

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

January 3, 2023

Members: Mary Nichols-Rhodes, Chair
Tim Gorbach
Adam Miller

Ms. Nichols-Rhodes called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m. Mr. Miller was absent.

The minutes of the December 5, 2022 and December 19, 2022 and Finance Committee Meetings were approved as written.

Legislation Discussed

Temp. Res. A-159

Temp. Ord. A-160

Discussion:

Temp. Ord. A-159

An ordinance authorizing the Mayor, as Director of Public Safety, to enter into a contract or contracts for the purchase of annual requirements for certain services, materials, supplies, and equipment for use by the Fire Department during 2023, and declaring an emergency.

Fire Chief Martin presented Temporary Ordinance A-159 to Council. The Mayor, as Director of Public Safety, will be authorized to enter into a contract or contracts, according to law, for the purchase of safety and turnout gear by the Fire Department during 2023. The Mayor, as Director of Public Safety, will be authorized to enter into a contract or contracts, without competitive bidding, with Atlantic Emergency Solutions, Inc. in amount not to exceed \$125,000 for vehicle and equipment maintenance during 2023. The Director of Finance will be authorized and directed to make payment for same from Capital Projects Fund, Line Item Capital Outlay and General Fund, Fire Department, Line Item Other Operations. Chief Martin stated that this is part of the yearly ordinance with Atlantic Security for maintenance of Fire Department equipment.

Mr. Gorbach moved to bring out Temp. Ord. A-159 with a favorable recommendation, second by Ms. Nichols-Rhodes. Motion passed (2-0).

Temp. Ord. A-160

An ordinance authorizing the Director of Public Service to enter into a modification of Contract No. 8378 with JF Electric, and declaring an emergency.

Mr. Rodney Troxell, Electric Superintendent, presented Temporary Ordinance A-160 to Council. Under the authority of Ordinance 76-2021 the City, after competitive bidding, entered into contract #8378 with JF Electric Inc., for electric utility overhead and underground 12.5kV make-ready project. The old infrastructure does not allow for installation of the new 12.5kV equipment and modifications must be made to facilitate the new equipment thereby increasing labor and

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material expenses. The Director of Public Service will be authorized to enter into a modification of Contract No. 8376 with JF Electric Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$34,750.00. The total contract price after modification as authorized herein shall not exceed \$283,110.00. The Director of Finance will be authorized and directed to make payment for same from the Electric Fund, Line Item Capital Outlay.

Mr. Troxell stated that this legislation is to increase the current contract with JF Electric for replacing and upgrading lighting on Route 8 and to purchase more equipment need for the project. JF Electric is going to be purchasing, installing and handling everything, so the City will be hands off. Ms. Nichols-Rhodes asked if the amount of \$283,110 would be the total amount for this project. Mr. Troxell stated that he has been told that it is.

Mr. Gorbach moved to bring out Temp. Ord. A-160 with a favorable recommendation, second by Ms. Nichols-Rhodes (2-0).

The meeting adjourned at 7:08 p.m.