



Minutes - October 30, 2006

Wyandotte, Michigan October 30, 2006

Regular session of the City Council of the City of Wyandotte, the Honorable Mayor James R. DeSana presiding.

ROLL CALL

Present: Councilpersons Browning, Fricke, Kolakowski, Peterson, Ptak, Sutka

Absent: None

PERSONS IN THE AUDIENCE

No persons present.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITY AND OTHER OFFICIALS

October 24, 2006

The Honorable City Council, City of Wyandotte
3131 Biddle Avenue, Wyandotte, MI 48192

Gentlemen and Madam:

I am writing to request that the time of the November 13, 2006 Council Meeting be changed from 7:00 p.m. to 6 p.m.

The purpose of my request is to hear presentations from Jody Chansuolme, our Director of Museums, and Ric Geyer relative to the development of an arts center in the City of Wyandotte. The presentations will take approximately 45 minutes. Starting the meeting at 6:00 p.m. would provide adequate time to do these presentations justice and would allow the public an opportunity to hear the information and see the benefits a project like this would bring to our City.

I would appreciate your support of my request.

Sincerely,

James R. DeSana, Mayor

October 26, 2006

The Honorable Mayor and City Council, City of Wyandotte

Dear Mayor and Councilmembers:

The Michigan Liquor Control Commission has received an application from E-Z Stop market, Inc., requesting the transfer of a 2006 SMD license for a business located at 2020 Eureka, Wyandotte, Michigan 48192, Wayne County, from N & J Kaji Enterprises, Inc. This request has been forwarded to the City Engineer, City Treasurer, Chief of Police, Fire Chief, Municipal Service and the Department of Legal Affairs copies of which are attached.

Although local governing body approval is not required by the Liquor Control Code, the City is allowed to notify the commission if the applicant location is not in compliance with local ordinances or if the applicant is considered ineligible due to other factors.

City Ordinance Section 21-288 states that: (All personal property taxes, all real property taxes, and all other obligations which are due and payable to the City and which relate to any premises for which a liquor license is sought to be used, shall be paid before Council shall approve the issuance, transfer or renewal of such license).(Ord. No. 1178 13, (10-6-03)
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The delinquent personal property tax as reflected by the Deputy City Treasurer were incurred by N & J Kaji Enterprise Inc. (not the applicant) while at the location of 2020 Eureka in the amount of \$1,553.77 which has not been paid. Although the tax bill is not owed by the applicant, it was incurred by the taxpayer while operating the liquor license at 2020 Eureka; similar situations have occurred wherein the property owner has been held liable.

In view of the above, said application is being forwarded to you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

William R. Griggs, City Clerk

October 19, 2006

Mayor and City Council, City of Wyandotte
3131 Biddle Avenue, Wyandotte, MI 48192

Dear Honorable Mayor and City Council Members:

SUBJECT: TRAFFIC CONTROL ORDER 2006-23

The Police Administration received a recommendation from the Traffic Bureau for approval of the installation of "No Parking" signs on the south side of Oak 55' West of 15th, Wyandotte, Michigan. Concluding review of this request and in concurrence with Sergeant Pouliot's recommendation, this letter serves as a recommendation for Council approval of Traffic Control Order 2006-23 as specified on said order.

If there are any additional questions, please feel free to contact my office at extension 4424.

Sincerely,
Bobbie Heck, Chief of Police

October 23, 2006

The Honorable Mayor and City Councilmembers, 3131 Biddle Avenue
Wyandotte, Michigan 48192

Dear Mayor and Councilmembers:

The Michigan Liquor Control Commission has received a request to transfer ownership of a 2006 Class C licensed business located at 3144 Biddle, Wyandotte, Michigan 48192, Wayne County from Frank Persichillo, Frank J. Salvati (Personal Representative) to Frank's Restaurant & Pizzeria Inc. Said request has been forwarded to the City Engineer, City Treasurer, Chief of Police, Fire Chief, Municipal Service and the Department of Legal Affairs copies of which are attached.

In view of the above, said application is being forwarded to you for your consideration.

Sincerely yours,
William R. Griggs, City Clerk

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October 25, 2006

The Honorable Mayor James R. DeSana and City Council
City Hall, Wyandotte, Michigan

Dear Mayor and Council Members:

Attached please find the following Purchase Agreements for the City to acquire: 312 Ford Avenue - \$95,000.00 TIFA Area Funds.

