Auburn City Council Regular Meeting Thursday, June 16, 2022 5:00 P.M. City Council Chambers Memorial City Hall 24 South St. Auburn, NY 13021

#### Minutes

The meeting of the Auburn City Council was called to order at 5:00 p.m. from the City Council Chambers, 24 South St. Auburn, NY by Mayor Quill.

**ROLL** CALL – The City Clerk called the roll. Mayor Quill and Councilor Ginny Kent, Councilor Jimmy Giannettino, Councilor Terry Cuddy and Councilor Tim Locastro were all present.

#### The following City Staff was present for the meeting:

- Acting City Manager, Jennifer Haines
- City Clerk, Chuck Mason
- Corporation Counsel, Stacy DeForrest
- Assistant Comptroller, Theresa Adams
- Police Chief, Jim Slayton
- Fire Chief, Mark Fritz
- City Engineer, William Lupien

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag – Mayor Quill led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Moment of Silent Prayer or Reflection** – Mayor Quill asked for a moment of silent prayer.

#### **Public Announcements –**

Juneteenth will be celebrated this June 16th through 19th with events downtown, at our historic & cultural sites and at the Booker T. Washington Community Center.

Events for Saturday, June 18th which will include:

- Seward House Museum and National Park Service Juneteenth Trolley Tours to be held at 9:15 am, 10:15 am and 12:15 pm. (The 11:15 am is full.) Reservations are recommended for these 45-minute trolley tours around Auburn. To make a reservation call 315-882-8060 or email Ranger Kim.
- 11 am proclamation ceremony at the NYS Equal Rights Heritage Center
- 11:30 am Juneteenth parade from City Hall to the Booker T. Washington Community Center
- Noon 5 pm Juneteenth Festival at Booker T. Washington Community Center on Chapman

- Avenue will feature music, food and more than 40 vendors.
- 5 10 pm Juneteenth Downtown Celebration on Lincoln Street at the Exchange Street Plaza with three bands, food and beverage vendors. The music line-up includes: 5 pm U.A.D.; 6:30 pm Sing Trece & Kenneth McLaurin; and, 8 pm Ronnie Leigh.

Harriet Tubman National Historical Park Walks & Talks

The Harriet Tubman National Historical Park will lead free programming on Thursday, Friday and Saturday for the Juneteenth celebration, June 16 through 18.

Here is a list of the free daily events:

- 10 a.m. "Hike Through the History of Tubman" walking tours, meet your Park Ranger at the NYS Equal Rights Heritage Center.
- 2 p.m. "Harriet Tubman's Home in Freedom" tour at the Harriet Tubman Home, 180 South Street.
- 4 p.m. Tubman Talks by a Park Ranger inside the air conditioned gallery of the NYS Equal Rights Heritage Center.
- For more information contact Ranger Kim or call (315) 882-8060.

Movie on the Outside Lawn: Harriet - Thursday, June 16th

• Join us on the west lawn at the NYS Equal Rights Heritage Center at 8:30 p.m. for a free viewing of the 2019 film Harriet. (Film will begin once the sun sets.) This film tells the extraordinary tale of Harriet Tubman's escape from slavery and transformation into one of America's greatest heroes; rated PG-13 and runs 2 hours and 5 minutes. In the event of inclement weather the movie will be rescheduled to a later date to be announced. Check the Equal Rights Heritage Center Facebook page for an announcement the evening of the event regarding weather.

Artist Exhibition at Schweinfurth Art Center, a Powerful Exhibit on the Erasure of Black History

• North Carolina native Quinn A. Hunter has always used her art to comment on issues she believed were important. Her exhibit at the Schweinfurth Art Center, "Here/Hear," focuses on one such issue: the erasure of Black history by Southern plantations that ignore their slavery past and cities that have torn down Black neighborhoods to build highways. "My work addresses what it means to carry the weight of 250+ years of being Black into the 21st century," she said, "how all of these external factors have led to the way I perceive, actively seek out, question, and struggle for reasoning with faith." Admission to the Art Center is free all day June 18th. Also on display are "Excellence in Fibers VII" and "In God's Voice: A Celebration of the Spirituality of Harriet Tubman." Learn more: schweinfurthartcenter.org

