

# RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of

Meeting

BEAR GRAPHICS 800-325-8094 FORM NO. 10148

Monday, December 21, 2020

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**CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Williams called the Riverside, Ohio Special City Council Meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. via Zoom.

**ROLL CALL:** Council attendance was as follows: Ms. Campbell, present; Mr. Denning, absent; Mrs. Franklin, present; Ms. Fry, present; Ms. Lommatzsch, present; Mr. Teaford, absent; and Mayor Williams, present.

Staff present was as follows: Mark Carpenter, City Manager; Chris Lohr, Assistant City Manager; Tom Garrett, Finance Director; and Kathy Bartlett, Public Services Director.

**EXCUSE ABSENT MEMBERS:** Mrs. Franklin motioned to excuse Mr. Denning and Mr. Teaford. Deputy Mayor Lommatzsch seconded the motion. All were in favor; none opposed. **Motion carried.**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Mayor Williams led the pledge of allegiance.

**AGENDA:** Deputy Mayor Lommatzsch motioned to approve the agenda as presented. Mrs. Franklin seconded the motion. All were in favor; none opposed. **Motion carried.**

## NEW BUSINESS:

- 1) **Resolution No. 20-R-2645 – AMENDED - final resolution with ODOT for the planning and resurfacing of East Springfield Street between Harshman Road and the City of Riverside eastern corp. limit, including pavement repair, storm sewer inlets, curb, lighting, traffic signal upgrades, and reconfigured pavement markings, lying within the City of Riverside.**

Mr. Carpenter: I'm going to start out giving you a brief description of why we needed to do this tonight and then Kathy has joined us and she can maybe address any questions that council may have. It is just really a timing issue for the East Springfield Street Project. The bids came in, right before or during our council meeting and there was conversation about the city needing to commit to additional funding for the project because the bids, the lowest bid was more than what ODOT had previously asked us for. I tried to ask them if we could do this at our next council meeting, but with their timeline they needed to know by tomorrow. So, I do appreciate council making themselves available for this meeting so we can have an answer we can provide to ODOT.

Mayor Williams: Thank you, Mark. Kathy did you need to add anything to that? Ms. Bartlett: Only that the bid that came in was only .34 percent higher than ODOT's bid, so it wasn't the bid that was high that is causing the increase. It is basically ODOT asking us for additional funds which they could have asked for earlier, but it has to do with the construction engineering for them being on site during the project.

Mrs. Franklin: So, Kathy, what you are saying is actually not that the bid is higher, they just need more upfront cost. Ms. Bartlett: Yeah, basically, ODOT does an independent estimate for the project. We have our engineer prepare an estimate for us. ODOT doesn't do their estimate until the last minute. I'm almost wondering if they didn't use our estimate to ask for the money and now they are seeing ODOT's estimate, which is about \$200,000 more. We have to make that up in terms of the bid amount and the construction engineering. Mr. Garrett: I guess that is because the federal grant is only so much so any above that we're committed to pay. We can't change the federal funding now. Ms. Bartlett: Right. On Airway and Woodman, there were extra funds in that because the bids came in lower than expected so we had some change order and things on that project that ODOT was going to pay part of (inaudible)...that is not the case in this project. Mr. Garrett: It is just downstream. I want to clarify the only source of money is general fund money so we are committing we are going to spend the \$180,000 out of the general fund and figure out exactly how I am going to

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orchestrate this whether we transfer it over to the Federal Transportation Grant Fund like the rest of the money was or just pay it straight out of the general fund. Ultimately, it is coming out of the general fund. There will be a future supplemental to incorporate this new money that we need.

Mayor Williams: Well, if there are no more questions from any other members of council, we have a quorum and we can take a vote on the resolution in front of us.


Ms. Fry motioned to approve the Resolution No. 20-R-2645. Deputy Mayor Lommatzsch seconded the motion.

All were in favor; none opposed. **Motion carried.**

**ADJOURNMENT:** Deputy Mayor Lommatzsch motioned to adjourn. Mrs. Franklin seconded. All were in favor; none were opposed. The meeting adjourned at 6:13 p.m.

  
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Peter J. Williams, Mayor

  
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Clerk of Council