

Wyandotte, Michigan February 9, 2015

Regular session of the City Council of the City of Wyandotte, the Honorable Mayor Joseph R. Peterson presiding.

ROLL CALL

Present: Councilpersons Fricke, Galeski, Miciura, Sabuda, Schultz, Stec

Absent: None

COMMUNICATIONS MISCELLANEOUS

February 3, 2015

Honorable Joseph Peterson, Mayor  
City of Wyandotte, 3200 Biddle Ave., Wyandotte, MI 48192

Re: Team Effort Repeated

Once again I am totally impressed with the dedication and commitment of the Public Service employees of the City of Wyandotte as well as all of our outstanding residents. The biggest snow storm in the past 40 years did not stop the Public Service employees from doing what they do best, plowing and clearing the roads for its residents and anyone entering or leaving the city. I traveled around the city early this past Monday and was amazed as to how much of the snow had already been plowed, making it so much easier for residents to travel and my carriers to get from one place to another. As I mentioned to you in my letter last year, we cannot be successful delivering the mail if the Public Service employees do not get to the streets early and make it easier for us to find parking spots without getting stuck. The other member of this outstanding team has to be the residents of Wyandotte. Regardless of age, everyone was out early Monday, shoveling their snow, taking care of their letter carrier. I have been around the block and have worked in quite a few cities over the course of my 38 year career and I can honestly say that there is no city that compares to Wyandotte when it comes to taking care of its postal employees. Please take the time to extend my sincere appreciation to all of the Public Service employees for their efforts as well to the outstanding citizens of Wyandotte. I am very proud to represent this city. On behalf of all of my employees, we are forever grateful.

Thank you for everything you do for the City of Wyandotte.

Michael G. Taurence, Postmaster, Wyandotte, Mi 48192-9998

PERSONS IN THE AUDIENCE

Michael Swiecki, Wyandotte School Board President, regarding upcoming election.

Christine Elmore, 2356 17<sup>th</sup>, support School Board issue and Wyandotte Kiwanis Dinner, Saturday, 21<sup>st</sup>, 2015

Councilman Miciura inquired about the status of Oak & 2<sup>nd</sup> property. Property in receivership, court hearing soon.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITY AND OTHER OFFICIALS

CITY OF WYANDOTTE REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION  
MEETING DATE: February 9, 2015 AGENDA ITEM #1

ITEM: City Owned Buildable Lots

PRESENTER: Mark A. Kowalewski, City Engineer

INDIVIDUALS IN ATTENDANCE: Mark A. Kowalewski, City Engineer

**BACKGROUND:** The City owns lots that are available for the construction of new single family homes. The Engineering Department has actively advertised these lots for sale by placing a commercial on Wyandotte Cable and Comcast and is changing the "For Sale" sign. Further, the Build a Future in Wyandotte Specifications are available on the City's website. The City has had some success with this; however, Jerry Miller, Owner of Downriver Real Estate Group, has offered to place these lots on Realcomp, Paragon MLS Systems and in the local paper. As you know, Mr. Miller is the City's Realtor for the Neighborhood Stabilization Program (NSP) 1, NSP2, and NSP3. Mr. Miller would not receive any compensation for listing these lots, however if any Agent brings in a buyer and the City closes on the property with that buyer, the Agent would receive \$1,000 as a transaction coordinator. This is just another avenue to advertise these lots. Any offers received would follow the same procedures as in the past.

**STRATEGIC PLAN/GOALS:** We are committed to enhancing the community's quality of life by: 1. Fostering the revitalization and preservation of older areas of the City as well as developing, redeveloping new areas. 2. Ensuring that all new developments will be planned and designed consistent with the city's historic and visual standards; have a minimum impact on natural areas; and, have a positive impact on surrounding areas and neighborhoods. 3. Fostering the maintenance and development of stable and vibrant neighborhoods.

**ACTION REQUESTED:** Approve the City Engineer to enter into the Exclusive Right-to-Sell Contract with Broker Jerry Miller of the Downriver Real Estate Group.

**BUDGET IMPLICATIONS & ACCOUNT NUMBER:** N/A

**IMPLEMENTATION PLAN:** Sign Exclusive Right-to-Sell Contract with Broker and start marketing properties.

**COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION:** N/A

**CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S RECOMMENDATION:** TDrysdale

**LEGAL COUNSEL'S RECOMMENDATION:**

**MAYOR'S RECOMMENDATION:** Joseph R. Peterson

**LIST OF ATTACHMENTS:** Exclusive Right -to-Sell Contract with Broker and List of Sold Properties

**CITY OF WYANDOTTE REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION  
MEETING DATE: February 9, 2015 AGENDA ITEM #2**

**ITEM:** Oppose the further permissible reduction in train crews to a single operating engineer as advocated by the Association of American Railroads (AAR)

**PRESENTER:** Mark A. Kowalewski, City Engineer

**INDIVIDUALS IN ATTENDANCE:** Mark A. Kowalewski, City Engineer

**BACKGROUND:** The City of Wyandotte has within its corporate boundaries multiple rail crossings which, when blocked by moving trains, cause enormous traffic problems, disrupting the community and its transit needs with respect to schools, reporting times for work shifts and emergency response and transport to local hospitals. Such crossing blockages become even more aggravated and protracted when they result from personal issues or rail equipment problems such as Engine and Gate malfunctions, car derailments, and traffic collisions. Resolving such problems has become exacerbated as the size of trains has grown while the size of rail crews operating trains and available to address such situations as they arise, has diminished.