### WOMBA Africa at Willard Memorial Chapel

• Sunday June 19, 2022 at 2:00 pm, the Womba Africa Drumming & Dance Group make their way to the Historic Willard Memorial Chapel for a Juneteenth Celebration as part of the Harriet Tubman Bicentennial! Originally from the town of Nungua, Africa, the Womba Africa

Drumming and Dance group shares the culture of Ghana through dance and music. Performances are culturally unique in so many ways from their costumes, instruments, rhythms, dance, and songs all originating from West Africa. This event is \$10 per person. The Chapel is accessible through its north entrance off Seymour Street. Tickets are available at Willard Chapel, 17 Nelson Street, Auburn, NY during regular hours Wednesday-Friday 10 am – 4 pm or call 315-252-0339.

#### Fort Hill Cemetery Juneteenth Walking Tour

• Fort Hill Cemetery is excited to announce a special Juneteenth and Father's Day event at the cemetery. Celebrate the rich history of Fort Hill Cemetery's African American population with a one-hour tour highlighting key historical figures buried at Fort Hill. Tour stops include the following gravesites: Charles Augustis Smith, Frederick Richardson, Henry Douglas, Jerome Holland, Harriet Tubman, and more! Sunday, June 19th at 1 PM at Fort Hill Cemetery, 19 Fort Street, Auburn, NY. Attendees will meet at the main entrance (front gate) of the cemetery next to Bradley Memorial Chapel. Please arrive approximately fifteen minutes early so that staff can ensure your spot. The cost of the tour is \$5.00 per person, with the proceeds going to Fort Hill Cemetery Association. Tour attendees are encouraged to bring cash with them on the day of the tour as there will be no advance sales for this event. In the event of inclement weather, a rain date of July 20th, at 1 PM is the alternate date and time of this tour. Accessibility: Not all areas of Historic Fort Hill Cemetery are wheelchair accessible. Please notify the cemetery in advance if you have mobility issues. Comfortable shoes and clothing are highly recommended.

#### **CEREMONIAL PRESENTATIONS –**

WHEREAS on the 22nd day of September, 1862, a proclamation was issued by the President of the United States, containing the following: "That on the 1st day of January, A.D. 1863, all persons held as slaves within any State or designated part of a State the people whereof shall then be in rebellion against the United States shall be then, thenceforward, and forever free; and the executive government of the United States, including the military and naval authority thereof, will recognize and maintain the freedom of such persons and will do no act or acts to repress such persons, or any of them, in any efforts they may make for their actual freedom."; and

WHEREAS, June 19, 1865, is recognized as the day that Galveston, Texas received word that all slaves had been formally emancipated by President Lincoln. Nearly 2 ½ years after emancipation; and

**WHEREAS**, Juneteenth is the oldest nationally celebrated commemoration of the ending of slavery in the United States; and

old, to listen, to learn, and to refresh the drive to achieve. It is a day where we all take one step closer together to better utilize the energy wasted on racism; and

**WHEREAS**, we pay tribute to the journey, we acknowledge the many roles and contributions of the African American spirit to our society, from Harriet Tubman's work as a conductor of the Underground Railroad to the trail blazers of today; and

WHEREAS, no matter our race, religion, gender, or sexual orientation, we recommit ourselves to honoring the efforts of those who fought so hard to steer our country toward our highest ideals.

**NOW THEREFORE**, I, Michael D. Quill, Mayor of the City of Auburn, New York, on behalf of the City Council and Citizens of Auburn, do hereby proclaim June 19, 2022 as,

# Juneteenth Day

in the City of Auburn, and encourage all Citizens to observe this day with appropriate civic, community and activities embracing the past as well as the future that only unity, respect and appreciation can bring.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the City of Auburn to be affixed this Sixteenth day of June 2022.

Michael D. Quill, Mayor City of Auburn, New York

**Public to be heard:** Mayor Quill asked the Clerk to read the public to be heard rules.

Tom Adessa of Walnut Street, also the animal officer for the Finger Lakes SPCA, spoke regarding recommendations he has for the impact on pets when it pertains to action the city takes with vacant housing.

#### **Approval of Meeting Minutes –**

May 26, 2022 Council Meeting Minutes

Motion to approve the May 26, 2022 minutes by Councilor Giannettino, seconded by Councilor Cuddy. Motion to approve carried 5-0.

