



MINUTES
Committee on Ways and Means
Friday, September 10, 2021 @ 3:15 p.m.
City Hall 1st Floor Lobby

CALL TO ORDER

Council Member Wood called the meeting to order at 3:16p.m.

PRESENT

Council Member Carol Wood, Chair
Council Member, Adam Hussain, Vice Chair - excused
Council Member Peter Spadafore, Member

OTHERS PRESENT

Renee Richmond, Council Administrative Assistant
Eric Brewer, Council Internal Auditor
Jim Smiertka, OCA
Toni Young, HRCS
Kim Gillespie, HRCS
Rob Backus, Captain LPD
Joe McClure, LPD

Minutes

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER SPADAFORE TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM AUGUST 20, 2021 AS PRESENTED. MOTION CARRIED 2-0.

Public Comment

No public comment at this time.

Discussion/Action:

RESOLUTION – Grant Acceptance; US Department of Housing and Urban Development Continuum of Care

Kim Gillespie of HRCS stated that this is a continuum care grant for permanent housing and rapid rehousing for homelessness. She continued that there are about 11 projects serving different rapid rehousing for people with highest needs and chronic homelessness and families. Ms. Gillespie added there is one step that goes through a long process in which they determine which is in most need and implement a strategic plan. Council Member Wood asked how HRCS is keeping track and making sure their review process in making awards to the applicants are being done. Ms. Gillespie stated they have an ongoing process that monitors each agency every year and a HUD tool to look at financials and it is done every year before they apply for a grant. Council Member Wood said her last question was based on COVID dollars, is there a point where HRCS

is concerned they are limited to use. Ms. Gillespie indicated there are some concerns but they are 1½ years in and they are reassessing the progress and being looked at as of now and don't see a problem with the funds. Council Member Spadafore asked if there was a match and Ms. Gillespie confirmed there is an in-kind 25% match of just over \$31,000. Council Member Wood asked if Mr. Brewer had any concerns and Mr. Brewer stated the biggest concern in the City has to satisfy the documents and requirements for HUD.

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER SPADAFORE TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION FOR THE GRANT ACCEPTANCE FOR US DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT CONTINUUM OF CARE. MOTION CARRIED 2-0.

RESOLUTION - Grand Acceptance; STOP Violence Against Women Grant- 2022

Captain Backus stated this grant is a renewal for funding for one detective investigator for domestic violence on the police side and one analyst to support the domestic violence investigation team, there is a 25% match. Council Member Wood asked if there is potential this grant be used for anything else besides these two positions like outside organizations. Captain Backus stated no this is a three step approach with police, specialty court and the prosecutor's office. Council Member Spadafore stated in the resolution he would like to strike the BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED and have the paragraph above that the final one. Council Member Spadafore then asked Judge Ward if she had some data on domestic violence and she stated not with her and Captain Backus said he could provide that. Council Member Wood asked that he email Ms. Richmond that information.

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER SPADAFORE TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION AS AMENDED FOR GRANT ACCEPTANCE FOR STOP VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN GRANT – 2022. MOTION CARRIED 2-0.

PLACE ON FILE – Sole Source Purchase; Lansing Police Department request to use All City Management Services as the vendor for School Crossing Guard Services

Mr. McClure stated that Michigan law requires law enforcement to provide school crossing guards and this company provides services for 34 intersections. Mr. McClure continued that the total cost is \$300,801.60 and that this year the rate went up to \$23.21 per hour.

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER SPADAFORE TO PLACE ON FILE. MOTION CARRIED 2-0.

OTHER

Budget Priorities 2022/2023

Council Member Spadafore stated he would like to continue support of the expungement clinics and commended Mr. Brewer on his deep dive with payroll and asked if he was receiving cooperation. Mr. Brewer said he had a meeting with Bryan Kauffman and was flexible and supplied documents and is keeping Mr. Tate and Ms. Sanchez-Gazella informed.

ADJOURN

Adjourned at 3:33p.m.

Submitted by,

Renee Richmond, Council Administrative Assistant

Lansing City Council

Approved by the Committee on September 17, 2021