## REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF THE CITY OF HUNTINGTON, INDIANA BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS & SAFETY November 6, 2023

A quorum of the Board of Public Works & Safety (Board) being present, the Board met for its regular meeting on Monday, November 6, 2023, at 3:30 p.m., in accordance with all applicable requirements, notice, and authority.

**CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Strick opened the Board of Public Works & Safety meeting.

Board Members present: Mayor Strick, Danielle Albertson, Dwight Brautigam, Charles Chapman, and Anthony Lisinicchia. Also present: Director of Public Works and Engineering, Adam Cuttriss; Director of Community Development and Redevelopment, Bryn Keplinger; Building Commissioner, Shad Paul; Park Superintendent, Steve Yoder; City Attorney, Mike Hartburg; and Clerk-Treasurer, Christi McElhaney.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING: Board Member Brautigam made a motion to approve minutes of the October 16, 2023, regular meeting, seconded by Board Member Chapman. Motion passed 5-0. Minutes signed.

## **OLD BUSINESS**: None.

<u>NEW BUSINESS</u>: Mr. Bradley, the new owner of the Uptown on Washington Street, is making improvements to the outside and would like to install a fence on the sidewalk in front of the building. He would also like to put two picture murals on the west wall for photo opportunities. After some discussion, Mr. Bradley provided a drawing for Director Cuttriss and will need to add the City to his liability insurance. Board Member Brautigam made a motion to approve the fence, seconded by Board Member Albertson. Motion passed 3-0.

Director Cuttriss presented an agreement with American Structure Point to design the sidewalk/trail along West Park Drive for the INDOT LPA grant to start construction in 2029. Phase I will run from Diamond Street to Victory Noll entrance. Board Member Albertson made a motion to approve and sign the agreement, seconded by Board Member Chapman. Motion passed 5-0. Agreement signed.

Director Cuttriss presented an **agreement with Sanborn aerial photography to join the State agreement for higher quality photography for the City when they are in our area**. It will cost \$18,971.05 for the City to join the State agreement and receive higher quality photos. Board Member Lisinicchia approved the agreement, seconded by Board Member Brautigam. Motion passed 5-0. Agreement signed.

Director Keplinger presented the **US EPA Cooperative Agreement for HK Porter site clean-up grant**. Board Member Albertson made a motion to approve the agreement for the \$991,000 grant, seconded by Board Member Brautigam. Motion passed 5-0.

Park Superintendent Yoder presented a proposal for inclusive playground equipment to be purchased now and installed next spring at Drover park playground. The park department received a \$10,000 donation and has two grants in the process to help pay for this equipment. Board Member Brautigam made a motion to approve the purchase of the equipment, seconded by Board Member Lisinicchia. Motion passed 5-0.

## **UNSAFE BUILDING:**

<u>PUBLIC HEARING</u>: Mayor Strick opened the public hearing for 1610 College Avenue. The owner is USDA and Commissioner Paul has not been in contact with anyone regarding this property. With no one wishing to speak, Mayor Strick closed the public hearing.

## **ORDER OF ENFORCEMENT:**

Commissioner Paul presented the order of enforcement for 1610 College Avenue. There are 4 unsafe, 5 minimum housing, and 9 corrective measures for this property with a deadline date of November 10, 2023. The owner, USDA has not been in contact with Commissioner Paul to date. He recommends upholding the Order of Enforcement with the deadline of November 10, 2023. Board Member Brautigam made a motion to **uphold the order of enforcement**, seconded by Board Member Lisinicchia. Motion passed 5-0.

<u>ACCOUNTS PAYABLE</u>: Board Member Lisinicchia moved to pay the bills as presented, seconded by Board Member Albertson. Motion passed 5-0. Documentation signed.

<u>ADJOURNMENT</u>: Board Member Albertson moved to adjourn, seconded by Board Member Lisinicchia. Motion passed 5-0. Meeting adjourned.

APPROVED BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS & SAFETY
City of Huntington, Indiana

By as Mayor and
Richard Strick Member

Danielle Albertson

By as Member
Dwight Brautigam

By AOSU as Member
Charles Chapman

By AOSU as Member
Anthony Lisinicchia

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