June 2, 2022 Council Meeting Minutes

Motion to approve the June 2, 2022 minutes by Councilor Kent, seconded by Councilor Giannettino. Motion to approve carried 5-0.

#### **Reports of City Officials**

#### City Manager's Report -

Jennifer Haines reported the following on the Small Business Assistance Program that the City Council authorized utilizing American Rescue Plan funding:

• The ARPA applications went live on March 18, 2022, with all applications to be submitted with required documentation on April 30, 2022. Businesses were required to write a narrative explaining what the money would be used for and how their business was impacted by Covid, including but not limited to hardships, loss of income, and increase in costs. There was a look back period from March 3, 2021-April 30, 2022 where applicants could be reimbursed for the following use of funds: Payroll, rent/mortgage, insurance, and operating expenses. The

businesses had to submit verifiable documentation showing that the requested use of funds were paid in full and eligible for reimbursement. Verifiable documentation includes payroll statements, proof of payment, cancelled checks, lease agreements, etc. Business were also required to submit 2020 and 2021 financial documentation.

- Applicants also were required to disclose the amount of PPP, EIDL and CV funding they received. This was taken into account during the scoring process.
- Once all applications were received, CEDA started the scoring process and scored all the
  applications based on the attached scoring rubric, which was developed by City staff and CEDA
  utilizing ARPA regulations and the previous scoring rubric for CDBG CV.
- Once the scoring was completed, the review committee was convened to review and recommend the applicants that would be awarded the grant funds. Committee members included Councilor Ginny Kent, Jeff Dygert, Christina Selvek, Rachel Jacobs, Stacy DeForrest and Jenny Haines. The committee reviewed each application along with the supporting documentation and recommended applicants that showed a hardship from Covid, completed the application, and provided documentation to support what they requested for reimbursement. Once the committee recommended the grant award recipients, CEDA reviewed all the verifiable documentation and confirmed that the documentation added up to the award money.
- At this point, the recommended amount of funding still exceeded \$450,000, so the committee awarded amounts based on the following % reduction:
  - Top Score 100%
  - Scores in 90s 85%
  - $\circ$  Scores in 80s 65%
  - $\circ$  Scores in 70s 60%
- In general, businesses that were not recommended for funding were for the following reasons:
  - Delinquent taxes
  - o Delinquent City loan
  - Incomplete application
  - o Insufficient documentation
- Mayor Quill has signed all award and denial letters, which are being mailed to businesses. Per the City's contract with CEDA, we are working to disburse the \$500,000 allocation approved by the Council to CEDA (\$450,000 for businesses, \$50,000 for CEDA to deliver the funding process). CEDA will then disburse the funding to the awarded businesses. If businesses call members of Council and need a debrief beyond the general guidance provided above, please encourage them to call Julia Foster at CEDA at (315) 252-3500, who can provide specific details related to the application scoring.

A huge thank you to Christina Selvek and Rachel Jacobs who provided significant time and assistance to Planning and CEDA staff related to ARPA regulations and the development of the application. I also wanted to recognize Julia Foster at CEDA who provided excellent assistance to our business applicants through the whole process.

#### **Reports from members of Council**

#### **Matters to Come Before Council**

- A. State Environmental Quality Review Act Resolutions (SEQR) none
- B. Ordinances none
- C. Local Laws none
- D. Resolutions -

#### FINANCIAL RESOLUTION #68 OF 2022

#### AUTHORIZING FINANCING FOR THE REVOLVING LOAN PROGRAMS

By Councilor Kent

June 16, 2022

**WHEREAS**, the City of Auburn has maintained a revolving loan program that allows property owners to have sidewalks and/or curbs installed or for the repair or replacement of water and sewer lines and to finance such a cost over a five year period; and

WHEREAS, Attachment A contains a list of all property owners who have requested to participate in the revolving loan programs; and

**WHEREAS**, the Auburn City Council approval is required in order to process the property owners' requests to participate in the program(s) for 2022 and the cost of the programs are detailed in Attachment A.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Auburn City Council does hereby approve the expenditure of \$19,720.00 to be charged to HA5497.440.001 to fund the sidewalk and curbing revolving loan program, \$34,605.00 to be charged to HF8340.440.002 to fund the water repair and replacement revolving loan program and \$113,642.50 to be charged to HG8120.440.003 to fund the sewer repair and replacement revolving loan program.

