

Wyandotte, Michigan April 6, 2009

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

Absent: Councilperson Sutka

COMMUNICATIONS MISCELLANEOUS

Dear Wyandotte Mayor and City Council,

My name is Steven Jeffery. I am a member of the LaRouche PAC, and I am writing to you concerning the only sane alternative to the bank bailouts, which I would like to be scheduled into the agenda for the next council meeting allowing me to present it to you in further detail. The economist Lyndon LaRouche proposed this long before we had begun to pour tax payer money into Wall St. with the initial TARP fund. LaRouche had warned at the time that no amount of money could stabilize the banking system but rather, by increasing the rate of money printing for bad assets, such as derivatives, would cause hyperinflation, like happened in Wiemar, Germany 1923, on a world scale.

The resolution I am proposing to you is called the Homeowner and Bank Protection Act (HBPA). It is modeled on a similar Roosevelt policy. The conceptual intention of the policy is a return to a Glass Steagall standard for banking. The path to this would be to put the banks under protection in order to audit the books of earnings of the banks to sort the investment from the commercial banking debts, a process called bankruptcy reorganization. Meaning that the federal government does not have the responsibility to defend all practices in the banking system but only debts to businesses, life savings, student loans, all debts which make up the essential services in our economy; those will be protected and guaranteed. The investment banking debt, aside from it being insolvent and unpayable (it being in the order of quadrillions of dollars of mostly worthless gambling debts today), shall for the most part be considered null and void and not an obligation of the U.S. taxpayers.

This policy is nearly verbatim from FDR, for whom LaRouche has been one of the most faithful defenders. This sense of economics separates LaRouche from much of the rest of economist professionals, they being for the most part believers in monetary theory versus a rigorous science of physical economics. I'd say, this is the reason he was the only economist who forecast this economic collapse, to my knowledge.

The Homeowners and Bank Protection Act is a first step, a Firewall measure. It is enclosed below along with a list of cities and states which have passed or introduced the HBPA. If you have any questions before Monday you can contact me at the phone number or email below.

Sincerely,

Steven Jeffery
S.J.AlexanderElliott@gmail.com
Phone: 215.300.9531

3-31-09

To Mayor and Council of Wyandotte

My name is Edward Olender, residence is 2656 9th Street.

Along with my reference of yesterday's discussion of the proposed dockage at Bishop Park, there are other issues I would like aired.

My first issue is the Mayor's and Council's stance on the denunciation of our past president, Mr. Bush and his stance on the fight against terrorism. You were all elected as non partisans so how dare you make a political stand? Did you feel all citizens of Wyandotte were against the President's policy? What gave you the right to endorse this policy in the name of the citizens of Wyandotte? You people owe some of us an apology. I have and still support President Bush's policies.

In the past there have been a lot of bad decisions in my opinion by our city leaders. It's always the pie in the sky credo.

I've seen prime property, where homes were torn down and not developed into new housing but two lots on Oak and 11th St. turned into useless parking lots for a private club with no revenue generated.

Another white elephant is our golf course. I wonder just how much it's in the red this year. Ten years ago I checked and Mr. Drysdale then admitted it was two hundred fifty thousand in the red. With some foresight this land could have been a large source of income.

My next critique concerns DeSana Drive from Biddle to the former Wyandotte Yacht Club. What was the tab for our taxpayers to put this road in to a now defunct nightclub? As far as a safe harbor goes, is it possible to use dockage in Barrel Slip behind the hospital and shuttle the boaters downtown and back on the City Trolley? Councilman Kola has the right idea there.

Another lack of foresight of our City leaders was when they practically gave the property to Daly Insurance to build on Biddle and then the taxpayers had to buy footage back at a premium (250K?) to make room for our jail courthouse which certainly doesn't look like a 20 million dollar facility!

Another snafu by the City took place on our waterfront, namely "Bob's Boathouse" next to the boat ramp. #1 – 50 thousand dollars of TIFA funds was given to a private concern to help with demolition okayed by City Council! Was this not a violation of our TIFA Funds? According to Mr. Miller's definition, it really is a violation of funds.

How much more of the taxpayers' money went into developing this property - i.e. sewers – paving, electric service.

I could mention more incidents with a lack of foresight of our City Leaders!

A few years back hundreds of thousands of dollars was given to consult and come up with a plan to revitalize our downtown – was the Bishop Park Dockage ever mentioned?

I thank Councilmen Sutka, Ptak and Kolakowski to face reality and nix the idea.

Mr. Miller should run for Mayor, he knows and goes by our City Charter.

Its odd that Mr. Sabuda showed up for this Council Meeting, he again is running for public office - more of the same – no leadership.

Thank you,

Edward Olender, 2656 – 9th Street, Wyandotte

PERSONS IN THE AUDIENCE

Jeff Thomas, 1615 Lindbergh, feels Mr. Miller should apologize for his actions last week.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITY AND OTHER OFFICIALS

April 1, 2009

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

Gentlemen and Madam:

I had an opportunity recently to visit with Mayor Gary Burtka, City of Allen Park, at a dinner we were both invited to at the Silver Shores Waterfront (former Wyandotte Yacht Club). It was an enjoyable evening and we had had chance to discuss many issues that we, as elected officials, are facing.