If this meets with your approval, I recommend that the Department of Legal Affairs be directed to prepare the necessary sale documents and the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to execute same. I further recommend that the undersigned be authorized to demolish same.

Very truly yours,

Mark A. Kowalewski, City Engineer

October 25, 2006

The Honorable Mayor James R. DeSana and City Council
City Hall, Wyandotte, Michigan

RE: Former 1815-1823 3rd Street, Wyandotte, Michigan Parcel #6 – 1819 3rd Street Lot Size: 50' x 100'

Dear Mayor DeSana and City Council Members:

During the City's solicitation of proposal for the sale of 14 vacant parcels for single family homes, the City received one (1) proposal for the sale of the above-captioned property. See attached summary sheet.

The undersigned hereby recommends that the City sell said lot to Sam Cottone, 919 River Court, Wyandotte, Michigan, for \$20,000.00 pursuant to his proposal to construct a single family two story style home consisting of approximately 2,068 square feet, 3 bedrooms, vinyl exterior, attached garage, and full basement with back water flow valve, sump pump, emergency escape and rescue opening per the 2003 Michigan Residential

Code.

Very truly yours,

Mark A. Kowalewski, City Engineer
Colleen A. Keehn, City Assessor

October 25, 2006

The Honorable Mayor James R. DeSana and City Council Members
City Hall, Wyandotte, Michigan

Dear Mayor DeSana and City Council Members:

Attached is the Neighborhood Enterprise Zone Application for the following property: 1819 3rd Street.

If you should have any questions, please do not hesitate to call.

Very truly yours,

Mark A. Kowalewski, City Engineer

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October 25, 2006

The Honorable Mayor and City Council, City of Wyandotte

Dear Mayor and Council Members:

In order to meet the requirements of the Wayne County Community Development Block Grant Program, it will be necessary to hold a Public Hearing and also publish a Statement of Community Development Objectives and possible use of the 2007 CDBG funds. The purpose of the Public Hearing is to receive comments and suggestions on the expenditure of the 2007 Community Block Grant Funds.

The Public Hearing Notice and Proposed Statement can be combined into one publication.

A Notice of Public Hearing should be scheduled for December 4, 2006 and the Statement for the possible use of CDBG funds for the 2007 Wyandotte Block Grant Program is attached. If this meets with your approval, we recommend that the City Clerk be so directed to publish same in the November 8th edition of The News Herald.

Very truly yours,

Mark A. Kowalewski, City Engineer
Todd Drysdale, Director of Financial Services

LATE ITEM

November 1, 2006

Dear Mayor DeSana:

The 1976 Native American Awareness Week was expanded by Congress and President George Bush in August of 1990 by designating November as the National American Indian Heritage Month.

The month long celebrations and recognitions of Indian cultures, arts, education, historical activities, and heritage enrich our national culture as well.

Since the Downriver area's heritage of the Wyandotte Indians has had significant impression on our society today in this area, it seems appropriate to honor our native ancestors and their contribution to all cultures in this country.

In honor of this month, we ask that the mayors of the Downriver communities proclaim the month of November as American Indian Heritage Month.

A sample of such a proclamation is enclosed for your convenience.

Thank you

Please respond to: Lugene Flores, American Indians Chairperson
15079 Seibert, Taylor, MI 48180
National Society Daughters of the American Revolution
Monguagon Chapter of Michigan (Serving the Downriver area)

REPORTS AND MINUTES

Financial Services Daily Cash Receipts October 26 - October 26, 2006
Planning and Rehabilitation Commission September 21, 2006
Zoning Board of Appeals October 18, 2006

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CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

There was no response to the Mayor's inquiry.

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ROLL CALL

Present: Councilpersons Browning, Fricke, Kolakowski, Peterson, Ptak, Sutka

Absent: None

RESOLUTIONS

Wyandotte, Michigan October 30, 2006

RESOLUTION by Councilperson Johnny A. Kolakowski

RESOLVED by the City Council that the reading of the minutes of the previous meeting be dispensed with and the same stand APPROVED as recorded without objection.

I move the adoption of the foregoing resolution.

