

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMON COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF PLATTSBURGH, NEW YORK**

March 12, 2020

5:30 P.M.

AGENDA

Pledge of Allegiance

(RC)

Present: Mayor Colin Read, Councilors Ira Barbell (W1), Mike Kelly (W2), Elizabeth Gibbs (W3), Paul DeDominicas (W4), Patrick McFarlin (W5), Jeff Moore (W6)

Absent:

MAYOR'S COMMENTS:

1. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING:

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Common Council held on March 5, 2020 are approved and placed on file among the public records of the City Clerk's Office

By Councilor _____; Seconded by Councilor _____
(All in Favor/opposed)

Roll call: Councilors Barbell, Kelly, Gibbs, DeDominicas, McFarlin, Moore

2. PAYROLLS OF VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS:

RESOLVED: That the payrolls of the various Departments of the City of Plattsburgh for the week ending March 11, 2020 in the amount of \$_____ are authorized and allowed and the Mayor and the City Clerk are hereby empowered and directed to sign warrants drawn on the City Chamberlain for the payment thereof.

By Councilor _____; Seconded by Councilor _____
(All in Favor/opposed)

Roll call: Councilors Barbell, Kelly, Gibbs, DeDominicas, McFarlin, Moore

3. REPORTS OF CITY OFFICES & COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- Report of Fire and Ambulance Responses for February 18 – March 9, 2020
- Report from the Building Inspector's office for February 26 – March 10, 2020
- Reports from the Police Department dated March 9, 2020
- Minutes from the Governance, Strategy and City Operations Committee meeting held on March 9, 2020

COUNCILOR/DEPARTMENT CHAIR COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Governance, Strategy, and City Operations- Chair Councilor Barbell

City Infrastructure – Chair Councilor Moore

Finance and Budget – Chair Councilor Kelly

Public Safety – Chair Councilor Gibbs

Plattsburgh Public Library – Chair Councilor DeDominicas

MLD - MLD Board President Councilor McFarlin

RESOLVED: That the reports as listed are hereby ordered received and any written reports are placed on file among the public records of the City Clerk’s Office.

By Councilor _____; Seconded by Councilor _____
(All in Favor/opposed)

Roll call: Councilors Barbell, Kelly, Gibbs, DeDominicas, McFarlin, Moore

4. CORRESPONDENCE OR RECOMMENDATIONS FROM BOARDS: None

5. AUDIT OF CLAIMS:

RESOLVED: That the bills Audited by the Common Council for the week ending March 13, 2020 in the amount of \$_____ are authorized and allowed and the Mayor and City Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to sign warrants drawn on the City Chamberlain for the payment thereof.

By Councilor _____; Seconded by Councilor _____
(All in Favor/opposed)

Roll call: Councilors Barbell, Kelly, Gibbs, DeDominicas, McFarlin, Moore

6. PERSONS ADDRESSING COUNCIL ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY:

7. OTHER ITEMS:

A. RESOLVED: In accordance with the request therefore the Common Council approves the February 27, 2020 proposal from HydroSource Associates in the amount of \$29,600 is hereby approved and authorized.

By Councilor _____; Seconded by Councilor _____

Discussion:

Roll call: Councilors Barbell, Kelly, Gibbs, DeDominicas, McFarlin, Moore

ACTION TAKEN: Adopted _____ Defeated _____ Withdrawn _____ Tabled _____

Follow up Action:

B. RESOLVED: In accordance with the request therefore the Common Council approves that the March 2, 2020 Amendment No. 1 to the footbridge sewer capacity agreement with CDM Smith be approved in the additional amount of \$30,000 and its execution is hereby authorized.

By Councilor _____; Seconded by Councilor _____

Discussion:

Roll call: Councilors Barbell, Kelly, Gibbs, DeDominicas, McFarlin, Moore

ACTION TAKEN: Adopted _____ Defeated _____ Withdrawn _____ Tabled _____

Follow up Action:

C. APPROVING ACCESS AND MAINTENANCE EASEMENT AGREEMENT WITH COMMUNITY BANK, N.A. FOR ARNIE PAVONE MEMORIAL PARKING PLAZA PORTION OF DOWNTOWN AREA IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS

WHEREAS, the City of Plattsburgh revitalization efforts will involve several downtown area improvement projects known as the Downtown Area Improvement Projects (DAIP); and

WHEREAS, the City of Plattsburgh Common Council determined to conduct comprehensive review of the DAIP through preparation of a Generic Environmental Impact Statement (GEIS) pursuant to the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA) and Section 617.10 of Title 6 of the New York Compilation of Codes, Rules and Regulations; and

WHEREAS, the Common Council, as duly designated Lead Agency pursuant to SEQRA, conducted a thorough SEQRA review of the DAIP, including conducting scoping, preparing Draft and Final Generic Environmental Impact Statements (EIS), conducting a Public Hearing and adopting a SEQRA Findings Statement; and