Seconded by Councilor Locastro

	Ayes	Noes
Councilor Kent	X	
Councilor Giannettino	X	
Councilor Cuddy	X	
Councilor Locastro	X	

Mayor Quill	X	
Carried and Adopted	X	

# ATTACHMENT A

## **Sidewalks and Curbs**

<u>Owner</u>	<u>Address</u>	Loan Amount
MOOCHLER, PATRICK M.	28 CHEDELL PLACE	\$ 3,237.00
LAUERSONS, JUDITH	64 GARROW STREET	2,178.50
BREWER, BILLY	16 GROVE AVENUE	905.00
KIJOWSKI, TIMOTHY R.	22 PLEASANT STREET	2,945.00
PINES, EDMOND D.	25 PLEASANT STREET	2,434.00
PIDLYPCHAK, HARMONY A.	28 PLEASANT STREET	1,740.50
CURRIER, TONYA K.	34 PLEASANT ST. EXT.	2,361.00
HUNT, JON D.	14 SHERIDAN STREET	3,919.00
		\$ 19,720.00

# Water Repair/Replacement 2022

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	<u>Owner</u>	<u>Address</u>	Loan Amount	
	SOJDA, PATRICIA	19 SCAMMELL AVENUE	\$ 1,925.00	WM002
	CARBERRY, GARRETT J.	119-121 OWASCO STREET	2,025.00	WM002
	SIKORA, DAVID A.	63 PERRINE STREET	2,500.00	WL001
	DKL3 PROPERTIES LLC	27 FRAZEE STREET	2,525.00	WL001
	TECHMAN, CATHY M.	24 MADISON AVENUE	2,525.00	WL001
	RICHARDSON, NATALIE D.	6 VAN PATTEN STREET	2,300.00	WL001
	PARKER, MICHAEL V.	38 FITCH AVENUE	2,525.00	WL001
	SANMARTIN, ROBERTO RLU	37 ARTERIAL WEST	2,525.00	WL001
	BROWN, ROBERT E.	49 ARTERIAL WEST	2,000.00	WL001
	DANIELS, JENNIE	27 PERRY STREET	2,525.00	WL001
	KNAPP, BENJAMIN F.	13 GAYLORD STREET	2,525.00	WL001

BAILEY, RACHEL M.	50 BRADFORD STREET	2,525.00	WL001
ALDRICH, MILTON	129 OSBORNE STREET	1,325.00	WL001
WIGGINS, GERALD JR.	320 S. SEWARD AVENUE	2,355.00	WL001
QUEEN, SAMANTHA	131 LAKE AVENUE	2,500.00	WL001
		\$ 34.605.00	<u></u>

Sewer Repair/Replacement 2022

Sewer Repair/Replacement 2022			
Owner	Address	<u>I</u>	oan Amount
SANFORD, HENRY	10 CHASE ST.	\$	2,736.00
DKL3 PROPERTIES LLC	27 FRAZEE ST.	\$	4,085.00
BLOCKER, ELIZA M.	122 WALL ST.	\$	3,766.50
AMKIE, MARGALIT	2 BOSTWICK AVE.	\$	9,025.00
CLARK, HEATHER	2 WOODRUFF PLACE	\$	9,025.00
GUSZCZA, MARY ELLEN	10 PERRINE ST.	\$	9,025.00
SLITER, BRADLEY	31 HOLLEY ST.	\$	6,025.00
FIRSCO, JEREMY JOSEPH	28 HOLLEY ST.	\$	5,825.00
BROWN, ROBERT E.	49 ARTERIAL W.	\$	7,855.00
DANIELS, JENNIE	27 PERRY STREET	\$	9,000.00
KNAPP, BENJAMIN F.	13 GAYLORD STREET	\$	9,000.00
KOWANEY, JOYCE	24 GAYLORD STREET	\$	2,965.00
BLANK, EMILEE M.	70 OSBORNE STREET	\$	3,610.00
PASCHAL, MICHAEL S.	19 STEEL STREET	\$	9,025.00
VIBBERT, DAVID M.	195 OSBORNE STREET	\$	5,825.00
ZELEHOWSKY, JOHN	68 GARROW STREET	\$	9,025.00
VELEZ-SEPULVEDA, NANCY	82 GARROW STREET	\$	7,825.00
		\$	113,642.50

