

**CITY OF WYANDOTTE**  
**REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

A Regular Session of the Wyandotte City Council was held in Council Chambers and via Virtual Telecommunication methods, due to COVID-19 in accordance with Wayne County Local Public Health Department Emergency Epidemic Order and PA228 of 2020, using the Zoom Audio platform, on Monday, September 13, 2021, and was called to order at 7:00pm with Honorable Mayor Robert A. DeSana presiding.

The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by roll call.

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Present: Mayor Robert A. DeSana, Councilpersons Robert Alderman, Christopher Calvin, Kaylyn Crayne, Todd Hanna, Rosemary Shuryan, Kelly Stec

ABSENT: Todd Browning, City Treasurer

Also Present: Theodore Galeski, City Assessor; William Look, City Attorney; Greg Mayhew, City Engineer; and Lawrence Stec, City Clerk

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**PRESENTATIONS**

- Wyandotte Jaycees - Beautiful Baby Contest Awards 6:30PM
- Beautification Commission - Annual Home and Business Beautification Awards

**PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS**

**PUBLIC HEARINGS**

- SAD #948 Marshall St. Paving, 8th to 7th Street  
Zero objections in writing/in person
- SAD #949 Marshall St. Paving, 7th to 6th  
4 written objections/1 in person: Harold Fair, Scott M. Smiddy, Russel S. Kissel, Mark T. Cole, Harry Elmazaj, Tom Iverson

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Third Amendment to Agreement for Purchase and Sale of McKinley School, 640 Plum – offer withdrawn by developer, item removed from Agenda

**CALL TO THE PUBLIC**

**CONSENT AGENDA**

**2021-258 MINUTES**

By Councilperson Calvin, supported by Councilperson Crayne

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meetings held under the date of August 23, 2021, be approved as recorded, without objection.

Motion unanimously carried.

**2021-259 GARFIELD SCHOOL BARRICADE REQUEST**

By Councilperson Calvin, supported by Councilperson Crayne

BE IT RESOLVED that Council approves the request of Krizia Totty, Principal of Garfield Elementary School, to barricade west-bound Superior Blvd. every Monday - Friday from 10:50AM-1:00PM from September 1, 2021 - June 9, 2022 (4 barricades - two on each end) in an effort to create safe play zones for students on Garfield school property.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the school, or its district office, shall complete a Hold Harmless Agreement, as prepared by the Department of Legal Affairs.

Motion unanimously carried.

**2021-260 DMS Fiscal 2022 Budgets – Electric, Water & Cable**

By Councilperson Calvin, supported by Councilperson Crayne

BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council that Council Concurs with the Wyandotte Municipal Services Commission in the following resolution.

A resolution approving the adoption of the Electric, Water and Cable Utility Operating & Capital Budgets for Fiscal 2022, as recommended by WMS management.

Motion unanimously carried.

**2021-261 VISIT WITH SANTA – DDA 2021**

By Councilperson Calvin, supported by Councilperson Crayne

BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council that Council Concurs with the Special Events Coordinator in the following resolution:

A resolution to APPROVE the contract for Mr. and Mrs. Olszewski for the 2021 DDA Visit with Santa in Downtown Wyandotte as outlined in the provided communication. Funds to be paid from a DDA Expense Account.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and City Clerk are hereby directed to execute said contract on behalf of the City of Wyandotte.

Motion unanimously carried.

**2021-262 OUTDOOR CAFÉ 3050 BIDDLE**

By Councilperson Calvin, supported by Councilperson Crayne

RESOLVED BY MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL that Council has reviewed the request from the Property Owner of 3050 Biddle Avenue for an outdoor café in the Biddle Avenue Street right of way; AND

FURTHER RESOLVED, that Council approves the outdoor café as proposed and authorizes the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the Grant of License Agreement as presented to Council.

Motion unanimously carried.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**2021-263 TREE REMOVAL REQUEST – R. MARCHAND**

By Councilperson Calvin, supported by Councilperson Crayne

BE IT RESOLVED that the request to remove a tree from the easement at 1724 4th St. is hereby referred to the City Engineer for review and response to Mr. Marchand.

Motion unanimously carried.

**2021-264 CHARITABLE GAMING LICENSE REQUEST-BE WELL MY FRIENDS**

By Councilperson Calvin, supported by Councilperson Crayne

BE IT RESOLVED that Council approves the request from Michael Balcom, Co-Director of Be Well My Friends to be recognized as a non-profit organization operating in the community for the purpose of obtaining a Charitable Gaming License.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Office of the City Clerk is directed to complete and return the required resolution showing said approval of recognition to the organization for completion of their request with the Michigan Gaming Control Board.

