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The President called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. after the Invocation, given by Mr. Poggiali, and the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Clerk called the roll and the following Commissioners responded: Dave Waddington, Blake Harris, Mike Meinzer, Wes Poole, Dennis Murray, Dick Brady and Steve Poggiali.

City staff present: Eric Wobser - City Manager, Stuart Hamilton - IT Director, Don Rumbutis - IT Technician, Aaron Klein - Public Works Director, Brendan Heil - Law Director, Michelle Reeder - Finance Director, Jonathan Holody - Development Director, Jared Oliver - Police Chief, Mario D'Amico - Fire Chief, Josh Snyder - Public Works Engineer, James Stacey - Public Transit Administrator, and Cathy Myers - Commission Clerk.

Upon motion of Mr. Waddington and a second by Mr. Murray, the commission voted to approve the minutes of the February 14 regular meeting and suspend the formal reading. The President declared the motion passed.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

There was no participation.

CURRENT BUSINESS

Upon motion of Mr. Waddington and a second by Mr. Poggiali, the commission voted to accept all communications. President Brady declared this motion passed.

The President asked if the commissioners wished to remove any of the items on the Consent Agenda. There were no requests to do so.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

ITEM A – Submitted by Joshua Snyder, Public Works Engineer

WATER DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM MODEL AND REPORT (SECOND READING)

<u>Budgetary Information:</u> The amount for the professional services agreement is \$180,031, which will be funded entirely with Water Funds and will be updated in the 2022 Capital Budget and annual evaluation of water rates.

ORDINANCE NO. 22-023: It is requested an ordinance be passed authorizing and directing the City Manager to enter into an agreement for professional services with Stantec Consulting Services, Inc. of Columbus, Ohio, to provide a water distribution system model and report.

ITEM B – Submitted by Cathy Myers, Commission Clerk

NEW LIQUOR PERMIT FOR SANDUSKY FOOD HALL BAR, LLC

<u>Budgetary Information:</u> There is no budgetary impact for this item.

Notice to Legislative Authority for a new D3 (spirituous liquor for on premises consumption only until 1 a.m.) liquor permit for Sandusky Food Hall, LLC, located at 317 E. Washington Street.

ITEM C – Submitted by Cathy Myers, Commission Clerk

EXPEND FUNDS TO OHGO, CARE & SHARE AND VICTORY KITCHEN \$10,000 EACH

Budgetary Information: The three donations totaling \$30,000 will be paid from the American Rescue Plan Act Stimulus Funds, approved by Commission at the 08/23/21 meeting.

- 1. ORDINANCE NO. 22-024: It is requested an ordinance be passed authorizing and directing the City Manager to expend funds to OHgo to provide financial assistance for their community programs in the amount of \$10,000 from the American Rescue Plan Act Stimulus Funds; and declaring that this ordinance shall take immediate effect in accordance with Section 14 of the City Charter.
- 2. ORDINANCE NO. 22-025: It is requested an ordinance be passed authorizing and directing the City Manager to expend funds to Care and Share of Erie County to provide financial assistance for their community programs in the amount of \$10,000 from the American Rescue Plan Act Stimulus Funds; and declaring that this ordinance shall take immediate effect in accordance with Section 14 of the City Charter.

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3. ORDINANCE NO. 22-026: It is requested an ordinance be passed authorizing and directing the City Manager to expend funds to Victory Kitchen to provide financial assistance for their community programs in the amount of \$10,000 from the American Rescue Plan Act Stimulus Funds; and declaring that this ordinance shall take immediate effect in accordance with Section 14 of the City Charter.

ITEM D – Submitted by Michelle Reeder, Finance Director

SUBMERGED LANDS LEASE PAYMENT TO ODNR FOR BATTERY PARK

<u>Budgetary Information:</u> The submerged land lease is payable by the City of Sandusky as the leaseholder. Sandusky Bay Investment reimburses the City for the cost of the lease pursuant to their agreement with the City. Since the amount is over \$10,000, it must be approved by City Commission.

ORDINANCE NO. 22-027: It is requested an ordinance be passed authorizing and directing the City Manager to make payment to the Ohio Department of Natural Resources (ODNR), Office of Coastal Management for rental payment on submerged lands lease file no. SUB-0385-ER for the period of March 1, 2021, through February 28, 2023; and declaring that this ordinance shall take immediate effect in accordance with Section 14 of the City Charter.

