

**CITY OF SOUTHGATE
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
August 17, 2022
122 Electric Ave.
City building**

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

The following answered roll call: Council Members Anderson, Melville, Okura, and Wegener were present. Council Member Messmer and Robisch were absent. Also present: City Clerk Barton, Finance Director/Treasurer Franklin, Police Chief Christmann, Public Works Foreman Bowman, Fire Chief Beatsch, and Assistant City Attorney Hill.

Public Comments: Richard Spoor with KMK Law spoke briefly regarding the Industrial Revenue Bonds for MP Apts Joint Venture LLC at the Memorial Pointe development.

Approval of regular meeting minutes 8/3/22. Motion/Second: Wegener/Melville. Approved by vote: Aye 4 Nay 0.

Public Works: Councilman Melville reported that Ridgeway Ave. has been milled and is ready to be blacktopped. The evergreen tree will be cut down next Monday 8/23 at Memorial Park. There was a water main break on Retreat St. today. Public Works Foreman Bowman has no report.

Public Safety: Councilman Anderson reported on SWEMS financials. Police Chief Christmann said the Police Department continues to be an accredited department. The department received this certification four years ago and again recently. Fire Chief Beatsch said the Fire department fundraiser, "Adults Night", last Saturday went well. The second SWEMS squad is in service when needed.

Code Enforcement: Councilman Messmer was absent.

Community Relations & Recreation: Council Member Okura reported that the Park & Tree Board will become inactive due to the members retiring from their positions. The Super Seniors will meet tomorrow. Ms. Okura reported several upcoming events: City Wide Yard Sale 9/10, County Senior picnic 9/28, County Clean up event 9/30-10/1, City Clean up event 10/17-23, NKY Hazardous Waste event 11/5.

Public Buildings: Council Member Robisch was absent.

Finance and Administration: Council Member Wegener reviewed the payables.

Finance Director/Treasurer Franklin said the Auditor will be onsite on 11/8 and 11/9. City Clerk Barton said the committee met with the sign company about the city sign. There was discussion about the location of where to put the sign. No decision was made until Council can look at the location. It will be brought back to the next council meeting.

Assistant City Attorney Hill had no report, but read the following:

Ordinance 22-06 Establish real & personal property tax rate 2022 (first reading).

Ordinance 22-07 Establish firehouse tax rate 2022 (first reading).

Ordinance 22-08 Establish motor vehicle & boat tax rate 2022 (first reading).

Order 22-04 Re-appoint Therese Paul & Fred Espenscheid to Parking Citation Appeal Board.

Order 22-05 Authorize Mayor to sign Industrial Building Revenue Bonds for MP Apt. Joint Venture. Motion/Second: Anderson/Melville. Approved by vote: Aye 4 Nay 0.

Old Business: none.

New Business: Mayor Hamberg said there are many people who have helped the City of Southgate who are retiring or going out of office. He would like to honor them at the first meeting in November with a plaque as a "thank you" for all they have done for the City. Council agreed.

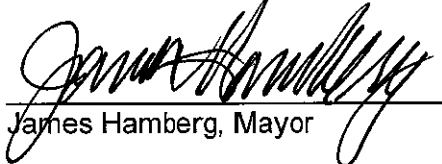
Payment of Vouchers: Check vouchers #32793-32834 were presented for Council's review.

Mayor & Council Comments: none

Announcements: none

Adjournment: There being no further business, **Motion/Second: Anderson/Okura. Approved by vote: Aye 4 Nay 0.**

ATTEST: Brandi Barton
Brandi Barton, City Clerk



James Hamberg, Mayor