

COMMON COUNCIL  
of the  
CITY OF SYRACUSE

(10/25)

REGULAR MEETING – OCTOBER 25, 2021  
1:00 P.M.

1. *Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag - (Led by the Hon. Khalid Bey, President Pro-Tempore of the Syracuse Common Council)*
2. *Invocation – (Delivered by Reverend Alan Rudnick, Dewitt Community Church, Syracuse New York)*
3. *Roll Call– (All Present – 8; Councilor White – Absent)*
4. *Minutes – October 12, 2021 – (Adopted 8-0)*
5. *Petitions – (A petition from SEUNA signed by 158 City of Syracuse residents in support of changing the definition of “family” in the City of Syracuse Zoning Code)*
6. *Committee Reports – (none)*
7. *Communications – (From Tony Fiorito, representing 224 Harrison Street Associates, a letter accepting the terms and conditions of Special Ordinance No. 585, 09/13/2021)*

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*NEW BUSINESS*  
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BY PRESIDENT HUDSON:

- 8-0** 8. *Resolution - Approving the Appointment of Various Persons as Commissioners of Deeds for 2021/2022.*

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BY COUNCILOR BEY:

- 8-0** 9. *Bond Ordinance - Authorizing the issuance and sale of bonds of the City of Syracuse to defray the cost of the required 10% local match for NYSDEC 2021 Environmental Restoration Program for the remediation of the “Zip-Zip” site located at 1410 Erie Boulevard East. Total cost not to exceed from \$65,000.*

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- 8-0** 10. *Application & Agreement - To and with NYSDEC 2021 Environmental Restoration Program in an amount not to exceed \$650,000. The grant will fund the remediation of the “Zip-Zip” site located at 1410 Erie Boulevard East. There is a required 10% local match not to exceed \$65,000 to be met by the issuance and sale of City bonds.*

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- T** 11. *Local Law - Of the City of Syracuse – To sell all right, title and interest of the City of Syracuse in and to the premises known as a portion of Prospect Avenue adjacent to 522-524 North Salina Street, to The Syracuse Flatiron, LLC for the total sum of \$18,110.* **T**
- T** 12. *Local Law - Of the City of Syracuse – To sell all right, title and interest of the City of Syracuse in and to the premises known as a portion of Prospect Avenue adjacent to 526-528 North Salina Street, to 526 North Salina, LLC for the total sum of \$13,330.* **T**
- T** 13. *Local Law - Of the City of Syracuse – To sell all right, title and interest of the City of Syracuse in and to the premises known as a portion of Prospect Avenue adjacent to 530 North Salina Street, to SHA 2013, LLC for the total sum of \$36,460.* **T**

**BY COUNCILOR GREENE:**

- H** 14. *Appropriate Funds - From the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARPA) in an amount not to exceed \$532,000 and enter into an agreement with Microsoft, on behalf of Information Technology, for the term of three (3) years, for a modernization project that will migrate approximately 750 network users to Microsoft 365, included is a cloud hosted email solution along with access to the latest Microsoft Office applications.* **H**
- H** 15. *Agreement – With Syracuse University, to maintain in-kind services, to include maintaining a portion of Thornden Park and the replacement and maintenance of sidewalks along Ostrum Avenue near the park. The City will agree to accept current and additional University sidewalk maintenance in lieu of assessing new sidewalks fees; to stripe crosswalks on Ostrum Avenue near Thornden Park; provide assistance and coaching related to the permitting process, hire an additional code inspector to be assigned to the university area; and add Schine Student Center and South Campus as training rotations for Police Cadets (pre-Academy CSOs.) The University will also increase payments to the City from \$1 million to \$2 million over four years (FY22-FY26), as detailed in the legislation, to be deposited in Account #01.425910.* **H**
- 8-0** 16. *Amend – Ord. #727 (12/16/2019), “Agreement – With Open Cities for website redesign services for syrgov.net and for implementation of a new Content Management System to manage the City’s website. Included in the agreement is Website design, configuration and implementation, Digital Services Training for City Departments, Open Cities Annual Subscription of \$32,000 for Year One, and Open Forms Enterprise Version, effective December 18, 2019. Total cost not to exceed \$105,000 from IT Account #5405300 Fund 01 Dept.16800.” Amend to extend the cost not to exceed from \$105,000 to \$305,000, expanded services outlined in the legislation.* **647**
- 8-0** 17. *Appropriate Funds - From the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARPA) in an amount not to exceed \$200,000 and enter into an agreement with Open Cities, on behalf of Information Technology, to support an expanded scope of work including developing and writing new web content for key departments and for converting 200 of the City’s PDF forms to ADA compliant online forms.* **648**

