

# Rochester Hills Minutes

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# **City Council Regular Meeting**

David J. Blair, Susan M. Bowyer Ph.D., Ryan Deel, Dale A. Hetrick, Stephanie Morita, Theresa Mungioli and David Walker

Vision Statement: The Community of Choice for Families and Business

Mission Statement: "Our mission is to sustain the City of Rochester Hills as the premier community of choice to live, work and raise a family by enhancing our vibrant residential character complemented by an attractive business community."

Monday, April 27, 2020

7:00 PM

1000 Rochester Hills Drive

#### CALL TO ORDER

President Deel called the Regular Rochester Hills City Council Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Michigan Time.

# **ROLL CALL**

**Present** 7 - David Blair, Susan M. Bowyer, Ryan Deel, Dale Hetrick, Stephanie Morita, Theresa Mungioli and David Walker

#### Others Present:

Bryan Barnett, Mayor Tina Barton, City Clerk Sean Canto, Fire Chief/Emergency Services Director Scott Cope, Director of Building/Ordinance/Facilities Sara Roediger, Planning and Economic Development Director Leanne Scott, Deputy Clerk John Staran, City Attorney

President Deel thanked everyone watching and participating by Zoom, phone, or watching on YouTube. He noted that this is the second meeting called to order by videoconference and not at City Hall. He explained that Michigan Governor Gretchen Whitmer issued Executive Orders 2020-21 and 2020-48 to suspend the provisions of the Open Meetings Act as they relate to public bodies meeting in person during this public emergency. He stated that the Rochester Hills City Council is committed to maintaining the health and safety of residents during this public crisis and will continue to carry out the important functions of City government. He explained how the proceedings would be conducted through the Zoom meeting software and how members of the public could participate in the proceedings.

## PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

#### APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion was made by Hetrick, seconded by Walker, that the Agenda be Approved as Presented. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye 7 - Blair, Bowyer, Deel, Hetrick, Morita, Mungioli and Walker

#### COUNCIL AND YOUTH COMMITTEE REPORTS

# Paint Creek Trailways Commission (PCTC):

**Mr. Walker** reported that the Paint Creek Trail is seeing increased usage. He reminded everyone to be mindful of trail etiquette for walkers, runners, and bikers, and to be aware of social distancing, keeping six feet apart. He noted that there are signs on the trail and more coming to remind users of social distancing.

#### Avondale Youth Assistance (AYA):

Ms. Morita reported that AYA has partnered with Blessings in a Backpack to offer a monetary match of \$3,000 to help provide needed meals. She commented that there are many hungry children in the community, and school lunches only provide food during the week, while Blessings in a Backpack provides food on the weekends. Janelle Tischer, who runs the Avondale Blessings in a Backpack program, reports that they are expecting a \$9,000 shortfall due to the increase in demand as more families are coming to them asking for help. Ms. Morita noted that she has included a link on her City Facebook page as well as on the AYA Facebook page and Blessings in a Backpack's Facebook page, for anyone wishing to donate, and stated that any donation would be matched by AYA up to \$3,000.

#### Rochester Area Youth Assistance (RAYA):

**Ms. Mungioli** reported that RAYA was having its first Zoom meeting tomorrow evening and will be looking for ways to help the community. She asked that anyone knowing any families serviced by RAYA who need help during this time of pandemic should reach out.

#### Rochester Avon Recreation Authority (RARA):

**Ms. Mungioli** noted that RARA has been shut down for the past six weeks and is looking to determine how to best get back up and operational.

# Older Persons' Commission (OPC):

Mr. Hetrick reported that the OPC facility remains closed. He noted that Renee Cortright, OPC Executive Director, has been working to keep the OPC Board apprised of how that will progress as the Governor's orders begin to relax and allow things to reopen. The Meals on Wheels and Transportation Programs are still operational and in full force; all rules and procedures are being followed

to ensure everything is disinfected appropriately and drivers are wearing masks.

