



MINUTES
Committee on Ways and Means
Wednesday, February 5, 2025 @ 3:30 p.m.
City Council Conference Room

CALL TO ORDER

Council Member Hussain called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m.

PRESENT

Council Member Adam Hussain, Chair
Council Member Jeremy Garza, Vice Chair
Council Member Peter Spadafore, Member

OTHERS PRESENT

Renee Richmond, Council Administrative Assistant
Lisa Hagen-Lawrence, OCA
Brett Kaschinske, Director Parks & Rec
Rawley Van Fossen, Director EDP
Cheryl Rupprecht, LPD

Minutes

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER SPADAFORE TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF DECEMBER 5, 2024. MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

Public Comment

Discussion/Action:

RESOLUTION – Grant Acceptance; Office of Financial Empowerment, OS Reentry Program

Mr. Van Fossen stated this is a grant received from MDOC for this region, the program includes housing, employment, behavioral health counseling and social support. Including bus passes and clothing vouchers. There is a metric criteria for performance and if reached then a bonus is received. Adding they have unrestricted use and helps as a gap filler.

Mr. Randall had nothing to add other than recommending the grant.

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER GARZA TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION FOR THE GRANT ACCEPTANCE; OFFICE OF FINANCIAL EMPOWERMENT, OS REENTRY PROGRAM. MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

Ms. Richmond noted she just received notification that the other attendees are on their way.

RESOLUTION – Grant Acceptance; Letts Tennis Courts Rehabilitation and Construction, MNRTF

Mr. Kaschinske explained they have applied before through MNRTF, in the past put through land and water, they are applying for the maximum which is \$400,000. He noted an adjustment is needed to the resolution and grant form, changing the \$104,000 to \$141,000 and adding the Grant Number of TF25-0001. Adding they need approval, so this isn't an acceptance grant. Letts currently has 4 tennis courts, they are expanding with 2 additional, working on relocating the community garden. There will be tennis and pickleball courts.

Councilmember Hussain confirmed so not all hybrid or just pickleball. Mr. Kaschinske answered no not just pickleball, tennis courts for the youth programs as well.

Councilmember Spadafore asked for confirmation on where to insert the Grant Number into resolution, and Mr. Kaschinske confirmed where.

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER GARZA TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION FOR THE GRANT ACCEPTANCE; LETTS TENNIS COURTS REHABILITATION AND CONSTRUCTION, MNRTF. MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

RESOLUTION – Grant Acceptance; National Trust for Historic Preservation

Mr. Kaschinske stated they have received funding from the NTHP, a \$5,000 grant and \$5,000 match from Friends of Turner Dodge. Through this they will take a look at the house and what my need to be done in a priority order and cost estimates for putting into capital improvement, millage, or fundraiser by the Board. Noting a few items of the porch, roof, painting or foundation.

Mr. Randall recommends acceptance.

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER GARZA TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION FOR THE GRANT ACCEPTANCE; NATIONAL TRUST FOR HISTORIC PRESERVATION. MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

RESOLUTION – Grant Acceptance; Lansing Police Department Byrne Justice Assistance Grant (JAG)

Ms. Rupprecht stated this is annual grant that LPD typically uses for a specific project or effort, it is a 2-year grant that began 10/1/2024 and will run through 9/30/2026. Main effort is for education, mental health, and well-being, the education is a reimbursement at \$5,000 per sworn officer with a bachelor education, that could change if not enough interest. Also a pastor grant to the Ingham County Sheriff Office.

Councilmember Hussain stated he's read in the past it is to be used for public address system., and Ms. Rupprecht apologize and confirmed he is correct, this year is the PA systems.

Councilmember Garza asked if it is just for Ingham County and Ms. Rupprecht responded yes. Councilmember Garza also asked what the reason is for the City to get 120,000 and the county 12,000. Ms. Rupprecht is unsure where the original allocation came from, in her research back to 2018 it's been a 10% margin.

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER GARZA TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION FOR THE GRANT ACCEPTANCE; LANSING POLICE DEPARTMENT BYRNE JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT (JAG). MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

OTHER

ADJOURN

Adjourned at 3:53pm

Submitted by,

Renee Richmond, Recording Secretary

Lansing City Council

Approved by the Committee on February 19, 2025