May 4, 2021

CITY OF SARATOGA SPRINGS
City Council Meeting

7:00 PM
(via zoom)

P.H. – Amend Chapter 225 Section 225-81
Parking Prohibited on Crescent Street

7:00 PM
CALL TO ORDER
ROLL CALL
SALUTE TO FLAG
PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD / 15 MINUTES
PRESENTATION
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SUPERVISORS

Matt Veitch
1. Building and Grounds Committee Update

Tara Gaston
1. COVID-19 Update
2. Leadership Program Applications
3. Community Resiliency Program
4. Saratoga County Website

ADJOURN
May 4, 2021

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(via Zoom)

PRESENT: Meg Kelly, Mayor
Michele Madigan, Commissioner of Finance
John Franck, Commissioner of Accounts
Anthony Scirocco, Commissioner of DPW
Robin Dalton, Commissioner of DPS

STAFF PRESENT: Lisa Shields, Deputy Mayor
Deirdre Ladd, Deputy Commissioner of Finance
Maire Masterson, Deputy Commissioner, Accounts
Joe O’Neill, Deputy Commissioner, DPW
Eileen Finneran, Deputy Commissioner, DPS
Vincent DeLeonardis
Matthew Veitch, Supervisor
Tara Gaston, Supervisor

RECORDING OF PROCEEDING

The proceedings of this meeting were taped for the benefit of the secretary. Because the minutes are not a verbatim record of the proceedings, the minutes are not a word-for-word transcript.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Amend Chapter 225 Section 225-81 Parking Prohibited on Crescent Street

Mayor Kelly opened the public hearing at 7:11 p.m.

Commissioner Dalton stated this to amend the City Code to put up no parking signs on the south side of Crescent Street from South Broadway to Joshua Street.

Darlene McGraw of Saratoga Springs stated there should not be parking in this area. It would be safer if there was no parking in that area.

Mayor Kelly closed the public hearing at 7:13 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Kelly called the meeting to order at 7:13 p.m.
PUBLIC COMMENT

Mayor Kelly said the public comment period is limited to a total of 15 minutes and individuals are limited to two minutes.

Mayor Kelly opened the public comment period at 7:14 p.m.

Sam Brewer of Saratoga Springs stated there has been some federal funds allocated to Saratoga Springs in the amount of $7.7 million dollars. It is quite less than Glens Falls. He asked the Council to contact Senator Schumer and Senator Gillibrand’s offices to see if we can get more.

Laura Rappaport, co-chair of Sustainable Saratoga, stated they are asking for a postponement on the merit vote of the UDO. The UDO is a dense document that is hard to read and understand. The community has been too consumed by the pandemic to participate in the process. They hope they will give people a real chance to understand this planning document and have a well-reviewed solid plan in place.

Stefon Stilwell of Ballston Spa stated he is handicapped and does not find areas of Saratoga Springs to have accessibility for those that are handicapped. He asked for an assessment of accessibility be done for improvement.

Darlene McGraw of Saratoga Springs stated it is paving time. She asked why DPW vehicles are outside of the City.

John Iacoponi of Saratoga Springs stated he agrees with what Ms. Rappaport stated regarding the UDO. He believes there are many little details that require a better explanation. He agrees with a delay in the review.

Matt Jones of Saratoga Springs stated he is here to support the resolution of moving the UDO forward for advisory opinion from the City and Planning Boards.

Mayor Kelly closed the public comment period at 7:27 p.m.

Vince DeLeonardis, city attorney, advised the City has been going through an inventory of all the City sidewalks and identifying those sidewalks that require improvements.

Commissioner Scirocco stated when paving, they are required to make the intersections ADA compliant.

PRESENTATION

CHA – Fire and EMS Station 3

Commissioner Dalton introduced CHA to present.

Tony Stellato of CHA presented. They would like to initiate the SEQRA process tonight and discuss the engagement of the land use boards. The building is 15,500 square feet, which is just about centered on the parcel. It is a one-story building with the bulk of the parking in the rear of the building.

Alan of CHA showed the layout of the building and the location of the apparatus bays, bunks, dayroom, etc. The exterior of the building is green.

Commissioner Scirocco asked what the setback is from the road.