One of our topics of discussion was the movie industry and the potential of Allen Park being selected as a site for the Film Studio Project. On behalf of all our elected officials, I offered assistance in any way possible to make that happen. Bringing new jobs to any community in the downriver area benefits all of us. Employees do not always live in the community where they work, and when a municipality brings new or expanded businesses to their community, the opportunity is there for us to gain new residents who may be relocating from another area and those new residents will generate additional customers for the businesses in the community.

Enclosed is a proposed resolution in support of the City of Allen Park's endeavor to bring part of the movie industry to their city. Your consideration of their request will be very much appreciated.

Sincerely,

James R. DeSana, Mayor

April 1, 2009

Mayor James R. DeSana And City Council
City of Wyandotte, Michigan

Dear Mayor DeSana and Council Members:

Please find attached the Authorization Resolution from the Michigan Liquor Control Commission for the Wyandotte Shores Golf Course Beer and Wine 2009 -2010 License renewal.

A resolution from the City Council is necessary to allow the City Clerk to sign the necessary document which adds Mayor DeSana, Mayor Pro-Tem Joseph Peterson, and Superintendent of Recreation Fred Pischke as authorized City representatives.

The document also removes the following names from the LCC authorization list: Former Mayor Leonard Sabuda and Former Superintendent of Recreation James R. Knopp.

Sincerely yours,

Fred Pischke

Superintendent of Recreation

March 3-, 2009

Honorable Mayor James DeSana And City Council
City of Wyandotte, Michigan

Dear Mayor DeSana and Council Members:

Please find attached contracts, hold harmless agreements and insurance certificates for the following events scheduled at the Benjamin F. Yack Recreation Center.

Lions Club Flea Market - April 18-19, 2009
National Walk MS - May 2, 2009
Roosevelt High School Commencement - June 11, 2009

Your approval is appreciated.

Sincerely yours,
Fred Pischke
Superintendent of Recreation

April 2, 2009

Mayor James DeSana
And City Council City of Wyandotte Michigan

Dear Mayor DeSana & Council Members:

On February 18, 2009, the Wyandotte Athletic Association voted unanimously to recommend that the Wyandotte Athletic Association Playground, located at Alfred & Highland Streets, be renamed to honor the late Richard W. Smith. Dick Smith, a former Recreation Commissioner for 25 years, and a member of the WAA for over 35 years, was very dedicated to helping the youth of Wyandotte.

The WAA letter was forwarded to the Recreation Commission and, via a phone poll, the Commission unanimously voted to recommend to your Honorable Body that this site be renamed

Wyandotte Athletic Association Richard W. Smith Memorial Playground.

Your approval of this recommendation would be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

Fred Pischke
Superintendent of Recreation

April 1, 2009

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

Dear Mayor DeSana and Council Members:

Please find attached the Snow Removal for the Central Business District, which was performed by the City of Wyandotte. In accordance with Section 32-53 through Section 32-55 of the City Charter, it is the undersigned's recommendation that said service be levied on the property in the same manner as other City taxes.

Very truly yours,
Mark A. Kowalewski City Engineer

April 1, 2009

The Honorable Mayor and City Council
City Hall, Wyandotte, Michigan 48192

Dear Mayor and Council Members:

Please find attached list of services performed by the City of Wyandotte that have not yet been paid. The services were adjusted to include a minimum charge of thirty dollars (\$30.00). In accordance with Section 222 of the City Charter, said charges should be placed as a special assessment against property.

Very truly yours,
Mark A. Kowalewski, City Engineer

April 2, 2009

The Honorable Mayor DeSana And City Council
City Hall, Wyandotte, Michigan

Dear Mayor DeSana and City Council Members:

The costs for the Sidewalk Program in the areas of Goddard Avenue to Antoine Street — Biddle Avenue to Electric Avenue and Oak Street to Vinewood Street — Rail Road Tracks to 15th Street are enclosed. I hereby verify that the cost for said repairs resulted from work performed adjacent to the properties listed on the enclosed summary for Special Assessment District (SAD) 927.

Upon determination that the cost of the work should be charged to the respective parcels by Special Assessment, the enclosed list should be reported by the City Clerk to the City Assessor for assessment.

Very truly yours,
Mark A. Kowalewski City Engineer

(Item #10 removed from agenda)

April 1, 2009

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

Dear Mayor and City Council:

On December 17, 2008, the City of Wyandotte notified the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) of the City's objections to the proposed Flood Insurance Rate Maps (FIRMS). During meetings with representatives of FEMA and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) it did not appear the City's arguments were convincing. The fact that the proposed FIRMS are based on a 1988 study by USACE titled "Revised Report on Great Lakes Open Coast Flood Levels" where it states, "because the period of record of some stations used in the report is so short, the flood levels reported herein should be reviewed in about 15 years (2000-2005). At that time, the longer record will provide data of greater statistical significance". It may be advantages for the City of Wyandotte to update the study.

