

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 “Guidance for Meetings of Governmental Bodies” and PA228 of 2020, using the Zoom Audio platform, on Monday, January 30, 2023, 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.

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

ABSENT: Theodore Galeski, City Assessor

Also Present: Todd Browning, City Treasurer; William R. Look, City Attorney; Greg Mayhew, City Engineer; and Lawrence Stec, City Clerk

PRESENTATIONS

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS

PUBLIC HEARING

- Show Cause: 213-215-217 Superior Blvd.
 - *Dennis Bargowski, 213 Superior*

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

CONSENT AGENDA

2023-14 MINUTES

By Councilperson Alderman, supported by Councilperson Crayne

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meetings held under the dates of January 9, 2023, be approved as recorded without objection.

Motion unanimously carried.

NEW BUSINESS

2023-15 APPOINTMENT TO ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

By Councilperson Alderman, supported by Councilperson Crayne

WHEREAS, a vacancy has occurred on the Zoning Board of Appeals due to the death of Commissioner Victor Nevin; and

WHEREAS, City Council extends their deepest condolences to the family of Victor Nevin and extend thanks and appreciation for the service Mr. Nevin has given to the City of Wyandotte.

BE IT RESOLVED that City Council hereby CONCURS with the recommendation of Mayor DeSana to appoint Anthony McDonald of 2011 Oak, Wyandotte, MI to the Zoning Board of Appeals to fill the unexpired term of Victor Nevin. Term to expire May 2023.

Motion unanimously carried.

2023-16 ASSISTANCE TO FIREFIGHTERS GRANT APPROVAL

By Councilperson Alderman, supported by Councilperson Crayne

BE IT RESOLVED that the Council concurs with the Assistant Fire Chief for the purchase of Personal Protective Equipment under the Assistance to Firefighters Grant in the amount of \$10,000.00.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the expenditure of \$10,000.00 will be paid from Capital Equipment account of 101-336-850-540.

Motion unanimously carried.

2023-17 FIRE DEPARTMENT: INTERNAL PROMOTION

By Councilperson Alderman, supported by Councilperson Crayne

BE IT RESOLVED that the Council concurs with the recommendation of the Fire Chief and Police and Fire Commission to approve the promotion of Fire Sergeant Kyle Caparotta to the rank of Fire Lieutenant effective January 31, 2023.

Motion unanimously carried.

2023-18 HIRING: FULL-TIME ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER

By Councilperson Alderman, supported by Councilperson Crayne

RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL that Council acknowledges receipt of the communication from the Human Resource Specialist regarding the Full Time Animal Control Officer vacancy within the Downriver Central Animal Control Consortium (DCAC) and

CONCURS with the recommendation therein and hereby declares said position vacant and authorizes the filling of such vacancy and

FURTHER, RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL that the Council approves the hiring of Elizabeth Summerfield as a Full Time Animal Control Officer at a class code 27D contingent upon successful completion of pre-employment physical, drug screen and background check.

Motion unanimously carried.

2023-19 WAYNE COUNTY PARKS MILLAGE: MEMORIAL PARK IMPROVEMENTS

By Councilperson Alderman, supported by Councilperson Crayne

WHEREAS, the City of Wyandotte is requesting \$70,000 for improvements to Memorial Park through the Wayne County Parks Millage Funding Program,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council hereby approves the Intergovernmental Agreement with Wayne County,

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Council hereby authorizes the Mayor and Clerk to execute the agreement, and authorizes the Finance Department to allocate \$70,000 from the City's General Fund, which shall be reimbursed upon receipt of the Wayne County Parks Millage funding.

Motion unanimously carried.

2023-20 2023 YACK ARENA RENTAL CONTRACTS

By Councilperson Alderman, supported by Councilperson Crayne

BE IT RESOLVED that Council concurs with the recommendation of the Superintendent of Recreation and hereby approves the Benjamin F. Yack Arena rental contracts for the following events and dates:

Wyandotte Lions Club Flea Market: April 1st-2nd

St. Vincent Pallotti Spring Fling: May 13th

Rock Your World Events: May 20th-21st

Roosevelt High School Graduation: May 31st

Southgate Anderson High School Graduation (rain out back up site): June 6th

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Council hereby authorizes the Mayor and City Clerk to sign said rental agreement.

Motion unanimously carried.

2023-21 2023 BISHOP PARK CONCESSION LEASE

By Councilperson Alderman, supported by Councilperson Crayne

RESOLVED by the City Council that Council hereby CONCURS in the recommendation of the Superintendent of Recreation and the Recreation Commission to award a one-year extension to operate the Bishop Park Concession Stand for the 2023 season to Mohammed Motahhar, in the amount of \$1,000 provided the proper insurance is placed on file in the City Clerk's Office and all stipulations are adhered to as outlined in said lease; AND

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Council authorizes the Mayor and City Clerk to sign said lease agreement on behalf of the City of Wyandotte

Motion unanimously carried.

