



## Minutes - October 2, 2006

Wyandotte, Michigan October 2, 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, Peterson, Ptak, Sutka

Absent: Councilperson Kolakowski

COMMUNICATIONS – MISCELLANEOUS

9/28/06

TO THE HONORABLE CITY COUNCIL OF WYANDOTTE, MICHIGAN

My name is Sarella Johnson. I'm writing you because OF YOUR REPUTATION OF BEING A FAIR COUNCIL; I WOULD LIKE TO REQUEST TO BE PLACED ON YOUR AGENDA TO DISCUSS GETTING A TICKET IN THE MAIL FROM ONE OF YOUR CITY OFFICERS. I want to list what happened on June 30th, 2006. The infraction date is 6/30/06 civil infraction "CARELESS DRV". VPN 8FTR63 MI. I was never pulled over from any officer in your city on 6/30/06 for "Careless Driving".

It saddens me that a police officer of your "Great City" would write this ticket and believe that he could get away with such wrong doing.

On June 30, 2006 I and a friend named Glen Chinchilla went to the Diamond Jack boat ride in honor of my friend's birthday July 2, 2006 he would be working on his birthday so I treated him on June 30th. When we got to the part at 2:45 p.m. there were no signs saying not to park so ass in the past visit we parked where parking was allowed and went on the Diamond Jack boat ride which departed at 3:30 p.m. The boat ride was two hours, the captain and his crew on the boat was great and we had a fantastic time. The Diamond Jack docked at about 5:45 p.m. and when we exited the boat and went to where we parked our truck we noticed it wasn't there. With my heart beating fast and worried that the truck got stolen I noticed a police officer a distance in the park standing and talking to a man in a truck that tows cars. I flagged the officer down and in a very nervous voice I shared with the officer that my truck had been stolen.

The officer looked at me and my friend Glen Chinchilla shook his head saying no my truck had been towed like the many other automobiles for parking in the regular parking area but this day a community affair was occurring and they had to block off this area. Me and my friend shared with the officer that there was no sign or police to share with us when we got to the park at 2:45 p.m. that on this day 6/30/06 we could not park. We were only parking according to the city park signs that reflects that we can park. The officer literally laughed in our face and stated that that's our problem not his. I felt a little teary eyed because it hurt me to hear the officer laughing and my truck towed but I refused to let a tear drop.

I ask the officer where was the location of my truck and he quickly verbalized the location and then told me and my friend it could take about 30 minutes to walk there. I pleaded with the officer that we were not familiar with the area and I would ask the man in the tow truck to please give us a ride. The man in the tow truck gave us a ride and while he was driving us he was talking on a phone system telling whomever he was talking to that I was sharing with my friend Glenn Chinchilla that I was going to go to the City Council and share with them what happened. The man in the tow truck was laughing at me being upset and talking to my friend on how I felt that it was unfair that my truck was towed without direct and clear posting. The tow man made fun of our situation all while he drove us to the location of my truck.

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When we got to the location of the truck the tow man asked for our money without a receipt, I then told him that I would have to take a picture of my friend giving him the money to prove that we would have paid him. The tow man refused to allow me to take a picture so I called the city police concerning the matter. The police came and upon their coming (it was two officers one that was the officer I talked to at the park) the tow man went into his truck and got out a receipt paper and began asking me and my friend our name. I told the police that I shared with the tow man that I would have to take his picture if I was going to give

him the money because we didn't want him to say he didn't get it. The officer said that I would have to go off the tow man property in order for me to take his picture while money was being given to the tow man. At this point since the police was present the tow man was using the receipt that he got out his truck upon arrival of the police officers.

We paid the tow man and one of the officers (the one I talked to at the park) and tow man laughed at us like they were watching a comedy. I noticed that the other officer didn't laugh. When we got into my truck to drive off I noticed the officers in their police car driving very close behind me; I asked my friend to give me my camera and I took pictures of them following us out my driver side mirror. They continued to follow us so I turned down a side street and parked my car and then the police officer driving hit their gas and zoomed ahead. We sat in the car for about twenty minutes parked because we didn't know what was going on with the officer behavior; we drove home once we knew the officers were not following us. At no time could the officers give me a ticket for careless driving. I'm an African American woman and my friend is Hispanic. I'm shocked that the officer who is to uphold the law would write a ticket and say I was careless driving. At no time after leaving the area where my truck was towed was I pulled over by an officer in your city for careless driving.

