



# City of Pataskala

## *Legislative Report to Council*

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### Legislative Report

#### June 20, 2023 Council Meeting

#### Unfinished Business

##### A. Ordinances

- **ORDINANCE 2023-4448 – 3<sup>rd</sup> READING - AN ORDINANCE DECLARING THE IMPROVEMENT OF CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY LOCATED IN THE CITY OF PATASKALA, LICKING COUNTY, OHIO TO BE A PUBLIC PURPOSE; DECLARING SUCH PROPERTY TO BE EXEMPT FROM REAL PROPERTY TAXATION; DESIGNATING SPECIFIC PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS THAT, ONCE MADE, WILL DIRECTLY BENEFIT THE PARCELS FOR WHICH IMPROVEMENT IS DECLARED TO BE A PUBLIC PURPOSE; REQUIRING ANNUAL SERVICE PAYMENTS IN LIEU OF TAXES; ESTABLISHING A MUNICIPAL PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT TAX INCREMENT EQUIVALENT FUND; AND PROVIDING RELATED AUTHORIZATIONS PURSUANT TO OHIO REVISED CODE SECTIONS 5709.40(B), 5709.42, 5709.43, 5709.832 AND 5709.85.**

This ordinance will establish a Tax Increment Fund (TIF). The TIF is a 100%, 30-year, Non-school TIF. The appropriate school districts will essentially remain unaffected by this TIF. The TIF will be placed on the Forest Ridge subdivision project at the properties previously known as Fanin & Deagle.

The funds generated from this TIF are intended for public infrastructure improvements including, but not limited to, the expansion of the Water Reclamation Facility (WRF). The development of the Forest Ridge subdivision will consume the remaining wastewater treatment capacity of the WRF. The WRF Expansion project is currently expected to cost around \$25,000,000. Conservative estimates of the funds generated by this TIF are nearly \$20,000,000 for the 30-year life of the TIF.

The Administration does not take lightly the impact a TIF can have on service groups such as the Fire Department. It is the Administration's position that this TIF is necessary to assist in funding the needed WRF Expansion Project. The Fire Department has already been briefed on the importance of this concept and the decision of the Administration to present this ordinance to Council.

Approval of Ordinance 2023-4448 is recommended.

##### B. Resolutions



## New Business

### A. Ordinances



## Consent Agenda

### 3. Motions



### 4. Resolution

- **RESOLUTION 2023-056 – A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT WITH PRIME CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT AND SURVEY TO PROVIDE CONSTRUCTION ADMINISTRATION AND INSPECTION SERVICES FOR THE 2023 ROADWAY IMPROVEMENTS PROGRAM.**

Approval of this resolution will authorize the City Administrator to execute a contract with Prime Construction Management and Survey to provide Construction Administration and Inspection services for the 2023 Roadway Improvements Program. Construction administration services include review of shop drawings, pay application and change order review and preparation, and daily administration of the contract including coordination with the inspector. Construction Inspection services will include an inspector being on-site full-time during project operations, who will observe, document, and report construction activities. Both services are needed to ensure successful implementation of the plans in accordance with the specifications.

Funding for Construction Administration and Inspection Services for the 2023 Streets Program is included in the Public Service Department CIP project SVC-19-003. Approval of this resolution is recommended.

- **RESOLUTION 2023-057- A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT WITH KIMLEY-HORN AND ASSOCIATES, INC. TO COMPLETE A CITY-WIDE THOROUGHFARE PLAN**

A Thoroughfare Plan captures existing transportation conditions, compares those with future land-use planning and community visioning, and develops a transportation network plan that not only accommodates future traffic, but also advances community priorities. Many of these priorities have been outlined in the Comprehensive Plan, but this effort will update that vision based on current trends or changes. The Thoroughfare Plan will effectively serve as a companion document to the Comprehensive Plan with a specific focus on transportation.