#### **AGREEMENT RESOLUTION #69 OF 2022**

AUTHORIZING A LEASE AGREEMENT WITH THE CORNELL COOPERATIVE EXTENSION OF CAYUGA COUNTY FOR USE OF SPACE AT THE NEW YORK STATE EQUAL RIGHTS HERITAGE CENTER TO OPERATE A TASTE NY MARKET

By Councilor Cuddy

June 16, 2022

**WHEREAS**, the New York State Equal Rights Heritage Center (the "ERHC") located at 25 South Street is owned and operated by the City of Auburn; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Auburn and the Cornell Cooperative Extension of Cayuga County (aka "CCCE") have negotiated the terms and conditions of a proposed lease agreement, which is attached hereto, whereby CCCE will lease space at the ERHC for the purpose of operating a Taste NY market; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the proposed lease agreement, the CCCE will lease space at the ERHC for a term of one (1) year commencing on April 1, 2022, and ending on March 31, 2023; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the proposed lease agreement, the City shall receive rent in the amount of \$6,000 for the term of the lease; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Auburn City Council does hereby approve a Lease Agreement with the Cornell Cooperative Extension of Cayuga County, whereby the City will lease space at the New York State Equal Rights Heritage Center to the CCCE for a term of one (1) year, together with all of the terms and conditions set forth in the Lease Agreement, which is attached hereto and incorporated herein; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Mayor is hereby authorized to sign the Lease Agreement with the Cornell Cooperative Extension of Cayuga County, and any and all documents necessary to carry out this Resolution.

Seconded by Councilor Kent

	Ayes	Noes	Excused
Councilor Kent	X		
Councilor Giannettino	X		
Councilor Cuddy	X		
Councilor Locastro	X		
Mayor Quill	X		
Carried and Adopted	X		

#### **AGREEMENT RESOLUTION #70 OF 2022**

AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH
THE DOWNTOWN BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT FOR THE ANNUAL
OPERATION OF THE NYS EQUAL RIGHTS HERITAGE CENTER

By Councilor Giannettino

June 16, 2022

- WHEREAS, the City has an established partnership with the Auburn Downtown Business Improvement District's (BID) for operation of the NYS Equal Rights Heritage Center ("ERHC"), which has been successful since the center's opening in 2018; and
- **WHEREAS**, the existing agreement for operations of the NYS ERHC between the City and the BID expires on June 30, 2022; and
- WHEREAS, the City and the BID now propose the attached Agreement for continued operations of the NYS ERHC, which is attached hereto and incorporated herein; and
- **WHEREAS**, the term of the proposed Agreement is from July 1, 2022, through June 30, 2023, and provides for an ERHC operations budget of \$190,000, and a Historic and Cultural Sites Commission budget of \$30,000 which are both allocated in the City budget's Equal Rights Heritage Center Account (A1621-440); and
- **WHEREAS**, the attached agreement will become effective upon approval of the BID Board of Directors.
- **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the City Council of the City of Auburn hereby approves an Agreement with the Auburn Downtown BID for services related to operating the New York State Equal Rights Heritage Center and providing administrative support for the City's Historic and Cultural Sites Commission for a term commencing on July 1, 2022, and ending on June 30, 2023, together with all of the terms and conditions set forth in the Agreement, which is attached hereto and incorporated herein; and
- **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the City Council of the City of Auburn hereby authorizes the City Comptroller to make payment to the Downtown BID as outlined in the Agreement; and
- **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** the City Council approves of any remaining funds from the BID/ERHC operations agreement of the 2021-22 fiscal year be carried over and used for operations of the ERHC in fiscal year 2022-23; and
- **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that City Council of the City of Auburn hereby authorizes the Mayor to sign the Agreement with the Downtown BID, and any and all documents necessary to carry out this Resolution.