It really saddens me that here we are in America, in a great city of Wyandotte, Michigan, and have to deal with nonsense. Please contact me ASAP and let me know when I can be scheduled to be on your agenda at your council meeting.

Sincerely,

Sarella Johnson, 8900 E. Jefferson, Detroit, MI 48214  
Phone: 313-615-0545

#### PERSONS IN THE AUDIENCE

Irene Tilk, 1086 Hazel, DPS is doing a great cleaning job. 876 Fourth Street needs to be demolished. WOW cannot come into Wyandotte for telephone/cable services; their rate is \$22 a month, Wyandotte's cable is too expensive. Water, electric, cable too highly priced.

Corki Benson, 404 Vinewood, Wednesday, October 4, 2006, informational meeting on the November 7, 2006 ballot, Mr. Griggs will be the speaker, Garfield School at 7:00 PM.

Mick Pengelly, 4645 - 17th, regarding the Ronald McDonald Wyandotte Theater event on October 8th from 6 - 10 PM.

Leonard Milewski, VFW #1136, 633 Ford, Wyandotte, regarding the blood drive dedicated to Sue Ptak to be held October 3, 2006 from 1:30-7:30 PM.

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#### COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITY AND OTHER OFFICIALS

October 2nd, 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 from Consiglio Enterprises Inc. requesting a NEW SDM license to be located at 1167 Maple, Wyandotte, Michigan 48192. Said request was 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,  
William R. Griggs, City Clerk

September 27, 2006

Honorable Mayor and City Council, City of Wyandotte

Dear Mayor and City Council Members:

The Downtown Development Authority took action at a special meeting September 25, 2006 to recommend that Townsend Neon install the replacement Fort Street Sign per the City's specification at a cost not to exceed \$99,500.

If it please the Mayor and City Council, the DDA would appreciate it if the City Council would concur with this recommendation and approve, so that the Engineering Dept. may proceed with this project.

Thank you for your assistance in this project.

Sincerely,

Lisa Hooper, AICP, Executive Director

September 25, 2006

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

Dear Honorable Mayor and City Council:

In response to Council Resolution dated September 12, 2006 relative to closing of Elm between Biddle Avenue and the west side of the alley for placement of the showmobile during the monthly 3rd Friday event, the police department recommends the following.

- The placement of barricades at Elm Street east of Biddle Avenue
- Barricades at the south side of the parking lot at the median restricting vehicular traffic from traveling west bound behind the showmobile.
- Placement of barricades to close the alley, restricting through traffic from the parking lot.

If there are any additional questions, please feel free to contact my office at extension 4421.

Sincerely,

Bob Heck, Chief of Police

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September 27, 2006

The Honorable Mayor & Council, City of Wyandotte  
3131 Biddle Avenue, Wyandotte, Michigan 48192

Honorable Mayor and City Council,

Enclosed herewith is a copy of a resolution passed by the Municipal Service Commission at its regular meeting of September 26, 2006. Resolution is as follows:

Authorization to accept the bid of Barton Malow Rigging Company of Oak Park, Michigan, for Turbine Generator #7 Overhaul- Labor Only, File #4406, in the amount of \$175,713.00.

Very truly yours,  
City of Wyandotte  
WYANDOTTE MUNICIPAL SERVICES  
Melanie L. McCoy, General Manager

September 27, 2006

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

Re: Former 3336 12th Street Lot Size: 30' x 100'

Dear Mayor DeSana and Council Members:

Attached please find a purchase agreement to sell all of the former 3336 12th Street to Mr. and Mrs. Whetstone, 3342 12th Street, in the amount of \$3,000 per the Council Resolution dated September 19, 2006.

Also attached is a proposed Resolution authorizing Mayor and Clerk to execute the necessary documents.

Very truly yours,

Mark A. Kowalewski, City Engineer

Rezoning application for property located at 20th Street between Eureka and Pine on the west side of the street as submitted by the City Engineer.

