COMMON COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETING
PLANNING, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND LAND USE COMMITTEE
Cathy Fahey, Chair

Meeting called by: Cathy Fahey, Chair Date: 9-26-18 Time: 6PM

Committee Members
Present: Fahey, Chair ☒ Doesschate ☒ Balarin ☒ Farrell ☒ Johnson ☒

1) Chris Spencer, Department of Planning
2) Jesse Scott, New York Power Authority
3) Richard Berkley

Council Members
Present:

Minutes

Agenda Item:
Chair convened the meeting stating members present and agenda items.

The Chair announced the Committee would first consider Resolution 72.92.18R

Points of Discussion:

- The reasons to buy streetlights from National Grid (NG) is bad maintenance, flexibility (NG offers limited lights) and improve lighting (LED are brighter and the brighter lights make people feel safe), cost saving and energy efficient and provide predictability (streetlights will communicate when parts need to be changed and reduce glare)
- The committee considering 10year and 120 payment finance of the Streetlights purchase, conversion to LED Streetlights and construction of LED lights
- We have some grants to cover the cost of projects
- The City has signed disclosure for the purchase the streetlights and cannot discuss it
- We will release an RFP for the maintenance of streetlights
- The LED streetlights are purchasing will have 25 years lifespan and a 10-year warranty
- We will use outside contractors for maintenance and get insurance for lights failure
- We will not pay the New York Authority until the project is complete and we are satisfied with the result
- NYC was the first purchase their streetlights
- New Rochester has recently purchased $9,000 lights
- The Committee has requested a debt sensitive analysis for the Budget Director to ensure the 10-year finance of the streetlights will not go over 10 percent debt policy
- If this finance go over our 10 percent debt policy, are we making an exception to our debt policy and if so, why
- After public comment, the committee has decided to table Resolution72.92.18R and review it at a future Planning, Economic Development, and Land Use Committee meeting

Following the review of Resolution72.92.18R and public comment, the Chairperson asked for a motion to adjourn, which was duly made, seconded, and passed.