

PRESENT: Brian P. Zidek, Chair; Kevin M. Madden, Council Member; Elaine Paul Schaefer, Council Member; Dr. Monica Taylor, Vice Chair by telephone; Christine A. Reuther, Council Member by telephone; Joanne Phillips, Controller; Marianne Grace, Chief Administrative Officer; William F. Martin, Solicitor; Anne M. Coogan, County Clerk.

The Regular Meeting of Delaware County Council was held on April 8, 2020 at 6:00 pm in the County Council Meeting Room, Government Center Building located at 201 W. Front Street, Media, PA. Chairman Zidek called the meeting to order followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Madden made a motion to amend the agenda to add the authorization to receive and accept Emergency Management Grant PEMA in the amount of \$53,595.31 seconded by Ms. Schaefer and carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT: There was no public comment on this added agenda item or any other comments pertaining to this Agenda.

Motion made by Mr. Madden to approve Minutes of the Regular Meeting of March 18, 2020 seconded by Ms. Schaefer and carried unanimously.

Motion made Mr. Madden to Accept Grant Agreement between the Delaware County District Attorney's Office and the PA Gaming Control Board in the amount of \$250,000.00 for the term of May 1, 2020 through April 30, 2021. This motion is Subject to the Solicitor's approval seconded by Ms. Schaefer and carried unanimously.

Motion made by Mr. Madden purchase Video/Audio Surveillance Equipment from TTI in the amount of \$42,283.00 using High Intensity Drug Trafficking Program Grant Funds. This motion is Subject to the Solicitor's approval seconded by Ms. Schaefer and carried unanimously.

Motion made by Mr. Madden to Advertise for Bids for Replacement of the Cooling Tower, Chiller, Pumps and Steel Structural Modification for the Government Center Building, Media, PA. The motion is Subject to the Solicitor's approval seconded by Ms. Schaefer and carried unanimously.

Motion made by Mr. Madden approving to accept Proposal from Bernardon for Professional Design Services for Delaware County Courthouse Roof Assessment and Feasibility Study in an amount not to exceed \$69,000.00. This motion is Subject to the Solicitor's approval, seconded by Ms. Schaefer and carried unanimously.

Motion made by Mr. Madden approving Contract between the County of Delaware and S.J. Thomas, Inc., 140 Bartram Ave, Lansdowne, PA 19050, for temporary roof repairs to limit water infiltration to the Woodburne Mansion located at 1201 Springfield Rd, Darby, PA 19023 in an amount not to exceed \$75,655.96, Pursuant to Keystone Purchasing Network (KPN) Contract No. KPN-201801JOCC-26. This motion is Subject to the Solicitor's approval, seconded by Ms. Schaefer and carried unanimously.

Motion made by Mr. Madden approving of signatory authority for the County Planning Department Director to enter into an Agreement with PennDOT to gain electronic access to PA Crash Data. This motion is Subject to the Solicitor's approval, seconded by Ms. Schaefer and carried unanimously.

Motion made by Mr. Madden to Accept Grant from PA Department of Conservation and Natural Resources in the amount of \$200,000.00 for the design and development of a destination playground and adjacent walkway mall expansion in Rose Tree Park. (County Match is up to \$604,800.00 - Open Space Fund). This motion is Subject to the Solicitor's approval, seconded by Ms. Schaefer and carried unanimously.

Motion made by Mr. Madden approving to Accept Grant from PA Department of Conservation and Natural Resources in the amount of \$57,800.00 for a project to remove an aging and damaged playground at Upland Park and build a new playground area on the same general location. (County Match is \$57,800.00 – CDBG). The motion is Subject to the Solicitor's approval, seconded by Ms. Schaefer and carried unanimously.

Motion made by Mr. Madden to Advertise Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for professional design and construction oversight services to the County for a Contract encompassing three park facility projects: Little Flower Manor Open Space Phase 1-A, Rose Tree Park Playground and Mall Expansion, and Upland Park Playground. The motion is Subject to the Solicitor's approval, seconded by Ms. Schaefer and carried unanimously.

Motion made by Mr. Madden approving to partner with the nonprofit subsidiary of the Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission and Montgomery County in an application in the amount of \$38,100.00 to the PA Department of Conservation and Natural Resources for funding to update the Return on Environment – The Economic Value of Protected Open Space in Southeastern Pennsylvania Report for Delaware County. (County Match is \$19,050.00 - Planning Department Staff). This motion is Subject to Solicitor's approval, seconded by Ms. Schaefer and carried unanimously.

Motion made by Mr. Madden approving Agreements, Contracts, and Amendments with the Human Services Providers of Services as per the attached list. This motion is Subject to the Solicitor's approval, seconded by Ms. Schaefer and carried unanimously.

Motion made by Mr. Madden approving Agreement with Child Guidance Resource Centers Inc., seconded by Ms. Schaefer. This motion is Subject to the Solicitor's approval and carried with an abstention vote registered by Ms. Reuther as she is on the Board of Child Guidance Resource Centers.

Motion made by Mr. Madden approving of Central Tax Collection Department's request for 32 Court Ordered refunds for the years 2017, 2018, 2019 and 2020 for properties in the Borough of Upland in the total amount of \$782,168.90, seconded by Ms. Schaefer and carried unanimously.

Motion made by Mr. Madden to change the County Holiday for Primary Election from April 29, 2020 to June 2, 2020, seconded by Ms. Schaefer and carried unanimously.

Motion made by Mr. Madden approving to purchase from Laminar Flow Inc. equipment for the Medical Examiner's office in the total amount of \$30,000.00. This motion is Subject to the Solicitor's Approval, seconded by Ms. Schaefer and carried unanimously.