## PLANNING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

2020-0138

Request for Purchase Authorization - PLANNING: Blanket Purchase Order/Contract for wetland and environmental consulting services in the amount not-to-exceed \$147,300.00 through April 30, 2023; ASTI Environmental, Brighton, MI

Attachments: 04272020 Agenda Summary.pdf

Proposals Tab Wetlands.pdf
Resolution (Draft).pdf

**Sara Roediger**, Planning and Economic Development Director, was in attendance virtually to present this item.

Ms. Roediger stated that Council's approval is requested to extend the contract for ASTI Environmental. She explained that ASTI has been the City's environmental consultants for nearly 20 years. She noted that the Purchasing Department issued a request for bids, and received 11 proposals that were reviewed by Planning, Engineering and Natural Resources staff. The review team unanimously recommended staying with ASTI for the next three years. She noted that ASTI reviews any wetlands and environmental concerns, as well as Brownfields. She mentioned that the Legacy Brownfield was a major project last year, and ASTI was a great help to the City as it navigated the cleanup of that property. She stated that staff recommends approval of the three-year contract.

**President Deel** noted that this is a Blanket Purchase Order to renew the contract with ASTI to expire April 30, 2023. Services are used on an as-needed basis, and many of the services they provide are on a pass-through cost basis.

**Ms. Roediger** responded that was correct, noting that last year over 92 percent of the fees billed by ASTI were billed back to applicants.

Vice President Bowyer stated that she has been very impressed with ASTI during the time that she has been on Council. She commented that their reports are very detailed and note invasive and non-invasive plants, soils, and drainage. She pointed out that ASTI Principal Tom Wackerman has done a fantastic job in ensuring that the Legacy Project activities were fully explained to everyone.

**Ms.** Mungioli stated that she expressed concerns regarding expenditures during this uncertain time, and she thanked the directors who responded to her emails. She reiterated that she still has concerns, and noted that Joe Snyder, Chief Financial Officer, will be coming to Council on May 17, 2020 to review the budget implications of the pandemic.

A motion was made by Bowyer, seconded by Hetrick, that this matter be Adopted by Resolution. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye 7 - Blair, Bowyer, Deel, Hetrick, Morita, Mungioli and Walker

Enactment No: RES0091-2020

**Resolved**, that the Rochester Hills City Council hereby authorizes a blanket purchase order/contract for wetland and environmental consulting services to ASTI Environmental, Brighton, Michigan in the amount not-to-exceed \$147,300.00 through April 30, 2023 and further authorizes the Mayor to execute a contract on behalf of the City.

**Further Resolved**, that the City's acceptance of the proposal and approval of the award of a contract shall be contingent and conditioned upon the parties' entry into and execution of a written agreement acceptable to the City.

# **PUBLIC COMMENT for Items not on the Agenda**

**Deputy Clerk Leanne Scott** indicated that there were no emails received nor any individuals requesting to speak during the Public Comment portion of the meeting.

#### **CONSENT AGENDA**

All matters under Consent Agenda are considered to be routine and will be enacted by one motion, without discussion. If any Council Member or Citizen requests discussion of an item, it will be removed from Consent Agenda for separate discussion.

2020-0156 Approval of Minutes - City Council Special Meeting - November 18, 2019

Attachments: CC Special Mtg Min 111819.pdf

Resolution (Draft).pdf

This Matter was Adopted by Resolution on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: RES0092-2020

**Resolved**, that the Minutes of a City Council Special Meeting held on November 18, 2019 be approved as presented.

approved as presented

2020-0093 Request for Purchase Authorization - FACILITIES: Blanket Purchase Order/Contract for Van Hoosen Jones Cemetery Concrete Replacement and Storage Barn Renovation in the amount of \$43,780.00 with a 10% project contingency in the amount of \$4,378.00 for a total not-to-exceed contract amount of

\$48,158.00; Meridian Contracting Group, LLC., Washington, MI

Attachments: 04272020 Agenda Summary.pdf

Bid Tabulation.pdf Resolution (Draft).pdf

This Matter was Adopted by Resolution on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: RES0093-2020

**Resolved**, that the Rochester Hills City Council hereby authorizes a blanket purchase order/contract for Van Hoosen Jones Cemetery Concrete Replacement and Storage Barn Renovation to Meridian Contracting Group, LLC., Washington, Michigan in the amount of \$43,780.00 with a 10% project contingency in the amount of \$4,378.00 for a total not-to-exceed contract amount of \$48,158.00 and further authorizes the Mayor to execute a contract on behalf of the City.

