

REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMON COUNCIL

Tuesday, June 22, 2021

Olean Municipal Building – 6:35 p.m.

1. ROLL-CALL

2. INVOCATION

3. PLEDGE

4. READING, CORRECTING, AND APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS REGULAR MEETING:

“The Regular Meeting of the Olean Common Council was held on Tuesday, June 8, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.”

PRESENT: Aldermen Crawford, Witte, Panus, Gonzalez, Barnard, Robinson, and Anastasia

ABSENT: None

OFFICIALS: Mayor William Aiello; Lens Martial, City Clerk; Bob Ring, Director of Public Works; Ron Richardson, Police Chief; Tim Richardson, Fire Chief, and Tiffany Taylor, Managerial Confidential Administrative Secretary.

5. COMMITTEE REPORTS AND UNFINISHED COUNCIL BUSINESS

6. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR

Special Proclamation for Juneteenth

Special Proclamation for Pride Month

7. MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS

8. CITY OFFICIAL REPORTS

9. PROPOSED LEGISLATION & REFERRALS

PL #34-21: (Aiello) To authorize the Mayor to sign and submit an application to Health Resources, Inc. through their Walkability Action Institute (WAI) Community Implementation for costs associated with the purchase of high resolution/reflective paint to advance Complete Streets Implementation in an amount not to exceed \$15,000. *Referred to Committee of the Whole Tuesday, June 22, 2021 by Council President.*

PL #35-21: (Aiello) To authorize the Mayor to sign and submit a Grant Application to New York State under the Consolidated Funding Application process to secure funding for the City of Olean

Comprehensive Development Plan Project. *Referred to Regular Meeting Tuesday, June 22, 2021 for Resolution by Council President.*

PL #36-21: (Anastasia) To authorize the transfer of \$20,000 from Sewer Fund Balance to Sewer Fund line item 8120.412 for costs associated with drainage work in the vicinity of 702 North Union Street. *Referred to Committee of the Whole Tuesday, June 22, 2021 by Council President.*

PL #37-21: (Anastasia) To amend the City of Olean Code of Ordinances Section 24-135 to prohibit parking on North Union Street at its intersection with Water Street for a distance of 20 feet from the northeast corner of the intersection and 20 feet from the southeast corner of the intersection, as well as to prohibit parking on East Water Street at its intersection with North Union Street for a distance of 20 feet from the northeast corner of the intersection and 20 feet from the southeast corner of the intersection. *Referred to Committee of the Whole Tuesday, June 22, 2021 by Council President.*

PL #38-21: (Crawford) To authorize the transfer of \$10,000 from General Fund Contingency to Capital Fund #150, Sidewalk Program. *Referred to Regular Meeting Tuesday, June 22, 2021 for Resolution by Council President.*

PL #39-21: (Aiello) To authorize the Mayor to sign and submit an application to the U.S. Department of Transportation through the Rebuilding America Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) Discretionary Grant program for the Connecting Communities: A Multi-modal Vision for West State Street, Olean, NY Project. *Referred to Committee of the Whole Tuesday, June 22, 2021 by Council President.*

PL #40-21: (Aiello) To authorize the expenditure of \$215,000 of remaining unallocated borrowed funds for the Washington Street Project. *Referred to Regular Meeting Tuesday, June 22, 2021 for Resolution by Council President.*

10. PUBLIC COMMENT/INPUT (5 MINUTE LIMIT PER SPEAKER)

11. FINANCE-BILLS

By Alderman _____ Seconded by Alderman _____

The Auditor has processed bills and claims against the City of Olean as per list submitted to each Alderman and recommends payment thereof.

WHEREAS, the Auditor has presented to the Common Council, bills and claims against the City of Olean totaling \$3,052,403.44 for the budget and recommends payment thereof.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the same be and are hereby audited and allowed, and the Auditor is hereby authorized and directed to draw warrants for the payment thereof at the amounts set opposite each respective claim.

12. RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION #42-21

PL #34-21

By Alderman _____, Seconded by Alderman _____

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO SIGN AND SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO HEALTH RESEARCH, INC. THROUGH THEIR WALKABILITY ACTION INSTITUTE COMMUNITY IMPLEMENTATION FOR COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH THE PURCHASE OF HIGH RESOLUTION / REFLECTIVE PAINT TO ADVANCE COMPLETE STREETS IMPLEMENTATION IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$15,000

WHEREAS, Health Research, Inc. has been awarded a grant/contract from the Center Disease Control Prevention for a project partially involving the Walkability Action Institute (WAI) Community Implementation; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the New York Walkability Action Institute is to prepare interdisciplinary teams to pursue policy, systems, and environmental supports for walking and walkability; and

WHEREAS, the City of Olean will utilize funding granted by Health Research, Inc. through the WAI Community Implementation to advance Complete Streets implementation by improving bike-ability and safety through the implementation of bike lane markings or sharrows its new walkable/rollable/bikeable Olean streetscape plan; and

WHEREAS, high resolution/reflective paint is needed to create shared use bike lanes among six miles of the new walkable Olean streetscapes and these new markings along primary City streets will allow for all forms of traffic to safely use the shared road space; and

WHEREAS, the cost of high resolution/reflective paint to be used for new markings along primary City streets to allow for a safer shared use road space and to ultimately advance the Complete Streets initiative is an eligible expense under the WAI Community Implementation;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Common Council of the City of Olean hereby authorizes the Mayor to sign and submit a grant application to Health Research, Inc. through their Walkability Action Institute Community Implementation for costs associated with the purchase of high resolution/reflective paint to advance Complete Streets implementation in an amount not to exceed \$15,000.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute any and all contracts, documents, and agreements related to aforementioned funding applications and awards.

BE IT RESOLVED, that this Resolution is effective immediately.

RESOLUTION #43-21

PL #35-21

By Alderman _____, Seconded by Alderman _____

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO SIGN AND SUBMIT A GRANT APPLICATION TO NEW YORK STATE UNDER THE CONSOLIDATED FUNDING APPLICATION PROCESS TO SECURE FUNDING FOR THE CITY OF OLEAN COMPREHENSIVE DEVELOPMENT PLAN PROJECT

WHEREAS, as part of a transformative plan to improve the State’s economic development model, the New York State Consolidated Funding Application (CFA) process has been created to streamline and expedite the grant application process, making a fundamental shift in the way state resources are allocated, ensuring less bureaucracy and greater efficiency to fulfill local economic development needs; and

WHEREAS, the Western New York Regional Economic Development Council (WNYREDC) announced Round 11 of the New York State Consolidated Funding Application (CFA) including funding from over 30 state programs participating in the CFA, representing a combined pool of grant funds, tax credits and low-cost financing totaling over \$525 million; and

WHEREAS, the City of Olean has identified the Comprehensive Development Plan Project as an eligible expense under two of these State funded programs; and

WHEREAS, Empire State Development’s (ESD) Urban and Community Development Program promotes economic development in the State of New York by encouraging economic and employment opportunities and stimulating development of communities and urban areas and has funding available for the preparation and development of strategic plans; and

WHEREAS, the Department of State’s (DOS) Environmental Protection Fund Smart Growth Program has funding available to advance the preparation of municipal comprehensive plans to establish land use policies which support smart growth and clean energy principles for the community; and

WHEREAS, the Common Council desires to apply for financial assistance and commits to providing the local matching funds to financially support this project with a projected cost not to exceed \$100,000 to be comprised of \$50,000 ESD funds, \$40,000 DOS funds, and \$10,000 local funds;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Common Council of the City of Olean authorizes the Mayor, as the representative designated to act on behalf of the City of Olean in all matters related to State assistance for this project, is authorized to sign and submit a Grant Application to New York State under the Consolidated Funding Application process to secure funding for the City of Olean Comprehensive Development Plan Project through Empire State Development’s

Urban Community Development Program and the Department of State’s Environmental Protection Fund Smart Growth Program in amounts of \$50,000 and \$40,000, respectively.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute any and all contracts, documents, and agreements related to aforementioned funding applications and awards.

