

Cuyahoga Falls City Council
Minutes of the Public & Industrial Improvements Committee

March 4, 2019

Members: Jerry James, Chair
Meika Penta
Jeff Iula

Mr. James called the meeting to order at 7:46 p.m. All members were present.

Legislation Discussed:

Temp. Ord. B-17

Discussion:

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An ordinance authorizing the Director of Public Service to enter into a contract or contracts without competitive bidding with ARRC, Inc. for the construction of on-street public parking in front of 140 Portage Trail in an amount not to exceed \$125,000.00, and declaring an emergency.

Mr. Tony Demasi, Engineer, stated that, in 2016, during the Downtown Transformation Project, the City became interested in what on-street parking could look like on the south side of Portage Trail, between Front and Second Street. That was in coordination with the circulation plan for the project. In 2016, the City engaged the services of Osborne Engineering to do conceptual layouts of the on-street parking, and it was determined that additional parking was feasible on the south side in front of the former Westfield Bank. In the 2019 budget, under the Capital Projects Fund listed under Portage Trail Parking, the City set aside \$125,000 to build these parking spots. The Portage Bank Project is beginning soon. During discussion with Portage Bank, it became apparent that it would be best to coordinate the City's project and to have Portage Bank construct the parking for the City while constructing their project. This concept worked well for the City when constructing Portage Crossings and using a single contractor. This will also present a cost savings for the City. Mr. Demasi recommended that they enter a contract with ARCC, the contractor for Portage Bank, to construct the parking spaces.

Mr. James stated that he has full confidence that the City did its due diligence concerning this project. Mrs. Pyke asked if there were four parking spots constructed. Mr. Demasi stated that was correct.

Ms. Penta moved to bring out Temp. Ord. B-17 with a favorable recommendation, second by Mr. James. Motion passed (2-1). (Iula)

The meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.