



MINUTES
Committee on Ways and Means
Friday, July 12, 2024 @ 1:00 p.m.
City Council Conference Room

CALL TO ORDER

Council Member Spadafore called the meeting to order at 1:00 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
Mitch Whisler, Public Service
Amber Paxton, NEC
Andy Kilpatrick, Public Service
Hal King, Parking Director

Minutes

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER CARTER TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF MAY 16, 2024 ON FILE. MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

Public Comment

No public comment at this time.

Discussion/Action:

Place on File – Sole Source; Parks & Recreation Department requests Level Up Retail Services as the vendor for Stabenow Park Fitness Court Installation

Council Member Spadafore referenced the packet and the memo from the former Internal Auditor in support of it. He noted the Parks Director also stated this is consistency with material across the City.

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER CARTER TO PLACE ON FILE. MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

RESOLUTION – Grant Acceptance; Financial Empowerment Center Grant

Ms. Paxton first gave an update on the hiring of counselors and they will start July 22nd, with a formal launch in September; second week.

Ms. Paxton then spoke on this grant; Jackson National Life division, is supportive of this grant and she meets regularly with their representative on the funds. The consultant has delivered a marketing plan, core strategy, and this \$60,000 is for the first year of relaunch towards capacity building. The perfect way they believe to do that is staff and train up in the program. With that being said, they are looking to work with Jackson to find opportunities to find that. Council Member Spadafore noted that is good idea since this is a one time grant.

Council Member Brown noted there have been cross-referrals with FEC, HRCS and NCE and if this person can work with the services to maximize the reach. Ms. Paxton acknowledged and they are also working with the District Court in Diversion court, and if they work with him he could see them on the spot and record in the program software for data reach pieces to make the case for more funding for this later on. Currently talking to that person, but there is a lot of demand on his time, so they are not sure if they can spare them. These funds could come in to do the data entry and temporary admin help.

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER CARTER TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION FOR A GRANT ACCEPTANCE FOR FINANCIAL EMPOWERMENT CENTER GRANT. MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

RESOLUTION – Grant Acceptance; Ingham County Parks and Trails Millage reallocation and contract extensions

Mr. Whisler stated the Bear Lake/ US 127 pathway project has \$525,000 excess funds, after the current phase being constructed right now. The City is asking that balance be reallocated to the these projects. The funding in the corporate would be a new project so this is to accept and reallocated. The City liability would be \$90,000 in the cost. The additional request of this resolution is for more projects in the funding which are complete.

Council Member Spadafore asked if this was approved by Ingham County for direction, and Mr. Whisler confirmed.

Council Member Brown asked Mr. Kilpatrick if this was regarding the fence at Fenner, and Mr. Kilpatrick confirmed. Mr. Whisler said the most funding is for the Bear Lake, and there are funds for Fenner. Mr. Kilpatrick stated Fenner is not within the project yet as bid, but can be looked at outside, and they will look at it to figure out the best way.

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER CARTER TO RESOLUTION GRANT ACCEPTANCE; INGHAM COUNTY PARKS AND TRAILS MILLAGE REALLOCATION AND CONTRACT EXTENSIONS. MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

RESOLUTIONS -Fees; establish Electric Vehicle Charging Stations fees for City-owned stations

Mr. Kilpatrick detailed to the Committee that this is something they can build for these, but their goal is to reimburse of costs. They can charge just for energy used, permit per hour, or hybrid. Asking for one or the other, or mix, and might not be the same depending on demand of location.

Council Member Carter asked if the consumer has the option to choose. Mr. Kilpatrick stated the City will determine, and they are asking Council for the approval so they can look at the options to work with the vendor. Not trying to maximize profit but use for the public. Hope is that the first ones will make money and then put more in the City. Council Member Carter asked how communicate with users currently free and future charges. Mr. Kilpatrick we will signify with

machines that at a date they will start charging and what fees will be. What the Administration is asking for is flexibility, and the assumption is they will come up with a blended option.

Council Member Spadafore noted the system is equitable, and fees have to cover costs. If you view EV global not this charge. Appreciate the resolution language to evaluate and not overcharge. Council Member Spadafore asked about enforcement of people parking in other designated spots or EV spots. Mr. Kilpatrick parking could issue signage. Mr. King stated there is an ordinance in other communities that enforce, that the City could look at to work off. Might have to change signage where people charge but do not leave because of no incentive, but ordinance could state they need to move. Mr. Kilpatrick noted there are also places that if you are connected you are getting charged. There are three levels of chargers, there are various rates on amps, faster chargers. They are looking at most at phase 2, multiple chargers next to each other, and one or two charging heads on each station. There was a question on the vendor, and it was stated Blink. BWL picked FLOW which is Canadian, but they have a mfg. plant in Michigan.

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER CARTER TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION FOR FEES FOR ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING STATIONS -CITY OWNED. MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

OTHER

No other business at this time.

ADJOURN

Adjourned at 1:25 p.m.

Submitted by, Sherrie Boak,

Recording Secretary,

Lansing City Council

Approved by the Committee on August 1, 2024