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AGENDA
COMMON COUNCIL MEETING
APRIL 21, 2021

1. A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE TWO(2) HOUR PARKING SIGNS ON THE EAST SIDE OF THE 100 BLOCK OF BROADWAY
2. A RESOLUTION APPROVING USE OF RIVERFRONT PARK FOR BURMESE COMMUNITY FOOD DRIVE
3. A RESOLUTION APPROVING COMISSIONER OF DEEDS
4. A RESOLUTION APPROVING BID ON PEDESTRIAN SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT-RENSSELAER CITY ENGINEER
5. A RESOLUTION APPOINTING BUDGET ADVISOR TO COMMON COUNCIL-COMMON COUNCIL
6. A RESOLUTION SCHEDULING A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE COMMON COUNCIL

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By Alderperson : Van Vorst

Seconded by Alderperson : _____

A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE TWO (2) HOUR PARKING SIGNS ON THE EAST SIDE OF THE 100 BLOCK OF BROADWAY

WHEREAS, The City of Rensselaer is desirous of installing two (2) hour parking signs on the East Side of the 100 Block of Broadway to be effective between 8:00 am and 5:00 pm on Monday through Friday, and

WHEREAS, the Common Council has carefully considered the aforementioned parking signs and believes such parking signs are in the best interests of the public and property owners in the City of Rensselaer, and

WHEREAS, good cause appearing for the installation of the parking signs as stated herein, and a Public Hearing having been conducted so as to consider public comments on such proposed parking signs,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the installation of parking signs as stated herein is hereby approved, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that any contrary existing parking signs shall be removed.

Approved as to form and sufficiency
this _____ day of April, 2021

Corporation Counsel

SO APPROVED!

Mayor

James Van Vorst	<input type="checkbox"/> Aye	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent
Dave Gardner	<input type="checkbox"/> Aye	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent
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By Alderperson

COUNCIL AS A WHOLE

Seconded by Alderperson

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE USE AND CONTROL OF THE BASKETBALL COURT AREA OF RIVERFRONT PARK FOR A CHARITABLE FOOD DRIVE EVENT ON APRIL 25, 2021

WHEREAS, the City of Rensselaer Burmese Community is sponsoring a Charitable Food Drive Event from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm on Sunday, April 25, 2021 and is desirous of using the Basketball Court Area of Riverfront Park to host such event, and

WHEREAS, it has been the custom of this City to permit such use of Riverfront Park to such not for profit community organizations to promote community spirit,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Rensselaer Burmese Community is hereby authorized to utilize the Basketball Court Area of Riverfront Park from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm on Sunday, April 25, 2021 for a Charitable Food Drive Event, with no vehicles to be parked or driven upon the Basketball Court Area or any other paved or hard topped sporting areas, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that such permission is conditioned upon the delivery of a Certificate of Insurance to the Corporation Counsel of the City of Rensselaer, and evidencing liability coverage in an amount of not less than One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000.00), and specifically indemnifying the City on account of the activities planned, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a Rensselaer County Department of Public Health permit be obtained and filed with the Corporation Counsel, and all COVID-19 Protocols for Public Gatherings are to be followed.

James Van Vorst	<input type="checkbox"/> Aye	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent
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Approved as to form and sufficiency
This 21st day of April, 2021

Corporation Counsel

Mayor

By Alderperson:

Council as a Whole

Seconded by Alderperson: _____

RESOLUTION APPOINTING COMMISSIONER OF DEEDS

WHEREAS, the Rensselaer Common Council has the power to reappoint Commissioners of Deeds for a term of two (2) years from the date of their appointment; and

WHEREAS, it is beneficial to the citizens of Rensselaer, NY to have certain persons appointed Commissioner of Deeds.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the following persons be and are hereby reappointed Commissioner of Deeds, with a term commencing forthwith and ending April 30, 2023

Edmund D. Tobin
1458 Second Street
Rensselaer, New York 12144

Donna Zobre-Baxter
56 Pine Street
Rensselaer, New York 12144

Anne Burton
1070 Sterling Ridge Drive
Rensselaer, New York 12144

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to file a Certificate of Appointment for the aforesaid person with the Rensselaer County Clerk and said Certificate shall specify the terms for which said Commissioner of Deeds shall have been appointed.