**Further Resolved**, that the City's acceptance of the proposal and approval of the award of a contract shall be contingent and conditioned upon the parties' entry into and execution of a written agreement acceptable to the City.

#### 2020-0136

Request for Purchase Authorization - BLDG: Increase to blanket purchase order for on-call electrical services in the amount of \$15,000.00 for a new total not-to-exceed amount of \$39,900.00 through July 31, 2020; Design and Quality Electric, Rochester, MI

Attachments: 04272020 Agenda Summary.pdf

Resolution (Draft).pdf

This Matter was Adopted by Resolution on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: RES0094-2020

**Resolved**, that the Rochester Hills City Council hereby authorizes an increase to the blanket purchase order for on-call electrical services to Design and Quality Electric, Rochester, Michigan in the amount of \$15,000.00 for a new total not-to-exceed amount of \$39,900.00 through July 31, 2020.

#### 2020-0137

Request for Purchase Authorization - CITYWIDE: Blanket Purchase Order/Contract for citywide printing services in the amount of \$82,700.00 through April 30, 2021; Image Printing, Royal Oak, MI

Attachments: 04272020 Agenda Summary.pdf

<u>Proposal Summary.pdf</u> <u>Resolution (Draft).pdf</u>

This Matter was Adopted by Resolution on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: RES0095-2020

**Resolved**, that the Rochester Hills City Council hereby authorizes a blanket purchase order/contract for citywide printing services to Image Printing, Inc., Royal Oak, Michigan in the amount of \$82,700.00 through April 30, 2021 and further authorizes the Mayor to execute a contract on behalf of the City.

#### 2020-0146

Request for Purchase Authorization - CLERKS: Increase to blanket purchase order for logic and accuracy testing services in the amount of \$10,970.00 for a new not-to-exceed amount of \$35,970.00 through July 31, 2020; Election Source, Inc., Grand Rapids, MI

Attachments: 04272020 Agenda Summary.pdf

Resolution (Draft).pdf

This Matter was Adopted by Resolution on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: RES0096-2020

**Resolved**, that the Rochester Hills City Council hereby authorizes an increase to the blanket purchase order for logic and accuracy testing services to Election Source, Inc., Grand Rapids, Michigan in the amount of \$10,970.00 for a new not-to-exceed amount of \$35,970.00 through July 31, 2020.

#### Passed the Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Walker, seconded by Mungioli, including all the preceding items marked as having been adopted on the Consent Agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye 7 - Blair, Bowyer, Deel, Hetrick, Morita, Mungioli and Walker

## **LEGISLATIVE & ADMINISTRATIVE COMMENTS**

**President Deel** stated that weeks into the pandemic, the emergency orders from the Governor have been extended to May 15, 2020. He expressed his hope that everyone is staying safe and well and he looks forward to the time when everyone can get together face-to-face again.

Mr. Blair mentioned the City has been making calls to seniors and stated that his Stony Creek No. 5 Masonic Lodge volunteered to deliver groceries to 15 individuals. He encouraged anyone who volunteers with any non-profit groups to contact the City to offer their help.

