



MINUTES
Committee on Ways and Means
Monday, October 2 2023 @ 4:30 p.m.
City Council Conference Room

CALL TO ORDER

Council Member Wood called the meeting was called to order at 5:03 p.m. and explained the delay.

PRESENT

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

OTHERS PRESENT

Sherrie Boak, Council Office Manager
Emily Linden, Internal Auditor
Deputy Chief Backus, LPD
Alec Malvetis, Public Service
Nicole McPherson, Public Service
DeLisa Fountain, Neighborhood Citizen Engagement

Minutes

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER JACKSON TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM SEPTEMBER 11, 2023, AS PRESENTED. MOTION CARRIED 2-0.

Public Comment

No public comment at this time.

Discussion/Action:

RESOLUTION – Donation Acceptance; Lansing Police Department Special Tactics and Rescue Team

Chief Backus explained this is for the START group and comes from the annual memorial outing. This amount from the fundraiser and donation includes \$2,500 added by Modern Woodman financial institution.

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER JACKSON TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION FOR THE DONATION ACCEPTANCE FOR LPD SPECIAL TACTICS AND RESCUE TEAM. MOTION CARRIED 2-0.

RESOLUTION – Donation Acceptance; Lansing Police Department Firing Range Unit

Chief Backus is a total of \$15,000 and to be used to purchase fire range equipment, specifically new firearms.

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER JACKSON TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION FOR THE DONATION ACCEPTANCE FOR LPD FIRING RANGE UNIT. MOTION CARRIED 2-0.

DISCUSSION – Sole Source Purchase, LPD for All City Management Services as Vendor for Lansing School Crossing Guard Program

Chief Backus explained that All City Management Services is the service used for the last several years. They management everything from start to finish including hiring, background check, managing and managing paychecks.

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER JACKSON TO PLACE ON FILE THE SOLE SOURCE FOR ALL CITY MANAGEMENT. MOTION CARRIED 2-0.

Ms. Linden stated she had no questions at this time and did have questions but were asked in advance and those were addressed prior to the meeting.

RESOLUTION – Grant Acceptance; Section 219 Federal Funding for the Combined Sewer Overflow Downtown; Washington Square and Ottawa Street Project

Mr. Malvetis referred to the resolution, and stated all projects required by the consent order from the State. The City was made aware of this program a couple years ago, and since then have had discussions with them to offset construction cost.

Council Member Wood asked about the description of sewer separation, and construction for BWL water main and steam utilities, and if this amount is being used in conjunction or is BWL doing the same work at the same time. Mr. Malvetis stated BWL is aware but no promises have been made that any portion would be used back to BWL.

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER JACKSON TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION FOR THE GRANT ACCEPTANCE FOR SECTION 219 FEDERAL FUNDING FOR CSO AT WASHINGTON SQUARE AND OTTAWA STREET PROJECT. MOTION CARRIED 2-0.

RESOLUTION – Grant Acceptance; Financial Empowerment Center Jackson National Life Grant

Ms. Fountain explained that Ms. Paxton is not present due to a medical emergency. She then expanded on the grant, which was initiated by JNL to pay for consultant in their relaunch in 6 months. There will no City funds used for this.

Council Member Jackson what the relaunch is. Ms. Fountain explained that when relaunch in house, this is to get the City department back to where they were before separating from the contractor. For the funding there is a higher expectation, so they are bringing the work in house to meet the requested standards. JNL called to invest in the FEC, and step one is to get the consultant to start the relaunch, and at that point they were interested.

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER JACKSON TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION FOR THE GRANT ACCEPTANCE FOR FINANCIAL EMPOWERMENT CENTER JACKSON NATIONAL LIFE. MOTION CARRIED 2-0.

RESOLUTION – Grant Acceptance; OS Reentry Program Contract bonus for the Office of Financial Empowerment from the Department of Corrections for job placement and retention performance

Ms. Fountain explained the program, under contract with State, awarded a year 5 bonus and this has been done in the past. Based on performance measures, this is being awarded to the City. There will be a portion given to Peckham since they are doing the services and Ms. Fountain stated she can provide that amount to Council.

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER JACKSON TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION FOR THE GRANT ACCEPTANCE FOR OS REENTRY PROGRAM FOR THE OFFICE OF FINANCIAL EMPOWERMENT.

Ms. Linden stated she had no questions on the last two grants and spoken to Ms. Paxton prior to the meeting.

MOTION CARRIED 2-0.

Council Member Jackson apologized for being late, his other job held him until courts closed.

OTHER

No other topics at this time.

ADJOURN

Adjourned at 5:14 p.m.

Submitted by,

Sherrie Boak, Recording Secretary,

Lansing City Council

Approved by the Committee on October 16, 2023