MOTION by Councilperson Johnny A. Kolakowski

Supported by Councilperson Patrick J. Sutka

ROLL ATTACHED

Wyandotte, Michigan October 30, 2006

RESOLUTION by Councilperson Johnny A. Kolakowski

RESOLVED by the City Council that Council hereby CONCURS in the request of Mayor DeSana as set forth in his communication dated October 24, 2006 to start the Council Meeting on November 13, 2006 at 6:00 p.m. to accommodate the presentations from Jody Chansuolme, Director of Museums and Ric Geyer relative to the development of an Arts Center in the City of Wyandotte.

I move the adoption of the foregoing resolution.

MOTION by Councilperson Johnny A. Kolakowski

Supported by Councilperson Patrick J. Sutka

ROLL ATTACHED

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Wyandotte, Michigan October 30, 2006

RESOLUTION by Councilperson Johnny A. Kolakowski

RESOLVED by the City Council that the communication from the City Clerk dated October 26, 2006 relative to the Liquor License Transfer at 2020 Eureka is hereby received and placed on file. AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that although local governing body approval is not required by the Michigan Liquor Control Code, relative to the transfer of liquor licenses it is the recommendation of the Council to APPROVE said transfer upon payment of the delinquent personal property tax which was incurred at 2020 Eureka in the sum of \$1,553.77 in order to meet the requirements of our local ordinance Sec. 21-288; Payment of obligations to City. (All personal property taxes, all real property taxes, and all other obligations which are due and payable to the City and which relate to any premises for which a liquor license is sought to be used, shall be paid before Council shall approve the issuance, transfer or renewal of such license.)

I move the adoption of the foregoing resolution.

MOTION by Councilperson Johnny A. Kolakowski

Supported by Councilperson Patrick J. Sutka

YEAS: Councilmembers Browning, Fricke, Kolakowski, Peterson, Ptak, Sutka

NAYS: None

Wyandotte, Michigan October 30, 2006

RESOLUTION by Councilperson Johnny A. Kolakowski

RESOLVED by the City Council that Council hereby CONCURS in the recommendation of the Chief of Police as set forth in Traffic Control Order 2006-23 dated October 19, 2006 for the placement of "No Parking" on the South side of Oak 55' West of 15th, Wyandotte. AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Public Service be directed to erect said signs at the aforementioned location.

I move the adoption of the foregoing resolution.

MOTION by Councilperson Johnny A. Kolakowski
Supported by Councilperson Patrick J. Sutka
ROLL ATTACHED

Wyandotte, Michigan October 30, 2006

RESOLUTION by Councilperson Johnny A. Kolakowski

RESOLVED by the City Council that the request to transfer ownership of a 2006 Class C licensed business, located at 3144 Biddle, Wyandotte, Michigan 48192, Wayne County from Frank Persichillo, Frank J. Salvati (Personal Representative) to Frank's Restaurant & Pizzeria, Inc.; Frank J. Salvati, Anthony Salvati, Grace Bogart and Theresa Young is hereby APPROVED.

I move the adoption of the foregoing resolution.

MOTION by Councilperson Johnny A. Kolakowski
Supported by Councilperson Patrick J. Sutka
YEAS: Councilmembers Browning, Fricke, Kolakowski, Peterson, Ptak, Sutka
NAYS: None

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Wyandotte, Michigan October 30, 2006

RESOLUTION by Councilperson Johnny A. Kolakowski

RESOLVED by the City Council that Council CONCURS with the recommendation of the City Engineer to acquire the property at 312 Ford in the amount of \$95,000.00 to be appropriated from TIFA Area Funds; AND BE IT RESOLVED that the Department of Legal Affairs is hereby directed to prepare the necessary documents and the City Engineer is directed to DEMOLISH same after the Wyandotte Cultural Historical Society has had an opportunity to inspect the property for cultural and architectural contents for the good of Wyandotte.

I move the adoption of the foregoing resolution.

MOTION by Councilperson Johnny A. Kolakowski
Supported by Councilperson Patrick J. Sutka
YEAS: Councilmembers Browning, Fricke, Kolakowski, Peterson, Ptak, Sutka
NAYS: None

Wyandotte, Michigan October 30, 2006

RESOLUTION by Councilperson Johnny A. Kolakowski

RESOLVED by the City Council that Council CONCURS with the recommendation of the City Engineer and the City Assessor dated October 25, 2006, regarding the Former 1815-1823-3rd Street, Parcel # 6; AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Council accepts the offer from Sam Cottone, dated October 20, 2006, in the amount of \$20,000.00 to construct a single family one story style home, consisting of approximately 2,068 square feet, 3 bedrooms, attached garage, vinyl exterior and full basement with back water flow valve, sump pump, emergency escape and rescue opening per the 2003 Michigan Residential Code; AND BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and City Clerk are hereby authorized to execute the necessary documents subject to the approval of the Department of Legal Affairs and that all bid bonds or bid checks be returned.

