

COMMON COUNCIL

Special Meeting
July 2, 2024

Mayor Brian Doliver presided at a special meeting of the Common Council held at 9:17 PM on July 2, 2024, in the Common Council Chambers at One Court Plaza.

Present:

Mayor Brian Doliver
Ald. Fred Gee
Ald. Nancy Allaire
Ald. William Loomis
Ald. David Zieno
Ald. Robert D. Jeffrey

Supervisor Robert M. Jeffrey

Also:

Director of Finance/City Clerk Dee DuFour
Director of Human Resources Lynn Murray
Youth Bureau Director Anthony Testani
Fire Chief Jan Papelino
Police Chief Reuben Roach
EMO Stephen Cady
Community Development Director Erik Scrivener
Deputy City Clerk Agnes Eaton

Absent

Supervisor James McNeil
Ald. Eric Warren

Call to Order

The meeting of the Common Council was called to order at 9:17 p.m.

Correspondence

- ◆ **Fireman's Parade** – Ald. Jeffrey **moved** to approve a request from the Chenango County Agricultural Society for Police and Fire Police assistance for the Fireman's Parade on Wednesday, August 7, 2024. The parade will start from the High School on Midland Dr., proceeding to East Main Street and entering the Fairground entrance. Seconded by Ald. Gee, approved ayes all.

Resolutions

RESOLUTION #45 - 2024 AUTHORIZING APPROPRIATION OF GRANT FUNDS FROM R.C. SMITH FOUNDATION & THE GREATER NORWICH FOUNDATION FOR CITY BAND SUMMER CONCERT SERIES

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

WHEREAS, a grant in the amount of \$3,724 has been received from the R.C. Smith Foundation for supporting the Norwich City Band 2024 summer concert series; and

WHEREAS, a grant in the amount of \$4,000 has also been received from The Greater Norwich Foundation for supporting the Norwich City Band 2024 summer concert series; and

WHEREAS, corresponding increases are therefore required in budgeted appropriations for the above designated purpose; and

WHEREAS, the Joint Committee has made certain recommendations; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that \$3,724 from the RC Smith Grant and \$4,000 from The Greater Norwich Foundation Grant be and hereby are appropriated for the Norwich City Band 2024 summer concert series; and, further be it

RESOLVED, that the Director of Finance be and hereby is authorized to make the following supplemental appropriation in the 2024 General Fund budget:

From:

<u>Account Number</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>
A910	General Fund – Appropriated Fund Balance	\$ 7,724
<u>To:</u>		
<u>Account Number</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>
A7270.4020	Band Concerts - Contracted Services	\$ 7,724

Seconded by Ald. Allaire, and duly adopted, 5 - 0, on a roll call vote.

RESOLUTION #46 - 2024 APPLICATION FOR A BROWNFIELD OPPORTUNITY AREA (BOA) PLAN

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

WHEREAS, the City of Norwich, New York, herein called the "Applicant", after thorough consideration, has hereby determined that certain work, as described in its application and attachments, herein called the "Project", is desirable; and

WHEREAS, §970-r of the General Municipal Law authorizes State assistance to eligible parties for Brownfield Opportunity Areas Program grants by means of a State Assistance Contract (the contract); and

WHEREAS, the City of Norwich, New York deems it to be in the public interest and benefit to enter into a contract therewith, now, therefore be it

RESOLVED,

1. That Brian Doliver, Mayor of the City, is the representative authorized to act on behalf of all applicants in all matters related to State assistance under §970-r of the General Municipal Law for the Project. The representative is also authorized to: sign and submit the application; execute the contract; request payment advances and reimbursements; redistribute contract reimbursements as appropriate; submit Project documentation; and otherwise act for all applicants in all matters related to the Project and to State assistance;
2. That the Applicant intends to complete a BOA Plan or Plan for an approximate 500-acre area characterized with numerous vacant, underutilized, and potential brownfield sites in the City of Norwich, hereafter to be referred to as the City of Norwich Brownfield Opportunity Area.
3. That the Applicant requests funds in the amount of \$180,000, representing no more than 90% of the total Project costs;
4. That the Applicant agrees that it will fund the Applicant's minimum required 10% share of the Project;
5. That the Applicant agrees to complete the BOA Plan in a timely manner and to seek official Designation of the Brownfield Opportunity Area by the Secretary of State upon completion of the BOA Plan; and
6. That this Authorization take effect immediately.

Seconded by Ald. Jeffrey, and duly adopted, 5 - 0, on a roll call vote.

Executive Session

Ald. Loomis **moved** to enter executive session to discuss the employment history of a particular individual and financial history of a particular corporation at 9:21 p.m. Seconded by Ald. Jeffrey, approved ayes all.

Ald. Jeffrey **moved** to exit executive session at 10:02 p.m. Seconded by Ald. Loomis, approved ayes all.

Motion

Ald. Jeffrey moved to advertise one temporary Firefighter position. Seconded by Ald. Loomis, approved ayes all.

Adjournment

Ald. Jeffrey **moved** to adjourn at 10:04 p.m. Seconded by Ald. Gee, approved ayes all.