



Minutes - July 17th 2006

Wyandotte, Michigan July 17, 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

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

RESOLVED by the City Council that the communication from the Assistant City Engineer and Department of Legal Affairs dated June 22, 2006 relative to the request to grant an additional three (3) weeks for a response to the bidding procedures for Wyandotte-based businesses is hereby granted. (Due July 17, 2006)

PERSONS IN THE AUDIENCE

Dave Roberts, 1473 – 20th, regarding daughter playing softball and swat team exited a white van. Daughter and baseball team frightened. Bust was not timed well. FOP Park. Not Wyandotte Police Swat Team. Wyandotte Police were not notified of said bust. This cannot happen again. Jefferson School PTO, traffic is a problem, running stop signs, etc. Requests a guard, etc.

Russell Skitch, 2037 – 22nd, Commander, Seaway Boat Club, requests Council help keep end of Perry Place closed off to fisherman.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITY AND OTHER OFFICIALS

July 7, 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 2006-12

The Police Administration received a recommendation from the Traffic Bureau for approval of the installation of "Handicap Parking" signs at 1828 Lindbergh, Wyandotte, Michigan. Concluding review of this request, and in concurrence with the Traffic Sergeant Pouliot's recommendation, this letter serves as a recommendation for Council approval of Traffic Control Order 2006-12 as specified on said order.

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

Sincerely,
Bobie Heck, Chief of Police

(382)
July 11, 2006
The Honorable Mayor James R. DeSana and City Council Members
3131 Biddle Avenue, Wyandotte, Michigan 48192

Dear Mayor DeSana and City Council Members,

Listed below is an explanation of the need to have a budget hearing regarding the property tax millage rate

to be levied to support the proposed General City Operating Budget. These rates will defray the City's operating costs for the upcoming Fiscal Year ending September 30, 2007.

1. In accordance with the requirements under the Headlee Amendment, the millage rate for City operating purposes will be \$14.5704 per thousand dollars of Taxable Value (\$12.0538 for City Operating and \$2.5166 for refuse disposal).
2. The public hearing to discuss the proposed operating millage rates for the 2007 Fiscal Year will be held on July 24, 2006, in accordance with Public Act 40 of 1995.
3. The actual City Council vote on the proposed operating millage rates for the 2007 Fiscal Year operating budget will also take place on July 24, 2006 in accordance with Public Act 75 of 1991.
4. A "Truth in Taxation" hearing will not be required if the above referenced hearing is properly posted and held in accordance with Public Act 40 of 1995.
5. The tax rate for debt requirements will be set at an amount sufficient to pay for funded debts of the City and interest thereon. These debts include the debt service for the bonds sold to construct the Department of Public Service facility, debt service on the installment purchase agreement for technology upgrades and the anticipated debt service for bonds to be sold to construct a new District Court facility and to renovate the Yack Arena and police facility.
6. The tax rate will be set at an amount sufficient to provide for the operation and maintenance of Drain Number five (5).
7. The tax rate includes the amount sufficient to repay debt service incurred to improve the Downriver Sewage Disposal System to comply with the consent decree entered into with the United States Environmental Protection Agency for violations of the Clean Water Act.

Sincerely,
Todd A. Drysdale, Director of Financial and Administrative Services

July 13th, 2006

The Honorable Mayor DeSana and City Council, City Hall
3131 Biddle Avenue, Wyandotte, Michigan 48192

Dear Honorable Mayor DeSana and City Council:

In response to the petition from Robert LeMay, Lakeshore Services, 4254 Biddle Avenue and others to vacate and/or barricade the alley behind his business the following applies.

A tabulation of the petition indicates that 50% of the abutting property owners are in favor of the vacating/barricading of the alley and 50% (County Treatment Plant) failed to sign.

There is a moratorium on alley vacations. However, vacations have been approved where access to utilities is not limited. In this case, access to utilities would be limited as described in the attached communication from Municipal Service. Therefore, the request to vacate should be denied. The City could permit the alley to be closed with the installation of a gate by the property owners.

Very truly yours,
Mark A. Kowalewski, City Engineer
(383)
July 13th, 2006

The Honorable Mayor DeSana and City Council, City Hall
3131 Biddle Avenue, Wyandotte, Michigan 48192

Dear Honorable Mayor DeSana and City Council:

In response to the petition from Jamie Carlton, 3912 17th Street and others to vacate/barricade the alley behind their houses the following applies.

A tabulation of the petition indicates that 67% of the abutting property owners are in favor of the vacating/barricading of the alley and 33% failed to sign (Some lots are vacant bank owned properties).

There is a moratorium on alley vacations. However, vacations have been approved where access to utilities is not limited. In this case, access to utilities would be limited as described in the attached communication from the Municipal Service General Manager. Therefore, the request to vacate should be denied. The City could permit the alley to be closed with the installation of gates by the property owners.

Very truly yours,
Mark A. Kowalewski, City Engineer

July 10, 2006

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

RE: Former 828-830 5th Street
Parcel #11 – 826 5th Street
Lot Sizes: 86.73' x 100.85'

Dear Mayor DeSana and City Council Members:

During the City's solicitation of proposals for the sale of 14 vacant parcels. 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 Eric and Kelly Schilk, 901 Lincoln, Wyandotte, Michigan, for \$28,000.00, pursuant to their proposal to construct a single family two (2) story home, consisting of approximately 2,398 square feet, 3 bedrooms, brick 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

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

No response.