I move the adoption of the foregoing resolution.

MOTION by Councilperson Johnny A. Kolakowski
Supported by Councilperson Patrick J. Sutka
YEAS: Councilmembers Browning, Fricke, Kolakowski, Peterson, Ptak, Sutka
NAYS: None

Wyandotte, Michigan October 30, 2006

RESOLUTION by Councilperson Johnny A. Kolakowski

RESOLVED by the City Council that Council hereby APPROVES the application for a Neighborhood Enterprise Zone located at 1819-3rd as submitted by the City Engineer and directs the City Clerk to execute same on behalf of the City.

I move the adoption of the foregoing resolution.

MOTION by Councilperson Johnny A. Kolakowski
Supported by Councilperson Patrick J. Sutka
YEAS: Councilmembers Browning, Fricke, Kolakowski, Peterson, Ptak, Sutka
NAYS: None

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Wyandotte, Michigan October 30, 2006

RESOLUTION by Councilperson Johnny A. Kolakowski

RESOLVED by the City Council that Council hereby CONCURS with the recommendation of the City Engineer and Director of Financial Services to set a Public Hearing for the proposed use of Community Development Block Grant funds on Monday, December 4, 2006, and further directs the City Clerk to publish said notice in the November 8, 2006, edition of the News Herald.

I move the adoption of the foregoing resolution.

MOTION by Councilperson Johnny A. Kolakowski
Supported by Councilperson Patrick J. Sutka
ROLL ATTACHED

Wyandotte, Michigan October 30, 2006

RESOLUTION by Councilperson Johnny A. Kolakowski

RESOLVED by the City Council that WHEREAS, the history and culture of our great nation have been significantly influenced by American Indians and indigenous peoples; and WHEREAS, the contributions of American Indians have enhanced the freedom, prosperity, and greatness of America today, and WHEREAS, their customs and traditions are respected and celebrated as part of a rich legacy throughout the United States; and WHEREAS, Native American Awareness Week began in 1976 and recognition was expanded by Congress and approved by President George Bush in August 1990, designating the month of November as National American Indian Heritage Month; and WHEREAS, in honor of National American Indian Heritage Month, community celebrations as well as numerous cultural, artistic, educational and historical activities have been planned; NOW THEREFORE, I James R. DeSana, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Wyandotte, Michigan do hereby proclaim November 2006 as the National American Indian Heritage Month, in the City of Wyandotte, Michigan, and urge all our citizens to observe this month with appropriate programs, ceremonies and activities.

I move the adoption of the foregoing resolution.

MOTION by Councilperson Johnny A. Kolakowski
Supported by Councilperson Patrick J. Sutka
ROLL ATTACHED

Wyandotte, Michigan October 30, 2006

RESOLUTION by Councilperson Johnny A. Kolakowski

RESOLVED by the City Council that the Council meeting of November 6, 2006 is hereby CANCELLED due to the General Election being held on November 7, 2006.

I move the adoption of the foregoing resolution.

MOTION by Councilperson Johnny A. Kolakowski
Supported by Councilperson Patrick J. Sutka
YEAS: Councilmembers Browning, Fricke, Kolakowski, Peterson, Ptak, Sutka
NAYS: None

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Wyandotte, Michigan October 30, 2006

RESOLUTION by Councilperson Johnny A. Kolakowski

RESOLVED by the City Council that the City Engineer has expressed a desire to meet in closed session to discuss acquisition and/or lease of real property. Now, therefore, be it resolved that this Body will meet in closed session immediately following the regularly scheduled Council meeting for the above stated purpose only.

I move the adoption of the foregoing resolution.

MOTION by Councilperson Johnny A. Kolakowski
Supported by Councilperson Patrick J. Sutka
YEAS: Councilmembers Browning, Fricke, Kolakowski, Peterson, Ptak, Sutka
NAYS: None

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Councilperson Johnny A. Kolakowski
Supported by Councilperson Patrick J. Sutka
That we adjourn.
Carried unanimously.
Adjourned at 7:50 p.m.
October 30, 2006

Maria Johnson, Deputy City Clerk