

## CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

St. Louis, Michigan  
August 4, 2020

The regular meeting of the Saint Louis City Council was called to order by Mayor James Kelly on Tuesday, August 4, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. via Conference Call.

Council Members Present: Via Conference Call Mayor James C. Kelly, Roger L. Collison, George T. Kubin, William R. Leonard, Thomas L. Reed

Council Members Absent: None

City Manager: Kurt Giles  
Deputy Clerk: Bobbie Marr – via Conference Call  
Police Chief: Richard Ramereiz

Others in Attendance: None

Others in Attendance Via Conference Call:

Keith Risdon – Public Services Director, Mark Abbott – DPW Superintendent, Ralph Echtenaw – St. Louis Sentinel

### **City Council Minutes.**

Moved by Collison, supported by Kubin, to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on July 21, 2020.

Roll Call:  
Ayes: Collison, Kubin, Leonard, Reed, Kelly  
Nays: None  
Motion carried.

### **Claims & Accounts.**

City Council discussed the Claims & Accounts.

Moved by Reed, supported by Leonard, to approve the Claims & Accounts in the amount of \$824,962.72.

Roll Call:  
Ayes: Reed, Leonard, Collison, Kubin, Kelly  
Nays: None  
Motion carried.

### **Monthly Board Minutes.**

Moved by Kubin, supported by Collison, to receive the July Monthly Board Minutes and place on file.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Kubin; Collison; Leonard; Reed; Kelly

Nays: None

Motion carried.

### **Audience Recognition.**

None Requested

### **Consent Agenda.**

Mayor Kelly requested approval of Consent Agenda items “a” through “c” as shown below:

- a. Payment to Michigan Agri Business for Bio Solid Land Application.
- b. Change Order No. 2 from Malley Construction for Completion Date Change.
- c. Payment to Central Asphalt for 2020 Pavement Improvement Project.

Moved by Reed, supported by Leonard, to approve Consent Agenda items “a” through “c.”

Roll Call:

Ayes: Reed; Leonard; Collison; Kubin; Kelly

Nays: None

Motion carried.

### **New Business.**

#### **Additional Design Service for Water Main Replacement Project.**

Manager Giles requested members approve the Proposal from Rowe for additional Design Services for Water Main Replacement Project in the amount of \$7,000.00.

Discussion was held.

Moved by Kubin, supported by Reed, to approve the Proposal from Rowe for Additional Design Services for Water Main Replacement Project in the amount of \$7,000.00.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Kubin, Reed, Collison, Leonard, Kelly

Nays: None

Motion carried.

#### **Purchase of Ferric Chloride.**

Manager Giles requested members approve the Purchase of 4,000 gallons of Ferric Chloride from PVS Technologies for the Wastewater Treatment Plant in the amount of \$5,013.00.

Moved by Collison, supported by Leonard, to approve the Purchase of 4,000 gallons of Ferric Chloride from PVS Technologies for the Wastewater Treatment Plant in the amount of \$5,013.00.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Collison; Leonard; Kubin; Reed; Kelly

Nays: None

Motion carried.

### **Memorandum of Understanding – Police.**

Manager Giles requested members approve the Memorandum of Understanding between the City and the St. Louis Police Officers Association, which grants a hazard pay premium to the on-duty patrol officers during the COVID-19 crisis.

Moved by Reed, supported by Leonard, to approve the Memorandum of Understanding between the City and the St. Louis Police Officers Association.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Leonard

Nays: Reed; Collison; Kubin; Kelly

Motion denied.

### **Reappointment of Representatives to Greater Gratiot Board.**

Manager Giles stated Greater Gratiot is requesting Council reappoint himself and Phil Hansen as Representatives to the Greater Gratiot Board.

Moved by Kubin, supported by Reed, to reappoint Kurt Giles and Phil Hansen to serve as Representatives on the Greater Gratiot Board.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Kubin; Reed; Collison; Leonard; Kelly

Nays:

Motion carried.

### **City Hall Operating Hours**

Manager Giles stated that there had been recent discussion of doing away with the lunch time closure at City Hall to allow the customer service counter to be open at that time.

Moved by Reed, supported by Collison, to have the customer service counter be open during lunch time and have staff stagger lunches to cover.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Reed; Collison

Nays: Kubin; Leonard; Kelly

Motion denied.

### **City Manager Report.**

Manager Giles reported that the Transit Authority (SLIPR) was on course to get the transit millage request added to the November ballot.

### **City Clerk Report.**

None.

### **Police Chief Report.**

None.

### **Council Comments.**

Member Collison stated that Maple Street project looks nice, as well as the Westgate Subdivision road work.

Member Kubin concurred and added that it was a tough project but looks great.

Member Kubin inquired about what looks like loose gravel on some of the new pavements. Mark Abbot stated that there were some issues with the street sweeper and that crews would be back around to take care of that.

Member Kelly inquired how Keith was doing and glad that our experience with COVID was minor.

### **Public Comments.**

There were no comments.

### **Adjournment.**

Moved by Collison, supported by Leonard, to adjourn at 6:51 p.m.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Collison; Leonard; Kubin; Reed; Kelly

Nays: None

Motion carried.

Bobbie J Marr, Deputy Clerk