James Van Vorst	<input type="checkbox"/> Aye	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent
Dave Gardner	<input type="checkbox"/> Aye	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent
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Approved as to form and sufficiency
this 21st day of April, 2021.

Corporation Counsel

Mayor

State of New York
Rensselaer County
City of Rensselaer

To the City Clerk of the City of Rensselaer, New York:

I, Edmund D. Tobin (*print full name*), being duly sworn, hereby make application for appointment to the office of Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City of Rensselaer.

I hereby swear that:

1. I am a citizen of the United States, *and*
2. I am 67 years of age *and*
3. Check one

1. I maintain my fixed and permanent residence at (*print address*)
1458 Second St.
in the City of Rensselaer, New York,

2. I maintain an office or place of business in the City of Rensselaer, at
(print address)
And I maintain my fixed and permanent residence at
_____ in
_____ (*town/village*) in Rensselaer County.

Applicant sign full name here Edmund D. Tobin

On this 18th day of April, 2021, before me appeared

Edmund D. Tobin, to me known to be the same person described in and who executed the foregoing instrument and he/she duly acknowledged to me that he/she executed the same and that the information contained therein is true and accurate.

Julie A. Bink
Notary Public or Commissioner of Deeds

Approved on _____, 20__

Commissioner of Deeds
Qualified in Rensselaer County
Commission Expires 9-30-21
Julie A. Bink

Rensselaer City Clerk

Proof of Residency:

OFFICE USE ONLY

Valid NYS drivers or non drivers license within city limits of Rensselaer

Valid NYS drivers or non drivers license in Rensselaer County
Business Card or Work ID

Pay stub

State of New York
Rensselaer County
City of Rensselaer

To the City Clerk of the City of Rensselaer, New York:

I, DONNA Z. BAXTER (print full name), being duly sworn, hereby make application for appointment to the office of Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City of Rensselaer.

I hereby swear that:

1. I am a citizen of the United States, and
2. I am 68 years of age and
3. Check one



1. I maintain my fixed and permanent residence at (print address)

56 PINE ST, 12144-1935
in the City of Rensselaer, New York,



2. I maintain an office or place of business in the City of Rensselaer, at (print address)

And I maintain my fixed and permanent residence at _____ in _____ (town/village) in Rensselaer County.

Applicant sign full name here Donna Z. Baxter

On this 18th day of APRIL, 2021, before me appeared

Donna Z. Baxter, to me known to be the same person described in and who executed the foregoing instrument and he/she duly acknowledged to me that he/she executed the same and that the information contained therein is true and accurate.

Julie A. Bink
Notary Public or Commissioner of Deeds

Commissioner of Deeds
Qualified in Rensselaer County
Commission Expires 9-30-21
Julie A. Bink

Approved on _____, 20__

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State of New York
Rensselaer County
City of Rensselaer

To the City Clerk of the City of Rensselaer, New York:

I, Anne E Burton (print full name), being duly sworn, hereby make application for appointment to the office of Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City of Rensselaer.

I hereby swear that:

1. I am a citizen of the United States, and
2. I am _____ years of age and
3. Check one

1. I maintain my fixed and permanent residence at (print address)

1070 Sterling Ridge Dr Rensselaer NY
in the City of Rensselaer, New York,

2. I maintain an office or place of business in the City of Rensselaer, at (print address)

And I maintain my fixed and permanent residence at _____ in _____ (town/village) in Rensselaer County.

Applicant sign full name here

Anne E Burton

On this 18 day of April, 2021, before me appeared

Anne E. Burton, to me known to be the same person described in and who executed the foregoing instrument and he/she duly acknowledged to me that he/she executed the same and that the information contained therein is true and accurate.