WHEREAS, the Findings Statement determined, among other things, that given the demonstrated public need and benefit of the DAIP, its lack of significant adverse environmental impacts and its avoidance of such impacts by project design, location and mitigation, the decision to proceed with the Project as proposed gave due consideration to and represented a reasonable and proper balancing of environmental considerations with social, economic and other relevant considerations; and

WHEREAS, the Findings Statement further determined and certified that, consistent with social, economic and other essential considerations from among the reasonable alternatives available, the DAIP

avoids or minimizes adverse environmental impacts to the maximum extent practicable and incorporates as conditions to the Board's decision those mitigation measures that were identified as practicable; and

WHEREAS, approval from the Common Council is now needed for an Access and Maintenance Agreement with Community Bank, N.A. (Agreement), which is required to enable construction of the Arnie Pavone Memorial Parking Plaza (APMPP) to proceed;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:

1. The Common Council has reviewed the proposed Agreement and finds that it constitutes an integral component of the APMPP portion of the DAIP which was thoroughly reviewed under SEQRA.
2. The potential environmental impacts of the proposed Agreement were adequately addressed as an essential component of the APMPP portion of the DAIP in the GEIS and the Findings Statement and the proposed Agreement is not likely to result in any new or different environmental impacts than those previously considered during SEQRA review of the DAIP. Therefore, no further SEQRA review is necessary.
3. The Common Council authorizes and directs the Mayor, City Clerk, Director of Community Development, City Attorney and/or Special Legal Counsel to take such further actions as may be necessary to effectuate the intent of this Resolution.

By Councilor _____; Seconded by Councilor _____

Discussion:

Roll call: Councilors Barbell, Kelly, Gibbs, DeDominicas, McFarlin, Moore

ACTION TAKEN: Adopted _____ Defeated _____ Withdrawn _____ Tabled _____

Follow up Action:

D. RESOLVED: In accordance with the request therefore the Common Council hereby agrees to and authorizes executing the MOA with the New England Water Pollution Control Commission and Lake Champlain Basin program for financial assistance performing an Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination study.

By Councilor _____; Seconded by Councilor _____

Discussion:

Roll call: Councilors Barbell, Kelly, Gibbs, DeDominicas, McFarlin, Moore

ACTION TAKEN: Adopted _____ Defeated _____ Withdrawn _____ Tabled _____

Follow up Action:

E. RESOLVED: In accordance with the request therefore the Common Council approves that Contract #2017-14 “Laboratory Services at Water Resource Recovery Facility” be extended for one year as listed below:

BOD/CBOD Testing awarded to Endyne Inc for lump sum of \$20,800
Contract for 78 other items awarded to ALS Environmental \$18,867

By Councilor _____; Seconded by Councilor _____

Discussion:

Roll call: Councilors Barbell, Kelly, Gibbs, DeDominicas, McFarlin, Moore

ACTION TAKEN: Adopted _____ Defeated _____ Withdrawn _____ Tabled _____

Follow up Action:

F. RESOLVED: In accordance with the request therefore the Common Council approves that Contract #2017-16 “Sodium Thiosulfate for Water Resource Recovery Facility” be extended for one year with Thatcher Company of NY for an estimated sum of \$71,392.

By Councilor _____; Seconded by Councilor _____

Discussion:

Roll call: Councilors Barbell, Kelly, Gibbs, DeDominicas, McFarlin, Moore

ACTION TAKEN: Adopted _____ Defeated _____ Withdrawn _____ Tabled _____

Follow up Action:

G. RESOLVED: that the Common Council of the City of Plattsburgh concurs with the request by the Mayor, and authorizes the clerk of the Common Council as well as the Mayor to sign a Home Rule Request in support of Senate Bill S.7614/Assembly Bill A.10028 in support of a special state law to allow the County of Clinton and in addition, the City of Plattsburgh to have a land bank.

By Councilor _____; Seconded by Councilor _____

Discussion:

Roll call: Councilors Barbell, Kelly, Gibbs, DeDominicas, McFarlin, Moore

ACTION TAKEN: Adopted _____ Defeated _____ Withdrawn _____ Tabled _____

Follow up Action:

8. TRAVEL REQUEST:

A. RESOLVED: In accordance with the request therefore the Common Council approves Jon Ruff is authorized to attend the WEF/AWWA Fly-In on April 27 -29, 2020 in Washington DC at a cost not to exceed \$500.

By Councilor _____; Seconded by Councilor _____

Discussion:

Roll call: Councilors Barbell, Kelly, Gibbs, DeDominicas, McFarlin, Moore

ACTION TAKEN: Adopted _____ Defeated _____ Withdrawn _____ Tabled _____

Follow up Action:

9. RESOLUTIONS FOR INITIAL CONSIDERATION: None

10. NEW BUSINESS AND COUNCILOR REPORTS:

11. CLOSING PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ANY TOPIC:

Motion to Adjourn by Councilor _____; Seconded by Councilor _____

Roll Call: Councilors Barbell, Kelly, Gibbs, DeDominicas, McFarlin, Moore

MEETING ADJOURNED: _____