



April 4, 2016

CITY OF SARATOGA SPRINGS
City Council Pre-Agenda Meeting
9:30 AM

PRESENT: Joanne Yepsen, Mayor
Michele Madigan, Commissioner of Finance
Christian Mathiesen, Commissioner of DPS

STAFF PRESENT: Joe Ogden, Deputy Mayor
Lynn Bachner, Deputy Commissioner, Finance
Maire Masterson, Deputy Commissioner, Accounts
Eileen Finneran, Deputy Commissioner, DPS

Vince DeLeonardis, City Attorney

Peter Martin, Supervisor

EXCUSED: John Franck, Commissioner of Accounts
Anthony Scirocco, Commissioner of DPW

Tim Cogan, Deputy Commissioner, DPW

Matthew Veitch, Supervisor

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Yepsen called the meeting to order at 9:37 a.m.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Nicholas' Law

Commissioner Mathiesen explained this law is for guns to be kept in storage. If found that guns are not stored properly, there will be a \$100 fine.

Comprehensive Plan Amendment – Institutional Design Prior Location

Commissioner Mathiesen stated this will be the last public hearing on this topic and the hearing will be closed. He would like this to be referred to the County Planning Board.

City Center Parking Structure

No comments.

PRESENTATION

Commissioner Scirocco will be having Debbie LeBreche do a presentation on his proposal of a theatre district.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approve Budget Amendments (Increases)
2. Approve Budget Transfers – Regular
3. Approve Payroll: 3/18/16 \$444,705.02
4. Approve Payroll: 3/25/16 \$478,144.36
5. Approve Payroll: 4/1/16 \$472,242.26
6. Approve Warrant: 2016 Mid – 16MWAPR1: \$2,969,394.,57
7. Approve Warrant: 2016 Mid – 16MWMAR2: \$14,813.81
8. Approve Warrant: 2016 Mid – 16MWMAR3: \$93,576.63
9. Approve Warrant: 2016 REG – 16APR1: \$672,032.94

Lisa Ribis, secretary to the City Council advised she will be adding 4 sets of minutes to the Consent Agenda for approval.

MAYOR'S DEPARTMENT

Discussion and Vote: 2016 Community Development Block Grant Allocations

No comments.

Discussion and Vote: Approval for the Mayor to Sign the Fair Housing Proclamation

Deputy Mayor Joe Ogden stated this is a proclamation in support of fair housing. April is fair housing month.

Discussion and Vote: Authorization for Mayor to Sign 3-Way Contract with Saratoga Co. IDA and GPI to Advance Geyser Road Project

Brad Birge of the Planning Department advised this is an agreement between the IDA, Greenman Pederson and the City. Billing will be sent directly to Greenman Pederson. The City's only involvement is overseeing the project.

Discussion and Vote: Approval of Sale of City Owned Land to Ryan and Pavla Berry

Vince DeLeonardis, city attorney, stated he believed SEQRA has been completed.

Tony Izzo, assistant city attorney, advised he will have to find the file and forward the information to the Council.

Discussion and Vote: City Council Adoption of a Resolution Authorizing Exemption and Payment in Lieu of Taxes Agreement for Raymond Watkin Apartments

Mayor Yepsen advised there are 3 resolutions for the Raymond Watkin Apartments. The next 2 items also relate to the Raymond Watkin Apartments.

Discussion and Vote: Authorization for Mayor to Sign Agreement with RW Housing Development Fund Company, Inc. and RW Preservation, LLC in Relation to Payment in Lieu of Taxes Agreement for Raymond Watkin Apartments

No comments.

Discussion and Vote: City Council Adoption of a Resolution Supporting Application to REDC for Private Activity tax Exempt Bond Allocation for Raymond Watkin Apartments

No comments.

Discussion and Vote: City Council Adoption of a Resolution Regarding the New York Racing Association (NYRA)

Mayor Yepsen advised this came from meetings with the Governor's Office and state legislature. It supports returning NYRA to a non-profit organization. The resolution states we will return NYRA to the non-profit status, reactivate the local advisory board, and we are asking for representation on the new NYRA board from Saratoga Springs.