The Association of American Railroads (AAR) is advocating to reduce train crews to a single operating engineer and I recommend the City Council object to said changes by supporting the attached resolution.

**STRATEGIC PLAN/GOALS:** We are committed to enhancing the community's quality of life.

ACTION REQUESTED: Council concur with the proposed resolution.

BUDGET IMPLICATIONS & ACCOUNT NUMBER: n/a

IMPLEMENTATION PLAN:

COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION: n/a

CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S RECOMMENDATION: TDrysdale

LEGAL COUNSEL'S RECOMMENDATION:

MAYOR'S RECOMMENDATION: Joseph R. Peterson

LIST OF ATTACHMENTS: Trenton Resolution

CITY OF WYANDOTTE REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

MEETING DATE: February 9, 2015 AGENDA ITEM #3

ITEM: DEMOLITIONS BIDS FOR 316 CLARK – 1251 6TH – 230 OAK

PRESENTER: Mark A. Kowalewski, City Engineer

INDIVIDUALS IN ATTENDANCE: Mark A. Kowalewski, City Engineer

BACKGROUND:

The City of Wyandotte has closed on the purchases of the above properties. As directed by City Council the Engineering Department obtained bids for the demolition of the above properties (See Attached City Resolutions).

Bids were requested and received for 316 Clark, 1251 6th Street, and 230 Oak. Pro Excavation was determined to be the most qualified bid (See attached bids).

STRATEGIC PLAN/GOALS: Fostering the maintenance and development of stable and vibrant neighborhoods.

ACTION REQUESTED: Adopt a resolution concurring with the City Engineer selecting Pro Excavation as the contractor of record.

BUDGET IMPLICATIONS & ACCOUNT NUMBER: Expense the work from Account No. 492-200-850519 and 284-200-850-560 for the properties.

IMPLEMENTATION PLAN: Pro Excavation will be directed to begin demolition.

COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION:

CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S RECOMMENDATION: TDrysdale

LEGAL COUNSEL'S RECOMMENDATION: n/a

MAYOR'S RECOMMENDATION: Joseph R. Peterson

LIST OF ATTACHMENTS:

Council Resolutions  
Summary of bids for demolition.

Communication from the City Engineer submitting an application for rezoning of property at 21 ½ Walnut on behalf of Gail Rademacher.

CITY OF WYANDOTTE REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

MEETING DATE: February 9, 2015 AGENDA ITEM #5

ITEM: Subscription Yard Waste Collection - 2015

PRESENTER: Mark A. Kowalewski, City Engineer

INDIVIDUALS IN ATTENDANCE: Mark A. Kowalewski, City Engineer

BACKGROUND: The Solid Waste Contract with Waste Management has an option to provide Curbside Yard Waste Collection at \$81.04/season. The Department of Public Service has been performing this collection for four (4) years at a lower cost to the subscribers. I recommend that the Department of Public Service continue to provide this service at a cost of \$59.00/season or \$1.74/week. This is a four (\$4.00) dollar increase of the rate from last year. See attached Yard Waste Report. This service will start the week of April 13th and continue until the week of November 30, 2015. In the 2014 Season the City had 648 Subscribers to this program.

Any Resident interested in this program should complete a Curbside Yard Waste Application available on our website at [www.wyandotte.net](http://www.wyandotte.net) under the Department of Public Service.

STRATEGIC PLAN/GOALS: n/a

ACTION REQUESTED: Concur with fee of \$59.00/season or \$1.74/week.

BUDGET IMPLICATIONS & ACCOUNT NUMBER: This is a budgeted item in the 2014-2015 Budget.

IMPLEMENTATION PLAN: Once approved, a notice will be placed on the Information Channel that there is open enrollment. Last year's customers will be sent a renewal notice.

COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION: N/A

CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S RECOMMENDATION: TDrysdale

LEGAL COUNSEL'S RECOMMENDATION: N/A

MAYOR'S RECOMMENDATION: Joseph R. Peterson

LIST OF ATTACHMENTS: Yard Waste Report January 2014

CITY OF WYANDOTTE REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

MEETING DATE: February 9, 2015 AGENDA ITEM #6

ITEM: Wayne County Sponsored Household Hazardous Waste Collection

PRESENTER: Mark A. Kowalewski, City Engineer

INDIVIDUALS IN ATTENDANCE: Mark A. Kowalewski, City Engineer

BACKGROUND: Wayne County sponsors a Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day five (5) times a year. They will be holding them on the following days:

Saturday, April 4, 2015, at Romulus Civic Center

Saturday, May 2, 2015, at Flat Rock Community Fields

Saturday, June 20, 2015, at Henry Ford College

Saturday, August 15, 2015, at Westland Shopping Center

Saturday, October 10, 2015, at Wayne County Community College District, Downriver Campus

Hours are from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. This collection is opened to Wayne County Residents Only. There is no fee to participate. Attached is a list of what is acceptable items.

STRATEGIC PLAN/GOALS: We are committed to protect and manage our natural resources vigorously.

ACTION REQUESTED: Concur in participation

BUDGET IMPLICATIONS & ACCOUNT NUMBER: n/a

IMPLEMENTATION PLAN: Post notice of Household Hazardous Waste Collection on City's website and cable.

COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION: n/a

CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S RECOMMENDATION: TDrysdale

LEGAL COUNSEL'S RECOMMENDATION: n/a

MAYOR'S RECOMMENDATION:



January 27, 2015

Mayor and City Council City of Wyandotte  
3200 Biddle Avenue Wyandotte, MI 48192

Dear Honorable Mayor and City Council Members:

SUBJECT: TRAFFIC CONTROL ORDER 2015-01

After review, the Traffic Bureau and Officer Zalewski recommend the installation of "Handicap Parking Signs" in front of 292 2nd ., Wyandotte, MI 48192. This request met all the qualifications set forth by the Commission; therefore, in concurrence with Officer Zalewski, this letter serves as a recommendation for Council support of Traffic Control Order 2015-01 as specified on said order.

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

Sincerely,

Daniel J. Grant, Chief of Police

January 27, 2015

Mayor and City Council City of Wyandotte  
3200 Biddle Avenue Wyandotte, MI 48192

Dear Honorable Mayor and City Council Members:

SUBJECT: TRAFFIC CONTROL ORDER 2015-02

After review, the Traffic Bureau and Officer Camilleri recommend the installation of "Handicap Parking Signs" in front of 404 Walnut St., Apt. 3 ., Wyandotte, MI 48192. This request met all the qualifications set forth by the Commission; therefore, in concurrence with Officer Camilleri, this letter serves as a recommendation for Council support of Traffic Control Order 2015-02 as specified on said order.

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

Sincerely,

Daniel J. Grant Chief of Police

CITY OF WYANDOTTE REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION  
MEETING DATE: February 9, 2015 AGENDA ITEM #8A

ITEM: Wyandotte Street Art Fair Marketing Contract

PRESENTER: Heather A. Thiede, Special Events Coordinator

INDIVIDUALS IN ATTENDANCE: Heather A. Thiede, Special Events Coordinator

BACKGROUND, The Special Event Coordinator is currently planning our special events for 2015. As you know, public relations are integral to the success of our special events. As a result, we seek to once again contract with Drumbeaters to provide additional public relations support. Please find attached a contract with Drumbeaters to provide promotional assistance for the 2015 Wyandotte Street Art Fair. Matt Lee, owner of Drumbeaters, has been doing media advance for the last 13 years and has worked with the Wyandotte Street Art Fair for the last 4. Today, his company provides services to over 100 events, such as The Detroit International Jazz Festival, The Detroit Festival of the Arts, Motor City Casino and The Mitch Albom Show.

Drumbeaters will provide the Wyandotte Street Art Fair committee and staff with activity reports tracking his work starting in early-March. Mr. Lee will receive \$3,500 for his assistance with this year's fair. This fee will be paid from the Street Art Fair Expense account.

Working with Mr. Lee has given us the opportunity to promote our fair to television stations that we were unable to reach in the past. Matt's knowledge and experience will benefit, not only the 2015 fair, but all special events for years to come.

STRATEGIC PLAN/GOALS: The City of Wyandotte hosts several quality of life events throughout the year. These events serve to purpose the goals of the City of Wyandotte by bringing our community together with citizen participation and supporting the local businesses and non-profit organizations

ACTION REQUESTED: We request authorization for the Mayor or city clerk to sign and return original contract to the Special Event Coordinator.

BUDGET IMPLICATIONS & ACCOUNT NUMBER:

WSAF Expense Account – 285-225-925-730-860 - \$3500

IMPLEMENTATION PLAN: The resolutions and all necessary documents will be forwarded to the Special Event Coordinator.

COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION: N/A

CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S RECOMMENDATION: TDrysdale

LEGAL COUNSEL'S RECOMMENDATION: Concurs with recommendation, signature on file.

MAYOR'S RECOMMENDATION: JRP

LIST OF ATTACHMENTS: 2015 Drumbeaters Contract

CITY OF WYANDOTTE REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION  
MEETING DATE: February 9, 2015 AGENDA ITEM #8B

ITEM: Special Event Application – WSAF Entertainment Contract

PRESENTER: Heather A. Thiede, Special Events Coordinator

INDIVIDUALS IN ATTENDANCE: Heather A. Thiede, Special Events Coordinator

BACKGROUND: Herewith, please find the entertainment contract assembled and recommended by my office for the 2015 Wyandotte Street Art Fair.

Larry Lee and Back in the Day- \$2,400

STRATEGIC PLAN/GOALS: The City of Wyandotte hosts several quality of life events throughout the year. These events serve to purpose the goals of the City of Wyandotte by bringing our community together with citizen participation and supporting the local businesses and non-profit organizations.

ACTION REQUESTED: Adopt a resolution to concur with the above recommendation and authorize Mayor Peterson or William Griggs, City Clerk to sign the attached contracts.

BUDGET IMPLICATIONS & ACCOUNT NUMBER: 285.225.925.730.860 - \$2,400

IMPLEMENTATION PLAN: Contract to be signed by Mayor Joseph R. Peterson or William Griggs, City Clerk to be returned to Heather A. Thiede for implementation.

COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION: N/A

CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S RECOMMENDATION: TDrysdale

LEGAL COUNSEL'S RECOMMENDATION: Concurs with recommendation, signature on file.

