78 for the EAM software annual renewal maintenance fee for the Water and Wastewater Treatment Divisions.
18. Approve the Hardest Hit Grant Agreement with the Michigan State Housing and Development Authority to provide \$11,196,194 to the City to demolish up to 950 blighted residential properties. Further, approve a budget adjustment for FY 2014 to increase the State Grants Revenue Account from \$0 to \$11,196,194.
19. Approve the 2013 Community Video Tour Agreement with CGI Communications, Inc., for a Community Video Showcase Program.

Council Action:

Moved by Council Member Braddock, seconded by Council Member Boensch to approve the consent agenda items 1 through 9, 11 through 16, and 18 as presented. 9 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent. Motion carried.

Moved by Council Member O'Neal, seconded by Council Member Wendt to approve consent agenda item 10 as presented. 9 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent. Motion carried.

Moved by Council Member Coulouris, seconded by Council Member Wendt to approve consent agenda item 17 as presented. 9 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent. Motion carried.

Moved by Council Member Braddock, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Browning to approve consent agenda item 19 as presented. 9 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent. Motion carried.

REPORTS FROM BOARDS; COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES, AND
APPOINTMENT OF BOARD AND COMMISSION MEMBERS

There were no reports or appointments presented.

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES

Moved by Mayor Pro Tem Browning, seconded by Council Member Boensch to introduce an Ordinance to amend §151.095 "Findings and Purpose," §151.096 "Definitions," §151.097 "Non-owner Occupied Property - Prohibited Conduct," §151.098 "Non-owner Occupied Property – Registry," §151.099 "Unoccupied Property Registry," §151.100 "Violation/Abatement," and §151.101 "Fees," of Chapter 151, "Housing Regulations," Title XV, "Land Usage," of the City of Saginaw Code of Ordinances O-1. 9 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent. Motion carried. Mayor Branch announced that the ordinance would be laid over under Charter provision.

CONSIDERATION AND PASSING OF ORDINANCES

Moved by Council Member Coulouris, seconded by Council Member Braddock to adopt an Ordinance to repeal the "Riverfront and Business District Overlay Zone," and to repeal the "Riverfront Mixed Use District," and to add a new "Riverfront Mixed Use District," of Chapter 153, "Zoning Regulations," of Title XV, "Land Usage," of the City of Saginaw Code of Ordinances O-1. 9 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent. Motion carried.

Moved by Council Member Braddock, seconded by Council Member Boensch to adopt an Ordinance to amend the Zoning Classification of certain properties within an area more or less bounded to the north by Weiss Street extended Easterly; to the east by part of Washington Avenue, 2nd Street, Millard Street, Owen Street, Howard Street and Jefferson Avenue; to the South by part of Rust Avenue and Stephens Street; to the West by part of Fayette Street, S. Harrison Street, Remington Avenue, N. Bond Street, Cooper Avenue, Stone Street, Congress Avenue, Schaefer Street, Davenport Avenue and Carrollton Road, to Riverfront Mixed Use. 9 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent. Motion carried.

RESOLUTIONS

Moved by Council Member Kloc, seconded by Council Member Fitzpatrick to adopt the resolution authorizing change in the Standard Street Lighting Contract with Consumers Energy Corporation. 9 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent. Motion carried.

Moved by Council Member Coulouris, seconded by Council Member Boensch to adopt the resolution to approve the Revenue Contract Supplement with the Saginaw Midland Municipal Water Supply Corporation. 9 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent. Motion carried.

Moved by Council Member Wendt, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Browning to adopt the resolution to approve the Industrial Facilities Tax Exemption Certificate for Solutions 4 Automation, Inc. at 2124 S. Michigan Avenue. 9 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Council Member Wendt seconded by Council Member Braddock to adjourn the meeting at 8:16 p.m. 9 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent. Motion carried.

Janet Santos, CMC/MMC
City Clerk

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