

**COUNCIL AS A WHOLE COMMITTEE MEETING
MINUTES
TUESDAY
NOVEMBER 27, 2012**

Council President Mr. Morley opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m.

ATTENDEES

Members of Council in attendance were Mrs. Quinn-Hopkins, Mr. Licht, Ms. Vaughn, Ms. DePledge, Mr. Hoefle, Mr. D'Ambrosio and Council President Mr. Morley. Also attending was Council Clerk Mrs. Cendroski.

Those attending from the Administration were Mayor Andrzejewski, Law Director Klammer, Finance Director Slocum, City Engineer Gwydir, Police Chief Reik and Fire Chief Whittington.

LEGISLATION PROPOSED

11-27-(01): CONTRACT: TOWING SERVICES: O'CONNOR'S TOWING SERVICE, INC.

Mr. Morley: Ms. Vaughn?

Ms. Vaughn: The Finance Committee met and after reviewing the bids and listening to the recommendation from the Administration it was decided to move this item forward and award the bid to O'Connor Towing Services, Inc. This appears on this evening's agenda as Legislation No. 11-27-(01).

There were no questions or comments.

11-27-(02): POLICE DEPARTMENT E-BAY AUCTION

Mr. Morley: Ms. Vaughn?

Ms. Vaughn: The Finance Committee met and the recommendation is to move forward with this matter. The legislation, which appears as Legislation No. 11-27-(02), has been successful in the past and we look forward to it being successful this time.

There were no questions or comments.

11-27-(03): AMENDED LEASE AGREEMENT: CITY OF EASTLAKE & CASCIA, LLC:
SEVENTH SIDE LETTER

Mr. Morley: Ms. Vaughn?

Ms. Vaughn: This was reviewed in Finance Committee. Mr. Slocum, do you want to go into the details?

Mr. Slocum: I think the Mayor wanted to comment on this.

Mayor Andrzejewski: This is a culmination of our efforts that started many months ago with the request by the Captains to replace the field. This new amendment will bring in an extra \$12,000 additional the first year and \$25,000 the next year and \$15,000 thereafter to the CRIF fund – or \$25,000 depending on whether the Side Letter is renewed after three years. We will be replacing the field using the CRIF fund and then reimbursing the fund for that expense. Then in the later years the money can be used to start building another fund for when the field has to be replaced in another 7-10 years. It is a good deal for the Captains and a good deal for the City – the Captains get the new field and the City and its residents remain whole through the CRIF fund.

Mr. Slocum: The \$55,000 and the \$40,000 in the contract are floors – they are not maximums. So, if something happens and the Captains start attracting more people the \$55,000 is not a maximum. It would be nice to see them get up to \$75,000.

There were no questions or comments.

11-27-(04): RESOLUTION: PENSION PICK UP: FIRE DEPARTMENT

Mr. Morley: Ms. Vaughn?

Ms. Vaughn: Last year the Fire Department stepped forward in order to retain a body at the Fire Department as the number of firefighters was running short in that Department. They are giving back a portion of their pension and the City is picking it up and saving the City the cost and ensuring a firefighter is retained. This was discussed and moved forward by the Finance Committee and appears as legislation tonight.

Mayor Andrzejewski: This is a wash – we are putting in one hand and taking it from another.

There were no questions or comments.

LEGISLATION PENDING

There was no Legislation Pending.

MISCELLANEOUS

Mr. Morley: Mr. Slocum?

BOND REFINANCING

Mr. Slocum: As I have discussed with Ms. Vaughn and other members of Council we believe we have the opportunity – with a very narrow window – to refinance the remainder of the debt we have not been able to refinance previously. I have been working with Mr. Sudsina and Atty. Sharb of Squires, Sanders & Dempsey, LLC and we believe we can close this deal by mid-December. But, it will require Council's action at the December 11th meeting. Atty. Sharb is in the process of drafting the necessary legislation. Based on the numbers I was provided today the savings to the City through the year 2031 would be about \$372,000 – approximately \$20,000 per year. When we had first looked at this the numbers were half of it and I was still willing to go

forward. But, since the election the interest market has dropped which makes our bonds more attractive. I would like to have that referred to the Finance Committee next week.

Mr. Morley: Just get some information to the Clerk if you can so we can have some information before the meeting.

Mr. Slocum: As soon as I receive it from Atty. Sharb you will have it.

Ms. Vaughn: Thank you, Mr. Slocum, for your hard work and efforts on this.

There was nothing further under Miscellaneous.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 7:06 p.m.

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APPROVED: _____

DATE: _____