Julie A. Bink

Notary Public or Commissioner of Deeds

Commissioner of Deeds
Qualified in Rensselaer County
Commission Expires 9-30-21
Julie A. Bink

Approved on _____, 20__

Rensselaer City Clerk

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By Alderperson : _____ Council as a Whole _____

Seconded by Alderperson : _____

**A RESOLUTION APPROVING BID ON PEDESTRIAN SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS
PROJECT – RENSSELAER CITY ENGINEER**

WHEREAS, The Common Council of the City of Rensselaer believes approving the bid by the lowest responsible bidder, New Castle Paving, LLC, for the City of Rensselaer Pedestrian Safety Improvements Project, in the amount of \$351,213.00, per the attached Bid Award Package, is appropriate, and

WHEREAS, the Common Council of the City of Rensselaer has carefully reviewed the attached Bid Award Package, based upon previously issued Request for Proposals and having reviewed the written recommendation of the City Engineer, and good cause appearing therefore,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Rensselaer hereby approves the Bid as recommended by the City Engineer, and authorizes the issuance of an appropriate contract to New Castle Paving, LLC, per the attached Bid Award Package, in the amount of \$351,213.00 for the City of Rensselaer Pedestrian Safety Improvements Project, with the contract to be subject to review and approval of the Corporation Counsel, and contingent upon Award Concurrence by New York State Department of Transportation.

Approved as to form and sufficiency
this ____ day of _____, 2021

James Van Vorst	<input type="checkbox"/> Aye	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent
Dave Gardner	<input type="checkbox"/> Aye	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent
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Vote Totals	Aye	No	Abstain	Absent
Result				

Corporation Counsel

SO APPROVED!

Mayor

February 19, 2021

Mr. William Smart, P.E
Rensselaer City Engineer
62 Washington Street
Rensselaer, NY 12144

**Re: PIN 1760.94 – Rensselaer Pedestrian Safety Improvements
City of Rensselaer, Rensselaer County, New York**

Dear Mr. Smart:

In accordance with Chapter 14 of the Procedures for Locally Administered Federal Aid Projects, enclosed is the Contract Award Documentation Package as prepared by GPI/Greenman-Pedersen, Inc. for the subject project. The award package has been prepared in accordance with Chapter 14 of these Procedures. The documentation for the Contract Award Package follows the list as shown in Section 14.4.

A) Proof of Advertising

The contract appeared in the New York State Contract Reporter on January 20, 2021. The contract also was also advertised in The Record on January 23, 2021. Copies of the confirmations of these submissions are enclosed.

B) Memorandum of Bids

The Memorandum of Bids is enclosed and **requires your signature**. The spreadsheet shows the Engineers Estimate of Quantities and Unit Prices. The memorandum also shows the unit prices bid by all bidders.

C) Verification of the Low Bidder (mathematical certification)

GPI/Greenman-Pedersen, Inc. completed the mathematical certification of the low bidder as part of the bid analysis. No corrections were necessary to the low bidder's tabulations.

D) Recommendation of Award

Enclosed is the Recommendation of Award proposing award of the contract to **New Castle Paving, LLC of Troy New York**. This recommendation **requires your signature**.

E) Copy of Signed Proposal of the Verified Low Bidder

The proposal included all required items as identified in the bid completeness check as found in the information to bidders including all necessary federal aid contractor requirements, including the following:

1. Affidavit of workers compensation (WC-1)
2. Certification of Compliance Iran Divestment act (ID-1)
3. Disclosure of Lobbying Activities (A-6 to A-11)
4. Non-collusive Bidding Certification (A-1 to A-5)
5. Bid Bond (BB-1, BB-2)

F) Bid Analysis from Sponsor

The following components have been addressed in conducting the bid analysis:

1. The contract advertisement met the contract advertisement requirements by advertising for a minimum of three (3) weeks in advance of the bid opening in the New York State Contract Reporter. Given that Four (4) firms/vendors bid on the contract; adequate competition has been secured.
2. Bids were opened on February 12, 2021 at 10:00 AM.
3. The low bidder proposed for award is the same low bidder that was determined at the bid opening, **New Castle Paving, LLC**
4. The low bid is 11.9% above the engineers estimate and 26.5% below the second bidder. A review of all bids does not indicate unbalanced bidding by the apparent low bidder.

G) Certification of the Low Bidder Responsibility

Using the following guidelines as established by the Governor's Executive Order #170.1 the low bidder has been determined to be responsible.