Motion unanimously carried.

**2021-265 CITIZEN COMMUNICATION – DOTTE TV, W. MIODUSZEWSKI**

By Councilperson Calvin, supported by Councilperson Crayne

BE IT RESOLVED that the Council has received the communication from Mr. Mioduszewski regarding Dotte TV and hereby refers the communication to the Department of Municipal Services administration.

Motion unanimously carried.

**2021-266 COMMUNICATION REGARDING BID FILE #4817 & #4819 - PUROCLEAN**

By Councilperson Calvin, supported by Councilperson Crayne

BE IT RESOLVED that the communication from Steven Shearer, Owner of Puroclean, regarding bid files #4817 & #4819 is hereby received and placed on file.

Motion unanimously carried.

**2021-267 DOWNRIVER ACTOR'S GUILD – REQUEST TO WAIVE FEES**

By Councilperson Calvin, supported by Councilperson Crayne

BE IT RESOLVED, that the request from the Downriver Actors Guild, to waive fees for all city permit fees for construction of a new performing arts building at 1123 2nd be denied.

Motion unanimously carried.

**2021-268 REQUEST FOR PROPERTY SALE PLAN**

By Councilperson Calvin, supported by Councilperson Crayne

WHEREAS it is in best practice to hear from residents on matters of City developments and sale of buildings prior to voting, and

WHEREAS the ability of the City to continue its working relationships with developers is strengthened by clear, transparent processes during major developments, and

WHEREAS this is a multi-departmental concern that requires multiple perspectives to prepare a protocol that is clear and workable for developers, the City, and its residents,

THEREFORE be it resolved that the City Council requests that relevant departments and legal counsel come together to create a public-facing protocol for the sale and redevelopment of city properties that includes a minimum of one public hearing prior to voting on purchase agreements or amendments thereof.

Motion unanimously carried.

**2021-269 FIRST READING #1517: 2022 FY BUDGET ORDINANCE**

By Councilperson Calvin, supported by Councilperson Crayne

BE IT RESOLVED that the first reading of Ordinance #1517 regarding the FY2022 budget was held on September 13, 2021 and the budget is received and placed on file in the Office of the City Clerk.

Motion unanimously carried.

**2021-270 SAD #948 – MARSHALL ST. PAVING, 8<sup>TH</sup> TO 7<sup>TH</sup> ST.**

By Councilperson Calvin, supported by Councilperson Crayne

WHEREAS, it has been determined by this Council to be advisable and necessary to grade and pave the street hereinafter described, in the City of Wyandotte, and to pay all or a part of the cost thereof by special assessment on the lots, parts of lots, and parcels of land abutting thereon as well as benefiting therefrom, excepting from said assessment, the improvement expense attributable to alley and street intersection, City-owned land, owner occupied single family dwellings, owner occupied multi-family rental dwellings will be assessed in that proportion that the property is used for purposes other than that of the owner occupying same in comparison to the total assessable portion of the entire property, and other property not assessable by law, the expense of which, together with any improvement expenses remaining after the aforesaid assessment, shall be defrayed from the General Fund of the City; and WHEREAS, the time and place having been fixed for the hearing of objections to the proposed grading and paving of the following street in the City of Wyandotte, and to pay part of the cost thereof, to-wit: The fifty (50) foot wide public alley street known as Marshall Street, between 8th Street and 7th Street, abutting:

Lots 31 thru 33, both inclusive, Block 44, and, Lots 1 thru 2, both inclusive, and Lot 32, Block 45, South Detroit Sub. of Part of Sec. 32, T. 3 S., R. 11 E., Ecorse (now City of Wyandotte) Wayne Co., Michigan as recorded in Liber 14 of Plats, Page 95, Wayne County Records.

