

City of Flint, Michigan

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Meeting Agenda - Final

Wednesday, December 7, 2016

5:00 PM

Committee Room

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Scott Kincaid, Chairperson, Ward 9

Eric Mays, Ward 1

Kerry L. Nelson, Ward 3

Wantwaz D. Davis, Ward 5

Monica Galloway, Ward 7

Jacqueline Poplar, Ward 2

Kate Fields, Ward 4

Herbert J. Winfrey, Ward 6

Vicki VanBuren, Ward 8

Inez M. Brown, City Clerk

This agenda was amended to add an Executive Session and Special Order No. 160534.

ROLL CALL

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Department of Law requests an Executive Session to update the City Council regarding the Landon v City of Flint litigation, Case No. 16-11061.

SPECIAL ORDER

160534 Special Order/Comcast Contract

A Special Order to allow for a presentation by City Administrator Sylvester Jones on the pending Comcast Contract.

RESOLUTIONS

160532 FY2017/Contract/William E. Walter, Inc./HVAC Improvements

Resolution resolving that the proper city officials, upon City Council's approval, are hereby authorized to enter into a contract with William E. Walter, Inc. for HVAC improvements -- Phase II, as requested by Utilities/Water Pollution Control, in an amount NOT-TO-EXCEED \$554,150.00 [Sewer Fund Acct. No. 590-550.300-930.000 = \$139,000.00 and Acct. No. 590-550.300-930.000 = \$415,150.00]. [NOTE: Both account numbers are the same.] [Administration Submission No. CA3142016.]

160533 FY2017/Contract/William E. Walter, Inc./HVAC Support Services

Resolution resolving that the proper city official are hereby authorized to enter into a contract with William E. Walter, Inc. for HVAC support services, as requested by Water Service Center/Water Treatment Plant, in an amount NOT-TO-EXCEED \$58,000.00 for a total aggregate amount of \$323,000.00 [Sewer Fund Acct. No. 590-540.100-801.000 = \$9,500.00, and Water Fund Acct. No. 591-540.100-801.000 = \$9,500.00, Acct. No. 591-545.201-726.000 = \$9,000.00, Acct. No. 591-545.201-930.000 = \$16,000.00, and Acct. No. 591-545.201-930.000 = \$4,000.00, and General Fund Acct. No. 101-753.200-801.000 = \$10,000.00]. [NOTE: On October 9, 2014, the proper city officials were authorized to enter into a contract with William E. Walther, for three-year HVAC support services in an amount NOT-TO-EXCEED \$265,000.00. Water Service Center and Water Pollution Control have requested additional said services.] [Administration Submission No. CA3152016.]

DISCUSSION ITEMS

160524 Referral/Requests for Proposals (RFP)/Lead Service Line Replacers

A referral by Councilperson Fields to ADMINISTRATION/BRIG. GENERAL MICHAEL MCDANIEL: She would like copies of the RFPs that contractors bid on to work on replacing residential service lines. Please respond in writing with copies for all council persons. [Referral Action Date: 11/22/2016 @ Finance Committee Meeting.]

160525 Referral/Contracts/Lead Service Line Replacers

A referral by Councilperson Fields to ADMINISTRATION/BRIG. GENERAL MICHAEL MCDANIEL: She would like copies of the contracts the city entered into with WT Stevens Construction and Goyette Mechanical Co. Please respond in writing with copies for all council persons. [Referral Action Date: 11/22/2016 @ Finance Committee Meeting.]

160529 Discussion Item/City Council Liaison for Constituent Services for Water-Related Issues

A discussion item as requested by Councilperson Mays, re: He asks that the City Council discuss the proposed position of City Council Liaison for Constituent Services for Water-Related Issues, as introduced by resolution authorizing entering into a Professional Services Agreement (PSA) with Wendy Braun on November 28, 2016. [NOTE: Said PSA Reso. No. 160528 was DROPPED by the City Council during the 11-28-2016 Special Affairs Committee Meeting.] [Referral Action Date: 11/28/2016 @ Special Affairs Committee Meeting]

160530 Discussion Item/Water Distribution System/ ETC (Environmental Consulting & Technology, Inc.)

A discussion item as requested by Councilperson Mays, re: He asks that the City Council discuss the overall water distribution system and, in particular, information provided through Mr. James W. Ridgway, P.E., ETC (Environmental Consulting & Technology, Inc.). [Referral Action Date: 11/28/2016 @ Special Affairs Committee Meeting]