Alan advised approximately 100 feet from the road.
CONSENT AGENDA

Mayor Kelly moved and Commissioner Madigan seconded to approve the consent agenda as follows:

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Ayes – All

MAYOR’S DEPARTMENT

Discussion: Cannabis Legislation

Vince DeLeonardis, city attorney, advised the usage of marijuana is now legal. The law established two new state agencies to administer programs, publish rules, issue licenses, and investigate and enforce infractions. Cities, towns, and villages have the right to opt out of allowing dispensaries and/or onsite consumption establishments. A local law would have to be adopted on or before December 31, 2021 to opt out. Then the issue would be voted on by the community and if passed, would take effect 45 days after. There will be a 4% tax imposed upon cannabis of which 3% will come to the City.

Discussion and Vote: Approval for Mayor to Sign Occupational Medicine Services Agreement with Saratoga Hospital (21-152)

Mayor Kelly stated the hospital will provide service on a fee for service arrangement.

Mayor Kelly moved and Commissioner Madigan seconded to authorize the mayor to sign occupational medicine services agreement with Saratoga Hospital.

Ayes – All

Discussion and Vote: Approval for the Mayor to Sign a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) Between the City of Saratoga Springs and Saratoga Springs PBA (21-153)

Mayor Kelly moved and Commissioner Dalton seconded to authorize the mayor to sign a memorandum of understanding between the City of Saratoga Springs and the Police Benevolent Association.

Vince DeLeonardis, city attorney, advised this has been discussed during prior executive sessions. This incorporates a change from an 8 hour to a 12-hour shift. Officers working a 12-hour shift will be divided into 4 separate shifts that run from 7 a.m. – 7 p.m.; 11 a.m. – 11 p.m.; 7 p.m. – 7 a.m.; and 11 p.m. – 11 a.m.
Officers will work 36 hours in one week and 48 hours in the next week; for a total of 84 hours over a two-week period. The additional 4 hours will not be paid out as overtime. This is scheduled to go into effect May 22nd. The MOU was ratified by a majority of the PBA’s members last week. The increased costs are expected to be minimized if not entirely eliminated by anticipated savings to overtime lines.

Commissioner Madigan stated the MOA runs from 5/22/2021 to 12/31/2025. Over that period of time, the projected cost is $869,000. The total projected increase for this year is $109,205 more than if the PBA remained under their current contract. In 2022, the increase in cost over their current contract is $184,425 (for 12 months plus salary increases); in 2021, the increase in cost is $188,000; for 2021, the increase in cost is $192,000; and for 2025, the increase in cost is $195,000. These projections don’t include overtime savings. The thinking is they will be able to decrease the budgeting of overtime, which is offset by the 12-hour shifts. The MOA currently affects a total of 49 patrol and sergeants.

Ayes – All

Discussion and Vote: Resolution Authorizing the Sale of Certain Real Property (21-154)

The resolution is as follows:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SARATOGA SPRINGS AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY

WHEREAS, the City of Saratoga Springs is the owner in fee of certain parcels of land situated on the southwest corner of Caroline and Henry Streets, in the City of Saratoga Springs and bearing Tax Map ID #s 165.60-1-35 & 165.60-1-36; and
WHEREAS, the City acquired lawful title to the parcels by warranty deed, dated March 8, 1982 and has, for many years, utilized the property for surface parking, sufficient to accommodate approximately Nineteen (19) vehicles; and
WHEREAS, in or about November 2020, the City Center Authority completed the development and construction of a public parking facility on property owned by the City of Saratoga Springs, obviating the need to locate parking at the above described parcels and rendering them no longer useful, suitable or necessary for municipal purposes; and
WHEREAS, in an effort to mitigate the serious financial impacts caused by the Covid-19 Pandemic, the City Council has deemed it necessary and appropriate to identify real property owned by the City of Saratoga Springs which no longer serves a municipal purpose and to offer such property for sale through a competitive bidding process; and
WHEREAS, the above described parcels were recently appraised and determined to have a fair market value of approximately Five Hundred Thousand Dollars ($500,000); and
WHEREAS, the sale of real property owned by the City of Saratoga Springs is lawfully permitted pursuant to Section 8.4 of the City Charter,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council finds that the identified parcels (Tax Map ID #s 165.60-1-35 & 165.60-1-36) no longer serve a municipal purpose and hereby approves the sale of such parcels through a competitive bidding process, with minimum acceptable bids being not less than Five Hundred Thousand Dollars ($500,000); and
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Attorney shall coordinate with appropriate City staff and prepare all necessary documentation required to solicit bids for such property, which shall be subject to City Council approval.

Mayor Kelly moved and Commissioner Scirocco seconded to authorize the resolution for the sale of City owned property situated on the southwest corner of Caroline and Henry Street in the City of Saratoga Springs and bearing tax map ID#: 165.60-1-35 and 165-60-1-36.

