

Finance Committee
Tuesday, May 26th, 2026
6:00 p.m. Medina City Hall – Council Rotunda

In attendance: Regi Haire – Chairperson, C. Simmons, N. DiSalvo, B. Lamb and D. Simpson. John Coyne and Ed Isabella were absent.

Also present: Mayor Shields, Keith Dirham, Greg Huber, Patrick Patton, Police Chief Kinney, Fire Chief Walters, Jarrod Fry, Kimberly Marshall, Dan Gladish and Kathy Patton.

1. Assignment of Requests for Council Action

2. 26-101-5/26 – Budget Amendments - #2026-023

Mr. Simpson moved to approve, seconded by Mr. Simmons. Motion passed 5-0.

3. 26-102-5/26 – Advance Request

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4. 26-103-5/26 – Expenditure – Crossroads Asphalt – Police Dept.

Chief Kinney stated this is for a paving project at their range on the west side of the city.

Mr. Simpson moved to approve, seconded by Mr. Simmons. Motion passed 5-0.

5. 26-104-5/26 – Increase P.O. #26-895 – Legal Services/Union Matters

Mr. Huber stated John Dileo represents the City of Medina in union negotiations, and this increases his P.O. for the work he is doing. Mr. Simpson moved to approve, seconded by Mr. Simmons. Motion passed 5-0.

6. 26-105-5/26 – Purchase 2024 MV607 International CDU Truck – Sanitation

Mayor Shields spoke for Nino Piccoli stating the current truck they are using is a 1991 plow truck. They found this used 2024 CDU Truck and is equipped with container service transport and is for sale for \$98,500. The Law Director reviewed and made some changes to the purchase order. This will save us some money. Needing the emergency clause so we can purchase it quickly. Keith would like to make it \$100,000 in case they have to buy something. Mr. Simpson moved to amend the motion to \$100,000 with the emergency clause, seconded by Mr. Simmons. Motion passed 5-0.

7. 26-106-5/26 – Accept Bid for City-Owned Property at 410 E. Smith

Andrew stated the City purchased this property in 2012 for \$95,000 plus \$70,000 in land donation. Since that time, it has been zoned industrial and used for storage. We have had some preliminary proposals for development of the site residentially from Habitat for Humanity, Metropolitan Housing, however it's proven unattainable through a number of challenges at the site and Champion Creek bisects it, railroad tracks and a power station are adjacent to it. There is difficulty getting to public utilities. In March, Council approved an ordinance authorizing a competitive bid for the sale of the property and we received one bid and accepted for \$355,000.01 from Sweets-n-Geeks which is the adjacent business on 342 East Smith Road. This is a request to accept the bid and proceed with the sale of the property. Mr. Simpson moved to approve, seconded by Mr. Simmons. Motion passed 5-0.

8. 26-107-5/26 – Amend Code, Contractor Registration, Building & Planning Fees

Andrew stated the Community Development Department is implementing new software. The expected increase would be about \$68,000 for Building and Planning Departments. The 3 main parts are Contractor Registration (1309.01), Building Permit (1311.045) and Planning and Zoning (1108.01). Dan Gladish stated we have by far the lowest contractor registration fees in the surrounding areas. Mr. Simpson moved to approve, seconded by Mr. Simmons. Motion passed 5-0.

9. 26-108-5/26 – Increase P.O. #26-420 – Pump Testing – Fire Dept.

Chief Walters explained earlier this year they incurred about \$6,000 worth of unexpected repairs on their oldest fire engines. They need to replace the \$6,000 for an upcoming annual pump test that they are required to do on all the engines this year. Mr. Simpson moved to approve, seconded by Mr. Simmons. Motion passed 5-0.

10. 26-109-5/26 – OPERS Resolution for Teamster Pension Pick-Up – Finance

Keith Dirham stated there is a change to the wording of Section 2. This doesn't change anything materially in what we are doing, it's just how it's worded. Mr. Simpson moved to approve, seconded by Mr. Simmons. Motion passed 5-0.

