

**MINUTES**  
**THE CITY OF ST. CHARLES**  
**GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS COMMITTEE**  
**ALD. RON SILKAITIS, CHAIR**  
**MONDAY, JUNE 20, 2022**

**1. Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order by Chair Silkaitis at 7:18 pm.

**2. Roll Call**

**Present:** Ald. Payleitner, Ald. Bongard, Ald. Bancroft, Ald. Lencioni, Ald. Pietryla, Ald. Wirball, Ald. Bessner, Ald. Weber.

**Absent:** None

**3. Administrative**

a. Video Gaming May 2022 – Information Only. No comments were made on this item.

**4. Omnibus Vote**

Items with an asterisk (\*) are considered to be routine matters and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion on these items unless a council member/citizen so requests, in which event the item will be removed from the consent agenda and considered in normal sequence on the agenda.

**5. Finance Department**

a. **Recommendation to Approve the Funding Allocation Requests of St Charles 708 Mental Health Board for FY 2022-2023.**

Bill Hannah introduced Kaylynn Poremba, Chair of the Mental Health Board who discussed the Mental Health Board's funding process and allocations for FY 22-23. There was approximately \$612,003 for recommended funding. Nineteen agencies applied, and 7 agencies are recommended to receive funding of more than \$25,000. These are Association for Individual Development, CASA Kane County, The St. Charles Police Department, Ecker Center for Mental Health, Lazarus House, Lighthouse, and TriCity Family Services.

In 2021 4,610 St. Charles residents were served by the agencies that receive 708 funding. This is a 44% increase since 2020. Opioids, substance abuse, eating disorders, and developmental delays are the most pressing issues in the St. Charles Community.

Ald. Payleitner asked why the agency applications aren't posed as was done in the past. She also expressed concern that no meeting minutes have been posted since March 2022.

Sharon Bringelson explained that the posting was done the same as the previous year. Heather stated that the information will be posted on iNet for review before approval at the City Council Meeting on July 18, 2022.

Motion by Ald. Pietryla, second by Ald. Bongard to recommend the approval of the funding allocation requests of St. Charles 708 Mental Health Board for FY 2022-2023.

**Roll Call Vote:** Ayes: Ald. Payleitner, Ald. Bongard, Ald. Bancroft, Ald. Lencioni, Ald. Pietryla, Ald. Wirball; Ald. Bessner, Ald. Weber Nays: None. Absent: None. Ald. Silkaitis did not vote as Chair.

**Motion Carried**

**6. Human Resources**

**a. Recommendation to Approve a Resolution to establish a Section 115 Retirement Health Savings Plan for the St. Charles Professional Firefighter's Association IAFF Local 3322.**

Jenn McMahon explained that the Collective Bargaining Agreement with IAFF states that the City and the Union would meet to establish terms and conditions for a retirement health savings plan. The Union is interested in this because based on how pensions are structured firefighters retire at a younger age and this type of plan allows them to set aside dollars that can be used after retirement to pay for health insurance premiums, deductibles, or co-pays. The City already works with the consultant that would manage this plan and the relationship has been very successful. This would be for the bargaining unit employees for the firefighter's union. The documents provided have been reviewed by our City Attorney's firm.

Ald. Payleitner confirmed that this money comes from their Payroll. Jenn explained that the contribution comes from their paycheck and their vacation and sick time payout, and there is no cost to the City. The City doesn't have to do any reporting, we simply deduct the funds and send the funds to the financial institution.

Ald. Weber confirmed with Jenn that the tax savings would be in the form of payroll tax.

Motion by Ald. Lencioni, second by Ald. Weber to recommend the approval of a resolution to establish a Section 115 Retirement Health Savings Plan for the St. Charles Professional Firefighter's Association IAFF Local 3322.

**Roll Call Vote:** Ayes: Ald. Payleitner, Ald. Bongard, Ald. Bancroft, Ald. Lencioni, Ald. Pietryla, Ald. Wirball; Ald. Bessner, Ald. Weber Nays: None. Absent: None. Ald. Silkaitis did not vote as Chair.

**Motion Carried.**

**7. Public Comment.**

**8. Additional Items from Mayor, Council, or Staff**

Motion by Ald. Bessner, second by Ald. Weber to enter into executive session to discuss Collective Bargaining - 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(2).

**Roll Call Vote:** Ayes: Ald. Payleitner, Ald. Bongard, Ald. Bancroft, Ald. Lencioni, Ald. Pietryla, Ald. Wirball; Ald. Bessner, Ald. Weber Nays: None. Absent: None. Ald. Silkaitis did not vote as Chair.

**Motion Carried.**

**9. Executive Session**

- Personnel – 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1)
- Pending Litigation – 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(11)
- Probable or Imminent Litigation – 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(11)
- Property Acquisition – 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(5)
- Collective Bargaining – 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(2)
- Review of Executive Session Minutes – 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(21)

Motion by Ald. Wirball, second by Ald. Weber to exit executive session at 7:35 pm.

**Voice Vote:** Ayes: Ald. Payleitner, Ald. Bongard, Ald. Bancroft, Ald. Lencioni, Ald. Pietryla, Ald. Wirball; Ald. Bessner, Ald. Weber Nays: None. Absent: None. Ald. Silkaitis did not vote as Chair. **Motion Carried.**

**10. Adjournment**

Motion by Ald. Wirball, second by Ald. Weber to adjourn at 7:36 pm.

**Voice Vote:** Ayes: Ald. Payleitner, Ald. Bongard, Ald. Bancroft, Ald. Lencioni, Ald. Pietryla, Ald. Wirball; Ald. Bessner, Ald. Weber Nays: None. Absent: None. Ald. Silkaitis did not vote as Chair. **Motion Carried.**

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