2023-22 2023 WYANDOTTE STREET ART FAIR

By Councilperson Alderman, supported by Councilperson Crayne

WHEREAS Council approves the scheduling of July 12-15, 2023, as the official dates for the 2023 Wyandotte Street Art Fair and the closure of Biddle Avenue, from Oak to Eureka, from Sunday, July 11, starting at 12:01 AM through Monday, July 17, 8 AM, to hold said event.

BE IT RESOLVED that Council designates the Chief of Police to apply to the Wayne County Office of Public Service for a road closing permit and is authorized to sign said street closing permit document on behalf of the City of Wyandotte and that the City of Wyandotte assumes responsibility for all damage claims which may arise from the road closing; AND

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Public Service, WFD, & WPD shall be notified that north- and south-bound traffic will be rerouted on Third Street with detours at Oak Street and Eureka and all truck traffic shall be rerouted to M-85 (Ford Street) via Eureka or Ford (Northline) for placement of signage and to reroute emergency vehicles; AND

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Council grants the following permissions:

1. Use of city sidewalks to be used during the Art Fair only, July 11-16 (inclusive of set up and tear down dates), with permission to extend only to those merchants who have been issued a permit by the Art Fair Committee/Special Events Office. Merchants are not authorized to sub-contract their space and enforcement of this policy should be authorized by the Wyandotte Police Department under Ordinance 32-1. Sidewalks to be closed are as follows:

- Biddle Avenue, Eureka to Chestnut Street
- Oak Street, Van Alstyne to Third Street
- Elm Street, Van Alstyne to Third Street
- Maple Street, Van Alstyne to Third Street
- Sycamore Street, Van Alstyne to Third Street
- Eureka Road, Van Alstyne to Third Street
- First Street, Oak to Maple

2. Use of Parking Lot #10 on First Street for vendor/merchant participation and entertainment stage.
3. Use of the waterfront parking lot #1 for patron parking. Funds from this lot are to return to the non-profit/organization with a percentage to be donated to the Wyandotte Street Art Fair.
4. Use of the grassy lot at Elm & First Street for the Downriver Council for the Arts (DCA) to hold a children's craft/entertainment area in partnership with the Wyandotte Street Art Fair. The DCA is to receive a percentage of revenue from booths that will be placed in that area. Vendors are authorized by the Wyandotte Street Art Fair Committee/Staff.
5. Use of Elm from the alley to Biddle Avenue and First Street from Oak to Elm for the display and sale of handmade craft items as authorized by the Wyandotte Street Art Fair Committee/Staff.
6. Use of Parking Lot #9 (Northwest corner of 2nd Street and Maple) from July 11-16, 2023, to be used for crafter/vendor parking. All vendors that will use this lot will have parking passes noting their participation in the event.
7. Use of Parking Lot #11 for a non-profit group/organization from July 12-15, 2023, as a parking lot with a fee. Funds from this lot are to return to the non-profit/organization, with a small percentage to be donated to the Wyandotte Street Art Fair.
8. Use of the Wyandotte City Hall Parking Lot (the area closest to Third Street) from July 12-15, 2023, as a parking lot with a fee for the benefit of the Wyandotte Goodfellows and Old Time Ballplayers.
9. Use of Biddle Avenue, from Eureka to Plum Street, as a designated parking area, under the control of the Wyandotte Boat Club, subject to approval and coordination of the Department of Legal Affairs, Engineering Dept. and Police Department.
10. Use of 20 spaces in the city lot across from the DCA during the fair to be used for artist parking from July 12-15, 2023.

Motion unanimously carried.

2023-23 PD PLANNED DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION: 211 EUREKA

By Councilperson Alderman, supported by Councilperson Crayne

RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL that the PD Planned Development District Application for Approval, submitted Finazzo Investment Co., property owner, and Arun Kumar, applicant, for a drive-thru window at 211 Eureka, Wyandotte, is hereby referred to the Planning Commission in accordance with Section 190.276 Stage I Preliminary Site Plan, for a review and report back to Council with recommendations.

Motion unanimously carried.

2023-24 2023 FEES FOR SOLID WASTE

By Councilperson Alderman, supported by Councilperson Crayne

BE IT RESOLVED that Council concurs with the recommendation of the City Engineer and approves the annual increase in Dumpster Fees, Roll-Off Dumpster Rental Fees, Dumping Fees at the DPS, and 96 Gallon Toter Rental Fees for the period of February 1, 2023, thru January 31, 2024, as follows:

MONTHLY DUMPSTER FEES

	Pick-up Once a Week	Pick-up Twice a Week	Pick-up Three Times a Week
2 c.y.	\$ 77.00	\$ 117.00	\$ 167.00
3 c.y.	\$ 88.00	\$ 146.00	\$ 214.00
4 c.y.	\$ 99.00	\$ 180.00	\$ 262.00
Special: 3 c.y. Pick-up 4 Times a Week	\$ 294.00		
4 c.y. Pick-up 5 Times a Week	\$ 526.00		
Corrugated Cardboard			
6 c.y.	\$ 73.00	\$ 109.00	\$ 165.00

Any unscheduled extra pick-ups will be charged \$88.00.