Seconded by Councilor Kent

	Ayes	Noes	Excused
Councilor Kent	X		
Councilor Giannettino	X		
Councilor Cuddy	X		
Councilor Locastro	X		
Mayor Quill	X		
Carried and Adopted	X		

#### **AGREEMENT RESOLUTION #71 OF 2022**

# AUTHORIZING A FIRST AMENDMENT TO THE LEASE AGREEMENT WITH AUBURN DOWNTOWN BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT

By Councilor Kent

June 16, 2022

WHEREAS, the City owns the Equal Rights Heritage Center located at 25 South Street, Auburn, New York; and

WHEREAS, on August 16, 2018, the Auburn City Council passed Agreement Resolution #123 of 2018, which authorized a Lease Agreement with the Auburn Downtown Business Improvement District ("BID") for the use of office space at the ERHC; and

WHEREAS, now the parties would like to enter into a first Amendment to the Lease Agreement for the purpose of adjusting the amount of office space leased by the BID and the rent payment set forth in the agreement.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Auburn City Council does hereby approve Amendment No. 1 to the Lease Agreement with the Auburn Downtown Business Improvement District, which is attached hereto and incorporated herein; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Mayor, or his named designee, is authorized to sign any and all documents in order to carry out the purposes of this resolution.

Seconded by Councilor Locastro

	Ayes	Noes	Excused
Councilor Kent	X		
Councilor Giannettino	X		
Councilor Cuddy	X		
Councilor Locastro	X		
Mayor Quill	X		
Carried and Adopted	X		

#### **COUNCIL RESOLUTION #72 OF 2022**

# REQUESTING THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS TO SUPPORT COMMON SENSE GUN LEGISLATION

By Councilor Cuddy

June 16, 2022

- **WHEREAS**, the days of June 3, 4, and 5 marked the deadliest weekend of 2022, to date, in the United States caused by mass shootings, with total of 17 fatalities; and
- WHEREAS, the days of May, 14, 15, 16 marked with the second deadliest weekend of 2022, with 14 casualties, including the 10 people killed in the racially motivated massacre at a Buffalo grocery store, that claimed the life of Auburn resident Andre Mackniel; and
- **WHEREAS,** on May 24, 2022, an 18 year-old male entered Robb Elementary School in Uvalde, Texas with a legally purchased assault rifle and murdered 19 children and 2 adults; and
- **WHEREAS,** firearms are now the leading cause of death for children aged 1 to 19 in the United States; and
- WHEREAS, the frequency of mass shootings and the magnitude of casualties of said shootings demand common sense gun laws that will limit the access to military-style rifles and guns with high capacity magazines; and
- WHEREAS, in the United States, rates of firearm homicides are 25 times the rate of other high income countries throughout the world; and
- WHEREAS, on June 2, 2022, United States President Joe Biden called on the United States Congress to ban assault weapons or to raise the age to be able to buy one from 18 to 21 and other measures to curb gun violence in the United States; and
- WHEREAS, on June 6, 2022, New York State Governor Kathy Hochul signed a ten-bill package into New Your State Law that raises the age from 18-21 to buy semi-automatic weapons, and strengthen red flag laws; and
- WHEREAS, 97% of Americans are in favor background checks before being allowed to purchase firearms; and
- WHEREAS, several attempts have been made to pass common sense gun laws in the United States, including H.R.127, the Sabika Sheikh Firearm Licensing and Registration Act, which establishes a process for the licensing and registration of firearms, and
- WHEREAS, H.R. 127 also prohibits the possession of certain ammunition and large capacity ammunition feeding devices. The proposed legislation permits the Department of Justice (DOJ) to issue a licenses only if the individual is 21 years of age or older, undergoes a criminal background check and psychological evaluation, completes a certified training course, and has an insurance policy. It also outlines the circumstances under which DOJ must deny a license; and

**WHEREAS**, The Sabika Sheikh Firearm Licensing and Registration Act has yet to be brought to a vote in the U.S. Congress.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE I RESOLVED** that the City Council of the City of Auburn is hereby in favor of common sense gun laws and asks that our United States Congressman John Katko, United State Senators Chuck Schumer and Kirsten Gillabrand to exert their fullest effort to:

- 1. Establish a nation-wide age restriction of 21 years of age for the purchase of all firearms, and,
- 2. Establish a national system of expanded background checks with a 14 day waiting period in all firearm sales to be administered at the State-level;

and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOVLED** that the City Clerk provides copies of this Resolution to the foregoing federal representatives to encourage them to pass meaningful gun control legislation to save American lives from the increasing threat of gun violence.

