

Cuyahoga Falls City Council
Minutes of the Finance Committee Meeting
May 1, 2006

Members: Tim Gorbach, Chair
Jerry James
Carol Klinger

Mr. Gorbach called the meeting to order at 6:18 p.m.

The minutes of April 3, 2006 were approved as submitted.

Legislation Considered:

Temp. Ord. A-53
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Discussion:

Temp. Ord. A-53

An ordinance authorizing the Director of Public Service to execute a modification of the contract or contracts, according to law, for the construction of a new 5th fire station, and declaring an emergency.

Mr. Gorbach read A-53 (second reading). Mr. Brodzinski said the "amount not exceed" on line 20 should be \$137,000 instead of \$195,000. The amount requested is divided into three parts: 1) additional cost to REM architects; 2) additional monies for QCI (owner's rep); and 3) unbudgeted contingencies. QCI will oversee the project on a full-time basis.

David Mann of REM reviewed the factors contributing to the additional architectural fee.

Mr. Gorbach asked about the breadth of QCI oversight. Mr. Brodzinski said QCI deals with all of the contractors, including Heminger (the main contractor). Mr. Gorbach asked who would be contacted in case of a disagreement between QCI and the contractors. Mr. Brodzinski said it would be handled by Mr. Demasi and himself.

Mrs. Klinger asked if QCI would handle any lawsuits that may arise from the project. Mr. Brodzinski said yes, probably on an hourly basis.

Susan Meehan (3033 Hudson Dr., Cuy. Falls) said she works for one of the contractors on the fire station project. She believes that QCI has created problems on the site, looking for as many deficiencies as possible to impede construction, and slowing things down.

Mr. Gorbach asked if QCI is considered the construction manager. Mr. Brodzinski said QCI is the City's representation on the project. The City has not asked them to look for deficiencies to slow things down. Mr. Gorbach asked that the administration handle conflicts as they arise.

The committee recommended bringing out Temp. Ord. A-53 for approval.

Temp. Ord. A-54

An ordinance authorizing the Director of Finance to enter into a contract or contracts for the lease and/or purchase of fitness equipment for the Natatorium Recreation and Wellness Center and declaring an emergency.

Mr. Gorbach read A-54 (second reading). Mr. Brodzinski said this ordinance will allow the City to purchase treadmills and ellipticals for the Natatorium. The vendor offers a 3 year warranty on parts/labor and will train our employees to perform equipment maintenance.

Mrs. Klinger asked if any of the equipment would be used for Summa Wellness. Mr. Brodzinski said no.

The committee recommended bringing out Temp. Ord. A-54 for approval.

The meeting adjourned at 6:40 p.m.

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