ITEM E – Submitted by Aaron Klein, Public Works Director

YARD WASTE COLLECTION 2022 EXTENSION

<u>Budgetary Information:</u> Based on service for a one day per week pick up at \$12.60 per home per month and a contract for nine months, the estimated amount for the 2022 Yard Waste Collection Service is \$73,143 based on last year's figure of 645 customers. This amount is subject to change due to additions and deletions of customers to the program. The cost of the service will be charged back to the customers in addition to a charge of \$0.50 per month for administrative costs.

ORDINANCE NO. 22-028: An ordinance authorizing and directing the City Manager to enter into a one (1) year contract extension with Browning-Ferris Industries of Ohio, Inc. D.B.A. Republic Services of Sandusky, Ohio, for yard waste collection service in calendar year 2022 which is available for the period of April 1, 2022, through December 21, 2022; and declaring that this ordinance shall take immediate effect in accordance with Section 14 of the City Charter.

ITEM F – Submitted by Aaron Klein, Public Works Director

WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT SLUDGE HAULING FOR CY 2022

<u>Budgetary Information:</u> The estimated cost of disposal by the Wastewater Treatment Plant at the Erie County Sanitary Landfill for 2022 shall not exceed \$140,000, which will be paid out of the Contractual Services portion of the Operation and Maintenance Budget through the Sewer Fund. ORDINANCE NO. 22-029: It is requested an ordinance be passed appropriating funds for the dumping of class B bio solids (A.K.A. sludge cake) and other dewatered and compressed solids from the Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) at the Eire County Sanitary Landfill for CY 2022; and declaring that this ordinance shall take immediate effect in accordance with Section 14 of the City Charter.

ITEM G – Submitted by Aaron Klein, Public Works Director

REFUSE AND RECYCLING CONTRACT

<u>Budgetary Information:</u> The cost of refuse and recycling collection at City properties is paid with General Funds, Recreation Funds and Water Funds in the amount of \$89,454.04, plus a contingency amount of \$2,500.00 for additional dumpster service. Collection of recyclables at the City's Drop-Off Recycling location at the Service Center is paid with General Funds and Ground Maintenance Funds in an amount not to exceed \$92,280.96. The previous cost for these services were \$76,040.02 and \$65,554.48, respectively. Total contract amount is not to exceed \$181,735.00.

ORDINANCE NO. 22-030: It is requested an ordinance be passed authorizing and directing the City Manager to enter into a contract with Republic Services of Sandusky, Ohio, for refuse and recycling collection on City property and recycling collection at the City's Drop-Off Recycling location at the Service Center for the period of March 1, 2022, through February 28, 2023; and

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declaring that this ordinance shall take immediate effect in accordance with Section 14 of the City Charter.

Upon motion of Mr. Murray and second of Mr. Poggiali, the Commission voted to accept the Consent Agenda and declare all ordinances and the liquor permit as drafted and presented to the City Commission under the Consent Agenda and shall take effect in full accordance with Section 14 of the City Charter. Roll call on the motion: Yeas: Mr. Waddington, Mr. Harris, Mr. Meinzer, Mr. Poole, Mr. Murray, Mr. Brady, and Mr. Poggiali, 7. Roll call on the ordinances and resolutions: Yeas: Mr. Waddington, Mr. Harris, Mr. Meinzer, Mr. Poole, Mr. Murray, Mr. Brady, and Mr. Poggiali, 7. The President declared the ordinances and liquor permit contained in the Consent Agenda passed in full accordance with the City Charter.

REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS

ITEM 1 – Submitted by Joshua Snyder, Public Works Engineer

PERMISSION TO BID THE EASTSIDE & WESTSIDE INTERCEPTORS CLEANING PROJECT

<u>Budgetary Information</u>: The estimated cost of the project including engineering, inspection, advertising, construction and miscellaneous costs is \$690.461 paid solely with Sewer Funds. **RESOLUTION NO.016-22R**: It is requested a resolution be passed declaring the necessity for the

City to proceed with the proposed Eastside and Westside Interceptors Cleaning Project; approving the specifications and engineer's estimate of cost thereof; and directing the City Manager to advertise for and receive bids in relation thereto; and declaring that this resolution shall take immediate effect in accordance with Section 14 of the City Charter.