Vince DeLeonardis stated the City has owned this parcel since 1982. The lot accommodates up to 19 vehicles and no longer serves a purpose for the City. The parcel was appraised at $500,000 and the minimum bid will be set at that amount.

Ayes – All

Discussion and Vote: Determination of Merit for Review for Unified Development Ordinance (UDO) (21-155)

Mayor Kelly moved and Commissioner Madigan seconded that the Unified Development Ordinance has merit for review that is referred to the City Planning Board, the County Planning Board, and the Design Review Commission for advisory opinions.
Vince DeLeonardis, city attorney, advised correspondence was received from Sustainable Saratoga along with template e-mails from the community. These e-mails indicate the UDO is not consistent with the Comprehensive Plan and the City Council should not approve it. Tonight’s item is to find if it has sufficient merit for review, not to approve the UDO.

Commissioner Dalton explained her reasons for why she will not be able to support the UDO going to the land use boards for review.

Commissioner Franck asked if the Council has a specific time in which they have to vote on the UDO after receiving the advisory opinions from the various boards.

Vince DeLeonardis advised the Council can take their time to review the advisory opinions and vote.

Commissioner Madigan stated she received the e-mails and understands the concerns. This is standard procedure at this time. We may want to ask the land use boards to help define the level of use.

Commissioner Scirocco stated the right thing to do at this point is to give it to the land use boards and get some recommendations.

Mayor Kelly stated she personally had an e-mail sent to her stating she is destroying the greenbelt. She and this Council have protected the greenbelt in every way possible.

Ayes – 4
Nays – 1 (Commissioner Dalton)

Discussion and Vote: Approval to Adopt Citizen Advisory Committee Recommendations 2021 CDBG Funding (21-156)

Mayor Kelly moved and Commissioner Franck seconded to approve the adoption of the Citizen Advisory Committee recommendations for the 2021 CDBG funding.

Ayes – All

Discussion and Vote: Approval to Reimburse Employee #2175 in the Amount of $224.85 (21-157)

Mayor Kelly advised this reimbursement is for tiles purchased to protect the floor in the game room.

Mayor Kelly moved and Commissioner Franck seconded to approve the reimbursement to employee #2175 in the amount of $224.85 for the purchase of tiles to protect the floor in the Recreation Center game room.

Ayes – All

Discussion and Vote: Approve the Updated Return to Recreation Operational Plan (21-158)

Mayor Kelly advised the plan has been updated in accordance with the CDC and the State of New York guidelines.

Mayor Kelly moved and Commissioner Madigan seconded to approve the updated return to recreation Operational Plan in accordance with the CDC and the New York State guidelines.

Ayes – All

Discussion and Vote: Appointment to Downtown Special Assessment District (21-159)

Mayor Kelly advised Ashley Gardner’s appointment will run from 5/4/2021 - 7/31/2023.
Mayor Kelly moved and Commissioner Franck seconded to appoint Ashley Gardner to the Downtown Special Assessment District.

Ayes – All

Announcement: First Public Information Meeting – Missing Sidewalk Links Project

Mayor Kelly announced the first public informational meeting regarding the missing sidewalk links project is scheduled for May 18, 2021.

Announcement: Development and Construction Report

Deputy Mayor Lisa Shields advised the public and Council of information she has been tracking regarding planning and building activity and services provided. She also introduced a new feature on their website. (A copy of the slides are attached.)

Proclamation: May is National Bike Month

Mayor Kelly read the following proclamation:

