

**Common Council
City of Lawrence
May 20, 2020
Regular Meeting**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Council Member Lisa Chavis

BY ZOOM: Councilors Tom Shevlot, William Tyrrell Giles, Sherron Freeman, Shawn Denney, Maria Rusomaroff, Lauren Russel, Deborah Whitfield, Rick Wells and Attorney Kristina Wheeler (Bose McKinney & Evans LLP)

ALSO PRESENT: Clerk Kathleen Walton

STAFF PRESENT: Public Information Officer Beyer

ALSO PRESENT BY ZOOM: Police Chief Hofmann and Director of Engineering Venugopalan

Council President Lisa Chavis called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. and a roll call was used to determine a quorum was present.

COMMENTS OF COUNCIL MEMBERS: Councilor Russel recognized Piazza Produce for offering the sale and delivery of food during the COVID-19 quarantine. They have been providing this service at Saint Simon Church on Oaklandon Road. Councilor Shevlot reported about the quick response of the Lawrence Police Department to the theft of expensive tools from Chris Reed, a local small business owner. Officer Josh Wise was able to identify the suspect and recover all the tools by employing high-quality police investigative techniques.

APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS: Councilor Shevlot moved to approve Payroll Claims for \$901,258.48 [April 30, 2020} payroll] and Invoices [for vendors] as presented today [for \$640,804.02]. Councilor Denney seconded the motion. By a roll call vote, the motion to approve the vouchers carried unanimously.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: Proposal No. 4, 2020, amending the Lawrence Municipal Code to establish no parking zones along Otis Avenue and Wheeler Road for the Indy Go Purple Line, was read only by title by Clerk Walton. Councilor Giles said the Code Committee met tonight at 5:45 p.m. and recommended a do pass for Proposal No. 4, 2020. Councilor Freeman moved to adopt Proposal No. 4, 2020. Councilor Rusomaroff seconded the motion. Following discussion, by a roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS: Proposal No. 6, 2020, amending the police and fire and civil salary ordinances to provide for a one-time stipend to compensate essential front line employees for services provided during the public emergency declaration, was introduced and read only by title by Clerk Walton. Councilor Chavis assigned Proposal No. 6, 2020 to the Administration, Budget and Finance Committee.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned, at 6:45 p.m., by the unanimous vote of the Council.

Lisa Chavis. President

Kathleen A. Walton, Clerk