



City Council Meeting – Oct. 18, 2021

Council Questions & Staff Responses

Before each Committee of the Whole or City Council meeting, questions that have been posed by the City Council relating to [the agenda](#) for that evening will be posted to the City's website. Below are the responses to this week's questions.

Agenda Item 3. Public Hearings, Special Items and Presentations

b.) Consider Approval of a Special Event Application from the Geneva Chamber of Commerce for 2021 Christmas Walk and Related Activities in December 2021.

Q: How has the way funding for holiday decorations changed?

A: The chamber receives a portion (60%) of the hotel/motel tax revenues every year per an "Agreement for Services" entered into in 1994. The agreement provides funds for such activities to promote tourism and conventions. In the past, the chamber has used funds from House Walk revenues to pay for decorations as opposed to the hotel/motel tax revenues.

Agenda Item 7. Reports

a.) July and August 2021 Financial Reports

Q: Why is the cash balance negative in the Mental Health Fund (page 48)?

A: Funds were not transferred from a money market account to cover expenses (net change); the cash balance, however, is positive (Current YTD Balance).

Q: Why is the cash balance negative in the Tax Increment Financing District No. 3 Fund (page 66)?

A: Funds were not transferred from a money market account to cover expenses (net change) and as allowed under the TIF statutes the current lifetime expenditures are greater than the lifetime revenues. This is not atypical for a relatively new TIF district.

Agenda Item 10. Municipal Bills for Payment

1) Michels Plumbing, \$7,200 (9 line items at \$800/each)

Q: What type of lead line replacement is only \$800?

A: This is the typical cost to install the new service line on the utility (City) portion of the service line via an underground boring operation. This construction method reduces the impact on the roadways and limits disruptions for the public. City staff completes the connection process so the contractor's cost is limited to the boring process itself.