

CITY COUNCIL MEETING SUMMARY

November 3, 2015

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE REGISTER

- ◆ Approved the Accounts Payable Register of November 3, 2015, as presented.

PUBLIC HEARING

- ◆ Approved Rezoning Application #15/16-1 and rezoned 710 and 732 East Centre Avenue from B-1, local business, to OS-1, office service, with the exception of the west five feet of 710 East Centre Avenue, which is to remain zoned R-1A, one family residential and incorporated the staff report dated November 3, 2015.

PETITIONS AND STATEMENTS OF CITIZENS

- ◆ Suzanne Krohn, 9818 N 32nd Street, Richland, provided information on pancreatic cancer, the Pancreatic Cancer Action Network, and November as Pancreatic Cancer Awareness Month.

REPORTS FROM THE ADMINISTRATION

- ◆ Approved a one-year contract renewal with Blue Care Network for the Blue Care Network Advantage Plan and authorized the City Manager to execute all documents related to the contract renewal on behalf of the city.
- ◆ Granted final approval of the first phase of the Copperleaf single-family residential site condominium with completion of sidewalks and street trees by November 2017, approved installation of the Copperleaf residential subdivision sign in the Copperleaf Trail public right-of-way, and authorized the City Manager to execute all documents related to this project on behalf of the city.
- ◆ Adopted the Resolution Authorizing Limited Tax Pledge to Payment of 2015 Tax Increment Refunding Bonds of the Local Finance Development Authority (LDFA) of the City of Portage, and the Resolution approving the Undertaking to Provide Continuing Disclosure by the City of Portage for the 2015 Tax Increment Refunding Bonds of the Local Development Finance Authority of the City of Portage.
- ◆ Approved the purchase of network hardware from Digital Strategy, LLC, through the Western States Contracting Alliance cooperative purchasing program in the amount of \$171,353, installation professional services from Digital Strategy, LLC, in the amount of \$22,000, and three-year software licensing through preferred software reseller, PCM, Incorporated, in the amount of \$66,553 for a total project cost of \$259,906 to address network deficiencies and authorized the City Manager to execute all documents related to the contract on behalf of the city.
- ◆ Approved a contract amendment to the existing design engineering services for the South 12th Street Lift Station Force Main Replacement Project contract with Prein & Newhof, Incorporated, in the amount not to exceed \$8,000 and authorized the City Manager to execute all documents related to the contract on behalf of the city.
- ◆ Approved a budget transfer of \$2,961,755 from the General Fund to the Capital Improvement Fund to fund major and local street projects, the relocation of a Park trail, and the purchase of a fire pumper truck, and a budget transfer of \$427,227 from the Local Streets fund to the Capital Improvement Fund to fund local street projects.
- ◆ Accepted for first reading an amendment to the Codified Ordinances of the City of Portage to establish a Budget Stabilization Fund, and take final action on the amendment on November 17, 2015, at 7:30 p.m. or as soon thereafter as may be heard at a public hearing in accordance with the first reading document.
- ◆ Accepted the resolution to vacate the south approximate 57 feet of Harris Drive, place the resolution on file with the City Clerk for 28 days and take final action on December 1, 2015.
- ◆ Authorized the City Manager to execute a separation agreement with Patricia Thompson.
- ◆ Received the communication from the City Manager regarding the Local Development Finance Authority FY 2013-2014 Annual Report as information only.
- ◆ Received the communication from the City Manager regarding the Annual Tree Lighting/Traditional Holiday Celebration as information only

COMMUNICATION

- ◆ Received the report from Public Media Network (PMN) Executive Director Harry Haasch regarding PMN's FY 2015-2016 1st Quarter activities.

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS

- ◆ Received the update from the Mayor Pro Tem that an Executive Director has been chosen for Consolidated Dispatch.

BID TABULATIONS

- ◆ Approved the purchase of a fire pumper truck from Pierce Manufacturing, Inc., for \$501,260 and authorized the City Manager to execute all documents related to this action on behalf of the city.

STATEMENTS OF CITY COUNCIL

- ◆ Councilmember Ansari expressed his appreciation to have the right to vote in the United States and said he was looking forward to working with the new City Councilmembers. Mayor Strazdas concurred.
- ◆ Councilmember Reid thanked all of the candidates for running for City Council.
- ◆ Councilmember Ford expressed his appreciation for the Administration for a job well done regarding the various agenda items for the meeting.
- ◆ Councilmember Randall announced that Portage Northern High, Hackett Catholic and Portage Central High all performed outstanding in the Cross Country Meet at West Middle School. Also, she mentioned that Susan Yetter, 7354 Oak Shore Drive, expressed her appreciation to staff and City Council for leaf and brush pick-up on private streets.
- ◆ Mayor Pro Tem Pearson asked that all candidates for office remove their political signs as soon as they can.
- ◆ Councilmembers Urban, Reid and Ford agreed to assist Mayor Strazdas to help read the essays, "Why I like Portage?"

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