

MINUTES OF THE WORK SESSION
CITY COUNCIL OF CREST HILL
WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS
March 29, 2021

The March 29, 2021 City Council work session was called to order by Mayor Raymond R. Soliman at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers, 1610 Plainfield Road Crest Hill, Will County, Illinois.

The following Council members were present: Mayor Raymond Soliman, City Clerk Vicki Hackney, City Treasurer Glen Conklin, Alderman Scott Dyke, Alderman John Vershay, Alderwoman Barbara Sklare, Alderwoman Claudia Gazal, Alderwoman Tina Oberlin, Alderman Marco Coladipietro, Alderman Nate Albert.

Also present were: City Administrator Heather McGuire, Deputy Chief Brad Hertzman, Financial Advisor Nick Narducci, Mechanic Brian Semplinski.

Absent were: Interim Director of Public Works Mark Siefert, Police Chief Ed Clark, Finance Supervisor Ashli Motyka, Alderman Joe Kubal.

(#1) Motion by Alderman Coladipietro, seconded by Alderwoman Sklare, to go into an executive session on personnel (5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1)).

On roll call, the vote was:

AYES: Ald. Albert, Vershay, Sklare, Gazal, Oberlin, Coladipietro.

NAYES: None.

ABSENT: Ald. Dyke, Kubal.

There being six (6) affirmative votes, the MOTION CARRIED.

Executive session 7:00 P.M.

(#2) Motion by Alderwoman Oberlin, seconded by Alderman Coladipietro, to return from the executive session on personnel (5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1)).

On roll call, the vote was:

AYES: Ald. Albert, Dyke, Vershay, Sklare, Gazal, Oberlin, Coladipietro, Albert.

NAYES: None.

ABSENT: Ald. Kubal.

There being seven (7) affirmative votes, the MOTION CARRIED.

Reconvened at 7:15 p.m.

TOPIC: City Center Flooring

Mayor Soliman presented the City Center Flooring proposal per the memo dated March 26, 2021. City Administrator Heather McGuire informed the Council that we have the representatives here tonight to do a presentation on the flooring samples. Financial Advisor Nick Narducci gave a presentation. He informed the Council that per Statutes we do not have to bid the product itself. The suggestion was to go with Flooring First. Jason from Flooring First gave a presentation on the three designs that were presented. He went over the items that you need to consider when choosing the flooring. Jason presented carpet samples and explained the durability of the product. He presented samples of paint colors and the reason for the choices. He then showed the Council a sample of the vinyl floor and explained the durability and maintenance of it. The City Center would have porcelain tile in certain areas. There was also a sample of a stone element that would be integrated into

the Council room as a focal point. Discussion followed on the choice of colors, textures, various flooring options, installation, and maintenance. All of the products have a manufacturers warranty on them. Administrator McGuire reminded the Council that we are only discussing the flooring options tonight and will choose wall colors at a later date. Jason explained that they chose carpeting for the Council chambers and offices due to the noise factor. Discussion followed on the options, and pricing. Administrator McGuire explained why she chose the middle option. Alderwoman Oberlin asked to see the middle option with a different tile. Lengthy discussion followed.

Mayor Soliman asked for an informal vote on the City Center Flooring, middle option. All members present were in agreement.

TOPIC: Memorial Garden Hardscapes

Mayor Soliman presented the Memorial Garden Hardscapes per the memo dated March 26, 2021. Financial Advisor Narducci informed the Council that the design of the City Center was built around the Memorial Garden. The monuments are going to have to be moved from the current location to the new one. Advisor Narducci is seeking approval from the Council to waive the bidding process and go with KD Landscape. Dan Stone from KD Landscape was in attendance and gave a presentation to the Council on the hardscape materials and landscaping that was provided for the Council. Alderwoman Oberlin asked if the daylilies that are being proposed are re-blooming. Mr. Stone explained that the majority of them would. Alderwoman Gazal asked if we are going to relocate any of the daylilies that are in the current garden. Advisor Narducci said that it is the intent to move as much of the garden and plantings as possible. Alderman Albert asked about the durability of the of the hardscape material. Mr. Stone said that the only thing he suggested is that rock salt not be used on some of the materials. Alderwoman Gazal questioned the size of the evergreens. Mr. Stone said that they could be 5 to 6 foot round and 15 foot high. She is concerned about how the garden is going to look in the wintertime. Administrator McGuire reminded the Council that this is the design that was approved in 2019. Alderman Albert asked what the dimensions of the garden are. It is roughly 55 feet in width. Administrator McGuire said that the original intent was to use the evergreens to make the garden more private. Alderman Albert questioned lighting for the garden. Administrator McGuire went over the lighting plan. Administrator McGuire asked if anyone needs to take a look at the samples that are in the back.

