

CITY OF CHARLOTTE COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS
111 E. Lawrence Ave., Charlotte, MI 48813 (517) 543-2750
Regular Council Meeting
August 01, 2022

CALL TO ORDER:

By Mayor Armitage on Monday August 01, 2022 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

Mayor Armitage, Council members Rodriguez, Van Langevelde, Dyer, Duweck and Chin. Mayor Pro-Tem Weissenborn was absent. A quorum was met. Also in attendance were Attorney Gillies, City Manager LaPere, and City Clerk LaRocque.

City staff in the audience; Fire Chief Jordan; and Community Development Director Myrkle and Public Works Director Gilson.

INVOCATION:

~~Mike Rysko—South Cochran Church of God~~ (Absent)

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Led by Mayor Armitage

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

- a. July 18, 2022 Regular meeting minutes

Motion by Duweck supported by Dyer to approve the meeting minutes as presented. Carried; Yea 6; Nay 0; Absent 1.

EXCUSE ABSENT MEMBERS:

Motion by Van Langevelde supported by Duweck to excuse the absence of Mayor Pro-Tem Weissenborn. Carried; Yea 6; Nay 0; Absent 1.

PUBLIC HEARING:

- a. Proposed Ordinance 2022-03 Medical Marihuana Caregiver Regulations.

No Public Comment

- b. Proposed Ordinance 2022-04 Property Maintenance Code

No Public Comment

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Kay Woody, a resident on Jefferson St. discussed a notice she received from the Ordinance Enforcement officer to clean-up her property

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Motion by Van Langevelde supported by Dyer to approve the agenda. Carried; Yea 6; Nay 0; Absent 1.

CONSENT AGENDA:

- a. Approval of Claims and Expenditures totaling \$250,867.16
- b. Approval of Resolution 2022-18 – Charlotte Frontier Days

Motion by Duweck supported by Van Langevelde to approve the Consent Agenda. Carried by roll call vote; Yea 6; Nay 0; Absent 1.

BUSINESS AGENDA:

- a. Consider Adoption of Ordinance 2022-03 – Medical Marihuana Caregiver Regulations.

Motion by Dyer supported by Duweck to approve Ordinance 2022-03 with all references to Marihuana be spelled with an 'h'. Carried by roll call vote; Yea 6; Nay 0, Absent 1

- b. Consider Adoption of Ordinance 2022-04 – Property Maintenance Code.

Motion by Dyer and supported by Chin to approve Ordinance 2022-04 with the addition of dates in Section 602.4. Carried by roll-call vote. Yea 6; Nay 0; Absent 1.

- c. Consider of approval of DPW Garage Survey by Sidock

Motion by Van Langevelde and supported by Chin to postpone discussion and action to August 15, 2022 Council Meeting. Carried by roll-call vote Yea 4 (Armitage, Duweck, Chin, and Van Langevelde; Nay 2 (Dyer and Rodriguez); Absent 1

- d. Consider approval of purchase of lift pump for Lansing lift station

Motion by Van Langevelde supported by Dyer to approve purchase of Lansing lift station pump. Carried Yea 6; Nay 0; Absent 1

- e. Consider approval of additional services for contract with Fishbeck for water service potholing

Motion by Dyer supported by Duweck to approve additional services for contract with Fishbeck for water service potholing. Carried Yea 6; Nay 0; Absent 1

- f. Consider approval of allocation of funds for Drinking Water Asset Management Grant in FY 22-23 Budget

Motion by Dyer supported by Van Langevelde to approve allocation of funds for Drinking Water Asset Management Grant. Carried Yea 6; Nay 0; Absent 1

- g. Consider awarding contract for City Hall Roof Replacement Bid

Motion by Duweck supported by Dyer to approve the City Hall roof replacement bid granted to Weathershield in the amount of \$159,283. Carried Yea 6; Nay 0; Absent 1

- h. Consider Resolution 2022-19 Request to rezone 243 State St to the Planning Commission for public hearing and recommendation

Motion by Dyer supported by Duweck to approve Resolution 2022-19 for proposed Ordinance 2022-05 to go before the Planning Commission for a public hearing and recommendation. Carried Yea 6; Nay 0, Absent 1

COMMUNICATIONS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- a. City Attorney report was received.
- b. City Manager report was received. LaPere noted key points; August 2nd Primary tomorrow; the editions of the Charlotte Chronicles and City Beat for August are available online; a Public Hearing is planned for the August 9th Planning Commission meeting on proposed Ordinance 2022-02 – Home Occupations; RAVE Alerts now includes a Water Utility bill notification feature; volunteer opportunities still exist on the Ad Hoc Water Treatment Committee, Camp Frances Board and Board of Review, and information can be found on the City's website for Assistance Programs available to those facing financial difficulties paying utility bills, rent or mortgage or other hardships.
- c. Council member Committee Reports
No reports

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

No Comments

MAYOR AND COUNCIL COMMENTS:

Chin – He would like a work session scheduled to discuss the purchasing policy within a 3-month time frame. He hosted an event at Camp Frances and feels this is a ‘jewel’ of the city and that better signage would help visitors find it. He mentioned the West Side Fire Station has utilities in place for a sign and would like to see an identifying sign there too.

Van Langevelde – She noted a big house fire in Charlotte this week and extended a big thank you to the Charlotte Fire Department firefighters and volunteer fire fighters and 1st responders for their service; Bennet Park clean-up is scheduled this Saturday (August 6) at 10:00 a.m. and she will be there working.

Duweek – Thank you to (Public Works Director) Amy for her taking his grief during the meeting and recognized her efforts to provide Council with the information she presented. He gives credit to the author (City Mgr. LaPere) of the City Beat and Charlotte Chronicles publications and recognizes the valuable information they provide; he looks forward to the City website upgrade.

Rodriguez – A lot of great stuff was accomplished today, everyone stayed on task; he wanted more discussion on item 11 c of the agenda before it was postponed.

Dyer – Reminder about the Bennet Park clean-up; and the library decided at its board meeting to eliminate late fees but that after a certain date a replacement fee would be due.

Armitage – He will be absent for the August 15th Council meeting.

ADJOURN:

Motion by Dyer supported by Van Langevelde to adjourn the meeting at 8:44 p.m. Carried; Yea 6; Nay 0; Absent 1

Mayor Michael Armitage

Mary LaRocque, City Clerk