



AGENDA WASHTENAW COUNTY WAYS & MEANS COMMITTEE

April 21, 2021

6:30 PM

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- I. Roll Call
- II. Citizen Participation
- III. Commissioner Follow-Up To Citizen Participation
- IV. New Business
 - A. Office of Community & Economic Development
 1. Brownfield Development Grant for the Broadway Park Brownfield Redevelopment Plan
 - Authorizing the submission and acceptance of a Brownfield Development Grant to the Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE) for the Broadway Park Brownfield Redevelopment Plan
 - This grant furthers the Broadway Park Brownfield Redevelopment Plan approved through resolution 19-137
 - Grant in the amount of \$499,000, no General Fund match required
 - State Funding: \$499,000
 - General Fund: \$0

RECOMMENDATION: Approval

- B. Sheriff
 1. Drivers Education Grant Application to the United Way of Washtenaw County Opportunity Fund
 - Ratify the County Administrator's signature on the grant application to the United Way of Washtenaw County Opportunity Grant
 - The Washtenaw County Sheriff's Office will partner with Ypsilanti Community Schools and All Star Driver Education
 - This initiative addresses the inequity within Ypsilanti Community Schools where the overwhelming majority of teens that are unable to afford drivers education are Black or People of Color

- By removing the cost barrier to drivers education, the potential entry to the Criminal Justice System from driving without a license is eliminated
- Grant application in the amount of \$15,000, with no General Fund match required
 - Grant Funding: \$15,000
 - General Fund: \$0

RECOMMENDATION: Approval

C. Prosecuting Attorney

1. Landlord Risk Mitigation Fund (United Way Opportunity Fund)

- Ratifying the submission of the grant application
- To the United Way Opportunity Fund
- In the amount of \$15,000
- For the period of June 1, 2021 through May 31, 2022

- To support the development of the Re-entry Landlord Risk Mitigation Fund
- To promote increased access to housing for people in Washtenaw County with criminal records, particularly those who have been recently released from prison or jail
- To address concerns of landlords who are reluctant to rent to individuals with criminal records by providing a source to reimburse damages (with limitations on the upper amount) beyond the normal damage deposit

- For a total program of \$15,000:
 - United Way Opportunity Fund - \$15,000
 - There is no General Fund match

- Upon receipt of the grant award:
 - Authorizing the Administrator to sign the contract
 - Amending the budget, as attached hereto and made a part hereof
 - Authorizing the Administrator to sign delegate contracts in conformity with the application/award upon review of Corporation Counsel to be filed with the County Clerk

RECOMMENDATION: Approval

D. Health Department

1. Reduction of Local Portion of the Environmental Health Food License Fee

- Authorizing the reduction of the local portion of the Environmental Health Food License Fee by 50%
 - For the license year starting May 1, 2021 through April 30, 2022
 - For fees paid between January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021
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- Environmental Health supports the Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural Development by providing over 3,000 restaurant inspections annually
 - Due to the COVID-19 pandemic and the response to limit its spread, restaurants have been subject to a variety of measures including stopping in person dining, reducing capacity, reducing hours and the type of entertainment available
 - In response to the pandemic, the number and frequency of inspections have been reduced as Health Department team members have been reassigned to a number of COVID-19 response activities
 - Reduction of the fees will provide some relief to local restaurants who continue to experience financial strain during the pandemic

RECOMMENDATION: Approval

E. Equalization

1. 2021 Equalization Report

- Approval of the 2021 Equalization Report
- Authorizing Corporation Counsel and the Equalization Director to represent the County at the annual meetings of the State Tax Commission

RECOMMENDATION: Approval at Board

- V. Report of the County Administrator
- VI. Report of the Chair of the Board
- VII. Report of the Chair of Ways & Means
- VIII. Items for Current/Future Discussion
- IX. Pending
- X. Adjournment

Next Ways & Means Committee Meeting

May 5, 2021

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