**Mayor Barnett** stated that he is proud of his team in coordinating this evening's meeting. He noted that the Facilities team reconfigured the auditorium to comply with social distancing for anyone wishing to comment in person, and stated that the occupancy of City Council chambers is now 17. He made the following comments and announcements:

- He has been in daily contact with the Governor's office to receive updates. The current COVID curve specific to Oakland County was displayed, showing a decrease in cases and deaths and noting that the curve is beginning to flatten, and Oakland County's website shows cases by zip code. What the residents have done to shelter in place in Rochester Hills is working and thanks go to everyone for doing their part. The results also show that the area is not quite ready to fully reopen and everyone needs to continue to follow the loosened restrictions.
- The City has placed nearly 100 signs of encouragement in the parks and on the trails. City employees contributed to the words of encouragement printed on the signs
- The City is working very hard to prepare for the day that City Hall will be back open to the public and is looking how to change the way staff interfaces with the customers.
- Over 3,000 calls have been made to area seniors. Calls will be transitioned back to OPC this week. The City has been able to secure a great number of masks for distribution to the public, and Council will each be given 20 masks to distribute to anyone who may need them. Masks will be taken to businesses, local senior centers, and other city entities that may need them.
- Media staff filmed a virtual school tour around the building.
- The City is working with the League of Women Voters to formulate plans for a virtual debate to be held this fall.
- As part of his role with the U.S. Conference of Mayors Mayor Barnett has had the opportunity to participate in a number of national discussions. Last Friday he hosted a call with Ben Carson, Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, and Jerome Adams, Surgeon General. The week before, a call

included Larry Kudlow, Director of the United States National Economic Council, and before that Dr. Deborah Birx. Rochester Hills is positioned nationally in leadership on this issue.

- He encouraged everyone to view the video on YouTube regarding the Bebb Oak on Livernois Road south of Auburn, noting that it is a great story of hope.
- The City transitioned today from paying every employee to only paying employees for the work being done. Unfortunately, this has meant that in some cases employees have been furloughed, a couple have been laid off, and a modified schedule was put into place for a significant number of employees. He would assure Council that the Administration is working daily on the budget, and under CFO Snyder's supervision the City is in a strong position, leading conservatively.
- The Census count as of today is 73.2 percent, still behind Orion Township; however, with everyone's help, the City will beat them. Each person counted represents \$1,800 over the next ten years.
- He read a story from 1990 about Georgene Johnson in Cleveland, Ohio, who began to jog at the age of 43 and entered a 10K race. She realized that she had entered the wrong race path, and ended up running a complete marathon, finishing in four hours and four minutes. Everyone feels a bit like Georgene did, noting that this is the race that we are in; and with the cooperation of everyone, everyone will finish strong.

#### ATTORNEY'S REPORT

John Staran, City Attorney, noted that there have been a couple of new legal developments of concern to the City. A Michigan Supreme Court decision in the DeRuiter vs. Byron Township case, dealt with an individual who wanted to establish a medical marihuana grow operation in a commercial district. The Court of Appeals held that if someone wants to establish a grow operation under the Michigan Medical Marihuana Act ("Act"), a community cannot opt-out and tell them where they cannot be. Fortunately, the Michigan Supreme Court recognized that although the City cannot prevent licensed registered caregivers from growing marihuana in accordance with the Act within the confines of their own residential premises, it may prohibit them from any other districts. This is welcome news for the City and consistent with what the City had thought would be the case.

The other case development was handed down last Friday by the U.S. District Court, regarding Canton Township's Tree Ordinance, where a challenge to the Ordinance related to a fairly hefty penalty of approximately \$44,000 owed for replacement trees for those that had been cut on industrial property without a tree removal permit. The judge seemed to be bothered by a formulatic approach, similar to the City's Ordinance, and stated that there should be a weight placed on the true value of the trees and effect on the environment on a case-by-case basis. He stated that he would suspect that the case will go to the 6th Circuit Court of Appeals and he will be watching the outcome.

