

FINANCE AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

DECEMBER 21, 2021

The meeting was called to order at 5:35 p.m. by Chairperson Mark Weber. Committee members present were Deborah Born, Tim McCarthy, and Mark Weber. Also present were Bridgette Kabat, City Administrator, Kate Sandretto, Law Director, Amber Rathburn, Finance Director, and Khayla Trego, Deputy Finance Director.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

There being no objections, the minutes of the November 9, 2021 meeting were approved 3-0.

HEALTH INSURANCE FOR 2022

Matt Holzemer, Employee Benefit Consultant from Savage and Associates, was here to speak on Health Insurance for the upcoming year. He has been the City's healthcare representative since 1992. He recommends renewing with UHC (United Healthcare Inc). A change was made last year from NFP and he would like to see a two year stability period with UHC. Next year all available options will be provided.

Ms. Born wanted to know why we are back to the levels in 2018, meaning the monthly average claims by year. Mr. Holzemer explained that the City has seen provider discounts with UHC and that there will always be some variances, due to being partially self-funded. Mr. Weber wanted clarification on who is the provider and administrator. United Healthcare is the provider and administrator currently. Ms. Born stated that Mr. Holzemer was brought on board when Dave Creps was the Finance Director, and that she trusts Mr. Creps, so in turn she trusts Mr. Holzemer. The Committee agreed 3-0 to pass this on to City Council.

AUDIT CONTRACT FOR 2022

Ms. Rathburn explained that Rehmann had been providing audit services for the last five years, 2016-2020, and that they could stay with them for another five years. However, Rehmann notified the City that they do not have the appropriate staffing to do the City's audit. The Auditor of State went out to bid for the City and received six RFPs. The state did ask for the City's input, and they ultimately chose Clark Schaefer Hackett. It will be another five year agreement. Ms. Born wanted clarification because she already thought an audit occurred this year. Ms. Sandretto explained that every year, we are audited for the year prior, so in 2022 we will be audited for 2021. The Committee agreed 3-0 to pass this on to City Council.

FINANCE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Mr. Weber wanted to know the status of the occupancy permit for the Senior Center addition. Ms. Kabat explained that the fire alarm system from the main building has to be extended out to other space. Ms. Born wanted to know about the payment to the City of Toledo. Ms. Rathburn explained that it is a quarterly payment of tax sharing. Ms. Kabat added that it is only based on commercial, not residential properties. Mr. Weber mentioned the recently purchased five heart monitors and that they will improve ambulance operations and communication with hospitals.

Mr. Weber wanted to know about the two heaters being relocated by GEM. Ms. Rathburn stated that the heaters are in the Public Utilities building.

Ms. Rathburn explained the three year-end housekeeping items which are Amending 2021 Appropriations, Amending 2021 Estimated Revenues, and Authorizing Inter-fund Transfers. The Committee agreed 3-0 to pass all three of these along to City Council.

OTHER BUSINESS

None.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:01 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mark Weber, Chairperson
Finance & Economic Development Committee

Next meeting: Tuesday, January 11, 2022 at 5:30 p.m.