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What Happened in the Toledo City Council Agenda Review Meeting of 7-30-19

APPOINTMENTS FROM THE OFFICE OF THE MAYOR:

TMP-4257 Appointment - Old West End Historic District Commission

My Position: Support.

Mr. Bryan Latta was recommended by the Mayor to fill this vacancy which will expire on 8/6/22. It is a 3-year term.

TMP-4258 Appointments - Toledo City Historic District Commission

My Position: Support.

Mr. Jim Mettler and Ms. Lonnie Holman were recommended for reappointment to 2-year terms that will expire on 9/30/21.

SECOND READING ITEMS:

O-343-19 Authorizing the disappropriation of \$50,000 from the General Fund; authorizing the appropriation and expenditure of \$50,000 from the General Fund for the JumpStart Program; authorizing the mayor to enter into an agreement with JumpStart Inc.; waiving the competitive bidding requirements of TMC Chapter 187.

My Position: Support.

This payment will be the City's investment in the creation of a Small Business Growth Collaboration that will address gaps and assistance we do not provide. The goal is to connect small businesses with resources and benefits.

O-356-19 Approving the site plan for a Religious Assembly located at 3900 Emmajean Road, Toledo, Ohio; subject to certain conditions and a waiver.

My Position: Support.

Approval of this ordinance will enable the development of the site to begin. The Toledo City Plan Commission approved it. The Toledo City Council Zoning and Planning Committee made no recommendation. The Law Department supported the argument of the attorney for the Temple, instead of the neighborhood organization that had appealed for placing certain activity restrictions on the church. Passage means there will be none.

COUNCIL MEMBERS UJVAGI AND HARPER PRESENT:

TMP-4255 Authorizing the Mayor to implement a Better Board up Program through the Department of Neighborhood and Business Development, for securing vacant structures and preserving the integrity of our neighborhoods, even pending demolitions.

My Position: Support.

This will enable the preservation of structural integrity of properties pending demolition or rehab.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT CHERRY AND THE MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL PRESENT:

TMP-4256 Approving a Petition For Special Assessments for Special Energy Improvement Projects and a Project Plan for the Northwest Ohio Advanced Energy Improvement District under Chapter 1710 of the Ohio Revised Code; to authorize and levy special assessments for the purpose of acquiring, constructing, and improving certain public improvements in the City of Toledo in cooperation with the Northwest Ohio Advanced Energy Improvement District; and to approve an Energy Project Agreement in connection with such improvements and special assessments.

My Position: Support.

The charges will annually be \$1,002.14 beginning in 2019 and ending in 2028 for a total assessment of \$10,021.40 for HVAC replacement, window replacement and a hot water tank. This is the personal property of Mark and Rochelle Bartlett on 1413 N. Huron St. in Toledo, OH 43604.

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE:

1. TMP-4242 Levying special assessments for sprinkling, sweeping, cleaning and snow removal services for the municipal streets, alleys and public ways in the City during the calendar year 2018.

My Position: Support.

There was no Surface Treatment Program (tar and chip work) on unimproved streets in 2017 or 2018. The total for 2018 for these services that were done as listed above in 2018 was \$26,439,140. This ordinance covers \$19,299,535 in street services through December 31, 2018.

2. TMP-4244 Levying special assessments for the improvement of certain streets, alleys and public ways outside of the downtown area of the City by providing street lighting during the calendar year 2018.

My Position: Support.

This ordinance will cover the \$3,289,903 assessed for City-wide Street Lighting.

3. TMP-4243 Levying special assessments for the improvement of certain streets and public ways in the downtown area of the City by providing street lighting during the calendar year 2018.

My Position: Support.

This ordinance will cover the \$242,238 needed to pay for Downtown Street Lighting last year.

4. TMP-4245 Levying special assessments for controlling the blight and disease of shade trees within public rights-of-way and planting, maintaining, trimming and removing shade trees in and along the streets of the City during the calendar year 2018.

My Position: Support.

This assessment will pay for work done on Trees last year across the city.

5. TMP-4246 Levying special assessments for the 2018 Sidewalk Program.

My Position: Support.

An assessment totaling \$324,105 is needed to pay for Sidewalk Improvements done last year.

DEPARTMENT OF NEIGHBORHOOD & BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT:

6. TMP-4248 Authorizing the mayor to enter into an agreement with Total Environmental Services, LLC for the abatement of environmental contaminants and removal of debris at 604 Junction Ave. as declared an emergency demolition by the Chief

Building Official; authorizing expenditure of an amount not to exceed \$36,000 from the General Fund.

