

## **FINANCE COMMITTEE**

Date and Time: Tuesday, January 9, 2024, at 5:30 P.M., Council Chambers

Members Present: Lisa Rasmussen, Doug Diny, Michael Martens, Sarah Watson, and Carol Lukens

Others Present: Mayor Rosenberg, MaryAnne Groat, Anne Jacobson, Matt Barnes, Jeremy Kopp, Eric Lindman, Liz Brodek, Tammy Stratz, Kody Hart

Noting the presence of a quorum Chairperson Rasmussen called the meeting to order at 5:30 P.M.

### **Minutes of the previous meeting(s) (12/5/2023, 12/19/2023).**

Motion by Watson, seconded by Martens, to approve the minutes. Motion carried 5-0.

### **Discussion and possible action on Fee Schedule Parking Permits Lot 6.**

Rasmussen questioned if there will be effective communication between the church entity and the business seeking parking permits to accommodate parking needs based on events happening. There will be a line of communication.

Watson questioned if there would be designated parking spots. In accordance with how other permit parking lots operate, there would not be designated parking spots for Lot 6.

Diny questioned if there was a sunset on this agreement. There is not an agreement, instead the city would open a number of parking permits for sale in this lot and the business would come in to purchase those permits. The city can choose to repeal permit parking on an annual basis should there be a need.

Motion by Diny, seconded by Watson, to approve the sale of 10 parking permits in Lot 6. Motion carried 5-0.

### **Discussion and possible action on First Amendment American Rescue Plan Act Subrecipient Agreement with Catholic Charities.**

Martens questioned what was in the original agreement with Catholic Charities for ARPA funding. The funding was allocated originally for the organization to operate a 365-day warming shelter, and then expended an additional amount for operation of a day center, and then expended an additional amount for Catholic Charities to oversee the Open Door organization. Martens questioned if Catholic Charities would provide additional services with this additional funding. The funding would allow them to continue providing day services for longer.

Rasmussen questioned an additional option proposed for spending to fund staff time within the Community Development Department for oversight of these operations as Open Door is no longer operating, the oversight would no longer be necessary. The Community Development Department still has a measure of oversight when it comes to managing the payments and reporting those correctly.

Diny stated that there are still a number of ARPA funding needs and suggested rescoring this request along with the other funding needs. This funding would be a proportional cost for staff time in oversight out of the already allocated funds.

Rasmussen stated that funding from ARPA has historically been utilized for external needs and not internally within city government.

Watson stated that using ARPA funding to fund staff time is a public facing need as the oversight helps this public facing operation continue to stay open.

Lukens questioned if Catholic Charities could expand this day center operation. The organization has someone hired to operate the day center but due to a lack of an agreement in place is not able to fully conduct the work. The day center is currently open 2 days a week at this time and could open more upon the allocation of these funds.

Rasmussen questioned where an agreement is and how long it would take to finalize an agreement. There is a person hired by the organization to operate the center, and a meeting is planned to finalize an agreement based on the decision of funding.

Rasmussen stated that the ARPA allocation of staff time funds was not properly agendaized and vetted by the committee and an option could be to subtract the proposed staff time funds from the original request and allocate the remainder to day center operations as overseen by Catholic Charities.

Watson suggested allocating the full ARPA fund request to the organization and to reevaluate the proposal to allocate for staff time later in the year.

Martens stated support for allocating the full ARPA fund request to the organization and suggested that there should be a better estimation of the time it takes to do the oversight and see if an alternative funding source can be found.

Motion by Watson, seconded by Lukens, to approve to keep the \$51,129 with the original resolution towards the cause of the day center. Motion carried 5-0.

**Discussion and possible action on approving Primary Towing Services Agreement with Joe Rader Towing, LLC and Secondary Towing Services Agreement with Lightning Towing.**

Motion by Diny, seconded by Martens, to approve the agreements with the vendors. Motion carried 5-0.

**Discussion and possible action on approving accepted offers for the following parcels in the Stewart Avenue, South 72nd Avenue to South 48th Avenue street project:**

- Parcel 7 (7000 Stewart Avenue) – New Highway Right of Way Fee/Permanent Limited Easement/Temporary Limited Easement
- Parcel 16 (6631 Stewart Avenue) – New Highway Right of Way Fee/Temporary Limited Easement

Motion by Martens, seconded by Diny, to approve the accepted offers. Motion carried 5-0.

**Discussion and possible action on accepting dedication of a portion of 7110 Stewart Avenue and a portion of 6601 Stewart Avenue for public right-of-way.**

Motion by Watson, seconded by Lukens, to approve acceptance of the dedication. Motion carried 5-0.

**Discussion and possible action on approving counteroffer for the following parcel in the Stewart Avenue, South 72nd Avenue to South 48th Avenue street project:**

- Parcel 2 (7500 Stewart Avenue) – Temporary Limited Easement/Landscaping

**CLOSED SESSION pursuant to s. 19.85(1)(e) of the Wisconsin Statutes for deliberating or negotiating the purchase of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session: approving counteroffer for the following parcel in the Stewart Avenue, South 72nd Avenue to South 48th Avenue street project - Parcel 2 (7500 Stewart Avenue) – Temporary Limited Easement/Landscaping.**

Motion by Martens, seconded by Lukens, to convene into Closed Session.

Roll Call Vote – Yes: Rasmussen, Diny, Martens, Watson, Lukens; No: None. Motion carried 5-0.

**RECONVENE into Open Session, to take action on Closed Session item.**

Motion by Watson, seconded by Diny, to approve the temporary limited easement with an increase of \$2,700 for landscaping. Motion carried 5-0.

**Adjourn**

Motion by Watson, seconded by Lukens, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 6:11 P.M.

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