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September 26, 2006

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

Dear Mayor DeSana and Council Members:

The Department of Engineering has met with Doetsch Industrial Services Inc. in regards to extending their contract for the cleaning and televising existing sewers at various locations in the City of Wyandotte. David M. Balogh, of Doetsch Industrial Services had indicated in the attached amendment that they can perform the additional cleaning and televising at the unit rates set forth in the contract with the city for the 2005 Cleaning and Televising Existing Sanitary Sewers, File #4347. The conditions of the contract extension would be as set forth in the attached Amendment to Contract. Section 1.03.09 Contract Extension of the Contract Specifications allows extension of the Contract when approved by the City Council and agreed to by the Contractor.

The work will be funded from Account 590-200-926-310.

The undersigned recommends that this contract extension be approved.

Very truly yours,

Mark A. Kowalewski, City Engineer

September 27, 2006

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

Dear Mayor James R. DeSana and City Council Members:

Enclosed is the Intergovernmental Agreement between Wayne County and the City of Wyandotte for the resurfacing of Eureka Road from Fort Street to Biddle Avenue (W. Jefferson). The total project cost is estimated at \$1,727,530.00 of which \$237,589.00 would be Wyandotte's share. The funds are budgeted within the Major Street Fund.

I recommend the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to sign said Agreement.

Very truly yours,

Mark A. Kowalewski, City Engineer

September 28, 2006

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

Dar Mayor and Council Members:

Attached please find the following Purchase Agreement for the City to acquire: 2351 9th Street - \$118,000.00 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  
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September 28, 2006

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

Dear Mayor DeSana and City Council Members:

Enclosed please find amendments to the Code of Ordinances to Chapter 19 Housing Code, Article I. Section 19-5 Inspection of Residential Dwellings prior to Sale or Transfer and Chapter 31 Rental Dwellings and Rental Units, Article I. Registration; Section 31.1-1 and 31.1-11. These amendments will change the expiration date for Certificate of Approvals and Certificate of Compliance.

If you concur in these recommendations, I recommend that the first reading for the above changes to the City of Wyandotte Code of Ordinance be held at tonight's meeting.

Very truly yours,  
Mark A. Kowalewski, City Engineer

#### REPORTS AND MINUTES

Municipal Service Commission September 12, 2006  
Fire Commission September 12, 2006  
Planning and Rehabilitation Commission August 17, 2006

#### CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

There was no response to the Mayor's inquiry.

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#### RECONVENING

#### ROLL CALL

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

Absent: Councilperson Kolakowski

#### FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES:

AN ORDINANCE ENTITLED  
AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 19 HOUSING CODE,  
ARTICLE I. IN GENERAL SECTION 19-5 INSPECTION OF RESIDENTIAL  
DWELLINGS PRIOR TO SALE OR TRANSFER,  
SUB-SECTION (a) (4), (a) (5), (c) (2), (g)  
OF THE WYANDOTTE CODE OF ORDINANCE

AN ORDINANCE ENTITLED  
AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 31.1 RENTAL DWELLINGS AND RENTAL  
UNITS, ARTICLE I. REGISTRATION; SECTION 31.1-1 DEFINITIONS  
AND ARTICLE II CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE, SECTION 31.1-11 CERTIFICATE OF  
COMPLIANCE REQUIRED OF THE WYANDOTTE CODE OF ORDINANCE

RESOLUTIONS

Wyandotte, Michigan October 2, 2006

RESOLUTION by Councilperson Jason Ptak

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 Jason Ptak  
Supported by Councilperson Todd Browning  
ROLL ATTACHED

Wyandotte, Michigan October 2, 2006

RESOLUTION by Councilperson Jason Ptak

RESOLVED by the City Council that the communication from Sarella Ann Johnson, 8900 E. Jefferson Avenue Apt 124, Detroit, Michigan 48214 dated September 28, 2006 relative to the incidents that occurred on June 30th, 2006 in the City of Wyandotte is hereby referred to the Chief of Police and Judge Kalmbach for a review and report back to Council in two weeks on said actions taken by the Police and Court.

I move the adoption of the foregoing resolution.