Upon motion of Mr. Harris and second of Mr. Waddington, the Commission voted for adoption of this resolution under the suspension and in full accordance with Section 14 of the City Charter. Roll call on the motion: Yeas: Mr. Waddington, Mr. Harris, Mr. Meinzer, Mr. Poole, Mr. Murray, Mr. Brady, and Mr. Poggiali, 7.

Comment:

Mr. Klein explained that this project was originally scheduled in the Capital Plan for the 2024-2025 timeframe, but after the flooding analysis of last year, we decided we needed to push this project forward three years. The main things the consultant looked at was the rainfall for the heaviest two days in 2021, the elevated bay levels, the capacities of the surrounding sewer systems, the combined sewer overflow. July 16 and July 25 of 2021 were the two dates of heaviest rainfall. We decided to hire someone that was independent because we did not want to influence the design or evaluation. The September 20, 2020 had less than an inch of rainfall in an hour. The July 16 and July 25, 2021 exceeded those numbers. The main result that they concluded was that we had a short duration of high intense rainfall, which was the main culprit for causing the flooding in those neighborhoods. The overflow was at half capacity, which would contribute to the complaints of basement flooding that occurred. Our sewers were not designed to take high intense sort duration rain events, like the ones we had on those days. Another problem we did notice that under the Arthur Street was that the flap-gate was partially stuck in a quarter closed position. It is usually a stick that blocks the flap-gate from closing, and unless it is seen at the time of inspection, there is nothing that can be done about it. The staff performs regular inspections to insure sticks are washed out periodically. This analysis applies to the City's system as a whole. The three recommendations are to clean the interceptors, inspections and maintenance of the flap-gates and the Arthur Street storm sewer does not overflow into the combined sewer. Eleven years ago, the City did not clean both the eastside and westside interceptors, only the eastside. Mr. Murray inquired if the term "outfall" refers to the pipe that takes the water out into the bay, and is it possible to use telemetry to sense remotely if the flapgates are stuck. Mr. Klein stated that we were trying to get away from the telemetry because it does not state whether the gate is open or closed, it can only be done by visual inspection. We are upgrading every point of the system that we can. Mr. Murray inquired if we do not have this kind of capacity in our storm sewer system, can we build that in. He suspected that the answer was the expense and that these intense rainfall events are occurring more often due to climate change. Mr. Klein agreed that the weather patterns have dramatically shifted and have wreaked havoc on a system and the biggest problem especially with a city such as Sandusky that has some older areas of infrastructure the infiltration of ground water through the pipe joints. We are

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trying to update our system as fast as possible with sewer lining and those types of things, but a lot of the infiltration comes from the private residences, which would be expensive for homeowners to fix that solution. Mr. Waddington inquired if retention ponds could help alleviate some of the overflow issues. Mr. Klein stated he would like to see more "green" types of things implemented throughout the City, but it is a public/private partnership – like was done with the schools. Mr. Waddington suggested he would like this type of system used in the future throughout the city. Mr. Poole inquired how many flap-gates are in the system. Mr. Klein guessed that we have 20-30 different ones.

Roll call on the resolution: Yeas: Mr. Waddington, Mr. Harris, Mr. Meinzer, Mr. Poole, Mr. Murray, Mr. Brady, and Mr. Poggiali, 7. The President declared the resolution passed.

ITEM 2 – Submitted by James Stacey, Public Transit Administrator

SANDUSKY TRANSIT SYSTEM MEDICAID BILLING AGREEMENT

<u>Budgetary Information:</u> The City of Sandusky agrees to a variable monthly fee for services rendered. These fees will be based upon Medicaid Billing Solutions providing billing services with MBS-owned software. Billing includes on-site and/or video conferencing consultation visits to discuss billing and revenue and to train staff as necessary or requested. Medicaid Billing Solutions fees are the higher of \$150 per month or 3% of revenue received by the City of Sandusky as a result of MBS's billing services.

ORDINANCE NO. 22-031: It is requested an ordinance be passed authorizing and directing the City Manager to enter into an agreement for billing services with Medicaid Billing Solutions, Inc., of Cincinnati, Ohio, for services related to the Sandusky Transit System; and declaring that this ordinance shall take immediate effect in accordance with Section 14 of the City Charter.

Upon motion of Mr. Waddington and second of Mr. Poggiali, the Commission voted for adoption of this resolution under the suspension and in full accordance with Section 14 of the City Charter.

