

COMMON COUNCIL  
of the  
CITY OF SYRACUSE

(08/03)

REGULAR MEETING – AUGUST 3, 2020  
1:00 P.M.

1. *Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag – (Suspended during Webex meetings)*
2. *Invocation - (A Moment of Silent Reflection was led by the Hon. Helen Hudson, President of the Syracuse Common Council)*
3. *Roll Call - (All Present – 9)*
4. *Minutes – July 13, 2020 – (Adopted 9-0)*
5. *Petitions – (none)*
6. *Committee Reports – (none)*
7. *Communications – (From the Hon. Nader P. Maroun, City Auditor, the Cash & Investments Audit for October – December 2019; From Dustin M. Czarny and Michele L. Sardo, Onondaga County Commissioners of Elections, the Statement of Canvass with reference to the votes given at the June 23, 2020 Primary Election; From Samir Tawil, on behalf of GAT 7393 LLC, a letter accepting the terms and conditions of Ordinance No. 259 (06/08/2020)*
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*UNFINISHED BUSINESS:*  
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BY COUNCILOR RUDD:

- a. *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.* **LL**

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*NEW BUSINESS*  
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BY PRESIDENT HUDSON:

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

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BY COUNCILOR BEY:

10. Amend – Ord. #319, “Application – “To the US Department of Housing and Urban Development for the 2020-2021 (Year 46) Consolidated Action Plan: Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) (\$5,061,399); Emergency Solutions Grant (\$426,583); HOME Investment Partnership Grant (\$1,424,695). Housing Opportunities for Person with AIDS (HOPWA) \$399,497, in addition the Coronavirus (CDBG-CV) (\$2,977,548) and the Emergency Solutions Grant- Coronavirus (ESG-CV) (\$1,470,976).” Amend to add to the Community Development Block Grant, Emergency Solutions Grant- Coronavirus (ESG-CV2) (\$1,749,868), detailed in Exhibit “D”. **356**
11. Authorize - Intermunicipal Agreement with the Onondaga County Department of Social Services to administer direct financial housing assistance to Syracuse residents, in the amount of \$815,519. Funded by the CARES Act, through HUD under ESG-CV2. **357**

BY COUNCILOR RUDD:

12. Appropriate Funds – From the Bureau of Information Technology Cash Capital Account 01.99999.599007 in the amount of \$447,000 for the 2020/2021 Capital Improvement Program for PC and Infrastructure Improvements, as detailed in the legislation. **WD WD**

BY COUNCILOR GREENE:

13. Accept – From Healthway Home Products, Inc., an in-kind donation for a Healthway Air Purification System valued at \$5,000, for the Department of Public Works main office, to reduce airborne microorganisms such as bacteria, mold and viruses. **9-0 358**
14. Acquire – Properties located at 439-441 West Taylor Avenue (#094.-01-01.1) from ACN Companies, LLC, pursuant to the City’s agreement with NYS DOT for Phase II of the Creekwalk Project, in the amount of \$1,375 from Account #599807.07.701231000. **H H**
15. Amend – Ord #336 (06/17/2019), “Purchase w/c/b - From Monroe Tractor, repair service and parts for a Vogle Paving Machine and a Wirtgen Milling Machine, for the period of July 1, 2019 - June 30, 2020, on behalf of the D.P.W. Total cost not to exceed \$140,000 to be charged to Accounts #540210.01.51320 or #540220.01.51320.” Amend to increase the cost not to exceed to \$153,000 to pay for repairs done in 2019/2020. **H H**
16. Amend – Ord. #226 (05/20/2019), “Contract - With GHD Consulting Services, Inc. for GIS Centric Computerized Maintenance Management System Software and Partner Related Services, on behalf of the Water Department, to track and maintain the various maintenance operations for the City water infrastructure. Total cost not to exceed \$309,848 to be charged to Capital Account #599805.0583405.501563000 (\$158,000) and charged to FY 19/20 Account #05.83400.541500 (\$151,848).” Amend to increase cost not to exceed to \$334,848 and to extend the contract until December 31, 2020. **H H**

- H** 17. Authorize - Intermunicipal Agreement with the Onondaga County Soil and Water Conservation District (Skaneateles Lake Watershed Agricultural Program) to protect and improve water quality through the use of Best Management Practices, for the period of July 1, 2020-June 30, 2021. This is a requirement of the June 28, 2004, filtration waiver issued by the NYS Department of Health. Total cost not to exceed \$535,000, charged to Skaneateles Watershed Budget Account #05.83350.541500. **H**
- H** 18. Purchase w/c/b - From Milton CAT, parts and service for Milton Caterpillar backhoes for the period of July 1, 2020 - June 30, 2021, on behalf of the Department of Water. Total cost not to exceed \$40,000 to be charged to Accounts #05.83400.540200. **H**

BY COUNCILOR PANIAGUA:

- H** 19. Authorize - A temporary Voluntary Retirement Incentive Program (VRIP) for eligible City employees who are 55 years of age or older and who have completed a minimum of ten (10) years of active service with the City. Upon approval the VRIP will provide eligible employees with three (3) benefits, a one-time bonus payment of \$5,000, a freeze of retirement healthcare premiums, and a choice to defer pension payments. All other details outlined in the legislation. **H**

