

## MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING

## MALTA CITY COUNCIL

### MALTA CITY HALL

February 27, 2024

Officials present:

Mayor John Demarais

Councilpersons Ward I: David Rummel

William Hicks

Councilpersons Ward II: Laura Pankratz

Deputy Clerk/Treasurer: Laurie Barrett

Public Works Director: James Truelove

Others attended: Kari Hould from PCN, Matthew Mudd from Great West Engineering & Marilyn Taylor

Mayor Demarais opened the meeting at 5:00pm.

Mayor Demarais closed the regular meeting and opened the public hearing at 5:01pm.

### **PUBLIC HEARING**

Mayor Demarais stated the purpose of the public hearing was to receive public comments concerning repair and maintenance projects pursuant to State-Local Infrastructure Partnership Act (HB355) Funding List.

With no public comment, Mayor Demarais closed the public hearing and reopened the regular meeting at 5:02pm.

### **COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR**

The Mayor informed Council that he would be attending the Annual Bear Paw Development meeting Thursday, February 29<sup>th</sup>.

Councilperson Hicks moved to approve the minutes, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilperson Rummel. Motion carried unanimously.

Councilperson Rummel moved to approve the agenda, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilperson Pankratz. Motion carried unanimously.

Councilpersons Rummel and Pankratz presented claim warrants.

Councilperson Pankratz moved to approve claim checks 28903 to 28922, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilperson Rummel. Motion carried unanimously.

### **DEPARTMENT REPORTS, COMMITTEES & MEETINGS ATTENDED**

1. PWD Truelove reported that the service tech from Fireman's Company would be here Wednesday to service & certify the hood vents at the Malta Event Center.
2. PWD Truelove reported that they will start patching potholes when the weather clears. Councilperson Hicks asked who's responsible for the potholes right off Central Ave, the City or the State, PWD Truelove stated that he thinks they are in the State right-of-way. Councilperson Pankratz asked who notifies the County about the potholes on the frontage road, PWD Truelove said any citizen that see's them can report them to the county.
3. PWD Truelove reported that the street sweeper will be out weather permitting.
4. PWD Truelove reported that the 3700 ft of force main bypass was complete.
5. Mayor Demarais asked PWD Truelove to remove the U-turn signs on Front Street at Veteran's Park.

6. Deputy Clerk Barrett presented Council the current check register, current shut off list, and the bid from Will's Office World for a new copier for the City Clerk's office that was already budgeted for in the 2023/2024 Budget. Councilperson Hicks moved to approve the ordering of the copier, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilperson Pankratz. Mayor Demarais called for a roll call vote. Councilpersons Pankratz Aye, Hicks Aye, Rummel Aye. Motion Carried.
7. Matt Mudd with Great West Engineering reported on the status of the Trafton force main emergency bypass and explained the next steps that will need to be taken for permanent repair and decisions such as if the project will be done in its entirety or phases, funding, grants and loans. Marilyn Taylor asked if anyone had checked for the original easement from the 1950's and also inquired about the timeline for final repairs.
8. Matt Mudd with Great West Engineering reported on the Water PER (engineering report) for the replacement/repair of the water tank. He reported this is a 2-3-year time frame for this project as well as discussed options of type and capacity of tank as well as funding, grants and loans available that will need to be decided on.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

1. None.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

1. Mayor Demarais presented Council with the Repair and Maintenance Projects Pursuant to State-Local Infrastructure Partnership Act (HB 355) Funding list. Councilperson Rummel moved to approve, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilperson Hicks. Mayor Demarais called for a roll call vote. Councilpersons Rummel Aye, Pankratz Aye, Hicks Aye. Motion Carried.

#### **OTHER COMMENTS**

With no other business, Councilperson Rummel moved to adjourn, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilperson Hicks. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 5:55pm.

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Mayor

ATTEST:

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Clerk/Treasurer