Comment:

Mr. Poggiali asked how the Medicaid Billing system worked. Mr. Holody asked the Public Transit Administrator, James Stacey to address this question. Mr. Stacey stated that Medicaid Billing Solutions provides services that bill and collect for the special needs ridership. The City has been in collaboration with them since 2017. The price increase is a minimum mandatory of \$150 per month. The 3% has remained stable. In the calendar year 2019, they handled 9435 transactions. In 2021, they handled 2292. Prior to presenting, he consulted with the Finance Department and they recommended approval. Each trip is billed at \$19.31. Mr. Brady inquired if this was specific to those with Medicaid and have a disability. Mr. Stacey stated that was true. Mr. Stacey stated that the services far outweighed the fees.

Roll call on the motion: Yeas: Mr. Waddington, Mr. Harris, Mr. Meinzer, Mr. Poole, Mr. Murray, Mr. Brady, and Mr. Poggiali, 7. Roll call on the ordinance: Yeas: Mr. Waddington, Mr. Harris, Mr. Meinzer, Mr. Poole, Mr. Murray, Mr. Brady, and Mr. Poggiali, 7. The President declared the ordinance passed.

ITEM 3 – Submitted by Aaron Klein, Public Works Director

PURCHASE MOWER FOR GROUNDS MAINTENANCE AND APPROVE DISPOSAL OF OLD ONE

<u>Budgetary Information:</u> The total cost of a new Toro Groundsmaster 5910 Rotary Mower is \$124,521.50 and will be paid for using Capital Issue 8 Funds. This purchase will be included in the Capital Budget for 2022.

ORDINANCE NO. 22-032: It is requested an ordinance be passed declaring a 1999 Toro 580 Mower as unnecessary and unfit for City use pursuant to Section 25 of the City Charter; authorizing and directing the City Manager to purchase a new Toro Groundsmaster 5910 Rotary Mower from Century Equipment of Toledo, Ohio, through the Sourcewell Cooperative Purchasing Program for the Grounds Maintenance Division; and declaring that this ordinance shall take immediate effect in accordance with Section 14 of the City Charter.

Upon motion of Mr. Harris and second of Mr. Waddington, the Commission voted for adoption of this ordinance under the suspension and in full accordance with Section 14 of the City Charter.

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Comment:

Mr. Poole inquired if this mower was a grounds improvement or what specifically this purchase was for. Mr. Klein commented he was surprised by the cost, and that was a negotiated price from State Purchasing. This piece of equipment has a sixteen-foot deck mower, as opposed to the regular five-foot mowers — which covers three passes each turn. It is used for all the large parks — Lions, AMVETS, Sprau, and Shoreline Parks. The one it is replacing has been repaired several times.

Roll call on the motion: Yeas: Mr. Waddington, Mr. Harris, Mr. Meinzer, Mr. Poole, Mr. Murray, Mr. Brady, and Mr. Poggiali, 7. Roll call on the ordinance: Yeas: Mr. Waddington, Mr. Harris, Mr. Meinzer, Mr. Poole, Mr. Murray, Mr. Brady, and Mr. Poggiali, 7. The President declared the ordinance passed.

ITEM 4 – Submitted by Aaron Klein, Public Works Director

WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT EMERGENCY BACK-UP GENERATOR REPAIR PROJECT CONTRACT AWARD

<u>Budgetary Information:</u> The total cost of the project shall not exceed \$485,000 and shall be paid from Sewer Funds.

ORDINANCE NO. 22-033: It is requested an ordinance be passed authorizing and directing the City Manager to enter into a contract with Mosser Construction, Inc., of Fremont, Ohio, for the Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) Emergency Back-up Generator Repair Project; and declaring that this ordinance shall take immediate effect in accordance with Section 14 of the City Charter.

Upon motion of Mr. Waddington and second of Mr. Murray, the Commission voted for adoption of this ordinance under the suspension and in full accordance with Section 14 of the City Charter.

Comments:

Mr. Klein stated this would replace the generator that operates the UV system at the water treatment plant. The UV system is turned off during the winter months because the water quality is better. It is turned back on mid-May. After evaluating purchasing a new generator last year, the delivery timeline was way over a year. The best option is to have the current generator taken off site and rebuilt; the contractor will supply a backup generator if they cannot meet our deadline. Mr. Murray inquired if the City owned a portable generator that could be moved to any location needed. Mr. Klein stated that the City does have several generators, but nothing of this capacity. The City has to rent one of this size at the cost of \$15,000. The purchase of a new one is almost a million and wait time is over a year to receive it. Mr. Klein stated he would look into purchasing one for future backup. Mr. Poole inquired what the warranty was for the generator. Mr. Klein stated he would look into the warranty. Mr. Poole stated he wanted a conversation to happen about future purchases of this capacity, so that last minute decisions were not made.