1. The low bidder does not lack the expertise, experience or financial resources to complete the project.
2. There is no apparent criminal conduct in connection with government contracts.
3. The low bidder has not demonstrated grave disregard for the personal safety of employees, government personnel, or members of the public.
4. The low bidder has no record of willful non-compliance with prevailing wages.
5. The low bidder has no other significant labor law violations.
6. The low bidder has no apparent violations of the Workers Compensation Laws.
7. The low bidder has no apparent criminal conduct involving violations of Environmental Conservation Law or other environmental statutes.
8. The low bidder has demonstrated good faith efforts to comply with Federal or State statutes and regulations regarding efforts to solicit and utilize Minority, Women or Disadvantaged Business Enterprises on government contracts.
9. The low bidder apparently complies with State and Federal equal opportunity statutes and regulations.
10. There are no other causes so serious and compelling that it raises questions about the present responsibility of the low bidder.

In addition to the items above, the following checks have been performed as part of the review for bidder responsibility:

- A check of the General Services Administration's List of Debarred, Suspended, or Voluntarily Excluded Firms Ineligible for Federal Aid has been made and **New Castle Paving, LLC** does not appear.

- A check of the Department of Labor's monthly list of firms debarred for willful violations of the labor law has been made and **New Castle Paving, LLC** does not appear.
- A check of the Department of State's Corporation database has been made and **New Castle Paving, LLC** has the proper authority to conduct business in New York State.
- A check with the Occupational Safety and Health Administration for possible safety violations shows that **New Castle Paving, LLC** has zero (0) open cases.

h) Certification of resolution of conditional approval Items at PS&E Approval

There are zero (0) items awaiting pin approval status.

I) Copy of all amendments/addendum not included in with the original proposal

There was zero (0) Addendum.

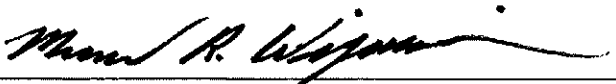
J) A description from the Sponsor on how they intend to inspect and provide QA/QC

1. Contract Inspection: The City of Rensselaer will retain **GPI** to provide daily on-site construction inspection services. A CMP was transmitted as part of the PSE package.
2. Project QA/QC: The project will be administered in accordance with the latest New York State Department of Transportation Standard Specifications. The City of Rensselaer will require all manufacturers, vendors, contractor and construction inspection engineers to certify materials and workmanship ensuring they conform to the Specifications. There shall be sufficient documentation in accordance with the Specifications to ensure project expenditures remain eligible for Federal reimbursement.

GPI/Greenman-Pedersen, Inc. recommends the City of Rensselaer award the subject project to **New Castle Paving, LLC** If you are in concurrence with this, please include all supporting documents (A-J above) in a letter to NYSDOT Region 1 (attached) to complete the Award Documentation Package requirements.

Should you have any questions regarding the enclosed information or require any additional information, please feel free to contact me at (518) 898-9554 or mwieszchowski@gpinet.com.

Very truly yours,
GREENMAN-PEDERSEN, INC.



Michael Wieszchowski, P.E., PTOE
 Vice President | Director of Traffic Engineering

Enc.

cc: File, NYSDOT



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William Smart, P.E.
City Engineer
bill.smart@rensselaer.ny.gov

February 22, 2021

Mr. Lorenzo DiStefano, P.E.
Region 1 – Local Project Liaison
NYS Department of Transportation
50 Wolf Rd
Albany, NY 12232

NOTE: See Chapter 14 of the NYSDOT Local Procedures Manual for full information.

**Re: Rensselaer Pedestrian Safety (PSAP) Improvements; PIN 1760.94
City of Rensselaer, Rensselaer County, New York
GPI Job No. ALB-2019020.00**

Dear Mr. DiStefano:

On February 12, 2021 we received bids for the subject project which is total fulfillment of our federally funded project. The project was authorized for a letting by your office on December 15, 2020.

The project was advertised for 23 days (3 weeks, 2 days) beginning January 20, 2021.

We received 4 bids, of which are tallied in order as follows.