The study effort will include collecting data to identify the current roadway network, analyzing that data to optimize traffic routing, and studying growth trends to identify and prioritize improvements. The final product will designate existing roadway types and future uses, including speed limits, right-of-way widths, preferred uses, and future improvements. It should also be noted that this effort will be coordinated with the Thoroughfare Plan that is being completed by Licking County.

As this project is less than \$50,000, the PSD evaluated qualification packages that were submitted as part of the general services RFQ previously completed. Kimley-Horn scored the highest in this evaluation and negotiations for scope and cost of work

were successful. The proposed cost of \$40,000 is at the budgeted amount and the scope of services to be provided is what is expected for the project.

Approval of Resolution 2023-057 is recommended.

➤ **RESOLUTION 2023-058 – A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING AN AWARD FROM THE 2023 ODOT MUNICIPAL BRIDGE PROGRAM FOR THE MINK STREET RIDGE REPLACEMENT PROJECT AND AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR TO EXECUTE ALL DOCUMENTS NECESSARY TO ACCEPT THE AWARD**

In March of this year the PSD submitted a funding application to ODOT through the Municipal Bridge Program for the Mink Street Bridge Replacement Project. On June 2<sup>nd</sup>, the PSD received a letter from ODOT stating that the project has been awarded funding through the program. This Resolution is to provide formal acceptance of the grant funds and allow the PSD to move forward with planning efforts with ODOT.

This project is scoped to replace the bridge on Mink St. that is just north of Havens Corners Road (SFN 4563743). This bridge is currently rated at a 4 on the bridge rating scale (1 being the worst and 9 being the best) and is already under an Emergency Vehicle Load Rating. While the Emergency Load rating is not specifically critical to the City, it can lead to delayed response time for emergency services, which is not an ideal situation. Similarly, rated at a 4, the bridge is not in danger of collapse, but is approaching the end of its useful life and it is time to plan for replacement.

The project will be a complete replacement of the bridge with some roadway widening and re-alignment to improve the existing geometry. The design concept is to replace the bridge with a wider bridge than is existing, as the existing bridge is narrower than current standards, but only to widen as much as is needed for the current 2-lane section of Mink St.; however, the type of bridge will be one that allows for future expansion without the need for replacement.

This project is included in the 2023 PSD budget as project SVC-23-009, but the budget and schedule will need to be adjusted during the upcoming budget process to match the funding dollars and schedule. Note that this funding will significantly reduce the in-house funding that is needed for this project. It is currently understood that the construction dollars will be available for use in State Fiscal Year 2026. The maximum value of the award is \$861,541 at up to 95% of eligible costs. It is not clear yet if any of this funding can be used for design, but a meeting with ODOT to better understand the process will occur after the City provides formal acceptance of the award.

Approval of Resolution 2023-058 is recommended.

➤ **RESOLUTION 2023-060 - A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT WITH M.P. DORY COMPANY TO INSTALL A TRAFFIC SIGNAL BATTERY BACK-UP SYSTEM AT THE BROAD STREET/ETNA PARKWAY INTERSECTION AS WELL AS THE BROAD STREET/CORYLUS DRIVE INTERSECTION**

Approval of this resolution will provide for M.P. Dory to install complete battery back-up systems at both the intersections of Broad Street with Etna Parkway and Broad Street with Corylus Drive. Battery back-up systems enable traffic signals to continue to operate for several hours during a power outage, increasing both safety and operational effectiveness. This project is part of an ongoing effort to improve

traffic signal operation, and install battery back-ups at all intersections within the City. This is planned to be the last stand-alone battery back-up project, as the remaining signals that do not have them will have them included as part of a larger project (Summit Road with the ODOT signal replacement grant and SR 16/SR 310/Twp. Rd. with the PSTP III project) or do not have high enough side street volumes to necessitate a battery back-up system (One Healthy Place).

As this project is below the bidding threshold, the formal bidding process was not used. The budget did not include funds for this project specifically, but funds were included for miscellaneous contractual effort and unidentified traffic signal operation and maintenance, of which there are adequate funds to cover this project.

Approval of this Resolution is recommended.