#### NOMINATIONS/APPOINTMENTS

2020-0065

Nomination/Appointment of one (1) Citizen Representative to the Historic Districts Commission, to fill the unexpired term of Steve Reina ending

December 31, 2020

Attachments: 04272020 Agenda Summary.pdf

Appointment Form.pdf

Long CQ.pdf McGunn CQ.pdf Morlan CQ.pdf

04132020 Agenda Summary.pdf

Nomination Form.pdf
Calderwood CQ.pdf
Frederiksen CQ.pdf
Hauser CQ.pdf
Hunter CQ.pdf
McCracken CQ.pdf
Zimmerman CQ.pdf
Notice of Vacancy.pdf

022420 Agenda Summary.pdf Reina Resignation Letter.pdf 022420 Resolution.pdf Resolution (Draft).pdf

**President Deel** noted that three individuals were nominated at the last City Council Meeting.

**Ms. Mungioli** stated that she would speak in support of Carol Morlan for this position. She noted that Julie Granthen, Historic Districts Commission member, sent an email that Ms. Morlan lives in the Munson House, has been actively engaged in the community for a long time, and would be a great asset to the Commission.

**President Deel** instructed Council to vote for one of the nominees. The nominees received the following votes:

Josephine Long - Hetrick, Walker Carol Morlan - Blair, Bowyer, Deel, Morita, Mungioli

**President Deel** announced that Carol Morlan would be appointed to the Historic Districts Commission to fill the unexpired term of Steve Reina.

A motion was made by Mungioli, seconded by Bowyer, that this matter be Adopted by Resolution to Appoint Carol Morlan to the Historic Districts Commission to fill the unexpired term of Steve Reina ending December 31, 2020. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye 7 - Blair, Bowyer, Deel, Hetrick, Morita, Mungioli and Walker

Enactment No: RES0097-2020

**Resolved**, that the Rochester Hills City Council hereby appoints Carol Morlan to the Historic Districts Commission, to fill the unexpired term of Steve Reina ending December 31, 2020.

2020-0104 Nomination/Appointment of one (1) Citizen Representative to the Zoning/Sign Board of Appeals for a three-year term to expire March 31, 2023

Attachments: 04272020 Agenda Summary.pdf

Appointment Form.pdf

Kalas CQ.pdf Sakis CQ.pdf

04132020 Agenda Summary.pdf

Nomination Form.pdf
Braun III CQ.pdf
Colling, Jr. CQ.pdf
Dorris CQ.pdf
Farmer CQ.pdf
Gwiazdowski CQ.pdf
Holmes CQ.pdf
Hurst CQ.pdf
Lewis CQ.pdf

Long CQ.pdf
Lyons CQ.pdf

McCracken CQ.pdf McGunn CQ.pdf Mendez Jr. CQ.pdf Rood CQ.pdf

Strunk CQ (Revised).pdf

Strunk CQ.pdf
Thompson CQ.pdf
Notice of Vacancy.pdf
Resolution (Draft).pdf

**President Deel** noted that two individuals were nominated at the last City Council Meeting.

#### **Public Comment:**

**Deputy Clerk Leanne Scott** read an email into the record from **Jason Sakis**, which stated that he has been a Rochester community resident since 1976, and would ask for Council's support and vote. He noted that he is a real estate broker and attorney and hoped to contribute in a meaningful way to maintaining the stellar reputation of this great City.

**President Deel** instructed Council to vote for one of the nominees. The nominees received the following votes:

Tom Kalas - Bowyer, Morita, Walker Jason Sakis - Blair, Deel, Hetrick, Mungioli

**President Deel** announced that Jason Sakis would be appointed to the Zoning/Sign Board of Appeals.

A motion was made by Mungioli, seconded by Hetrick, that this matter be Adopted by Resolution to Appoint Jason Sakis to the Zoning/Sign Board of Appeals to serve a three-year term to expire March 31, 2023. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye 7 - Blair, Bowyer, Deel, Hetrick, Morita, Mungioli and Walker

Enactment No: RES0098-2020

Resolved, that the Rochester Hills City Council hereby appoints Jason Sakis to the

Zoning/Sign Board of Appeals to serve a three-year term expiring March 31, 2023.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### 2020-0145

