

The FINANCE COMMITTEE held a meeting on Monday, January 26th, 2026 beginning at 6:15 P.M.

(circulated 2/4/2026)

FINANCE PRESENT: Chair Tollett, Cerra, Schneider, Davis, Van Wormer
COM DEV PRESENT: Chair Schneider, Mitchell, Rothgery, Doehne
OTHERS PRESENT: Armstrong
EXCUSED ABSENCE: Lipian, Oswald
OTHERS PRESENT: Law Dir Deery, Safety Svc Dir Pyanowski, Mayor Brubaker, Finance Dir Pileski, Fin Dir Farrell, Engineer Schneider, Building Official Farkas, CD Manager Almobayyed

1. The matter of approval of meeting minutes from the Finance Committee Meeting, which took place on January 12th, 2026, and circulated Jan. 26th, 2026. Motion made by Mrs. Davis and seconded by Mr. Schneider to approve the 'said' Meeting Minutes.
MOTION CARRIES

2. The matter of a demolition lien to be placed on 413 Marseilles Ave.
Referred By: Chief Building Official Farkas

Building Official Farkas said this property was damaged due to a fire and required an emergency demolition. The house was 90% destroyed. The estimated demo cost was \$11,800.00 and the owner at the time paid \$9,000.00. An extension letter was sent granting them more time. The property was sold to a new owner and a new letter was mailed to that new owner and he has not heard anything. The balance due is \$2,800.00.

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 to certify said charges as liens to the LC Auditor's Office.
MOTION CARRIES COMMITTEE REPORT WRITTEN

3. The matter of finding (6) Police Dept. vehicles which are no longer fit for municipal use and to be disposed of by the best means possible.
Referred By: Police Capt. Palmer

Dir Pyanowski said these 6 vehicles are no longer able to be used by the department. They are all in poor condition, even though the mileage isn't exceptionally high, but, they are not usable.

Mr. Schneider asked if there are repurchases for the one that are going to be disposed?

Dir Pyanowski said we no longer use Tahos. At some point they've been replaced or given to auxiliary. They've changed up the fleet over the years and don't use those models any more. These old vehicles were probably hanging around and not being used much.

There were no more 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 to and an ordinance declaring the 'said' vehicles are unfit and to be disposed of by the best means possible.

MOTION CARRIES COMMITTEE REPORT WRITTEN

4. The matter of Amendment No. 5 to the Professional Service Agreement with CTI Engineers, Inc. for construction inspection services for Water Reclamation Facility.

Referred By: Engineer Schneider

Engineer Schneider said CTI has done a lot of construction inspection over the years, on a lot of the bigger projects at the Water Reclamation Facility. With the large project, the aeration project, they want to retain them and the person working there knows the plant very well and CTI is a wastewater firm and the expertise is there behind him. So, this amendment would be for an additional \$218,900.

Mr. Van Wormer asked how many bids are the city allowed to receive?

Engineer Schneider said when it comes to professional services, we can't use the bidding process. It's what's called an RFP process, which goes by qualifications. We have to solicit to engineering firms and take their qualifications into consideration and there is a panel; engineering, wastewater, director's office and rank them and score them and go with the one that ranks the highest score.

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

Motion made by Mr. Schneider, seconded by Mrs. Davis to authorize an ordinance for approval of the 'said' amendment to the CTI professional agreement.

Emergency clause.

MOTION CARRIES COMMITTEE REPORT WRITTEN

5. The matter of entering into a contract for Legal Services with Bricker, Graydon & Wyatt for 2026 for services to be provided by Labor Counsel Susan Anderson.

Referred By: Safety Service Dir Pyanowski

Dir Pyanowski said this is the annual contract for Susan Anderson who is our outside labor council who represents the City in matter related to the five unions, negotiations, grievances and employee related issues. This contract has a not to exceed of \$130,000 and has an hourly rate set forth depending on who is doing the work.

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

**Motion made by Mrs. Davis seconded by Mr. Cerra to authorize an ordinance authorizing the Mayor to enter into the ‘said’ contract. Emergency clause.
MOTION CARRIES COMMITTEE REPORT WRITTEN**

6. The matter of amendments to the 2026 Temporary Appropriations.

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

Finance Dir Pileski said there are two amendments this evening. The first is in the Block Grant Fund (CDBG), service dept, adding \$35,000 to operating and maintenance, requested by Dir Scott for grant monies that will be appropriated and spent in the temporary period.

The second one is the Chestnut Commons TIF Funds. The original is a 30-year TIF and the Bonds that were issued to put in the road, were 15-year bonds. Those were paid off in Dec. 2023 and the TIF’s covered the bond payment. We had to amend the agreement with the Midview School District moving forward to create a new formula to determine how much of the TIF revenue they would get moving forward. He’s asking to add \$1,446,200 to the Chestnut Commons TIF fund, operating & maintenance account. That will make Midview schools whole for 2024 & 2025 and the 2026 distribution will be included in the permanent budget.

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

**Motion made by Mr. Cerra, seconded by Mrs. Davis to authorize an ordinance for approval of the ‘said’ changes to the temporary appropriations for 2026.
MOTION CARRIES COMMITTEE REPORT WRITTEN**

Chair Tollett said that is all the business of this evening’s Finance Meeting and he asked for a motion to adjourn.

**Motion made by Mr. Cerra and second by Mr. Schneider to adjourn the Finance Committee Meeting at 6:30 P.M.
MOTION CARRIES**

That concluded this evening’s meetings.

The Next Finance Meeting is scheduled for Monday, February 9th, 2026.

Respectfully Submitted by,
Colleen Rosado, Secretary/Administrative Assistant