Roll call on the motion: Yeas: Mr. Waddington, Mr. Harris, Mr. Meinzer, Mr. Poole, Mr. Murray, Mr. Brady, and Mr. Poggiali, 7. Roll call on the ordinance: Yeas: Mr. Waddington, Mr. Harris, Mr. Meinzer, Mr. Poole, Mr. Murray, Mr. Brady, and Mr. Poggiali, 7. The President declared the ordinance passed.

ITEM 5 – Submitted by Jonathan Holody, Community Development Director

PROPERTY ASSESSED CLEAN ENERGY FINANCING FOR NAME ONE, YELLOWSTONE, LLC.

<u>Budgetary Information:</u> The City will be responsible for forwarding, to the lender, and special assessment payments it receives from Erie County related to the project site. The project will have an ongoing positive impact on the General Fund due to increased income and property taxes.

1. RESOLUTION NO. 017-22R: It is requested a resolution be passed approving the petition for special assessments for special energy improvement projects and affidavit under Ohio Revised Code Chapter 1710 and declaring the necessity of acquiring, constructing, installing, equipping, and improving certain public improvements in the City of Sandusky, Ohio, in cooperation with the City of Sandusky, Ohio Energy Special Improvement District, and declaring it an emergency (333 E. Washington Street Project); and declaring that this resolution shall take immediate effect in accordance with Section 14 of the City Charter.

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Upon motion of Mr. Waddington and second of Mr. Murray, the Commission voted for adoption of this ordinance under the suspension and in full accordance with Section 14 of the City Charter.

Comment:

Mr. Holody stated this was the City's second PACE financed project. Property Assessed Clean Energy Financing allows for the financing of a property located within an energy special improvement district to petition the district or local government to place a special assessment on their property. That special assessment is then paid when the property owner pays their property taxes twice a year. That payment is forwarded to the local government and the local government forwards it on to the lender that provided the upfront lending for the renovation project. In this case, Name One Yellowstone LLC is converting the unit into a nine-unit transient rental property. PACE Financing is attractive to lenders because it provides a certain amount of certainty to the lender, the assessment carries from one property owner to the next, in the event the property is sold. The Sandusky Energy Special Improvement District did review this project and they recommended it for approval at the meeting February 2, 2022. Mr. Poggiali inquired if the financing comes at a reduced rate. Mr. Holody stated that the lender is able to offer the loan at a lower interest rate since they have a higher level of certainty through PACE that they will be repaid. Mr. Poggiali asked if the City was liable for any of this assessment. Mr. Holody stated the City was not, and asked that Mr. Heil, Law Director respond to this inquiry. Mr. Heil stated that Mr. Holody was correct, the way the financing works is that the debt stays with the property. Mr. Poggiali asked if the renovation to the property is not completed, would the City be liable. Mr. Heil stated no, the City would not be.

Roll call on the motion: Yeas: Mr. Waddington, Mr. Harris, Mr. Meinzer, Mr. Poole, Mr. Murray, Mr. Brady, and Mr. Poggiali, 7. Roll call on the resolution: Yeas: Mr. Waddington, Mr. Harris, Mr. Meinzer, Mr. Poole, Mr. Murray, Mr. Brady, and Mr. Poggiali, 7. The President declared the resolution passed.

2. ORDINANCE NO. 22-034: It is requested an ordinance be passed to proceed with the acquisition, installation, equipping, and improvement of certain public improvements in the City of Sandusky, Ohio, in cooperation with the City of Sandusky, Ohio Energy Special Improvement District, and declaring it an emergency (333 E. Washington Street Project); and declaring that this ordinance shall take immediate effect in accordance with Section 14 of the City Charter.

Upon motion of Mr. Murray and second of Mr. Poggiali, the Commission voted for adoption of this ordinance under the suspension and in full accordance with Section 14 of the City Charter. Roll call on the motion: Yeas: Mr. Waddington, Mr. Harris, Mr. Meinzer, Mr. Poole, Mr. Murray, Mr. Brady, and Mr. Poggiali, 7. Roll call on the ordinance: Yeas: Mr. Waddington, Mr. Harris, Mr. Meinzer, Mr. Poole, Mr. Murray, Mr. Brady, and Mr. Poggiali, 7. The President declared the ordinance passed.