My Position: Support.

Two people were charged with arson in connection with the fire that caused this problem. There is no insurance on the property and the owner is already \$14,000 in arrears for taxes. The property is valued at \$26,000. Nonetheless, a licensed abatement company directed by the Ohio EPA will need to meticulously remove this contamination by order of the Chief Building Official.

DEPARTMENT OF FIRE & RESCUE OPERATIONS:

7. TMP-4247 Authorizing the Mayor to accept a donation from Old Newsboys Goodfellow Association, for the City of Toledo, Fire & Rescue Department; authorizing the deposit, appropriation and expenditure of \$26,000 to provide Public Safety Training Equipment.

My Position: Support.

A Fire Extinguisher Training Simulator; and Rescue and Extrication Mannequins will be purchased with this donation.

DEPARTMENT OF LAW:

8. TMP-4241 Authorizing the pre-suit settlement of a negligence claim of the City of Toledo against Autumn Marsh for damages to a police vehicle arising from a May 6, 2018 motor vehicle accident for the sum of \$25,000; authorizing the Director of Finance to deposit the settlement proceeds into the Capital Improvement Fund.

My Position: Support.

This collision occurred at Dorr and Collingwood. Damage to a police car totaled \$37,740.30. Chief Kral is agreeable with the settlement. It is the maximum that Ms. Marsh's insurance company will pay.

DEPARTMENT OF POLICE OPERATIONS:

9. TMP-4208 Authorizing the Mayor to enter into a School Resource Officer Program agreement with Toledo Public Schools and to accept and deposit \$217,265.03 into the General Fund in payment for services provided by Toledo Police Department.

My Position: Support.

This amount covers half the salaries for six officers for nine months during the 2019-2020 school year at certain schools in Toledo Public Schools. Information on how their time is managed was requested and at which schools.

10. TMP-4209 Authorizing the Mayor to enter into a School Resource Officer Program agreement with the Washington Local Schools and to accept and deposit \$36,210.84 into the General Fund in payment for services provided by Toledo Police Department.

My Position: Support.

This equals half the salary of one police officer for nine months. Information is forthcoming on the time-management schedule of this officer and a description of how and where time is spent.

11. TMP-4230 Authorizing the Mayor to enter into a grant agreement and accept and deposit \$28,433.36 from the Office of Criminal Justice Services for an Ohio Drug Law Enforcement Fund (2018-DL-LEF-5853) Program; authorizing the appropriation and expenditure of said proceeds from the Operation Grants Fund.

My Position: Support.

A local match of \$9,481.00 is required for this grant. The money will be used to improve drug enforcement investigations done by the department.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES:

12. TMP-4239 Authorizing the mayor to accept bids and execute the necessary contract or contracts for the removal, hauling and beneficial reuse of spent lime produced by the Division of Water Treatment; authorizing the annual expenditure of an amount not to exceed \$6,500,000 for a period not to exceed five years from the Water Operating Fund.

My Position: Support.

The by-product produced by the process of treating our water is spent lime. Reuse and disposal must be done safely and meet Ohio EPA requirements. It has very limited uses, i.e., pH adjusting for soil.

13. TMP-4240 Authorizing the mayor to enter into grant agreements with the Ohio Public Works Commission (OPWC) for the Large Diameter Sewer Rehabilitation Project and to accept and deposit grant proceeds into the Sewer Replacement Fund; authorizing the appropriation and expenditure of the unappropriated grant proceeds from the Sewer Replacement Fund in an amount not to exceed \$850,000; authorizing the mayor to enter into loan agreements with OPWC for

said project and to accept and deposit loan proceeds into the Sewer Replacement Fund; authorizing the appropriation and expenditure of the unappropriated loan proceeds from the Sewer Replacement Fund in an amount not to exceed \$850,000; authorizing the appropriation and expenditure of \$1,500,000 from the Sewer Replacement Fund; authorizing various adjustments and transfers of expense to comply with the grant and loan agreements; authorizing a dedicated source for repayment of said loans; authorizing the mayor to prepare plans and specifications, acquire rights-of-way and easements as necessary, accept bids and enter into contracts.

My Position: Support.

These are improvements needed due to deterioration.

THE CLERK REPORTS:

TMP-4259 Declaring the intent to vacate the 30-foot strip adjacent to Lot 3 in Plat made by Commissioners in Partition, in the City of Toledo, Lucas County, Ohio.

My Position: Support.

This is located at 1021 Front St. in Waterfront Metropark and is being vacated for the Port Authority.