CITY OF SOUTHGATE COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES August 21, 2019 City Building, 122 Electric Ave.

Call to Order: Mayor Hamberg called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

The following answered roll call: Council Members Anderson, Hayley, Robisch, Blanchet, Homandberg and Speier were present. Also present: City Clerk Barton, Public Works Foreman Bowman, Finance Director/Treasurer Hudson, Police Chief Christmann, and Assistant City Attorney Bryce Rhoades. Fire Chief Beatsch was absent.

Public Comments: none.

Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes of 8/7/19. Motion/Second: Hayley/Homandberg. Approved by voice vote: Aye 6 Nay 0.

Public Works: Councilman Anderson reported that the concrete pillars are installed on North St. The Public Works Dept. has been blacktopping street on Bluegrass. Public Works Foreman Bowman had no report.

Public Safety: Council Member Speier had no report. Police Chief Christmann said the Humvee trailer is not being used by the department. It will be deemed surplus and sold. He will have the order for the next meeting.

Code Enforcement: Councilman Blanchet had no report.

Community Relations & Recreation: Council Member Homandberg said the City Wide Yard Sale is Sept. 14 with rain date of Sept. 21. The Campbell Co. Clean up event is Oct. 11 and 12.

Public Buildings: Council Member Robisch reported the Firehouse phone system was not working. The old City Building phone console was salvaged for use at the Firehouse. The flooring at the Firehouse was installed. Public Works Garage repairs (from flood damage) are almost complete.

Finance and Administration: Council Member Hayley reviewed the payables.

Finance Director/Treasurer Hudson said the auditors will be onsite on Oct. 9. City Clerk Barton said the Workers Comp auditor will be on site on Sept. 9. Assistant City Attorney Rhoades said that 143 North may have a potential buyer. Someone has contacted him for a payoff. He read the following:

First reading of Ordinance 19-10 Establish real & personal property tax rates 2019.

First reading of Ordinance 19-11 Establish firehouse tax rates 2019.

First reading of Ordinance 19-11 Establish motor vehicle & boat tax rates 2019.

Resolution 19-10 Approve Duke Energy franchise agreement. Motion/Second: Robisch/Anderson. Approved by voice vote. Aye 6 Nay 0.

Proclamation for National Payroll Week on Sept. 1-7. The Mayor signed the proclamation.

Old Business: Council Member Speier reported on the stop sign on W. Walnut. There was a motion to leave the stop sign and yellow line on W. Walnut on the recommendation of the City Engineer and traffic study. Motion/Second: Blanchet/Anderson to not move the stop and yellow line. Approved by voice vote. Aye 6 Nay 0. Council Member Speier will forward the information to the resident who requested the sign be moved.

Mayor Hamberg reported that after 10 years the new medians on US 27 have been installed and grass was planted. The plantings have been chosen for the medians. They will be planted next Spring. The US 27 Corridor Committee met to discuss options at a Mobility Conference hosted by Cincinnati Chamber. There was discussion on smart technology and alternative transportation for the future on US 27.

Councilman Robisch asked contractors to comply with City ordinance of street obstruction as to not impede traffic while working. He asked Assistant City Attorney Rhoades to look into the penalty for non-compliance. Council Member Hayley requested that the Rumpke drivers not pick up trash and recycling so early. City Clerk will send a message to the Rumpke Supervisor.

New Business:

Payment of Vouchers: Check vouchers #2874-28784 were presented for Council's review.

Mayor & Council Comments: none.

Announcements: none.

Adjournment: There being no further business, Motion/Second: Blanchet/Hayley to adjourn the meeting. Approved by voice vote. Aye 6 Nay 0.

ATTEST: Brandi Barton Brandi Barton, City Clerk