- 18. **8-0** Correct Tax Rolls - (232-242 Croly Street, for various reasons for tax year 2021/2022), as outlined in Appendix "A". **649**
- 19. **8-0** Transfer Funds – Within the July 1, 2021 – June 30, 2022 Syracuse City Budget, as detailed in Attachment "A". **650**

BY COUNCILOR CARNI:

- 20. **8-0** Accept – The relocation and road reconstruction of an 18” combined sewer main and associated appurtenances along with accepting an easement for the operation, maintenance & repair from Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation D/B/A National Grid (National Grid), located in the former Temple Street right of way (tax map parcel 096.-08-03.0 (900-940 Clinton Street). National Grid is requesting to relocate the sewer in order to facilitate expanding and improving the electrical transformer station. **651**
- 21. **8-0** Agreement - With SUNY Upstate Medical University to purchase white road salt from the Department of Public Works for the 2021/2022 winter season for the period of one year, with four (4) one-year renewal options with the approval of the Mayor and the Common Council. The City price is \$39.57 per ton for the 2021/2022 season, plus \$5.00 per ton administrative fee, total price of \$44.57 per ton, to be deposited in Account #417120.01 **652**
- 22. **8-0** Agreement - With CNY Centro to purchase white road salt from the Department of Public Works for the 2021/2022 winter season for the period of one year, with four (4) one-year renewal options with the approval of the Mayor and the Common Council. The City price is \$39.57 per ton for the 2021/2022 season, plus \$5.00 per ton administrative fee, total price of \$44.57 per ton, to be deposited in Account #417120.01. **653**
- 23. **8-0** Agreement - With Syracuse Housing Authority to purchase white road salt from the Department of Public Works for the 2021/2022 winter season for the period of one year, with four (4) one-year renewal options with the approval of the Mayor and the Common Council. The City price is \$39.57 per ton for the 2021/2022 season, plus \$5.00 per ton administrative fee, total price of \$44.57 per ton, to be deposited in Account #417120.01. **654**
- 24. **8-0** Agreement – With New York Susquehanna and Western Railway Corporation (NYS&W Railway) for entry upon lands owned by NYS&W Railway and for the reimbursement of costs during the construction of the East Brighton Avenue Bridge over the NYS&W Railroad, PIN 3756.51, on behalf of the Department of Engineering. Total amount not to exceed \$190,000, to be paid on a time and expense basis. The City will incur all initial costs with subsequent 95% reimbursement from Federal funds through TIP and 5% from Capital Account #07.599807.701253000.80405 **655**

BY COUNCILOR HOGAN:

- 25. **8-0** Accept - From Camp 415, an in-kind donation of a memorial bench (valued at \$3,100), in recognition of Willie B. Gilbert, the first African American Police Officer sworn into duty at the Syracuse Police Department on July 1, 1951, to be installed in Forman Park. **656**

26. *Agreement with Galaxy Communications, for promotion of the Clinton Square and Sunnycrest Ice Rinks, a social media campaign will be created and businesses will be brought on board to support the air time, during the 2020/2021 ice skating season.* **657**  
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27. *Appropriate Funds - From the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARPA) in an amount not to exceed \$300,000, on behalf of the Parks, Recreation & Youth Programs, to repair and improve the Greenhouse, located in Lower Onondaga Park, to include roof replacement, structures repairs, mechanical upgrades, installation of irrigation system, ventilation upgrades, additional planting areas, seating, lighting, masonry repairs.* **658**  
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28. *Appropriate Funds - From the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARPA) in an amount not to exceed \$300,000, on behalf of the Parks, Recreation & Youth Programs, to improve parks on the Northside of the City (Lincoln, Schiller, Highland, First Ward, Washington Square, Demong, Union, Grosso, Schlosser, Ashland, Clinton Playlot, and Finnegan Park). The community will assist in deciding improvements.* **659**  
**8-0**
29. *Appropriate Funds - From the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARPA) in an amount not to exceed \$100,000, on behalf of the Parks, Recreation & Youth Programs, to install a new playground and/or fitness pieces outside the Cannon Street Community Center.* **660**  
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BY COUNCILOR MAJOK:

