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Municipal Council
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The Committee on Finance and Salaries

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The meeting was held at Taunton City Hall, 15 Summer Street, Taunton, MA ~~02780~~ in the ^{CITY CLERK} Chester R. Martin Municipal Council Chambers.

Members Present: Councilor Phillip Duarte, Chairman
Councilor David Pottier
Councilor John McCaul

The meeting was called to order at 6:05 PM.

- 1. Approve the minutes from October 17, 2023.

Motion by Mr. Pottier and seconded by Mr. McCaul to approve. So voted.

- 2. Meet to review the weekly vouchers and payroll for City departments.

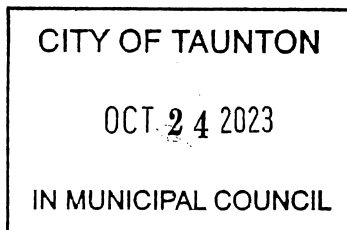
Motion by Mr. Pottier and seconded by Mr. McCaul to approve the payroll warrant in the amount of \$1,542,754.47. So voted.

Motion by Mr. Pottier and seconded by Mr. McCaul to approve the accounts payable warrant in the amount of \$2,394,839.61. So voted.

Motion by Mr. McCaul and seconded by Mr. Pottier to adjourn at 6:06 P.M. So voted.

List of Documents and Other Exhibits Used:

- The Committee on Finance and Salaries Meeting Minutes from 10/17/23
- Payroll Warrant #65
- Bill Invoice Warrant #64
- List of items over \$100,000



Respectfully submitted,

Maggie E. Clarke

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The Committee on Public Property

The meeting was held at Taunton City Hall, 15 Summer Street, Taunton, MA 02780 in the Chester R. Martin Municipal Council Chambers.

Members Present: Councilor Christopher Coute, Chairman
Councilor John McCaul
Councilor Kelly Dooner
Councilor Lawrence Quintal
Councilor Estele Borges

Also Present: Patrick Dello Russo, CFO
Andrew Sukeforth, Director of Procurement
Jay Pateakos, OECD Director

The meeting was called to order at 6:08 PM.

- 1. Approve minutes from September 19, 2023.

Motion by Mr. McCaul and seconded by Ms. Borges to approve. **So voted.**

- 2. Meet with the CFO and Director of Procurement for an update on the Marketable Properties Program.

Motion by Ms. Borges and seconded by Ms. Dooner to invite in the interested parties. **So voted.**

Mr. Sukeforth gave a presentation updating the Committee on the status of various properties in the Marketable Properties Program and indicated that his intention is to update every few months. The property on Range Ave., which is 18 acres off of Winthrop Street, went to an open auction. The highest bid was \$320,000. They are still working to complete the purchase and sale agreement. Ms. Borges asked if there would be any deed restrictions and Mr. Sukeforth indicated that the land would be difficult to build upon but is not necessarily unbuildable.

For 45 School Street, Mr. Sukeforth indicated that they had estimated \$50,000 but they received \$351,000. The buyers have a good business plan. Ms. Borges asked if this should be discussed in public since they are only under a pending purchase and sale agreement. Mr.

Coute indicated that this was a public process and Mr. Sukeforth stated that this is a very reputable company.

5 Chester Court was declared surplus about a year ago. This property was targeted for non-profit organizations. Mr. Sukeforth indicated that this is a good location but a rough house there and that there will be a 20 year affordable housing restriction on this property. Ms. Borges requested that the name of the bidder be emailed to the Council.

Mr. Sukeforth reported that Ashleigh Terrace I brought in \$155,100 and will have a single family restriction. He further indicated that the following are being actively marketed: 21 Weir which closes on October 31, and Ashleigh Terrace II, Rachel Drive, and Holloway Street which close on October 30. He highlighted some properties that need more background work to prepare but indicated that he expects that those will go at the end of 2023 or early 2024.

