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What Happened in the Toledo City Council Agenda Review Meeting of 1-29-19

APPOINTMENTS FROM THE OFFICE OF THE MAYOR:

TMP-3653 Appointment – Civilian Police Review Board

My Position: Support.

Mayor Kapszukiewicz recommended the appointed Milton Scott to fill a vacancy.

TMP-3654 Appointments - HVAC Board of Control

My Position: Support.

Mayor Kapszukiewicz recommended the reappointments of Paul Syring and Richard Salisbury.

TMP-3655 Appointments - Plumbing Board of Control

My Position: Support.

Mayor Kapszukiewicz recommended the reappointments of James Coyle, William Schmalzried and Chris Weaver.

TMP-3656 Appointment - Toledo City Historic District Commission

My Position: Support.

Mayor Kapszukiewicz recommended Jim Gonzalez to fill a vacancy.

SECOND READING ITEMS:

O-002-19 Authorizing the mayor to enter into a real property lease, by and between the city of Toledo and Crestline Paving and Excavating Co., Inc. (“Crestline”) for approximately 8.78 acres located at 750 Montrose Toledo, Ohio 43607; waiving the competitive bidding requirement as required by T.M.C. Chapter 187.

My Position: Support.

This will allow the excavation of acreage at the former Champion Spark Plug site for a term of five years plus an additional five years.

O-039-19 Authorizing the Mayor to enter into an Easement Agreement with Generations Pipeline, LLC for the grant of an easement for installation, operation, and maintenance of a 16-inch subsurface gas pipeline across a portion of city-owned real estate known as the Collins Park Water Treatment Plant, 3040 York Street, Toledo, Ohio, for purposes of providing natural gas service for the Cliffs Natural Resources, Inc. HBI Production Project; authorizing the Mayor to execute needed instruments and agreements in connection with such easement grant; authorizing the Mayor to accept and deposit funds as reimbursement for City incurred expenses associated with the pipeline installation into the Water Operating Fund from Generations Pipeline, LLC in consideration of the easement grant.

My Position: Support.

Approving this easement is an important step in the progress of this huge project.

O-041-19 Authorizing the Mayor to enter into a Maumee Riverfront Metropark Project Development Agreement with the Metropolitan Park District of the Toledo Area; making certain findings with respect thereto; waiving the competitive bidding process of Toledo Municipal Code Chapter 187 with respect to the conveyance of real property.

My Position: Strongly Support.

The Metroparks are superb partners with the City of Toledo. Together, we will be collaborating on how to make city parks just as attractive as those that are a part of the Metroparks District. This project is another venture in making almost seamless transitions, between our parks mutual systems.

O-042-19 Approving the Capital Improvement Budget for the years 2019 - 2023; authorizing the appropriation of \$11,512,546 for capital projects.

My Position: Support.

This approval is for appropriations only. Expenditure authority will require additional action later.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT CHERRY PRESENTS:

TMP-3644 Appointment - Downtown Toledo Improvement District (DTID) Board

My Position: Support.

Council President Cherry appointed Councilwoman Harper.

TMP-3645 Appointment - Neighborhood Block Watch Board

My Position: Support.

Council President Cherry appointed John Jaksetic to Paul Kinglein's unexpired term which ends on 12/31/2020.

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR:

1. TMP-3648 Amending the Toledo Municipal Code by repealing Section 2101.01 and enacting a new Toledo Municipal Code Section 2101.01.

My Position: Support.

This amendment changes certain secretarial classifications to more appropriate levels, in terms of duties and salaries. A Secretary 3 will change to Administrative Assistant; and both the Mayor's Assistant 2 and the Administrative Assistant's salary group will be changed from group 8 to group 9.

2. TMP-3640 Temporarily amending the boundaries of the Downtown Outdoor Refreshment Area for the purpose of including access to Promenade Park to be within the Downtown Outdoor Refreshment Area; making certain findings and determinations with respect thereto.

My Position: Support with Reservation.

This will allow participants in the Fire and Ice Festival to carry DORA beverages from an existing approved location to Promenade Park.

