

CITY OF BATAVIA – SPECIAL CONFERENCE MINUTES TUESDAY, OCTOBER 9, 2018

Present were Council President Jankowski and Councilpersons Canale, Christian, Briggs, Pacino, McGinnis, Tabelski, Viele and Bialkowski.

Call to Order

Council President Jankowski called the meeting to order at 7:07 p.m. following the business meeting.

Sales Tax Agreement with Genesee County

Mr. Worth noted that the current sales tax agreement is set to expire on 12/31/18. The new agreement was set to be a 40-year agreement but the State Comptroller's office felt that the agreement would probably not be approved unless it went through a special session of the State Legislature. Mr. Worth noted that therefore the County proposed a new agreement for one year with the same language as the 40-year agreement to give time for the 40-year term to be approved by the State Legislature. Mr. Worth also noted that the City was close to finalizing the water agreement with County and the terms would coincide with the sales tax agreement. Mr. Van Nest noted that there were a limited number of agreements with longer terms but they both had special legislation so it was felt there was a better chance of approval by the State Comptroller's office if it was first approved through special legislation. Councilperson Bialkowski noted that he was not fond of the generic statement that the County needs more money and wondered exactly how much they needed. Mr. Worth explained that the jail was estimated at \$50 million and the County has responsibility of all bridges in the County with over a five foot span. He explained they may also need more money due to the change in the law regarding 16 and 17-year olds not being charged as adults so special holding areas are needed. Council agreed to move the item to the special business meeting on October 22, 2018.

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Planning and Development Committee Re-zoning and Sign Code Review Recommendation

Mr. Van Nest noted that a recommendation had been finalized by the PDC but it wasn't a formal recommendation because a majority of the fully constituted board didn't approve. He noted that the vote was 2-1-1 in favor of the rezoning and that Council has final approval. He noted that the sign code review was also done by PDC over the summer and the proposed changes they set forth were approved 3-1 for final approval by Council. Mr. Van Nest explained that no action is necessary at this point and he just wanted to give Council an update on the PDC's meetings. He noted there would be more details at the next conference meeting. Councilperson Tabelski asked when the full details would be provided to Council and Mr. Worth said it would be with the agenda packet for October 22nd.

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Special Conference Meeting adjourned at 7:30PM.

Respectfully submitted,

**Heidi J. Parker
Clerk-Treasurer**