



MINUTES
Committee on Ways and Means
May 22, 2017 @ 5:00 p.m.
10th Floor Conference Room, City Hall

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 5:02 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Councilmember Jody Washington, Chair
Councilmember Kathie Dunbar, Vice Chair, arrived at 5:03 p.m.
Councilmember Carol Wood, Member

OTHERS PRESENT

Sherrie Boak, Council Staff
Eric Brewer, Council Internal Auditor
Andy Kilpatrick, Public Service
Jim Smiertka, City Attorney
Mike Tobin, Lansing Fire Department

Council Member Washington passed the gavel.

Minutes

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER WASHINGTON TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM MAY 9, 2017. MOTION CARRIED 2-0.

Public Comment on Agenda Items

No Public Comment.

Discussion/Action

RESOLUTION – Grant Acceptance; Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) Grants Funding Traffic Signal Upgrades and Signal Communications Improvements

Mr. Kilpatrick outlined each grant item which included signals, operations, traffic counts, modernization of the signal at Lake Lansing, radio communications with signals in South Lansing, the signal on Michigan Avenue in downtown, which originally was in the BRT plan.

Council Member Wood asked what the personnel costs were for and also the \$18,000 listed under “Other”. Mr. Kilpatrick stated personnel costs are for existing staff in their current roles, and the \$18,000 is for a software license. Council Member asked where the bike racks would be placed. Mr. Kilpatrick confirmed there were 12 lockers and will be placed in the City right-of-

way in the downtown area, similar to a box and cover 2 bikes. They worked with the Downtown Design Committee and they will work on the potential for advertising on them.

The Committee briefly asked Mr. Kilpatrick if there was the potential for traffic calming on Clark Street. Mr. Kilpatrick confirmed they could do the traffic count and potentially look at a speed trailer. Once the information comes back they would need to determine the priorities.

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER WOOD TO APPROVE THE GRANT ACCEPTANCE; CONGESTION MITIGATION AND AIR QUALITY (CMAQ) GRANTS FUNDING TRAFFIC SIGNAL UPGRADES AND SIGNAL COMMUNICATIONS IMPROVEMENTS. MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

RESOLUTION – Homeland Security Grant

Mr. Tobin noted that the grant was awarded in March 2017, even though it is a FY2016 grant. The Federal government does not forward the funds to the State until after the New Year, and then they send to the local government. The funding this year is up this year because the City will host two regional projects. One is for the salamander system and one is for the regional mass communications systems. He noted that it is a 50/50 share with law and Homeland Security. They are reaching out to the LPD on the equipment aspect. Out of the \$205,000, \$100,000 is for personnel costs which is 100% funded by the regional grant, so \$105, 000 will be split 50/50.

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER WOOD TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE HOMELAND SECURITY GRANT. MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

RESOLUTION – FY2017 Emergency Solutions Grant Match Transfer

Council Member Washington noted this is a transfer that happens annually from the Planning and Neighborhood Development Department to the HRCS Department for amounts that represent the City match for Emergency Shelter Grant qualified programs, which includes Eve Inc. for \$30,000; Haven House \$11,000; Loaves and Fishes \$28,500; VOA Shelter \$77,341; and Gateway Services \$21,000.

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER WOOD TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION FOR THE FY2017 EMERGENCY SOLUTIONS GRANT MATCH TRANSFER. MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

ADJOURN

Adjourn at 5:18 p.m.

Submitted by,

Sherrie Boak, Recording Secretary

Lansing City Council

Approved by the Committee on June 6, 2017