

FINANCE COMMITTEE SUMMARY – June 23, 2016

1. Second reading of Ordinance 37, 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)

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2. First reading of an ordinance, Library Fund Budget Supplemental Appropriation of \$3,500 for donations for equipment and collections for Heritage Room and supplies for the Children's Programs. A \$5,000 donation was received from the Peterson family for equipment and collections in the Heritage Room and this appropriation is for the remaining balance of \$3,000. \$500 was also donated by the Altoona Public Library for children's programs. (Erin Wincek, Library)

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3. First reading of an ordinance, Library Fund Budget supplemental appropriation of \$13,000 for donations from Friends of the Library. This appropriation is for the Summer Reading Program at the library. \$2,000 has already been budgeted from the \$15,000 donation. (Erin Wincek, Library)

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4. First reading of an ordinance, Library Fund Budget supplemental appropriation of \$52,328 for 2015 funds carried over due to State budget impasse. Because the budget goes from July to June, this appropriation is deferred revenue from the State District Grant for District Aid and must be used to avoid loss of these funds in future State budgets. The Administration is requesting a 2nd reading of this ordinance. (Erin Wincek, Library)

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5. First reading of an ordinance, General Fund Budget revised revenue and expenditures of \$9,750 for Byrne Justice Assistance Grant Program. This is a pass-through grant to Mercyhurst Institute from Adult Probation. (Chief Adult Probation Officer, Paul Markiewicz)

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6. First reading of an ordinance, General Fund Budget supplemental appropriation of \$11,480 for PCCD Trauma Related Services Grant. These are grant funds left over after the audit. (Chief Adult Probation Officer, Paul Markiewicz)

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7. Resolution approving the appointment of Deputy Tax Collector in LeBoeuf Township. Both the Township and School District have approved this appointment. The County is the last to approve. (Finance Director Jim Sparber)

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8. Resolution extending the terms of exemptions, deductions, abatements and credits for real property, earned income tax, net profits mercantile, and business privilege taxes within a specific geographic area in Erie County designated as a Keystone Opportunity Expansion Zone (KOEZ) or Keystone Opportunity Improvement Zone (KOIZ) in order to foster economic opportunities, stimulate industrial, commercial, and residential improvements and prevent physical and infrastructure deterioration within areas of Erie County, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, upon certain terms and conditions. This extension is for the former International Paper site. The current designation expires December 31, 2018. This new allowance will provide potential prospects with a virtual tax free zone through 2028. (Chris Groner, Economic Development Specialist, City of Erie)

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9. Resolution for authorization to file application for funds with the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development Emergency Shelter Grant Program in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. (Director of Human Services, John DiMattio)

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10. Resolution in support of the Education Center at The Wall, Vietnam Veteran Memorial in Washington, D.C. (Councilman Breneman is sponsoring this resolution)

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11. Reappointment of Elspeth Koehle to the Erie County Library Board for her first full term. (Mr. Horton's District)

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12. Reappointment of Mary Scutella to the Erie County Library Board for her second term. (CE at-large appointment)

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13. Sale of Parcels from Repository for Unsold Property at Index Numbers:

03-003-005.0-018.30

33-016-019.1-268.52

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14. Analysis of General Fund Unassigned Fund Balance.

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PERSONNEL COMMITTEE SUMMARY – JUNE 23, 2016

1. First reading of an ordinance Public Safety Fund Budget revised expenditures of \$45,207 and creation of new line items for Per Diem staff. The Administration is looking to create a per diem line item for previous Public Safety employees to return on a per diem basis to help cover numerous vacancies in the PSAP and reduce mandated overtime while maintaining minimum staffing requirements. The revised expenditures are savings from vacant bargaining unit positions. (Public Safety Director, John Grappy)

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