

REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMON COUNCIL

Tuesday, January 11, 2022

via Zoom – 6:05 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, December 28, 2021 at 6:10 p.m.”

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

ABSENT: None

OFFICIALS: Mayor William Aiello; Frank Caputo, City Clerk; Lens Martial, City Auditor; Bob Ring, Director of Public Works, and Michiko McElfresh, Mayor’s Secretary.

5. COMMITTEE REPORTS AND UNFINISHED COUNCIL BUSINESS

6. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR

7. MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS

Application for a Liquor License – HK Olean Hotel, LLC (Hampton Inn and Suites) – 110 Jack Murphy Boulevard, Olean

Application for a Liquor License – JMRA Enterprises, LLC (Granny’s Verona) – 325 Main Street, Olean

8. CITY OFFICIAL REPORTS

9. PROPOSED LEGISLATION & REFERRALS

PL #01-22: (Aiello) To amend Resolution #102-21 to modify account numbers related to a fund transfer. *Referred to Committee of the Whole Tuesday, January 11, 2022 by Council President.*

PL #02-22: (Aiello) To authorize the Mayor to sign and submit an application to Cattaraugus County under the Municipal Matching Grant Program for funding associated with the City’s match to update the Comprehensive Development Plan. *Referred to Committee of the Whole Tuesday, January 11, 2022 by Council President.*

PL #03-22: (Anastasia) To amend the City of Olean Code of Ordinances Section 24-134 to authorize the installation of “No Parking” signs for a distance of 20 feet northwest of the curb ramp on the west side of North Union Street at its intersection with Franklin Street. *Referred to Regular Meeting Tuesday, January 25, 2022 for Resolution by Council President.*

PL #04-22: (Anastasia) To amend the City of Olean Code of Ordinances Section 24-135 to authorize the installation of a “No Parking Here to Corner” sign on the northeast corner of North Fifth Street at its intersection with Wayne Street. *Referred to Public Safety Committee by Council President.*

PL #05-22: (Aiello) That the Common Council as Lead Agency, declares the Community Forest Management Plan a Type I Action that will not result in any significant adverse environmental impact and thus issues a Negative Declaration in accordance with the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act. *Referred to Committee of the Whole Tuesday, January 25, 2022 by Council President.*

PL #06-22: (Aiello) That the City of Olean Common Council formally adopts the Community Forest Management Plan. *Referred to Committee of the Whole Tuesday, January 25, 2022 by Council President.*

PL #07-22: (Aiello) That the Common Council as Lead Agency declares the Oak Hill Park Downtown Revitalization Initiative Project a Type I Action that will not result in any significant adverse environmental impact and thus issues a Negative Declaration. *Referred to Committee of the Whole Tuesday, January 22, 2022 by Council President.*

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

11. FINANCE-BILLS

12. RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION #01-22

PL #01-22

By Alderman _____, Seconded by Alderman _____

RESOLUTION AMENDING RESOLUTION #102-21

RESOLVED, that Resolution #102-21 is hereby amended to read as follows:

RESOLVED, that the following transfer be authorized for costs associated with the repairs of a vacuum truck:

Account #	Description – General	Transferred From	Transferred to
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G-07-5-1990.590	Sewer Fund Contingency	\$29,753.53
G-07-5-8120.446	Sewer Fund – Automotive Repairs	\$29,753.53

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

RESOLUTION #02-22

PL #02-22

By Alderman _____, Seconded by Alderman _____

TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO SIGN AND SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO CATTARAUGUS COUNTY UNDER THE MUNICIPAL MATCHING GRANT PROGRAM FOR FUNDING ASSOCIATED WITH THE CITY’S MATCH TO UPDATE THE COMPREHENSIVE DEVELOPMENT PLAN

WHEREAS, the City of Olean sought funding for the creation of a Comprehensive Development Plan (CDP) that will provide a blueprint for the development, preservation and enhancement of residential, commercial and industrial neighborhoods as well as public facilities, infrastructure and greenspace, and will include topical items, supporting maps, photos, and other graphics in a digital format compatible with the County’s GIS system; and

WHEREAS, this plan, with a 20 year horizon, would incorporate visions, ideas, and foresight and provide recommendations and an implementation plan to execute Smart Growth principles and projects; and

WHEREAS, the City of Olean has been awarded \$40,000 from the New York State Department of State through the 2021 Consolidated Funding Application and \$50,000 through New York State Empire State Development through the Strategic Planning and Feasibility Studies Program through the Western New York Region’s REDC; and

WHEREAS, the total estimated project cost for the creation of a CDP is \$100,000, leaving a \$10,000 local match for said project; and

WHEREAS, Cattaraugus County Legislature has created a Municipal Matching Grant Program to provide support to municipalities who are applying for State, Federal and Foundation Funding and need assistance with securing required matching funds; and

WHEREAS, if awarded, said grant would provide up to 50% of matching funds for a total of \$5,000;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Common Council authorizes the Mayor to sign an submit an application to Cattaraugus County under the Municipal Matching Grant Program for funding associated with the City’s match to update the Comprehensive Development Plan.

RESOLVED, that the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute all documents, contracts, and agreements associated with said grant.

RESOLVED, that this Resolution is effective immediately.

RESOLUTION #05-22

PL #07-22

By Alderman _____, Seconded by Alderman _____

THAT THE COMMON COUNCIL AS LEAD AGENCY DECLARES THE OAK HILL PARK DOWNTOWN REVITALIZATION INITIATIVE PROJECT A TYPE I ACTION THAT WILL NOT RESULT IN ANY SIGNIFICANT ADVERSE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT AND THUS ISSUES A NEGATIVE DECLARATION

WHEREAS, the City of Olean has received an allocation of Downtown Revitalization Initiative funding to make various improvements and upgrades to Oak Hill Park, a 5.56 acre underutilized public park owned by the City of Olean; and

WHEREAS, the project includes the construction of an outdoor partial gazebo style stage area for use by the Olean Theater Workshop, a small restroom, construction of an off-leash dog park, minimal additional trail and ADA sidewalk construction, rehabilitation of the existing athletic court areas and chain like fence areas, and a conversion of a small existing blacktopped area to accommodate a picnic area consisting of a permanent ADA table and grill, etc.; and

WHEREAS, the Common Council has determined that the proposed action is a “Type I Action” as defined under the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQR); and

WHEREAS, the Common Council has caused to be prepared an environmental assessment of the significance of and potential environmental impact of this action; and

WHEREAS, the Common Council has requested Lead Agency status by notification of Involved and Interested Agencies of its intent for this adoption and circulated Parts I and II of the Environmental Assessment Form pursuant to 6NYCRR Section 617.6 and has declared itself Lead Agency for purposes of Environmental Review; and

WHEREAS, the City of Olean Common Council, as Lead Agency, has reviewed and fully considered Part I and II of the SEQR Full Environmental Assessment Form (EAF);

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Common Council finds that the Oak Hill Park Downtown Revitalization Initiative Project will result in no major impacts and will not cause significant damage to the environment. A Negative Declaration under SEQR is therefore issued for this action.

RESOLVED, that this Resolution is effective immediately.

13. ADJOURNMENT