CONTRACTOR	BID AMOUNT
New Castle Paving, LLC	\$351,213.00
Peter Luizzi & Bros Contracting Inc.	\$434,399.00
Callanan Industries, Inc.	\$456,850.00
Millennium Construction, Inc.	\$544,327.00

The City of Rensselaer is recommending that New Castle Paving, LLC be chosen for the award as follows:

Federal Aid Funding (HSIP), 100% CAPPED at \$395,000:	\$351,213.00
City Share, 100% of anything over CAP:	\$ <u>0.00</u>
Total Bid:	\$351,213.00

The award IS recommended to be made to the lowest bidder.

The recommended bid DOES contain individual quantity bids which are 25 percent or more over the engineer's estimate. There is a total of 15 items that were over the above percentage. The engineer's estimate unit costs were based on the DOT's Transport Program for estimating. The estimate for this project was updated in the Summer of 2020 based on contracts that were awarded over the past year, generally before the Pandemic was in full force. The contractor's unit prices 25% or more over the engineer's estimate are as follows.

Item #	Description	Unit	Quantity	ENGINEERS ESTIMATE		NEW CASTLE PAVING, LLC		
				Unit Cost	Total Cost	Unit Cost	Total Cost	% Diff
203.02	UNCLASSIFIED EXCAVATION AND DISPOSAL	CY	147	\$ 27.50	\$ 4,042.50	\$200.00	\$29,400.00	627%
304.12	SUBBASE COURSE, TYPE 2	CY	55	\$ 42.50	\$ 2,337.50	\$125.00	\$6,875.00	194%
402.128304	12.5 F3 TOP COURSE HMA, 80 SERIES COMPACTION	TON	28	\$ 100.00	\$ 2,800.00	\$300.00	\$8,400.00	200%
490.30	COLD MILLING OF BITUMINOUS CONCRETE	SY	145	\$ 17.50	\$ 2,537.50	\$33.00	\$4,785.00	89%
608.0101	CONCRETE SIDEWALKS AND DRIVEWAYS	CY	37	\$ 600.00	\$ 22,200.00	\$800.00	\$29,600.00	33%
610.1402	TOPSOIL - ROADSIDE	CY	2	\$ 105.00	\$ 210.00	\$200.00	\$400.00	90%
610.1601	TURF ESTABLISHMENT - LAWNS	SY	17	\$ 10.25	\$ 174.25	\$25.00	\$425.00	144%
619.01	BASIC WORK ZONE TRAFFIC CONTROL	LS	1	\$ 15,251.51	\$ 15,251.51	\$30,000.00	\$30,000.00	97%
635.0103	CLEANING AND PREPARATION OF PAVEMENT SURFACES - LINES	LF	2280	\$ 0.85	\$ 1,938.00	\$1.45	\$3,306.00	71%
645.5102	GROUND-MOUNTED SIGN PANELS LESS THEN OR EQUAL TO 30 SF, WITH Z-BARS	SF	6	\$ 28.50	\$ 171.00	\$40.00	\$240.00	40%
647.61	REMOVE AND DISPOSE GROUND MOUNTED TYPE A SIGN SUPPORT, AND ANY ATTACHED SIGNS - SIZE I (UNDER 30 SQUARE FEET)	EA	1	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00	\$90.50	\$90.50	81%
680.82250608	REMOVE AND DISPOSE PEDESTRIAN POLE AND FOUNDATION	EA	3	\$ 300.00	\$ 900.00	\$600.00	\$1,800.00	100%
680.95010615	SERVICE CABLE 1 CONDUCTOR, NO. 06 AWG	LF	150	\$ 2.15	\$ 322.50	\$4.00	\$600.00	86%
680.99010010	REMOVE PEDESTRIAN SIGNAL AND BUTTON	EA	1	\$ 150.00	\$ 150.00	\$200.00	\$200.00	33%
685.11	WHITE EPOXY REFLECTORIZED PAVEMENT STRIPES - 20 MILS	LF	7000	\$ 1.00	\$ 7,000.00	\$1.67	\$11,690.00	67%

Based on the information above the unit prices reflect the contractor's anticipated costs for performing each item of work. The following bid items have more than a 25% increase/decrease from the engineers estimate and have a significant overall cost difference (\geq \$10,000) from the engineers estimate.

