

July 7, 2020

Council of the City of Wheeling met in Council Chambers, City-County Building, on the above date, at 12:00 pm, with Mayor Elliott presiding.

On roll call, the following were present:

Present: Elliott, Thalman, Seidler, Ketchum, Sklavounakis, Thorngate, and Palmer - 7
Absent: -0

Mr. Thalman moved, seconded by Mr. Thorngate, that the minutes of June 16, 2020 meeting be approved as received. Motion carried.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Elliott proposed the following 2020-2024 Committee of Council assignments: Development Committee: Elliott, Thalman, Thorngate; Finance Committee: Palmer, Thorngate, Thalman; Health and Recreation: Ketchum, Thalman, Seidler; Promotions and Public Relations: Thorngate, Ketchum, Sklavounakis; Public Safety: Seidler, Palmer, Ketchum; Public Works: Sklavounakis, Seidler, Thorngate; Rules: Thalman, Sklavounakis, Palmer. Boards and Agencies: Centre Market Commission – Ketchum; Historic Landmarks Commission – Thorngate; Greater Wheeling Sports & Entertainment Authority – Palmer; Ohio Valley Regional Transportation Authority – Ketchum; Planning Commission – Palmer; Wheeling-Ohio County Board of Health – Thalman; Wheeling Hall of Fame Board – Sklavounakis; Wheeling National Heritage Area Corporation – Seidler; Wheeling Arts & Culture Commission – Ketchum; Vice Mayor Thalman. Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mr. Thorngate, moved to approve appointments as presented. All in favor. Motion passes.

CLERK'S REPORT

Clerk Delbert presented a Petition for Zoning Amendment located at 200/1108 West Washington Ave; Applicant Chris Duplaga. Mr. Sklavounakis, seconded by Mr. Palmer, moved to refer to Planning Commission. All in favor. Motion carried.

Clerk Delbert presented a Notice of Application to Operate a Private Club- 2160 National Rd- Elm Grove Café and Hotspot- Kevin Denholm. The application was forwarded to WVABCA without comment.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

USI Insurance- Policy Renewal- Workers Comp

The following was then read:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXPEND FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$89,209.00 WITH USI INSURANCE SERVICES, LLC, OF VIRGINIA BEACH, VA, FOR EXCESS LIABILITY WORKERS' COMPENSATION POLICY TO BE CHARGED TO WORKERS' COMPENSATION FUND

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

The vote on the motion resulted as follows:

AYES: Elliott, Thalman, Seidler, Ketchum, Sklavounakis, Thorngate, and Palmer - 7
NOES: - 0

Digital-Ally- Police Dash Camera System- RCIP

The following was then read:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXPEND FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$16,220.00 WITH DIGITAL-ALLY OF KANSAS CITY, MO, FOR DASH CAMERAS AND EQUIPMENT FOR POLICE CRUISERS TO BE CHARGES TO SALES TAX RCIP

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

The vote on the motion resulted as follows:

AYES: Elliott, Thalman, Seidler, Ketchum, Sklavounakis, Thorngate, and Palmer - 7
NOES: - 0

Cast and Baker- Patterson Tennis Courts- Oil and Gas

The following was then read:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXPEND FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$66,800.00 WITH CAST AND BAKER OF CANONSBURG, PA, FOR PATTERSON TENNIS COURT RESURFACING TO BE CHARGED TO OIL AND GAS

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

The vote on the motion resulted as follows:

AYES: Elliott, Thalman, Seidler, Ketchum, Sklavounakis, Thorngate, and Palmer - 7
NOES: - 0

Mr. Thalman, seconded by Mr. Thorngate, that the Historic Landmarks Commission minutes 2/6/20, Planning Commission Minutes 5/11/20, Arts and Cultural Commission Minutes 4/14/20, which were held over, be accepted as received. Motion carried.

REMARKS FROM MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

Mr. Seidler, Ms. Ketchum, and Mr. Sklavounakis all speak regarding first Council meeting and looking ahead to the future. Mr. Palmer asks for enforcement on firework codes.

REPORT OF COMMITTEES

Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mr. Thalman to accept the Finance Committee Report 6/16/20 as received. Motion carried. All in favor. For the record they are as follows:

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT June 16, 2020

The Finance Committee of Wheeling City Council met virtually on the above date at 11:30 a.m. Committee Members present: Chair Chad Thalman, Vice-Chair Dave Palmer, and Member Wendy Scatterday. Others present: Mayor Glenn Elliott, Councilor Thorngate, Councilor Koslik, City Manager Robert Herron, City Clerk Brenda J. Delbert, City Solicitor Rose Humway-Warmuth and Finance Director Seth McIntyre.