A PROCLAMATION
OF THE CITY OF SARATOGA SPRINGS, NEW YORK
MAY 2021 NATIONAL BIKE MONTH
WHEREAS, May is National Bike Month, sponsored by the League of American Bicyclists and celebrated in communities from coast to coast; and
WHEREAS, National Bike Month was established in 1956 and is a chance to showcase the many benefits of bicycling — and encourage more folks to give biking a try; and
WHEREAS, whether you bike to work or school, ride to save money or time, bike for your health or the environment, or simply to explore our community, National Bike Month is an opportunity to celebrate the unique power of the bicycle and the many reasons we ride; and
WHEREAS, Saratoga Springs’ is proud to celebrate the recent opening of the Geyser Road Trail adding two more miles to our growing Saratoga Greenbelt Trail system; and
WHEREAS, creating a bicycling-friendly community has been shown to improve citizens’ health, wellbeing, and quality of life, growing the economy of Saratoga Springs attracting tourism dollars, improving traffic safety, supporting student learning outcomes, and reducing pollution, congestion, and wear and tear on our streets and roads; and
WHEREAS, the City, Complete Streets Advisory Board, New York State, Saratoga Spa State Park, Saratoga County, Bikeatoga, and the Saratoga Chamber of Commerce, are also promoting bicycle tourism year round to attract more visitors to enjoy our local restaurants, hotels, retail establishments, and cultural and scenic attractions; and
WHEREAS, the following tips will help you enjoy biking more:
• Have your bike checked over by a qualified bicycling shop
• Always wear a helmet to protect your head in the event of a crash
• Ride in the right-most lane that goes in the direction that you are traveling
• Obey all stop signs, traffic lights and lane markings
• Look before you change lanes or signal a turn; indicate your intention and then act
• Be visible and predictable at all times, wear bright clothing, and signal turns
NOW, THEREFORE, I, Meg Kelly, Mayor of the City of Saratoga Springs, in recognition of National Bike Month urges everyone to bike to work or try cycling for fun, fitness or transportation.
Signed this 4th day of May 2021.

ACCOUNTS DEPARTMENT

Award of Bid: Extension of Bid – Hydrofluosilicic Acid and Sodiumsilico Fluoride to Amrex Chemical Company, Inc. (21-160)

Commissioner Franck moved and Commissioner Scirocco seconded to extend the award of bid for Hydrofluosilicic Acid and Sodiumsilico Fluoride to Amrex Chemical Company, Inc. for an additional year under the same terms, conditions, and prices as in bid 2019-24.

Ayes – All
Award of Bid: Extension of Bid – Orthophosphate to Surpass Chemical Co., Inc. (21-161)

Commissioner Franck moved and Commissioner Madigan seconded to extend the award of bid for Orthophosphate to Surpass Chemical Co., Inc. for an additional year under the same terms, conditions, and prices as in bid 2019-24.

Ayes - All

Announcement: Grievance Day is May 25, 2021

Commissioner Franck announced Grievance day is Tuesday, May 25, 2021. Applications to grieve you assessment are now on the City’s webpage. A box has been placed in the hallway accessible by the ramp door of City Hall for residents to drop off their grievance packets for review by the Board of Assessment Review on May 25th. Due to COVID, there will not be in-person reviews. Please contact the City Assessment Office at 518-587-3550 ext. 2552 with any questions.

Award of Bid: Professional Services for Gilbert Road Drainage Improvements to MJ Engineering and Land Surveying, P.C. (21-162)

Commissioner Franck moved and Commissioner Scirocco seconded to award the bid for Professional Services for Gilbert Road Drainage Improvement to MJ Engineering and Land Surveying, P.C. for an amount not to exceed $80,200.

Ayes - All

FINANCE DEPARTMENT


Commissioner Madigan advised the 2020 preliminary report provides a summary of the annual financial report and a summary of the City’s financial position at year-end 2020. The report will be on the City’s website. The Finance Department is preparing the 2020 financial statements. A copy of the report is attached to the minutes.

Update: City Finances

Commissioner Madigan advised there no new information on the stimulus funds. She has met with each department and plans to bring 2021 budget amendments to the City Council by mid-June.

Discussion and Vote: Beacon/Saratoga Workforce Housing PILOT Resolution and Agreement (21-163)

Commissioner Madigan advised this would favor a housing project for 56 low-income housing units. The City agrees to a PILOT payment for 32 years.

The resolution is as follows:

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SARATOGA SPRINGS AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A PAYMENT IN-LIEU OF TAX (“PILOT”) AGREEMENT BY AND AMONG THE CITY OF SARATOGA SPRINGS, EXCELSIOR PARK HOUSING DEVELOPMENT FUND COMPANY, INC. AND THE BEACON AT EXCELSIOR PARK LLC

WHEREAS, the City of Saratoga Springs (the “City”) desires to encourage a sufficient supply of adequate, safe and sanitary dwelling accommodations properly planned for persons with low income; and