RECESS

RECONVENING

ROLL CALL

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

Absent: None

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FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES:

AN ORDINANCE ENTITLED
AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CITY OF WYANDOTTE ZONING
ORDINANCE TO REZONE PROPERTY KNOWN AS 404-414 OAK STREET
WYANDOTTE, MICHIGAN FROM MULTIPLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT
(RM-1) TO MULTIPLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT (RM-1A)

THE CITY OF WYANDOTTE ORDAINS:

RESOLUTIONS

Wyandotte, Michigan July 17, 2006

RESOLUTION by Councilman Todd M. Browning

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 Councilman Todd M. Browning
Supported by Councilman Patrick J. Sutka
ROLL ATTACHED

Wyandotte, Michigan July 17, 2006

RESOLUTION by Councilman Todd M. Browning

RESOLVED by the City Council that the communication from the City Engineer and Department of Legal Affairs dated June 22, 2006 is hereby held in abeyance for one week.

I move the adoption of the foregoing resolution.

MOTION by Councilman Todd M. Browning
Supported by Councilman Patrick J. Sutka
ROLL ATTACHED

Wyandotte, Michigan July 17, 2006

RESOLUTION by Councilman Todd M. Browning

RESOLVED by the City Council that Council hereby approves the Traffic Control Order 2006-12 as set forth in the communication from Bobie Heck, Chief of Police dated July 7, 2006 to install "Handicap Parking" signs at 1828 Lindbergh. 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 Councilman Todd M. Browning
Supported by Councilman Patrick J. Sutka
ROLL ATTACHED

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Wyandotte, Michigan July 17, 2006

RESOLUTION by Councilman Todd M. Browning

RESOLVED by the City Council that the Director of Financial and Administrative Services has filed a copy of the communication relative to the 2006 Fiscal Year Operating Budget and Corresponding Operating Tax Millage Rate; NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that this Council shall hold a Budget Meeting in accordance with Public Act 40 of 1995, in the Council Chambers of the Wyandotte City Hall, 3131 Biddle Avenue, Wyandotte on July 24, 2006 at 7:00 p.m. AND FURTHER that the City Council will act on the 2006 operating millage rate pursuant to Public Act 75 of 1991, at the July 24, 2006 Council meeting after the closure of the required Budget Hearing.

I move the adoption of the foregoing resolution.

MOTION by Councilman Todd M. Browning
Supported by Councilman Patrick J. Sutka
ROLL ATTACHED

Wyandotte, Michigan July 17, 2006

RESOLUTION by Councilman Todd M. Browning

RESOLVED by the City Council that Council CONCURS in the recommendation of the City Engineer and Municipal Service to DENY the petition submitted by Robert LeMay, Lakeshore Services, 4254 Biddle Avenue to vacate the alley behind his business. Further the City Council APPROVES the closing of this alley as described in the communication from Municipal Service with the City Engineer approving the plans and specifications before the installation of the fence and gate by Lakeshore Services at their cost.

I move the adoption of the foregoing resolution.

MOTION by Councilman Todd M. Browning
Supported by Councilman Patrick J. Sutka
ROLL ATTACHED

Wyandotte, Michigan July 17, 2006

RESOLUTION by Councilman Todd M. Browning

RESOLVED by the City Council that Council CONCURS in the recommendation of the City Engineer and Municipal Service manager to DENY the petition submitted by Jamie Carlton, 3912-17th Street to vacate the portion of the alley north of Grove between 17th and 18th Streets. Further, the closing of the alley by placement of gates by the residents at their costs is APPROVED. Plans and specifications for the gate shall be APPROVED by the City Engineer before installation and Municipal Service shall have their own access key.

I move the adoption of the foregoing resolution.

MOTION by Councilman Todd M. Browning
Supported by Councilman Patrick J. Sutka
ROLL ATTACHED

(386)

Wyandotte, Michigan July 17, 2006

RESOLUTION by Councilman Todd M. Browning

RESOLVED by the City Council that Council CONCURS with the recommendation of the City Engineer and the City Assessor dated July 10, 2006, regarding the sale of Former 828-830-5th Street; AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Council accepts the offer from Eric and Kelly Schilk, dated July 4, 2006, for Parcel # 11-826-5th Street (Former 828-830-5th) Street in the amount of \$28,000.00 to construct a single family two story home, consisting of approximately 2,398 square feet, 3 bedrooms, garage, brick exterior, garage and basement with back water flow valve, sump pump, emergency escape and rescue opening per the 2003 Michigan Residential Code and 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 FURTHER that all bid bonds or bid checks be returned.

I move the adoption of the foregoing resolution.

MOTION by Councilman Todd M. Browning
Supported by Councilman Patrick J. Sutka
YEAS: Councilmembers Browning, Fricke, Kolakowski, Peterson, Ptak Sutka
NAYS: None

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RESOLUTION by Councilman Todd M. Browning

RESOLVED by the City Council that an Employee of the City of Wyandotte has expressed a desire to meet in closed session to discuss evaluation of said employee. 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 Councilman Todd M. Browning
Supported by Councilman Patrick J. Sutka
YEAS: Councilmembers Browning, Fricke, Kolakowski, Peterson, Ptak, Sutka
NAYS: None

Wyandotte, Michigan July 17, 2006

RESOLUTION by Councilman Todd M. Browning

RESOLVED by the City Council that the total bills and accounts in the amount of \$1,281,617.33 as presented by the Mayor and City Clerk are hereby APPROVED for payment.

I move the adoption of the foregoing resolution.

MOTION by Councilman Todd M. Browning
Supported by Councilman Patrick J. Sutka
YEAS: Councilmembers Browning, Fricke, Kolakowski, Peterson, Ptak, Sutka
NAYS: None

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Councilperson Todd Browning
Supported by Councilperson Patrick J. Sutka
That we adjourn.
Carried unanimously.
Adjourned at 7:41 p.m.
July 17, 2006

William R. Griggs, City Clerk