Mr. Coute asked Mr. Sukeforth's opinions on the success of the RFP vs. auction. Mr. Sukeforth thought that RFP seems to be better for people.

Motion by Ms. Borges and seconded by Mr. McCaul that the communications from the Law Department, Jonathan Gray, and Mayor O'Connell related to the property on Prince Henry Drive be made part of the record. **So voted.**

Mr. Dello Russo reported that OECD now has close to \$1 Million to invest back into community businesses.

Ms. Borges asked that senior and veteran housing possibilities be kept in mind.

Mr. Pottier asked for the total amount raised from those discussed tonight and Mr. Sukeforth stated it was about \$850,000.

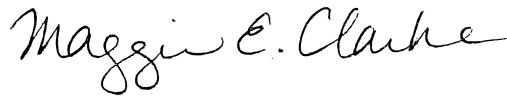
Motion by Ms. Borges and seconded by Ms. Dooner to adjourn the meeting at 6:26 PM and excuse the parties. **So voted.**

List of Documents and Other Exhibits Used:

Public Property Minutes of 9/19/23
 Letter from Andrew Sukeforth dated 10/11/23
 Presentation: Marketable Properties Program Update
 Letter from Attorney Matthew Costa dated 10/17/23
 Email from Jonathan Gray dated 10/23/23
 Email from Shaunna O'Connell dated 10/23/23

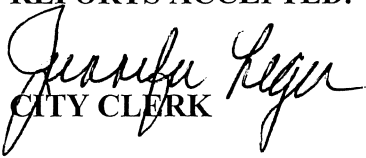
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The Committee of the Council as a Whole

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The meeting was held at Taunton City Hall, 15 Summer Street, Taunton, MA 02780 in the
Chester R. Martin Municipal Council Chambers.

Councilors Present: Council President Kelly Dooner
Councilor Phillip Duarte
Councilor Estele Borges
Councilor John McCaul
Councilor David Pottier
Councilor Christopher Coute
Councilor Barry Sanders
Councilor Lawrence Quintal
Councilor Jeffrey Postell

Also Present: Amy Kazlauskas, HR Director
Attorney Thomas Gay, Second Assistant City Solicitor

The meeting was called to order at 6:27 PM.

1. Approve minutes from October 17, 2023.

Motion by Mr. Duarte and seconded by Mr. Postell to approve. **So voted.**

2. Meet to discuss the Memorandum of Agreement with Public Employees Local Union 1144B (Clerical) for a successor Collective Bargaining Agreement covering the period of July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2025. This discussion may be held in executive session pursuant to MGL Chapter 30A §21: "To discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining or litigation if an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining or litigating position of the public body and the chair so declares".

Motion by Mr. Duarte and seconded by Mr. Coute to enter into executive session. **So voted** on a roll call with all Councilors voting in favor.

Motion by Mr. Coute and seconded by Mr. Pottier to exit executive session. **So voted** on a roll call with all Councilors voting in favor.

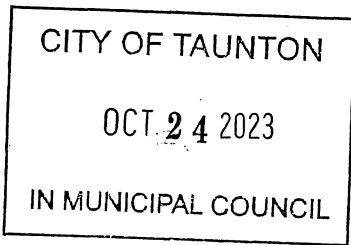
Councilor Dooner reported that two votes were taken in executive session. This included one to come out of executive session and one to approve the MOA.

Motion by Mr. Coute and seconded by Mr. Postell to ratify the vote and approve the MOA. So voted on a roll call with all Councilors voting in favor.

Motion by Mr. Duarte and seconded Mr. Postell to adjourn the meeting at 6:44 PM. So voted.

List of Documents and Other Exhibits Used:

- Meeting Minutes from the Committee of the Council as a Whole 10/17/23
- Letter from Attorney Costa dated 10/12/23
- Memorandum of Agreement between the City of Taunton and the Massachusetts Laborers' District Council



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