WHEREAS, Excelsior Park Housing Development Fund Company, Inc., a to-be-formed Article XI New York private housing finance law corporation and a New York not-for-profit corporation (the “HDFC”), and The Beacon at Excelsior Park LLC, a to-be-formed New York limited liability company (the “Company”), have identified approximately 1.51 acres of certain real property located at Excelsior Avenue, being a portion of the parcel designated as Tax Map No. 166.00-1-23, in the City of Saratoga Springs, County of Saratoga,
State of New York (the “Land”), for the purpose of construction on the Land of a housing project for persons of low income, said project to consist of: (i) the acquisition of the Land; (ii) the construction of approximately fifty-six (56) units of housing for persons of low income and related improvements, comprised of six (6) units for tenants with household incomes at or below thirty percent (30%) of the Area Median Income for Albany-Schenectady-Troy, NY Metropolitan Statistical Area (“AMI”), thirteen (13) units for tenants with household incomes at or below fifty percent (50%) AMI, twenty-one (21) units for tenants with household incomes at or below sixty percent (60%) AMI and sixteen (16) units for tenants with household incomes at or below ninety percent (90%) AMI, together with approximately five thousand one hundred seventy one square feet (5,171 sq. ft.) of ground floor commercial space intended for occupancy by one or more not-for-profit corporations and used in furtherance of charitable purposes designed to address resident needs, surface parking and other ancillary improvements (the “Improvements”); and (iii) the acquisition and installation therein and thereon of certain machinery, equipment, furniture, fixtures and other tangible personal property (the “Equipment”, and collectively with the Land and the Improvements, the “Project”); and

WHEREAS, the Company and the HDFC will be formed for the purpose of providing residential rental accommodations for families and persons of low-income; and

WHEREAS, the HDFC will acquire fee title to the Land, as nominee for the Company, and will convey its equitable and beneficial interests in the Land to the Company in furtherance of the development of the Project; and

WHEREAS, the HDFC’s and the Company’s plan for the use of the Land constitutes a “housing project” as that term is defined in the Private Housing Finance Law of the State of New York (“PHFL”); and

WHEREAS, the HDFC is a “housing development fund company” as the term is defined in Section 572 of the PHFL and Section 577 of the PHFL authorizes the City Council to exempt the Project from real property taxes; and

WHEREAS, the Company and the HDFC will be willing to enter into a PILOT Agreement whereby they will make annual payments in lieu of taxes to the City as set forth in the PILOT Agreement presented to the City Council for approval;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council hereby exempts the Project from real property taxes to the extent authorized by Section 577 of the PHFL and approves the proposed PILOT Agreement by and among the City, the Company and the HDFC, in substantially the form presented at this meeting, providing for annual payments as set forth in such agreement; and it is FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor of Saratoga Springs is hereby authorized to execute and deliver the foregoing PILOT Agreement on behalf of the City, and it is FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution shall take effect immediately.

Commissioner Madigan moved and Mayor Kelly seconded to approve the Beacon/Saratoga Workforce Housing PILOT Resolution and agreement as included with the agenda.

Ayes – All

Discussion and Vote: Authorization for Mayor to Sign a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) Re: Grant to the City of Saratoga Springs from the New York State Economic Development Corporation (ESD) to be Administered by the New York State Technology Enterprise Corporation (NYSTEC) for a PILOT Program Re: the Construction and Implementation of LED Streetlights Incorporating Public WiFi and Video Analytics (21-164)

Commissioner Madigan advised a grant was received to establish a PILOT program for the conversion to LED lighting and installation of technical equipment. This saves funds and incorporates public WiFi and video analytics. The grant will be used to fund a one-year PILOT project.

Commissioner Madigan moved and Commissioner Franck seconded to authorize the mayor to sign a memorandum of understanding (MOU) regarding the grant to the City of Saratoga Springs from the Empire State Development (ESD) to be administered by the New York State Technology Enterprise Corporation (NYSTEC) for a PILOT program regarding construction and implementation of LED streetlights incorporating public WiFi and video analytics as included with the agenda.

Ayes – All

Discussion and Vote: Approval to Pay Invoice 3000291 in the Amount of $1,000 to Bolton St. John for Government Services (21-165)

Commissioner Madigan advised a three-month extension was approved at the March 29, 2021 Council meeting.

Commissioner Madigan moved and Commissioner Franck seconded to approve payment of invoice 3000291 in the amount of $1,000 to Bolton St. John for governmental services as included with the agenda.
Ayes - All

Discussion and Vote: Budget Transfers – Payroll (21-166)

Commissioner Madigan moved and Commissioner Franck seconded to approve the budget transfers – payroll as included with the agenda.

Ayes – All

Discussion and Vote: Budget Transfers – Contingency (21-167)

Commissioner Madigan advised the current balance in contingency is $227,581.83 and $220,045.83 will remain after this transfer.

Commissioner Madigan moved and Commissioner Franck seconded to approve the budget transfers – contingency as included with the agenda.

Ayes – All

Discussion and Vote: Budget Amendments – Payroll (21-168)

Commissioner Madigan moved and Mayor Kelly seconded to approve budget amendments – payroll as included with the agenda.

