

FINANCE COMMITTEE SUMMARY –MAY 26, 2016

1. Resolution approving the Erie County General Authority not to exceed \$6,500,000 Tax-Exempt Note for YMCA Project consisting of the renovation and expansion of facilities at 2101 Nagle Road, Harborcreek. Commonwealth Authority law requires that the legislative body in the project area declare the project to be “desirable” for the health, safety, and welfare of the area served. However, nothing in the resolution may be construed to pledge the credit or taxing power of the County, nor liability in any manner. (Atty. Tupitza or Atty. Alberstadt) **Page 3**
2. Resolution approving Project Additions to Presbyterian Homes in the Presbytery of Lake Erie, financed through Erie County Community Services Financing Authority. A tax-exempt note for \$8.5 million was previously issued; the corporation desires to expand the scope of the project. ECCSA previously approved the expansion, Council must also declare the change to be “desirable” for the health, safety, and welfare of the area served. However, nothing in the resolution may be construed to pledge the credit or taxing power of the County, nor liability in any manner. (Atty. Tupitza or Atty. Alberstadt) **Page 31**
3. First reading of an ordinance, General Fund Budget waiver of the Purchasing Code to sell Property ID #14-010-045.0-409.00 and 14-010-045.0-408.00. The County owns two small parcels on Lighthouse Street by Lake Erie. An abutting property owner desires to purchase the lots and combine them into a single taxable parcel. He has offered \$500 total. The Purchasing Code requires an open bid process for the sale of real property; therefore, a waiver is being requested in this instance. This action will make taxable, non-buildable property that has been off the rolls since 1937. (Finance Director Sparber) **Page 33**
4. Resolution exonerating penalties and interest on five (5) properties owned by Erie Western Pa Port Authority. Previously these properties were declared taxable by the County Assessment Board, a ruling challenged by EWPPA. The taxes on the properties remained unpaid during the course of the appeal which caused the accrual of penalties and interest. The case has been settled and EWPPA has paid the taxes at face and is requesting exoneration of penalties and interest. The City has already agreed; there are no school taxes involved. (Brenda Sandberg, Steve Letzelter) **Page 35**
5. First reading of an ordinance, General Fund Budget supplemental appropriation of \$12,291 and creation of line item for AOPC Grant. The Grant will be used to fund the installation of duress alarms in 12 MDJ offices. (Luigi Pasquale) **Page 40**
6. First reading of an ordinance, General Fund Budget supplemental appropriation of \$11,000 in grant funds and new line items for purchase of exercise equipment for Public Safety Department. Project involves the installation of workout equipment in the locker room at 911. The project is \$24,612 total. (Sabrina Fischer) **Page 43**
7. First reading of an ordinance, General Fund Budget supplemental appropriation of \$7,171 and new line items for vehicle lease donated by Bradford Chrysler Dodge Jeep Ram to the District Attorney’s Office. **Page 53**
8. First reading of an ordinance, Public Health Fund Budget supplemental appropriation of \$750 and creation of *Service Fees* line item for Health Promotion & Quality Improvement Bureau. There is a contract between the Health Dept. and Lifeworks Erie, in it the Health Dept. is asked to assist in conducting community classes. A fee will be paid for those classes; it is being used to augment the All Other Supplies line. (Melissa Lyon) **Page 57**

9. First reading of an ordinance, Planning Fund Budget revised revenue & expenditures of \$4,436 and creation of line item for Act 137 Grant to HRC. The HRC received this Grant for HUD testing in 2015 but did not expend the entire amount before the funding lapsed. This is a companion to the next item. **Page 61**
10. First reading of an ordinance, General Fund Budget supplemental appropriation and transfer of \$4,426 to Erie County Human Relations Commission for Act 137 HUD Testing. HRC has a line in their budget for this funding containing \$10, therefore, the appropriation is less than in the previous item. **Page 63**
11. First reading of an ordinance, proposal for changes to EMTA Charter. **See Memo in Finance Agenda.** (Dr. Foust) **Page 65**
12. Resolution exonerating delinquent taxes on one abandoned trailer/property #41-004-006.1-008.67 in Union City Borough and Union City Area School District and have passed legislation in approval. **Page 66**
13. Appointment of Kathy Wyrosdick to an unexpired five-year term on the Erie County Redevelopment Authority. (CE with advice and consent of County Council) **Page 70**
14. Sale of 1 parcel from the Erie County Repository.
Parcel 15-021-028.0-229.00, 2019 E. 19th St., for \$250 to Hue Marshall. **Page 71**
15. Analysis of General Fund Unassigned Fund Balance. **Page 76**
16. **Greenways Grant and Projects – Kathy Wyrosdick**

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE SUMMARY – MAY 26, 2016

1. First reading of an ordinance, General Fund Budget revised expenditures in the Prothonotary Office. The Prothonotary desires to increase the wages of the First Deputy by 4.2% in order to bring them up to the salary figure offered to outside candidates. The Deputy was promoted from the bargaining unit but was given a 4.2% raise from their previous salary. The Prothonotary believes it is a matter of fairness that the internal candidate receives the same pay that would have been offered to an external candidate. The issue, Gamble believes, comes down to an interpretation of the Personnel Code. (Ken Gamble) (FR 5-17-16) **Page 2**
2. Update on the Erie County Director of Veterans Affairs position – Sabrina Fischer, Director of Human Resources.