

The City Council met in regular session in the Council Chambers on Wednesday, September 2, 2020 at 9:00 A.M.

Council Members present: Winarski, Brzezinski and Keys in person and Allen, Brennan and Witherspoon on Zoom. 6. Nays. 0. Schaaf, Absent

On motion of Mr. Brzezinski, Seconded by Mr. Winarski, the reading of the minutes Of the Meeting of August 19, 2020 were dispensed with and same adopted with copies furnished to the members of City Council by yeas Council Members Allen, Brennan, Brzezinski, Keys, Witherspoon and Winarski. 6. Nays. 0. Copies of the bills under Date of August 28 and September 4, 2020 were given to City Council and same adopted by yeas Council Members Allen, Brennan, Brzezinski, Keys, Witherspoon and Winarski. 6. Nays. 0.

By Mr. Winarski, Council File No. 16,178

An ordinance appropriating the sum of **\$539,636.36** from unappropriated and unanticipated revenue for the expenditure thereof. Revenue is from the FEMA Firefighter Assistance Grant for the purchase of equipment for firefighters.

September 2, 2020. City Council on motion of Mr. Winarski, seconded by Mr. Witherspoon having read Council File No. 16,178, does hereby adopt on **First Reading** by yeas Council Members Allen, Brennan, Brzezinski, Keys, Schaaf, Witherspoon and Winarski. 6. Nays. 0.

September 2, 2020 Signed by the President. Attested by the City Clerk

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

That Laurie Watson is hereby appointed as **City Clerk** of the City of Erie effective September 17, 2020.

September 2, 2020. City Council adopt by yeas Council Members, Brzezinski, Keys, Witherspoon and Winarski. 4. Nays. 2. Allen, Brennan

September 2, 2020. Signed by the President. Attested by the City Clerk.

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

Receiving the communication from the City Planning Commission recommending amending Zoning Ordinance 80-2005 relating to [After-hours and Dance clubs](#) regarding definitions and terms, clarifications, and regulations, and authorizing and directing the City Clerk to advertise for a Public Hearing before Erie City Council on Wednesday, October 7, 2020 at approximately 9:30 a.m. via Zoom.

September 2, 2020. City Council adopt by yeas Council Members, Allen, Brennan, Brzezinski, Keys, Witherspoon and Winarski. 6. Nays. 0.

September 2, 2020. Signed by the President. Attested by the City Clerk.

By Mr. Brzezinski, Seconded by Ms. Allen, Resolved, Etc.

That the Mayor and other appropriate City officials to enter into agreements with business owners being awarded **Special Economic Development** funding in the form of a forgivable loan under the [CDBG-CARES Act](#) in which the City will provide up to \$25,000 to each qualified business for the purpose of providing the working capital necessary for LMI job retention and/or creation. The total funding allocated to this program is **\$549,667.39**.

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September 2, 2020. Signed by the President. Attested by the City Clerk.

By Mr. Brzezinski, Seconded by Ms. Allen, Resolved, Etc.

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

Emily Ernes, LLC (**Glass Growers Gallery**)

Amount	Term	Fee
\$ 39,750.00	7 Years	\$198.75

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September 2, 2020. Signed by the President. Attested by the City Clerk.

By Mr. Brzezinski, Seconded by Ms. Allen, Resolved, Etc.

That the that the proposed **Repository sale** of property commonly known as [930 Buffalo Road](#), Erie, PA and identified by Erie County Assessment Index Number 18-050-036.0-102.00 by the Erie County Tax Claim Bureau to James McKee, Jr., 903 Hatten Street, Norfolk, VA, in the amount of \$250.00 is hereby approved.

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September 2, 2020. Signed by the President. Attested by the City Clerk

By Mr. Brzezinski, Seconded by Ms. Allen, Resolved, Etc.

That that the proposed **Repository sale** of property commonly known as [713 Ash](#) Street, Erie, PA and identified by Erie County Assessment Index Number 14-010-019.0-123.00 by the Erie County Tax Claim Bureau Yalonda Ballard, 1133 Marne Road, Erie, PA, in the amount of \$250.00 is hereby approved.

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September 2, 2020. Signed by the President. Attested by the City Clerk

By Mr. Brzezinski, Seconded by Ms. Allen, Resolved, Etc.

That the proposed **Repository sale** of property commonly known as [131 East 22nd Street](#), Erie, PA and identified by Erie County Assessment Index Number 18-050-016.0-214.00 by the Erie County Tax Claim Bureau to Antonio Stapp, 127 East 22nd Street, Erie, PA, in the amount of \$250.00 is hereby approved.

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September 2, 2020. Signed by the President. Attested by the City Clerk

By Mr. Brzezinski, Seconded by Ms. Allen, Resolved, Etc.

