City of Nashua

CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

City Council Chambers, City Hall

The Nashua City Council met in special session January 25, 2021 in Council Chambers at City Hall. The meeting was called to order at 5:30PM with Mayor Pro Tem Thomas Johnson presiding. Council members present were Alex Anthofer, Scott Cerwinske, Thomas Johnson, and Harold Kelleher III . Mayor Betsinger and Council Member Charles Shelby were absent. City Clerk John Ott, Library Director Heather Hackman, Park Board President Nate Sinnwell, and Nick Henningsen Water/Waste Water Superintendent were present. Val Johnson attended remotely. Mayor Pro Tem Thomas Johnson called for a motion to approve the agenda. Cerwinske/M, Anthofer/S, M/C. Discussion on FY’22 Budget: Hackman discussed the budget for the Library Department, Sinnwell discussed the Park’s Department budget, Johnson reviewed the Fire Department, Henningsen talked about the Water/Waste Water Funds, and Ott discussed the other budget department(s) and fund(s) (Ambulance Department, Debt Service Fund, Employee Benefits, Emergency Fund, LOST Fund, TIF Fund, and Storm Water Fund). Ott also talked about a new software module that is available through the city’s software company that could help with gaining efficiency in the office as it helps with online payments, agendas, and minutes. It would integrate with our current G’Works software program/ modules. The cost is $3,000, but if the city signs up before March 31st there is a $500 savings. Ott will get more information on some of the additional cost structures as he didn’t have time to fully review some of the additional costs such as yearly fees, subscriber costs, etc. Val Johnson Chamber President talked about the Catalyst Grant. The deadline is fast approaching and for the pre-application acceptance the city has to commit to a matching fund $ value. Some of the matching fund concepts that were discussed were (replace existing water line, curb stop, and/or sewer lines into the building; use of the old hotel lot to store building materials and equipment; waiver of permit fees; or extending the current tax abatement). Cerwinske made a motion to commit to a $ value of $5,000 for the in-kind match and would consider all in-kind match options up to the $5,000 to show support for this grant opportunity, but did not want to commit to the method used for the in-kind match at this time. Kelleher seconded the motion. Motion Carried. Roll Call – Cerwinske, Johnson and Kelleher – Ayes, Shelby – Absent, and Anthofer – Abstained.

Resolutions

Resolution 21-09 Setting Wages for FY’21/’22 was tabled as the council wanted to discuss further.

There was no other business. Cerwinske motioned to adjourn, Anthofer seconded. M/C. the meeting was adjourned at 8:50PM.

 **\*pending approval by council**

**John Ott**

**City Clerk**