Items 203.02 - UNCLASSIFIED EXCAVATION. This items price is at 627% over the engineer's estimate. This is likely because the item price in the estimator program is based on larger roadway projects that have an economy of scale. This project requires only small amounts of excavation, at multiple locations, in a city environment with limited area to maneuver. All factors in causing the bid price to be higher.

Item 608.0801 - CONCRETE SIDEWALKS AND DRIVEWAYS. Item price is 33% above engineer's estimate. This is likely because of the small pour sizes (so there is no economy of scale), tight work zones and the need to mobilize at multiple locations. Additionally, the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic plant shutdowns of 2020 may still be impacting pricing of plant production items such as this.

Item 619.01 - BASIC WORK ZONE TRAFFIC CONTROL. this item is 99% above the engineer's estimate. High cost may be because the intermittent and piecemeal nature of the project work will require set-up and takedown of work zones at multiple times and locations, unlike a roadway project where the workzone in unified and consistent.

Item 685.11 - WHITE EPOXY REFLECTORIZED PAVEMENT STRIPES - 20 MILS. this item is 67% above engineer's estimate. The low quantity involved with the item may be contributing to the cost difference.

The remainder of the 25% over-estimate items all represent a relatively small variation in overall price and the cost variance in most likely due to the COVID-19 Pandemic still causing backlogs in equipment and production

order, which has caused available equipment costs to be at a premium. Additionally, the small quantities and piecemeal nature of the work to be performed does not allow for the economy of scale necessary for reduced pricing.

The recommended bid is balanced and complete.

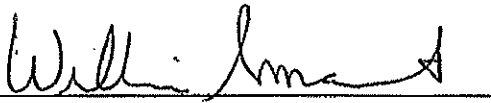
I have enclosed a copy of the signed bid proposal from the recommended bidder, a signed non-collusive bidding statement, debarment history certification, proof of advertisement, memorandum of bids, there is a 6% DBE Utilization requirement for this project, and an EBO project setup file has been sent for necessary activation.

I hereby certify that to the best of my knowledge and belief all applicable state and municipal bidding procedures were followed, the low bid is a reasonable and acceptable bid for the contract work, and the contractor who submitted the low bid is qualified and capable to satisfactorily perform the contract work.

I hereby certify recommended bidder responsibility as outlined in Section 14.4.1 of the NYSDOT Local Procedures Manual.

We request your concurrence to award this contract.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "William Smart", is written over a horizontal line.

William Smart
City Engineer, City of Rensselaer, NY

Enc.

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By Alderperson : Council As A Whole

Seconded by Alderperson : _____

**A RESOLUTION APPOINTING BUDGET ADVISOR TO COMMON COUNCIL
- COMMON COUNCIL**

WHEREAS, the Common Council of the City of Rensselaer is authorized pursuant to the City of Rensselaer Charter Sections 16 and 80 (23) to appoint a Budget Advisor to assist and advise the Common Council in the performance of their financial duties under said Charter, and in that Steve Terry, former City Comptroller, has offered to serve the Council as Budget Advisor as an Independent Contractor and will submit invoices for payment that will come out of Line A1010.7440 Contractual Services of the Adopted City Budget, and

WHEREAS, such appointment of Steve Terry as Budget Advisor also conveys to Mr. Terry the power of the Common Council to have full access to the City Financial Software Data Bases and the Cooperation of the City Comptroller and Treasurer, as well as their staffs, and good cause appearing therefore,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Rensselaer Common Council hereby appoints Steve Terry as Budget Advisor to the Common Council, under the terms and conditions stated above.

Approved as to form and sufficiency
this ____ day of _____, 2021

James Van Vorst	<input type="checkbox"/> Aye	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent
Dave Gardner	<input type="checkbox"/> Aye	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent
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John DeFrancesco	<input type="checkbox"/> Aye	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent
Vote Totals	Aye	No	Abstain	Absent
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Corporation Counsel

SO APPROVED!