ROLL-OFF DUMPSTER RENTAL FEE

Dumpster Size	Brush 6" or Less	Logs Over 6"	Concrete	Household Debris Construction Debris	No. of Days Box Can be at Site
10 Cu. Yards	\$ 128.00*	\$ 315.00*	\$ 165.00*	\$ 266.00***	2 Nights
20 Cu. Yards	\$ 146.00*	\$ 581.00*	N/A	\$ 400.00***	3 Nights
30 Cu. Yards	\$ 160.00*	\$ 847.00*	N/A	\$ 532.00***	4 Nights

*Dumpster cannot contain any other material. If it does, there is a fine of a minimum of \$264.00.

*** Dumpster cannot contain any concrete, dirt, regular trash, tires, yard waste, appliances with Freon, hazardous materials, and/or paint of any type. If any of this is found there is a minimum fine of \$264.00. If any of the above size boxes are overloaded there is a minimum fine of \$264.00.

DUMPING FEES AT DPS

Concrete..... \$ 15.00/Cubic Yard

Construction Debris including: Drywall, Shingles, and Wood..... \$ 20.00/Cubic Yard

96 GALLON TOTER RENTAL FEE

New Lease.....\$ 88.00/2 years

After 2 years.....\$ 3.63/month

Motion unanimously carried.

2023-25 Show Cause Hearing: 213-215-217 Superior Blvd

By Councilperson Alderman, supported by Councilperson Crayne

RESOLVED by the City Council that a reconvened show cause hearing (from January 9, 2023) was held this 30th day of January, 2023, having been set forth as the time and place fixed for a hearing of objections to show cause why the structures at 213-215-217 Superior Blvd. should not be demolished or made safe and whereas the opportunity having been provided for all written and verbal comments now;
AND

WHEREAS, this Council has considered the reports and recommendations of the Hearing Officer and City Engineer's Office, testimony of the neighbors and all other facts and considerations which were brought to their attention at the hearing on January 9, 2023 and January 30, 2023,

NOW THEREFORE, the City Council resolves and confirms the findings of the City Engineer and Building Inspector that the property and structures at 213-215-217 Superior Blvd., Wyandotte, MI 48192 are a dangerous building, unsafe building and structure and a nuisance,

THE CITY FURTHER RESOLVES AND ORDERS the owner of 213-215-217 Superior Blvd., Wyandotte, MI 48192 must make the following repairs and/or improvements to the above referenced property within sixty (60) days of this Resolution:

1. Make all repairs and improvements identified in the two letters dated March 17, 2022, the two letters dated August 19, 2022 and the letter dated January 11, 2023 from the City Engineer to the owner (attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference).
2. Remove or trim the rear yard tree to remove all dead limbs and cut out the roots of the tree which are growing into and damaging the neighbor's property.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that if the owner does not comply with the above order within sixty (60) days of this Resolution, the City Attorney is directed to file a civil complaint in the Wayne County Circuit Court requesting the court to authorize the demolition of the structures (including tree) at 213-215-217 Superior Blvd., Wyandotte, MI 48192 and to award the City of Wyandotte at the expense of the owner the full cost of the demolition and/or make the building safe and of maintaining the exterior of the building and adjoining grounds (including trees).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Engineer forwarded a copy of this Resolution to the owner who may appeal this decision to the Wayne County Circuit Court within twenty one (21) days of the date of this resolution.

Motion unanimously carried.

2023-26 BILLS & ACCOUNTS

By Councilperson Alderman, supported by Councilperson Crayne

RESOLVED that the total bills and accounts of \$3,769,241.78 as presented by the Mayor and City Clerk are hereby APPROVED for payment.

Motion unanimously carried.

REPORTS & MINUTES

Beautification Commission	01/12/2022
BRDA (Brownfield)	01/17/2023
Civil Service Commission	01/11/2022
Downtown Development Authority	12/13/2022
Fire Commission	12/13/2022 & 01/10/2023
Police Commission	01/10/2023
TIFA	01/17/2023
WMS Commission	01/11/2023

REMARKS OF THE MAYOR, COUNCIL, & ELECTED OFFICIALS

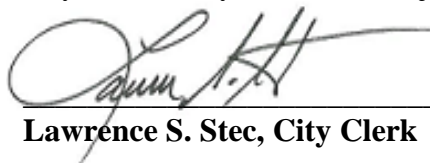
ADJOURNMENT

2023-27 ADJOURNMENT

By Councilperson Alderman, supported by Councilperson Crayne

RESOLVED, that this regular meeting of the Wyandotte City Council be adjourned at 8:11 pm.

Motion unanimously carried.



Lawrence S. Stec, City Clerk