

REGULAR MEETING OF THE RIVERVIEW CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF RIVERVIEW, WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN
HELD ON MONDAY, JULY 18, 2022 A.D.
IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS OF
THE PETER ROTTEVEEL MUNICIPAL BUILDING
14100 CIVIC PARK DRIVE, RIVERVIEW, MICHIGAN 48193-7600

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Presiding: Mayor Swift

Present: Councilmembers Blanchette, Gunaga, Norton, O'Neil, Robbins, Workman

Also Present: City Manager Drysdale, City Clerk Hutchison, Land Preserve Director/Assistant City Manager Dobek, Fire Chief Lammers, Human Resource Director Mayerich, Purchasing and Finance Director McMahon, Information and Technology Director Harper, Department of Public Works Director Webb, Golf Course Director Kettler, Carlisle Wortman Community Development Scurto, City Engineer Sabak, Attorneys Pentiuk and Morgan

The **Pledge of Allegiance** was led by Councilmember Norton.

The **Invocation** was given by Councilmember O'Neil.

AWARDS AND PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS:

None.

MINUTES:

Motion by Councilmember O'Neil, seconded by Councilmember Norton, that the **Minutes** of the Regular Meeting of **June 20, 2022**, and the condensed version for publication, be **Approved**.
Carried unanimously.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

None.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

At this time, the Mayor asked if anyone wished to address the City Council.

ORGANIZATIONAL BUSINESS:

Motion by Councilmember O'Neil, seconded by Councilmember Blanchette, that Mr. **Gary Apkarian** be reappointed to the **Library Commission** for a five-year term to expire **July 31, 2027**.
Carried unanimously.

Motion by Councilmember Norton, seconded by Councilmember Blanchette, that Ms. **Nicole Clark** and Ms. **Maria Alderman** be reappointed to the **Parks and Recreation Commission** for two-year terms expiring **July 31, 2024**.
Carried unanimously.

Motion by Councilmember Blanchette, seconded by Councilmember O'Neil, that Ms. **Antonia Bittner** and Mr. **Daniel Sand** be reappointed to the **City Planning Commission** for three-year terms to expire July 31, 2025.
Carried unanimously.

Motion by Councilmember Robbins, seconded by Councilmember Blanchette, that Mr. **Frank Christensen**, Mr. **Michael Pelkey**, and Mr. **Ricky Travers Sr.** be reappointed to the **Zoning Board of Appeals** for three-year terms to expire July 31, 2027.
Carried unanimously.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Motion by Councilmember Robbins, seconded by Councilmember Gunaga, that the **Consent Agenda** be Approved as follows:

- Approve **Sale of City-Owned Properties** Deemed Unable to Build Upon to Homeowners on West **Jefferson** and **Riverview Streets**.

- Approve **Special Events Applications** from **Riverview Neighborhood Watch** for a National Night Out Event Using **Young Patriots Park** on **August 2, 2022**.
- Authorize Solicitation of Bids for Repairs of the Department of Public Works Fueling Station and Authorize Engineering Fees in the Amount of **\$28,400.00** for the Preparation of **Specifications**, the Solicitation of **Bids, Field Engineering** and Contract Administration by the **Charles E. Raines** Company.
- **Reject Bid 2516** and Authorize **Rebid of Odor Control Chemical Supplies** and Equipment.

RESOLUTIONS:

At a duly convened meeting of the City Council for the City of Riverview held on July 18, 2022, the following resolution was moved by Councilmember Gunaga, supported by Councilmember ONeil and Adopted as follows:

CITY OF RIVERVIEW
 RESOLUTION 22-14
 A RESOLUTION APPROVING AN AGREEMENT WITH
 WAYNE COUNTY FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO THE
 RECREATIONAL FACILITIES AT MEMORIAL PARK

WHEREAS, The City of Riverview and Wayne County have determined that in order to better provide for improvements to the recreational facilities at Memorial Park within the City of Riverview, it is in the parties’ best interests to enter into funding agreement; and

WHEREAS, Wayne County’s contracting provisions require that the City of Riverview adopt a resolution approving the Agreement and designating the individuals authorized to sign said contract.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIVERVIEW, MICHIGAN, AS FOLLOWS:

The Agreement with Wayne County for improvements to the recreational facilities at Memorial Park in the City of Riverview is hereby approved; and the city’s mayor, Andrew Swift, and city manager, Doug Drysdale, are duly authorized under the city’s charter to execute the contract on behalf of the City of Riverview.