Request for Purchase Authorization - DPS GAR/FACILITIES/ORDINANCE: Blanket Purchase Order/Contract for 2020 lawn mowing services for City-owned properties, shoulder right of ways, pathways, and ordinance compliance for occupied and vacant lots in the amount not-to-exceed \$175,500.00 through December 31, 2020; Green Meadows, Rochester Hills, MI

Attachments: 04272020 Agenda Summary.pdf

<u>Proposal Tabulation.pdf</u> <u>Resolution (Draft).pdf</u>

**Scott Cope**, Building/Ordinance/Facilities Director, stated that this item is for lawn mowing services. He noted that this is the first year that all lawn mowing services were combined to obtain the best price. The work includes shoulders, right-of-ways and pathways, along with City properties around City-owned buildings and vacant properties. Lawn mowing for Ordinance compliance services for vacant and occupied lots is also included. He commented that this should coordinate work throughout the City better, as there were years in the past where different contractors were cutting different sides of the road. He noted that the amount covers all lawn mowing services provided by the contractor for all City properties.

**President Deel** noted that per the Governor's recent orders, it looks like the contractors will be able to get started right away.

*Mr.* Cope confirmed, that the Governor lifted the restrictions last Friday.

After the vote, **Mayor Barnett** discussed the City's lawn mowing policy. He noted that the City has always followed the Governor's orders, and stated that a question was raised regarding mowing around City Hall. He explained the prior to the lifting of the order, a homeowner could mow his or her own property; however, a lawn service was not allowed. Over the last week or two before the order was lifted, the City re-deployed some of its own manpower that were not getting fields ready at Borden Park to use the City's own equipment to maintain City property. He stressed that the City was absolutely complying with the Governor's orders. He stated that moving forward, the City hopes to have a level of lawn maintenance and beautification in the City commensurate with what was seen in the past. He commented that knowing that the City is now approximately six weeks behind in maintenance activities, while it is not a top priority, staff is working to achieve the conditions expected in Rochester Hills.

A motion was made by Hetrick, seconded by Walker, that this matter be Adopted by Resolution. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ave 7 - Blair, Bowyer, Deel, Hetrick, Morita, Mungioli and Walker

Enactment No: RES0099-2020

**Resolved**, that the Rochester Hills City Council hereby authorizes a blanket purchase order/contract for 2020 lawn mowing services for City-owned properties, shoulder right of ways, pathways, and ordinance compliance for occupied and vacant lots to Green

Meadows, Rochester Hills, Michigan in the amount not-to-exceed \$175,500.00 through December 31, 2020 and further authorizes the Mayor to execute a contract on behalf of the City.

**Further Resolved**, that the City's acceptance of the proposal and approval of the award of a contract shall be contingent and conditioned upon the parties' entry into and execution of a written agreement acceptable to the City.

2020-0092

Request for Purchase Authorization - FIRE: Purchase of two (2) Type I Ambulances in the amount not-to-exceed \$616,521.88; Mercy Sales Incorporated, Saginaw, MI

Attachments: 04272020 Agenda Summary.pdf

Photos.pdf

Pricing Proposal.pdf
Ambulance Drawings.pdf
Resolution (Draft).pdf

Sean Canto, Fire Chief/Emergency Services Director, stated that Council is requested to approve the purchase of two new ambulances. He explained that in 2016, the City developed a cooperative proposal bid encompassing several neighboring communities for the purchase of several ambulances, similar to what was previously done for the fire apparatus. This yielded a cost savings on these units. The two ambulances that are being replaced are a 2009 unit and 2011 unit. When the City replaced its ambulances in 2016, it took the two best ambulances and moved them into reserve status. The reserve ambulances are used when the City runs out of available units, when the current units are out for maintenance, or when they are needed for special events. He noted that especially now, these units are critical pieces of equipment.

He pointed out that the Fire Department relies on the DPS Fleet Maintenance team, as they are experts in vehicles. He stated that the Fleet Maintenance team reviews the vehicle maintenance and wear and tear, and determines when a unit will cost more in repairs than it benefits the City in service. He noted that the current service time for an ambulance is six years, and he noted that these units have served longer than that timeframe.

