



In an effort to increase awareness and understanding, this publication was created to detail and explain the actions of the Vandalia City Council. We hope this promotes a better understanding of the role Council plays in keeping Vandalia a great place to live, work and play.

Council took the following actions at the Monday, August 17 meeting:

- ✓ Selected Julie Trick as the consultant to conduct the search for a City Manager.
- ✓ Approved Resolution 20-R-48, authorizing the purchase of audio-visual equipment for the City Council Chambers from iVideo Technologies for the replacement of the video recording broadcast system for \$23,287.06. This project will be financed with CARES Act funds because it is being obtained in order to accommodate the pandemic restrictions and is necessary to provide a forum for the public to participate in Council workshops and meetings.
- ✓ Approved Resolution 20-R-49, authorizing an extension to the Miami Valley Cable Council (MVCC) Municipal Electric Aggregation Program. The program is set to expire in May 2021. Due to the recent declines in the energy markets as a result of the pandemic, electric rates are at historic lows. This resolution authorizes the extension of the contract through May 2024 at the lower rate. The City could anticipate an annual savings of \$13,097.62 and an overall term savings of \$51,299.01.
- ✓ Approved Resolution 20-R-50, authorizing \$5,000 in additional funding for planning services related to the Comprehensive Plan. The original agreement with OHM Advisors was for \$70,000, all of which has been expended. The additional \$5,000 in funding is to finalize the plan.
- ✓ Approved, as an emergency, Ordinance 20-21 amending 2021 appropriations in the following manner:
 - General Fund:**
City Manager

\$60,000 – Increase of 2020 budget appropriations for additional legal expenses due to issues related to COVID-19, zoning, contract negotiations and other labor related items.
 - Recreation Center**
(\$141,950) - decrease of 2020 budget appropriations of part-time personnel wages to offset the increase in consultant expenses due to the new contract with Swimsafe.
 - Fire**
\$5,455 – increase of 2020 budget appropriations for the unexpected expenses related to COVID-19. The expense will be offset by part of the reimbursement from the CARES Act.
 - Capital Improvement Fund:**
Fire
\$7,500 - Increase of 2020 budget appropriations for the unexpected expense to replace a high band (VHF) radio repeater on the Inverness water tower that simulcasts tones and pagers. The failure of the original repeater caused the tornado sirens to be inoperable. The City is currently operating with a loaner from P&R Communications.
 - Local Coronavirus Relief Fund:**
\$215,362.25 - Increase of 2020 budget appropriations for the reimbursement of expenses to replace lost revenue and assist with unexpected additional expenses associated with COVID-19. The City received a distribution payment from the County to be expended only to cover costs consistent with CARES Act and the following guidelines:
 - Necessary expenditures incurred were related to COVID-19.
 - Expenditures were not included in the 2020 Budget.
 - Expenditures incurred during March 1, 2020 – December 30, 2020.
 - All approved expenditures must be encumbered on or before October 15, 2020.
 - Remaining “unused” balance of reimbursement must be remitted back to the County by December 28, 2020.
 - Proper expense documentation related to the reimbursement must be submitted to the County.
 - Water Fund:**
\$6,800 - Increase of 2020 budget appropriations for the unexpected expense of cleaning the external tank of the Inverness water tower.
- ✓ Approved, as an emergency, Ordinance 20-22 assessing properties for delinquent accounts related to weed cutting, storm water, trash collection, sewer and water.

The next regularly scheduled Vandalia City Council meeting will be held in the Vandalia City Council Chambers, 333 J.E. Bohanan Drive, on Tuesday, September 8, 2020, at 7pm.