

CALL TO ORDER

IN SPECIAL SESSION held on Monday, August 30, 2021 at 6:00 P.M. in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 323 West Michigan Avenue, Marshall, MI 49068, the Marshall City Council was called to order by Mayor Caron.

ROLL CALL

Roll was called:

Present: Council Members: Mayor Caron, Gates, Rice, Schwartz, Traver, Underhill, and Wolfersberger.

Also Present: City Manager Tarkiewicz

Absent: None.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Caron led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

EXECUTIVE SEARCH FIRM INTERVIEWS

GovHR USA
Michigan Municipal League
Walsh Municipal Services

REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

A. Selection of Executive Search Firm

Moved Wolfersberger, supported Underhill, to retain the Michigan Municipal League to perform the City Manager Executive Search. On a roll call vote – ayes: Gates, Rice, Schwartz, Traver, Underhill, Wolfersberger, and Mayor Caron; nays: none. **MOTION CARRIED.**

B. US Economic Development Administration Grant Application Resolution:

Moved Traver, supported Gates, to adopt the resolution and authorize City staff to submit a grant application to the Economic Development Administration for funding for the Brooks Electric Substation. On a voice vote: **MOTION CARRIED.**

**CITY OF MARSHALL, MICHIGAN
RESOLUTION NO. #2021-32**

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO SUBMIT AN EDA ECONOMIC ADJUSTMENT ASSISTANCE GRANT APPLICATION TO THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE- ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION FOR POTENTIAL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TOWARD THE BROOKS ELECTRIC SUBSTATION; AND FURTHER AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ACCEPT SAID GRANT AND ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE EDA UPON AWARD.

WHEREAS, the U.S. Economic Development Administration (“EDA”) provides a wide range of financial assistance to communities and regions as they respond to and recover from the impacts of the pandemic; and

WHEREAS, the EDA’s mission is to lead the federal economic development agenda by working with communities to catalyze locally developed strategies to build capacity for economic development based on local business conditions and needs; and

WHEREAS, the City of Marshall has identified the Brooks Electrical Substation Project (the “Project”), having an estimated project cost of \$5,310,000, as a candidate for EDA grant funding at a 50% funding level; and

WHEREAS, the City’s estimated matching share of Project funds is \$2,655,000, funded through local funds; and

WHEREAS, the City of Marshall has the authority to apply for financial assistance and to administer the amounts received from the EDA; and

WHEREAS, the City of Marshall must direct and authorize the City Manager to act as the Authorized Representative for the application and project if awarded; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MARSHALL AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. That the Council of the City of Marshall authorizes and directs the City Manager to submit an additional grant application through the EDA Economic Adjustment Assistance Grant Program to become eligible for potential funding assistance toward the Brooks Electric Substation Project.

SECTION 2. That the City Manager is further authorized to sign any necessary documents related to said grant application, and has the authority both in applying and, if the grant is awarded, to sign off on any additional requirements.

SECTION 3. That the City's matching share in the amount of \$2,655,000 will: (1) be committed to the project for the period of performance; (ii) be available as needed, and (iii) not be conditioned or encumbered in any way that may preclude its use consistent with the requirements of EDA investment assistance.

SECTION 4. That this Council hereby finds and determines that all formal actions relative to the adoption of this Resolution were taken in an open meeting of the Council and that all deliberations of this Council and of its committees, if any, which resulted in formal action, were taken in meetings open to the public in full compliance with applicable legal requirements.

SECTION 5. That this Resolution shall go into effect and be in full force and effect immediately upon its passage.

CERTIFICATION OF CITY CLERK

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a Resolution adopted by the City Council of the City of Marshall at a special meeting held on August 30, 2021.

Trisha Nelson, City Clerk

C. SAFER Grant Award:

Moved Rice, supported Schwartz, to accept the SAFER grant award in the amount of \$836,493.78. On a voice vote: **MOTION CARRIED.**

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Joe Caron, Mayor

Trisha Nelson, Clerk