



MINUTES

**Committee on Ways and Means
Monday, March 27, 2017 @ 4:30 p.m.
10th Floor Conference Room, City Hall**

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 4:29 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Councilmember Jody Washington, Chair
Councilmember Kathie Dunbar, Vice Chair-arrived at 4:32 p.m.
Councilmember Carol Wood, Member

OTHERS PRESENT

Sherrie Boak, Council Staff
Eric Brewer, Council Internal Auditor
Joe Abood, Chief Deputy City Attorney
Heather Sumner, Assistant City Attorney
Kathy Woodman, HR
Elizabeth O'Leary, HR
Amber Paxton, Financial Empowerment
Denis Prisk, LPD
Martell Armstrong, LHC Executive Director

Minutes

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER WOOD TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM MARCH 13, 2017 AS PRESENTED. MOTION CARRIED 2-0.

Public Comment on Agenda Items

No public comment.

Discussion/Action

RESOLUTION – WC20628760002014530001 Claim Settlement

Council Member Washington outlined the claim noting it was approved by Law, HR and the Mayor's Office. Mr. Abood noted the claimant was not offered another job, did not return to work or plan to return to work, and did retire. Mr. Abood did note that he could not speak for the Retirement Board, but believed that it will not impact his retirement. Council Member Wood asked if the claimant left under duty disability or regular service. Mr. Abood could not answer, but his opinion was that he would qualify under normal retirement.

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER WOOD TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION FOR THE CLAIM REDEMPTION ON WC20628760002014530001 TO RELEASE FROM ALL PAST PRESENT AND FUTURE CLAIMS. MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

RESOLUTION – Grant; Parks Trust Funds- Canoe/Kayak Launch - Riverfront/City Market

Council Member Washington noted there had been no changes since the last meeting when they set the public hearing. The grant will hold its public hearing tonight at Council, and will be up for adoption also.

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER WOOD TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION FOR THE MNRTF GRANT FOR RIVERFRONT/CITY MARKET CANOE/KAYAK LAUNCH PENDING NO ISSUES AT THE PUBLIC HEARING. MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

RESOLUTION – Grant; Parks Trust Funds- Canoe/Kayak Launch - Moores Park

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER WOOD TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION FOR THE MNRTF GRANT FOR MOORES PARK PENDING NO ISSUES AT THE PUBLIC HEARING. MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

RESOLUTION – Grant; Parks Trust Funds- Canoe/Kayak – Kruger's Landing

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER WOOD TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION FOR THE MNRTF GRANT FOR KRUGERS LANDING PENDING NO ISSUES AT THE PUBLIC HEARING. MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

RESOLUTION – Grant Acceptance; Cities for Financial Empowerment

Ms. Paxton confirmed it was a \$10,000 grant that was received and they did not apply for or complete a proposal. They were offered the grant and will be using it to work with a professor from MSU and their PhD students for the upcoming spring and summer sessions. They will work on research and findings on ways to decrease debt and increase someone's credit score. The office has already received the first \$8,000 however have not done any work. Council Member Wood asked for details on the *Tool Kit*, and which Ms. Paxton stated they were provided by a private evaluator, and created as part of a contract which the Financial Empowerment Center will share.

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER DUNBAR TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION FOR THE GRANT ACCEPTANCE FOR THE CITIES FOR FINANCIAL EMPOWERMENT. MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

RESOLUTION – Grant Appropriation; Public Act 302 Police Training Funds

Mr. Prisk confirmed the funds were non-competitive, but distributions from the State of Michigan. The Commission on Law Enforcement provides a per-capita cost to off-set training fees. This will cover \$102 per officer for a year where the officers work 2,080 hours. The funds are part of a 2-year program, in which the funds have already been received for fall and spring. This resolution would be for the approval to use the funds. Council Member Washington asked about the kinds of training. Mr. Prisk confirmed they would be trainings approved through the State of Michigan training. The LPD will submit application and be reimbursed by the State. Council Member Dunbar asked if the \$102 would cover all the costs, and Mr. Prisk confirmed it will not, but this grant is an opportunity to get funding to assist. Council Member Wood asked for clarification on why the grant was awarded in January 2016 but now before Committee. Mr. Prisk stated it is a second allocation to reimburse training from 2016.

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER WOOD TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION FOR THE GRANT APPROPRIATION FOR PUBLIC ACT 302 POLICE TRAINING FUNDS. MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

Mr. Brewer had no comments on the grants.

DISCUSSION – Sole Source Purchase; Quadguard Attenuator II TL-3; Carrier and Gable

Council Staff verified that Ms. Robinson in purchasing was contacted on this, who referred her to Operations and Maintenance, so Ms. Boak contacted Marty Riel, who referred her to Public Service. Ms. Boak requested the presence of Mr. Gamble and Mr. Johnson to attend, however they were not in attendance.

Council Member Washington tabled the item until the next meeting.

Mr. Armstrong stated he spoke to the City Attorney who informed him there would be a discussion on an ordinance amendment addressing the Lansing Housing Commission. Council Members confirmed they had not received any information on that.

ADJOURN

Adjourn at 4:42 p.m.

Submitted by,

Sherrie Boak, Recording Secretary

Lansing City Council

Approved by the Committee on April 4, 2017