

**CITY OF FENTON COUNCIL WORK SESSION PROCEEDINGS**  
**Monday, August 7, 2023**  
**City Hall Conference Room**  
**7:30 PM**

Mayor Osborn called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM.

**ROLL CALL**

Present: Bottecelli, Jacob, Lockwood, McDermott, Osborn, Sage.  
Absent: Grossmeyer (excused).  
Others Present: Lynn Markland, City Manager; Michael Hart, Assistant City Manager; Dan Brisson, DPW Director; Jason Payne, Building Official; Jeff Cross, Chief of Police; Tessa Stickel, Communications Coordinator.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Damien Siwik requested to speak on the Pathway Easement for Riverwalk Project.

**WHISPERING PINES SUBDIVISION ESCROW AGREEMENT**

A motion was made by McDermott and supported by Lockwood to approve the escrow agreement with Scott Lozon of SCL Land Holdings, Inc. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

**MUSEUM FRONT PORCH REPAIRS**

A motion was made by Lockwood and supported by Bottecelli to approve the museum repairs with Case Construction Company at a cost of \$363,168 with reimbursement sought from the DDA. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

**CONTRACT AWARD FOR STATE ROAD STREET RECONSTRUCTION**

A motion was made by McDermott and supported by Sage to approve the 2023 State Road Street Reconstruction Project and award the bid to Diamond Excavating, LLC at a cost of \$1,629,907.85 and authorize the City Manager to execute the contract documents. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

**SCOPE OF CONSTRUCTION SERVICES FOR STATE ROAD STREET CONSTRUCTION PROJECT**

A motion was made by Lockwood and supported by McDermott to approve the costs associated with the Scope of Construction Services provided by OHM for the 2023 State Road Reconstruction Project where construction engineering and contract administration will be performed on an hourly basis for a not-to-exceed cost of \$75,800 and construction oversight (crew days) is provided at a cost of \$46,800 from their August 1, 2023 proposal. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

**PATHWAY EASEMENT FOR RIVERWALK PROJECT, HUNTINGTON BANK, 226 W. CAROLINE**

Brisson presented the Pathway Easement for Riverwalk Project. This item will be placed on the August 14 Council agenda.

**PROPOSED OAKWOOD CEMETERY RATE DISCUSSION**

Brisson presented the proposed Oakwood Cemetery Rate Schedule. This item will be placed on the August 14 Council agenda.

### **PURCHASE OF PISTOLS**

A motion was made by Lockwood and supported by McDermott to approve the purchase of five Smith & Wesson M&P40's from Vance's Law Enforcement Supply for a total purchase price of \$2,997.45.  
**Motion carried by voice vote.**

### **VAPEN SYSTEMS SAFE**

A motion was made by McDermott and supported by Bottecelli to approve the purchase of the Vapen Systems Safe for a total cost of \$4,145.  
**Motion carried by voice vote.**

### **CITY HALL OFFICE FURNITURE UPGRADES**

Hart presented the renderings for new employee furnishings with NBS (Commercial Interiors) for the City Hall building. This item will be placed on the August 14 Council agenda.

### **DISCUSSION ON DRAINAGE CONCERN, 1160 S. LEROY STREET**

Consensus of Council was to continue to monitor the situation.

### **DAMAGED ROADSIDE GUARDRAIL, MULTIPLE LOCATIONS**

Brisson presented locations, proposed costs, and options.

### **MNLA 2023 PLANT MICHIGAN GREEN COMMUNITY LANDSCAPE BEAUTIFICATION AWARD**

Stickel presented information on the award the City won for the Butterfly Garden. There will be an award ceremony on August 30 at 9:30 AM.

### **COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Sage reported a problem with cars exiting Speedway onto Owen Road. Requested contractor parking at Target's exit onto Owen Road be addressed. Opposed using the lighted traffic signs for City events such as Back to the Bricks. Reported issue with pedestrian crosswalks such as at Adelaide and Caroline Streets.

Lockwood suggested reducing the speed limit downtown and in front of City Hall where it is becoming dangerous to exit a parked vehicle. Reported on Arts & Culture events, and Veterans Memorial Park round one brick sale ending on August 30.

Jacob stated he agreed with Sage on electric signs should not be allowed.

Bottecelli reported on two upcoming Storytelling events at Rackham Park and the Community Center on September 9.

McDermott commented on truck traffic from Runyan Lake repaving using the Shiawassee as their main route.

Markland thanked Council for moving along summer projects. Reminded Council of MML Convention reservations in progress.

### **CALL TO THE AUDIENCE**

Siwik spoke on electric signs and Huntington Bank.

Brian Chiu spoke on being a supporter of the book Strongtowns and walkable communities.

Adjourned at 9:18 PM.

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Mayor Sue Osborn

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Jennifer Kienast, City Clerk

Date Approved: August 14, 2023