

The City Council met in regular session in the Council Chambers on Wednesday, April 4, 2018 at 9:00 A.M.

Council Members present: Allen, Kwitowski, Merski, Schaaf, Winarski, Witherspoon and Arrington 7. Yeas. 0.

On motion of Ms. Allen, Seconded by Mrs. Arrington, the reading of the minutes of the Meeting of March 21, 2018 were dispensed with and same adopted with copies furnished to the members of City Council by yeas Council Members Allen, Kwitowski, Merski, Schaaf, Winarski, Witherspoon and Arrington. 7. Nays. 0. Copies of the bills under date of March 30, and April 6, 2018, were given to City Council and same adopted by yeas Council Members Allen, Kwitowski, Merski, Schaaf, Winarski, Witherspoon and Arrington 7. Nays. 0.

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By Mr. Merski Council File No. 15,619      Pending Official Ordinance 10-2018

An ordinance appropriating the sum of **\$100,000.00** to be received as a transfer from the Economic Development and Recruitment Project to the City of Erie Business Development Fund for the purposes of job creation, investment and economic development in the City of Erie.

April 4, 2018. City Council on motion of Mr. Merski, Seconded by Mr. Witherspoon having read Council File No. 15,619, and now known as Official File Ordinance No. 10-2018 does hereby adopt on Final Passage by yeas Council Members Allen, Kwitowski, Merski, Schaaf, Winarski, Witherspoon and Arrington. 7. Nays 0.

April 4, 2018 Signed by the President. Attested by the City Clerk.

By Mr. Merski      Council File No. 15,620

An ordinance appropriating the sum of **\$304,474.00** in the City of **Erie Debt Service Fund** from unanticipated and unappropriated fund balance. This appropriation completes a transfer of Balance Sheet account between the General Fund and Sewer Fund which alleviates inter-fund receivables and payables between these funds.

April 4, 2018. City Council on motion of Mr. Merski, Seconded by Mr. Kwitowski having read Council File No. 15,620, does hereby adopt on First Reading by yeas Council Members Allen, Kwitowski, Merski, Schaaf, Winarski Witherspoon and Arrington 7. Nays 0.

April 4, 2018 Signed by the President. Attested by the City Clerk.

By Mr. Kwitowski      Council File No. 15,621

An ordinance **closing and vacating** the 25' portion of the **Right-of-Way** at the northwest corner of West 8<sup>th</sup> Street and **Beverly Drive** to be added to Parcel Index No. 17-041-0310-300.

April 4, 2018. City Council on motion of Mr. Kwitowski, Seconded by Mr. Merski having read Council File No. 15,621, does hereby adopt on First Reading by yeas Council Members Allen, Kwitowski, Merski, Schaaf, Winarski Witherspoon and Arrington 7. Nays 0.

April 4, 2018 Signed by the President. Attested by the City Clerk.

By Mr. Kwitowski Council File No. 15,622

An ordinance [closing and vacating](#) a public **alleyway** from West 21<sup>st</sup> and West 22<sup>nd</sup> Street, between Peach and Sassafras Streets, with reservation of existing utility rights-of-way.

April 4, 2018. City Council on motion of Mr. Kwitowski, Seconded by Mr. Merski having read Council File No. 15,622, does hereby adopt on First Reading by yeas Council Members Allen, Kwitowski, Merski, Schaaf, Winarski Witherspoon and Arrington 7. Nays 0.  
April 4, 2018 Signed by the President. Attested by the City Clerk.

By Mr. Witherspoon, Seconded by Mr. Winarski, Resolved, etc.

That **Mr. Doug Mitchell** of 3621 Beech Ave., Erie, PA 16508 is appointed to the **Sewer Authority Board** to complete the term of Bill Jerin Jr. Mr. Mitchell's term will expire 12/31/20.

April 4, 2018. City Council adopt by yeas Council Members, Allen, Kwitowski, Merski, Schaaf, Winarski, Witherspoon and Arrington 7. Nays. 0.  
April 4, 2018. Signed by the President. Attested by the City Clerk.

By Mr. Witherspoon, Seconded by Mr. Winarski, Resolved, etc.

That **Ms. Marybeth Smialek** of 5315 Dorchester Drive, Erie, PA 16509 is appointed to the **Erie Regional Airport Authority** to complete the term of Bill Jerin Jr. Ms. Smialek's term will expire 12/31/22.

