

City of Southgate
Regular City Council Meeting
March 19, 2014

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, March 19, 2014 and was called to order at 8:01 PM by Council President Pro-Tem John Graziani.

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

Present: Bill Colovos, Mark Farrah, Karen George, Patricia Ganzberger, John Graziani, Dale Zamecki.

Absent: Sheryl Denman*, Police Chief Jeff Smith*, DPS Director Bob Tarabula* (**excused*)

Also Present: Mayor Joseph G. Kuspa, City Administrator Brandon Fournier, City Attorney Ed Zelenak, City Engineer John Hennessey, City Treasurer James Dallos, Administrator/Finance Director David Angileri, City Clerk Janice Ferencz, Public Safety Director Thomas Coombs, Fire Chief Doug Gildner, Building Inspections Director Bob Casanova, and Parks & Recreation Program Director Dustin Lent.

Minutes:

Moved by George, supported by Ganzberger, RESOLVED, that the minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting dated March 5, 2014 be approved as presented. Carried unanimously

Moved by Zamecki, supported by Colovos, RESOLVED, that the minutes of the City Council Study Session dated March 5, 2014 be approved as presented. Carried unanimously.

Presentations:

Mayor Joseph G. Kuspa introduced the newly formed the Southgate Historical Foundation. This group was created on June 29, 2012. Treasurer Dallos informed the Council that the Southgate Historical Foundation received its tax exempt 501(c)3 status. He also gave a brief history and overview of the group along with their activities.

Persons in Audience:

- 1) Bob Brown, 3850 2nd St, Suite 100, Wayne, MI 48184, Executive Director of The Senior Alliance. He spoke briefly on their outreach efforts and the meals on wheels program.

Consideration of Bids:

1. **Letter from Mayor; Re: Recommendation of Bid Award for Purchase and Delivery of Trees, was read:**

Moved by George, supported by Colovos, RESOLVED that the Southgate City Council adopts a resolution and hereby concurs with the recommendation of the Mayor and DPS Director and awards the bid for Purchase and Delivery of trees to Freedom Lawnscape (10705 Hitchingham, Milan, MI 48160) in

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the amounts as quoted. FURTHER RESOLVED, that there is adequate funding in the departmental budget to cover costs associated with this purchase.

Motion carried unanimously.

2. Letter from Mayor; Re: Recommendation of Bid Award for Purchase of Topsoil, was read:

Moved by Zamecki, supported by Farrah, RESOLVED, that the Southgate City Council adopts a resolution and hereby concurs with the recommendation of the Mayor and the DPS Director and awards the bid for purchase of Topsoil to Freeport Supply Company (20091 Pennsylvania, Brownstown, MI 48193) in the amount of \$12.85 per cubic yard delivered. FURTHER RESOLVED, that adequate funds are available in the DPS and Water & Sewer department budgets for this purchase.

Attorney Zelenak disclosed the fact that he previously represented Freeport, but he had nothing with the bid award or the contract, nor will he review the contract with the City and Freeport.

Motion carried unanimously.

3. Letter from Mayor; Re: Recommendation of Bid Award for Purchase of Sand, was read:

Moved by Ganzberger, supported by George, RESOLVED, that the Southgate City Council adopts a resolution and hereby concurs with the recommendation of the Mayor and the DPS Director and awards the bid for Purchase of Sand to Freeport Supply Company (20091 Pennsylvania, Brownstown, MI 48193) in the amount of \$6.25 per cubic yard. FURTHER RESOLVED that sufficient funds are available in the department budget to cover costs associated with this bid award.

Discussion took place.

Motion carried unanimously.

Scheduled Hearings:

Moved by Ganzberger, supported by George, RESOLVED, that Council enters public hearings. Carried unanimously.

The regular meeting adjourned at 8:50 PM for scheduled hearings and reconvened at 8:56 pm.

Moved by Zamecki, supported by George, RESOLVED, that public hearings be closed. Carried unanimously.

Communications A:

1. Memo from Administrator; Re: Shopping Center Grant Approval, was read:

Moved by Colovos, supported by Ganzberger, RESOLVED that the Southgate City council adopts a resolution supporting the 2014 City of Southgate DNR Grant Application to utilize grant funding to continue the development of the "Southgate Market Park".

Motion carried unanimously.

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Communications "B":

Moved by Ganzberger, supported by Zamecki, RESOLVED that the Southgate City Council receives/files Communications "B" a letter received from DTE Energy regarding Advanced Metering Infrastructure.

Discussion took place.

Motion carried unanimously.

Ordinances:

1. Ordinance to approve the 2013 Ordinance Edits, (1st & 2nd Readings and Adoption).

Moved by George, supported by Zamecki, RESOLVED, that the Southgate City Council hereby adopts an Ordinance to edit and amend the City of Southgate Codified Ordinance by approving the 2013 Ordinance Edits; BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that said ordinance is hereby adopted, known as Ordinance #965, and shall be published as required by the City Charter.

Carried unanimously.

Persons in Audience (unscheduled)

1. Anna Renaud, 12835 Cherry, inquired about the hiring / purchasing of the new K-9 officer.

Claims and Accounts:

Moved by Ganzberger, supported by Zamecki, RESOLVED, that Claims and Accounts be paid as outlined on Warrant #1253 in the amount of \$1,178,189.64.

Discussion took place.

Carried unanimously.

Adjournment:

Moved by Ganzberger, supported by Zamecki, RESOLVED, that this Regular Meeting of the Southgate City Council be adjourned at 9:17 P.M. Carried unanimously.

John Graziani
Council President Pro-Tem

Janice M. Ferencz
City Clerk

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