

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, August 14, 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, Todd Hanna, Rosemary Shuryan, Kelly Stec

ABSENT: Councilpersons Christopher Calvin; Kaylyn Crayne; City Assessor, Theodore Galeski; City Treasurer, Todd Browning

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

PRESENTATIONS

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS

PUBLIC HEARING

- Alley Vacation: Behind 1035 Adelaide East of 11th St.
 - *Zero objections received in person or in writing.*

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

CONSENT AGENDA

2023-252 MINUTES

By Councilperson Hanna, supported by Councilperson Stec

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held under the date of July 31, 2023, be approved as recorded without objection.

Motion unanimously carried.

2023-253 ALLEY ENCROACHMENT AT 2827 2ND

By Councilperson Hanna, supported by Councilperson Stec

BE IT RESOLVED that Council has reviewed the request from the property owner of 2827 2nd and APPROVES the installation of steel bollards along the building on the north side of the 20-foot-wide alley right of way and has determined that the encroachment will not be a detriment to the health and safety of the public, and furthermore, authorizes the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the Grant of License, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the City Engineer shall incorporate the encroachment into the alley reconstruction and invoice the property owner for the cost of the work, subject to submittal of the Hold Harmless and Grant of License agreements by the property owner.

Motion unanimously carried.

NEW BUSINESS

2023-254 BUDGET TRANSFER – BEAUTIFICATION COMMISSION

By Councilperson Hanna, supported by Councilperson Stec

WHEREAS, at the May 22, 2023 Council Meeting, the City Council allocated funds received by the Wyandotte Community Alliance; and

WHEREAS, all expenditures from these funds would require city council approval and must be used for capital improvements; and

WHEREAS, the Beautification Commission was allocated \$33,333.33 in funds; and

WHEREAS, the Beautification Commission budget is currently \$1,817.28 over budget due to the purchase of several planter pots that had to be replaced due to vandalism;

RESOLVED, that the City Council approve the budget transfer of \$1,817.28 from Beautification Commission Fund 499-200-850-539 to Reserve Acct 402-000-257-010; and

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Council will allow future expenditures of the WCA allocation to the Beautification Commission to be used for equipment and downtown beautification assets such as decorative planters.

Motion unanimously carried.

2023-255 INTER-LOCAL AGRMT. WITH AGENCIES IN S.I.N.C.

By Councilperson Hanna, supported by Councilperson Stec

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL that the Council approves to amend the Inter-local agreement with the Southern Information Network Consortium to include the City of Ecorse and authorizes the Mayor and City Clerk to sign this agreement on behalf of the City of Wyandotte

Motion unanimously carried.

2023-256 PURCHASE OF POLICE PATROL VEHICLE

By Councilperson Hanna, supported by Councilperson Stec

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL that the Council concurs with the Chief of Police for the replacement purchase of one 2023 Chevrolet Tahoe police package patrol vehicle from Berger Chevrolet for the amount of \$40,034.00.

Motion unanimously carried.

2023-257 WATER SYSTEM MAPPING – PHASE 1

By Councilperson Hanna, supported by Councilperson Stec

Council concurs with the Municipal Services Commission authorizing the General Manager to sign the Phase I proposal from OHM Advisors to perform water system mapping utilizing the professional services procurement rules for an amount not to exceed \$90,000.00, as recommended by WMS management.

Motion unanimously carried.

2023-258 HIRING: DPS MECHANIC – W. OZERANIC

By Councilperson Hanna, supported by Councilperson Stec

RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL that Council acknowledges receipt of the communication from the Human Resource Specialist regarding the Mechanic position at the Department of Public Service 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 William Scott Ozeranic as a Mechanic in the Department of Public Services contingent on successful completion of physical, drug screen, and background check.

Motion unanimously carried.

2023-259 CITY OF RIVERVIEW MASTER PLAN

By Councilperson Hanna, supported by Councilperson Stec

WHEREAS, the City of Wyandotte has a vested interest in the planning and development of its southern neighbor, the City of Riverview, and

WHEREAS, the City of Wyandotte has been invited to review and comment on the City of Riverview's proposed Master Plan, and

WHEREAS, the Cities of Wyandotte and Riverview, having a shared vision and plan for the Arkema East property, will promote opening the riverfront for the enjoyment of residents, and both cities' master plans identify the desire for riverfront greenspace, the City of Wyandotte supports:

- Close communication between Wyandotte, the City of Riverview, Arkema, federal and state agencies, Upper Trenton Channel project partners, as well as our State and National elected officials,

- Combining Wyandotte and Riverview efforts on redeveloping the Arkema East property for open greenspace, and
- Coordinating plans

WHEREAS the Cities of Wyandotte and Riverview have a shared border along Pennsylvania Road from the Detroit River to Quarry Road with varying zoning districts and land uses, the City of Wyandotte supports:

- Thoughtful and sensitive redevelopment that improves recreational opportunities, connections to regional trails, parks and residential neighborhoods, and does not negatively impact the health, wellness and quality of life for residents along Pennsylvania between the railroad tracks and Memorial Park

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council hereby approves the above recommendations and authorizes the Mayor to send official communication to the City of Riverview in accordance with the public comment period of their Master Plan process.

Motion unanimously carried.

