



MINUTES
Committee on Ways and Means
Monday, February 27, 2023 @ 4:30 p.m.
City Council Conference Room

CALL TO ORDER

Council Member Spadafore called the meeting was called to order at 4:30 p.m.

PRESENT

Council Member Peter Spadafore, Chair
Council Member Carol Wood, Vice Chair
Council Member Brian T. Jackson, Member-excused

OTHERS PRESENT

Sherrie Boak, Council Office Manager
Lisa Hagen-Lawrence, OCA
Jim Smiertka, OCA
Bill Brunner, Public Service
Danielle Strouse, District Court
Anethia Brewer, District Court
Amber Paxton, Financial Empowerment

Minutes

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER WOOD TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM FEBRUARY 13, 2023, AS PRESENTED. MOTION CARRIED 2-0.

Public Comment

No public comment at this time.

Discussion/Action:

RESOLUTION – Grant Acceptance; 54A District Court’s Specialty Court

Ms. Strouse and Ms. Brewer spoke on the Specialty Court and first apologized on the delay. Ms. Brewer then outlined the court based on the support of the State Court Administrators, and noted which one began in 2005 by Judge Alderson. The court is now handled by Judge Buchanan, and there was never a lag.

Ms. Strouse outlined stats including 24 active participants from 10/2022-9/2023. She then spoke briefly that since 2005 there are 237 submissions, 212 discharged with a 67% succession rate. This year they got \$34,000 from the State, and some goes to testing, interlock services, electronic monitoring, and there is some funds used for supplies and training.

Council Member Spadafore asked if GF has been spent, and this will reimbursed, and Ms. Strouse confirmed it is a reimbursement.

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER WOOD TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION FOR THE GRANT ACCEPTANCE FOR THE SPECIALTY COURT. MOTION CARRIED 2-0.

RESOLUTION – Grant Acceptance; US Conference Mayor’s Dollarwise Innovation Grant

Ms. Paxton stated that this was written for the offender success program and paid by the State to run the program. There are some services that are not paid, so they seek outside funding, and this was partnered with Sylvan. There is a pre-assessment, and incorporated funding. Sylvan has stated that if they use Peckham staff for the pre-assessment they will not be charged.

Council Member Wood asked if Sylvan is prohibited to market products, and Ms. Paxton stated the contract has not been written yet, so they can write that in.

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER WOOD TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION FOR THE GRANT ACCEPTANCE FOR THE US CONFERENCE MAYOR’S DOLLARWISE INNOVATION GRANT. MOTION CARRIED 2-0.

RESOLUTION – Grant Acceptance; Community Economic Association of Michigan (CEDAM) Children’s Savings Account Innovation Projects

Ms. Paxton stated this is for the specific cause of expanding the innovation project throughout the State. This campaign will increase the dollars through donations. The five year goal is for \$5 million.

Council Member Wood asked if any funds that comes in is equally divided by open accounts, and Ms. Paxton confirmed noting the funds will first go to the 8th grader account and then roll into the other.

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER WOOD TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION FOR THE GRANT ACCEPTANCE FOR CEDAM CHILDREN’S SAVINGS ACCOUNT INNOVATION PROJECTS. MOTION CARRIED 2-0.

Sole Source Purchase; Public Service Department Request Systems Specialties as vendor for two Rotork valve actuators

Mr. Brunner explained what an actuators is, and how it is used for a valve for the large pipes. The existing one has worn out, and the vendor is a sole source in this area, reliable and provide excellent services.

Council Member Wood asked how many are currently in place, and Mr. Brunner confirmed well over 100. Council Member Wood asked if there are some in stock if one malfunctions, and Mr. Brunner stated they would have to order as needed.

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER WOOD TO PLACE ON FILE THE SOLE SOURCE FOR SYSTEMS SPECIALTIES FOR TWO ROTORK VALVE ACTUATORS. MOTION CARRIED 2-0.

OTHER

No other topics at this time.

ADJOURN

Adjourned at 4:44 p.m.

Submitted by,
Sherrie Boak, Recording Secretary
Lansing City Council
Approved by the Committee March 13, 2023