# ALTOONA CITY COUNCIL MEETING MONDAY – NOVEMBER 13, 2023 - 6:00 P.M. CITY OF ALTOONA TRAINING FACILITY & COUNCIL CHAMBERS 1320 WASHINGTON AVENUE, ALTOONA, PA

#### **AGENDA**

- I. CALL TO ORDER
- II. SILENT MEDITATION
- III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- IV. ROLL CALL
- V. ALL PUBLIC COMMENT Please approach the podium, speak directly into the microphone and state your name and address for the record. Please limit your comments to five (5) minutes or less. Groups may be asked by the Mayor to appoint a spokesperson and/or limit your comments to three (3) minutes each. Thank you.

## VI. RESOLUTIONS

- a) approving the minutes of the Altoona City Council Meeting held Tuesday, October 10, 2023.
- b) approving an Intergovernmental Agreement and Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the City of Altoona and the Redevelopment Authority of Altoona for Rehabilitation and Construction Management Services, as outlined in the agreement, and further authorizing the City Manager to execute all documents and the City Clerk to attest to same.
- c) authorizing a Right-of-Way Agreement between the City of Altoona and FirstLight Fiber, Inc. for construction, installation, maintenance and operation of telecommunications facilities within the City's rights-of-way, as defined in the agreement, for the purpose of providing Telecommunications Services and/or Information Service, as defined in the agreement, and further authorizing the City Manager to execute all documents and the City Clerk to attest to same.

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- d) approving the purchase of a Walk-in Cooler/Freezer and Evidence Storage Locker, for the Altoona Police Department Addition/Renovation Project, in the amount of \$282,748.95, payable from ARPA Funds, and further authorizing the City Manager to execute the contract and the City Clerk to attest to same.
- e) authorizing the submission of a grant application to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Financing Authority for a PA- LSA Statewide Grant for Fire and Rescue Equipment and further authorizing the City Manager to execute all documents and the City Clerk to attest to same.
- f) authorizing the reimbursement by the City of Altoona to the Community Development Block Grant Program in the amount of \$5,000.00 for property located at 1817-1819 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Altoona, PA 16602, to be used to further remove conditions of slum and blight under the City of Altoona's CDBG Blighted Property Demolition Program.
- g) awarding a demolition contract to G&R Excavating & Demolition, Inc., 900 Pennsylvania Avenue, Tyrone, PA 16686, for demolition of 709 North 9<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Altoona, PA 16601, in the amount of \$6892.00, payable from Community Development Block Grant Funds (CDBG), and further authorizing the City Manager to execute all documents and the City Clerk to attest to same.
- h) awarding a demolition contract to Earthmovers Unlimited, Inc., of P.O. Box 187, Kylertown, PA 16847, for demolition of 1514 18<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Altoona, PA 16601, in the amount of \$10,973.00, and the garage only at 609 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Altoona, PA 16602, in the amount of \$1,888.00, for a total amount of \$12,861.00, payable from Community Development Block Grant Funds (CDBG), and further authorizing the City Manager to execute all documents and the City Clerk to attest to same.
- approving a Repository Bid in the amount of \$200.00, submitted by Kenneth Knisely of 1821 Frankstown Road, Hollidaysburg, PA 16648, for property located at

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3324-26 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Altoona, PA 16602, and further authorizing the City Manager to execute the Taxing District Form.

- j) approving a Repository Bid in the amount of \$25.00, submitted by Randy Fochler of 1918 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Altoona, PA, for property located at 327-29 Wopsononock Avenue, Altoona, PA, and further authorizing the City Manager to execute the Taxing District Form.
- k) approving a Repository Bid in the amount of \$25.00, submitted by Randy Fochler of 1918 5th Avenue, Altoona, PA, for property located at 331-33 Wopsononock Avenue, Altoona, PA, and further authorizing the City Manager to execute the Taxing District Form.
- approving a Repository Bid in the amount of \$25.00, submitted by Randy Fochler of 1918 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Altoona, PA, for property located at 208-10 E Cherry Avenue, Altoona, PA, and further authorizing the City Manager to execute the Taxing District Form.
- m) approving a Repository Bid in the amount of \$25.00, submitted by Randy Fochler of 1918 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Altoona, PA, for property located at 417-19 S 8<sup>th</sup> Street, Altoona, PA, and further authorizing the City Manager to execute the Taxing District Form.

#### VII. ORDINANCES

## Introduction

1) AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ALTOONA, IN THE COUNTY OF BLAIR, COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA, APPROPRIATING SPECIFIC SUMS ESTIMATED TO BE REQUIRED FOR THE SPECIFIC PURPOSES OF THE MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT, HEREINAFTER SET FORTH, DURING THE YEAR 2024. (2024 BUDGET ORDINANCE)

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- VIII. AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ALTOONA, COUNTY OF BLAIR, COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA AMENDING **CHAPTER 646 ENTITLED "TAXATION" AND IN** PARTICULAR §646-96 "MILLAGE ESTABLISHED: ONGOING TAX" ESTABLISHING THE TAX RATE FOR ALL REAL ESTATE SUBJECT TO TAXATION LOCATED IN THE CITY OF **ALTOONA, PENNSYLVANIA, AT A RATE OF 5.629 MILLS** FOR THE YEAR 2024 AND CONTINUING THEREAFTER WITHOUT REENACTMENT UNTIL SAID RATE IS CHANGED BY CITY COUNCIL; THE ORDINANCE ALSO PROVIDES FOR A REAFFIRMATION OF THE REMAINDER OF CHAPTER 646; REPEAL OF ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF LAWS IN **CONFLICT THEREWITH; SEVERABILITY OF PROVISIONS** AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (2024 TAX MILLAGE ORDINANCE)
- IX. CITY MANAGER UPDATES
- X. MAYOR & COUNCIL DISCUSSION ITEMS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS
- XI. QUESTIONS FROM THE MEDIA
- XII. ADJOURNMENT