3. ORDINANCE NO. 22-035: It is requested an ordinance be passed levying special assessments for the purpose of acquiring, installing, equipping, and improving certain public improvements in the City of Sandusky, Ohio, in cooperation with the City of Sandusky, Ohio Energy Special Improvement District and approving project documents, and declaring it an emergency (333 E. Washington Street Project); and declaring that this ordinance shall take immediate effect in accordance with Section 14 of the City Charter.

Upon motion of Mr. Poggiali and second of Mr. Waddington, the Commission voted for adoption of this ordinance under the suspension and in full accordance with Section 14 of the City Charter. Roll call on the motion: Yeas: Mr. Waddington, Mr. Harris, Mr. Meinzer, Mr. Poole, Mr. Murray, Mr. Brady, and Mr. Poggiali, 7. Roll call on the ordinance: Yeas: Mr. Waddington, Mr. Harris, Mr. Meinzer, Mr. Poole, Mr. Murray, Mr. Brady, and Mr. Poggiali, 7. The President declared the ordinance passed.

ITEM 6 – Submitted by Mario D'Amico, Fire Chief

PURCHASE 5 SETS OF TURNOUT GEAR FOR FIRE DEPARTMENT

Budgetary Information: The total amount of this expenditure is \$19,375 with each set costing \$3,875. This purchase will be paid from monies in the EMS Fund.

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ORDINANCE NO. 22-036: It is requested an ordinance be passed authorizing and directing the City Manager to purchase five (5) Morning Pride Tails Turnout Gear, fire coat and pant sets through the Sourcewell Cooperative Purchasing Program from Municipal Emergency Services, Inc., of Southbury, Connecticut, for use in the Fire Department; and declaring that this ordinance shall take immediate effect in accordance with Section 14 of the City Charter.

Upon motion of Mr. Harris and second of Mr. Poggiali, the Commission voted for adoption of this ordinance under the suspension and in full accordance with Section 14 of the City Charter.

Discussion:

Mr. Murray inquired about the costs of these suits. Chief D'Amico explained the special fire retardant material and extra padding and thermal layer that protects the wearer of the heat. This gear is very good quality, the City has been using them for some time, and they have a ten-year life. The department tries to replace them every five years to have an A set and B set. These new five sets are for the new hires. The older sets are donated to EHOVE for their fire-training program.

Roll call on the motion: Yeas: Mr. Waddington, Mr. Harris, Mr. Meinzer, Mr. Poole, Mr. Murray, Mr. Brady, and Mr. Poggiali, 7. Roll call on the ordinance: Yeas: Mr. Waddington, Mr. Harris, Mr. Meinzer, Mr. Poole, Mr. Murray, Mr. Brady, and Mr. Poggiali, 7. The President declared the ordinance passed.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

DONATIONS

The City of Sandusky Recreation Department would like to thank Brett Charville for his generous donation of \$5,000 for the 2022 continuation of the Midtown Supper Club program. The donation will be used for staffing and supplies. The award-winning program will kick off in April 2022. Mr. Waddington made motion, second by Mr. Poggiali to accept this donation. The President declared this motion passed.

NEW & OLD BUSINESS

FINANCE

 Due to Emancipation Day, the municipal income tax filing deadline for 2021 income tax returns is April 18, 2022. All individuals and businesses can utilize the Regional Income Tax Agency's website at www.ritaohio.com to file their taxes.

PUBLIC WORKS

• The Greenhouse is now accepting palm and fern reservations for Palm Sunday and Easter Sunday, orders can be placed by calling 419.627.5829.

