

Finance Committee Minutes

Honorable Council
City of Newark, Ohio
June 1, 2020

The Finance Committee met on YouTube streaming via Zoom on Monday, June 1, 2020 with these members in attendance:

Doug Marmie - Chair
Jeremy Blake – Vice-Chair
Ryan Bubb
Jeff Harris
Mark Labutis sitting in for Jonathan Lang

We Wish to Report:

Consider **Resolution No. 20-38** A RESOLUTION APPROPRIATING MONIES FOR CURRENT EXPENSES OF THE MUNICIPAL CORPORATION

Service Director David Rhodes – This is a retirement in the tax department with termination, sick, vacation and comp that adds up to the dollar figure.

Motion by Mr. Bubb to pass to full council, Second by Mr. Labutis

Motion passed 5-0

Consider **Resolution No. 20-39** A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF NEWARK TO ENTER INTO A COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT FUNDED SUBRECIPIENT AGREEMENT WITH THE HEREINAFTER NAMED ORGANIZATIONS TO CARRY OUT ACTIVITIES INCLUDED WITHIN NEWARK'S FY 2020 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT ONE YEAR ACTION PLAN.

Director of Development Mark Mauter – This is our annual list of sub recipients that made application with us last year. The applications were sent out last July and we get them back in August, then we have a public hearing. These are all those sub recipients listed with dollar amounts that we are hopefully going to be able to fund each of those for.

Motion by Mr. Bubb to send to full council, second by Mr. Harris

Mr. Blake – I'm curious, last November Council took \$30,000 out of the Budget Stabilization Fund to give to the Homeless Task Force Consultants. Was there any consideration out of these dollars if the Homeless efforts would need any future money?

Director of Development Mauter – We gave a lot of consideration. If you were to compare these figures to the last previous years' figures for allocation dollars, we are in many cases double what we were funding and we did that with a concerted effort because of all the initiatives of Newark Development Partners, United Way, Salvation Army and everyone this past year that's been working really hard on the homeless issue. NDP got ahold of the old Dollar Store on East Main Street so we actually increased our amounts from CBG Funds this year to specifically target and help out all of these organizations that do help the less fortunate and the homeless. That's over and above that \$30,000 that came from the City.

Mr. Blake – Will we know what efforts were, or will Council get a report of what we spent that \$30,000 for? Will we know what came from that?

Service Director Rhodes – That \$30,000 was matched by the County Commissioners and private sector dollars were raised also and those dollars went to hire the professionals that are doing two things. Number one, there's a group that's doing a build out plan for the proposed shelter and then there's another proposal coming in for the plan for the cost to operate the shelter. Let me be real clear. The dollars to build it out and the dollars to operate it have yet to be identified. So, what our \$30,000 went to was to hire the consultants. We are awaiting community discussions that are on-going to get final blueprints of that, but Jeremy I think everyone in the City that's involved in this will have copies of those, including City Council.

Mr. Blake – Since we gave \$30,000 I just want to make sure that we are updated at some point.

Service Director Rhodes – Anyone can reach out to Deb Dingus and other people that are involved and get involved in part of those discussions.

Motion passed 5-0

Doug Marmie, Chair