

MINUTES
FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING
6:15 P.M., OCTOBER 17, 2022
AV ROOM #308, CITY HALL

Joseph Jenkins, Chairperson, called the meeting of the Charleston City Council Committee on Finance to order at 6:15 p.m., October 17, 2022.

A silent roll was taken by the Clerk and a quorum was established. The following committee members were present:

Joseph Jenkins, Chair
Bobby Reishman, Vice Chair
Ben Adams
Becky Ceperley
Mary Beth Hoover
Chad Robinson

Absent:
Brent Burton

Other Councilmembers present:
Bruce King
Emmett Pepper
Bobby Brown

I. DISCUSSION:

a. Approval of Previous Minutes - Councilmember Reishman asked for unanimous consent to dispense with the reading of the minutes for the October 3, 2022 meeting and that they be approved as distributed. There were no objections, and the minutes were approved.

b. Presentation from the West Virginia Center on Budget and Policy concerning Amendment 2 – The full presentation can be viewed on CivicClerk
<https://charlestonwv.civicclerk.com/Web/Player.aspx?id=1494&key=-1&mod=-1&mk=-1&nov=0>

II. RESOLUTIONS:

- a. Resolution No. 727-22 – Authorizing “Citizen Appreciation Parking” for November 26, 2022, December 3, 2022, December 10, 2022, December 17, 2022, December 24, 2022, and December 31, 2022. “Citizen Appreciation Parking” shall include the waiving of hourly parking fees at all metered on-street parking spaces. The parking revenue losses will amount to approximately \$1,600 per Saturday.

Be it Resolved by the Council of the City of Charleston, West Virginia:

That “Citizen Appreciation Parking” is authorized for November 26, 2022, December 3, 2022, December 10, 2022, December 17, 2022, December 24, 2022, and December 31, 2022. “Citizen Appreciation Parking” shall include the waiving of hourly parking fees at all metered on-street parking spaces. The parking revenue losses will amount to approximately \$1,600 per Saturday.

Councilmember Hoover added that the City has been doing this resolution for a long time. It gets people downtown and into neighborhoods for holiday shopping.

Councilmember Reishman moved to approve the Resolution. With members present recorded thereon as voting unanimously in the affirmative, Chairperson Jenkins declared Resolution No. 727-22 approved.

- b. Resolution No. 728-22 – Authorizing the General Manager of the Charleston Coliseum & Convention Center to enter into a contract with Electronic Specialty Company in the amount of \$214,936.53 to expand video surveillance camera systems within the Coliseum & Convention Center pursuant to a competitive bidding process, where the funds used for the purchase will come from a West Virginia Department of Homeland Security grant.

Be it Resolved by the Council of the City of Charleston, West Virginia:

That the General Manager of the Charleston Coliseum & Convention Center is authorized to enter into a contract with Electronic Specialty Company in the amount of \$214,936.53 to expand video surveillance camera systems within the Coliseum & Convention Center pursuant to a competitive bidding process, where the funds used for the purchase will come from a West Virginia Department of Homeland Security grant.

City Manager, Jonathan Storage added that the City received a grant to upgrade various security systems at the Convention Center that includes the expansion of the video surveillance cameras.

Councilmember Reishman moved to approve the resolution. With members present recorded thereon as voting unanimously in the affirmative, Chairperson Jenkins declared Resolution No. 728-22 approved.

- c. Resolution No. 729-22 – Authorizing the Mayor or City Manager to enter into a contract with EPR Systems, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$165,946.35 over a five-year contract period to equip the Charleston Fire Department with a modern Records Management System capable of integrating with existing City systems, where the agreed-upon pricing is listed in Exhibit A, attached hereto, and where the vendor was selected through a competitive evaluation process.

Be it Resolved by the Council of the City of Charleston, West Virginia:

That the Mayor or City Manager is authorized to enter into a contract with EPR Systems, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$165,946.35 over a five-year contract period to equip the Charleston Fire Department with a modern Records Management System capable of integrating with existing City systems, where the agreed-upon pricing is listed in Exhibit A, attached hereto, and where the vendor was selected through a competitive evaluation process.

Storage added that the proposed system was evaluated through a competitive process based on qualitative factors. The records system will allow firefighters and administrators to manage incidents and record filings in real time. The system will integrate with WV DOT cameras, including navigational systems, WV Office of Emergency Management's systems, scan and upload drivers licenses, provide for a mobile inventory of equipment, generate real time graphic reports, etc.

Councilmember Reishman moved to approve the resolution. With members present recorded thereon as voting unanimously in the affirmative, Chairperson Jenkins declared Resolution No. 729-22 approved.

- d. Resolution No. 730-22 – Authorizing the Mayor or City Manager to enter into a contract with EPR Systems, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$165,946.35 over a five-year contract period to equip the Charleston Fire Department with a modern Records Management System capable of integrating with existing City systems, where the agreed-upon pricing is listed in Exhibit A, attached hereto, and where the vendor was selected through a competitive evaluation process.

Be it Resolved by the Council of the City of Charleston, West Virginia:

That the Mayor or City Manager is authorized to enter into a contract with EPR Systems, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$165,946.35 over a five-year contract period to equip the Charleston Fire Department with a modern Records Management System capable of integrating with existing City systems, where the agreed-upon pricing is listed in Exhibit A, attached hereto, and where the vendor was selected through a competitive evaluation process.

City Attorney, Kevin Baker, added that the resolution is the various settlement agreements that the Attorney General's Office has negotiated with various pharmacy entities. The settlement funds are subject to the previously approved MOU (24.5% of the funds go into the local government pot, to then be split). He added that some of the payments will be made immediately, and some will be made over time.

Councilmember Jenkins asked if Baker felt like these were good settlements. Baker replied that it seemed like the settlements were negotiated over at great length, and are the best result for the State as a whole. He did not believe that the City would have been able to negotiate anything better separately.

Councilmember Adams confirmed that the City will be required to use the money in accordance with the stipulated uses set forth in the agreement. Baker added that an additional pot of State funds will be created for municipalities to apply for.

Councilmember Jenkins asked what the total settlement for the resolution was. Baker replied that it was \$312 million.

Councilmember Reishman moved to approve the resolution. With members present recorded thereon as voting unanimously in the affirmative, Chairperson Jenkins declared Resolution No. 730-22 approved.

Councilmember Reishman motioned to adjourn the meeting.

Meeting adjourned.