RECREATION

- I would like to ask for a motion for approval for Sandusky Recreation to apply to the Wightman-Wieber Charitable Foundation for grant funds not to exceed \$10,000. The funds will be used to bring back Safety Town in collaboration with the city's police and fire departments in the summer of 2022. Funds will be used to construct the town's streetscape and pay for materials. The grant deadline is March 1. Mr. Poggiali made motion, second by Mr. Waddington to approve grant application by the Recreation Department. The President declared this motion passed.
- I would like to ask for a motion for approval for Sandusky Recreation to apply for bicycle helmets through the 2022 Put a Lid on it Bike Helmet Safety Awareness Campaign for up to 200 bike helmets. The helmets will be used for events in collaboration with the Sandusky Police Department and Sandusky Bay Cycles in 2022. The grant deadline is March 4. Mr. Murray made motion, second by Mr. Poggiali to approve grant application by the Recreation Department. The President declared this motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Murray made motion for three Executive Sessions for the purchase and sale of real estate, second by Mr. Harris. Roll call on the motion: Yeas: Mr. Waddington, Mr. Harris, Mr. Meinzer, Mr. Poole, Mr. Murray, Mr. Brady, and Mr. Poggiali, 7.

Mr. Murray made motion for a second Executive Session for litigation, second by Mr. Poggiali. Roll call on the motion: Yeas: Mr. Waddington, Mr. Harris, Mr. Meinzer, Mr. Poole, Mr. Murray, Mr. Brady, and Mr. Poggiali, 7.

Mr. Murray made motion for a third Executive Session for the purchase and sale of real estate, second by Mr. Poggiali. Yeas: Mr. Waddington, Mr. Harris, Mr. Meinzer, Mr. Poole, Mr. Murray, Mr. Brady, and Mr. Poggiali, 7.

President Brady asked for motions for three Public Hearings. Mr. Poggiali made motion for CDBG 2020 Substantial Amendment for 03.14.22, second by Mr. Harris. Yeas: Mr. Waddington, Mr. Harris, Mr. Meinzer, Mr. Poole, Mr. Murray, Mr. Brady, and Mr. Poggiali, 7.

Mr. Murray made motion for Public Hearing for CDBG 2022 Action Plan for 03.14.22, second by Mr. Harris. Yeas: Mr. Waddington, Mr. Harris, Mr. Meinzer, Mr. Poole, Mr. Murray, Mr. Brady, and Mr. Poggiali, 7.

Mr. Murray made motion for Public Hearing for Re-Zoning of 629 East Adams Street for 04.11.22, second by Mr. Harris. Yeas: Mr. Waddington, Mr. Harris, Mr. Meinzer, Mr. Poole, Mr. Murray, Mr. Brady, and Mr. Poggiali, 7.

Mr. Murray made motion to appoint Mr. Zuilhof to CRA Housing Council, second by Mr. Poggiali. Yeas: Mr. Waddington, Mr. Harris, Mr. Meinzer, Mr. Poole, Mr. Murray, Mr. Brady, and Mr. Poggiali, 7.

Mr. Murray made motion to appoint Ms. Twine to the Audit/Finance Committee, second by Mr. Harris. Yeas: Mr. Waddington, Mr. Harris, Mr. Meinzer, Mr. Poole, Mr. Murray, Mr. Brady, and Mr. Poggiali, 7.

Mr. Harris made motion to appoint Mr. Alexakos to Regional Planning Committee, second by Mr. Poggiali. Yeas: Mr. Waddington, Mr. Harris, Mr. Meinzer, Mr. Poole, Mr. Murray, Mr. Brady, and Mr. Poggiali, 7.

Mr. Poggiali made motion to appoint Mr. Miller to Regional Planning Committee, second by Mr. Harris. Yeas: Mr. Waddington, Mr. Harris, Mr. Meinzer, Mr. Poole, Mr. Murray, Mr. Brady, and Mr. Poggiali, 7.

Mr. Poggiali made motion to appoint Mr. Meinzer to Erie County Corrections Planning Board, second by Mr. Harris. Yeas: Mr. Waddington, Mr. Harris, Mr. Meinzer, Mr. Poole, Mr. Murray, Mr. Brady, and Mr. Poggiali, 7.

Mr. Harris updated the Commission on the event held in honor of National Black History Month by the Minority Business Empowerment Team. Three recipients were awarded the *2022 Black Business Pioneer Award*: Bridget Burel, Johnny Reed, and Phil Parker Sr. Mr. Harris thanked all the sponsors of the event and applauded the new facility at Venue 634. Mr. Murray and Mr. Poggiali also added their sentiments on the event and Venue 634.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

There was no participation.

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The Commission moved into Executive Session at 5:58 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion of Mr. Waddington and second by Mr. Harris, the Commission voted to adjourn at 7:08 p.m. The President declared the meeting adjourned.

Cathleen A. Myers Commission Clerk Richard R. Brady President of the City Commission

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