

COMMON COUNCIL SPECIAL-CALLED MEETING

JANUARY 22, 2021

6:00 P.M.

MEETING HELD VIA ZOOM

Mayor Werling called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. This meeting was conducted over Zoom.

Clerk-Treasurer Aldrich took the roll call:

Present were Gayle Conner, Sandra Flora, Spencer Kingery, and Cody Nelson. Mike Isley was absent.

SPECIAL BUSINESS

Mayor Werling indicated the purpose of the special meeting was for Council to review, discuss, and take action on the grant applications for the second round of the City of Delphi's Small Business Resilience Grant program. President Pro Tempore Kingery led the discussion suggesting that the average percentage score might be applied to the amount requested. PPT Kingery granted permission for the Mayor to speak. Mayor Werling expressed the opinion that the City should award the full amount requested if the businesses met the requirements of the application process. This would ensure that the businesses received the funding needed while also making a strong statement to OCRA that the City still needed to provide resilience assistance to local businesses as the City applied for Phase III CDBD funding.

Following discussion on eligibility, documentation, and Council recommendations "Yes/No" determinations, thirteen businesses were identified as approved without further documentation being needed: Artemis Color Lounge & Lifestyle Studio, Bill's Rock Shop, Blue Moose, Center Stage Dance Academy, D & J Property Management, Delphi Preservation Society, Hageman Property Investments, IKONIK Graphix, Indiana Fitness Club, Opera House Gallery of Contemporary Art, Reid Sales Music Company, Sassy's Hair Salon, and Wallmann's Quality Foods. Gayle Conner moved to award the 13 approved businesses the full amount requested. Second by Cody Nelson. Motion carried unanimously. (Ayes: Conner, Flora, Kingery, Nelson.)

Following further discussion, Gayle Conner moved to allow the remaining businesses to receive the full requested amount provided they return missing documentation and/or meet eligibility requirements within a two-week timeframe and contingent upon approval of the timeline by K-IRPC. Second by Spencer Kingery. Motion carried unanimously. (Ayes: Conner, Flora, Kingery, Nelson.) Later in the meeting, Gayle Conner amended her motion to state a deadline of noon on Friday, January 29th to submit documentation and/or proof of eligibility. Second by Spencer Kingery. Motion carried unanimously. (Ayes: Conner, Flora, Kingery, Nelson.)

A motion by Spencer Kingery to reopen the grant application process was seconded by Gayle Conner. Following discussion, Spencer Kingery rescinded his motion.

NEW BUSINESS

Proposed Resolution 2021-1 was presented authorizing an OCRA grant application for Phase III CDBG funds for the purpose of resilience programs for small businesses. Sandra Flora moved to pass Resolution 2021-1. Second by Spencer Kingery. Motion carried unanimously. (Ayes: Conner, Flora,

Kingery, Nelson.) Mayor Werling indicated that a Public Hearing on the grant would be conducted by City grant administrator K-IRPC at the start of the February 1 meeting of the Common Council.

Proposed Resolution 2021-2 was presented authorizing a grant application for the first round of the 2021 Community Crossings Matching Grant (CCMG) program to address drainage issues for Tally Ho Drive, Tally Ho Court, and Terrace Lane for a total project cost of \$344,350.20 with a match requirement of \$86,087.55 from the City of Delphi from the Motor Vehicle Highway (MVH) fund. Spencer Kingery moved to approve Resolution 2021-2. Second by Cody Nelson. In discussion, Gayle Conner noted that the 2021 MVH budget did not include anything in the line item for match for CCMG program. Mayor Werling indicated that it was not clear whether the funds would actually be expended in 2021 or 2022; if in 2021, an additional appropriation can be made; if in 2022, the match can be included in the 2022 budgeting process. Clerk-Treasurer Aldrich indicated that the MVH fund balance was well in excess of what would be required for the match. Motion carried unanimously. (Ayes: Conner, Flora, Kingery, Nelson.)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mayor Werling announced that a Request for Proposal (RFP) for banking services had been mailed to the five local banking institutions with a deadline for submittal of 4:30 p.m., February 5, 2021. Following review and any follow-up required, the RFPs will be reviewed by the Board of Works and Public Safety and by the Common Council at their meetings on March 1, 2021 with the intent to announce the selected institution that evening.

Board Comments.


None

Clerk-Treasurer Aldrich had no comment.

Public Comment

Kamron Yates thanked everyone for the hard work in making the resilience grants possible for the community.

There being no additional public comment, Gayle Conner moved to adjourn. Second by Spencer Kingery. Without objection the motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 7:31 p.m.



Mayor Anita Werling



Clerk-Treasurer, Leanne Aldrich, Attest