Solicitor Martin read the First Reading of Ordinance 2020-2 authorizing the incurrence of non-electoral debt by the issuance of the General Obligation Notes, 2020 Series, through the Delaware Valley Regional Finance Authority in the aggregate principal amount of \$40,000,000.00 and award a Qualified Interest Rate Management Agreement related to the 2020 Notes. We anticipate a Second Reading and Hearing on April 22, 2020 during Council's Meeting. This borrowing will be used for all or some of the following proposed uses including certain capital projects of the CIP (collectively, the "2020 Project"), consisting of (i) construction of and renovations to buildings and parking garages, (ii) acquisition of equipment and vehicles, (iii) construction of and renovations to prison and juvenile detention facilities, (iv) construction of and improvements to facilities of the Fair Acres Geriatric Center, (v) funding of projects of the Southeastern Pennsylvania Transportation Authority, (vi) improvements to County parks, (vii) preservation of open space, (viii) Countywide reassessment of real estate values, (ix) 911 Center capital projects including the 911 radio system, (x) payment of interest expenses during construction, and (xi) payment of the costs of issuance of the 2020 Notes, will benefit the health and welfare of the residents of the County.

Solicitor Martin stated the interest rate will be determined by markets but due to the current markets should be very favorable.

Public Comment Pertaining to the added agenda item: There was no public comment.

Motion made by Mr. Madden authorizing the Acceptance of Emergency Management Grant from PEMA in the amount of \$53,595.39 for the term of 10/1/2018 through 9/30/2019, seconded by Ms. Schaefer and carried unanimously.

Motion made by Mr. Madden approving Request by the Controller's Office for payment of current bills seconded by Ms. Schaefer and carried unanimously.

Solicitor: Mr. Martin stated that the State has approved certain legislation associated with the current public health emergency. This Council signed a Resolution declaring an Emergency in Delaware County. Mr. Martin is suggesting during this pandemic Ms. Grace be deputized to execute such emergency purchases and such purchases be ratified on the next agenda. Discussion followed.

Solicitor Martin stated we will work with the Controller's office to make sure we are all in agreement with procedures. Council agrees with the next steps and will ratify emergency purchases on the following agenda.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Eric Friedman, Glen Mills, PA: spoke regarding halting Sunoco's work on the Mariner East Pipeline in the interest of public health, public safety and the economic wellbeing of Delaware County about Covid 19.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Lora Snyder, Glen Mills, PA: spoke regarding COVID 19 and the continued construction of the Mariner East Pipeline.

Carrie Gross, Exton, PA: spoke regarding halting the Mariner East Pipeline during this pandemic.

Karen Katz, Edgmont, PA: spoke regarding halting construction on the Mariner East Pipeline during this pandemic.

Sherry Rich: spoke regarding the lack of an Animal Shelter in Delaware County.

COUNCIL: Ms. Reuther spoke regarding the 2020 Census and asks all residents to fill out the 2020 Census. Ms. Reuther also spoke about the election and the ability all residents have to vote by mail. She is encouraging everyone who does not wish to go to the polls to please vote by mail. You may find information on our County's website on the Election Bureau's webpage.

Ms. Schaefer spoke regarding an Executive Order that the Governor put out that affects our employees directing all employers where a building is 50,000 square feet or larger to take measures to keep the building safe during this crisis. It has some standards for cleaning and also that we have adequate staff to make sure that social distancing is occurring and monitoring that this is taking place.

Ms. Schaefer also thanked all Delaware County residents for following the social distancing requirements and all directives issued by the Governor.

Mr. Madden spoke regarding our flags being at half mast for the many families that have lost a family member and for those fighting this COVID 19. Mr. Madden asks all residents to do our part to make sure we are all safe. We thank everyone for wearing masks.

Dr. Taylor gave an update on the Coronavirus stating that Governor Tom Wolf has asked everyone in the Commonwealth to wear masks to help fight COVID 19. The general public should not use medical masks including surgical masks and N95 respirator masks. These masks should be saved for healthcare providers such as doctors, nurses, first responders. There is still a stay at home order in effect. Dr. Taylor also stated Residents or organizations who would like to donate handmade facial masks as well as other protective supplies, medical supplies, equipment and in-kind donations can call 1-800-253-3102 or email: EOC@DelcoDES.org. Donations will be distributed by the Delaware County Emergency Services Department.

Lastly, Dr. Taylor sends thanks to all our first responders including doctors, nurses, paramedics, grocery store workers, postal workers and everyone on the front lines.

Chairman Zidek spoke regarding the role of government. He quoted Ronald Reagan who said, "Government is not the solution; government is the problem". This crisis shows us that Government is needed at times. We can't as individuals make sure that ventilators are distributed properly; individuals can't make sure there are N95 masks for everyone; individuals

can't help to make sure we have vaccines that we are working to produce. There is a role for government. We are doing our best in Delaware County to keep our residents safe. During the COVID 19 Pandemic, the County of Delaware Services for the Aging (COSA) and Community Transit are partnering to offer seniors an alternative to in-person grocery shopping. Community Transit drivers are available to get grocery lists and payment from seniors and shop and deliver their items. Seniors can stay safely in their homes. The cost of the shopping and delivery will be subsidized by COSA. To contact Community Transit for this service, call 215-900-2519 or email GroceryDropOff@CTDelco.org

There being no further County business, nor public discussion, motion made by Mr. Madden to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Ms. Schaefer and carried unanimously.

ANNE M. COOGAN, County Clerk