



MINUTES
Committee on Ways and Means
Thursday, March 7, 2024 @ 3:00 p.m.
City Council Conference Room

CALL TO ORDER

Council Member Spadafore called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

PRESENT

Council Member Peter Spadafore, Chair
Council Member Tamera Carter, Vice Chair
Council Member Jeffrey Brown, Member

OTHERS PRESENT

Sherrie Boak, Council Office Manager
Lisa Hagen-Lawrence, OCA
Greg Venker, OCA
Emily Linden, Council Internal Auditor
Amber Paxton, Financial Empowerment
DeLisa Fountain, Neighborhoods Arts and Engagement
Brett Kaschinske, Parks and Recreation

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MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER CARTER TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 1, 2024 ON FILE. MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

Public Comment

No public comment at this time.

Discussion/Action:

RESOLUTION – Worker Compensation Settlement; Claim #wc2876-21-0003758

Ms. Hagen-Lawrence stated this is due disability and will be full and complete redemption for the city.

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER CARTER TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION FOR THE WORKERS COMPENSATION CLAIM WC2876-21-0003759. MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

RESOLUTION – Grant Acceptance; National League of Cities (NLC) Cities Addressing Fines & Fees Equitably Initiative (CAFFE) Faculty Advisor Grant for the Office of Financial Empowerment

Ms. Paxton noted there was a \$40,000 grant awarded in 2019, and since that work over those years, they were asked to be a faculty member on this newest grant. At the time they did not believe the City was going to be paid for the privilege, and will accept this \$10,000 to offset Ms. Paxton costs.

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER CARTER TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION FOR THE GRANT ACCEPTANCE FOR CAFFE FACULTY ADVISOR GRANT. MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

RESOLUTION – Grant Acceptance; Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund (MNRTF) Grant; Frances River Lot Deck Improvements

Mr. Kaschinske distributed a site plan of the location. This is not acceptance of an award, but permission to apply. The DNR does require the Council to authorize the City to apply for grants from the State, due April 1, 2024. This project is along Grand River and Moores River Drive. The City did apply and receive a grant 25 years ago, and this is a rehab of the project, not new. On the east and west ends of the parking lot are wood decks, and so they are looking to change to TREX or concrete. In the project will also be improving the railings and looking at the cost of pavement on the trail surrounding the areas. This could require tree removal due to rooting in the trail. The maximum grant would be \$400,000 with a 26% match from the City and any more above that would come from the City, and the funds would come from the park millage. Council Member Spadafore asked if they can use County fund grants for the match and Mr. Kaschinske confirmed. Mr. Kaschinske added they are looking in the staff training on fowl monitoring.

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER CARTER APPROVE THE RESOLUTION FOR THE GRANT ACCEPTANCE; MNRTF GRANT FOR FRANCES RIVER LOT DECK IMPROVEMENTS.

Ms. Linden confirmed she researched the funds for the match and there are funds in the milage.

MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

OTHER

No other topics.

ADJOURN

Adjourned at 3:09 p.m.

Submitted by,

Sherrie Boak, Recording Secretary,

Lansing City Council

Approved by the Committee on April 18, 2024