

APPROVED MINUTES of the Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of Rye held in City Hall on September 5, 2018, at 7:00 P.M.

PRESENT:

JOSH COHN, Mayor
SARA GODDARD
EMILY HURD
RICHARD MECCA
JULIE SOUZA
BENJAMIN STACKS
DANIELLE TAGGER-EPSTEIN
Councilmembers

ABSENT:

None

The Council convened at 7:00 P.M.

1. Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Cohn called the meeting to order and invited the Council to join in the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Roll Call.

Mayor Cohn asked the City Clerk to call the roll; a quorum was present to conduct official City business.

3. Resolution authorizing the filing of the WIIA grant and identifying source of funds for the projects identified in application.

- Brevoort Forcemain - \$500,000
- Locust Siphon - \$650,000
- Central Avenue Pump Station - \$1,000,000

Mayor Cohn explained that these items were contemplated in the 2018 budget. In an attempt to put the City in the best financial position, the City would be applying for grants, which requires that the Council pass a resolution.

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RYE AUTHORIZING THE FILING OF THE WIIA GRANT AND IDENTIFYING THE SOURCE OF FUNDS

**FOR THE PROJECTS IDENTIFIED IN THE CITY OF RYE'S WIIA GRANT
APPLICATION**

On motion of Councilwoman Souza, seconded by Councilwoman Hurd, the following resolution was adopted by the City Council of the City of Rye, New York:

RESOLVED, that the City Council authorizes the City Manager, in line with his powers and duties, to sign the requisite Application Form in order to apply for funding through the WIIA Clean Water Grant Program from the New York State Environmental Facilities Corporation ("EFC") to enable repairs to the City's sewer system.

RESOLVED, that the funding sources for the projects identified in the City of Rye's WIIA Grant application are as follows:

Brevoort Forcemain - \$500,000 – General Fund Fund Balance for 2018 Adopted Budget for Home and Community Environment as described on pages 3-63 to 3-69 and associated with cost centers 118120 and 118140;

Locust Siphon - \$650,000 - General Fund Fund Balance for 2018 Adopted Budget for Home and Community Environment as described on pages 3-63 to 3-69 and associated with cost centers 118120 and 118140 and part of 2012 Bond Referendum approved by the voters on November 6, 2012;

Central Avenue Pump Station - \$1,000,000 – separate bond resolution adopted by City Council on May 23, 2018 to provide for payment through fund balance, debt or general operations.

ROLL CALL

AYES: Councilmembers Goddard, Hurd, Mecca, Souza, Tagger-Epstein, Stacks, Mayor Cohn
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None

4. Resolution authorizing the Mayor, as a member of the County's Shared Services Panel, to Opt-In to certain proposals as part of the County's Shared Services Plan to enable the City to remain eligible for state matching funds.

Mayor Cohn explained that his participation in the upcoming meeting of the County's Shared Services Panel will help the County to obtain State-matching funds. The Mayor would be able to opt in or opt out in a number of proposals. There are seven proposals that will be acted on: 1) create an online shared services portal, in which the Mayor would opt in; 2) proposal for electronic records management, in which the Mayor would opt out, as the City is already digitizing its records; 3) centralized contract for information technology services, in which the Mayor would opt in; 4) proposal to consolidate police operations, in which the Mayor would opt in solely to the portion regarding the consolidation of courts; 5) County-wide health insurance

consortium, in which the Mayor would elect a limited opt-in, as the City would retain our own assessment 6) increased energy efficiency: opt in. Mayor Cohn explained that his “opting in” to any choice does not bind the City. Before the City would participate in any finalization of proposals, it would have an opportunity to study the issue and the Council would decide by a vote.

Councilman Stacks made a motion, seconded by Councilwoman Goddard and unanimously carried, to authorize the Mayor, as a member of the County’s Shared Services Panel, to Opt-In to certain proposals as part of the County’s Shared Services Plan to enable the City to remain eligible for state matching funds.

5. Old Business

There was nothing discussed under this agenda item.

6. New Business.

There was nothing discussed under this agenda item.

7. Adjournment.

There being no further business to discuss, Councilman Mecca made a motion, seconded by Councilwoman Souza and unanimously carried, to adjourn the meeting into executive session for litigation and personnel matters at 7:12 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Carolyn D’Andrea
City Clerk