2023-260 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT: WINMATT GROUP

By Councilperson Hanna, supported by Councilperson Stec

BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council hereby concurs with the recommendation of the DDA Board to hire Winmatt Group of Grand Rapids, Michigan in the amount of \$3,500 per month to support the City of Wyandotte and DDA with professional lobbying services from September 1st, 2023 through October 31st, 2023, services to be provided on a month-to-month basis, AND

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Council hereby authorizes the Mayor and Clerk to execute the agreement pending legal approval from the City Attorney.

Motion unanimously carried.

2023-261 INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGRMT. FOR BIDDLE RESURFACING

By Councilperson Hanna, supported by Councilperson Stec

RESOLVED by the City Council that Council concurs with the recommendation of the City Engineer and hereby APPROVES the intergovernmental agreement between the City of Wyandotte and the County of Wayne for the resurfacing of Biddle Avenue from Pennsylvania to Grove and that Council hereby authorizes the Mayor and City Clerk to sign said agreement.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the City Engineer is authorized to pay for the street improvements from account 202-444-825-460, including a working capital advance of \$69,466.

Motion unanimously carried.

2023-262 BID FILE #4853: DOWNTOWN SEWER POINT REPAIRS

By Councilperson Hanna, supported by Councilperson Stec

RESOLVED that Council agrees with the recommendation of the City Engineer and APPROVES awarding the File #4853 contract for the 2023 Downtown Sewer Point Repairs to Strata Underground of Clinton Township, Michigan, in the amount of \$205,418.61 paid from account 590-200-926-310.

Motion unanimously carried.

2023-263 ALLEY VACATION BEHIND 1035 ADELAIDE

By Councilperson Hanna, supported by Councilperson Stec

RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WYANDOTTE

WHEREAS, this Council by resolution has deemed it advisable and necessary for the health, welfare, comfort and safety of the people of the City of Wyandotte, to vacate the hereinafter described land in the City of Wyandotte, County of Wayne, State of Michigan, as a public alley:

The eight (8) foot wide public alley south of Adelaide, east of the alley east of 11th Street in the City of Wyandotte, Wayne County, Michigan, more particularly described as the east/west alley abutting the south 150 feet of Lots 5 through 9, inclusive, Adelaide Subdivision, City of Wyandotte, as recorded in Liber 33, Page 48, Wayne County Records.

WHEREAS, due notice has been given of the hearing of objections to said vacation; and

WHEREAS, said hearing having taken place in accordance with such notice, and zero objections have been offered, and this Council is still being of the opinion that said vacation is advisable; NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the above-described alley shall be and the same is hereby declared VACATED as a public alley, reserving to the City of Wyandotte, a Municipal Corporation of the State of Michigan, its successors and assigns forever and in perpetuity from the date hereof, an easement on, over, under, across, and within the eight (8) foot right-of-way of the above described alley for the purpose of constructing, operating, maintaining and repairing existing and future public utilities, sewers and drains, and that said City of Wyandotte, its contractors, employees, agents successors, assigns and lessees shall at all times have free ingress to and egress from said alley right-of-way, to construct, operate, maintain and repair said existing and future utility lines of every nature, and sewers and drains.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that there is hereby reserved to the Michigan Bell Telephone Company, its successors and assigns, an easement on, over, under, across and within said eight (8) foot wide right-of-way for the purpose of constructing, erecting, operating, maintaining, and repairing its existing and future telephone communication system consisting of poles, lines, wires, cables and apparatus; and that said Michigan Bell Telephone Company, its contractors, employees, agents, successors and assigns shall at all times have full ingress to and egress from said eight (8) foot wide right-of-way for said purpose.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that no structures, or any article or thing whatsoever shall be constructed or maintained on, over, under, across, or within the eight (8) foot right-of-way of the above described alley except the erection of fences by the abutting property owners and that in the exercise of the easement and ingress and egress rights heretofore reserved herein said City of Wyandotte shall not be liable for any injury or damage to, or disturbance of, nor shall it have any duty to pay for or replace, any animate or inanimate improvement on, over, under, across, or within said eight (8) foot right-of-way.

Motion unanimously carried.

2023-264 BILLS & ACCOUNTS

By Councilperson Hanna, supported by Councilperson Stec

RESOLVED that the total bills and accounts of \$1,282,176.92 as presented by the Mayor and City Clerk are hereby APPROVED for payment.

Motion unanimously carried.

REPORTS & MINUTES

Downtown Development Authority 06/13/2023 & 07/11/2023

Fire Commission 07/23/2023

Police Commission 07/25/2023

Recreation Commission 06/07/2023

WMS Commission 07/26/2023

REMARKS OF THE MAYOR, COUNCIL, & ELECTED OFFICIALS

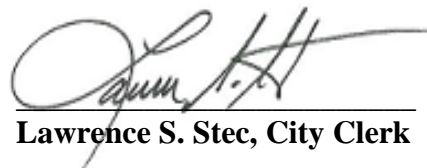
ADJOURNMENT

2023-265 ADJOURNMENT

By Councilperson Hanna, supported by Councilperson Stec

RESOLVED, that this regular meeting of the Wyandotte City Council be adjourned at 7:47pm.

Motion unanimously carried.



Lawrence S. Stec, City Clerk