



Board of Finance 11/3/2014

Board of Finance (Monday, November 3, 2014)

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Present: Joan Shannon, Sharon Bushor, Karen Paul, Miro Weinberger (arrived at 5:15pm), Jane Knodell (phone at 5:15pm)

Also Present: CAO Bob Rusten; ACAO Rich Goodwin; Assistant City Attorney Richard Haesler; Laurie Adams, DPW; Peter Owens, Brian Pine, Darlene Kehoe, CEDO; Gene Richards, Airport; Bill Ellis, McNeil, Leddy, Sheahan; City Attorney Blackwood (arrived at 5:15pm)

As the Mayor was not available at the start time of the meeting, the meeting was called to order by CAO Rusten who announced he will vote on agenda items until the Mayor arrives.

Start time: 5:05pm

1. Agenda

Action, Minutes, Procedural: 1.01 Adopt/Amend Agenda

Approve the Agenda

Motion by Joan Shannon, Second by Sharon Bushor

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Ayes: Joan Shannon, Sharon Bushor, Karen Paul, Bob Rusten

2. Public Forum

No one came forward to speak

3. Approval of the Board of Finance Minutes

Action, Minutes: 3.01 October 20, 2014

Approve the Minutes



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Motion by Sharon Bushor, Second by Joan Shannon

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Ayes: Joan Shannon, Sharon Bushor, Karen Paul, Bob Rusten

4. For Approval and Recommendation to City Council

Action, Resolution: 4.01 Authorization for McNeil Railroad Contract Amendment - BED

The Board addressed an item to allow the Burlington Electric Department to amend a contract with New England Central Railroad to allow them to continue rail transportation of wood fuel from November 1, 2014 to September 30, 2015. The contract will allow them to increase their deliveries to 24 cars per train. The per car cost will be \$378/car for 24 car trains and \$388/car for 21 car trains, less than the budgeted amount of \$395.85/car.

Approve and Recommend City Council Approval

Motion by Karen Paul, Second by Joan Shannon

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Ayes: Joan Shannon, Sharon Bushor, Karen Paul, Bob Rusten

Action, Resolution: 4.02 Authorization to Accept \$3.4 million HUD Lead Hazard Control Grant - CEDO

Councilor Bushor inquired what the \$1.9 million associated with contracts will be used for. Brian Pine, CEDO, stated that is the money they used to work in different houses.

City Council President Shannon requested information about how they are recruiting landlords to participate in this program. Mr. Pine stated there was a misconception that rental properties had to have a child less than six present to qualify. That is a requirement for an owner occupied home. Some landlords have had concerns about taking on debt at all. They reached their goal of 135 units under the previous grant. Expanding to address healthy homes allows them to address issues beyond lead, such as mold.

Approve and Recommend City Council Approval

Motion by Joan Shannon, Second by Karen Paul

Final Resolution: Motion Passes





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Ayes: Joan Shannon, Sharon Bushor, Karen Paul, Bob Rusten

Action, Resolution: 4.03 Authorization for Reimbursement of TIF Related Expenses - CEDO

Councilor Bushor stated she thought that the staffing component was included in the funding that CEDO receives as an administrative fee and requested further information. Assistant City Attorney Haesler stated these are TIF projects and they engaged in discussions with the Legislature about being allowed to do this. Because CEDO is a grant funded department, they had to find a funding source to allow them to do this work. TIF money will serve as that funding source. It is important that they account for their time so that when they are audited on their grants they can show they did grant related work. This is TIF related work that should be paid for by TIF dollars. CAO Rusten noted that this was included in the CEDO budget and they are just seeking approval to transfer the money. Councilor Bushor inquired how TIF work was covered in the past. Brian Pine, CEDO, stated in the past they had more federal grant resources available to cover that work.

Approve and Recommend City Council Approval

Motion by Joan Shannon, Second by Karen Paul

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Ayes: Joan Shannon, Sharon Bushor, Karen Paul, Bob Rusten

5. For Board Action

Action, Resolution: 5.01 Authorization to Execute Contract for Cured in Place Lining for Wastewater Collection System - DPW

The Board addressed an item to allow DPW to execute a contract with Green Mountain Engineering to repair a sewer line at Main Street and South Winooski Ave. They have attempted to repair the sewer line but previous repairs have failed. The pipe will be repaired using a cured in place pipe lining. The total cost of the contract will be \$69,900 and the project will be completed this fall.

Approve the Contract

Motion by Joan Shannon, Second by Karen Paul

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Ayes: Joan Shannon, Sharon Bushor, Karen Paul, Bob Rusten

6. Expected Executive Session

6:01 Update on Airport and South Burlington Property Tax Mediation



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Mayor Weinberger, and City Attorney Blackwood joined the meeting, and Councilor Knodell, joined the meeting by phone.

Finding to enter executive session to receive attorney client privileged information.

Motion by Karen Paul, Second by Joan Shannon

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Ayes: Joan Shannon, Sharon Bushor, Karen Paul, Miro Weinberger, Jane Knodell

Enter Executive Session

Motion by Joan Shannon, Second by Sharon Bushor

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Ayes: Joan Shannon, Sharon Bushor, Karen Paul, Miro Weinberger, Jane Knodell

The Board entered executive session at 5:25pm.

Councilor Knodell left the meeting at 5:49pm.

Exit Executive Session at 6:05pm.

Motion by Joan Shannon, Second by Sharon Bushor

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Ayes: Joan Shannon, Sharon Bushor, Karen Paul, Miro Weinberger

7. Adjournment

Action, Procedural: 7.01 Adjournment

Without objection, Mayor Weinberger adjourned the Board of Finance meeting at 6:05pm.