OLD, OUTSTANDING DISCUSSION ITEMS

160517 Referral/Information on Damage Claims

Referral by Councilpersons Fields and Kincaid to LEGAL, re: He would like to know how many damage claims have been filed against the City since January 2016, who filed those damage claims, and whether or not they were approved or denied - with approved claims detailing the amounts paid and denied claims stating a reason for denial. He also requests that the Chief Legal Officer explain, in writing, under what authority she is allowed to approve or grant damage claims without prior approval from the Flint City Council and/or Flint Receivership Transition Advisory Board (RTAB). Ms. Fields asks that all investigative documents are included for said damage claims, as well as a written final legal opinion for each. [Referral Action Date: 11/14/2016 @ City Council Meeting]

160515 Referral/Attendance Request/Water Service Line Replacements

A referral as requested by Councilperson May to ADMIN/OTHER re: He requests that Gen. Michael McDaniel, as well as representatives from WT Stevens Construction, Inc. and Goyette Mechanical, attend the November 22, 2016 Finance Committee meeting at 5:00 p.m. in order to discuss plumbing licenses, apprenticeships and other City Council concerns about the water service line replacement work currently taking place within the city. [Referral Action Date: 11/14/2016 @ City Council Meeting]

160514 Referral/Replacement of Water Service Lines

Referral by Councilpersons Nelson and Davis to PURCHASING/ADMIN, re: With regard to the replacement of water service lines in the city and the companies that were contracted to do the work, he would like the following questions answered:

1. How many registered plumbing apprentices or licensed plumbers does WT Stevens Construction, Inc. employ?
2. Who holds the plumbing license for WT Stevens?
3. Is WT Stevens subcontracting the replacement work out?
4. For any subcontractors utilized by WT Stevens, what are the names of those companies and the dollar amounts paid to them?
5. How many city of Flint residents does WT Stevens employ?
6. Are city residents having their service lines replaced by non-licensed subcontractors?
7. Why doesn't the City of Flint require that all bidders for service line replacements use registered plumbing apprentices who live in the city?
8. Why isn't it required that service line replacements be installed by licensed plumbers? [Referral Action Date: 11/14/2016 @ City Council Meeting]

160510 Referral/Copies/Damage Claims

A Referral as requested by Councilperson Nelson to Mayor/Admin/Legal: He would like a copy of all damage claims. [Referral Action Date: 11/9/2016 @ Finance Committee Meeting].

160509 Referral/Status Report/Ambassador Trailer Park

A Referral as requested by Councilperson Nelson to Mayor/Admin: He would like a status report on the Ambassador Trailer Park. Please provide an answer in writing for all council persons. [Referral Action Date: 11/9/2016 @ Finance Committee Meeting].

160508 Referral/Restoration/Yards & Streets/Water Line Replacement

A Referral as requested by Councilperson Poplar to General McDaniel/Betty Wideman: What are the plans for restoring streets and yards after pipes are replaced? Please provide an answer in writing for all council persons. [Referral Action Date: 11/9/2016 @ Finance Committee Meeting].

- 160499** Referral/Construction of Pipe
- A Referral as requested by Councilperson Mays to Mayor/Admin: What is the timeline to construct the pipe? Please provide an answer in writing for all council persons. [Referral Action Date: 11/9/2016 @ Legislative Committee Meeting].
- 160464** Discussion Item/Replacement of Water Service Lines
- A discussion item as requested by Councilpersons Mays and Nelson, re: Mr. Mays asks that the Administration detail the replacement of water service lines as noted in Resolutions No. 160439 (Goyette Mechanical) and 160440 (WT Stevens), while Mr. Nelson asked General Michael McDaniel to attend the Wednesday, October 19, 2016 Council Committee meetings in order to contribute to said discussion.
- 160413** Rationale/Renting versus Owning/Residential & Commercial Water Meters
- Referral made by Councilperson Eric Mays to CITY ADMINISTRATOR/WATER SERVICE CENTER: He would like to know the rationale behind rent vs. ownership for residential and commercial water meters. Please respond in writing for all councilpersons.
- 160156** Water Line Replacements Requested by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)
- Referral made by Councilperson Kate Fields: The EPA has requested that certain services lines be replaced. She would like to know the expenditures of funds for the program, who the contractors were/are and how they were/are selected, how the properties were/are selected, what has been found in the pipes where work has been done and how much is/was the cost per residence. Please provide in writing for all councilpersons.
- 160154** University Park/Service Charges
- From Councilperson Wantwaz Davis: Why are service charges higher in University Park than they are anywhere else in the city, and who made the determination to give those residents 3/8-inch lines rather than 5/8-inch lines
- 160114** Discussion Item/Secondary Water Source
- Discussion Item as requested by Councilperson Mays: re: A discussion concerning a secondary (back-up) water source for the city.
- 160080** Discussion/Water Bill Credits
- Councilperson Wantwaz Davis would like something in writing that explains the water bill credit in simple terms so that Council members can relay it to their constituents.

ADJOURNMENT