Ayes – All

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

Discussion and Vote: Authorization for Mayor to Sign Schindler Elevator Corp. Sign Contract for City Hall North Elevator Upgrade in the Amount of $70,391 (21-169)

Commissioner Scirocco advised this is to modernize the existing elevator.

Commissioner Scirocco moved and Commissioner Franck seconded to authorize the mayor to sign contract with Schindler Elevator Corp for the City Hall north elevator upgrade in the amount of $70,391.

Ayes – All

Discussion and Vote: Authorization to Pay Invoice #0516140 to Mahoney Notify-Plus, Inc. in the Amount of $295.70 (21-170)

Commissioner Scirocco advised this invoice in the amount of $295.70 is for service to relocate lines at the ice rink.

Commissioner Scirocco moved and Commissioner Franck seconded to authorize payment of invoice #0516140 to Mahoney Notify-Plus, Inc. in the amount of $295.70.

Ayes – All

Discussion and Vote: Authorization for Mayor to Accept Donation from the New York State 150th Sesquicentennial Committee in the Amount of $4,329.44 (21-171)

Commissioner Scirocco advised this donation will be used for assistance with security of the 77th Regiment statue.
Commissioner Scirocco moved and Commissioner Dalton seconded to accept the donation from the New York State Civil War Sesquicentennial Committee in the amount of $4,329.44.

Ayes – All

Announcement: Department of Public Works Facebook Page

Commissioner Scirocco announced they will be creating their own Facebook page to provide information to the public. DPW will provide updates as they become available.

Announcement: Spring Tire Recycling Program

Commissioner Scirocco announced the spring tire-recycling program will take place on May 25 from 4 – 5:30 p.m. and is open to all Saratoga County residents.

Announcement: Arbor Day Tree Planting

Commissioner Scirocco announced a new tree was planted on April 30th on Broadway in honor of Arbor Day.

Discussion and Vote: Authorization for Mayor to Sign Contract with MJ Engineering and Land Surveying, P.C. for Gilbert Road Drainage Improvements in the Amount of $80,200 (21-172)

Commissioner Scirocco moved and Commissioner Dalton seconded to authorize the mayor to sign a contract with MJ Engineering and Land Surveying, P.C. for the Gilbert Road drainage improvements in the amount of $80,200.

Ayes - All

PUBLIC SAFETY DEPARTMENT

Discussion and Vote: Referral to Planning Board and DRC for Advisory Opinions on Proposed Fire/EMS Station 3 (21-173)

Commissioner Dalton moved and Commissioner Franck seconded to refer to the Planning Board and DRC for advisory opinions on proposed fire/EMS station 3.

Tony Stellato stated the City Council will be the lead agency for SEQRA. They are prepared to forward to the boards and meet with them. Once all of that is completed, then funding has to be addressed and permits to build have to be obtained from the Office of General Services. Construction could start in 2022.

Ayes – All

Discussion and Vote: Amend Chapter 225, Section 225-81 of the City Code, Schedule XVI – Parking Prohibited at All Times (21-174)

Commissioner Dalton advised this is to prohibit parking on the south side of Crescent Street from South Broadway to Joshua Street.

Commissioner Dalton moved and Commissioner Franck seconded to amend chapter 225, section 225-81 of the City Code, schedule XVI – parking prohibited at all times on Crescent Street on the south side between Broadway and Joshua Road.

Ayes – All
Discussion and Vote: Authorization for Mayor to Sign Medical Director Contract with Dr. Jason Bernad (21-175)

Commissioner Dalton moved and Commissioner Franck seconded to authorize the mayor to sign a contract with Dr. Jason Bernad as medical director.

Ayes - All

SUPERVISORS

Matt Veitch

Building and Grounds Committee Update

Supervisor Veitch reported the auction for the Woodlawn Avenue building was held for the past 3 weeks. The high bid is $2.8 million dollars. The Committee is going to recommend accepting that bid.

Tara Gaston

COVID-19 Update

Supervisor Gaston reported the County numbers are looking better. The rolling positivity rate for 7 days is 1.5% and there are 11 hospitalizations.

Leadership Program Applications

Supervisor Gaston reported the applications are now available and will be accepted through the month of May.

Community Resiliency Program

Supervisor Gaston pulled this item.

Saratoga County Website

Supervisor Gaston pulled this item.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mayor Kelly adjourned the meeting at 9:29 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Ribis
Clerk

Approved:
Vote: