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CITY OF SARATOGA SPRINGS COUNCIL MEETING

PRELIMINARY AGENDA

May 17, 2021

MEETING HELD VIA ZOOM

PRESENT:

Meg Kelly, Mayor

Michele Madigan, Commissioner

Anthony Scirocco, Commissioner

Robin Dalton, Commissioner



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1 MAYOR KELLY: Good morning. Welcome
2 to pre-agenda, May 17th. It is 10:01.
3 Tomorrow evening, we have no public
4 hearing scheduled, and going onto our
5 presentations, we'll have two
6 presentations.

7 The first presentation will be on
8 the missing sidewalk links and that will
9 be with Tina Carton from the Mayor's
10 Department. And the second presentation
11 is on SiFi Networks broadband city-wide
12 broadband project moving forward, and
13 that would be Commissioner Madigan.

14 Anything to add there, Commissioner?

15 COMMISSIONER MADIGAN: I'm probably
16 going to change that title. It's going
17 to be a very brief presentation just
18 about the benefits of what fiber might do
19 for residents and businesses. Thank you.

20 MAYOR KELLY: Okay. That's fine.
21 Thank you.

22 We will have an executive session at
23 the end of today's meeting, and I hope
24 that you all can join us. Can you?

25 COMMISSIONER DALTON: Yep.



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1 COMMISSIONER MADIGAN: Yes.

2 MAYOR KELLY: Okay. Great. Thank
3 you. And that will be on our Article --
4 about our Article 7 from the accounts
5 department.

6 Commissioner Franck is not here this
7 morning, but his deputy will be in that
8 meeting and so will Tony Popolizio.

9 So are there any changes and edits
10 to the consent agenda?

11 COMMISSIONER DALTON: No.

12 COMMISSIONER MADIGAN: No.

13 MAYOR KELLY: Okay. That's great.

14 On to the Mayor's Department.

15 My first item is approval for the
16 Mayor to sign MVP employee health
17 insurance contracts, and I do have a
18 Christy Spadaro, our HR administrator, on
19 the line if anybody has any questions
20 about that.

21 COMMISSIONER MADIGAN: Nope.

22 COMMISSIONER DALTON: No.

23 MAYOR KELLY: Okay. Great.

24 My next item is discussion about
25 authorization for the Mayor to sign



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1 Pitney Meadows Community Farm facilities
2 use agreement. This is an agreement with
3 the recreation department for their
4 running program.

5 The third item is discussion and
6 vote, authorization for the Mayor to sign
7 2021 school and group running practice
8 and training permit application. And
9 that is -- this is for the New York Parks
10 Recreation and Historic Preservation,
11 Saratoga Spa Park 2021 school and group
12 running practice training permit
13 application. The recreation operates the
14 running program each year throughout the
15 summer.

16 The fourth item is discussion and
17 vote, cosponsored program templates. And
18 this is the recreation as we -- the
19 department is requesting approval of
20 agreements for their cosponsored
21 programs. And the -- we'll get more into
22 that.

23 And I do have John Hirliman on the
24 line if anybody has any questions.

25 My next item is to set a public



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1 hearing, authorization to apply for New
2 York State Community Development Block
3 Grant CARES Act Fund for small business
4 grant program.

5 My next item is discussion,
6 appointments to Saratoga Springs Arts
7 Commission.

8 And I would like to add one item,
9 and that is the Mayor's Department is
10 going to have another food drive for the
11 SNACpack Program for their summer
12 program, and that will be coming up and
13 we'll have more details on that.

14 COMMISSIONER DALTON: Awesome.

15 MAYOR KELLY: And we'll go on to the
16 accounts department. I have -- as I
17 said, Commissioner Franck is unavailable
18 this morning, so he has two items on his
19 agenda.

20 The first item is Elaina Richardson
21 will be appointed to the Saratoga Springs
22 Arts Commission. And the second, and
23 there's an announcement: Grievance Day
24 is May 25th. And that concludes
25 Commissioner Franck's, and we'll go on to



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1 Commissioner Madigan in finance.

2 COMMISSIONER MADIGAN: Thanks,
3 Mayor.

4 So the first item is an update on
5 City finances, and not much to change --
6 not much in a way of change except we
7 have received our federal aid. And if
8 you've been paying attention to the news,
9 you know that, like, the treasury is now
10 in process of distributing aids to
11 municipalities.

12 So we have actually received ours
13 because we got on top of the paperwork,
14 so we received \$3.9 million this morning.
15 Our budget did call for \$5 million. So
16 this is the only distribution we will
17 receive for the year.

18 In terms of what we budgeted and
19 what we received, well, we're short about
20 \$1,176,000. So -- but still I'm very
21 pleased because it is better than
22 nothing. And I'll just have a brief
23 update tomorrow night on that.

24 MAYOR KELLY: Great.

25 COMMISSIONER MADIGAN: More of an



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1 update.