**President Deel** noted that these vehicles are approximately three to five years past their useful life. He questioned if prior to aging out, if a vehicle is first moved over as a reserve unit.

Chief Canto responded that the City tries to push the replacement schedule back as far as possible as long as the unit is still providing a cost-benefit and is not becoming a problem where more is being spent in repairs than what the vehicle is worth. He stated that the two ambulances being pushed over are the units which have the most mileage on them. He commented that the good news is that all of the City's ambulances will be Freightliner fleet, which will help reduce maintenance costs as Freightliner is the chassis of choice for the DPS Fleet Maintenance team as well and will save money in maintenance.

**President Deel** commented that there will be economies of scale in being able to buy all Freightliner parts.

**Chief Canto** confirmed that not only for parts, but also for software to diagnose issues. The Fleet Maintenance team can have so many types of oil filters in stock and will get the unit back in service quicker.

**Mr. Hetrick** questioned, in regard to the CIP, whether there will still be five ambulances scheduled to be changed out in 2022. He stated that out of those five, two are being pulled forward now, which will leave three ambulances to be refurbished or replaced in 2022.

**Chief Canto** confirmed that these two are being pulled forward, and two will be moved into the reserve position. In 2022, three ambulances would be purchased.

**Mr. Walker** thanked Chief Canto for taking time to answer their questions. He commented that it appears from a monetary standpoint that funds are in the budget and there is a need. He thanked Chief Canto for sending photos which reveal the wear and tear on the units.

**Mayor Barnett** requested President Deel allow Chief Canto to provide an update relative to COVID-19 after the vote.

After the vote, **Chief Canto**, reported that this is something that he has not encountered in his 30 years in fire service. He stated that it is truly an invisible enemy. He reported that several facilities throughout the City have a number of people in them who are sick. Recently, one person who actually tested negative at the time has been determined to have the antibodies, noting that they had the virus. There are three current members testing positive and are home sick; two members home sick that were tested the other day and are awaiting results; and two more members tested today. He commented that this is a unique situation and the Department is thankful to the City for taking such quick action to secure personal protection equipment to ensure that they are very well stocked. He stated that the run volume is to the point where the dispatch center is just assuming that any incident, especially at an assisted living or nursing facility, would have infected residents. He commented that the Department knew this was coming and is grateful that this far into the crisis, the Department does not have more individuals infected.

**Mayor Barnett** noted that last week 22 out of 47 front-line fire service individuals were in some stage of testing or in some form of quarantine. He noted that it does not take much to spread, and he stated that Chief and his team have done a great job.

**President Deel** commented that it is sobering to hear the numbers and how with each run, these individuals are subjecting themselves to the risk of this virus.

A motion was made by Hetrick, seconded by Blair, that this matter be Adopted by Resolution. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye 7 - Blair, Bowyer, Deel, Hetrick, Morita, Mungioli and Walker

Enactment No: RES0100-2020

Resolved, that the Rochester Hills City Council hereby authorizes the purchase of two (2)

Type I Ambulances to Mercy Sales Incorporated, Saginaw, Michigan in the amount not-to-exceed \$616,521.88.

**Further Resolved**, that the City's acceptance of the proposal and approval of the award of a contract shall be contingent and conditioned upon the parties' entry into and execution of a written agreement acceptable to the City.

# **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

None.

#### **NEXT MEETING DATE**

- Regular Meeting - Monday, May 4, 2020 - 7:00 p.m.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business before Council, it was moved by Mungioli and seconded by Walker to adjourn the meeting at 8:07 p.m.

RYAN DEEL, President	
Rochester Hills City Council	
TINA BARTON, MMC, Clerk	
City of Rochester Hills	
MARY JO PACHLA	
Administrative Assistant II	

Approved as presented at the July 13, 2020 Regular City Council Meeting.