

CITY OF NORTON SHORES
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
July 5, 2022

A regular meeting of the Norton Shores City Council was held on Tuesday, July 5, 2022 at 5:30 p.m. at the Norton Shores Branch Library Community Room, 705 Seminole Road. Pastor Vandermolen delivered the invocation.

Present: Council Members Hylland, Jurkas, Kasher, Morgenstern, Moulatsiotis, Olson, Sowa and Mayor Nelund; also, Doug Hughes, Mark Meyers, Anthony Chandler, Shelly Stibitz, Jim Murphy, Bob Gagnon and Jon Gale

Absent: Council Members Flanders

22-100 Minutes

Council Member Jurkas moved to approve the June 21 council minutes. The motion was supported by Council Member Sowa and carried unanimously.

22-101 Consent

Council Member Morgenstern moved to approve the Consent Agenda which consisted of: a) Request for Proposals – Wage & Classification Study. The motion was supported by Council Member Moulatsiotis and carried unanimously.

Agenda Comment:

Jackie DeHorn, Snook, Inc., 6430 Norton Center Drive, adjacent to LaColombe expressed concerns about the vacation of the right-of-way at 6366 – 6340 Norton Center Drive. Mr. DeHorn said that he had talked in years past with Community Development Director Dick Maher about this and is concerned that approval of the request could hinder potential expansion at his business.

22-102 Abandon Easement – 1725 W. Sherman Blvd., A-Plus Storage

The City Clerk certified that the notice was published June 3, 2022.

A public hearing was held. There were no comments.

Council Member Moulatsiotis moved to authorize the abandonment of the easement located at 1725 W. Sherman Boulevard as described per Exhibit B. The motion was supported by Council Member Kasher and carried unanimously.

22-103 Vacate Right of Way – 6366-6340 Norton Center Dr., LaColombe Coffee Roasters

The City Clerk certified that the notice was published June 3, 2022.

A public hearing was held. Mr. DeHorn asked for clarification on where the right-of-way begins and ends and, also, asked and was told that the vacation would mean that both property owners would split the vacated property equally.

Jason Murray, 6366 Norton Center Drive, Lacolombe Torrefaction, described the growth of the business in the last six years and their need to expand the parking lot.

Council Member Moulatsiotis asked if both property owners were agreeable to the right-of-way vacation and the parties indicated that they were.

Council Member Jurkas moved to approve that the portion of City right-of-way located between 6366 & 6340 Norton Center Drive as described per Exhibit A be vacated. The motion was supported by Council Member Olson and carried unanimously.

22-104 Transfer Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate #2017-048 – 1224 E. Pontaluna Road

The City Clerk certified the June 19 publishing and mailing of notice.

A public hearing was held. The building owner, Brian Sikma, 5500 Cascade Rd., Grand Rapids, MI, expressed appreciation to the City Council for consideration of the tax exemption transfer opportunity.

Council Member Moulatsiotis moved to approve the application of LaColombe Torrefaction, LLC for the transfer of Industrial Facilities Exemption (IFT) Certificate #2017-048 and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute a written agreement with the applicant relative to the terms and conditions contained within the IFT Certificate. The motion was supported by Council Member Sowa and carried unanimously.

22-105 Sole Source Purchase – HVAC System, Public Works Facility

Council Member Jurkas moved to authorize the replacement of the HVAC control system by Control Solutions Inc. of Wyoming, Michigan in the amount of \$10,475. The motion was supported by Council Member Kasher and carried unanimously.

22-106 Agreement – MDOT Grant, Seminole Road Reconstruction Phase II

Council Member Olson moved to authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute Contract Number 22-5262 with the Michigan Department of Transportation for the reconstruction of Seminole Road between Park Street and Seaway Drive (US-31BR). The motion was supported by Council Member Moulatsiotis and carried unanimously.

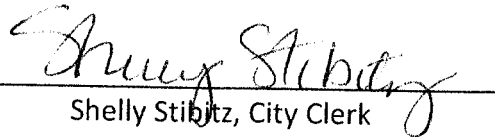
22-107 Property Sale – 2846 Continental Street

Council Member Morgenstern moved to accept the offer from Darrell and Fatima Jones, 1976 Dykstra Road, in the amount of \$250 for the purchase of 2846 Continental Street and authorizes the Mayor to execute a purchase agreement acceptable to the City Attorney. The motion was supported by Council Member Sowa and carried unanimously.

General Public Comment

Jude Gregory Pittman, 284 W. Clay Ave., introduced himself as a candidate for Muskegon County 14th Circuit Court Judge position and gave some history on how the family court system has been structured since he became a judge in 1998 and why he feels he is the best choice for this seat. Marcia Hovey-Wright, 3430 Pigeon Hill Ct., shared background information and literature supporting her bid as a Democratic candidate for County Commissioner representing a good portion of Norton Shores.

Meeting adjourned at 6:20 p.m.


Shelly Stibitz, City Clerk