MAYOR'S RECOMMENDATION: JRP

LIST OF ATTACHMENTS: Larry Lee Contract

CITY OF WYANDOTTE REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION  
MEETING DATE: February 9, 2015 AGENDA ITEM #8C

ITEM: Special Event Application – Light the Night

PRESENTER: Heather A. Thiede, Special Events Coordinator

INDIVIDUALS IN ATTENDANCE: Heather Thiede, Special Events Coordinator

BACKGROUND: Attached please find the Special Event Application from the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society to hold their Light the Night Walk in Wyandotte, Saturday, October 3rd 2015 at Bishop Park. This event has been reviewed and approved by Police Chief, and Recreation Superintendent provided the group add the City of Wyandotte as additional insured to their insurance policy and sign a hold harmless agreement. (Please see the attached application and information sheets).

STRATEGIC PLAN/GOALS: The City of Wyandotte hosts several quality of life events throughout the Year. These events serve to purpose the goals of the City of Wyandotte by bringing our community together with citizen participation and supporting the local businesses and non-profit organizations.

ACTION REQUESTED: It is requested the City Council concur with the support of the Chief of Police, Fire Chief, and Recreation Superintendent and support the use of city sidewalks and property for their event held October 3rd 2015.

BUDGET IMPLICATIONS & ACCOUNT NUMBER: N/A

IMPLEMENTATION PLAN: The resolutions and all necessary documents will be forwarded to the Chief of Police, Department of Public Service, Recreation, Fire Department and Special Event Coordinator.

COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION: N/A

CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S RECOMMENDATION: TDrysdale

LEGAL COUNSEL'S RECOMMENDATION: Concurs with recommendation, signature on file.

MAYOR'S RECOMMENDATION: JRP

LIST OF ATTACHMENTS: Special Event Application – Light the Night

CITY OF WYANDOTTE REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION  
MEETING DATE: February 9, 2015 AGENDA ITEM #8D

ITEM: Special Event Application – Wyandotte Business Association

PRESENTER: Heather A. Thiede, Special Events Coordinator

INDIVIDUALS IN ATTENDANCE: Heather Thiede, Special Events Co

BACKGROUND: Below please find the requested dates for streets/property the Wyandotte Business Association (WBA) would like to utilize for their Third Friday and special events. The WBA is asking permission for the following items: (see attached Special Event applications for details)

February 20th 2015

Permission to utilize city sidewalks - Ice Sculptures/metal stands to remain a few days on site  
Permission to utilize the Theatre Lot

March 20th 2015

Permission to utilize city sidewalks/property

April 17th 2015

Permission to utilize city sidewalks/property

May 15th and 16th 2015

Permission to close Sycamore west of Biddle Avenue to Third Street at 1 pm - Reopen at Midnight

Permission to utilize city property - Grassy area near City Hall - Parking Lot section at Yack Arena

Permission to utilize city sidewalks

June 19th 2015

Permission to close Elm Street east of Biddle Avenue to alley at 1 pm - Reopen after stage is removed

Permission to utilize city property/sidewalks

July 17th 2015

Request to close First Street between Theatre Lot and Elm Street at 1 pm to reopen at 11 pm

Request to close Elm Street between First Street and Alley at 1 pm to reopen at 11 pm

Permission to utilize Theatre Lot

Permission to utilize sidewalks/city property

August 21st 2015

All streets to close at 1 pm and reopen at midnight

Request to close Biddle Avenue between Oak and Eureka Road

Request to close Sycamore from Biddle to Alley - East

Request to close Maple from Biddle to Alley - East

Request to close Elam to Biddle to Alley - East

Request to close Sycamore and Biddle to just past Tossed and Found

Request to close Maple from Biddle to just past the Sushi Bar location

Request to close Elm from Biddle to the Alley - West

Request to close First Street behind Chelsea's Menswear

All roads should be closed with signs no later than 1 pm

September 18th 2015



Roads closed at 1 pm and reopened at midnight  
 Request to close Biddle Avenue between Oak and Eureka Road  
 Request to close Sycamore from Biddle to Alley - East  
 Request to close Maple from Biddle to Alley - East  
 Request to close Elam to Biddle to Alley - East  
 Request to close Sycamore and Biddle to just past Tossed and Found  
 Request to close Maple from Biddle to just past the Sushi Bar location  
 Request to close Elm from Biddle to the Alley - West  
 Request to close First Street behind Chelsea's Menswear

October 16th 2015

Roads to close at 1 pm and to reopen after stage is removed  
 Request to close First Street between Oak and Elm Street  
 Request to close Elm Street between First Street and Alley  
 Permission to utilize Theatre Lot /city property/sidewalks

November 20th 2015

Permission to utilize city property/sidewalks  
 No event details as of 1/27/2015

December 18th 2015

Permission to utilize city property/sidewalks  
 No event details as of 1/27/2015

If there are any costs for any city staff/material/property for said event, the WBA will be responsible for those fees no later than 30 days after said event date. Any tents on the street or sidewalk 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 WBA. This means any glass, spills; broken items will need to be cleaned during the event. The WBA must add the City of Wyandotte as additional insured to their insurance policy and sign a hold harmless agreement. Any requests made after this letter is reviewed and approved will be evaluated by the Special Events Coordinator and necessary Department Heads for approval/denial (Please see the attached applications).

**STRATEGIC PLAN/GOALS:** The City of Wyandotte hosts several quality of life events throughout the year. These events serve to purpose the goals of the City of Wyandotte by bringing our community together with citizen participation and supporting the local businesses and non-profit organizations.

**ACTION REQUESTED:** It is requested the City Council concur with the support of the Special Event Coordinator, Police Chief, Recreation Superintendent, Fire Chief and Department of Public Service Superintendent and support the use of city streets, sidewalks and property for their events held.