30. *Accept – From Syracuse University, an amount not to exceed \$7,000, on behalf of the Department of Fire, for reimbursement of payroll backfill and overtime for sending staff to perform training in preparation for a potential emergency response.* **661**  
**8-0**
31. *Application & Agreement - To and with The Leary Firefighters Foundation, in an amount not to exceed \$20,000, on behalf of the Department of Fire, to accept firefighting and emergency response equipment (air lift bags). No local match required.* **662**  
**8-0**
32. *Agreement - With Norman J. Lesswing, Ph. D., to provide psychological testing services to the Police Department, for the period of July 1, 2021-June 30, 2022, for the purpose of evaluating members of the department on an as needed basis for “fit for duty” status. Total cost not to exceed \$5,000 from Account #541500.01.31230. The Mayor has waived the RFP process.* **663**  
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33. *Agreement - With Let’s Brainstorm, LLC to provide board development services for the Police Athletic League of Syracuse (PAL), for the period of October 1, 2021-June 30, 2022. Services to include reviewing board formation and organizational documents, executive coaching, strategy training, teambuilding and problem-solving instruction. Total cost not to exceed \$11,000 charged from ARPA funds. The Mayor has waived the RFP process.* **664**  
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34. *Agreement - With Humane CNY to provide veterinary services and lodging for animals that are victims in animal cruelty investigations, on behalf of the Police Department, for the period of July 1, 2021-June 30, 2022. Total cost not to exceed to \$50,000, charged to Account #541500.01.31231.* **665**  
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- 8-0 35. Agreement - With Dr. Ronald Fish, a licensed psychologist, to instruct training and consult with the Police Department Peer Support Team and Officer Wellness Program, for the period of July 1, 2021-June 30, 2022. Total cost not to exceed \$2,500 charged to Account #541500.01.31230. **666**
- 8-0 36. Amend – Ord. #74 (03/01/2021), “Purchase w/c/b – Agreement with Axon, Inc., on behalf of the Police Department, for a total of two hundred and twenty (220) Body 3 camera systems, for a term of five (5) years effective July 1, 2019-June 30, 2024. Total cost not to exceed \$121,572, from A/C #599802.02.31225 Project #222160319 (\$100,000 US DOJ Grant). There is a \$100,000 local match, \$21,572 will come from the SPD operating budget, and the remaining \$78,428 will be provided as an in-kind match of personnel salaries and benefits. Annual Maintenance costs will be charged to Account #540542.01.31230.” Amend to add sixty (60) Body 3 Cameras. Total cost not to exceed \$572,100, charged to ARPA funds (\$343,260) and Account #540530.1.31230. This will bring the total utilization to 280 cameras. **667**
- 8-0 37. Appropriate Funds - From the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARPA) in an amount not to exceed \$343,260 and an agreement with Axon Inc., on behalf of the Police Department, for sixty (60) additional Body 3 camera systems, relative to Ord. #74-2021. **668**

BY COUNCILOR ALLEN:

- 8-0 38. Permission – To Enos Ely, owner of the property located at 121 Fountain Street for a 4’ chain link fence that will encroach approximately 2’6” into the right-of-way. **669**
- 8-0 39. Permission – To Warren Bailey, owner of the property located at 115 Fountain Street for a 4’ chain link fence that will encroach approximately 2’6” into the right-of-way. **670**
- 8-0 40. Permission – To Ron Schultz, owner of the property located at 1401-1407 Burnet Avenue to replace an existing wood deck that will encroach approximately 6’10” into the right-of-way. **671**
- 8-0 41. Permission – To Vadim Olesh, owner of the property located at 216 Ludden Parkway for a garden shed that will encroach approximately 14’x24’ into the right-of-way. **672**

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Adjourned at 1:10 P.M.