

City of Southgate

Regular City Council Meeting

May 17, 2023

A Regular Meeting of the Council of the City of Southgate was held on Wednesday, May 17, 2023 in the Southgate City Hall Council Chambers and was called to order at 7:00 PM by Council President Zoey Kuspa.

This meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present: Priscilla Ayres-Reiss, Bill Colovos, Christian Graziani, Greg Kowalsky, Zoey Kuspa, Phil Rauch

Absent: *Karen George *excused

Also Present: Mayor Joseph G. Kuspa, City Attorney Ed Zelenak, City Administrator Dan Marsh, Assistant City Administrator/Finance Director Doug Drysdale, City Engineer John Miller, City Clerk Janice Ferencz, City Treasurer Chris Rollet, Public Safety Director Joe Marsh, Fire Chief Justin Graves, Police Chief Mark Mydlarz, DPS Director Kevin Anderson, Building Inspections Director Tim Leach

Minutes:

Moved by Rauch, supported Colovos, RESOLVED, that the minutes of the City Council Work Study Session dated May 3, 2023 be approved as presented. Carried unanimously.

Moved by Ayres-Reiss, supported by Rauch, RESOLVED, that the minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting dated May 3, 2023 be approved with the following revision to the bid amount from \$8,230 to \$7,140 for the Installation of ADA Doors at Southgate Library Restrooms. Carried unanimously.

Moved by Rauch, supported by Ayres-Reiss, RESOLVED, that the Public Hearing minutes of May 3, 2023 regarding FY 2023/24 Proposed Budget be approved as presented. Carried unanimously.

Moved by Ayres-Reiss, supported by Rauch, RESOLVED, that the Public Hearing minutes of May 3, 2023 regarding FY Southgate Wyandotte Drainage District User Charge be approved as presented. Carried unanimously.

Moved by Colovos, supported by Ayres-Reiss, RESOLVED, that the Public Hearing minutes of May 3, 2023 regarding Proposed Water & Sewer Rate Increase be approved as presented. Carried unanimously.

Communications "A":

1. Letter from Mayor; Re: Contract Extension for Tree Pruning & Maintenance moved by Kowalsky, supported by Rauch, RESOLVED THAT the Southgate City Council waive the bid procedure and extend the contract for a two year period for Tree Pruning and Maintenance to Limb Walkers Tree and Snow (10073 Bruce Rd, Avoca, MI 48006). Pricing will remain the same as the rates approved in 2022.

Motion carried unanimously.

2. Letter from Mayor; Re: Eureka Road/Dix-Toledo Rd. Streetscape Repairs moved by Ayres-Reiss, supported by Rauch, RESOLVED THAT the Southgate City Council waive the bid procedure and award the Eureka Road/Dix-Toledo Rd. Streetscape Repairs to Sól Building Company (5940 Commerce Drive, Westland, MI 48185) for the amount of \$7,500.

Motion carried unanimously.

3. Letter from Mayor; Re: Agreement Approval for Soil Disposal moved by Colovos, supported by Ayres-Reiss, RESOLVED THAT the Southgate City Council waive the bid procedure and award the agreement for Soil

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Disposal to Riverview Land Preserve (20863 Grange Road, Riverview, MI 48193) for disposal of yard soils at the rate of \$5.00 per yard.

Motion carried unanimously.

4. Memo from City Administrator; Re: Approval for Oasis Senior Living Planned Development Site Plan Review moved by Colovos, supported by Kowalsky, RESOLVED THAT the Southgate City Council concurs with the Planning Commission and approves the Final Planned Development Site Plan for Oasis Senior Living at 11555 Allen Road, Southgate, Michigan 48195.

Motion carried unanimously.

5. Memo from City Clerk: Re: Codification Ordinance moved by Rauch, supported by Ayres-Reiss, RESOLVED THAT the Southgate City Council hereby approves Ordinance 23-1034 approving the Codification of 2022 Ordinances.

Motion carried unanimously.

6. Letter from Mayor; Re: Appointment to Downtown Development Authority moved by Colovos, supported by Rauch, RESOLVED THAT the Southgate City Council concur with the Mayor's recommendation to appoint Jeff Taylor to the Downtown Development Authority for a term expiring December 2025 (this appointment will fill the vacancy created by Greg Kowalsky).

Motion carried unanimously.

Unscheduled Persons In Audience

1. Jim Austin – Commander of the American Legion gave details on the upcoming Memorial Ceremony.
2. Frank Gajewski, 11250 Hawthorne, discussed his Senior Shuttle Bus concerns.

Claims and Accounts:

Moved by Graziani, supported by Rauch, RESOLVED, that Claims and Accounts be paid as outlined on Warrant #1473 for \$3,067,251.38.

Motion carried unanimously.

Adjournment:

Moved by Colovos, supported by Kowalsky, RESOLVED THAT this Regular Meeting of the Southgate City Council be adjourned at 7:20 P.M. Carried unanimously.

Zoey Kuspa
Council President

Janice M. Ferencz
City Clerk