**BUDGET IMPLICATIONS & ACCOUNT NUMBER:** N/A

**IMPLEMENTATION PLAN:** The resolutions and all necessary documents will be forwarded to the Chief of Police, Department of Public Service, Recreation, Fire Department and Special Event Coordinator.

**COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION:** N/A

**CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S RECOMMENDATION:** TDrysdale

**LEGAL COUNSEL'S RECOMMENDATION:** Concurs with recommendation, signature on file.

**MAYOR'S RECOMMENDATION:** jrp

**LIST OF ATTACHMENTS**

Special Event Application and information sheet

## CITY OF WYANDOTTE REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

MEETING DATE: February 9, 2015 AGENDA ITEM #9

ITEM: Special Assessment District (SAD #940)

PRESENTER: Mark Kowalewski – City Engineer

INDIVIDUALS IN ATTENDANCE: n/a

BACKGROUND: In accordance with Chapter XIV - Subdivision No. 2, Paragraph 222, Section 14 of the City Charter, sidewalk repairs have been made to public walks within the City and the cost of said repairs should be charged against the abutting properties. The area of this work was 15th Street to Fort Street from Oak Street to Ford Avenue.

STRATEGIC PLAN/GOALS: Fostering the maintenance and development of stable and vibrant neighborhoods.

ACTION REQUESTED: Refer to the City Clerk to schedule a Special Assessment Hearing.

BUDGET IMPLICATIONS & ACCOUNT NUMBER: Said costs shall be paid by the abutting property owners. This is a budgeted program, Account No. 249-450-825-461. Total Spent - \$182,365.73 Total Assessed - \$142,462.58 Total Un-assessed (City) - \$52,854.29

IMPLEMENTATION PLAN: Costs of the work shall be paid by the property owners within 5 years beginning in July of 2015.

COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION: NA

CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S RECOMMENDATION: TDRYSDALE

LEGAL COUNSEL'S RECOMMENDATION:

MAYOR'S RECOMMENDATION. 

LIST OF ATTACHMENTS: Assessment Roll.

PRESENTATION OF PETITION

PETITION TO REQUEST TO BARRICADE ALLEY NEXT TO 1835-23RD  
WYANDOTTE, MICHIGAN

January 29, 2015

To The Honorable Mayor and City Council Members

Subject: Barricade Alley next to our Home (one small section only)

We, James Prizza and Jeri Schuchert, property owners of 1835 23rd Street, Wyandotte, Mich. 48192, would like to request our back/side alley next to our property, in the rear, to be barricaded. The alley serves as our driveway and allows us entrance into our garage which faces the alley. On the other side of the alley are two homes, their garages do not abut up to the alley; therefore, they do not need the alley to access their garages. We have spoken to these two home owners and they have agreed to this barricade (signatures attached). We would like your approval to barricade the alley at the side/back of our property only (diagram attached). We would then continue to enter the alley from 23rd street. All or any municipalities would also have easy access. Currently, there is a lack of street parking available to us; several families have more than one vehicle which takes up all the parking on our street. Also last year, several break-in's occurred surrounding our home. There is never any traffic through this alley, so that concern is null. We do occasionally see kids walking through to dump garbage or stroll through, other than that, we like to barricade this. There is a pit bull dog that constantly gets out next door to us and finds his way into our yard, this would elevate that issue. We currently care for the alley, i.e. snow removal, debris removal and recently we added stones and flowers to make it more appealing. We would deeply appreciate your consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jeri Lynn Schuchert

James Prizza, Homeowners, 1835 23<sup>rd</sup>, Wyandotte MI 48192

CITY OF WYANDOTTE REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION  
MEETING DATE: February 9, 2015 AGENDA ITEM #PETITION

ITEM: Alley Closing — South of Davis St. between 23rd St. and 22nd St.

PRESENTER: Mark A. Kowalewski, City Engineer

INDIVIDUALS IN ATTENDANCE: Mark A. Kowalewski, City Engineer

**BACKGROUND:**

Council has received a letter and petition from Jeri Lynn Schuchert and James Prizza, 1835 23rd St., requesting that a barricade be placed in the alley south of Davis St. between 23rd St. and 22nd St. The request is to place the barricade along the extension of the rear property line of 1835 23rd St., closing off thru traffic from 231d to 22nd. Three of the five properties abutting this alley signed the petition.

A review of the alley indicates that no other abutting property owners have garages that open to the alley except the party requesting the closing. There are no utility structures or poles that would not be accessible from either side of a barricade, and the north/south "T" alley parallel to 23rd and 22nd would be assessable from 22nd and at the south end from the alley north of Ford Ave. Only one property abutting the alley, 2221 Davis, has a personal access gate opening to the alley, which use and access would not be compromised by the closing of the alley.

**STRATEGIC PLAN/GOALS:**

This proposal to close the alley is consistent with the Goals and Objectives of the City of Wyandotte Strategic Plan in the continuing effort to enhance the quality of life for residents and the maintenance of infrastructure.

**ACTION REQUESTED:**

Approve the closing of the alley and authorize the installation of a barricade.

**BUDGET IMPLICATIONS & ACCOUNT NUMBER:**

Cost of providing and installing a barricade would be paid for from DPS funds.

**IMPLEMENTATION PLAN:**

Direct the DPS to install a barricade in the alley as requested by the petitioner.

**CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S RECOMMENDATION:** Drysdale

**LEGAL COUNSEL'S RECOMMENDATION:**

**MAYOR'S RECOMMENDATION:** Joseph R. Peterson

**LIST OF ATTACHMENTS:** Proposed Resolution

**REPORTS AND MINUTES:**

Daily Cash Receipts from Finance dated	January 29, 2015	\$1,947.65
Daily Cash Receipts from Finance dated	February 4, 2015	\$1,854.00
Daily Cash Receipts from Finance dated	February 5, 2015	\$179,270.12
Zoning Board of Appeals & Adjustments	January 7, 2015	
Recreation Commission	January 13, 2015	
Municipal Service Commission	January 21, 2015	
Fire Commission	December 16, 2014	
Downtown Development Authority	January 13, 2015	

**CITIZENS PARTICIPATION**

None

RECESS

RECONVENING

ROLL CALL

Present: Councilpersons Fricke, Galeski, Miciura, Sabuda, Schultz, Stec

Absent: None

HEARING

FINAL HEARING RELATIVE TO THE PROPOSED  
PROJECTS AS RECOMMENDED BY THE CITY ENGINEER  
FOR THE 2015 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM

No Comments

RESOLUTIONS

Wyandotte, Michigan February 9, 2015

RESOLUTION by Councilperson Lawrence S. Stec

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 Lawrence S. Stec  
Supported by Councilperson Sheri M. Fricke  
ROLL ATTACHED

Wyandotte, Michigan February 9, 2015

RESOLUTION by Councilperson Lawrence S. Stec

RESOLVED by the City Council that the communication from Michael G. Taurence, Wyandotte Postmaster complimenting the Department of Public Service Employees and the Citizens of Wyandotte for their efforts relative to clearing the snow from sidewalks and streets during the recent snow storm is hereby received and placed on file with a copy forwarded to the Department of Public Service.

I move the adoption of the foregoing resolution.  
MOTION by Councilperson Lawrence S. Stec  
Supported by Councilperson Sheri M. Fricke  
ROLL ATTACHED

Wyandotte, Michigan February 9, 2015

RESOLUTION by Councilperson Lawrence S. Stec

RESOLVED by the City Council that the communication submitted by the City Engineer relative to the City's Buildable Vacant Lots is hereby referred back to the City Engineer and City Attorney for review of and possible re-writing of the resolution for clarification regarding the sale of lots.

I move the adoption of the foregoing resolution.  
MOTION by Councilperson Lawrence S. Stec  
Supported by Councilperson Sheri M. Fricke  
YEAS: Councilmembers Fricke, Galeski, Miciura, Sabuda, Schultz, Stec  
NAYS: None

Wyandotte, Michigan February 9, 2015

RESOLUTION by Councilperson Lawrence S. Stec

WHEREAS, the CITY OF WYANDOTTE, Michigan ("City") has within its corporate boundaries multiple rail crossings which, when blocked by moving trains, cause enormous traffic problems, disrupting the community and its transit needs with respect to schools, reporting times for work shifts and emergency response and transport to local hospitals; and WHEREAS, such crossing blockages become even more aggravated and protracted when they result from personal issues or rail equipment problems such as Engine and Gate malfunctions, car derailments, and traffic collisions; and WHEREAS, resolving such problems has become exacerbated as the size of trains have grown while the size of rail crews operating trains and available to address such situations as they arise, has diminished. NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the City of Wyandotte does hereby petition Canadian National Railway (CN), the Surface Transportation Board (STB) in Washington, DC., the National Safety Transportation Board and those Members of the US House of Representatives and the US Senate, representing the downriver communities of Michigan, the Downriver Community Conference (DCC) and the Southeast Michigan Council of Governments (SEMCOG) to oppose the further permissible reduction in train crews to a single operating engineer as advocated by the Association of American Railroads (AAR); and BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and City Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute and immediately deliver this Resolution of the City of Wyandotte to the persons and entities identified above.

I move the adoption of the foregoing resolution.

MOTION by Councilperson Lawrence S. Stec

Supported by Councilperson Sheri M. Fricke

YEAS: Councilmembers Fricke, Miciura, Sabuda, Schultz, Stec

NAYS: Councilperson Galeski

Wyandotte, Michigan February 9, 2015

RESOLUTION by Councilperson Lawrence S. Stec

RESOLVED by the City Council that Council CONCURS with the City Engineer in the acceptance of Pro Excavation's bid of \$21,800 for the demolition of 316 Clark and 1251-6th Street from account # 492-200-850-519 and \$10,000 for 230 Oak from account # 284-200-850-560.

I move the adoption of the foregoing resolution.

MOTION by Councilperson Lawrence S. Stec

Supported by Councilperson Sheri M. Fricke

YEAS: Councilmembers Fricke, Galeski, Miciura, Sabuda, Schultz, Stec

NAYS: None

Wyandotte, Michigan February 9, 2015

RESOLUTION by Councilperson Lawrence S. Stec

RESOLVED by the City Council that the rezoning application submitted by the City Engineer on behalf of Gail Rademacher to rezone the property located at 21 ½ Walnut from recreational to one family residential is hereby referred to the Planning Commission.

I move the adoption of the foregoing resolution.