MOTION by Councilperson Jason Ptak  
Supported by Councilperson Todd Browning  
ROLL ATTACHED

Wyandotte, Michigan October 2, 2006

RESOLUTION by Councilperson Jason Ptak

RESOLVED by the City Council that Council CONCURS in the recommendation from the City Clerk as set forth in his communication dated October 2, 2006 to APPROVE the request from Consiglio Enterprises Inc. for a NEW SDM license to be located at 1167 Maple, Wyandotte. AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Michigan Liquor Control Commission be advised in accordance with established procedures.

I move the adoption of the foregoing resolution.

MOTION by Councilperson Jason Ptak  
Supported by Councilperson Todd Browning  
YEAS: Councilmembers Browning, Fricke, Peterson, Ptak, Sutka  
NAYS: None

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Wyandotte, Michigan October 2, 2006

RESOLUTION by Councilperson Jason Ptak

RESOLVED by the City Council that Council CONCURS in the recommendation of the Executive Director of the Downtown Development Authority dated September 27, 2006 to accept the Bid File # 4405-Fort Street Sign Replacement at the Intersection of Fort and Eureka in the amount of \$99,500 as being the best bid meeting specifications as per the City Engineer. AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and City Clerk be directed to execute the proper documents to achieve same.

I move the adoption of the foregoing resolution.

MOTION by Councilperson Jason Ptak  
Supported by Councilperson Todd Browning

YEAS: Councilmembers Browning, Fricke, Peterson, Ptak, Sutka  
NAYS: None

Wyandotte, Michigan October 2, 2006

RESOLUTION by Councilperson Jason Ptak

RESOLVED by the City Council that the communication from the Chief of Police dated September 25, 2006 responding to Council Resolution dated September 12, 2006 relative to the closing of Elm between Biddle Avenue and the west side of the alley for placement of the showmobile during the monthly 3rd Friday event is hereby received and placed on file with a copy of the suggested requirements forwarded to the Wyandotte Business Association for implementation when utilizing the east side of Elm Street between Biddle and the River. AND FURTHER that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Police, Fire, and DPS for information.

I move the adoption of the foregoing resolution.

MOTION by Councilperson Jason Ptak  
Supported by Councilperson Todd Browning  
ROLL ATTACHED

Wyandotte, Michigan October 2, 2006

RESOLUTION by Councilperson Jason Ptak

RESOLVED by the City Council that Council CONCURS in the recommendation of the General Manager of Municipal Service as set forth in her communication dated September 27, 2006 to accept the Bid File # 4406 from Barton Malow Rigging Company of Oak Park, Michigan for Turbine Generator # 7 Overhaul-labor only, in the amount of \$175,713.00 as being the best bid meeting specifications.

I move the adoption of the foregoing resolution.

MOTION by Councilperson Jason Ptak  
Supported by Councilperson Todd Browning  
YEAS: Councilmembers Browning, Fricke, Peterson, Ptak, Sutka  
NAYS: None

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Wyandotte, Michigan October 2, 2006

RESOLUTION by Councilperson Jason Ptak

RESOLVED by the City Council that Council CONCURS with the City Engineer dated September 27, 2006 regarding the Former 3336-12th Street Wyandotte. AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Council accepts the offer from James Whetstone and Debra Hash, his wife, dated September 25, 2006 in the amount of \$3,000.00. AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Legal Affairs is hereby directed to prepare the necessary documents and that the Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to sign said documents.

I move the adoption of the foregoing resolution.

MOTION by Councilperson Jason Ptak  
Supported by Councilperson Todd Browning  
YEAS: Councilmembers Browning, Fricke, Peterson, Ptak, Sutka  
NAYS: None

Wyandotte, Michigan October 2, 2006

RESOLUTION by Councilperson Jason Ptak

RESOLVED by the City Council that the Application for Rezoning of the property located at 3356- 20th Street between Eureka and Pine on the West side of the street as submitted by the City Engineer is hereby referred to the Planning and Rehabilitation Commission for scheduling the proper public hearing.

I move the adoption of the foregoing resolution.