April 4, 2018. City Council adopt by yeas Council Members, Allen, Kwitowski, Merski, Schaaf, Winarski, Witherspoon and Arrington 7. Nays. 0.  
April 4, 2018. Signed by the President. Attested by the City Clerk.

By Ms. Allen, Seconded by Mr. Winarski, Resolved, etc.

That the proper City Officials are authorized and directed to enter into a Cooperative Agreement between the City of Erie and **Northwest Pennsylvania Regional Testing Consortium & [Mercyhurst University](#) Public Safety Institute** to provide Preliminary Eligibility Examinations for Police Officers.

April 4, 2018. City Council adopt by yeas Council Members, Allen, Kwitowski, Merski, Schaaf, Winarski, Witherspoon and Arrington 7. Nays. 0.  
April 4, 2018. Signed by the President. Attested by the City Clerk.

By Mr. Merski, Seconded by Mr. Kwitowski, Resolved, etc.

That the proper City Officials are authorized and directed to enter into an [Agreement](#) between the City of Erie and **Theresa Koech in settlement** of her personal injury in the Erie County Court of Common Pleas at No. 11718-2015 in the amount of \$22,500.

April 4, 2018. City Council adopt by yeas Council Members, Allen, Kwitowski, Merski, Schaaf, Winarski, Witherspoon and Arrington 7. Nays. 0.  
April 4, 2018. Signed by the President. Attested by the City Clerk.

By Mr. Merski, Seconded by Mr. Kwitowski, Resolved, etc.

That the Enterprise Zone Loan Review Committee approval of the following loan be formally ratified:

<u>Amount</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Fee</u>		
<a href="#">West End Hardware, LLC</a>	\$162,500.00	15 Years	\$812.50	

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By Mr. Merski, Seconded by Mr. Kwitowski, Resolved, etc.

That the proposed Repository sale of property commonly known as [623 East 8<sup>th</sup> Street](#), Erie, PA and identified by Erie County Assessment Index Number 15-020-0310-20900 by the Erie County Tax Claim Bureau to **Marcus Atkinson** of ServErie, 231 Parade Street, Erie, PA in the amount of \$250.00 be hereby approved.

April 4, 2018. City Council adopt by yeas Council Members, Allen, Kwitowski, Merski, Schaaf, Winarski, Witherspoon and Arrington 7. Nays. 0.

April 4, 2018. Signed by the President. Attested by the City Clerk.

By Ms. Schaaf, Seconded by Ms. Allen, Resolved, etc.

That the following amounts are transferred in the **Bureau of Sewers**

Transferred from:			Transferred to:		
Amount	Account	Title	Amount	Account	Title
\$8,000.00	007-0771-0000-4047	Heat, Light & Power	\$8,000.00	007-0771-0000-4041	Professional Svcs.

By Mrs. Schaaf, Seconded by Ms. Allen, Resolved, etc.

That the Mayor and City Controller are authorized and directed to execute contracts between the City of Erie and the following individuals and/or companies for goods and/or services as noted and the City Council do hereby ratify and confirm the said transactions which are to be charged to the respective Budget Code Numbers, viz:

1. **McGill, Power, Bell & Associates, LLP**, 1920 West 8<sup>th</sup> Street, Erie, PA 16505 for the preparation of the 2017 Annual Audit/Financial Report for the Department of Community & Economic Development (DCED) not to exceed the amount of \$33,600.00.
2. **All An Act Productions**, 1650 West 39<sup>th</sup> Street, Erie, PA 16509, for the Footlights Theater Summer Recreational Program, in the amount of \$29,065.00.

April 4, 2018. City Council adopt by yeas Council Members, Allen, Kwitowski, Merski, Schaaf, Winarski, and Arrington 7. Nays. 0. Witherspoon Abstains

April 4, 2018. Signed by the President. Attested by the City Clerk.

By Mr. Witherspoon, Seconded by Mr. Winarski, resolved, etc.

3. **GEEDC (Greater Erie Economic Development Corp.)**, 18 West 9<sup>th</sup> Street, Erie, PA 16501, for the Summer Recreation Program (Spoon's Summer Basketball League-Spoon's Court and Bayview Park) in the amount of \$42,065.00.

April 4, 2018. City Council adopt by yeas Council Members, Allen, Kwitowski, Merski, Schaaf, Winarski, and Arrington 6. Nays. 0. Mr. Witherspoon Abstains

April 4, 2018. Signed by the President. Attested by the City Clerk

By Ms. Allen, Seconded by Mrs. Arrington, resolved, etc.

