

*City of Southgate*  
**Regular City Council Meeting**  
*October 15, 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, October 15, 2014 and was called to order at 7:00 PM by Council President Sheryl Denman.

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

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

Absent:

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

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**Minutes:**

Moved by Colovos, supported by Farrah, RESOLVED, that the minutes of the City Council Work Session dated October 1, 2014 be approved as presented. Carried unanimously.

Moved by Zamecki, supported by George, RESOLVED, that the minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting dated October 1, 2014 be approved as presented. Carried unanimously.

**Persons in Audience:**

- 1) Request from Gary Maveal, Knights of Columbus to hold a bucket drive the weekend of December 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> to benefit the Fish and Loaves food bank.

Moved by Ganzberger, supported by George, RESOLVED, that the Southgate City Council hereby adopts a resolution waiving the provisions of Section 862.06 of the Code of the City of Southgate and hereby authorizes the Knights of Columbus to solicit donations for the Fish and Loaves Food Bank at the intersections of Eureka and Dix-Toledo Road, Northline Road and Dix-Toledo Road and Trenton Road and Eureka in the City of Southgate the weekend of December 19 & 20, 2014. Motion carried unanimously.

**Bids:**

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

Moved by George, supported by Colovos, RESOLVED, that the Southgate City Council hereby concurs with the recommendation of the DPS Director and Mayor adopting a resolution awarding the split bid for Purchase and Delivery of Trees to Nature's Garden Center (6400 E. Michigan Ave., Saline, MI 48176) in the amount of \$24,300. And Acorn Farms Inc. (7679 Worthington Road, Galena, OH 43021) in the amount of \$21,900.00 for the next two years. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that sufficient funds are available through the Great Lakes Restoration Initiative Grant to cover costs associated with this bid award.

Motion carried unanimously.

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## **Scheduled Hearings:**

1. Moved by Ganzberger, supported by Colovos, RESOLVED, that Council enters a public hearing to discuss the Former McCann Right of Way. Carried unanimously.

The regular meeting adjourned at 7:28 PM for scheduled hearings and reconvened at 7:29 pm.

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

## **Communications "A":**

### **1) Memo from ACA/Finance Director; Re: Audit FY 2013/2014, was read:**

Moved by Colovos, supported by George; RESOLVED that the Southgate City Council concurs with the recommendation of the Assistant Administrator/Finance Director thereby accepting and approving the Fiscal Year 2013/2014 Audit as presented by Plante & Moran; FURTHER, Per GASBE #54 Fund Balance is hereby restated as follows:

#### GENERAL FUND

Nonspendable Prepaids	\$157,667.
Restricted	
Unspent property tax – P&F Pension	\$ 8,578.
Low income housing	\$ 9,163.
Committed	
County Property Tax Chargeback's	\$289,000.
Computer Software Acquisition	\$ 19,435.
Assigned	
Workers Compensation	\$260,000.
Severance Reserve	\$190,000.
Future working capital	\$120,000.

#### CAPITAL PROJECTS FUNDS

Committed	
Police Cars	\$446,205.
Property Acquisition	\$115,116.
Fire Rescue Equipment	\$ 10,000.
Fire Vehicles	\$350,000.
Assigned	
Capital Projects	\$266,863.

Discussion took place.

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2) **Memo from Administrator; Re: Right of Way Vacation; McCann Right of Way, was read:**

Moved by Ganzberger, supported by Zamecki; RESOLVED that the Southgate City Council concurs with the recommendation of the Administration and adopts a resolution vacating the Right of Way at McCann as described as Parcel / Lot No: East ½ vacated McCann Right of Way (former McCann Right of Way).

Discussion took place.

Motion carried unanimously.

3) **Memo from Administrator; Re: Dangerous Building Board Request for Public Hearing, was read:**

Moved by Zamecki, supported by Colovos; RESOLVED that the Southgate City Council concurs with the recommendation of Administration to hold two (2) public hearings on Wednesday, December 5, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at the Norma J. Wurmlinger Municipal Building, 14400 Dix-Toledo Rd, Southgate, MI 48195 to entertain views and comments from interested individuals regarding the condition of 16100 Fort St.

Motion carried unanimously.

## **Claims and Accounts:**

Moved by Ganzberger, supported by Farrah, RESOLVED, that Claims and Accounts be paid as outlined on Warrant #1267 in the amount of \$1,581,386.78.

Carried unanimously.

## **Adjournment:**

Moved by Ganzberger, supported by Colovos, RESOLVED, that this Regular Meeting of the Southgate City Council be adjourned at 7:47 P.M. Carried unanimously.

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Sheryl Denman  
Council President

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Janice M. Ferencz  
City Clerk

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