Seconded by Councilor Giannettino

	Ayes	Noes	Excused
Councilor Kent	X		
Councilor Giannettino	X		
Councilor Cuddy	X		
Councilor Locastro	X		
Mayor Quill	X		
Carried and Adopted	X		

#### **AGREEMENT RESOLUTION #73 OF 2022**

# AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH CNY SPORTS MANAGEMENT GROUP FOR SUMMER PROGRAMMING WITHIN THE CITY OF AUBURN PARKS AND PLAYGROUNDS

June 16, 2022

By Councilor Giannettino

**WHEREAS**, in the summer of 2021, the City of Auburn partnered with CNY Sports Management Group to provide athletic summer programs for youths at the City parks including Falcon Park and Casey Park; and

WHEREAS, as a result of the success of those summer programs, the City and CNY Sports Management Group would like to enter in a new proposed Agreement for the 2022 summer season, which is attached hereto and incorporated herein; and

**WHEREAS**, under the proposed Agreement, CNY Sports Management Group will provide staffing and programming for youths ages 6 through 12, at Casey Park, Bradford Park and Clifford Park, which will include athletic activities and, also, educational activities focusing on arts, crafts, music, literacy, culinary arts and games; and

WHEREAS, under the Agreement, the City will pay CNY Sports Management Group \$40,000 for its staffing and programming, which will begin on July 5, 2022, and run for a period of six (6) weeks at no cost to any youth participant.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Auburn City Council does hereby approve the attached Agreement between the City and CNY Sports Management Group and shall pay for the services provided therein the sum of \$40,000 for the term of this Agreement to be paid from A8760.440.ARPA; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Mayor is hereby authorized to sign any and all documents necessary to finalize the contract.

Seconded by Councilor Locastro

	Ayes	Noes	Excused
Councilor Kent	X		
Councilor Giannettino	X		
Councilor Cuddy	X		
Councilor Locastro	X		
Mayor Quill	X		
Carried and Adopted	X		

#### **COUNCIL RESOLUTION #74 OF 2022**

#### IMPOSING A SIX (6) MONTH MORATORIUM ON THE ESTABLISHMENT AND OPERATION OF NEW SMOKE SHOP BUSINESSES WITHIN THE CITY OF AUBURN

By Councilor Kent

June 16, 2022

**WHEREAS**, on March 31, 2021, New York State signed into law the Marijuana Regulation and Taxation Act, which enacted the New York State Cannabis Law; and

WHEREAS, since then, the City of Auburn has observed a sharp increase in the volume of new businesses that sell smoke-related products ("smoke shops"), which has caused great concern among City residents; and

WHEREAS, the City anticipates a continued increase in the number of smoke shop businesses opening within the City as New York State draws closer to issuing licenses for the retail sales of marijuana; and

WHEREAS, the City has authority to determine the locations of smoke shops, as well as the time and manner of said operations; and

WHEREAS, the City would like to maintain the character and landscape of its community, while simultaneously encouraging the growth of businesses and compliance with the Cannabis Law; and

**WHEREAS**, the City is presently updating the City Code, Section 305, entitled Zoning, and believes that including new and amended code requirements regulating the establishment and operation of smoke shop businesses is necessary.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Auburn City Council does hereby impose a six (6) month moratorium upon the establishment and operation of new businesses within the City of Auburn, which intend to engage in the retail sale of smoking-related products, such as marijuana, in order to provide the City an opportunity to review and amend the City Code so that it can reasonably regulate the time, place and manner of such operations.

Seconded by Locastro

	Ayes	Noes	Excused
Councilor Kent	X		
Councilor Giannettino	X		
Councilor Cuddy	X		
Councilor Locastro	X		
Mayor Quill	X		
Carried and Adopted	X		

#### E. Staff Presentations

**TABLED ITEMS - none** 

#### **OTHER BUSINESS –**

Councilor Cuddy expressed his thanks to the Auburn Fire Department for response they provided to his personal residence for an incident pertaining to his outdoor grill. Their quick response resolved the situation safely for all involved.

#### Second Public to be Heard. none

**ADJOURNMENT:** By unanimous vote the Council adjourned the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 6:00 p.m..

Minutes submitted by: Chuck Mason, City Clerk