Mayor

Chapter C. Rensselaer City Charter

TITLE IV. Common Council

§ 80. General legislative powers.

[Amended L.L. No. 3-1990]

The Common Council shall have power to provide by ordinance or resolution for the enforcement of powers hereby expressly granted to it or any of the boards or officers of the city where the method of execution of the powers is not herein expressly prescribed and shall have power to pass any ordinance or resolution not repugnant to the Constitution or laws of this state, not prohibited herein or inconsistent herewith for any legal purposes pertaining to the government of the city, the management of its business, preservation of order, business, health, safety and welfare of the city and the inhabitants thereof and shall have such power of legislation by ordinance or resolution as are conferred upon it by this Act or by any other law, but this general provision shall not be construed to authorize the raising or expenditure of money, except as herein expressly provided or otherwise provided by law, and, for these purposes, the Common Council shall have power particular and not exclusive to enact ordinances for the following purposes: SEE PARAGRAPH 23.

1. To prevent public vice and immorality, to preserve peace and good order, to prevent and quell riots and disorderly assemblages and to prevent any noise or disturbance.
2. To restrain and punish vagrants, mendicants, street beggars and persons soliciting alms, occupants of houses of ill fame, common prostitutes, lewd and disorderly persons and to prevent and punish drunkenness and disorderly or immoral conduct in streets or public places.
3. To prohibit the gathering or assembling of persons in or upon public streets of said city or congregating upon the corners of the streets thereof and to authorize the police officers of said city to disperse all such gatherings or assembling of persons, and, upon the refusal of persons so congregating and assembling after being commanded to do so by a duly appointed police officer, such police officer may make summary arrests of any person or persons so refusing and take him or them forthwith before the City Judge of said city to be by him tried as disorderly persons and punished as such, and all such persons are hereby declared to be disorderly persons.
4. To restrain cattle, animals and fowls from running at large in said city and to authorize the distraining, impounding and sale of the same for the penalty incurred and the cost of their keeping and the proceedings.
5. To license, regulate and control all porters, cartmen, hack- or cabmen, stages, omnibuses or other vehicles for the transportation of passengers within the city; to fix their rates of compensation and to require them to have licenses and prescribe the amount to be paid therefor; to regulate by license or prohibit the exhibition of any circus, caravan, theater, curiosities or other show or entertainment; to regulate by license or prohibit auction sales, pawnbroking, junk dealing, temporary sales and the selling of hay, straw and farm produce in said city and hawking or peddling on the streets of said city.
6. To prohibit all kinds of gambling; to regulate billiard rooms and bowling alleys; to regulate and prevent bathing in the Hudson River and all the creeks and other waters within the city; to prevent

immoderate driving and racing in said city.