WHEREAS, due notice of said hearing having been given by first class mail in accordance with the statute in such case made and provided; and said hearing having taken place in accordance with said notice as mailed, and no objections having been brought to the attention of this Council; and WHEREAS, after such hearing this Council, still being of the opinion that said improvement is advisable and necessary, and that it is still deemed advisable and necessary to proceed with said grading and paving,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the maps, plans and diagrams of said street improvement and of the special assessment district as hereinafter described to pay part of the cost thereof as evidenced by the Engineer's estimate for such construction accepted by this Council, be approved and confirmed and the improvement constructed accordingly;

Lots 1 thru 51, both inclusive, Block 44, and, Lots 1 thru 16, both inclusive, and Lot 23 thru 32, both inclusive, Block 45, South Detroit Sub. of Part of Sec. 32, T. 3 S., R. 11 E., Ecorse (now City of Wyandotte) Wayne Co., Michigan as recorded in Liber 14 of Plats, Page 95, Wayne County Records.

RESOLVED FURTHER that said district be and hereby is designated as follows:

Special Assessment District Number #948.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the City Assessor is directed to prepare an assessment roll pursuant to the City Charter requirements.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that each assessment levied against real property will be due in full upon any transfer in any matter of property.

Motion unanimously carried.

#### **2021-271 SAD #949 – MARSHALL ST. PAVING 7<sup>TH</sup> TO 6<sup>TH</sup> ST/FAILED**

By Councilperson Calvin, supported by Councilperson Crayne

RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL THAT

WHEREAS, it has been determined by this Council to be advisable and necessary to grade and pave the street hereinafter described, in the City of Wyandotte, and to pay all or a part of the cost thereof by special assessment on the lots, parts of lots, and parcels of land abutting thereon as well as benefiting therefrom, excepting from said assessment, the improvement expense attributable to alley and street intersection, City-owned land, owner occupied single family dwellings, owner occupied multi-family rental dwellings will be assessed in that proportion that the property is used for purposes other than that of the owner occupying same in comparison to the total assessable portion of the entire property, and other property not assessable by law, the expense of which, together with any improvement expenses remaining after the aforesaid assessment, shall be defrayed from the General Fund of the City; and

WHEREAS, the time and place having been fixed for the hearing of objections to the proposed grading and paving of the following street in the City of Wyandotte, and to pay part of the cost thereof, to-wit:

The fifty (50) foot wide public alley street known as Marshall Street, between 7th Street and 6th Street, abutting:

Lots 1 and 2, both inclusive, and Lot 32, Block 29, and, Lots 21 thru 23, both inclusive, Block 32, South Detroit Sub. of Part of Sec. 32, T. 3 S., R. 11 E., Ecorse (now City of Wyandotte) Wayne Co., Michigan as recorded in Liber 14 of Plats, Page 95, Wayne County Records.

WHEREAS, due notice of said hearing having been given by first class mail in accordance with the statute in such case made and provided; and said hearing having taken place in accordance with said notice as mailed, and five objections having been brought to the attention of this Council; and WHEREAS, after such hearing this Council, still being of the opinion that said improvement is advisable and

necessary, and that it is still deemed advisable and necessary to proceed with said grading and paving,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the maps, plans and diagrams of said street improvement and of the special assessment district as hereinafter described to pay part of the cost thereof as evidenced by the Engineer's estimate for such construction accepted by this Council, be approved and confirmed and the improvement constructed accordingly;

Lots 1 thru 32, both inclusive, Block 29, and, Lots 1 thru 8, both inclusive, and Lots 15 thru 29, both inclusive,

Block 32, South Detroit Sub. of Part of Sec. 32, T. 3 S., R. 11 E., Ecorse (now City of Wyandotte) Wayne Co., Michigan as recorded in Liber 14 of Plats, Page 95, Wayne County Records.

RESOLVED FURTHER that said district be and hereby is designated as follows:

Special Assessment District Number #949.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the City Assessor is directed to prepare an assessment roll pursuant to the City Charter requirements.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that each assessment levied against real property will be due in full upon any transfer in any matter of property.

YEAS: NONE

NAYS: COUNCILPERSONS Alderman, Calvin, Crayne, Hanna, Shuryan, Stec

### **2021-272 SPECIAL EVENT RELOCATION – FIRE & FLANNEL**

By Councilperson Calvin, supported by Councilperson Crayne

BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council that Council Concurs with the recommendation of the Special Events Coordinator to approve the use of city sidewalks and property for the events to be held by WOW 360 LLC who is requesting a change of location for the Fire and Flannel Festival 2021. These events were reviewed and approved by council previously for Parking Lot #1. The request is for this year to 2024, however, we will be requesting for this year only to see how the new layout works out. If there are no issues, we will make the request for the 2022-2024 years. Now, WOW 360 is looking to utilize the following city property instead:

