

COMMON COUNCIL

SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA

September 27, 2016

6:00 PM

Call To Order

Public Hearing – Authorizing of Application 2016 Restore NY Grant Round 4

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 YMCA Halloween Parade

Finance

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Resolutions

 Authorizing of Application 2016 Restore NY Grant Round 4

 Finding of Consistency With City Comprehensive Plan and City Financial Capability Concerning 2016 Restore NY Round 4 Grant Application

Executive Session to discuss contract negotiations

Adjournment

Correspondence

YMCA Halloween Parade – Ald. _____ **moved** to receive and approve a request by the Norwich Family YMCA for police assistance with their annual Halloween Parade on October 29, 2016 at 11:00 a.m. in conjunction with the Annual Norwich Pumpkin Festival. The parade route will begin on South Broad St., starting at Beebe Ave. and ending on North Broad St. and Fair St. behind the Howard Johnson hotel. Seconded by Ald. _____, approved ayes all.

Resolutions

RESOLUTION # -2016 AUTHORIZING OF APPLICATION 2016 RESTORE NY GRANT ROUND 4

Ald. _____ introduced the following and **moved** its adoption:

WHEREAS, the City of Norwich desires to stabilize residential neighborhoods and restore vacant properties to productive residential use, it is considered to be in the public interest for the City to acquire ownership or other satisfactory form of site control of severely damaged or otherwise derelict properties for the purpose of restoring existing structures or reconstructing new residences in their place, and

WHEREAS, an opportunity exists for the City to apply for a 90/10 matching grant (90% state funds / 10% local funds) to fund the restoration or reconstruction of such properties; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing is required concerning the grant application; and

WHEREAS, City staff has identified a City-owned property at 45 Silver Street, which is believed to be an eligible candidate for redevelopment under the Restore NY program; and

WHEREAS, the proposed project is consistent with the Comprehensive Plan; and

WHEREAS, the proposed project will facilitate effective and efficient use of existing and future public resources so as to promote both economic development and preservation of community resources; and

WHEREAS, appropriate reviews according to the provisions of the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA) and the State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) will be conducted prior to approval of the grant application by the Empire State Development Corporation; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Mayor of the City of Norwich be and hereby is authorized to file an application for funds from the Empire State Development Corporation (ESDC) in an amount not to exceed \$120,000, and upon approval of said request to execute, under the direction of the City Attorney, a project agreement and any related documents with the ESDC for such financial assistance for the City of Norwich to proceed with the redevelopment of the subject property at 45 Silver Street that is the subject of the grant; and further be it

Seconded by Ald. _____, and duly (adopted / defeated), _____, on a roll call vote.

RESOLUTION # -- 2016

FINDING OF CONSISTENCY WITH CITY COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AND CITY FINANCIAL CAPABILITY CONCERNING 2016 RESTORE NY ROUND 4 GRANT APPLICATION

Alderman _____ introduced the following and **moved** its adoption:

WHEREAS, by resolution adopted September 27, 2016, the City of Norwich Common Council authorized an application to the fourth round of the Restore NY Communities Initiative grant program for the purpose of demolishing a dilapidated vacant multi-family residential structure at 45 Silver Street and to reconstruct a new single-family dwelling in its place; and

WHEREAS, City officials and staff have reviewed the above project proposal for consistency with the City's

Comprehensive Plan, adopted May 20, 2014, which serves as the City's local revitalization and urban development plan; and

WHEREAS, the total project cost is estimated to be \$145,420.00 and the amount to be requested from the grant is \$120,000, the City's cash/in-kind contribution is expected to be \$25,420.00; and

WHEREAS, the Common Council believes that the proposed funding is appropriate for the above project and believes that the project facilitates effective and efficient use of existing and future public resources so as to promote both economic development and preservation of community resources; and

WHEREAS, the Common Council believes the proposed project will develop and enhance the community's commercial and residential infrastructure in a manner that will attract, create and sustain employment opportunities; and

WHEREAS, the City of Norwich has adequate community development funds to finance the City's portion of project costs; and

WHEREAS, the value of in-kind labor services devoted to the project as well as expenses which have already been incurred may be counted as part of the City's contribution to the project; and

WHEREAS, residual proceeds which may result from the eventual sale of the City-owned project property shall be returned to the City treasury for use in future community development activities; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the City of Norwich Common Council hereby finds the proposal expressed for the City's Restore NY Round 4 grant application to be consistent with the City's Comprehensive Plan adopted May 20, 2014, which serves as the City's local revitalization and urban development plan; and further be it

RESOLVED, that the City of Norwich Common Council hereby authorizes funding from community development sources in the amount of \$25,420 to serve as the local match for the City's application to the fourth round of the Restore NY Communities Initiative grant program; and further be it

RESOLVED, that the City's grant application shall include the value of in-kind services that will be contributed to the project.

Seconded by Alderman _____ and duly adopted, _____, on a roll call vote.