Mayor Soliman asked for an informal vote on the Memorial Garden Hardscapes, option 1 (display closest to the parking lot) per the memo dated March 26, 2021. All members present were in agreement.

TOPIC: Memorial Garden Fountain

Administrator McGuire informed the Council that we will be tabling the discussion on the Memorial Garden Fountain until the next work session.

TOPIC: Award Jail Detention Bid

Mayor Soliman presented a request to Award the Jail Detention Bid per the memo dated March 29, 2021. Advisor Narducci explained that this request is for the Police Detention Integrator and went over the bid tabulations. Applied Communication Group, Schaumburg adjusted their bid from \$249,723.00 to \$193,520.90. Advisor Narducci is seeking approval to award the bid to Applied Communication Group, Schaumburg. Alderman Vershay asked if inmates would be held overnight in the facility or transported to Will County. Deputy Chief Hertzman explained that at some point in the future Will County could make the City hold those who are incarcerated in our own facility overnight.

Mayor Soliman asked for an informal vote on the Award of the Jail Detention Bid (Detention Integrator) to Applied Communication Group, Schaumburg per the memo dated March 29, 2021. All members present were in agreement.

TOPIC: EIFS Bid Rejection and Waiver

Mayor Soliman presented a request for EIFS Bid Rejection and Waiver per the memo dated March 29, 2021. Advisor Narducci informed the Council that we received a single bid for EIFS. The bid did not meet all of the requirements nor did it include all quantities for the new City Center. Advisor Narducci explained that staff secured quotes from local companies that provide and install EIFS. He is recommending the awarding of the contract to Kole Construction Company, Inc./Plastering Division, Romeoville at the cost of \$48,900.00.

Mayor Soliman asked for an informal vote on EIFS Bid Rejection and Waiver and to contract with Kole Construction Company, inc./Plastering Division Romeoville at the cost of \$48,900.00 per the memo dated March 29, 2021. All members present were in agreement.

TOPIC: Low Voltage Change Order

Mayor Soliman presented the request for the Electrical Contract Change Order per the memo dated March 29, 2021. Advisor Narducci informed the Council that we awarded a contract to TIMM Electric in the amount of \$1,241,855.00 which did not include Low Voltage Wiring. TIMM Electric has provided the City with a quote of \$211,355.00 to conduct all low voltage wiring for the new City Center. Advisor Narducci explained what low voltage wiring is required for and why it is important to have it installed while the building is under construction.

Mayor Soliman asked for an informal vote on the Low Voltage Change Order (TIMM Electric) in the amount of \$211,355.00 per the memo dated March 29, 2021. All members present were in agreement.

Mayor Soliman announced that there is a need for an executive session on personnel (5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1)) and litigation 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(11).

(#3) Motion by Alderwoman Oberlin, seconded by Alderman Coladipietro, to go into an executive session on personnel (5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1)) and litigation 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(11).

On roll call, the vote was:

AYES: Ald. Gazal, Sklare, Vershay, Dyke, Albert, Coladipietro, Oberlin.

NAYES: None.

ABSENT: Ald. Kubal.

There being seven (7) affirmative votes, the MOTION CARRIED.

The executive session began at 8:17 p.m.

The meeting was reconvened at 8:50 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: There were no public comments.

MAYORS UPDATES: Mayor Soliman had no updates for the Council.

COMMITTEE/LIAISON UPDATES: There were no committee/liaison updates.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR UPDATES: City Administrator McGuire informed the Council that after discussion with City Clerk Hackney it was decided that due to the COVID restrictions we will not be serving cake and punch the night of the swearing in of the newly elected City Officials. Because of the size of the room, we will be restricting the number of guests to two per Official being sworn in. The maximum amount of people allowed in the Council room would be limited to 40. Discussion followed.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:53 p.m.

Approved this 5th day of April, 2021

As presented ✓

As amended _____



VICKI L. HACKNEY, CITY CLERK



RAYMOND R. SOLIMAN, MAYOR