

AGENDA

Erie County Council

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Carl Anderson, III, Chairman
Kim Clear, Vice Chairwoman
André R. Horton
Scott Rastetter
Mary Rennie
Ellen Schauerman
Brian Shank

REGULAR MEETING

3:30 P.M. – Council Caucus
4:00 P.M. – Council Meeting

Tuesday, March 16, 2021

Join Via Zoom:

Online: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89356597971?pwd=MVlOb1NYenVSK1B0STJxTnJKOFdGdz09>
or Call-in: 1-929-205-6099

Meeting ID: 893 5659 7971

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1. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
2. **OPTIONAL PRAYER OR INVOCATION**
3. **ROLL CALL**
4. **HEARING OF THE PUBLIC**
5. **MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING**

March 2, 2021 - Regular Meeting

6. **REPORTS OF COUNTY OFFICIALS**
 - A. County Executive and/or her Designee
 - B. Finance Committee -Mrs. Clear
 - C. Personnel Committee - Mrs.Rennie / Mr. Shank
 - D. Citations in Memoria

Mr. Richard Tome (Presented by Chairman Anderson)

Mr. Nathan Everhart (Presented by Councilman Rastetter)

- E. Other

7. OLD BUSINESS

- A. Second Reading of Ordinance Number 14, 2021 "2021 Public Health Fund Budget Revised Expenditures of \$12,020 for Temporary Increase In Wages and Hours for Acting Director of Public Health" (Rec'd 1st Read 3/2/21)
Since the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic, the current Department of Health Director has been acting as Commander on the County COVID response. As such, the Acting Director has needed to take on a portion of the Director's duties and is also managing the Tobacco Control Program Supervisory position in the absence of said supervisor. The request for temporary salary increase to step "E" grade 20, would be retroactive to January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021. From a vacancy in positions, there would be funds in the bureau 018015 line to increase with no additional cost to the County.
- B. Second Reading of Ordinance Number 19, 2021, "Seventh 2021 General Fund Budget Supplemental Appropriation of \$149,228 for Second Year Allotment of PCCD Covid Relief Grant and Creation of New Department" (Rec'd 1st Read 3/2/21)
Amount presented is a combined total of carryover (\$82,731.47) from 2020 statewide grant Erie was awarded and additional award from 2021 (\$66,497). Items include mostly PPE, a COVID testing machine, testing kits, COVID related overtime, Zoom, and monitors for Probation Offices.

8. NEW BUSINESS

- A. First Reading of Ordinance Number 20, 2021, "Second 2021 Mental Health/Intellectual Disabilities (MHID) Fund Budget Supplemental Appropriation of \$17,740,092 for Emergency Rental Assistance Grant Funding" (Finance Committee)
The Erie County Department of Human Services has applied for Emergency Rental Assistance Program funds. Not less than 90 percent of awarded funds must be used for Direct Financial Assistance, including rent, rental arrears, utilities, and home energy costs. Remaining funds are available for Housing stability Services, including case management and other services to keep households stably housed.
Possible consideration for a Second Reading.
- B. First Reading of Ordinance Number 21, 2021, "Eighth 2021 General Fund Budget Supplemental Appropriation of \$196,000 Tourism Grant to VisitErie" (Finance Committee)
Due to Commonwealth restrictions in 2020, Erie County's lead Tourism Agency could not market our area to other parts of the state or out of state areas and provided the remaining \$196,000 to the County for distribution elsewhere needed. This grant will allow for renewed marketing of the Erie area in assisting its economic recovery.
Possible consideration for a Second Reading.