7. To prevent and regulate the deposit of building materials upon the streets or sidewalks to such an extent and for such time as it may prescribe.
8. To prohibit, license or regulate the keeping, storing, use or sale of gunpowder, kerosene or any other combustible or explosive substance or compound and the conveyance or transportation of the same in or through any part of the city; to regulate or prohibit the use of firearms in said city; and to regulate the emission of smoke from, and to prohibit the emission of dense smoke or soot or gases from, buildings, boilers, stationary engines, traction engines, railroad engines and locomotive boats and from all other sources.
9. To regulate the erection and use of telegraph, telephone or electric light poles or conduits for the carrying of electric wires on the streets or public grounds or the stringing or placing of wires in, over, under or upon the streets or public places or upon, over or in front of any building or buildings and to provide for the removal of any pole or wire or conduit erected or maintained contrary to such regulation or any ordinance of the city; to prescribe rules and regulate the installation in all houses, buildings or structures of all wires, conductors or other substances used for the transmission of electric energy and of pipes used for the supply of gas for light, heat, power or other purposes.
10. To prohibit and punish any game, practice, amusement or act in the public streets or elsewhere having a tendency to injure or annoy persons residing in the city or passing in or along the highways or streets of the city or to injure or endanger life or property.
11. To regulate and control the laying, maintenance, alteration and repair of subways, conduits, mains and pipes in and under the public streets, highways and places; to regulate and control the erection, construction and maintenance of poles, cables and wires in, upon, over and under the public streets, highways and places; to require cables and wires, except trolley wires and necessary guy and supporting wires used in connection with such trolley wires erected and proposed to be erected upon and over the public streets, highways and places to be placed underground; to regulate and control the opening and excavation of public streets, highways and places or any part thereof or the space above or underneath them for any purpose whatever.
12. To prevent or regulate the ringing of bells, blowing of whistles and horns, the crying of wares and making of any unnecessary noise which may tend to disturb the peace of the city; to prevent or regulate the sale or exposure for sale of fireworks or other explosive compound; to prevent and punish the discharge of firearms, rockets, fireworks and gunpowder in or near the streets of the city or in the vicinity of any building.
13. To regulate and prescribe plans, methods and materials for the erection and repair of buildings within said city or any district or districts thereof which it may establish and for such purpose to establish a building code.
14. To regulate, prevent or punish for the posting of bills, signs or advertisements on any public building, on any telegraph, lighting or telephone pole or on property within the city.
15. To prescribe and compel the erection and use of fire escapes, fire doors and fire shutters in such buildings as it may deem necessary and to compel the furnishing and placing of fire extinguishers, hoses, standpipes and such other apparatus for the prevention and extinguishment of fires as it may deem proper.
16. To prevent and regulate the erection, placing or maintaining on or above any street of the city any goods, sign, signboard or other device which shall hang, suspend or project from or upon any such streets or sidewalks.
17. To provide for the licensing of dogs, the seizure of unlicensed dogs, the care and protection of lost, strayed and homeless dogs, for securing and protecting the rights of the owners thereof, for the

protection of the public against dogs and the destruction of dangerous and vicious dogs, whether licensed or not, and to authorize the Mayor to enter into a contract with an incorporated society for the prevention of cruelty to animals having jurisdiction in the city, for the capture and impounding of all unlicensed dogs and for the maintenance of a shelter for lost, strayed or homeless dogs.

18. To prescribe the fire limits and determine the character and height of buildings that may be erected therein and the nature of the materials to be used in the construction, alteration or repair of such buildings or in the repair or alteration of existing buildings within said fire limits.
19. To regulate the entrance to and the exits from all theaters, lecture rooms, public halls, schools, churches and public buildings of every kind and to prevent the placing of seats, chairs, benches or other obstructions in the halls, aisles or open places therein.
20. To regulate or prohibit the operation of blasts and blasting and the construction and operation of derricks, windlasses and other structures, apparatus and other erections hazardous to life and property; to regulate the operation and provide for the inspection of freight and passenger elevators, boilers, engines, dynamos and other apparatus generating steam or electricity.
21. To protect property, real or personal or individual at times of fire; to appoint guards for the direction of the same and to prescribe their powers, duties and compensation.
22. (Reserved)
- * 23. To manage and regulate the finances; to regulate, dispose and preserve the property, real and personal, of the city, except as otherwise provided in this Act; to perform such other and further duties and to confer such other and further powers and authority upon the several officers, boards and commissions of the city, as they deem proper to perform and execute all the powers, duties and authority conferred upon the Common Council by any of the provisions of this Act and provided for the carrying into effect thereof.

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By Alderperson : _____ COUNCIL AS A WHOLE _____

Seconded by Alderperson : _____

A RESOLUTION SCHEDULING A SPECIAL MEETING

WHEREAS, The City of Rensselaer Common Council is desirous of scheduling a Special Meeting so as to meet in Executive Session with Labor Law Counsel to discuss a Personnel issue, and good cause appearing therefore,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that a Special Meeting will be held at 6:00 p.m. on May 3, 2021, at the City Hall of the City of Rensselaer located at 62 Washington Street, Rensselaer, New York, so as to allow the Common Council to hear from Labor Law Counsel on a Personnel issue in Executive Session, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to issue appropriate Public Notice of the Special Meeting scheduled herein.

Approved as to form and sufficiency
this ____ day of April, 2021

Corporation Counsel

SO APPROVED!

Mayor

James Van Vorst	<input type="checkbox"/> Aye	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent
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