

COMMON COUNCIL
of the
CITY OF SYRACUSE

(06/08)

REGULAR MEETING – JUNE 8, 2020
1:00 P.M.

1. *Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag – (Suspended during Webex meetings)*
2. *Invocation - (A moment of Silent Reflection in memory of George Floyd was led by the Hon. Helen Hudson, President of the Syracuse Common Council)*
3. *Roll Call - (All Present – 9)*
4. *Minutes – May 26, 2020 – (Adopted 9-0)*
5. *Public Meeting – “Relative to Agenda Item #24, “Authorize – The DPW 2020/2021 Sweeping Program as detailed in Exhibit “A”. Cost thereof to be charged to the premises fronting thereon as detailed in Exhibit “B”. The Program is charged initially to account #09.00526. Total cost not to exceed \$1,091,296. (Public Hearing to be held on Monday, June 22, 2020 at 1:00 P.M.)”*
6. *Petitions – (none)*
7. *Committee Reports – (none)*
8. *Communications – (From the Hon. William B. Magnarelli, NYS Assemblyman, a letter acknowledging the receipt of Council Resolution 7-R (05/11/2020) calling for an expansion of the Bottle Bill; From the Hon. Nader P. Maroun, City Auditor, an audit of the Syracuse Purchase Card Program; From the Hon. Nader P. Maroun, City Auditor, an audit report on the City of Syracuse’s “Ban the Box” ordinance)*

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

BY COUNCILOR GREENE:

- 9-0**
- a. *Local Law - Of the City of Syracuse to grant a permanent easement to Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation on the 400 Block of Tracy Street abandonment authorized by Ordinance #693-2019, for the installation of a new electric service for \$1.00, to maintain their facilities located in this section of the roadway, as detailed in Exhibit “A”.*

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- 9-0** b.. *Local Law - Of the City of Syracuse to grant a permanent easement to Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation, on Corcoran High School property located on 919 Glenwood, to construct, operate and maintain an underground power line and Pad Mounted Transformer installed for a new electric service, as detailed in Exhibit "A", for \$1.00.* **LL**

NEW BUSINESS:

BY PRESIDENT HUDSON:

- 9-0** 9. *Resolution - Approving the Appointment of Various Persons as Commissioners of Deeds for 2020.* **8-R**

BY COUNCILOR BEY:

- 7-2** 10. *Application & Agreement - To and with Empire State Development (ESD) for the Smart Cities Innovation Partnership, a pilot program to facilitate the development and integration of emerging technologies into public services, in an amount not to exceed \$400,000. The City will partner with Syracuse University and NUAIR to support local projects that improve services and resident quality of life. A local match of 25% is required and will be met with in-kind services or previously planned expenses.* **253**
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Hogan
- 9-0** 11. *Authorize - The Syracuse Industrial Development Agency as Lead Agency for a coordinated SEQRA Review of the JMA Tech Properties, LLC Project, pursuant to the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA.) and waive the 30 day notice requirement pertaining to Exhibit A.* **254**
- H** 12. *Special Permit – To approve modification for a restaurant located at 700 North Salina Street. Four (4) people spoke in favor of the proposal. No one spoke in opposition to the proposal. The Planning Commission granted two (2) waivers in regard to signage and live and/or electronically amplified entertainment location regulations. Edward Withers/applicant. Louis Santaro/owner.* **H**
- 9-0** 13. *Special Permit – To approve modification for two restaurants located at 727 South Crouse Avenue. No one spoke in favor or in opposition to the proposal. The Planning Commission granted two (2) waivers in regard to signage and off-street parking requirements. The Marshall 727, LLC, owner/applicant.* **GEN. #17**

BY COUNCILOR RUDD:

- 9-0** 14. *Agreement – With Inviso, to perform a Cloud Economics Modern Workplace Engagement, to analyze the value and cost savings that could be realized through organization-wide adoption Microsoft 365 vs. currently deployed point solutions with overlapping functions, to commence within 30 days of the approved legislation and completed within 60 days. The project will be funded 100% by Microsoft, directly paying Inviso. Total project cost not to exceed \$5,081.* **255**