- C. Resolution Number 9, 2021, "Authorizing the Filing of a Proposal for Funds with the Department of Community and Economic Development Commonwealth of Pennsylvania" (Finance Committee)
The Erie County Department of Human Services, Office of Mental Health/Intellectual Disabilities, is seeking authorization to apply for a grant in the amount of \$191,727 from the Department of Community and Economic Development Emergency Solutions Grant CARES Act Round 2 (ESG-CV) funding. These funds will be used to provide hazard pay for emergency shelter staff in five local shelters. Listed below is the budget summary.
- D. Resolution Number 10, 2021 "Approving A Professional Services Contract For Zelenkofske & Axlerod, Certified Public Accountants For Consultation On Pandemic Related State And Federal Funding"
The County of Erie wishes to utilize Zelenkofske & Axlerod Certified Public Accountants to provide technical assistance and advice in relation to the policies, procedures, accountability and monitoring of pandemic related State and federal funding initiatives on a periodic basis.
- E. Possible Sale of a Parcel from the Repository for Unsold Property at Index Number: 14-010-032.0-234.00
An offer of \$250 by Patrick Hart for the parcel at 858 East 5th Street, Erie PA. Other taxing bodies have approved the sale.
- F. Possible Sale of a Parcel from the Repository for Unsold Property at Index Number: 14-010-028.0-234.00
An offer of \$250 by Patrick Hart for the parcel at East 5th Street NS 53.5x82.5, Erie PA. Other taxing bodies have approved the sale. (Map attached)
- G. Possible Sale of a Parcel from the Repository for Unsold Property at Index Number: 14-010-028.0-229.00
An offer of \$250 by Patrick Hart for the parcel at 419 Wilson Street, Erie PA 16507. Other taxing bodies have approved the sale.
- H. Possible Sale of a Parcel from the Repository for Unsold Property at Index Number: 16-030-026.0-112.00
An offer of \$250 by Gerald J. Kanonczyk for the parcel at 531 33 West 17th Street. Other taxing bodies have approved the sale.
- I. Possible Sale of a Parcel from the Repository for Unsold Property at Index Number: 18-050-043.0-100.00
An offer of \$250 by Paul Letkiewicz for the parcel at 1162 East 26th Street, Erie

PA. Other taxing bodies have approved the sale.

- J. Possible Sale of a Parcel from the Repository for Unsold Property at Index Number: 15-020-026.0-118.00
An offer of \$250 by Paul Letkiewicz for the parcel at 506 East 10th Street, Erie PA. Other taxing bodies have approved the sale.
- K. Possible reappointment of Diana Ames to a Four-Year Term on the Human Relations Commission Advisory Board to Represent Council District 7. The Term would run from January 1, 2021 to December 31, 2024 (Mrs. Schauerman)
- L. Possible reappointment of Owen McCormick to a second five-year term to the Erie County Industrial Development Authority. The term will run from January 1, 2019 to December 31, 2023 (County Executive Dahlkemper)
- M. Possible reappointment of Ralph DeRose to a five-year term to the Erie County Industrial Development Authority. This will be Mr. DeRose's first full term on the Erie County Industrial Development Authority. The term will run from January 1, 2017 to December 31, 2021 (County Executive Dahlkemper)
- N. Possible reappointment of Ms. Jean Langer to a five-year term to the Erie County Industrial Development Authority. This will be Ms. Langer's first full term on the Erie County Industrial Authority. The term will run from January 1, 2019 to December 31, 2023 (County Executive Dahlkemper)
- O. Possible appointment of Timothy Zieziula to the Erie County Board of Health. This would be an additional member to the required five member board. The term will expire December 21, 2024. (County Executive Dahlkemper)
- P. Possible appointment of Laura Lewis, PhD to the Erie County Board of Health. This partial term would be to fill the vacancy left by Carolyn Master, PhD, RN. The term will expire December 31, 2021. (County Executive Dahlkemper)

9. **ADJOURNMENT**

- A. The next Finance & Personnel Committee Meetings will occur April 1, 2021 at 4:00pm via zoom conference.

The next Regular Meeting of Council will occur April 6, 2021 at 4:00pm. Caucus will begin at 3:30pm.

For social-distancing measures and consistency with CDC Guidelines, meetings will be held via zoom conferencing (zoom.us). At which time Council reconvenes in-person meetings, the public will be duly notified. Agendas and zoom information available at www.eriecountypa.gov. Call the Council office at 451-6303 for specific inquiries.