The following matters were discussed:
Financial Statement May 2020:

Mr. Herron reviewed the May 2020 financial statement; this statement represents 11 out of 12 months of the fiscal year. Mr. Herron indicated the City is starting to see the impacts of COVID-19. Direct impact of revenues will linger through next fiscal, however we are around \$500,000. The key part will be the impact of Sales Tax and B&O taxes. Mr. Palmer, seconded by Ms. Scatterday, to accept the May Financial Statement as presented and forward it to Council. All in favor. Motion carried.

There being no further business to come before the Committee, Ms. Scatterday moved, seconded by Mr. Palmer to adjourn. Motion carried. Time: 5:23 p.m.

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REPORT OF CITY MANAGER

Mr. Herron states operations department has ordered crosswalk markings for intersection at Washington Ave and Valley View. Sewer separation project will go out to bid this week; the bond was approved by prior council. The bid opening is Aug 5 2020 with construction beginning in October. Mr. Herron asks for reappointment for William Schwarz and Christina Schessler to the Planning Commission with terms to expire June 30. 2023. Mr. Thalman, seconded by Mr. Palmer, moved to approve. All in favor. Motion passes.

REPORT OF OTHER OFFICERS

Mr. Thorngate, seconded by Mr. Seidler, moved to hold over: BZA Minutes 5/21/20 until the following meeting. Motion carried all in favor.

ORIGINAL PROPOSITIONS

Prior Demolition Costs- Liens

The following was then read:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WHEELING FIXING THE ASSESSMENTS FOR THE COSTS OF RAZING DILAPIDATED STRUCTURES ON CERTAIN PROPERTIES IN THE CITY IN ACCORDANCE WITH APPLICABLE SECTIONS OF THE WEST VIRGINIA CODE AND THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF WHEELING.

Bus Levy- General Election- November 2020

The following was then read:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WHEELING PROVIDING FOR AN ELECTION TO AUTHORIZE ADDITIONAL TAX LEVIES FOR THE FISCAL YEARS BEGINNING JULY 1, 2021, JULY 1, 2022, AND JULY 1, 2023, TO PROVIDE FUNDS FOR THE CITY OF WHEELING'S SHARE OF FUNDING FOR ANY DEFICIT OF OPERATING COSTS AND THE COSTS OF ACQUIRING CAPITAL EQUIPMENT AND FACILITIES FOR THE SAME PERIOD FOR A SYSTEM OF URBAN MASS TRANSIT TO BE PROVIDED BY THE OHIO VALLEY REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY.

Bank of Ny Mellon- HUD 108- Loan Repayment- EY 2018 and EY 2019

The following was then read:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXPEND FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$205,510.00 WITH THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON OF NEW YORK, NY, FOR HUD 108 PAYMENTS TO BE CHARGED TO CDBG

Bearcom- Cruiser Equipment, Upfitting, Materials- Sales Tax RCIP

The following was then read:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXPEND FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$55,992.50 WITH BEARCOM OF DALLAS, TX, FOR EQUIPMENT TO OUTFIT POLICE VEHICLES TO BE CHARGED TO SALES TAX RCIP

M&G Architects and Engineers Design Service- City Service Fee

The following was then read:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXPEND FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$522,540.00 WITH M&G ARCHITECTS & ENGINEERS OF WHEELING, WV, FOR DESIGN SERVICES FOR THE VALLEY PROFESSIONAL BUILDING CONSTRUCTION TO POLICE HEADQUARTERS

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AND INITIAL DESIGN SERVICES FOR FIRE STATION TO BE CHARGED TO CITY SERVICE FEE

Resolution- Façade Improvement Program- 1061 Market St- Dean Connors

The following was then read:

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WHEELING, WEST VIRGINIA, TO AUTHORIZE, DIRECT AND EMPOWER THE OFFICERS AND ADMINISTRATORS OF THE CITY TO EXECUTE ALL NECESSARY DOCUMENTS AND PROCEDURES TO PROVIDE FOR A DOWNTOWN FAÇADE IMPROVEMENT GRANT FOR F. DEAN CONNORS II, 1061 MARKET ST, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$7,019.95

Mr. Seidler, seconded by Ms. Ketchum, moved that the Resolution be adopted.

The vote on the motion resulted as follows:

AYES: Elliott, Thalman, Seidler, Ketchum, Sklavounakis, Thorngate, and Palmer - 7
NOES: - 0

THOSE WISHING TO BE HEARD

Jeff Parsons, speaks regarding the intersection of Washington Ave and Valley View and the need of crosswalks and other safety measures. Mr. Parsons presents petition including signatures of neighbors in support.

Lara Graves, speaks in support of upgrading safety measures and making the intersection of Washington Ave. and Valley View ADA compliant.

Karen Kangisser, spoke about upcoming Public Meeting for Planning Commission.

There being no further business, Mr. Thalman moved, seconded by Mr. Thorngate, to adjourn. Motion carried. Time 12:36 p.m.

City Clerk

Mayor