

# City of Southgate

## Regular City Council Meeting

### April 20, 2016

A Regular Meeting of the Council of the City of Southgate was held in the Municipal Council Chambers, 14400 Dix-Toledo Highway, Southgate, Michigan on Wednesday, April 20, 2016 and was called to order at 7:00 PM by Council President John Graziani.

**This meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by roll call.**

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Present: Bill Colovos, Mark Farrah, Karen George, John Graziani, Phillip Rauch, Chris Rollet.

Absent: Dale Zamecki\*, excused

Also Present: Mayor Joseph G. Kuspa, City Administrator Bryce Kelley, City Attorney Brandon Fournier, City Engineer John Hennessey, City Clerk Jan Ferencz, City Treasurer Jim Dallos, Public Safety Director Thomas Coombs, Police Chief Jeff Smith, Fire Chief Mike Sypula, Building Inspections Director Bob Casanova, and Director of Public Services Bob Tarabula and Parks & Recreation Director Dustin Lent.

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#### **Minutes:**

Moved by Rauch, supported by Colovos, RESOLVED, that the minutes of the City Council Work Study Session dated April 6, 2016 be approved as presented. Carried unanimously.

Moved by George, supported by Rollet, RESOLVED, that the minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting dated April 6, 2016 be approved as presented. Carried unanimously.

#### **Consideration of Bids:**

1. **Letter from Mayor; Re: Bid for Grounds Maintenance – City Complex/DDA, was read:**

Moved by Farrah, supported by Colovos, RESOLVED, that the Southgate City Council adopts a resolution awarding the bid for Grounds Maintenance – City Complex/DDA to US Lawns (15040 Dumay Street, Southgate, MI 48195) in the amount of \$21,924. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT adequate funds are available in the various departments to cover associated costs.

Carried unanimously.

2. **Letter from Mayor; Re: Bid for Weed Cutting, was read:**

Moved by Rollet, supported by Rauch, RESOLVED, that the Southgate City Council adopts a resolution awarding the bid for Weed Cutting to US Lawns (15040 Dumay, Southgate, MI 48195) at rates of 1) .10 per square foot, 2) \$25.00 per square acre, 3) \$38.00 per acre, 4) \$15.00 debris removal per hr. and 5) \$5.00 for already cut.

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3. **Letter from Mayor; Re: Bid for Corp. Stops Curb Stops & Couplings, was read:**

Moved by George, supported by Colovos, RESOLVED that the Southgate City Council hereby adopts a resolution awarding the bid for Corp. Stops, Curb Stops & Couplings to ETNA Supply Company (529 32<sup>n</sup> Street S.E., Grand Rapids, MI 49548-2392) in the amount of \$17,162.90. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT sufficient funds are available in the Water and Sewer fund for this purchase.

Motion carried unanimously.

4. **Letter from Mayor; Re: Bid for Purchase of Copper Tubing, was read:**

Moved by Rollet, supported by Rauch. RESOLVED, that the Southgate City Council hereby adopts a resolution awarding the bid for Copper Tubing to Michigan Meter Technology Group Inc. (799 E. Whitcomb Ave, Madison Heights, MI 48071) in the amount of \$2,457. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT adequate funds are available in the Water and Sewer fund to cover costs associated with this purchase.

Motion carried unanimously.

5. **Letter from Mayor; Re: Bid for Ready-Mix Concrete, was read:**

Moved by George, supported by Rollet, RESOLVED that the Southgate City Council hereby adopts a resolution awarding the bid for Ready-Mix Concrete to Best Concrete and Supply Inc. (17200 Dix-Toledo, Brownstown, MI 48193-8415) in the amount of \$104.00 per cubic yard. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT sufficient funds are available in the various department accounts to cover associated costs.

Motion carried unanimously.

### **Scheduled Hearings:**

1. Moved by Rauch, supported by George, RESOLVED, that Council enters a public hearing to discuss Southgate's Comprehensive Project Plan for Drinking Water Infrastructure Improvements. Carried unanimously.

The regular meeting adjourned at 7:05 PM for scheduled hearings and reconvened at 7:17 pm.

Moved by Colovos, supported by George, RESOLVED, that this public hearing be closed.

Carried unanimously.

### **Communications "A":**

1. **Memo from Administrator; Re: Resolution to set an election date for the Proposed Ballot Question, was read:**

Moved by Farrah, supported by Rauch, RESOLVED that the Southgate City Council hereby adopts a resolution setting the election date for the Charter Amendment per the Resolution no. 20-16 authorizing the City Clerk to submit the question to the electors of the City of Southgate at a special city election commensurate with the State Primary election to be held Tuesday, August 2, 2016.

Objection to motion.

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Roll Call on vote:

Rollet	Yes
Rauch	Yes
Graziani	Yes
George	No
Farrah	Yes
Colovos	No

Discussion took place.

Motion passes 4-2

2. **Memo from Administrator; Re: Resolution to Approve Purchase Agreement between City of Southgate and DTE, was read:**

Moved by Rollet, supported by George, RESOLVED that the Southgate City Council hereby adopts a resolution authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the purchase agreement between DTE Energy and the City of Southgate in the amount of \$89,059.

Discussion took place.

Motion carried unanimously.

3. **Letter from Mayor; Re: Appointment to Dangerous Building Hearing Board, was read:**

Moved by Rauch, supported by Colovos, RESOLVED that the Southgate City Council hereby concurs With the Mayor's appointment of Don Vaccarelli (14215 Trenton Rd, Southgate, MI 48195) to the Dangerous Building Board for a term expiring December 2017.

Motion carried unanimously.

4. **Letter from Mayor; Re: Appointment to Library Commission, was read:**

Moved by George, supported by Rauch; RESOLVED that the Southgate City Council hereby concurs with the Mayor's appointment of Kim Guentner (12122 Churchill, Southgate, MI 48195) to the Library Commission for a term expiring April 2018 (filling the vacancy due to resignation of Carolyn Duisk).

Motion carried unanimously.

### **New Business:**

1. **Memo from Administrator; Re: Setting a Public Hearing to Vacate Alley Right of Way, abutting 14400 Fort St, Between Chestnut and Phelps Streets, was read:**

Moved by Colovos, supported by George, RESOLVED that the Southgate City Council hereby schedules a public hearing the evening of May 18, 2016 at 7:00 pm in the City Council Chambers at the Norma J. Wurmlinger Municipal Center, 14400 Dix-Toledo Road, Southgate, MI 48195 to entertain comments and views from individuals interested in the request to vacate an Alley Right of Way, abutting 14400 Fort Street, between Chestnut and Phelps Streets.

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- Moved by Farrah, supported by Rauch, RESOLVED that the Southgate City Council hereby approves the Southgate Comprehensive Project Plan for Drinking Water Infrastructure Improvements within the City.

Motion Carried unanimously.

## **Claims and Accounts:**

Moved by Farrah, supported by Rollet, RESOLVED, that Claims and Accounts be paid as outlined on Warrant #1303 in the amount of \$4,191,751.51.

Objection to motion.

Discussion took place.

Roll call vote on motion.

Graziani	Yes
George	No
Farrah	Yes
Colovos	No
Rauch	Yes
Rollet	Yes

Motion passes 4-2

## **Adjournment:**

Moved by Rollet, supported by Colovos, RESOLVED, that this Regular Meeting of the Southgate City Council be adjourned at 7:34 P.M. Carried unanimously.

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John Graziani  
Council President

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Janice Ferencz  
City Clerk

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