AYES: Mayor Swift, Councilmembers Blanchette, Gunaga, Norton, ONeil, Robbins, Workman
 NAYS: None
 EXCUSED: None

ATTEST:

 Andrew M. Swift, Mayor

I, Cynthia M. Hutchison, duly authorized City Clerk of the City of Riverview, do hereby certify the foregoing Resolution is a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Riverview City Council at their regular meeting of July 18, 2022.

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 Cynthia M. Hutchison, City Clerk

Motion by Councilmember Workman, seconded by Councilmember Gunaga, that a Resolution Calling for the State of Michigan and the County of Wayne to **Allocate American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Funds** in Support of the **Downriver Utility Wastewater Authority (DUWA)**, be Adopted.

CITY OF RIVERVIEW
 RESOLUTION NO. 22-15
 RESOLUTION CALLING FOR THE STATE OF MICHIGAN AND COUNTY
 OF WAYNE TO ALLOCATE AMERICAN RESCUE ACT PLAN FUNDS IN
 SUPPORT OF DOWNRIVER UTILITY WASTEWATER AUTHORITY

The City of Riverview is a member of the Downriver Utility Wastewater Authority (DUWA) which is

a public body corporate organized pursuant to Act 233. Representatives from DUWA’s 13 Communities act as Board Members. DUWA’s Board Members exercise all powers of DUWA. The Authority provides a regional wastewater collection and treatment system vital to the health and safety of the residents of the region. The Authority purchased the treatment plan and collection system from Wayne County in September 2018.

DUWA provides service to approximately 350,000 people in the Downriver area which includes Ecorse, River Rouge, Allen Park, Lincoln Park, Dearborn Heights, Taylor, Romulus, Riverview, Southgate, Wyandotte, Belleville, Van Buren, and Brownstown. The DUWA system processes 60 million gallons per day on an annual average at its wastewater treatment plant, with the ability to handle 225 million gallons per day during wet weather events. It also has a 15-million-gallon wet weather storage tunnel that is used to retain excess wastewater during wet weather events. It is the second largest wastewater plant in the State of Michigan.

WHEREAS, based on 2020 SEMCOG data 16% of DUWA residents live below the poverty level, 62% of residents are non-working and 37% are non-white. These residents experienced health and economic injury by COVID-19;

WHEREAS, this same subset of residents is feeling the impact of inflation that has caused increases in the cost of basic services including food, gasoline, water and wastewater;

WHEREAS, the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) is a federal response to financial damage caused by the pandemic since 2020. Included in ARPA is the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Relief Fund which allocated \$350 billion to states and local governments. Municipalities with greater than 50,000 residents receive funding directly from the US Treasury. For communities smaller than 50,000 residents, which is most of DUWA’s 13 communities, the fund flows through Wayne County. The funds must be obligated by December 31, 2024 and the period of performance ends December 31, 2026. The funds can be used for public health and economic impacts, premium pay, revenue loss and infrastructure defined as including investments in Water and Sewer Infrastructure, including;

WHEREAS, Water and Sewer Infrastructure is defined as primarily projects that align with EPAs initiatives:

Remediating failing or inadequate infrastructure, much of which is publicly owned; Projects to ensure compliance with applicable water health and quality standards and provide safe drinking and usable water; and

WHEREAS, DUWA needs to replace its nearly 25 year old ultraviolet disinfection system. The manufacturer has stopped supplying replacement parts to the system decreasing the final disinfection system’s utility. The estimated cost of the replacement system is \$8,000,000. DUWA also has a final payment due to Wayne County of \$3,500,000 in September 2023. Both payments will put pressure on sewer rate charges on our most vulnerable residents.