- Access to the west side of the City Hall Parking Lot on Sunday, Sept 19 – Monday, Sept 27 to park Elliot Amusement housing trailers.
  - Access to the Yack Arena Parking Lot Monday, Sept 20 – Monday, Sept 27 to park Elliot Amusement rides. (set up on Monday – Wed) Ride inspections on Thursday morning.
  - Sycamore to be closed from Biddle Avenue to Third Street. The map attached does not show that detail, but for safety reasons the full street will be closed. There will also be games and activities on the street during the event.
  - Maple between 3rd and 2nd to be closed Thursday, Sept 23 at 12 noon til Sunday, Sept 26 at 12 midnight.
- \*Soft Close at Maple and 3rd, hard close after the Fire Stations driveaway. This will allow emergency trucks to have access during the festival.
- 2nd Street to be closed from Maple to Sycamore Thursday, Sept 23 at 12 noon til
  - Access to the parking lot off Maple & 2nd Street - Thursday, Sept 23 at 8 a.m. til Sunday, Sept 26 at 12 midnight.
  - City stage to be place in the parking lot at Maple and 2nd.

This request has been reviewed and approved by the Police and Fire Chiefs, Recreation Superintendent, DDA

Director and my office. See attached event details and map - we will be closing Sycamore fully from Biddle to 3rd - which is not shown on the map.

Motion unanimously carried.

### **2021-273 SPECIAL EVENT REQUEST YES MA'AM PROGRAM**

By Councilperson Calvin, supported by Councilperson Crayne

WHEREAS the Center for Women's and Children's Health and its "Yes Ma'am" program is requesting permission to utilize city property to have members of the Center and volunteers place pink ribbons on trees along Biddle Avenue from Eureka/Kreger St. to Ford Ave. from October 1st through October 31st, 2021, in recognition of Breast Cancer Awareness Month (October).

BE IT RESOLVED that Council concurs with the recommendation of the Special Event Coordinator to approve the use of Biddle Avenue for the 2021 CWCH and its Yes Ma'am Program campaign to promote breast cancer awareness.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Center for Women's and Children's Health (organization) will comply with the following:

- If there are any overtime costs for any city staff for said event, the organization will be responsible for those fees.
- Any tents must be weighted (no stakes are allowed to be used to anchor tents) to prevent collapse.
- Clean up before/during and after the event must be done by the Center for Women's and Children's Health, including any signs or decorations.
- All materials shall be cleaned up and removed after the event.
- Any requests made after this event is reviewed and approved will be evaluated by the Special Events Coordinator and necessary Department Heads for consideration of approval.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the organization must add the City of Wyandotte as additional insured to their insurance policy and sign a hold harmless agreement to be prepared by the Department of Legal Affairs.

Motion unanimously carried

#### **2021-274 EUREKA VIADUCT EMERGENCY LANDSCAPING & MAINTENANCE**

By Councilperson Calvin, supported by Councilperson Crayne

RESOLVED by Mayor and City Council to approve the request of the DDA Director to waive the City of Wyandotte's approved procurement process regarding the Eureka Road Viaduct Emergency Landscaping and Maintenance Services; AND

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Mayor and City Council hereby approve the Landscaping and Maintenance Proposal from WH Canon in the base price amount of \$8,950.00 and authorize Mayor and Clerk to sign the contract.

Motion unanimously carried.

#### **2021-275 NEZ EXEMPTION CERTIFICATE – 150 MAPLE ST.**

By Councilperson Calvin, supported by Councilperson Crayne

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Wyandotte established a Neighborhood Enterprise Zone on August 3, 2009, including the subject property, as required under PA 147 of 1992, after a public hearing held on June 15, 2009; and

WHEREAS, the applicant, Mid American Investments LLC, is not delinquent on any taxes related to the facility; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Wyandotte that the application is approved and a Neighborhood Enterprise Zone Rehabilitated Facility Exemption for the residential portion of property located on the second floor of the building at 150 Maple Street, Wyandotte, Michigan, is hereby granted for a period of 15 years, with the effective date of the Exemption Certificate to be determined by the applicant at the time of completion (either the year of completion or the year before completion), pursuant to the provisions of PA 147 of 1992, as amended.

Motion unanimously carried.

