

City of Southgate

Regular City Council Meeting

June 5, 2019

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, June 5, 2019 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.

Present: Bill Colovos, Karen George, John Graziani, Phillip Rauch, Christopher Rollet, Dale Zamecki

Absent: *Mark Farrah *excused

Also Present: Mayor Joseph G. Kuspa, City Administrator Dustin Lent, Assistant City Administrator/Finance Director David Angileri, City Brandon Fournier, City Engineer John Hennessey, Treasurer Jim Dallos, City Clerk Janice Ferencz, Public Safety Director Jeff Smith, Police Chief Brett Selby, Building Inspections Director Bob Casanova, and Director of Public Services Bob Tarabula.

Minutes:

Moved by Zamecki, supported by George, RESOLVED, that the minutes of the City Council Work Study Session dated May 15, 2019 be approved as presented. Carried unanimously.

Moved by Colovos, supported by Rollet, RESOLVED, that the minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting dated May 15, 2019 be approved as presented. Carried unanimously.

Moved by Rauch, supported by Zamecki; RESOLVED, that the Southgate City Council hereby enters into a closed session at 7:01 p.m.

Roll Call on motion:

Colovos	Yes
George	Yes
Graziani	Yes
Rauch	Yes
Rollet	Yes
Zamecki	Yes

Moved by George, supported by Rauch: RESOLVED that the Southgate City Council hereby resumes the regular meeting at 7:11 p.m.

Roll call on motion:

Colovos	Yes
George	Yes
Graziani	Yes
Rauch	Yes
Rollet	Yes
Zamecki	Yes

Scheduled Persons in the Audience:

Shannon Mathison requested authorization for the Downriver Hockey Club be allowed to hold fundraisers and requested approval of a charitable gaming license.

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Moved by Rollet, supported by Zamecki, RESOLVED that the Southgate City Council hereby approved the charitable gaming license for the Downriver Hockey Club.

Motion carried unanimously.

Communications A:

1. Memo from Administrator; Re: Rebecca Sevilla v. City of Southgate and Officer Eric A. Garfat moved by Zamecki, supported by Rollet, RESOLVED, that the Southgate City Council concurs with the recommendation of Administration and hereby authorizes the settlement agreement in the case of Rebecca Sevilla v. City of Southgate and Police Officer Eric A. Garfat.

Motion carried unanimously.

2. Memo from Administrator; Re: Resolution to Approve Agreement with DTE Energy moved by Rollet, supported by Colovos, RESOLVED that the Southgate City Council hereby approves the Purchase Agreement between DTE Energy and the City of Southgate in the amount of \$70,288 for the street light conversion. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT both the Mayor and City Clerk are authorized to execute all necessary documents on behalf of the City.

Motion carried unanimously

3. Memo from Administrator; Re: Selling of DART & SMART Bus Tickets moved by Rauch, supported by Zamecki, RESOLVED that the Commission on Aging will be a sales agent to provide bus passes for sale at the Southgate Ice Arena for both DART and Smart Bus Tickets.

Motion carried unanimously.

Communications B:

1. Letter from Mayor; Re: Appointment to CASE Commission moved by Rollet, supported by George, to receive and file Communications B.

Motion carried unanimously.

Ordinances:

1. Memo from Administrator; Re: Zoning Ordinance Amendment – 17201 Northline Rd. moved by Colovos, supported by Rauch, RESOLVED that the Southgate City Council hereby waives the second reading of and approves adoption of an ordinance to the City of Southgate Codified Zoning Ordinances to Rezone the property located at 17201 Northline Rd. (Holiday INN property) from M-1 (Light Industrial) to RM (Multi Family Residential). This ordinance shall be known otherwise as Ordinance no. 1002.

Motion carried unanimously.

2. Councilwoman George gave a first reading of an ordinance to amend the City of Southgate Codified Ordinances to amend Section 1044.12(b) Hydrant Use Ordinance Change.

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Unscheduled Persons in Audience:

1. Nazar Abdulghafoor, 12800 Oakdale, Southgate, MI spoke about his personal tax hardship. He was referred to the City Administrator for assistance.

Claims and Accounts:

Moved by George, supported by Zamecki, RESOLVED, that Claims and Accounts be paid as outlined on Warrant #1378 in the amount of \$1,291,387.08.

Motion carried unanimously.

Adjournment:

Moved by Colovos, supported by George, RESOLVED, that this Regular Meeting of the Southgate City Council be adjourned at 7:38 P.M. Carried unanimously.

John Graziani
Council President

Janice M. Ferencz
City Clerk