CITY OF GARDNER, MASSACHUSETTS CITY COUNCIL FINANCE COMMITTEE MINUTES OF MEETING OF JANUARY 3, 2017

Finance Committee Members Present: President James Walsh and Councillors Ronald Cormier and Marc Morgan.

Other Participants: Fire Chief Richard Ares and City Clerk Alan Agnelli.

The meeting was called to order by President Walsh at 7:00 p.m. in the City Council Chamber, City Hall.

President Walsh asked if anyone present planned to record the meeting, in accordance with the requirements of the Open Meeting Law, as follows:

Any person may make a video or audio recording of the open session of this meeting so long as it does not interfere with the conduct of the meeting. All documents and exhibits used or referenced at this meeting shall be submitted in duplicate to the City Clerk, as they become part of the minutes of the meeting. Is there anyone present who will be recording this meeting?

No one responded.

1-1 Reading and Approval of Minutes of Prior Meeting(s).

On a motion by Councillor Marc Morgan and seconded by Councillor Ronald Cormier, it was voted to approve the Minutes of the Meeting of December 15, 2016, as printed.

2-1 <u>An Order Appropriating \$45,000.00 from Free Cash to Fire Department, New Vehicles.</u>

Fire Chief Richard Ares informed the Council that the Department's 2002 pickup truck needs in excess of \$3,000 for repairs in order to obtain an Inspection sticker. He cited many problems that are not worth fixing, since the truck is over fourteen years old and was purchased by the City as a used vehicle. He said that the truck is used for many purposes, such as transporting personnel to emergency locations, for transporting equipment and supplies, and for towing equipment trailers.

On a motion by Councillor Marc Morgan and seconded by Councillor Ronald Cormier, it was voted to recommend to the City Council that the following Order ought to pass:

AN ORDER APPROPRIATING FROM FREE CASH TO FIRE DEPARTMENT – NEW VEHICLE ACCOUNT.

ORDER: That there be and is hereby appropriated the sum of Forty-Five Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$45,000.00) from Free Cash to the Fire Department – New Vehicle Account.

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3-1 <u>Notice of Appointment of John Flick to the Position of City Solicitor for term expiring January 3, 2018 (Reappointment).</u>

On a motion by Councillor Marc Morgan and seconded by Councillor Ronald Cormier, it was voted to recommend to the City Council that the Mayor's appointment of John Flick to the position of City Solicitor be placed on file.

3-2 <u>Notice of Appointment of Rachel Stephano to the Position of Executive Secretary for term expiring January 3, 2018 (Reappointment).</u>

On a motion by Councillor Marc Morgan and seconded by Councillor Ronald Cormier, it was voted to recommend to the City Council that the Mayor's appointment of Rachel Stephano to the position of Executive Secretary be placed on file.

3-3 <u>A Measure Confirming the Mayor's Appointment of Jill Romer to the Position of Assistant City Solicitor for term expiring January 3, 2018 (Reappointment).</u>

On a motion by Councillor Marc Morgan and seconded by Councillor Ronald Cormier, it was voted to recommend to the City Council to confirm the Mayor's appointment of Jill Romer to the position of Assistant City Solicitor for term expiring January 3, 2018.

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by Councillor Marc Morgan and seconded by Councillor Ronald Cormier, it was voted to adjourn at 7:07 p.m.