

CITY OF WHITEHALL  
CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION MINUTES  
Garden Room  
December 12, 2023

PRESENT: Scott Brown, Tanya Cabala, Jeff Holmstrom, Steve Salter, and Tom Ziemer

ABSENT: Debi Hillebrand, Steve Sikkenga

ALSO PRESENT: Scott Huebler, Will Meier, and Brook Schiller

Mayor Salter called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

#### **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

**Art Wall** – MDOT has claimed ownership of the tunnel under Colby Street and require permits for any murals. They have asked that the City remove the art wall as soon as weather permits repainting.

**Handicap Parking at Pekadill's** – Staff recommended that one handicap parking space off Elliot Street be added with a concrete pad, appropriate signage, and paint to make the restaurant more accessible. It was also recommended that this project be included in the bids for the Warner Street project with the provision that Pekadill's reimburse the City for the costs. Council agreed that this idea seems like a win-win and asked staff to communicate with Pekadill's owners.

**INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:** None

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

None

**MEETING ADJOURNED AT 5:19 P.M.**

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Steven Salter, Mayor

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APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Motion by Cabala, seconded by Brown, CARRIED, to approve the agenda. All yeses

APPROVAL OF COUNCIL MEMBER SIKKENGA ABSENCE

Motion by Brown, seconded by Ziemer, CARRIED, to approve absence. All yeses

SPECIAL PRESENTATION – Annual Audit Presentation, Douglas Vredevelde

APPROVAL OF THE AUDIT TO SUBMIT TO THE STATE OF MICHIGAN

Motion by Brown, seconded by Holmstrom, CARRIED, to approve and submit audit. All yeses

APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Approval of the November 28 Council Meeting Minutes
- B. Accounts Payable - \$280,824.07
- C. Communications: 2023 FYE Audit, Muskegon County Public Works Minutes

Motion by Holmstrom, seconded by Ziemer, CARRIED, to approve the Consent Agenda.  
Yes – 4; No – 1, Brown; Absent – 2

MESSAGES FROM THE MAYOR, COUNCIL, AND CITY MANAGER

Comments were received from the Mayor and Council.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

OLD BUSINESS: None

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NEW BUSINESS:

A. Resolution 23-43 MDOT Contract – Warner Street

Motion by Holmstrom, seconded by Brown, CARRIED, to approve the MDOT Contract for the Warner Street project.

Roll Call Vote: Yes – Holmstrom, Brown, Zeimer, Cabala, and Salter; No – None; Absent – Hillebrand and Sikkenga

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Comments were made by Lillian Morningstar.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Salter adjourned the Council Meeting at 6:35 pm.

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