MOTION by Councilperson Lawrence S. Stec

Supported by Councilperson Sheri M. Fricke

YEAS: Councilmembers Fricke, Galeski, Miciura, Sabuda, Schultz, Stec

NAYS: None

Wyandotte, Michigan February 9, 2015

RESOLUTION by Councilperson Lawrence S. Stec

RESOLVED by the City Council that Council CONCURS with the recommendation of the City Engineer regarding the Curbside Yard Waste Subscription and APPROVES the Department of Public Service to provide Subscription Yard Waste Collection for 2015 at a cost of \$59.00 for the 2015 Season; AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Engineering Department will place a notice on cable and the City web-site to inform residents of open enrollment; AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that residents interested in this program should complete a Curbside Yard Waste Application available at [www.wyandotte.net](http://www.wyandotte.net) under the Department of Public Service tab.

I move the adoption of the foregoing resolution.

MOTION by Councilperson Lawrence S. Stec

Supported by Councilperson Sheri M. Fricke

YEAS: Councilmembers Fricke, Galeski, Miciura, Sabuda, Schultz, Stec

NAYS: None

Wyandotte, Michigan February 9, 2015

RESOLUTION by Councilperson Lawrence S. Stec

RESOLVED by the City Council that the communication from the City Engineer regarding the Household Hazardous Waste Collection dates and locations are hereby received and placed on file. AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Council directs that said notices be posted to the City's website and on the information cable channel.

I move the adoption of the foregoing resolution.

MOTION by Councilperson Lawrence S. Stec

Supported by Councilperson Sheri M. Fricke

YEAS: Councilmembers Fricke, Galeski, Miciura, Sabuda, Schultz, Stec

NAYS: None

Wyandotte, Michigan February 9, 2015

RESOLUTION by Councilperson Lawrence S. Stec

RESOLVED by the City Council that Council CONCURS in the Traffic Control Order 2015-01 as set forth by the Chief of Police, Traffic Bureau and Police and Fire Commission for the placement of "Handicap Parking Signs" in front of 292-2nd Street; AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Public Service be directed to install same.

I move the adoption of the foregoing resolution.

MOTION by Councilperson Lawrence S. Stec

Supported by Councilperson Sheri M. Fricke

YEAS: Councilmembers Fricke, Galeski, Miciura, Sabuda, Schultz, Stec

NAYS: None

Wyandotte, Michigan February 9, 2015

RESOLUTION by Councilperson Lawrence S. Stec

RESOLVED by the City Council that Council CONCURS in the Traffic Control Order 2015-02 as set forth by the Chief of Police, Traffic Bureau and Police and Fire Commission for the placement of "Handicap Parking Signs" in front of 404 Walnut Street; Apt # 3; AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Public Service be directed to install same.

I move the adoption of the foregoing resolution.

MOTION by Councilperson Lawrence S. Stec

Supported by Councilperson Sheri M. Fricke

YEAS: Councilmembers Fricke, Miciura, Galeski, Sabuda, Schultz, Stec

NAYS: None

Wyandotte, Michigan February 9, 2015

RESOLUTION by Councilperson Lawrence S. Stec

RESOLVED by the City Council that Council CONCURS with the recommendation of the Special Event Coordinator and hereby APPROVES the contract with Matt Lee/Drumbeaters in the amount of \$3,500 from account # 285-225-925-730-860 for marketing of the 2015 Wyandotte Street Art Fair.

I move the adoption of the foregoing resolution.

MOTION by Councilperson Lawrence S. Stec

Supported by Councilperson Sheri M. Fricke

YEAS: Councilmembers Fricke, Miciura, Galeski, Sabuda, Schultz, Stec

NAYS: None

Wyandotte, Michigan February 9, 2015

RESOLUTION by Councilperson Lawrence S. Stec

RESOLVED by the City Council that Council CONCURS with the recommendation of the Special Event Coordinator and hereby APPROVES the entertainment contract with Larry Lee and Back in the Day in the amount of \$2,400 from account # 285-225-925-730-860 for services rendered during the Wyandotte Street Art Fair on Friday, July 10, 2015 from 9:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.

I move the adoption of the foregoing resolution.

MOTION by Councilperson Lawrence S. Stec

Supported by Councilperson Sheri M. Fricke

YEAS: Councilmembers Fricke, Galeski, Miciura, Sabuda, Schultz, Stec

NAYS: None

Wyandotte, Michigan February 9, 2015

RESOLUTION by Councilperson Lawrence S. Stec

RESOLVED by the City Council that Council CONCURS with the recommendation of the Special Event Coordinator, Fire Chief, Police Chief and Recreation Superintendent to approve the use of city sidewalks and property for the Special Event Light the Night to take place on October 3, 2015.

I move the adoption of the foregoing resolution.

MOTION by Councilperson Lawrence S. Stec

Supported by Councilperson Sheri M. Fricke

YEAS: Councilmembers Fricke, Galeski, Miciura, Sabuda, Schultz, Stec

NAYS: None

Wyandotte, Michigan February 9, 2015

RESOLUTION by Councilperson Lawrence S. Stec

RESOLVED by the City Council that Council CONCURS with the recommendation of the Special Event Coordinator to approve the use of city sidewalks, streets and property for the events held February 20, March 20th, April 17th, May 15th, May 16th, June 19th, July 17th, August 21st, September 18th, October 16th, November 20th and December 18th, 2015. AND FURTHER Council APPROVES the request of the Special Event Coordinator to close Biddle Avenue from Oak to Eureka for the events that will take place on August 21st, 2015 and September 18th, 2015 including other road closures as listed in said communication starting 12:00 noon until 12:00 midnight with north and southbound traffic to be rerouted on Third Street with detours at Oak Street and Eureka all truck traffic to be rerouted to M-85 (Fort Street) via Eureka or Ford (Northline) AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chief of Police is directed to apply to the Wayne County Office of Public Service for a road closing permit for August 21st and September 18, 2015 and further is hereby authorized and directed to sign said permit. AND FURTHER THE City of Wyandotte assumes responsibility for all damage claims which may arise from the road closing and FURTHER the Fire Department is to be notified to reroute emergency vehicles.

