

City of Southgate

Regular City Council Meeting

November 20, 2024

A Regular Meeting of the Council of the City of Southgate was held on Wednesday, November 20, 2024 in the Southgate City Hall Council Chambers and was called to order at 7:00 PM by Council President Zoey Kuspa.

This meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present: Victoria Araj, Priscilla Ayres-Reiss, Edward Gawlik Jr., Karen George, Christian Graziani, Zoey Kuspa, Phil Rauch

Absent:

Also Present: Mayor Joseph G. Kuspa, City Attorney Ed Zelenak, City Administrator Dan Marsh, Assistant City Administrator/Finance Director Doug Drysdale, City Clerk Janice Ferencz, City Treasurer Chris Rollet, Public Safety Director Joseph Marsh, Police Chief Mark Mydlarz, Fire Chief Justin Graves, Recreation Director Julie Goddard, City Engineer John Hennessey & Building Inspections Director Tim Leach

Minutes:

Moved by Rauch, supported George, RESOLVED, that the minutes of the City Council Work Study Session dated November 6, 2024 be approved as presented. Carried unanimously.

Moved by George, supported by Ayres-Reiss, RESOLVED, that the minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting dated November 6, 2024 be approved as presented. Carried unanimously.

Consideration of Bids:

1. Letter from Mayor; Re: Award Bid for Solid Waste Collection & Disposal, Recycling & Compost moved by Ayres-Reiss, supported by Gawlik, RESOLVED THAT the Southgate City Council award the bid for solid waste collection & disposal, recycling, and composting program to Priority Waste (Clinton Twp. MI) for an 8 year term, commencing March 31, 2025, in the total contract amount of \$18,336,320.00. Motion carried unanimously.

Communications "A":

1. Letter from Mayor; Re: Contract Extension – Plumbing Repairs (Waiver of Bid) moved by George, supported by Ayres-Reiss, RESOLVED THAT the Southgate City Council waive the City bid process and approve a contract extension with Quint Plumbing and Heating, Inc., beginning January 5, 2025 through January 4, 2027 at their current fee schedule originally approved in April of 2010. Motion carried unanimously.
2. Letter from Mayor; Re: Purchase of 2 Police Vehicles (Waiver of Bid) moved by Gawlik, supported by George, RESOLVED THAT the Southgate City Council waive the city bidding process, accept the State of Michigan MiDEAL bid award price, and approve the purchase from Southgate Ford of one (1) 2025 Ford Police Interceptor Utility AWD patrol vehicle in the amount of \$45,764.00 and one (1) 2024 AWD Ford Edge in the amount of \$37,294.00, for a total amount of \$83,058.00. Motion carried unanimously.
3. Letter from Mayor; Re: Contract Extension – Sand, Top Soil, 21A Limestone (Waive of Bid) moved by Araj, supported by Rauch, RESOLVED THAT the Southgate City Council waive the city bid process and approve a contract extension with Freeport Supply Co. through January 31, 2026, at their current fee schedule. Motion carried unanimously.
4. Letter from Mayor; Re: Approve Grant Writer Consulting Fees moved by George, supported by Gawlik, RESOLVED THAT the Southgate City Council approve consulting fee agreement with JW2 Consultants in the amount of \$5,000.00 for assistance in preparing and writing the Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG)

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application for the purpose of purchasing a new ladder truck for the fire department. Motion carried unanimously.

5. Letter from Mayor; Re: Authorize Payment for Police Academy Tuition moved by Araj, supported by Rauch, RESOLVED THAT the Southgate City Council authorize payment to Schoolcraft College for police academy tuition, for police applicants Cameron Hesburn and Nicholas Hernandez, in the amount of \$13,917.86, in accordance with the 2022 Michigan Public Safety Academy Assistance Grant Program. Motion carried unanimously.
6. Memo from Administrator; Re: Environmental Review Services for CDBG-DR Grant moved by Rauch, supported by Ayres-Reiss, RESOLVED THAT the Southgate City Council approve Environmental Consulting Solutions (Royal Oak, MI) for NEPA Environmental Review and SHPO Section 106 Application Services in the amount of \$4,950 plus \$150/hour for professional services for a total not to exceed amount of \$7,200.00. Motion carried unanimously.

Claims and Accounts:

Moved by Rauch, supported by George, RESOLVED, that Claims and Accounts be paid as outlined on Warrant #1509 for \$1,930,539.22. Motion carried unanimously.

Adjournment:

Moved by Gawlik, supported by Ayres-Reiss, RESOLVED THAT this Regular Meeting of the Southgate City Council be adjourned at 7:12 P.M. Carried unanimously.

Zoey Kuspa
Council President

Janice M. Ferencz
City Clerk