

FINANCE COMMITTEE SUMMARY – JUNE 12, 2014

1. First reading of an ordinance, General Fund Budget revised expenditures of \$52,500 and creation of a *Business Service Representative Program* line item. This action releases these funds from a restricted account established during the 2014 budget vote. Council asks that the administration seek matching funds from the Chamber and/or other sources. None have been secured. The work is being performed at the Chamber so it is appropriate for the money to be released at this time. **Page 3**
2. First reading of an ordinance, General Fund Budget supplemental appropriation of two Microsoft Surface Tablets donated by the Northwest PA Emergency Response Group and valued at \$4,218. Any donated assets with a value greater than \$1,000 must be appropriated by Council in the same manner as money. **Page 8**
3. First reading of an ordinance, Public Health Fund Budget supplemental appropriation of \$5,288 for additional funding in Aids Grant Bureau. These funds represent the difference between what was budgeted by the state and what was estimated by the department in their budget. A second reading is requested as the funding must be dispensed by June 30th. **Page 13**
4. First reading of an ordinance, General Fund Budget supplemental appropriation of \$430 for office supplies in the County Solicitor Office. These funds are for the purchase of business cards. The CS did not have funds in her budget to make such a purchase. **Page 19**
5. First reading of an ordinance, General Fund Budget supplemental appropriation of \$101,966 and creation of line items for County Technology Department. This action finalizes the creation of the County IT Department by expensing their activities from their former budget lines. **Page 23**
6. First reading of an ordinance, Library Fund Budget revised expenditures of \$8,000 for costs shared with County Technology Department. **Page 27**
7. First reading of an ordinance, Public Health Fund Budget revised expenditures of \$230 for costs shared with the County Technology Department. **Page 29**
8. First reading of an ordinance, Public Health Fund Budget supplemental appropriation of \$10,000 for Tobacco Grant Bureau. These funds represent the difference between actual funds budgeted by the state and the estimate put forth by the local department. This is the result of the County and the state having differing budget calendars. **Page 31**
9. Resolution approving authorization to file application for funds with the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development Emergency Solutions Grant Program; a rapid rehousing program for the homeless. DCED requires passage of a resolution on behalf of providers, in this case, Mercy Center for Women and GECAC. Application is being made for \$186,750. **Page 38**
10. Resolution exonerating taxes on one abandoned trailer/property (#18-050-030.0-219.00) in the City of Erie and the City of Erie School District. All municipal parties have agreed to this exoneration. **Page 41**

11. Resolution exonerating taxes on one abandoned trailer/property (#41-004-006.1-008.93) in Union City Borough and the Union City Area School District. All municipal parties have agreed to this exoneration. **Page 45**
12. Resolution exonerating taxes on one abandoned trailer/property (#50-001-009.0-1.65) in the Iroquois School District and Wesleyville Borough. All municipal parties have agreed to this exoneration. **Page 49**
13. Resolution in support of Pre-K for PA NWPA Campaign. Mr. Fatica and Mr. Horton are sponsoring this resolution which seeks to convince legislatures to appropriate more money for Pre-K programs aimed at children below the poverty line. Current research shows that children receiving Pre-K instruction perform at a much higher level than those who do not. Pre-K education has the potential to improve academic performance among at risk children, thereby lowering dropout rates and rates of incarceration. **Page 53**
14. Possible appointment of Luvennisse Gamble to a four year term on the Human Relations Commission Advisory Board to represent Mr. Fatica's District. Direct Council appointment. We are currently awaiting a resumé but Ms. Gamble currently serves on the Airport Authority among other community boards. **Page 54**
15. Sale of 3 parcels from the Erie County Repository.
Parcel 22-005-014.0-014.00 , Townhall Old State Rd., 50X80, for \$250 to Brian D. Johnson.
31-013-047.3-003.87, 206 Timberlake Dr., TRL, for \$250 to Geothermal Homes LLC.
33-030-054.0-013.00, 1123 Hilborn Ave., for \$250 to Joseph Groner.
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16. Analysis of General Fund Unassigned Fund Balance. **Page 67**

PERSONNEL SUMMARY – JUNE 12, 2014

1. First reading of an ordinance, Public Safety Fund Budget revised expenditures of \$91,516 for positions moving to County Technology Department. Three positions in Public Safety are being moved into IT owing to their particular function. Their cost is being expensed from Public Safety. **Page 2**