

CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

St. Louis, Michigan
May 19, 2020

The regular meeting of the Saint Louis City Council was called to order by Mayor James Kelly on Tuesday, May 19, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. via Conference Call.

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

Council Members Absent: None

City Manager: Kurt Giles
City Clerk: Mari Anne Ryder
Police Chief: Richard Ramereiz

Others in Attendance:

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

City Council Minutes.

Moved by Kubin, supported by Leonard, to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on May 5, 2020.

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

Claims & Accounts.

City Council discussed the Claims & Accounts.

Moved by Reed, supported by Collison, to approve the Claims & Accounts in the corrected amount of \$327,506.53.

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

Monthly Reports.

City Council discussed the April Monthly Reports.

Moved by Kubin, supported by Leonard, to receive the April Monthly Reports and Place on File.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Kubin, Leonard, Collison, Reed, Kelly

Nays: None

Motion carried.

Audience Recognition.

There were no comments.

Consent Agenda.

Mayor Kelly requested approval of Consent Agenda items “a” thru “d” as shown below:

- a. Payment to Fishbeck for Professional Services – Well 12.
- b. Payment to BS&A for Annual Service/Support Fee.
- c. Payment to Rowe for Professional Services – State Street Reconstruction.
- d. Payment to Spicer for Professional Services – Michigan Avenue Pump Station.

Moved by Reed, supported by Collison, to approve Consent Agenda items “a” thru “d.” All ayes carried the motion.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Reed, Collison, Kubin, Leonard, Kelly

Nays: None

Motion carried.

New Business.

Set Public Hearing for Public Safety Special Assessment Renewal.

Manager Giles requested members set June 2, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. for the Public Hearing on the Public Safety Special Assessment Renewal.

Moved by Kubin, supported by Leonard, to set June 2, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. for the Public Hearing on the Public Safety Special Assessment Renewal.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Kubin, Leonard, Collison, Reed, Kelly

Nays: None

Motion carried.

City Manager Report.

Manager Giles stated the following:

Due to Covid-19 and the employee work schedules, employees were unable to use paid time off. There will be a need to carry over more time than normally allowed.

The Blue Cross Blue Shield Plan is changed and includes a slight increase in deductible amounts.

The staggered work shifts will continue until June 1st.

Reminder the Budget Work Session is Wednesday, May 27th.

City Clerk Report.

None.

Police Chief Report.

None.

Council Comments.

Member Reed asked if there are plans to resurface Pine Street North of M-46. Mark Abbott stated not in the near future. Both sewer and water mains will need to be replaced first.

Member Collison stated he had concerns with the amount of space in the Farmers Market would take up in Clapp Park if that were the location that was chosen. Members agreed.

Member Kubin asked how widespread the flooding was in Westgate due to the recent rain fall and will the Michigan Avenue Pump Station handle these events once it is rebuilt. Manager Giles stated they are continuing to evaluate the situation for these events. Keith Risdon stated the river crossing will definitely help.

Public Comments.

There were no comments.

Adjournment.

Moved by Collison, supported by Leonard to adjourn at 6:47 p.m.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Collison, Leonard, Kubin, Reed, Kelly

Nays: None

Motion carried.

Mari Anne Ryder, City Clerk