Discussion and Vote: City Council Adoption of a Resolution Supporting Saratoga Lake Protection Improvement District

Mayor Yepsen advised she will be proposing a \$5,000 contribution.

Discussion: High Rock Lot RFP Responders

Mayor Yepsen stated RFP responders deserve closure.

Set Public Hearing: Zoning Map Amendment to Include 199 and 200 Woodlawn Avenue within the City Historic District

No comments.

Announcement: Update 2016 HUD Regional Summit – April 10th – 11th

No comments.

Mayor Yepsen advised she is adding an Discussion and Vote: Bauer Appraisal for Crown Royal Property.

ACCOUNTS DEPARTMENT

Deputy Commissioner Maire Masterson advised 2 items are being added to the Accounts agenda: Announcement: Grievance Class and Award of Bid: Sale of Used Vehicle.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT

Discussion and Vote: Authorization for Mayor to Sign City Center Parking Structure Leases

Commissioner Madigan advised she has been working on this since 2013. Tomorrow will be the second public hearing. She will close the public hearing and ask for a vote. Changes to the lease have been red-lined in the document attached to the agenda.

Discussion and Vote: Standard Workday Resolution

No comments.

Announcement: "Honor a Veteran" Program

Commissioner Madigan stated she will be holding a press conference on Wednesday. There will be an opportunity to buy flags with all proceeds go to Saratoga War Horse.

Discussion and Vote: Budget Amendments – Benefits

No comments.

Discussion and Vote: Budget Transfers – Payroll

No comments.

Discussion and Vote: Budget Transfers – Contingency (PO Admin; Non-Union FTE)

No comments.

Commissioner Madigan added Discussion: NYS Budget.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

Discussion and Vote: Authorization for the Mayor to Sign Renewal Agreement with Mahoney Notify-Plus, Inc. Alarms

No comments.

Discussion and Vote: Authorization for the Mayor to Sign Agreement with Greenridge Cemetery

No comments.

Discussion and Vote: Authorization for the Mayor to Sign Agreement Addendum #1 with Schnabel Engineering of New York for the Loughberry Lake Dam Safety Compliance Project

Tim Wales advised this is for an engineering assessment. There is a change in the dam and additional work needs to be done as high hazard dam.

Discussion and Vote: Authorization for the Mayor to Sign Agreement Addendum #1 with Barton & Loguidice, DPC for the Washington Street Water Main Construction

Tim Wales advised the contractor had to take an extra week to complete the project; therefore, Barton & Loguidice were on the job longer. The contract will be reimbursing the City for this.

Discussion and Vote: Authorization for the Mayor to Sign Agreement Addendum #1 with Stantec Consulting Services, Inc. for Adams Street

No comments.

Tim Wales added the following items to Commissioner Scirocco's agenda: Discussion and Vote: Gallo Construction Change Order - \$144,000 Credit; and Discussion and Vote: MOU with Stewart's Shops.

PUBLIC SAFETY DEPARTMENT

Discussion and Vote: Authorization for Mayor to Sign Agreement with Complux Data Innovations

Commissioner Mathiesen advised this will extend the agreement until December 2019.

Discussion and Vote: An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 115 of the City Code – Nicholas' Law

No comments.

Discussion: Noise Ordinance

Commissioner Mathiesen stated last year they looked at changing the ordinance for the Oklahoma Track. The existing ordinance deals with this problem.

Tony Izzo, assistant city attorney, stated the current noise ordinance is flexible enough to deal with the issue. Building permits should indicate noise ordinance.

Commissioner Mathiesen added Discussion: Parking Enforcement.

SUPERVISORS

MATTHEW VEITCH

1. 2016 Open Space and Trails Grant Applications
2. Renaming Route 9P Bridge at Exit 14 "Assemblyman Robert D'Andrea Bridge"

PETER MARTIN

1. Center for the Family
2. Big Brothers – Big Sisters – StartupSomething Saratoga

ADJOURN

Mayor Yepsen adjourned the meeting at 10:23 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Ribis
Clerk

Approved: 4/19/16
Vote: 5 - 0