BE IT RESOLVED, that this Resolution is hereby effective immediately.

RESOLUTION #44-21

PL #36-21

By Alderman _____, Seconded by Alderman _____

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TRANSFER OF FUNDS FROM D SEWER FUND BALANCE TO SEWER MAINTENANCE

RESOLVED, that the following transfer be authorized for costs associated with drainage work in the vicinity of 702 North Union Street:

<i>Account #</i>	<i>Description – General</i>	<i>Transferred From</i>	<i>Transferred to</i>
G-07-3-909.000	Sewer Fund Balance	\$20,000	
G-07-5-8120.412	Sewer Maintenance – Resurfacing – Street Materials		\$20,000

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution is effective immediately.

RESOLUTION #45-21

PL #38-21

By Alderman _____, Seconded by Alderman _____

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TRANSFER OF FUNDS FROM GENERAL FUND CONTINGENCY TO CAPITAL FUND #150

RESOLVED, that the following transfer be authorized to replenish the Sidewalk Program fund:

<i>Account #</i>	<i>Description – General</i>	<i>Transferred From</i>	<i>Transferred to</i>
A-01-5-1990.590	General Fund Contingency	\$10,000	
Capital Fund #150	Sidewalk Program		\$10,000

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution is effective immediately.

RESOLUTION #46-21

PL #39-21

By Alderman _____, Seconded by Alderman _____

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO SIGN AND SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION THROUGH THE REBUILDING AMERICAN INFRASTRUCTURE WITH SUSTAINABILITY AND EQUITY (RAISE) DISCRETIONARY GRANT PROGRAM FOR THE CONNECTING COMMUNITIES: A MULTI-MODAL VISION FOR WEST STATE STREET, OLEAN, NY PROJECT

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Transportation’s Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) Discretionary Grant program provides a unique opportunity for the DOT to invest in projects that promise to achieve national objectives; and

WHEREAS, Congress has dedicated nearly \$8.9 billion since 2009 for twelve rounds of National Infrastructure Investments through RAISE, BUILD, and TIGER grants to projects that have a significant local or regional impact; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Transportation published a Notice of Funding Opportunity to apply for \$1 billion discretionary grant funding through the Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) grant; and

WHEREAS, the Common Council desires to apply for \$6.5 million in no-match funding through the RAISE grant program for West State Street improvements designated the “Connecting Communities: A Multi-modal Vision for West State Street, Olean, NY Project”;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Common Council of the City of Olean hereby authorizes the Mayor to sign and submit an application to the U.S. Department of Transportation through the Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) Discretionary Grant program for the Connecting Communities: A Multi-modal Vision for West State Street, Olean, NY Project.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute any and all contracts, documents, and agreements related to aforementioned funding applications and awards.

BE IT RESOLVED, that this Resolution is hereby effective immediately.

RESOLUTION #47-21

PL #40-21

By Alderman _____, Seconded by Alderman _____

**TO AUTHORIZE THE EXPENDITURE OF \$215,000 OF ADDITIONAL EXISTING FUNDS FOR THE
WASHINGTON STREET PROJECT**

WHEREAS, the City of Olean Washington Street Waterline Project has remaining unallocated borrowed funds of \$239,454; and

WHEREAS, the Common Council previously verbally approved Washington Street, North 4th Street, and Laurens Street intersection improvements in the amount of \$74,488.49; and

WHEREAS, the Common Council desires to undertake additional streetscape improvements in conjunction with the project including the addition of a bike boulevard and striping changes, the addition of signage, intersection improvements, and tree plantings and removals for a total cost of \$140,000;

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Common Council authorizes the expenditure of \$215,000 of remaining unallocated borrowed funds for the Washington Street Waterline Project in order to complete additional intersection improvements, street update / bike boulevard / crossing improvements, striping / signage improvements, and tree planting and removals.

RESOLVED, that this Resolution is effective immediately.

13. ADJOURNMENT