2 Item number 2 is a discussion about
3 authorization for the Mayor to sign
4 master subscription agreement with
5 Granicus, LLC, for Peak Agenda
6 Management. Granicus is the provider of
7 our agenda software. So I'm assuming
8 that that is what this is for. There are
9 some changes coming in our agenda
10 software.

11 And my item number 3 is a discussion
12 and vote, budget amendments for benefits.

13 MAYOR KELLY: Great.

14 COMMISSIONER MADIGAN: Thank you.

15 MAYOR KELLY: You're welcome.

16 COMMISSIONER MADIGAN: That's it.

17 That's all I have.

18 MAYOR KELLY: All right. On to
19 public works. Commissioner Scirocco.

20 COMMISSIONER SCIROCCO: Thank you,
21 Mayor.

22 Well, first is the discussion and
23 vote. This is authorization for the
24 Mayor to sign an agreement with
25 Greenridge Cemetery.



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1 Second item, a discussion and vote
2 for authorization for the Mayor to sign a
3 memorandum of agreement with the Senior
4 Citizen's Center of Saratoga Springs.

5 Third item, a discussion and vote to
6 accept a donation from Lester and Claire
7 Kipp for a memorial bench in the amount
8 of \$1,500.

9 Fourth item, a discussion and vote,
10 accept donation in memory of Constance
11 Lloyd for the City's Flower
12 Beautification Program in the total
13 amount of \$575.30.

14 A fifth item is an announcement.
15 This is the 2019-2020 annual budget.

16 The sixth item is the -- to set a
17 public hearing for the capital budget
18 amendment for city buildings.

19 And the seventh is just an
20 appointment to the Saratoga Springs Arts
21 Commission. And that concludes my
22 agenda.

23 MAYOR KELLY: Great. Thank you,
24 Commissioner Scirocco.

25 On to public safety. Commissioner



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1 Dalton.

2 COMMISSIONER DALTON: Thank you,
3 Mayor.

4 The first item on my agenda is
5 discussion and vote to accept an
6 authorization for the Mounted Unit. I
7 received a \$25 check from the DAR. So
8 we're going to accept that.

9 The second item on my agenda is
10 discussion and vote, authorization for
11 Mayor to sign contracts with Saratoga
12 County for STOP-DWI and STOP-DWI
13 Crackdown funding.

14 Third item on my agenda is
15 discussion and vote on an authorization
16 for the Mayor to sign contract with
17 Fitzgerald, Morris, Baker & Firth.

18 The fourth item on my agenda is
19 discussion and vote, an authorization to
20 pay invoice to Fitzgerald Baker -- I'm
21 sorry, Fitzgerald, Morris, Baker, Firth.

22 And then the fifth item on my agenda
23 is an appointment, Matt Hurff to the
24 Saratoga Springs Arts Commission. And
25 that concludes my agenda.



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1 MAYOR KELLY: Great. Thank you,
2 Commissioner Dalton.

3 The supervisors have a few items and
4 they might be adding a few more as we're
5 in contact with them.

6 Supervisor Beech (ph.) has county
7 board meeting room technology upgrades.

8 Second item is Saratoga County
9 Director of Public Relations.

10 Third item is approval of sale of 31
11 Woodlawn Avenue Building.

12 The fourth item, Saratoga County
13 Clerk of the Board of Supervisors.

14 And the fifth item Brook Road Bridge
15 closure.

16 Supervisor Gaston has three items at
17 this time: COVID-19 update, Public
18 Health Department expansion, and County
19 Resilience Committee.

20 So at this time, I move --

21 COMMISSIONER MADIGAN: Mayor? I
22 just wanted to add that I know that I
23 need someone for the Arts Commission and
24 Complete Streets, and I hope to have them
25 at the next city council meeting. I know



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1 everybody's got their announcements out,
2 but I'll look to have mine for the next
3 council meeting.

4 MAYOR KELLY: Sure.

5 COMMISSIONER MADIGAN: Thank you.

6 MAYOR KELLY: Thank you. That's
7 great. I just -- I just really want to
8 have them ready for the next
9 administration. Thank you.

10 COMMISSIONER MADIGAN: Got you.
11 Thank you.

12 MAYOR KELLY: At this time, I move
13 that the city council enter into
14 executive session for the matter of
15 Article 7. This is a motion. Is there a
16 second?

17 COMMISSIONER DALTON: Second.

18 MAYOR KELLY: Any discussion? All
19 those in favor, say aye.

20 COMMISSIONER DALTON: Aye.

21 COMMISSIONER MADIGAN: Aye.

22 MAYOR KELLY: Any opposed?

23 The matter passes. We'll just wait
24 for the live stream to stop, and then
25 we'll be in session.



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1 (Recess)

2 MAYOR KELLY: We are back from
3 executive session and discussed the
4 matter of Article 7, and this Article 7
5 will be placed on Commissioner Franck's
6 agenda for tomorrow evening, and he'll
7 have more details on that.

8 At this time, is there any other
9 business from the Council? Then we are
10 adjourned. Thank you.

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