4. **McGill, Power, Bell & Associates, LLP**, 1920 West 8<sup>th</sup> Street, Erie, PA 16505 for the preparation of the [2017 Annual Audit](#)/Financial Report for the Finance Office of the City of Erie not to exceed the amount of \$112,000.00.
5. **ATR, Inc.**, PO Box 531, Ellwood City, PA 16117, for portable toilet service and rentals, and optional special events for the Bureau of Parks of the City of Erie at unit prices per bid #6463 (3/20/18).

April 4, 2018. City Council adopt by yeas Council Members, Allen, Kwitowski, Merski, Schaaf, Winarski, and Arrington 7. Nays. 0. Witherspoon Abstains

April 4, 2018. Signed by the President. Attested by the City Clerk.

By Mr. Merski, Seconded by Mr. Witherspoon, Resolved, etc.

That the Purchasing Agent is authorized and directed to issue purchase orders to the following individuals and/or companies for goods and/or services as noted and the City Council does hereby ratify and confirm the said transactions which are to be charged to the respective Budget Code Numbers, viz:

1. **C&T Electric**, P.O. Box 8502, Erie, PA 16505 for a generator at Engine 6 for the firefighters housing unit for the Bureau of Fire at a total cost of \$5,952.00.
2. **Arcadis US, Inc.**, 50 Fountain Plaza, Suite 600, Buffalo, New York 14202 for Engineering Services not to exceed the amount of \$15,000.00.
3. **Koehler Rubber & Supply Co.**, 800 West Resource Drive, Cleveland, OH 44131 for replacement parts to [repair two \(2\) Ferric](#) Chloride Pumps at the Wastewater Treatment Plant for the Bureau of Sewers at a total cost of \$2,133.25.
4. **Prisoner Transport Systems**, 1685 Industrial Way, Sparks, NV 89431 for Ford SUV OS Belt Systems with Polycarb Rear Partitions and Floor Pans with V-Drains for City of Erie [Police vehicles](#) for the Municipal Garage at a total amount of \$3,603.12.
5. **National Conveyors Company**, 33 Nicholson Road, East Granby, CT 06026 for 96 filter bags for the [Incinerator Ash](#) Handling System at the Wastewater Treatment Plant for the Bureau of Sewers at a total cost of \$8,008.58.
6. **Potters Industries**, P.O. Box 90414, Chicago, IL 90414, for 20,000 lbs. of fiberglass beads for the Bureau of Streets at a total cost of \$4,200.00.
7. **Grainger**, 415 West 12<sup>th</sup> Street, Erie, PA 16501 for [Arc Flash](#) PPE (Personal Protective Equipment) for the electrical staff at the Wastewater Treatment Plant for the Bureau of Sewers at a total cost of \$4,013.05.
8. **SBM Electronics, Inc.**, 628 California Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15202 for the annual [maintenance agreement](#) for the Police Radio & Telephone Recording System for the Bureau of Police at a total cost of \$3,195.00.
9. **Breathing Air Systems**, 2737 Lincoln Way, White Oak, PA 15131 for air machine [parts and services](#) to be used to fill the air bottles for the Bureau of Fire at a total cost of \$3,251.60.

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WAIVE RULES

By Mr. Kwitowski, Seconded by Mrs. Arrington, Resolved, etc.

That the City Council respectively requests U.S. Representative Mike Kelly (R-3<sup>rd</sup> Dist.) to hold and conduct an open, public hall meeting with the Erie County Students Coalition concerning gun violence and school safety.

Whereas, The recent incidents of gun violence have caused concern for the general public, students and parents of students. A public town hall meeting would afford everyone concerned a chance to express their concerns, offer opinions and propose possible solutions; and,

Whereas, The youth of this nation represent our future and their concerns and opinions must be considered as we confront this serious issue; and,

Whereas, The people of this great nation and its young people have taken similar stands in the past, so,

Therefore be it Resolved that the City Council of Erie Pennsylvania supports its local students and the Erie County Students Coalition in their request for an open, public town hall meeting.

April 4, 2018. City Council adopt waive rules by yeas Council Members Allen, Kwitowski, Merski, Schaaf, Winarski, Witherspoon and Arrington. 7. Nays. 0.

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April 4, 2018. Signed by the President. Attested by the City Clerk.

April 4, 2018, City Council on motion of Mr. Winarski, Seconded by Ms. Allen adjourned at 10:26 A.M. by yeas Council Members Allen, Kwitowski, Merski, Schaaf, Winarski Witherspoon and Arrington 7. Nays. 0.

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 President of City Council

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
 City Clerk