11. 26-110-5/26 – Memo of Understanding – City of Medina Railway - Engineering

Patrick stated some revisions: Annual access fee for all parties including the City will raise from \$11,500 per year, to \$17,500 per year retroactive to January 2026.

Beginning in January 2027, per rail car user fees will be increased;

Osborne – from \$8.00 per car to \$9.00 per car

Kokosing – from \$9.25 per car to \$10.25 per car

Spray Products – from \$20.00 per car to \$25.00 per car

To fund 20% local match required by our ORDC Grant all parties will contribute \$28,750 per year in both 2027 and 2028.

Patrick mentioned our end of year usable fund is about \$30,000, last year we had tremendous amount of rail breaks, much more than we ever have in the past, in addition we lost our longtime rail inspection firm and had to hire a new firm going with the lowest we could find and it still almost doubled the cost of our previous firm.

Mayor Shields thanked Patrick for going down to present at Columbus for the grant and also Jarrod who put a video together about the line which was very helpful for Patrick's presentation in Columbus. Mr. Simpson moved to approve, seconded by Mr. Simmons. Motion passed 5-0.

12. 26-111-5/26 – Engineering Design Services – Medina Railway Improvements

Patrick stated they hope to do this project in January/February to coincide when there is almost no usage of the rail line. We need to get started on the design and this would pay for the consultant. Mr. Simpson moved to approve, seconded by Mr. Simmons. Motion passed 5-0.

13. 26-112-5/26 – Increase Exp. Wintrow Construction - Engineering

Patrick stated Wintrow is their emergency contractor for rail line breaks, this is to increase their P.O. Mr. Simpson moved to approve, seconded by Mr. Simmons. Motion passed 5-0.

14. 26-113-5/26 – SWOMA Agreements – 1080 Branch Rd. - Engineering

Patrick stated they have had many of these come through Council, these are agreements between property owners that do a construction project that exceeds one acre. This is an EPA requirement not ours. Mr. Simpson moved to approve, seconded by Mr. Simmons. Motion

passed 5-0.

15. 26-114-5/26 – Axon Taser 10 Deployment & Subscription Plan – Police

Chief Kinney stated their current tasers are approaching their end of life and are out of warranty and they need upgraded. There is a 5-year plan with a total cost of \$221,881 or a 10-year plan which costs \$463,000. The benefit of the 10-year plan is that those costs are locked in and won't increase. Axon reported having a 4% to 6% increase in cost every year. Mr. Huber has reviewed the lease agreement and is ok with it. Council agreed to the 10-year plan. Mr. Simpson moved to approve, seconded by Mr. Simmons. Motion passed 5-0.

16. 26-115-5/26 – Purchase 2026 Explorer – Police Dept.

Chief Kinney explained that Lt. Marcum who was down in Virginia at a school was on I-95 in Virginia stopped in gridlock traffic was rear ended by an individual driving a jaguar while on a cell phone. The police vehicle was totaled as well as the jaguar. There is an insurance payout that is just under \$15,000 for our city vehicle. This leaves us without an administrative vehicle. Mr. Simpson moved to approve with the emergency clause, seconded by Mr. Simmons. Motion passed 5-0.

17. 26-116-5/26 – Amend Ord. 57-26, Bids for US 42 Resurfacing

Patrick stated they received 3 bids for this project; the low bid was a little over \$1.9 million, our authorization from council was for \$1.6 million. It went to BOC on 5/11/26 and was recommended to accept the bid upon council amending the ordinance. It is unlikely we will receive any lower bids in the future. The city has received a grant through NOACA for a little over \$900,000 towards this project. We have a deadline to get this awarded before the end of the State fiscal year. We are recommending to amend the ordinance to reflect the increased cost. Mr. Simpson moved to approve with the emergency clause, seconded by Mr. Simmons. Motion passed 5-0.

There being no further business, the Finance Committee adjourned at 6:32 p.m.

John Coyne III, Chairman