

Cuyahoga Falls City Council
Minutes of the Finance and Appropriations Committee Meeting

March 2, 2020

Members: Tim Gorbach, Chair
Drew Reilly
Jeff Iula

Mr. Gorbach called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. All members were present.

Legislation Discussed

Temp. Ord. A-9
Temp. Ord. A-10
Temp. Ord. A-11
Temp. Ord. A-12

Discussion:

Temp. Ord. A-9

An ordinance authorizing the Director of Public Service to enter into a modification of Contract No. 7802 with ARRC, Inc., and declaring an emergency.

Mr. Tony Demasi, Engineer, presented Temporary Ordinance A-9. The Director of Public Service will be authorized to enter into a modification of Contract 21 No. 7802, with ARRC, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$15,587.16. The total contract price after modification as authorized herein shall not exceed \$140,587.16. The Director of Finance will be authorized and directed to make payment for same from the Capital Projects Fund, line item Capital Outlay.

Mr. Stams stated that it has been a wonderful idea and it looks beautiful. Mr. Gorbach stated that the parking in front seems to be working well.

Mr. Iula moved to bring out Temp. Ord. A-9 with a favorable recommendation, second by Mr. Reilly. Motion passed (3-0).

Temp. Ord. A-10

An ordinance authorizing the Director of Public Service to apply for and accept a grant from the Ohio Bureau of Workers' Compensation for safety equipment, making an appropriation therefor, and declaring an emergency.

Mr. Anthony Zumbo, Service Director, presented Temporary Ordinance A-10. The Director of Public Service will be authorized to apply for and accept the Safety Intervention Grant Program financial assistance from the Ohio Bureau of Workers' Compensation Safety Intervention Grant Program, specifically for safety equipment as set forth in the grant application and grant agreement. The Director of Public Service will be authorized and directed to enter into agreements that may be necessary to apply for and accept the financial assistance mentioned herein. The Director of Finance will agree that it has and will obligate the funds required to satisfactorily

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complete the project under the terms and conditions of the agreement if the project is accepted for financial assistance. The Director of Finance will be authorized and directed to increase appropriations in the Sewer Fund, line item Capital Outlay in the amount of \$3,473 and Water Fund, line item Capital Outlay in the amount of \$3,473. 41.

Mr. Gorbach asked if it is a competitive grant. Mr. Zumbo stated that there is a certain amount of money, and the municipalities apply and the applications are ranked. The City has been very successful, and he stated that he thinks they should do well on this one, as well.

Mr. Reilly moved to bring out Temp. Ord. A-10 with a favorable recommendation, second by Mr. Iula. Motion passed (3-0).

Temp. Ord. A-11

An ordinance authorizing the Director of Public Service to enter into a contract or contracts, according to law, for the demolition of buildings and removal of demolition debris at 2735 Valley Road, and certifying the cost thereof to the County Fiscal Officer for collection in the manner provided by law, and declaring an emergency.

Mr. Demasi, Engineer, presented Temporary Ordinance A-11. This Council hereby will find and determine that the following described structure is insecure, unsafe, and structurally defective within the meaning of Ohio Revised Code §715.26, and a dangerous building within the meaning of Section 1343.01 of Summit County Codified Ordinances: 2735 Valley Road (Garage). The Director of Public Service is authorized to enter into a contract or contracts, according to law, for the demolition of the dangerous building listed above, and the removal of debris therefrom. The Finance Director will be authorized to make payment for same from the Capital Projects Fund, Line Item Contractual Other. In accordance with Ohio Revised Code §715.26, the Finance Director will be directed to certify the costs of demolition and debris removal to the Clerk of Council who shall then certify the same to the Summit County Fiscal Officer for placement thereof on the tax duplicate.

Mr. Gorbach asked if the property is occupied. Mr. Demasi stated that the property is vacant. They asked the Summit County Housing Department to look at the house for condemnation. At this time, they do not feel there is enough evidence to condemn, but for the garage, there was. The Housing Division has been receiving quite a bit of complaints. Mr. Gorbach asked if it is deemed just from the outside that the house should be demolished or does that grant access to the inside. Mr. Demasi stated that the only time they can get inside is if they have the owner's permission or a search warrant. Mr. Iula asked who will pay for the demolition. Mr. Demasi stated that the owners ultimately will pay. Mr. Reilly asked if the City does any lead and asbestos abatement on these demolitions. Mr. Demasi stated that, for a house, they do abatement, but, for a garage, it's not necessary. Mr. Reilly asked if the property has been certified tax delinquent. Mr. Demasi stated that he has not checked that. Mrs. Penta stated that she had inquired about this property. She stated that she is glad to see something done, because it is right across from Valley Vista Park. It's just another way to be safe about that neighborhood.

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Mr. Iula moved to bring out Temp. Ord. A-11 with a favorable recommendation, second by Mr. Reilly. Motion passed (3-0).

Temp. Ord. A-12

An ordinance authorizing the Director of Public Safety to enter into a contract or contracts, without competitive bidding, with Motorola, Inc. for the maintenance of the public safety regional dispatch system equipment, and declaring an emergency.

Mr. John Konich, Director of IT Services, presented Temporary Ordinance A-12. The Director of Public Safety will be authorized to enter into a contract or contracts, without competitive bidding, with Motorola, Inc. for the maintenance and repair of the City's public safety regional dispatch system equipment. The Director of Finance will be authorized and directed to make payment for same from the General Fund, Communications Department, line item Other Operations.

Mr. Gorbach asked if the equipment has been working to Mr. Konich's satisfaction. Mr. Konich stated that it has. Mr. Gorbach asked if there have been any problems. Mr. Konich stated that there have not been any problems, and that the system is under warranty.

Mr. Reilly moved to bring out Temp. Ord. A-12 with a favorable recommendation, second by Mr. Iula. Motion passed (3-0).

The meeting adjourned at 6:42 p.m.