

City of Southgate

Regular City Council Meeting

September 16, 2015

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, September 16, 2015 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.

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

Absent: None

Also Present: Mayor Joseph G. Kuspa, City Administrator Bryce Kelley, ACA/Finance Director David Angileri, City Attorney Brandon Fournier, City Engineer John Hennessey, City Clerk Janice Ferencz, Public Safety Director Thomas Coombs, Police Chief Jeff Smith, Fire Chief Doug Gildner, and Building Inspections Director Bob Casanova.

Minutes:

Moved by George, supported by Colovos, RESOLVED, that the minutes of the City Council Work Session dated September 2, 2015 be approved as presented. Carried unanimously.

Moved by Zamecki, supported by Ganzberger, RESOLVED, that the minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting dated September 2, 2015 be approved as presented. Carried unanimously.

Proclamation:

Mayor Joseph G. Kuspa proclaimed September 17, 2015 as Constitution Day in honor of the 228th Anniversary of the Constitution of the United States of America.

Communications A:

1. Letter from Administrator; Re: Updates to City's FOIA Policy, was read:

Moved by Ganzberger, supported by Zamecki, RESOLVED that the Southgate City Council concurs with the Administration's recommendation and adopts the following resolution to amend the City of Southgate Freedom of Information Act Policy and Procedures:

WHEREAS, the State of Michigan enacted new Freedom of Information regulations in Public Act 563 of 2014, as amended, effective July 1, 2015, and;

WHEREAS, Public Bodies regulated by PA 563 must adopt these regulations in order to continue to charge for the work performed to satisfy a FOIA request, and;

WHEREAS, Michigan governmental entities must establish specific written procedures and guidelines for FOIA requests, and;

WHEREAS, Michigan governmental entities must make these specific written procedures and guidelines assessable to the public in order to charge fees for FOIA requests.

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NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Southgate hereby adopts Michigan Public Act 563 of 2015, as amended, and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City of Southgate hereby authorizes its Clerk to make the necessary documents available to the public.

Discussion took place.

Motion carried unanimously.

2. Letter from Mayor; Re: Waiver of Bid for Purchase of Fire Rescue, was read:

Moved by George, supported by Graziani RESOLVED that the Southgate City Council hereby waives the bid procedure and authorizes purchase of a Ford Expedition EL to Southgate Ford (16501 Fort St, Southgate, MI 48195) in the amount of \$32,016. FURTHER RESOLVED THAT adequate funds are available in the Capital Projects Fund for this purchase.

Motion carried unanimously.

3. Resolution to televise Work Study Sessions, was discussed:

Moved by Colovos, supported by George RESOLVED that the Southgate City Council hereby approves that effective with the November 18, 2015 Council Meeting, all future Work Study Sessions shall be televised prior to the Regular City Council Meetings.

Discussion took place

Motion carried unanimously.

Old Business:

Discussion regarding soliciting on the street corners took place. The City attorney's office will look into any state laws regarding this matter.

Claims and Accounts:

Moved by Ganzberger, supported by George, RESOLVED, that Claims and Accounts be paid as outlined on Warrant #1289 in the amount of \$14,661,418.73.

Motion carried unanimously.

Adjournment:

Moved by Zamecki, supported by Ganzberger, RESOLVED, that this Regular Meeting of the Southgate City Council be adjourned at 8:08 P.M. Carried unanimously.

Sheryl Denman
Council President

Janice M. Ferencz
City Clerk