I move the adoption of the foregoing resolution.

MOTION by Councilperson Lawrence S. Stec

Supported by Councilperson Sheri M. Fricke

YEAS: Councilmembers Fricke Galeski Miciura Sabuda Schultz Stec

NAYS: None

Wyandotte, Michigan February 9, 2015

RESOLUTION by Councilperson Lawrence S. Stec

RESOLVED by the City Council that the sidewalk repair costs as reported by the City Engineer are hereby referred to the City Clerk to schedule a Special Assessment Hearing for SAD # 940.

I move the adoption of the foregoing resolution.

MOTION by Councilperson Lawrence S. Stec

Supported by Councilperson Sheri M. Fricke

YEAS: Councilmembers Fricke, Galeski, Miciura, Sabuda, Schultz, Stec

NAYS: None

Wyandotte, Michigan February 9, 2015

RESOLUTION by Councilperson Lawrence S. Stec

RESOLVED by the City Council that the petition and communication from James Prisza and Jeri Schuchert, 1835-23rd Street relative to the request to barricade the alley is hereby received and placed on file.

I move the adoption of the foregoing resolution.

MOTION by Councilperson Lawrence S. Stec

Supported by Councilperson Sheri M. Fricke

ROLL ATTACHED



Wyandotte, Michigan February 9, 2015

RESOLUTION by Councilperson Lawrence S. Stec

RESOLVED by the City Council that the communication and recommendation from the City Engineer relative to the request to barricade the alley is received and placed on file. FURTHER, the request of Jeri Lynn Schuchert and James Prizza, 1835-23rd Street is hereby APPROVED and the alley south of Davis Street between 23rd Street and 22nd Street is hereby closed to thru traffic. Further, the DPS will install a barricade in the alley in line with the extension of the rear property line of 1835-23rd and place a "Closed Alley" sign at the entrance to the alley at 23rd Street.

I move the adoption of the foregoing resolution.

MOTION by Councilperson Lawrence S. Stec

Supported by Councilperson Sheri M. Fricke

YEAS: Councilmembers Fricke, Galeski, Miciura, Sabuda, Schultz, Stec

NAYS: None

Wyandotte, Michigan February 9, 2015

RESOLUTION by Councilperson Lawrence S. Stec

RESOLVED by the City Council that Council held the public hearing on February 9, 2015, to hear comments and on the projects as recommended by the City Engineer for the 2015 Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG); AND WHEREAS the City received NO comments; AND NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Council hereby APPROVES the following projects for the 2015 Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG):

LOCATION BY CENSUS TRACT/BLOCK GROUP	ACTIVITY	AMOUNT
Streets located in "Income Qualified Areas"	Street Improvements: Repair inadequate portions of concrete and asphalt pavement and curbs	\$ 118,099
Pennsylvania to North Drive Biddle to Fort	Public Service: Youth Assistance	\$ 12,712
Pennsylvania to North Drive Biddle to Fort	Housing Rehabilitation	\$ 20,000
	Administration	\$ 16,756
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$167,567</b>

I move the adoption of the foregoing resolution.

MOTION by Councilperson Lawrence S. Stec

Supported by Councilperson Sheri M. Fricke

YEAS: Councilmembers Fricke, Galeski, Miciura, Sabuda, Schultz, Stec

NAYS: None

Wyandotte, Michigan February 9, 2015

RESOLUTION by Councilperson Lawrence S. Stec

RESOLVED by the City Council that the Council Meetings of Monday, February 16, 2015 and Monday February 23, 2015 are hereby CANCELLED due to the President's Day Holiday and Special School Bond Election on February 24, 2015.

I move the adoption of the foregoing resolution.

MOTION by Councilperson Lawrence S. Stec

Supported by Councilperson Sheri M. Fricke

YEAS: Councilmembers Fricke Galeski Miciura Sabuda Schultz Stec

NAYS: None

Wyandotte, Michigan February 9, 2015

RESOLUTION by Councilperson Lawrence S. Stec

RESOLVED by the City Council that the Department of Legal Affairs has expressed a desire to meet in closed session to discuss pending litigation. 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 Lawrence S. Stec

Supported by Councilperson Sheri M. Fricke

YEAS: Councilmembers Fricke, Galeski, Miciura, Sabuda, Schultz, Stec

NAYS: None

Wyandotte, Michigan February 9, 2015

RESOLUTION by Councilperson Lawrence S. Stec

RESOLVED by the City Council that the total bills and accounts in the amount of \$1,142,976.33 as presented by the Mayor and City Clerk are hereby APPROVED for payment.

I move the adoption of the foregoing resolution.

MOTION by Councilperson Lawrence S. Stec

Supported by Councilperson Sheri M. Fricke

YEAS: Councilmembers Fricke Galeski Miciura Sabuda Schultz Stec

NAYS: None

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Councilperson Lawrence S. Stec

Supported by Councilperson Sheri M. Fricke

That we adjourn.

Carried unanimously

Adjourned at 8:27 PM

February 9, 2015

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William R. Griggs, City Clerk