

May 4, 2021

Council of the City of Wheeling met, on the above date, at 12:00 pm, at 1500 Chapline St. 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 April 20, 2021 meeting be approved as received. Motion carried.

Mr. Palmer moved, seconded by Mr. Thorngate to suspend the regular order of business and conduct a public hearing: Creating and Enacting Section 13-Historic Review for Demolition. No one signed up to speak. Mr. Palmer moved, seconded by Mr. Thorngate to resume regular order of business. Motion carried. All in favor.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Elliott announces the Law Enforcement Memorial will be May 10th at 6:00 pm at the Waterfront. Mayor Elliott turns the floor over to Erika Storch, Wheeling Chamber President, she submits a letter of support for the COVID-19 Vaccine from the Chamber Board. Mayor Elliott presented a Proclamation to Wheeling Park Highschool Cheerleaders declaring May 4, 2021 "Day of Six State Championships" in the City of Wheeling.

CLERK'S REPORT

Clerk Delbert presented Council a Notice of Application to Operate a Private Club. Applicate is Salsa Joes Café located at 2153 National Rd. The application was forwarded to WVABCA without comment.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Traffic Rule 4765- No Parking Section of N. 19th St

The following was then read:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WHEELING ADOPTING TRAFFIC RULE NO. 4765 TO ESTABLISH A NO PARKING ZONE ON THE SOUTH SIDE OF N. 19TH ST AT THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF N. 19TH ST, IN THE CITY OF WHEELING, AND EXTENDING IN A EASTERNLY DIRECTION ON 19TH ST FOR 142 FEET FROM THE HOURS OF 10:30 AM TO 2:30 PM

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

The vote on the motion resulted as follows:

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

Stephens Auto- 2021 Dodge Ram Pickup- Sanitation

The following was then read:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXPEND FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$26,492 WITH STEPHENS AUTO CENTER, OF DANVILLE, WV FOR 2021 DODGE RAM PICKUP TRUCK TO BE CHARGED TO SANITATION DEPARTMENT

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

The vote on the motion resulted as follows:

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

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

Bob Robinson- Parts and Repairs 2018 Tacoma- UAR

The following was then read:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXPEND FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$16,793.28 WITH BOB ROBINSON, OF TRIADELPHIA, WV FOR PARTS INSTALLATION AND REPAIRS 2018 TOYOTA TACOMA CHARGED TO WATER UAR 400.4014.07.0650.01

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

The vote on the motion resulted as follows:

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

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

Creating and Enacting Section 13- Historic Review for Demolition

The following was then read:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WHEELING CREATING AND ENACTING SECTION 13- ENTITLED HISTORIC REVIEW FOR DEMOLITION PERMITS- OF ARTICLE 173 HISTORIC LANDMARKS COMMISSIONS OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF WHEELING

The ordinance was read a second time by title. Mr. Thorngate, 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, Palmer - 7
NOES: -0

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

Option Agreement- 17th and Wood St- Fire Department

The following was then read:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WHEELING AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO CARRY OUT THE TERMS OF AN OPTION AGREEMENT FOR THE PURCHASE OF REAL PROPERTY, BEING SEVERAL PARCELS, LOCATED AT THE INTERSECTION OF 17TH AND WOOD STREET, WITH STREET ADDRESSES BEING 164-188 17TH ST, AND FURTHER AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO COORDINATE THE EXECUTION OF ANY AND ALL AGREEMENTS, DEEDS AND OTHER DOCUMENTS TO EFFECTUATE THE CONVEYANCE AS THE GOVERNING BODY HAS INTENDED WITHIN SAID OPTION AGREEMENT

The ordinance was read a second time by title. Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mr. Thorngate,

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moved that the ordinance be adopted.

The vote on the motion resulted as follows:

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

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

Advanced Auto Parts- Heavy Duty Truck Hoist- Vehicle Maintenance Department

The following was then read:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXPEND FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$55,999.99 WITH ADVANCED AUTO PARTS, OF WHEELING, WV FOR HEAVY DUTY TRUCK HOIST TO BE CHARGED TO VEHICLE MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT

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

The vote on the motion resulted as follows:

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

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

Pierpont- EMT Training Course- Fire

The following was then read:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXPEND FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$20,000 WITH PIERPONT COMMUNITY & TECHNICAL COLLEGE, OF FAIRMONT, WV, FOR AEMT COURSE TO BE CHARGED TO FIRE DEPARTMENT 4706.20.2152

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

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

Mr. Thalman moved, seconded by Mr. Palmer, that the: Hall of Fame Minutes 3/9/21, Planning Commission Minutes 2/8/21, BZA Minutes 3/18/21 which were held over, be accepted as received. Motion carried.

REPORT OF COMMITTEES

Mr. Seidler, seconded by Mr. Palmer to accept the Public Safety Committee Minutes 4/20/21 and Finance Committee Minutes 4/20/21 as received. All in favor. Motion carried. For the record they are as follows:

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE
April 20, 2021

The Public Safety Committee of Wheeling City Council met on the above date at 5:00 p.m.

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Committee members present: Chair Seidler, Vice Chair Palmer, and Member Ketchum. Others present: Mayor Elliott, Councilors Thalman, and Sklavounakis, City Manager Herron, City Solicitor Rose Humway-Warmuth, and City Clerk Brenda J. Delbert.

