

CITY INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE
March 12, 2020
CITY OF PLATTSBURGH COMMON COUNCIL CHAMBERS
AGENDA
4:30PM

Roll Call: Chair Councilor Moore; Councilor Gibbs; Mayor Read

Others Present:

Absent:

1. REPORTS FROM DEPARTMENT REPRESENTATIVES AND DISCUSSION WITH COUNCILORS:

2. AGENDA ITEMS BROUGHT FORWARD FROM DEPARTMENTS TO BE APPROVED BY COMMITTEE AND RECOMMENDED TO COUNCIL:

1. Request from Environmental Manager Jon Ruff that the February 27, 2020 proposal from HydroSource Associates in the amount of \$29,600 is hereby approved and authorized.
2. Request from Environmental Manager Jon Ruff that the March 2, 2020 Amendment No. 1 to the footbridge sewer capacity agreement with CDM Smith be approved in the additional amount of \$30,000 and its execution is hereby authorized.
3. Request from Community Development Director Matthew Miller:

APPROVING ACCESS AND MAINTENANCE EASEMENT AGREEMENT WITH COMMUNITY BANK, N.A. FOR ARNIE PAVONE MEMORIAL PARKING PLAZA PORTION OF DOWNTOWN AREA IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS

WHEREAS, the City of Plattsburgh revitalization efforts will involve several downtown area improvement projects known as the Downtown Area Improvement Projects (DAIP); and

WHEREAS, the City of Plattsburgh Common Council determined to conduct comprehensive review of the DAIP through preparation of a Generic Environmental Impact Statement (GEIS) pursuant to the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA) and Section 617.10 of Title 6 of the New York Compilation of Codes, Rules and Regulations; and

WHEREAS, the Common Council, as duly designated Lead Agency pursuant to SEQRA, conducted a thorough SEQRA review of the DAIP, including conducting scoping, preparing Draft and Final Generic Environmental Impact Statements (EIS), conducting a Public Hearing and adopting a SEQRA Findings Statement; and

WHEREAS, the Findings Statement determined, among other things, that given the demonstrated public need and benefit of the DAIP, its lack of significant adverse environmental impacts and its avoidance of such impacts by project design, location and mitigation, the decision to proceed with the Project as proposed gave due consideration to and represented a reasonable and proper balancing of environmental considerations with social, economic and other relevant considerations; and

WHEREAS, the Findings Statement further determined and certified that, consistent with social, economic and other essential considerations from among the reasonable alternatives available, the DAIP avoids or minimizes adverse environmental impacts to the maximum extent practicable and incorporates as conditions to the Board’s decision those mitigation measures that were identified as practicable; and

WHEREAS, approval from the Common Council is now needed for an Access and Maintenance Agreement with Community Bank, N.A. (Agreement), which is required to enable construction of the Arnie Pavone Memorial Parking Plaza (APMPP) to proceed;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:

1. The Common Council has reviewed the proposed Agreement and finds that it constitutes an integral component of the APMPP portion of the DAIP which was thoroughly reviewed under SEQRA.
2. The potential environmental impacts of the proposed Agreement were adequately addressed as an essential component of the APMPP portion of the DAIP in the GEIS and the Findings Statement and the proposed Agreement is not likely to result in any new or different environmental impacts than those previously considered during SEQRA review of the DAIP. Therefore, no further SEQRA review is necessary.
3. The Common Council authorizes and directs the Mayor, City Clerk, Director of Community Development, City Attorney and/or Special Legal Counsel to take such further actions as may be necessary to effectuate the intent of this Resolution.
4. Request from Environmental Manager Jon Ruff that the Common Council hereby agrees to and authorizes executing the MOA with the New England Water Pollution Control Commission and Lake Champlain Basin program for financial assistance performing an Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination study.
5. Request from WRRF Chief Plant Operator Kris Gushlaw that Contract #2017-14 “Laboratory Services at Water Resource Recovery Facility” be extended for one year as listed below:

BOD/CBOD Testing awarded to Endyne Inc for lump sum of \$20,800
Contract for 78 other items awarded to ALS Environmental \$18,867

- 6. Request from WRRF Chief Plant Operator Kris Gushlaw that Contract #2017-16 “Sodium Thiosulfate for Water Resource Recovery Facility” be extended for one year with Thatcher Company of NY for an estimated sum of \$71,392.
- 7. Request from Councilor Kelly to consider a resolution that the Common Council continues to support the original submission of the DRI concept.
- 8. Request that the Common Council of the City of Plattsburgh concurs with the request by the Mayor, and authorizes the clerk of the Common Council as well as the Mayor to sign a Home Rule Request in support of Senate Bill S.7614/Assembly Bill A.10028 in support of a special state law to allow the County of Clinton and in addition, the City of Plattsburgh to have a land bank.
- 9. Request from Jon Ruff to attend the WEF/AWWA Fly-In on April 27 -29, 2020 in Washington DC at a cost not to exceed \$500.

By Councilor _____; Seconded by Councilor _____

(RC) Roll call: Chair Councilor Moore; Councilor Gibbs; Mayor Read

4. OLD BUSINESS:

5. NEW BUSINESS:

Motion to Adjourn by Councilor _____; Seconded by Councilor _____

(RC) Roll call: Chair Councilor Moore; Councilor Gibbs; Mayor Read

MEETING ADJOURNED: _____