

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Date and Time: Tuesday, February 23, 2021 @ 6:00 pm., Council Chambers

Members Present: *In Person*: Lisa Rasmussen, Michael Martens, and Dawn Herbst; *By WebEx*: Sarah Watson, and Deb Ryan

Others Present: Leslie Kremer, Maryanne Groat, Anne Jacobson, Eric Lindman, Katie Rosenberg; Tracy Kujawa, Jamie Polley, Dan Kerntop, Lindsey Lewitzke, Tom Kilian

In accordance with Chapter 19, Wisc. Statutes, notice of this meeting was posted and sent to the Daily Herald in the proper manner. The meeting was called to order by Chair, Lisa Rasmussen.

Minutes of the previous meeting(s). (2/9/2021)

Motion by Herbst, second by Martens to approve the minutes of the 2/09/2021 meeting. Motion carried 5-0.

Discussion and possible action to release the balance of the 2020 room tax funds to continuing appropriation grantees

Lisa Rasmussen stated at our first meeting for room tax allocations we were not sure where we would end the year with the pandemic and opted to fund our continuing appropriation entities at 75% of their requests and wait to see what the year yielded. She indicated enough room tax was collected to fund the remaining 25% to those entities, with funds left over for the Room Tax Commission.

Finance Director Maryanne Groat stated there is approximately \$153,000 left for the Room Tax Commission to allocate. She noted they will be receiving a couple of tourism grant applications which are due at the end of February, so will be convening a commission meeting to evaluate those applications.

Motion by Martens, second by Herbst to authorized release the remaining 25% of room tax funds to the continuing appropriation grantees. Motion carried 5-0.

Discussion and possible action approving a 3-year contract with ESRI for GIS software.

Rasmussen explained the software that GIS has been sharing with the county does not meet the needs of the city's GIS Department with the utilities and things that they need to map. She indicated they are requesting entering into a second contract with ESRI for GIS software that will better meet those needs.

Eric Lindman stated the city has much more data than the county does between our utilities, electrical, lights, and all of our infrastructure. He noted this software opens the door for us to query our DNR reports for the utility and other reports.

Motion by Martens, second by Watson to approve the contract with ESRI. Motion carried 5-0.

Adjourn

Motion by Herbst, second by Watson to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 6:06 pm.