THEREFORE, the City of Riverview encourages the State of Michigan and County of Wayne to allocate a portion of the ARPA funds it received to support the replacement of the ultraviolet disinfection system for DUWA.

This resolution was adopted by the Riverview City Council on July 18, 2022

AYES: Mayor Swift, Councilmembers Blanchette, Gunaga, Norton, O’Neil, Robbins, Workman

NAYS: None

EXCUSED: None

ATTEST:

Andrew M. Swift, Mayor

I, Cynthia M. Hutchison, duly authorized City Clerk of the City of Riverview, do hereby certify the foregoing Resolution is a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Riverview City Council at their regular meeting of July 18, 2022.

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Cynthia M. Hutchison, City Clerk

ADMINISTRATION:

Motion by Councilmember Workman, seconded by Councilmember Blanchette, that **Authorization for Extension of the 2019 Pavement Joint Sealing Cooperative Contract with Scodeller Construction, Inc., for the 2022 Pavement Joint Sealing Project in the Amount of \$80,000.00, plus 10% contingency in the amount of \$8,000.00 for a total amount of \$88,000.00; and Authorization for Engineering Fees with Charles E. Raines Company to Perform Marking, Contract Administration, Inspection and As-Builts Measurement in an Amount Not to Exceed \$12,000.00, be Approved.**
Carried unanimously.

Motion by Councilmember Workman, seconded by Councilmember Blanchette, that the Bid Award for **Cell 7 Phase 4 Construction to Ryan Incorporated Central; and Authorization for Execution of Agreement in the amount of \$3,098,195.49, plus 10% contingency, in the amount of \$309,819.44, for a total amount of \$3,408,015.04, be Approved.**
Carried unanimously.

ORDINANCES:

None.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Motion by Councilmember Workman, seconded by Councilmember Blanchette, that a Resolution to **Support the Riverview Land Preserve’s May 2, 2022, Revised Application to the Facility Inclusion Committee for Expansion of the Landfill Operating Capacity, be Adopted.**

RESOLUTION NO. 16
A RESOLUTION TO SUPPORT THE RIVERVIEW LAND
PRESERVE’S MAY 2. 2022 REVISED APPLICATION TO
THE FACILITY INCLUSION COMMITTEE FOR EXPANSION
OF THE LANDFILL OPERATING CAPACITY

WHEREAS, Riverview City Council submitted an application dated January 4, 2021, and on file with the City Manager, to the Wayne County Facility Inclusion Committee (FIC), to include proposed additional operational capacity within the existing Riverview Land Preserve municipal solid waste landfill located at 20863 Grange Road, into the Wayne County Solid Waste Management Plan; and

WHEREAS, such additional operational capacity is confined to the current state permitted and authorized limits of the land preserve; and

WHEREAS, the FIC Committee in considering the application held a public hearing on August 2, 2021, and requested additional documentation from the City; and

WHEREAS, the public participated in the public hearing and expressed both their support and opposition to the proposed operating capacity; and

WHEREAS, city administration acquired the additional documentation requested by the FIC Committee and submitted a revised application on May 2, 2022.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the revised application dated May 2, 2022, as presented by the City Manager and his staff, and submitted to Mr. Patrick Cullen of the Wayne County Department of Public Services – Environmental Services Division on May 2,

2022, is hereby fully affirmed, ratified and approved by the City Council.

AYES: Mayor Swift, Councilmembers Blanchette, Gunaga, Norton, O'Neil, Robbins, Workman

NAYS: None

EXCUSED: None

ADOPTED, APPROVED AND PASSED by the City Council of Riverview at a regular meeting duly called on the 18th day of July, 2022.

ATTEST:

Andrew M. Swift, Mayor

I, Cynthia M. Hutchison, Clerk for the City of Riverview, Wayne County, Michigan, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Riverview City Council.

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Cynthia M. Hutchison, City Clerk

CLOSED SESSION:

Motion by Councilmember Blanchette, seconded by Councilmember Gunaga, that the meeting be adjourned into Closed Session for the purpose of discussing **Pending Labor Negotiations**. Carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

Andrew M. Swift, Mayor

Cynthia M. Hutchison, City Clerk