That the proposed **Repository sale** of property commonly known as 1316 German Street, Erie, PA and identified by Erie County Assessment Index Number 15-020-013.0-102.00; 1304 German Street, Erie, PA Index Number 15-020-013-00105.00; and 340 East 14th Street, Index Number 15-020-018.0-137 by the by the Erie County Tax Claim Bureau to Matthew Good, Housing and Neighborhood Development Service ([HANDS](#)) 7 East 7th Street in the amount of \$250.00 is hereby approved

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September 2, 2020. Signed by the President. Attested by the City Clerk

By Mr. Brzezinski, Seconded by Mr. Keys

Extending the term of exemptions, deductions, abatements and credits for real property, earned income tax, net profits mercantile, and business privilege taxes within a specific geographic area in Erie County designed as a Keystone Opportunity Expansion Zone (“**KOEZ**”) or Keystone Opportunity Improvement Zone (“**KOIZ**”) in order to foster economic opportunities, stimulate industrial, commercial, and residential improvements and prevent physical and infrastructure deterioration within areas of the City of Erie, Erie County, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, upon certain terms and conditions. ([McInnes Rolled Rings](#))

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September 2, 2020. Signed by the President. Attested by the City Clerk

By Mr. Winarski, Seconded by Mr. Witherspoon

That the proper City officials authorized the taxing District to approve an agreement among the County of Erie, Erie, County Tax Claim Bureau and the law firm of MacDonald, Illig, Jones & Britton LLP.

Whereas, the County of Erie and the **Erie County Tax Claim Bureau** (collectively “the County”) have entered into an Agreement (the “Agreement”) with MacDonald, Illig, Jones & Britton LLP (hereinafter “MIJB”) with respect to conduct of judicial, “lien-free,” tax sales during the years 2020, 2021 and 2022 (hereinafter the “Judicial Tax Sales”) of properties against which delinquent taxes are due and owing.

September 2, 2020. City Council adopt by yeas Council Members, Brennan, Brzezinski, Keys, Witherspoon and Winarski. 5. Nays. 1. Allen

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By Mr. Brzezinski, Seconded by Mr. Winarski

That the following amounts are transferred in Police General Fund Account

Transferred from:

Transferred to:

Amount	Account	Title	Amount	Account	Title
\$ 15,000.00	002-0613-0000-4043	Training	\$ 15,000.00	002-0613-0000-4045	Communications

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September 2, 2020. Signed by the President. Attested by the City Clerk

By Mrs. Schaaf, Seconded by Mr. Witherspoon, 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. **Suit-Kote Pennsylvania**, 10965 McHenry Street, Meadville, PA 16335 for proposed crack filling of various streets Bid No. N/A (COG) in the amount of **\$16.48 per gallon** unit price.

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By Mr. Witherspoon, Seconded by Mrs. Schaaf, 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. **Veritiv Corp.**, 7472 Collection Center Drive, Chicago, IL 60693 for the 2021 Tax Bill Paper for the Office of City Treasurer at a cost of **\$2,053.75**.

2. **Synergy Business Forms. Inc.**, 3802 West Lake Road, Erie, PA for the purchase of the 2021 Tax Bill Window Envelopes for the Office of City Treasurer at a cost of **\$2,041.87**.
3. **TechWorx, LLC**, 2618 Sigsbee Street, Erie, PA 16508 for ten (10) PC's and ten (10) PC mounts to replenish stock for the Office of Computer Services at a total cost of **\$7,769.80**.
4. **M.B. Squires Company**, 40 Garrett Road, New Wilmington, PA 16142, [light fixtures](#) for Bayview Park Basketball Court for the Bureau of Parks & Recreation in the amount of **\$6,816.00**.
5. **Electrical & Mechanical Systems, Inc.**, 316 Cherry Street, Erie, PA 16507 to supply and install lights for Bayview Park Basketball Court for the Bureau of Parks & Recreation in the amount of **\$7,250.00**.
6. **Snap Tite Hose dba All-American Hose**, PO Box 280, Indiana, PA 15701 for the [hose for the Fire](#) Rescue Pumper for the Bureau of Fire at a cost of **\$9,852.84**.
7. **Suit Kote Corp.**, 1911 Lorings Crossing Road, Cortland, NY 13045 for [tact oil](#) for the Bureau of Streets in the amount of **\$3,115.35**.
8. **Amendola Construction & Maintenance**, 2716 McKee Road, Erie, PA 16506 for curb repair at 10th & Weschler for the Bureau of Streets at a total cost of **\$9,400.00**.
9. **Richard Sekula, PhD, LLC**, 2545 West 26th Street, Erie, PA 16506 for pre-hire Police Officer psychological evaluations for six (6) new police officers for the Office of Human Resources at a total cost of **\$2,500.00**.
10. **Parson's Penn Glass Co.**, 2817 Pine Ave, Erie, PA 16504 to furnish and install two (2) aluminum doors with safety glass at West/East ends and furnish and install Plexiglas in five (5) sections & partition posts for the Office of City Treasurer at a total cost of **\$13,160.00**.
11. **Monitoring Solutions**, PO Box 520 Tatamy, PA 18085 for the 24/7 emergency [hardware support](#) contract for the continuous emissions monitoring systems (CEMS) at the Wastewater Treatment Plant at a total amount of **\$2,500.00**.
12. **Gannon University**, 109 University Square, Erie, PA 16541 for the bi-annual Erie property condition survey, which includes student wages and mileage for the Mayor's Office at a total cost of **\$2,248.58**.

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September 2, 2020. Signed by the President. Attested by the City Clerk

September 2, 2020, City Council on motion of Mr. Witherspoon, Seconded by Mrs. Schaaf adjourned at 10:41 A.M. by yeas Council Members Winarski, Allen, Brennan, Brzezinski, Keys and Witherspoon. 6. Nays. 0.

President of City Council

Attest: _____
City Clerk

Citizens to be Heard via Zoom