#### **2021-276 SALE OF FORMER 1876 7<sup>TH</sup>**

By Councilperson Calvin, supported by Councilperson Crayne

Council concurs with the recommendation of the City Engineer regarding the sale the former 1876 7th Street, Wyandotte; AND

BE IT RESOLVED that Council accepts the offer from Alexis N. Kott to acquire the former 1876 7th Street for the amount of \$1,500.00; AND

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Legal Affairs is hereby directed to prepare the necessary documents and the Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to sign said documents.

Motion unanimously carried.

**2021-277 AWARD BID #4807/HISTORIC HOME RESTORATION PROJECT 2021**

By Councilperson Calvin, supported by Councilperson Crayne

RESOLVED by the City Council that Council hereby CONCURS with the recommendation of the Museum Director to accept the bid by Grunwell-Cashero Co. as the best bid received under Bid #4807. Furthermore, City Council approves the Museum Director and Project Manager to coordinate the Historic Home Restoration Project work to commence in the amount of \$206,000 to be funded as follows: \$140,000 (101-000-257-071), \$18,660 (101-000-257-082), \$1,500 from the Wyandotte Historical Society. The remaining \$45,840 will be provided by the City (101-000-202-000) with the Museum Reserve Account repaying that amount over the next five (5) years.

Motion unanimously carried.

**2021-278 AWARD BID #4814/DEMOLITION OF VARIOUS STRUCTURES**

By Councilperson Calvin, supported by Councilperson Crayne

RESOLVED that Council concurs with the recommendation of the City Engineer and approves the award to McMillian Group, Inc., Detroit, MI, for File #4814 Demolition of Various Structures in the amount of \$46,036.00, and authorizes the Mayor and City Clerk to proceed with the execution of this contract, and,

FURTHER RESOLVED, the project will be funded from account 492-200-850-519 Land Purchases.

Motion unanimously carried.

**2021-279 AWARD BID #4817/2021 CITY HALL CLEANING CONTRACT**

By Councilperson Calvin, supported by Councilperson Crayne

BE IT RESOLVED that Council hereby concurs with the recommendation of the City Engineer to award the City Hall cleaning contract (Bid File #4817) to Veteran's Cleaning with the effective dates of October 1, 2021 through September 30, 2022, and further authorizes the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the contract; AND

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the work will be funded from account #530-444-825-215 in the amount of \$63,000.00.

Motion unanimously carried.

**2021-280 AWARD BID # 4819/POLICE & COURT CLEANING CONTRACT**

By Councilperson Calvin, supported By Councilperson Crayne

BE IT RESOLVED that Council hereby concurs with the recommendation of the City Engineer to award the Police and Court cleaning contract (Bid File #4819) to Veteran's Cleaning with the effective dates of October 1, 2021 through September 30, 2022, and further authorizes the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the contract; AND

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the work will be funded from account #101-301-825-420 in the amount of \$70,180.00.

Motion unanimously carried.

**2021-281 AWARD BID #4820/GENERATOR MAINTENANCE PROGRAM 2021**

By Councilperson Calvin, supported by Councilperson Crayne

BE IT RESOLVED that Council hereby concurs with the recommendation of the City Engineer to award File #4820 Generator Maintenance Program contract to Ancona Controls, and further authorizes the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the contract; AND

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the work will be funded from Account #101-448-750-270 Building Maintenance in the amount of \$7,642.

Motion unanimously carried.

**2021-282 BILLS & ACCOUNTS**

By Councilperson Calvin, supported by Councilperson Crayne

RESOLVED that the total bills and accounts of \$3,074,566.74 as presented by the Mayor and City Clerk are hereby APPROVED for payment.

Motion unanimously carried.

**REPORTS & MINUTES**

Cultural & Historical Commission 6/10/2021

Fire Commission 7/27/2021

Planning Commission 07/15/2021

Police Commission 8/24/2021

Retirement Commission 8/20/2021

WMS Commission 8/18/2021

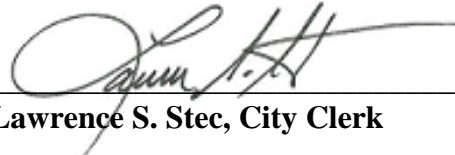
Zoning Board of Appeals & Adjustment 8/4/2021

**REMARKS OF THE MAYOR, COUNCIL, & ELECTED OFFICIALS****ADJOURNMENT****2021-283 ADJOURNMENT**

By Councilperson Calvin, supported by Councilperson Crayne

RESOLVED, that this regular meeting of the Wyandotte City Council be adjourned at 9 p.m.

Motion unanimously carried.



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**Lawrence S. Stec, City Clerk**