DEPARTMENT OF POLICE OPERATIONS:

3. TMP-3631 Authorizing the Mayor to accept and deposit grant funds from the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council (CJCC) for the United States Department of Justice/Bureau of Justice Assistance/Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program in the amount of \$91,502.86; authorizing the appropriation from the unappropriated balance of the Operations Grants Fund; authorizing an expenditure in an amount not to exceed \$91,502.86 for the purchase of Motorola portable police radios; waiving the competitive bid requirements of Chapter 187 of the Toledo Municipal Code.

My Position: Support.

This money will be used to pay for 22 new police radios and chargers.

4. TMP-3627 Authorizing the Mayor to enter into a three-year agreement with NC4 Public Sector LLC; waiving the competitive bidding requirements of TMC Chapter 187; authorizing the Law Enforcement Trust Fund expenditure of an amount not to exceed \$287,700 for a three-year subscription to NC4 Street Smart Software.

My Position: Support.

Law enforcement officers will be able to provide real time data for pin pointing crimes more efficiently with this system, while in the field.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES:

5. TMP-3625 Authorizing the expenditure of \$13,042 from the Water Operating Fund to provide payment of the City of Toledo Department of Public Utilities' membership dues for 2019 to the American Water Works Association (AWWA).

My Position: Support.

This is an international educational society that connects our water department with an organization that supports public health and safety.

6. TMP-3624 Authorizing the expenditure of \$51,571 from the Street Construction Maintenance and Repair Fund to the Toledo Metropolitan Area Council of Government (TMACOG) for the payment of the City of Toledo's 2019 Transportation Planning Assessment Fee; authorizing the expenditure of \$28,506 from the Storm Water Operating Fund to the TMACOG for dues for the Stormwater Coalition in the amount of \$12,058 and for the City of Toledo's share of the 2019 Student Watershed Watch Program in the amount of \$9,950 and for a two year license agreement for Clear Choices Clean Water in the amount of \$6,498; authorizing the expenditure of \$71,445 from the General Fund to the TMACOG for the payment of the City of Toledo's 2019 Membership Fee.

My Position: Support.

The payment for 2019 TMACOG affiliated membership fees and dues are approved by this action. This is a very powerful connection to other regional governmental entities.

DEPARTMENT OF NEIGHBORHOOD & BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT:

7. TMP-3643 Designating the West Toledo Community Reinvestment Area as a Community Reinvestment Area; authorizing tax exemptions for remodeling and new construction; authorizing the Department of Neighborhood and Business Development to carry out a Community Reinvestment Program within the West

Toledo Community Reinvestment Area; designating the Director of the Department of Neighborhood and Business Development as Housing Officer; approving certain administrative procedures for the establishment of the West Toledo Community Reinvestment Area pursuant to Ohio Revised Code §§ 3735.65 through 3735.70 as amended; making certain findings with respect thereto.

My Position: Support.

Tax incentives will be enabled by this Community Reinvestment Area in West Toledo. The hope is that it will allow the City to provide more economic development in the area bounded by Tremainsville Rd., Jackman Rd., S. Cove Blvd., Torrey Hill, Bancroft and Douglas Rd.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SERVICE:

8. TMP-3628 Authorizing the Mayor to enter into a grant agreement with the Great Lakes Commission (GLC) for the engineering and design of the PENN 7 property; authorizing the Mayor to accept and deposit \$148,500 into the Operating Grants Fund; authorizing the appropriation and expenditure of said grant funds for the engineering and design of the PENN 7 property; authorizing the Mayor to accept bids and award contracts necessary to complete said project.

My Position: Support.

This is for wetland restoration of the 54 acres of PENN 7 property.

9. TMP-3639 Authorizing the expenditure of \$856,324 from the Capital Improvement Fund for City Park Rebranding/Revitalization Initiative; authorizing the Mayor to award contracts for the City Park Rebranding/Revitalization Initiative.

My Position: Support.

I sponsored the amended ordinance that successfully earmarked these funds for this initiative. There was a battle competing for this money because it was also wanted for streets. This action will approve paying for the work to be done. It will initiate paying for infrastructure and amenities that are just as badly needed in our shamefully deteriorated city parks.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES:

10. TMP-3637 Authorizing the mayor to enter into cooperative grant agreements with and accept financial assistance from the State of Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) for multiple construction projects; authorizing the acceptance, deposit, appropriation and expenditure of grant proceeds in the Capital Improvement Fund in an amount not to exceed \$9,972,787; authorizing the mayor to execute all

necessary documentation for the grants; authorizing the mayor to accept bids and award contracts related to the construction.

