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ORDINANCE STUDY COMMITTEE
REGULAR MEETING OF JULY 16, 2013

Present: Councilwoman and Chairwoman Mary Bartolotta, Councilman Joseph Bibisi (he left after voting on the merger ordinances to attend another meeting), Councilman Daley, Chief of Staff, Joseph Samolis, and Assessor Damon Braasch. Staff Counsel: Attorney Wisneski

Call to Order:

Meeting was called to order at 7:04 p.m.

Approval of Minutes:

Minutes from the Regular Meeting of May 21, 2013. Councilman Bibisi made a MOTION to approve, seconded by Councilwoman Bartolotta. Minutes were approved unanimously.

New Business:

Motion was made by Councilman Daley to adjust the agenda so that the merger ordinances could be considered first so that Councilman Bibisi could then leave to attend another meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilman Bibisi. The Motion was approved unanimously.

1. **New Article – Chapter 31, Article XI, Public Works Department.**

At the beginning of the meeting Attorney Wisneski provided all Councilmembers a letter that she received from Christine Bourne, President of AFSCME Council 4, Local 466, asking that the merger ordinances be tabled for a later meeting to give the Union the opportunity more time for negotiation with the City. Attorney Wisneski received this letter from Ms. Bourne via email around 4:00 p.m. today. After some discussion, the Councilmembers decided to move forward with the vote on these matters as they stated that the mergers will have to go to the Council for two votes and there is plenty of opportunity between now and the second Council vote for the Union and the City to work together and for the Union to express its concerns and to provide input.

Mr. Samolis was asked to address the ordinance, including the thought process behind and reason for the proposed merger. There was a brief discussion by the Councilmembers. Councilman Daley, acknowledging Mr. Bourne's request, but setting forth the reasons already addressed above, made a motion to approve the ordinance. The motion was seconded by Councilman Bibisi. The motion was approved unanimously.

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2. **New Article – Chapter 31, Article XII, Recreation and Community Services Department.**

Mr. Samolis was again asked to address the proposed ordinance. After his explanation, the Councilmembers had a brief discussion and acknowledged that this ordinance is recognizing a system that is currently working and in place.

Councilman Bibisi made a Motion to approve the ordinance. Councilman Daley seconded the Motion. The Motion was approved unanimously.

3. **Proposed Revision – Chapter 74, Article IV, Section 74-41, Effect of Payments under Workers' Compensation Act.**

Councilman Bibisi excused himself to attend another meeting. Councilman Daley made a Motion to approve the ordinance. Councilwoman Bartolotta seconded the Motion and it passed unanimously.

4. **New Article and Section – Chapter 272, Article III, Miscellaneous, Section 272-23, Income and Expense Penalty Waiver.**

The Assessor, Damon Braasch, was in attendance to explain the purpose and reasoning behind this ordinance. He explained that he was trying to give the City the opportunity to waiver penalty fees for new owners of income properties for failure to file an Income and Expense Report when those reports are sent to prior owners and never filed. He explained that he has received many complaints about this system in the last 3-4 years and is trying to correct the problem through this ordinance.

Councilman Daley made a Motion to approve the ordinance, which was seconded by Councilwoman Bartolotta. The Motion passed unanimously.

Adjournment:

MOTION to Adjourn by Councilman Daley, seconded by Councilwoman Bartolotta at 7:18 p.m.