- 9-0 15. Amend – Ord. #155 (03/16/2015), “Authorize – Contract with Naughton and Associates for Computer Networking services for three years from date of execution with the option of 2 one (1) year extensions. Cost not to exceed \$125,000/annually (Hourly rate of \$85). To be charged to Department of Information Technology account #01.16800.0.415 and IT Capital PC and Network Infrastructure Account #'s 07.01151.0.014, .015 and .016.” Amend to extend the contract for six (6) months from May 26, 2020-November 25, 2020, at a cost not to exceed \$62,500. **256**
- H 16. Authorize – To Implement a new Infrastructure Improvement Fee to be included on all water customer bills effective July, 1, 2020, to be solely utilized for the purchase of materials to improve and or replace the aging infrastructure, The base monthly fee is estimated at \$0.50 and would be escalated according to meter size and by a factor of 1.5 for outside City retail customers, as detailed in the Ordinance. **H**
- H 17. Amend - Ord. #255 (06/03/2019), “Water Rates Schedule established by “Rules, Regulation and Rates,” Department of Water and the Bureau of Water, Department of Finance, to increase water rates by 4%, within the declining blocks, as detailed in Attachment “A”. Rates shall take effect on July 1, 2019.” Amend to restructure the water rates effective July 1, 2020, as detailed in Attachment “A”. **H**
- H 18. Amend – Ord #541 (11/21/1994), “Rules, Regulations & Rates, Division of Water, Department of Engineering and Bureau of Water, Department of Finance.” Amend to increase Annual Water Fire Service rates, as detailed in the attached Schedule “A”, to be effective July 1, 2020, as detailed in Attachment “A”. **H**
- H 19. Amend – Ord #552 (12/21/1992), “Rules, Regulations & Rates, Division of Water, Department of Engineering and Bureau of Water, Department of Finance.” Amend to increase Domestic and Fire Service Water Application rates, as detailed in the attached Schedule “A”, to be effective July 1, 2020, as detailed in Attachment “A”. **H**
- H 20. Amend – Ord #455 (10/13/1992), “Rules, Regulations & Rates, Division of Water, Department of Engineering and Bureau of Water, Department of Finance.” Amend to increase Water Meter Installation rates, as detailed in the attached Schedule “A”, to be effective July 1, 2020, as detailed in Attachment “A”. **H**
- 9-0 21. Amend – Ord #497 (11/21/2018), “Agreement - With Ram-Tech for General Architectural/Engineering Services on behalf of the Syracuse City School District. Total cost not to exceed \$400,000.” Amend to increase cost by \$200,000. Total cost not to exceed \$600,000, charged to Syracuse City School District Account #H.04340.993530. **257**
- H 22. Local Law - Amend - “Local Law #4 (1976) – Of the City of Syracuse, relative to the travel of City employees on City business or educational purposes.” Amend to create a comprehensive travel policy for the City of Syracuse. **H**
- 9-0 23. Levy - Tax for the City of Syracuse (\$38,361,776) and the Syracuse City School District (\$66,418,788) for the period of July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021. **258**

BY COUNCILOR GREENE:

- H** 24. Authorize – The DPW 2020/2021 Sweeping Program as detailed in Exhibit "A". Cost thereof to be charged to the premises fronting thereon as detailed in Exhibit "B". The Program is charged initially to account #09.00526. Total cost not to exceed \$1,091,296. (Public Hearing to be held on Monday, June 22, 2020 at 1:00 P.M.) **H**
- 9-0** 25. Accept - Lining of one sewer manhole and the replacement of the frame & covers located at the intersection of Stevens Place and Thurber Avenue by GAT 7393, LLC, the owner of the Mirabito Development Project (415 East Brighton Avenue), required as a result of Onondaga County's 1:1 offset requirement (Local Law No. 1, 2011). **259**
- 9-0** 26. Agreement - With Syracuse Industrial Development Agency (SIDA) to participate with the City in the undertaking of a project to renovate a portion of the Onondaga Creekwalk located between the intersection of Hiawatha Boulevard with Van Rensselaer Street and Solar Street for the Hiawatha Boulevard Sidewalk Improvement Project, PIN #3755.84. Total cost not to exceed \$3,072,000, charged to Capital Account #599807.07.701243000 and to be paid on a time and expense basis. The City will incur all initial costs with subsequent \$520,883 reimbursement from SIDA, 80% reimbursement from the Federal government through TIP and 1.94% reimbursement from State Marchiselli funding. **260**
- 9-0** 27. Amend – Ord. #84 (03/02/2020), "Authorize - The Scoping and Final Design Phase along with the Detailed Design and the Construction and Inspection Phases of the Hiawatha Boulevard Bridge Sidewalk Improvement Project, PIN 3755.84, on behalf of the Department of Engineering. The City incurs all initial costs for this project with subsequent 80% Federal reimbursement through TIP. Total cost not to exceed \$3,072,000 from Account #599807.07.701243000." Amend to change that the previously approved additional construction amount of \$600,000 is now receiving \$520,882 SIDA funding. **261**
- 9-0** 28. Amend – Ord. #131 (04/08/2019), "Agreement - With Fisher Associates, D.P.C., for the Design Phase Fee for the Solar Street and Hiawatha Boulevard Improvement Project, PIN 3756.26, on behalf of the Department of Engineering. Total cost not to exceed \$115,000 to be charged to Capital Account #599807.07.701072000 and to be paid on a time and expense basis. The project is being funded 80% with Federal funds and 20% with State funds." Amend to add additional final design services for \$90,000. Total cost not to exceed 205,000. **262**
- 9-0** 29. Amend – Ord. #789 (09/25/2017), "Bond Ordinance - Authorizing the issuance and sale of bonds of the City of Syracuse to defray the cost of the scoping and preliminary design phase of the Solar Street and Hiawatha Boulevard Improvement Project, PIN 3756.26, on behalf of the Department of Engineering. Total amount not to exceed \$122,000." Amend to add the Detailed Design Phase and an additional cost of \$122,000. Total cost not to exceed \$244,000, to be charged to Capital Account #599807.07.701072000. **263**

