

## CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

St. Louis, Michigan  
March 19, 2024

The regular meeting of the Saint Louis City Council was called to order by Mayor Ralph R. Echtenaw on Tuesday March 19, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers.

Council Members Present: Mayor Ralph R. Echtenaw, Fares E. Azzam, Mayor Pro Tem William R. Leonard, Kevin D. Palmer, Elizabeth A. Upton.

Council Members Absent: None

City Manager: Kurt Giles  
Deputy Clerk: Bobbie Marr  
Police Chief: Richard Ramereiz

Others in Attendance: Keith Risdon-Utilities Director; Calvin Martyn-DPW Supervisor; Bill Coty-Fire Chief; Joe Vozar-Jail Administrator – Candidate for Sheriff; Brandon Dill- SLHS Student

Mayor Echtenaw led the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **Approval of Agenda.**

Moved by Upton, supported by Leonard to approve the agenda for March 19, 2024. All ayes carried the motion.

### **City Council Minutes.**

Moved by Palmer, supported by Azzam, to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on March 5, 2024. All ayes carried the motion.

### **Claims & Accounts.**

City Council discussed the Claims & Accounts.

Moved by Azzam, supported by Leonard, to approve the Claims & Accounts in the amount of \$724,472.21. All ayes carried the motion.

### **Monthly Board Minutes.**

City Council discussed the February 2024 Monthly Reports.

Moved by Azzam, supported by Leonard, to receive the February 2024 Monthly Reports and place on file. All ayes carried the motion.

### **Audience Recognition.**

Joe Vozar, Jail Administrator introduced himself and reported that he is running for Sheriff.

### **Consent Agenda.**

Mayor Echtenaw requested approval/receipt of Consent Agenda item “a” through “d” as shown below:

- a. Payment to OHM for DWSRF Phase1 Engineering.
- b. Payment to Delta College for Police Academy-Maria Valoshina.
- c. Payment to Feldman Ford for purchase of a 2023 Ford E350 Utility Truck.
- d. Power Purchase Commitment Authorization for MPPA.

Moved by Upton, supported by Leonard, to approve Consent Agenda item “a” through “d”. All ayes carried the motion.

### **Temporary Street Closure.**

Manager Giles requested members to approve a temporary street closure for the Easter Egg Scavenger Hunt.

Discussion was held.

Moved by Azzam, supported by Palmer, to approve a temporary street closure for the Easter Egg Scavenger Hunt. All ayes carried the motion.

### **Spring Paving Project.**

Manager Giles requested members to approve the quotes for the 2024 Spring Paving Project in the total amount \$550,000.

Discussion was held.

Moved by Azzam, supported by Upton to approve the quotes for the 2024 Spring Paving Project including sewer repair and equipment purchase, total not to exceed \$550,000, with contracts or segments awarded as follows:

- Central Asphalt – Repave Pine Street (M-46 to North St) after Sewer repairs - \$115,541
- Central Asphalt – Crush and shape S. East Street (M-46 to Butternut) & Hazel Street (Delaware to Main) - \$178,546
- East Jordan Iron Works – Supplies for Frames & Covers for Manholes - \$9,722
- Fahrner – GSB 88 Treatment on designated segments of Devon Dr, Corinth, Prospect, Mill,

Main, Maple & W State - \$72,100

- Ward's Excavating – Sanitary Sewer Repairs on Pine Street (Center to E Saginaw) - \$112,399
- Advanced Rehabilitation Tech – seal 42 linear feet of manholes - \$11,340
- Vendor to be determined for purchase of manhole core machine not to exceed \$50,352

All ayes carried the motion.

### **City Manager Report.**

Manager Giles had nothing additional to report.

### **City Clerk Report.**

Reminder to council members the employee appreciation dinner is tomorrow and starts at 6pm.

### **Police Chief Report.**

Nothing to report

### **Council Comments.**

No Comments.

### **Public Comments.**

There were none.

### **Adjournment.**

Moved by Leonard, supported by Upton, to adjourn at 6:42 p.m. All ayes carried the motion.

Bobbie Marr, Deputy Clerk