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BUDGET & FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING

Tuesday, May 26, 2009
Committee Room #2

PRESENT: Aids. Ewerdt, Donegan, Jay, Walsh, Krol, Organ, Berdan – 7

ALSO PRESENT: J. Archambo, City Admin.; A. Kesner, City Atty.; B. Aldana, HR Dir./Asst. City Atty.; R. Braier, Finance Dir.; J. Plass, Acctg. Mgr.; N. Welch, Comm. Dev. Dir.; K. Rusch, Admin. Intern

Ald. Ewerdt as Chair called the meeting to order at 8:12 p.m.

Review and approval of 2009 Community Development Block Grant – Recovery program funding

Nancy Welch told the committee that as an entitlement community, the City of Wauwatosa will be receiving an additional \$322,888 in CDBG-R funds as part of the Recovery Act of 2009. Ms. Welch said an amendment to the original plan must be submitted by June 5, 2009 with a description and budget for the proposed project(s).

Ms. Welch said that city staff is proposing that these funds be used for a sanitary sewer project. This project is on the NE side of the city, as it pertains to the eligible low/moderate income areas of the city, which is a requirement of MMSD. She said once allocated the project must be completed by September, 2012.

Moved by Ald. Krol, seconded by Ald. Organ
to recommend approval of the proposed use of 2009
Community Development Block Grant-Recovery (CDBG-R) funds –

Ald. Walsh inquired if this would expedite any of the items in the Five Year Capital Improvements Program. Ms. Welch reported that this will positively help the improvement plan regarding the leaky structures we need to address. She said it will take some of the burden off of the project work.

Vote on the motion – Ayes: 7

Reallocation of Community Development Block Grant funds

The committee reviewed a memo from the Planner 1 requesting approval of the reallocation of Community Development Block Grant funds. Ms. Welch said the city staff is requesting the funds be reallocated for the purpose of providing money to the Senior Center for renovations to the wood floor in the Riverview Room of the Muellner Building. Fitness classes are taught in this room and the floor is in need of repairs.

Ms. Welch said the money would come from unspent Senior Center program funding from prior years. These funds can be used for facility rehabilitation projects such as this floor repair.

Moved by Ald. Krol, seconded by Ald. Donegan
to recommend approval of the reallocation of Community
Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds, with final approval
by the Common Council – Ayes: 7

Auditor’s Report and Financial Statement for the year ended December 31, 2008

Mr. Braier introduced Renee Messing, CPA, and Partner, of the City’s accounting firm Clifton Gunderson LLP.

Ms. Messing presented to the Budget and Finance Committee the City’s Audit and Fiscal Report year ending December 31, 2008

Ms. Messing reviewed the audit with the committee. She noted that the audit was performed in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted auditing standards. The financial statements were presented fairly in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. The following points were included in the auditor’s statement: 1) there were no significant difficulties in dealing with management related to the performance of the audit; 2) there were no material misstatements detected as a result of audit procedures; 3) the auditor’s requested representations from management that are shown in Exhibit A; 4) there were no disagreements with management on financial accounting and reporting matters, auditing procedures, or other matters which would be significant to the City’s financial statements.

A response was provided to Clifton Gunderson LLP, regarding compliance requirements for reimbursement under the Department of Natural Resources Non Point Source Grant (Exhibit A). The City subsequently obtained permission from the Department of Natural Resources to submit the reimbursement requests at a later date.

Ms. Messing pointed out that new for 2008 in the required supplementary information, is a schedule of Other Postemployment Benefits (OPEB) which is an unfunded liability.

Ms. Messing said the deadlines for stimulus fund will affect the 2009 audit and reminded staff to pay utmost attention to all of the deadlines.

Moved by Ald. Krol, seconded by Ald. Donegan
to accept the financial statements and audit for 2008
and place it on file – Ayes: 7

VOUCHERS

Name	Dept.	Reason and location	Date	Amount
Ron Braier	Finance	Government Investment Officers Annual Conference - Las Vegas, NV	03/25 - 03/28/09	993.42
Ryan Cepican	Police Dept.	Weapons of Mass Destruction Training for SWAT	05/04 - 05/08/09	44.26
William Bayliss	Building Dept.	Credential Seminar - LaCrosse, WI	05/12 - 05/15/09	370.00
Joseph Roy	Police Dept.	Integrated Drug Interdiction Training - Johnston, IA	05/05 - 05/08/09	112.48
James Short	Police Dept.	Weapons of Mass Destruction Training for SWAT	05/04 - 05/08/09	40.67
Russell Richardson	Police Dept.	Basic Sniper Training - Pewaukee	04/27 - 05/01/09	26.89
Russell Richardson	Police Dept.	Weapons of Mass Destruction Training for SWAT	05/04 - 05/08/09	36.22
Martin Keck	Police Dept.	Basic Drug Recognition and Interdiction - Appleton	05/03 - 05/07/09	349.16

David Hoppe	Police Dept.	Advanced Fingerprint Applications - Milwaukee	04/20 - 04/24/09	641.50
Ellen Krueger	Health Dept.	WI APIC 2009 Seminar - Pewaukee	4/30/09	200.24

Moved by Ald. Walsh, seconded by Ald. Organ
that the vouchers be allowed and paid – Ayes: 7

Acquisition of 1613/1615 Underwood Avenue and a portion of 1530 Church Street for purposes of constructing Fire Station #1

Moved by Ald. Donegan, seconded by Ald. Krol
to recommend approval of acquisition of 1613/1615
Underwood Avenue and a portion of 1530 Church Street for
purposes of constructing fire station #1 - -

Moved by Ald. Walsh, seconded by Ald. Jay
to convene into closed session per Wis. Stat 19.85(1)(e):
Deliberating or negotiating the purchase of public properties,
the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified
public business, whenever competitive bargaining reasons
require a closed session, and may reconvene into open session – Ayes: 7

The committee convened into closed session at 9:03 p.m.

Moved by Ald. Donegan, seconded by Ald. Krol
to reconvene into open session – Ayes: 7

The committee reconvened into open session at 9:25 p.m.

Vote on the motion – Ayes: 7

Update regarding tax litigation Covenant vs. City of Wauwatosa

Ms. Aldana had updated information for the committee on the tax litigation status of Covenant vs. City of Wauwatosa.

Moved by Ald. Krol, seconded by Ald. Organ
to convene into closed session per Wis. Stat 19.85(1)(g):
Conferring with legal counsel for the governmental body
who is rendering oral or written advice concerning strategy
to be adopted by the body with respect to litigation in
which it is or is likely to become involved,
and may reconvene into open session – Ayes: 7

The committee convened into closed session at 9:27 p.m.

The meeting adjourned at 9:41 p.m.

Carla A. Ledesma, City Clerk
City of Wauwatosa

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