MOTION by Councilperson Jason Ptak

Supported by Councilperson Todd Browning  
ROLL ATTACHED

Wyandotte, Michigan October 2, 2006

RESOLUTION by Councilperson Jason Ptak

RESOLVED by the City Council that Council hereby CONCURS in the recommendation of the City Engineer to amend the Cleaning and Televising Existing Sanitary Sewers File # 4347 contract with Doetsch Industrial Services, Inc. as set forth in the Amendment To Contract for this work, and further authorizes the Mayor and City Clerk to sign said amendment. FURTHER RESOLVED that the work will be funded from Account # 590-200-926-310.

I move the adoption of the foregoing resolution.

MOTION by Councilperson Jason Ptak  
Supported by Councilperson Todd Browning  
YEAS: Councilmembers Browning, Fricke, Peterson, Ptak, Sutka  
NAYS: None

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Wyandotte, Michigan October 2, 2006

RESOLUTION by Councilperson Jason Ptak

RESOLVED by the City Council that WHEREAS, the City of Wyandotte believes quality roads are a vital part of any community; AND WHEREAS, the County of Wayne has committed to the resurfacing of Eureka Road in an area generally described as Eureka Road from Fort to Jefferson and the City of Wyandotte will assist financially in the resurfacing of Eureka Road; AND WHEREAS, the City of Wyandotte will provide payment to the County of Wayne in the amount of fifty percent (50%) of the total cost of Part A of the project which is not paid by Federal Aid; and one hundred (100%) of the total cost of Part B (as found in Exhibit A to this Agreement); NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Wyandotte City Council does hereby approve the proposed Agreement between the City of Wyandotte and County of Wayne for the resurfacing of Eureka Road from Fort to Jefferson; AND that the Mayor and City Clerk are hereby authorized to execute the Agreement on behalf of the City of Wyandotte.

I move the adoption of the foregoing resolution.

MOTION by Councilperson Jason Ptak  
Supported by Councilperson Todd Browning  
YEAS: Councilmembers Browning, Fricke, Peterson, Ptak, Sutka  
NAYS: None

Wyandotte, Michigan October 2, 2006

RESOLUTION by Councilperson Jason Ptak

RESOLVED by the City Council that Council CONCURS with the recommendation of the City Engineer to acquire the property at 2351-9th Street in the amount of \$118,000.00 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 Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to sign said documents and that the City Engineer is directed to DEMOLISH same.

I move the adoption of the foregoing resolution.

MOTION by Councilperson Jason Ptak  
Supported by Councilperson Todd Browning  
YEAS: Councilmembers Browning, Fricke, Peterson, Ptak, Sutka  
NAYS: None

Wyandotte, Michigan October 2, 2006

RESOLUTION by Councilperson Jason Ptak

RESOLVED by the City Council that Council CONCURS with the recommendation of the City Engineer regarding changes to the following Chapters of the City of Wyandotte's Code of Ordinance Chapter 19 Housing Code, Article I, Section 19-5 Inspection of Residential Dwellings prior to sale or transfer. Chapter 31.1 Rental Dwellings and Rental Unites, Article I., Section 31.1.1 Definitions and Article II. Certificate of Compliance, Section 31.1-11 Certificate of Compliance required; AND BE IT RESOLVED that the first reading for said changes to the City of Wyandotte Code of Ordinances to be held at tonight's meeting.

I move the adoption of the foregoing resolution.

MOTION by Councilperson Jason Ptak  
Supported by Councilperson Todd Browning  
ROLL ATTACHED

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Wyandotte, Michigan October 2, 2006

RESOLUTION by Councilperson Jason Ptak

RESOLVED by the City Council that the total bills and accounts in the amount of \$202,754.70 as presented by the Mayor and City Clerk are hereby APPROVED for payment.

I move the adoption of the foregoing resolution.

MOTION by Councilperson Jason Ptak  
Supported by Councilperson Todd Browning  
YEAS: Councilmembers Browning, Fricke, Peterson, Ptak, Sutka  
NAYS: None

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Councilperson Jason Ptak  
Supported by Councilperson Todd Browning  
That we adjourn.  
Carried unanimously.  
Adjourned at 8:00 p.m.  
October 2, 2006

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Maria Johnson, Deputy City Clerk