BY COUNCILOR CARNI:

- 9-0** 20. Accept - From National Grid (10,000 Trees Program) a reimbursement of \$20,300, for the 406 trees that were planted at a rate of \$50 per tree, on behalf of the Department of Parks, Recreation & Youth Programs, to be deposited in the 2020-2021 Urban Forestry Restoration Account #07.599807.700377019.70205. **359**
- WD** 21. Appropriate Funds - From 2020-2021 Cash Capital Account #599001.001.99999 in an amount not to exceed \$65,000, on behalf of the Department of Parks, Recreation and Youth Programs, for the Tree Pit Improvement Program. **WD**
- WD** 22. Appropriate Funds - From 2020/2021 Cash Capital Account #599807.01.99999 in an amount not to exceed \$175,000 for the 2020/2021 Parks Landscape Restoration, on behalf of the Department of Parks, Recreation and Youth Programs. **WD**
- WD** 23. Appropriate Funds - From 2020/2021 Cash Capital Account #599007.01.99999 in an amount not to exceed \$30,000 for the 2020/2021 Urban Forestry Restoration Program, on behalf of the Department of Parks, Recreation and Youth Programs. **WD**
- WD** 24. Bond Ordinance - Authorizing the issuance and sale of bonds of the City of Syracuse to defray the cost of the 2020-2021 Tree Planting Program. Total amount not to exceed \$150,000. **WD**
- WD** 25. Authorize - The 2020/2021 Tree Planting Program, on behalf of the Department of Parks, Recreation and Youth Programs, as part of the 2020/2021 Capital Improvement Program in an amount not to exceed \$150,000. **WD**

BY COUNCILOR MAJOK:

- H** 26. Purchase w/c/b - From Advanced Electronic Design, Inc., mobile data terminals and required repairs for the period of July 1, 2020 - June 30, 2021, on behalf of the Department of Fire. Total cost not to exceed \$30,000, to be charged to Accounts #34100.01.540720 and #34100.01.540542. **H**
- H** 27. Purchase w/c/b - From Air Cleaning Systems Inc., PlymoVent equipment system parts and installation services for the period of July 1, 2020 - June 30, 2021, on behalf of the Department of Fire. Total cost not to exceed \$15,000 to be charged to Account #34100.01.540511. **H**
- H** 28. Purchase w/c/b - From E-ONE Inc., owned by REV Group, fire apparatus parts and components for the period of July 1, 2020 - June 30, 2021, on behalf of the Department of Fire. Total cost not to exceed \$80,000 to be charged to Accounts #34100.01.540210 and #34100.01.540220. **H**
- H** 29. Purchase w/c/b - From Sutphen Corporation and Vandermolen Fire Company, fire apparatus parts and components for the period of July 1, 2020 - June 30, 2021, on behalf of the Department of Fire. Total cost not to exceed \$30,000 to be charged to Accounts #34100.01.540210 and #34100.01.540220. **H**
- H** 30. Purchase w/c/b - From Jerome Fire Equipment, replacement parts and preventative maintenance services for the Amkus Rescue System for the period of July 1, 2020 - June 30, 2021, on behalf of the Department of Fire. Total cost not to exceed \$5,000 to be charged to Accounts #34100.01.540720. **H**
- H** 31. Purchase w/c/b - From WNY Bus Parts Inc. (dba Gorman Enterprises), replacement parts, components and repair services for the period of July 1, 2020 - June 30, 2021, on behalf of the Department of Fire. Total cost not to exceed \$15,000 to be charged to Accounts #34100.01.540210 and #34100.01.540220. **H**

BY COUNCILOR ALLEN:

- 9-0** 32. Amend – Ord. #170 (09/10/2018), - “Contract - With Clarion Associates, LLC. (Clarion) for a Professional Service Contract for the City’s Zoning Ordinance and Map Revisions project, for an extended period to November 30, 2019. The City was previously awarded a \$300,000 grant from the New York State Energy Research and Development Authority. Total cost not to exceed \$295,416 from Account #599802, Fund 2, and Project 205547000.” Amend to extend the contract period to February 26, 2021. All other terms and conditions remain the same. **360**

SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA – AUGUST 3, 2020)  
WAIVER OF THE RULES REQUIRED TO INTRODUCE:

BY COUNCILOR BEY:

- 9-0** 33. *Special Permit – To approve modification for a restaurant located at 100 and 102 South Lowell Avenue and 303 Tompkins Street. Two (2) people spoke in favor of the proposal. One (1) one person spoke and one (1) letter were sent in opposition to the proposal. The Planning Commission granted three (3) waivers in regard to signage, number, and area regulations. Peter Coleman & Dennis Coleman. Owners/Applicants.* **Gen. #24**
- 9-0** 34. *Special Permit – To approve modification for a restaurant located at 308 Gifford Street 515 and 517 Wyoming Street, and 620 South West Street, Rear. No one spoke in favor of the proposal. Two people spoke in opposition to the proposal. The Planning Commission granted five (5) waivers in regard to off-street parking, driveway location, driveway width, street line treatment and arterial setback regulations. Mahmoud Naji Mousa/applicant. Wyoming-Gifford, LLC/owner.* **Gen. #25**

Syracuse Common Council  
Adjourned at 1:13 P.M.