The following matters were discussed:
Rental Inspection Program:

Mr. Seidler presented the draft rental inspection program. The proposal is a self-inspection with different categories broken down into levels based on severity. The properties would be registered once a year. Mr. Connelly confirms his office was part of the draft process, his concern is there may be a need for additional departmental staff. Mr. Palmer request for time to review draft documents and asks for a public hearing to elicit feedback from the community.

There being no further business to come before the Committee, Mr. Seidler, seconded by Ms. Ketchum, moved to adjourn. Time: 5:15 p.m.

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT
April 20, 2021

The Finance Committee of Wheeling City Council met on the above date at 5:15 p.m. Committee Members present: Chair Palmer, Vice-Chair Thorngate, and Member Thalman. Others present: Mayor Elliott, Councilor Seidler, Councilor Ketchum, Councilor Sklavounakis, City Manager Robert Herron, City Clerk Brenda J. Delbert, City Solicitor Rose Humway-Warmuth, Finance Director Seth McIntyre.

The following matters were discussed:
Financial Statement March 2021:

Mr. Herron reviewed the March 2021 financial statement. Mr. Herron states we are 75% through the fiscal year, and 83% of revenue has been received. There are some Revenue line items that are behind due to COVID-19: Parking, Retail and Services are down while contracting is up. Mr. Herron indicated there has not been any transfer this year from the budget stabilization fund. Mr. Thalman, seconded by Mr. Thorngate, to accept the March 2021 Financial Statement as presented and forward it to Council. All in favor. Motion carried.

There being no further business to come before the Committee, Mr. Thalman moved, seconded by Mr. Thorngate to adjourn. Motion carried. Time: 5:20 p.m.

REPORT OF CITY MANAGER

Mr. Herron indicated city pools plan to open up first weekend in June and we are actively hiring lifeguards. Mr. Herron announced May 19th is the bid opening for demolition contracts. WVDEP has granted a loan and grant for remediation on 19th St site, and the Resolution up for vote is related to environmental services volunteer remediation plan for an ordinance passed in June for prepayment of loan. Mr. Herron announces Jim Blazer will be the next fire chief.

ORIGINAL PROPOSITIONS

Advantage Plus Centrifuge- Repairs to Centrifuge No. 1- WPCD

The following was then read:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXPEND FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$30,331.16 WITH ADVANTAGE PLUS CENTRIFUGE, OF NITRO, WV FOR REPAIRS TO CENTRIFUGE NUMBER 1 TO BE CHARGED TO WATER POLLUTION CONTROL 401.1128.06.00

BearCom – PD Cruiser Equipment Purchase- RCIP

The following was then read:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXPEND FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$92,047.05 WITH

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BEARCOM OF DALLAS, TX, FOR EQUIPMENT TO OUTFIT
POLICE VEHICLES TO BE CHARGED TO SALES TAX RCIP

Digital-Ally – PD Cruiser Equipment Purchase- RCIP

The following was then read:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO
EXPEND FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$26,985.00 WITH
DIGITAL-ALLY OF LENEXA, KS, FOR DASH CAMERAS AND
EQUIPMENT FOR POLICE CRUISERS TO BE CHARGES TO
SALES TAX RCIP

Omni Strategic Technologies – PD Cruiser Equipment Purchase-RCIP

The following was then read:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO
EXPEND FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$17,193.89 WITH OMNI
OF WHEELING, WV, FOR MDT'S TO OUTFIT POLICE
VEHICLES TO BE CHARGED TO SALES TAX RCIP

Resolution- Approving the FY 2021 CDBG and HOME Programs

The following was then read:

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
WHEELING APPROVING THE FISCAL YEAR 2021
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) AND
HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIPS (HOME) PROGRAMS,
AND AUTHORIZING THE FILING OF THE FY 2021 ANNUAL
ACTION PLAN WITH THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING
AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT (HUD)

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

The vote on the motion resulted as follows:

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

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

Resolution- Reimbursement 19th and Jacob St. Prosperities- Remediation

The following was then read:

RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
WHEELING RECOGNIZING THE REASONABLE
EXPECTATION OF THE REIMBURSEMENT OF CAPITAL
EXPENDITURES IN CONNECTION WITH BROWNFIELDS/
ENVIRONMENTAL REMEDIATION AT PROPERTY
LOCATED IN THE VICINITY OF 19TH AND JACOB STREETS
IN WHEELING, WV MADE PRIOR TO THE ISSUANCE OF
FUTURE BONDS OR NOTES OR A LOAN AGREEMENT

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

The vote on the motion resulted as follows:

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

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

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Resolution- Council Supporting COVID-19 Vaccination

The following was then read:

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
WHEELING TO SUPPORT EFFORTS OF OHIO COUNTY
HEALTH DEPARTMENT AND ENCOURAGE CITIZENS TO
RECEIVE THE COVID-19 VACCINE

Mayor Elliott asked Howard Gamble, Health Department Administrator, to speak about the importance of receiving the COVID-19 Vaccine.

The Resolution was read by title. Mr. Thalman, seconded by Mr. Thorngate, moved that the resolution be adopted.

The vote on the motion resulted as follows:

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

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

THOSE WISHING TO BE HEARD

Carlee Ditmar, speaks in opposition of City Council Members.

John Basil, speaks in opposition of code enforcement.

There being no further business, Mr. Thalman moved, seconded by Mr. Thorngate, to adjourn. Motion carried. Time 12:53 p.m.

City Clerk

Mayor