

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE COMMON COUNCIL
OCTOBER 26, 2022
6:00 PM

PRESENT: Mayor Sandra Magiera
Council Members: John Hill, Kylee Johnson, Barry Smith,
Paul Myers, Janet Koch
City Clerk: Tracy Chamberlain

Mayor Magiera called the special meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

Mayor Magiera stated that the Governors Office representative Joan Kesner asked that the Council provide info on what their vision for the City would be. They could then work with the Empire State Development Corporation to see what assistance can be offered.

There was some discussion regarding the development of City owned State Park Avenue property. All the Council Members agree that this project should be pursued. The infrastructure for access and utilities are desired by most developers. It was noted that the annexation of the parcels in the Town of Salamanca need to be done to make them City parcels. There has been some interest in developing the property as a water park facility with other attractions and those individuals are working on a presentation for the Council. They mentioned that the City could remain owners of the property and receive a percentage of the revenues.

At this time Council Member Myers arrived to the meeting.

It was noted that of the State Park Avenue parcels only one small parcel, which is landlocked, is on the Seneca Nation reservation. The cost to convert the power lines to underground would be more than \$13,000,000.

Mayor Magiera stated that another engineering firm has met with her and would like to give presentation to the Council. This can be done at the next Regular Council meeting.

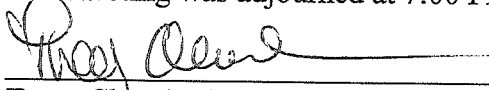
- Council Member Hill would like to see a side-by-side all-terrain-vehicle facility to connect routes with the Seneca Nation of Indians and Allegany State Park.
- Council Member Johnson would primarily like to see State Park Avenue developed.
- Council Member Smith would like the farmer's market to be moved back to the center of the City, rather than at the Seneca Gaming Corporation on Broad Street. He also would like to see electrical upgrades be done. This would be to avoid issues such as what the school recently had with the electric current, which caused power issues.

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- Council Member Koch would like the City to continue pursuing the Federal Impact Aid. Mayor Magiera stated that she is working with the Senator Gilibrand regarding support of the City. Council Member Koch asked that the departments provide vehicle rotation schedules. Mayor Magiera noted that all the departments provided five-year plans, which included the vehicle information. Council Member Koch would like to look into Civilian Dispatchers for the Police Department. She also asked if someone could look into the pros and cons of a City government vs. a Village government. She also feels there are issues with the Code Enforcement Department. There was some discussion regarding various issues, including requiring different things of different property owners for the same type of work. Mayor Magiera also noted that the signage section of the Zoning Law needs to be updated for better enforcement. It was also mentioned that some of the ticket enforcement issues are due to court procedures. Council Member Johnson stated she will discuss codes at the next Fire Commission meeting.
- Council Member Myers agrees with pursuing the projects mentioned. He also noted the Civilian Dispatch was discussed in the past. He found it would be difficult find individuals that are qualified and the cost of wages.

There was discussion regarding the changes in the Comptroller's Office.

The Meeting was adjourned at 7:00 PM.



Tracy Chamberlain, City Clerk

Dated: November 1, 2022