My Position: Support.

These seven different projects on 1) Bancroft, 2) Lagrange, 3) York Street, 4) Douglas Rd., 5) Central Avenue, 6) Alexis Rd. and 7) Summit Street will all be funded through these grant dollars acquired from TMACOG and ODOT.

11. TMP-3638 Authorizing the mayor to enter into agreements with and accept and deposit financial assistance from the State of Ohio, Ohio Public Works Commission (OPWC) in an amount not to exceed \$2,581,970 for six roadway projects; authorizing the appropriation and expenditure of said grant and loan proceeds on the subject projects; authorizing a dedicated source for repayment of said loans; authorizing the mayor to execute all necessary documentation for said grants and loans and to execute the necessary documentation for all contracts related to construction, professional services, contingencies, capitalized interest, testing, and permit fees.

My Position: Support.

With the state of Ohio assistance, six (6) roadway projects will be done.

12. TMP-3626 Authorizing the mayor to enter into and execute cooperative agreements between the City of Toledo and the State of Ohio, Department of Transportation (ODOT) and giving consent to ODOT to deck seal along SR 2 on the Anthony Wayne Bridge over the Maumee River PID 101114.

My Position: Support.

This action will help extend the life of our High Level Bridge.

13. TMP-3634 Authorizing the mayor to enter into and execute cooperative agreements between the City of Toledo and the State of Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) and to give consent to ODOT for safety improvements and resurfacing work on Laskey Road at the Talmadge Road intersection within the city limits.

My Position: Support.

Signal and turn lane improvements will also be included. The project will begin in 2020. ODOT will pay 90%. The City of Toledo's share is 10% and will come from tax increment funds (TIF).

14. TMP-3635 Authorizing the mayor to enter into and execute cooperative agreements between the City of Toledo and the State of Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT)

and to give consent to ODOT for safety improvements and resurfacing work on Laskey Road at the Lewis Avenue intersection within the city limits.

My Position: Support.

Scheduled to start in 2020, this project will also include turn lane and signal improvements. ODOT will cover 90% of the cost and the City of Toledo will pay for the remaining 10% from tax increment funds (TIF).

15. TMP-3633 Authorizing the expenditure of \$7,700,000 from the Capital Improvement Fund for the 2019 Matches & Planning Program; authorizing the mayor to prepare plans and specifications, acquire required rights-of-way as appropriate, and enter into contracts for these projects within the Division of Engineering Services.

My Position: Support.

This approval provides match money for state and federal grants and loans we received for this program. Approval now will allow for timely bidding and construction efforts by the city.

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE:

16. TMP-3632 Authorizing the expenditure of an amount not to exceed \$25,000 from the General Fund for accounting services related to preparation of the 2018 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR); authorizing the Mayor to award contracts for said services.

My Position: Support.

With this approval, the city can move forward with the firm that will be reviewing all entries for the city's finances. This way, errors and audit concerns can be identified and addressed for the CAFR preparation.

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR:

17. TMP-3652 Amending the Toledo Municipal Code by repealing Sections 351.15, 351.18, and 351.19 and enacting new Sections 351.15, 351.18, and 351.19 to allow the City of Toledo to contract with governmental or non-governmental entities to enforce the parking regulations and restrictions in non-public Municipal parking lots.

My Position: Support.

This will give authority to Park Smart to enforce parking restrictions and regulations in the Municipal parking lot behind the Health Department that sits along Cherry Street.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT CHERRY, CHAIR, ZONING & PLANNING COMMITTEE,
REPORTS AS APPROVED:**

TMP-3646 Declaring the vacation of a portion of Amherst Drive located south of the Anthony Wayne Trail and north of Dartmouth within the City of Toledo, Lucas County, Ohio; waiving all fees.

My Position: Support.

It was disapproved by the Toledo Plan Commission on 11/1/18. Sent without recommendation by the Toledo City Council Zoning and Planning Committee on 12/5/18. But, the Board of Revision approved it on 1/18/19.

TMP-3647 Declaring the vacation of a portion of Riverside Drive located within the City of Toledo, Lucas County, Ohio; waiving all fees.

My Position: Support.

The Toledo Plan Commission and the Toledo City Council Zoning and Planning Committee recommended approval; as did the Board of Revision on 1/18/19.