9-0 30. Amend – Ord. #790 (09/25/2017), “Agreement - With N.Y.S. DOT for the scoping and preliminary design phase of the Solar Street and Hiawatha Boulevard Improvement Project, PIN 3756.26, on behalf of the Department of Engineering, total cost not to exceed \$122,000. The City will incur all initial costs with subsequent 100% reimbursement from Federal (80%) and State (20%) funds through TIP. Total project cost not to exceed \$1,942,000.” Amend to add the Detailed Design Phase and an additional cost of \$122,000. Total cost not to exceed \$244,000, to be charged to Capital Account #599807.07.701072000. **264**

9-0 31. Amend – Ord. #791 (09/25/2017), “Authorize - The scoping and preliminary design phase of the Solar Street and Hiawatha Boulevard Improvement Project, PIN 3756.26, on behalf of the Department of Engineering. Total cost not to exceed \$122,000. The City will incur all initial costs with subsequent 100% reimbursement from Federal (80%) and State (20%) funds through TIP. Total project cost not to exceed \$1,942,000.” Amend to add the Detailed Design Phase and an additional cost of \$122,000. Total cost not to exceed \$244,000, to be charged to Capital Account #599807.07.701072000. **265**

9-0 32. Permission - To Onondaga County, to abandon the City’s eight inch (8”) sanitary sewer contained in the Grand Avenue Right of Way from Velasko Road to DePalma Avenue. **266**

BY COUNCILOR MAJOK:

9-0 33. Accept - From New York State Department of Health, funds that are earned by the Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Division when firefighters pass emergency medical education courses, as outlined in Appendix “A”. Total amount not to exceed \$70,000. **267**

9-0 34. Amend – Ord #92 (03/02/2020), “Accept - From Solon Quinn Studios, an in-kind donation (valued at \$20,000) for the services of photography and videography for social media videos, on behalf of the Department of Police, to provide short-term visuals to help Police in a call for applicants for the March deadline for a new recruit class.” Amend to include the services of photography, videography and design. **268**

9-0 35. Contract - With InterFaith Works of CNY to help fund the Police-Community Dialogue Project, to support four (4) City Dialogues for 100 participants, among youth and adults to build bridges and strengthen relationships between members of the Police Department and the community. Involving non-profits, faith organizations, government agencies and for profit corporations at various locations within the City at a cost not to exceed \$12,000 for fiscal year 2019-2020 from Account #541500.01.31220. **269**

BY COUNCILOR ALLEN:

H 36. Approve - A SEQRA Findings Statement prepared pursuant to the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act, Article 8 of the Environmental Conservation Law and the regulations promulgated thereunder at 6 NYCRR Part 617 (collectively referred to as “SEQR”) relative to the Common Council’s consideration of a new Lead Abatement and Control General Ordinance. **H**

- H** 37. *Amend – The Revised General Ordinances of the City of Syracuse, Chapter 54, entitled “Lead Abatement and Control”, amend to allow Code Enforcement to test and properly cite appropriate violations of the presence of lead in dwelling units.* **H**

SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA – JUNE 8, 2020)
WAIVER OF THE RULES REQUIRED TO INTRODUCE:

BY COUNCILOR GREENE:

- 9-0** 38. *Amend – The Revised General Ordinances of the City of Syracuse; Chapter 24, entitled “Street and Sidewalks”, Article 14 entitled “Sidewalk Café Permit”, amend to authorize the temporary suspension of the collection of fees associated with sidewalk café permits until December 31, 2020 and authorize the Commissioner of Finance to refund café permit fees already collected in 2020 in a combined amount not to exceed \$1,850.* **GEN. #18**

Syracuse Common Council
Adjourned at 1:23 P.M.