



MINUTES
Committee on Ways and Means
Thursday, October 3, 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
Cheryl Rupprecht, LPD
Charles Randall, Internal Auditor
Desiree Kirkland, Finance Director
Greg Venker, OCA
Lisa Hagen-Lawrence, OCA

Minutes

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER BROWN TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 5, 2024 ON FILE. MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

Public Comment

No public comment at this time.

Discussion/Action:

RESOLUTION – Grant Acceptance; Automobile Theft Prevention Authority (ATPA) Grant

Ms. Rupprecht asked the Committee for acceptance of the grant from the State which runs October – September, with a 60/40 match. This is an annual grant since 2014, and this has been subsidizing one officer and one piece of equipment.

Mr. Randall confirmed it is ongoing, and deferring expenses to proper places.

Council Member Brown asked if this match is what it has been historically, and Ms. Rupprecht confirmed in the past there has been cases where it was a 50/50 match because of the equipment.

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER CARTER TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION FOR GRANT ACCEPTANCE FOR AUTOMOBILE THEFT PREVENTION AUTHORITY (ATPA). MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

RESOLUTION – Grant Acceptance; MI Local Retirement Grant Program

Ms. Kirkland noted there have been additional grant dollars available with the State for retirement funds. The City applied with the hopes of getting the \$4.5 million maximum. They were awarded the amount of \$2,266,167, which has already been received and deposited into the pension fund.

Council Member Brown asked how the allocation is determined. Ms. Kirkland acknowledged she did not have the State procedures for determination, however based on what they had available it was spread to all the recipients. Mr. Venker confirmed each municipality was eligible, and it would come down to how many of those municipalities applied.

Council Member Spadafore asked OCA if the resolution is now even required since the funds have already been received. Mr. Venker stated yes, it is still necessary, and normally there is a grant agreement, but in this case the State just provided the funds without that this time.

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER CARTER TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION FOR GRANT ACCEPTANCE FOR MI LOCAL RETIREMENT GRANT PROGRAM. MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

RESOLUTION – Institute for Responsive Government Election Administration Grant

There was no City Clerk or representative present to speak to this Grant request.

Council Member Spadafore Council did receive an earlier request to address this at Committee of the Whole and Council on 9/30/2024 because of its urgency. At that time it was referred to this Committee and the City Clerk did speak to him about the grant.

Mr. Randall confirmed this is a non-partisan grant for the purchase of election equipment that they are asking for the upcoming election in November. They will be required to report back on the usage of the funds by June 2025.

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER CARTER TO RESOLUTION GRANT ACCEPTANCE INSTITUTE FOR RESPONSIVE GOVERNMENT ELECTION ADMINISTRATION. MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

OTHER

No other business at this time.

ADJOURN

Adjourned at 3:08 p.m.

Submitted by, Sherrie Boak,

Recording Secretary,

Lansing City Council

Approved by the Committee on October 17, 2024