

**The FINANCE COMMITTEE held a meeting on
Monday, September 29th, 2025 beginning at 6:50 P.M**

FINANCE PRESENT: Chair Tollett, Cerra, Schneider, Siwierka, Davis
COM DEV PRESENT: Chair Schneider, Mitchell, Oswald, Lipian
OTHERS: Armstrong, Stewart
EXCUSED ABSENCE: Callahan

OTHERS PRESENT: Law Dir Deery, Safety Svc Dir Pyanowski, Finance Dir Farrell,
Engineer McKillips, WWPC Supt. Stewart, WWPC Mgr. Derricotte, Parks Dir Reardon

**1. The matter of approval of meeting minutes from the Finance Committee
Meeting, from September 8th, 2025 as circulated.**

Motion made by Mr. Cerra and seconded by Mr. Schneider to approve the said Joint
Meeting Minutes.

MOTION CARRIES

**2. The matter of applying for and accepting if offered, the NOACA TLCI
(Transportation for Livable Communities Initiative) grant for a TLCI Planning
Study.**

Referred By: Engineer Schneider

Engineer McKillips said this is for the grant application thru NOACA for the next round of Livable Communities Initiative. They have spent several years implementing construction projects. Improving the downtown area with cross walks, sidewalks, improved lighting using these funds. Those projects were based on 2015 plan that was funded using TLCI funds, called Jumpstart Elyria and they've utilized as much as they could using these funds. With this round, they would like to apply for a planning grant that will take into the next 5 to 10 years as long as the program continues. They are requesting up to \$150,000 and are applying for a 100% grant because we are considered a disadvantage community. We can apply without the additional 20% share using city funds. This plan will be to be in the area of new proposed housing by the mall area at West River and Griswold and also the Pace McGregor area. Also looking at Broad St and Rt 57 and into the Walmart area and also the downtown area. One of the differences from the Jumpstart plan, which was business development oriented and over the past decade NOACA have changed their approach to this TLCI Program and they are concentrating projects and plans to transportation and supporting redevelopment and bicycle and pedestrian networks and complete street implementation plans. They believe they are in good shape to get this new plan funded. Applications are due Oct 10th and requesting to pass this as emergency.

Mr. Schneider said he wanted to thank the dept for being proactive and being ahead of the growth that's going to happen near the mall area and the walkability east of Rt 57.

There were no questions and Chair Tollett read the committee report and asked for a motion.

Motion made by Mrs. Davis, second by Mr. Cerra to authorize an ordinance authorizing the Mayor to apply for and accept the 'said' grant. Emergency clause requested.

MOTION CARRIES

COMMITTEE REPORT WRITTEN

3. The matter of a Project Change Order for the 2025 OPWC Murray Ridge Road resurfacing project.

Referred By: Engineer Schneider

Engineer McKillips said this project is almost complete. Knowing that based on grant funds available and the actual award for the contract, they had additional grant funds to use up, so additional work was done, which included to widen certain parts of the road. The additional cost is \$55,914. The original was for \$179,400 and now the total cost will be \$185,000, which would be \$5,600 of City costs above the original amount and it would come out of muni motor vehicle fund.

Mrs. Mitchell said the road looks great and she thanked the Engineer for getting this done and she is looking forward to next year when the rest of the road will be resurfaced.

There were no questions and Chair Tollett read the committee report and asked for a motion.

Motion made by Mr. Schneider, second by Mr. Cerra to authorize an ordinance authorizing the Mayor to apply for and accept the 'said' grant. Emergency clause requested.

MOTION CARRIES

COMMITTEE REPORT WRITTEN

4. The matter of City equipment (from Water Pumping and Water Distribution) which is no longer fit for City use and to be taken out of service and disposed of.

Referred By: Public Works Supervisor R. Eye

Dir Pyanowski said one item is a Bobcat that is out of the Water Pumping Dept and needs several repairs in the amount of \$5000 and it's 30 years old and it's not recommended to fix it but to replace it in the 2026 budget. The other items are pieces of equipment no longer needed by Water Dist. and to dispose of.

There were no questions and Chair Tollett read the committee report and asked for a motion.

Motion made by Mr. Cerra, second by Mr. Schneider to authorize a resolution and an ordinance for the said items to be removed from service and disposed of.

MOTION CARRIES

COMMITTEE REPORT WRITTEN

5. The matter of Amendments to the 2025 Permanent Appropriations Ordinance.

Referred By: Finance Directors Pileski and Farrell *[Standing Referral]*.

Finance Dir Farrell said there were 2 changes. 1.) The Block Grant Fund, Rehab Dept. transferring \$43,900 out of operating and maintenance, \$36,000 to into their salary and wages and \$7,900 into benefits.

2.) CHIP Grant fund and CHIP Grant Dept., transferring \$12,500 out of Operating & Maintenance, \$9,000 to salary and wages and \$3,500 into benefits this is in request from Dir Scott. There is no increase in the total appropriations, just shifting the funds.

Mrs. Siwierka asked if these changes are due to the job duties that have changed, and that they have to get paid out of different funds?

Finance Dir Farrell said, yes, that is correct.

There were no further questions and Chair Tollett read the committee report and asked for a motion.

Motion made by Mrs. Davis, second by Mr. Schneider to authorize an ordinance to amend the 'said' permanent appropriations, as per attached.

MOTION CARRIES COMMITTEE REPORT WRITTEN

Chair Tollett asked for a motion to adjourn The Finance Committee Meeting.

Motion made by Mr. Cerra and second by Mrs. Davis to adjourn the Finance Committee Meeting at 7:07 P.M.

MOTION CARRIES

The Next Finance Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, October 14th, 2025.

Respectfully Submitted by,
Colleen Rosado, Secretary/Administrative Assistant