

August 16, 2022

Council of the City of Wheeling met, on the above date, at 5:30 pm, at 1500 Chapline St. with Mayor Elliott presiding.

On roll call, the following were present:

Present: Thalman, Ketchum, Sklavounakis, Palmer - 4
Absent: Elliott, Seidler, Thorngate - 3

Mr. Palmer, seconded by Ms. Ketchum, that the minutes of August 2, 2022 meeting be approved as received. Motion carried.

Mr. Palmer, seconded by Ms. Ketchum, moved to exit the regular order of business to conduct the following Public Hearings: (1) Amending the boundaries of the TIF District No. 1 (2) Combining TIF District No. 1 with TIF District No. 2 (3) Centre Market Lease- The Market Café. No one signed up to speak. Mr. Palmer, seconded by Ms. Ketchum, moved to exit Public Hearing and resume regular order of business. Motion carried. All in favor.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mr. Thalman, with the concurrence of Council reappointed Stewart Levy, Joyce Wolen, Wyatt Hoffman to the HOME Consortium and appointed Robert Lally to the Wheeling Housing Authority.

CLERK'S REPORT

Clerk Delbert presented a Notice of Application to Operate a Private Club for Castilo Enterprises located at 2247 Market St. d.b.a Vue 42. It was forwarded to WVABCA without comment.

Mr. Sklavounakis, seconded by Ms. Ketchum, moved to accept the recommendation of Historic Landmarks Commission and issue Demolition Permit for 203 N. Huron St.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

USI- Property and Casualty Insurance- All Departments

The following was then read:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXPEND FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,001,441 ONE MILLION ONE THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED FORTY-ONE DOLLARS WITH USI INSURANCE SERVICES LLC, OF WHEELING, WV FOR FY 2022-2023 INSURANCE PREMIUMS, TO BE CHARGED AS FOLLOWS: \$720,123.87 GENERAL FUND, \$12,986.23 PROJECT ACCOUNT (OVMC), \$7,973.06 PARKING FUND, \$145,588.89 WATER AND \$114,768.95 WATER POLLUTION CONTROL DIVISION

The ordinance was read a second time by title. Mr. Palmer, seconded by Ms. Ketchum, moved that the ordinance be adopted.

The vote on the motion resulted as follows:

AYES: Thalman, Ketchum, Sklavounakis, Palmer - 4
NOES: -0

A majority of all those elected to Council having voted in favor, the vice mayor thereupon declared the ordinance adopted.

Amended Project Plan No. 3 for TIF-City of Wheeling Redevelopment Project District No. 1

The following was then read:

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING CERTAIN AMENDMENTS TO AMENDED PROJECT PLAN NO. 3 FOR THE TAX INCREMENT FINANCING DISTRICT IN THE CITY OF

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WHEELING, WEST VIRGINIA KNOWN AS “CITY OF WHEELING REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT DISTRICT NO. 1” AS APPROVED BY THE WEST VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT; AND PROVIDING FOR OTHER MATTERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH

The ordinance was read a second time by title. Mr. Sklavounakis, seconded by Mr. Palmer, moved that the ordinance be adopted.

The vote on the motion resulted as follows:

AYES: Thalman, Ketchum, Sklavounakis, Palmer - 4
NOES: -0

A majority of all those elected to Council having voted in favor, the vice mayor thereupon declared the ordinance adopted.

Combination Existing TIF Districts- Redevelopment Project District No. 1 and District No. 2

The following was then read:

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE COMBINATION OF THE EXISTING TAX INCREMENT FINANCING DISTRICTS IN THE CITY OF WHEELING, WEST VIRGINIA KNOWN AS “CITY OF WHEELING REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT DISTRICT NO. 1” AND “CITY OF WHEELING REDEVELOPMENT DISTRICT NO. 2” AS APPROVED BY THE WEST VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT; COMBINING THE TAX INCREMENT FINANCING FUND FOR THE EXISTING DISTRICTS AND PROVIDING FOR OTHER MATTERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH

The ordinance was read a second time by title. Mr. Sklavounakis, seconded by Mr. Palmer, moved that the ordinance be adopted.

