

City of Southgate

Regular City Council Meeting

May 5, 2021

A Regular Meeting of the Council of the City of Southgate was held on Wednesday, May 5, 2021 and was called to order at 7:00 PM by Council President John Graziani (**DUE TO COVID-19 VIRUS, THIS MEETING WAS HELD VIA ZOOM, PURSUANT TO WAYNE COUNTY AND LOCAL STATE OF EMERGENCY.**)

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

Present: Bill Colovos (Southgate), Karen George (Southgate), John Graziani (Southgate), Mark Farrah (Southgate), Phil Rauch (Southgate) Chris Rollet (Southgate)

Absent: Dale Zamecki*, *excused

Also Present: Mayor Joseph G. Kuspa, City Attorney Brandon Fournier, Assistant City Administrator/Finance Director David Angileri, City Clerk Janice Ferencz, City Engineer John Hennessey, Public Safety Director Joe Marsh, Police Chief Mark Mydlarz, Fire Chief Marc Hatfield, Acting DPS Director Kevin Anderson, Building Inspections Director Bob Casanova and Parks & Recreation Director Julie Goddard.

Minutes:

Moved by Rauch, supported George, RESOLVED, that the minutes of the City Council Work Study Session dated April 21, 2021 be approved as presented. Carried unanimously.

Moved by Colovos, supported by Rollet, RESOLVED, that the minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting dated April 21, 2021 be approved as presented. Carried unanimously.

Consideration of Bids:

1. Letter from Mayor; Re: 2021 Lead Water Service Replacement Program moved by George, supported by Rauch, RESOLVED THAT the Southgate City Council awards the bid for the 2021 Lead Water Service Replacement Program to RDC Construction Services (220 W. Congress, 2nd Floor, Detroit, MI 48226) in the amount of \$46,516 with a 15% contingency of \$6,977.40 for a total of \$53,493.40.

Motion carried unanimously.

Scheduled Hearings:

1. **Memo from ACA/Finance Director; Re: Proposed Water/Sewer Rate Increase:**

Moved by Rauch, supported by Rollet, RESOLVED THAT the Southgate City Council hereby enters into a public hearing at 7:03 p.m. to discuss the proposed water/sewer rate increase.

Moved by Rauch, supported by George, RESOLVED THAT the Southgate City Council closes the public Hearing at 7:05 p.m.

Motion carried unanimously.

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2. Memo from ACA/Finance Director; Re: Mayor's 2021/2022 Proposed Budget:

Moved by Rauch, supported by George, RESOLVED THAT the Southgate City Council hereby enters into a public hearing at 7:06 p.m. to discuss the Mayor's 2021/2022 proposed budget.

Moved by Colovos, supported by Rauch, RESOLVED THAT the Southgate City Council closes the public Hearing at 7:11 p.m.

Motion carried unanimously.

3. Memo from ACA/Finance Director; Re: User Charge System for Southgate-Wyandotte Drainage District Public Hearing:

Moved by Rauch, supported by George, RESOLVED THAT the Southgate City Council hereby enters into a public hearing at 7:11 p.m. to discuss User Charge System for Southgate-Wyandotte Drainage District.

Moved by Rauch, supported by George, RESOLVED THAT the Southgate City Council closes the public Hearing at 7:15 p.m.

Motion carried unanimously.

Communications "A":

1. Memo from ACA/Finance Director; Re: Water, Sewer and Capital Rate Increase moved by Farrah, supported by Rollet, RESOLVED THAT the Southgate City Council hereby approves the proposed Sewer Rate establish the new Sewer rate at \$31.43 per 1,000 cubic feet.

Motion carried unanimously.

2. Memo from Director of Public Safety; Re: Proposed Sale of Forfeited Vehicles moved by Farrah, supported by Rauch, RESOLVED THAT the Southgate City Council hereby authorizes the sale of the following forfeited vehicles:

1.	2013 HYUNDAI	4D	5NPEC4AC5DH552079
2.	2012 NISSAN	4D	3N1AB6AP0CL625165
3.	2008 LEXUS	4D	JTHBJ46G782199855
4.	2013 VOLKSWAGON	4D	1VWAP7A30DC006979
5.	2004 LEXUS	4D	JTHBA30G945019948
6.	2013 RAM	PU	1C6RR7GTXDS533769
7.	2003 MERCURY	4D	2MEFM74W03X692450
8.	2006 NISSAN	PU	1N6AA06A16N566758

Motion carried unanimously.

Communications "B":

1. Letter from Compensation Commission; Re: Elected Officials Salary Increases moved by Rollet,

Objection to motion. NO SUPPORT GIVEN; therefore, motion fails.

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New Business:

Moved by Farrah, supported by Rauch, RESOLVED THAT the Southgate City Council hereby turns down the Compensation Commission's recommendation to increase the elected officials' salaries.

Motion carried unanimously.

Unscheduled Persons in the Audience:

1. April Wrona, 15651 McCann, Southgate, MI addressed the Council for food truck approval at two private events to be held on June 5th and June 8th for the students and their families at Allen School. Discussion took place about the events.

Moved by Rauch, supported by George, RESOLVED THAT the Southgate City Council hereby grants permission for food trucks to be utilized for the aforementioned private events.

Motion carried unanimously.

Claims and Accounts:

Moved by Farrah, supported by George, RESOLVED, that Claims and Accounts be paid as outlined on Warrant #1424 in the amount of \$641,732.82.

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