

CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

St. Louis, Michigan
April 18, 2023

The regular meeting of the Saint Louis City Council was called to order by Mayor Thomas L. Reed on Tuesday, April 18, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers.

Council Members Present: Mayor Thomas L. Reed, Roger L. Collison, George T. Kubin,
William R. Leonard

Council Members Absent: Elizabeth Upton

City Manager: Kurt Giles
City Clerk: Jamie Long
Police Chief: Richard Ramereiz, Jr.

Others in Attendance: Keith Risdon-Director of Public Services, Steven Warren-OHM Advisors, P.J. McGillis-St. Louis Wastewater Plant, Andrea Peak-AECOM, Ralph Echtenaw-St. Louis Sentinel, Max Clever-Spicer Group, Kevin Morford-Moose Lodge Trustee, Brandi Painter, Tom Alcamo-USEPA, and students.

Member Collison led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Hearing-FY2024 Clean Water State Revolving Fund Project.

Mayor Reed opened the Public Hearing at 6:00 p.m.

Mayor Reed asked for Public Comments. No comments were made.

Mayor Reed closed the public hearing at 6:02 p.m.

OHM Power Point Presentation was given by Steven Warren.

Resolution 2023-06 FY2024 Clean Water State Revolving Fund Project.

The following preamble and resolution were offered by Member Kubin and supported by Member Leonard :

WHEREAS, the City of St. Louis recognizes the need to make improvements to its existing

collection system, Union Street Pump Station and Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP); and

WHEREAS, the City of St. Louis authorized OHM Advisors to prepare a FY2024 Clean Water State Revolving Fund Project Planning Document, which recommends the following projects:

- Reroute collection system and Union Street Pump Station improvements.
- Replace two secondary clarifiers with larger units.
- Expand selector tank, add rotors to existing oxidation ditches and improve oxidation ditch access.
- Replace chlorine contact tanks with an ultraviolet disinfection system.
- Add sludge dewatering process.
- Add a vortex grit tank.

WHEREAS, said Project Planning Document was presented at a Public Meeting held on April 18, 2023, and public comments have been considered and addressed;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of St. Louis formally adopts said FY2024 Clean Water State Revolving Fund Project Planning Document and agrees to implement the selected alternatives.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Public Services Director, a position currently held by Keith Risdon, is designated as the authorized representative for all activities associated with the projects referenced above, including the submittal of said FY2024 Project Planning Document as the first step in applying to the State of Michigan for a State Revolving Fund Loan to assist in the implementation of the selected alternatives

Ayes: Kubin, Leonard, Collison, Reed

Nays: None

Resolution declared adopted this 18th day of April, 2023.

City Council Minutes.

Moved by Leonard, supported by Collison, to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on April 4, 2023. All ayes carried the motion.

Claims & Accounts.

City Council discussed the Claims & Accounts.

Moved by Collison, supported by Leonard, to approve the Claims & Accounts in the amount of \$619,353.91. All ayes carried the motion.

Monthly Board Reports.

Members discussed the March 2023 monthly reports.

Moved by Collison, supported by Kubin to receive the March 2023 Monthly Reports and place on file. All ayes carried the motion.

Audience Recognition.

Tom Alcamo from USEPA and Andrea Peak from AECOM informed the council of the mobilization at the Velsicol Site beginning next week, which includes removal of over 110,000 tons of material. Gravel train vehicles will be running Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. until materials are removed. Safety precautions in place were discussed.

Kevin Morford-Trustee of the Moose Lodge expressed interest in having a bike show come to the city for the July Celebration on July 15th from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. A rough draft of brochures were given to Chief Ramereiz for further review.

Consent Agenda.

Mayor Reed requested approval/receipt of Consent Agenda items “a” through “e” as shown below:

- a. Payment to Fishbeck Services for Well 12 Project.
- b. Payment to Fishbeck Services for Ground Water Elevation Monitoring Project.
- c. Payment to Alma Chrysler for Motor Replacement of the 2016 Police Charger.
- d. Payment to USA Bluebook for WWTP Lab and Field-Testing Equipment.
- e. Payment to The Isabella Corporation for Well Project 12.

Moved by Leonard, supported by Collison, to approve Consent Agenda items “a” through “e.” All ayes carried the motion.

New Business.

Resolution 2023-07-Establishing Fee for Electronic Tax Roll Records.

The following preamble and resolution were offered by Member Leonard and supported by Member Collison :

WHEREAS, the finance department has identified a need for establishment of a fee for electronic export files of the tax database.

WHEREAS, the City Council establishes fees and charges for services.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT: the St. Louis City Council hereby establishes a fee for electronic copy of records of the electronic data tax files of \$0.30 per parcel record, per season, per request.

Fees will be collected prior to receipt of the file. Requesters will be notified that files may not be resold for a commercial purpose.

Fees will be deposited to the City’s General Fund.

No fee will be necessary for tax data files of a limited parcel list request for the purpose of payments of taxes seasonally by banking/mortgage escrows.

Ayes: Collison, Leonard, Kubin, Reed
Nays: None

Resolution declared adopted this 18th day of April, 2023.

Quote for Battery Backup-Rehmann.

Manager Giles requested members to approve the quote for the battery backup from Rehman in the amount of \$8,902.00.

Discussion was held.

Moved by Kubin, supported by Leonard to approve the quote for the battery backup from Rehman in the amount of \$8,902.00. All ayes carried the motion.

Set Public Hearing for Public Safety Special Assessment Renewal.

Manager Giles requested members to set the Public Hearing for the Public Safety Special Assessment Renewal for May 16, 2023 at 6:00 p.m.

Discussion was held.

Moved by Kubin, supported by Leonard to set the Public Hearing for the Public Safety Special Assessment Renewal for May 16, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. All ayes carried the motion.

Award Bid to Malley Construction-Orchard Hills Water Main Extension.

Manager Giles requested members award the contract to Malley Construction for the Orchard Hills Water Main Extension in the amount of \$2,321,694.00.

Discussion was held.

Moved by Collison, supported by Kubin, to award the bid for the Orchard Hills Water Main Extension to Malley Construction in the amount of \$2,321,694.00.
All ayes carried the motion.

Proposal for Construction Oversight for the Orchard Hills Water Main Extension Project from Spicer.

Manager Giles requested members to approve the proposal from Spicer for the construction oversight services for the Orchard Hills Water Main Extension Project in the amount of \$515,900.00.

Discussion was held.

Moved by Kubin, supported by Leonard, to approve the proposal from Spicer for the construction oversight services for the Orchard Hills Water Main Extension Project in the amount of \$515,900.00. All ayes carried the motion.

City Manager Report.

Nothing to report.

City Clerk Report.

Nothing to report.

Police Chief Report.

Nothing to report.

Council Comments.

Nothing to report.

Public Comments.

There were no comments.

Adjournment.

Moved by Leonard, supported Collison, to adjourn at 6:58p.m. All ayes carried the motion.

Jamie Long, City Clerk