The vote on the motion resulted as follows:

AYES: Thalman, Ketchum, Sklavounakis, Palmer - 4
NOES: -0

A majority of all those elected to Council having voted in favor, the vice mayor thereupon declared the ordinance adopted.

ARPA Allocation- GWSEA- Capitol Theatre Improvements

The following was then read:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WHEELING APPROVING THE GREATER WHEELING SPORTS AND ENTERTAINMENT AUTHORITY REQUEST FOR AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT (ARPA) FUNDS IN AN AMOUNT OF \$365,000.00 FOR CAPITOL THEATRE UPGRADES, AUTHORIZING THE ALLOCATION AND TRANSFER OF SUCH FUNDS FROM THE CITY’S ARPA ALLOCATION TO THE GREATER WHEELING SPORTS AND ENTERTAINMENT AUTHORITY AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE ANY AND ALL NECESSARY DOCUMENTS, AGREEMENTS, ETC. BETWEEN THE CITY OF WHEELING AND GREATER WHEELING SPORTS AND ENTERTAINMENT AUTHORITY

The ordinance was read a second time by title. Mr. Palmer, seconded by Ms. Ketchum, moved that the ordinance be adopted.

The vote on the motion resulted as follows:

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AYES: Thalman, Ketchum, Sklavounakis, Palmer

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NOES:

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A majority of all those elected to Council having voted in favor, the vice mayor thereupon declared the ordinance adopted.

Mr. Sklavounakis moved, seconded by Ms. Ketchum, that the following: Human Rights Commission Minutes 6/28/22, which were held over be accepted as received.

REPORT OF CITY MANAGER

Mr. Herron reports the bond money for police and fire pension has been received, and Wheeling is the first city in the State of West Virginia to capitalize and have fully funded pension programs. Due to supply chain issues, police headquarters is projected to be open mid-November.

REPORT OF OTHER OFFICERS

Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mr. Sklavounakis, moved to hold over: Financial Statement July 2022, Historic Landmarks Commission Minutes 7/7/22, Traffic Commission Minutes 7/14/22, Arts and Cultural Commission Minutes 7/12/22, Centre Market Commission Minutes 7/6/22 until the following meeting. Motion carried all in favor.

ORIGINAL PROPOSITIONS

O'Briens Rent-All and Sales Inc- Burkham Court Waterline Replacement- Water

The following was then read:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXPEND FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$458,500 WITH O'BRIEN'S COMPANIES, OF WHEELING, WV, FOR BURKHAM COURT WATERLINE REPLACEMENT PROJECT, TO BE CHARGED TO WATER DISTRIBUTION

Jim Shorkey- 19 Dodge Chargers- Project Fund

The following was then read:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXPEND FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$696,787.00 WITH JIM SHORKEY AUTO GROUP OF IRWIN, PA, FOR NINETEEN 2022 DODGE CHARGERS POLICE PACKAGE TO BE CHARGED TO PROJECT FUND

Bearcom- Equipment to Outfit Police Cruisers- Project Fund

The following was then read:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXPEND FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$283,108.96 WITH BEARCOM OF DALLAS, TX, FOR EQUIPMENT TO OUTFIT POLICE VEHICLES TO BE CHARGED TO PROJECT FUND

Resolution- Centre Market Lease- The Market Cafe

The following was then read:

A RESOLUTION ON THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WHEELING AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE A LEASE WITH JESSICA CLARK-MCDOWELL, FOR A PORTION OF THE CENTRE MARKET PROPERTY LOCATED AT 2200 BLOCK OF MARKET STREET

The resolution was read by title. Ms. Ketchum, seconded by Mr. Sklavounakis, moved that the resolution be adopted.

The vote on the motion resulted as follows:

AYES: Thalman, Ketchum, Sklavounakis, Palmer

- 4

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NOES:

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A majority of all those elected to Council having voted in favor, the vice mayor thereupon declared the resolution adopted.

THOSE WISHING TO BE HEARD

Julia Chaplin addressed Council asking for a Public Hearing on *Life Hub*.

Eric Reed discussed support of Pride Fest and community.

There being no further business, Mr. Palmer moved, seconded by Mr. Sklavounakis, to adjourn. Motion carried. Time 5:51 p.m.

City Clerk

Mayor