Therefore, enclosed is a proposal from Applied Science, Inc., to provide on update of the USACE Report by extending the period of record 20 years of river level gage data and normalizing the analysis. The cost is \$14,220.00 and funding would come from the Sewage Fund.

Very truly yours,
Mark A. Kowalewski, City Engineer
Todd A. Drysdale, Director of Administrative/Financial Services

April 3, 2009

Mayor James R. DeSana and City Councilmembers
3131 Biddle Avenue, Wyandotte, MI 48192

Re: Portofino Restaurant Inc., 3455 Biddle Avenue

Dear Mayor and Councilmembers:

An application was received from the Michigan Liquor Control Commission relative to the following:

Transfer ownership of 2008 Resort Class C Licensed Business (MCL 436.1531 (3); Non-Transferable) with Dance-Entertainment Permit, located at 3455 Biddle Avenue, Wyandotte, MI 48192, Wayne County, from ACK Restaurants, Inc. to Portofino Restaurant, Inc.

Transfer ownership of 2008 Watercraft Licensed Business (MCL 436.1531 (3); Non-Transferable) with Dance-Entertainment Permit, located at 3455 Biddle Avenue, Wyandotte, MI 48192, Wayne County, from ACK Restaurant, Inc. to Portofino Friendship to Portofino Restaurant, Inc.

Copies have been referred to the Department of Municipal Service, City Engineer, City Treasurer, Police and Fire Chiefs and Legal Department; 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

AUTOMATIC REFERRAL:

1. City of Wyandotte Post #1136 Veterans of Foreign Wars, asking permission to conduct their Annual "Buddy Poppy Days" Street Sales on Thursday, May 7th, Friday, May 8th, and Saturday, May 9th, 2009. (PERMISSION GRANTED) COPIES TO POLICE AND FIRE.

REPORTS AND MINUTES:

Downriver Joint Management Committee

November 13, 2008

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

Steven Jeffery, 2973 Mason, Lincoln Park, regarding item #1 on agenda. Issue discussed. Debts need to be discussed and separated for support.

RECESS

RECONVENING

ROLL CALL

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

Absent: Councilperson Sutka

RESOLUTIONS

Wyandotte, Michigan April 6, 2009

RESOLUTION by Councilperson Todd 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 Councilperson Todd Browning

Supported by Councilperson Joseph Peterson

ROLL ATTACHED

Wyandotte, Michigan April 6, 2009

RESOLUTION by Councilperson Todd Browning

RESOLVED by the City Council that the communication from Steven Jeffery, LaRouche PAC relative to an alternative to bank bailouts is hereby received and placed on file.

I move the adoption of the foregoing resolution.

MOTION by Councilperson Todd Browning

Supported by Councilperson Joseph Peterson

ROLL ATTACHED

Wyandotte, Michigan April 6, 2009

RESOLUTION by Councilperson Todd Browning

RESOLVED by the City Council that the communication from Edward Olender relative to the proposed dockage at Bishop Park and various other issues regarding the City of Wyandotte is hereby received and placed on file.

I move the adoption of the foregoing resolution.

MOTION by Councilperson Todd Browning

Supported by Councilperson Joseph Peterson

ROLL ATTACHED

Wyandotte, Michigan April 6, 2009

RESOLUTION by Councilperson Todd Browning

RESOLVED by the City Council that WHEREAS, economic times are handing a financial blow to the Downriver Communities on a scale that has not been seen since the Great Depression with no relief in sight, WHEREAS, our Downriver Communities are directly affected by each action and contraction that occurs within the automotive industry, WHEREAS, all of our Downriver Communities would benefit from the diversification and existence of a new industry that is immune to recession, WHEREAS, each Downriver Community, its businesses, and its residents would directly and/or indirectly benefit from such a major employer being located within our immediate vicinity. THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that this Mayor, James R. DeSana is asking the City Council to unanimously approve this resolution in public support of the proposed Film Studio Project to be located in the City of Allen Park. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that by this resolution, we request that the Wayne County Executive Robert Ficano and the State of Michigan proactively commit their resources, services and finance-based incentive programs in assistance to the City of Allen Park to make this opportunity a reality. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Mayor, James R. DeSana and Council and our entire constituency of the City of Wyandotte wish to make their support publically known and therefore ask that certified copies of this resolution be immediately sent to the Mayor of Allen Park, Wayne County Executive Robert Ficano, Wayne County Economic Development Department Director, Turkia Mullins and the Office of Governor Jennifer Granholm's.

I move the adoption of the foregoing resolution.

MOTION by Councilperson Todd Browning

Supported by Councilperson Joseph Peterson

ROLL ATTACHED

Wyandotte, Michigan April 6, 2009

RESOLUTION by Councilperson Todd Browning

RESOLVED by the City Council that Council hereby directs the City Clerk to sign the authorization resolution for the Wyandotte Shores Golf Course 2009-2010 Liquor License renewal, as submitted by the Superintendent of Recreation.

I move the adoption of the foregoing resolution.

MOTION by Councilperson Todd Browning
Supported by Councilperson Joseph Peterson
ROLL ATTACHED

Wyandotte, Michigan April 6, 2009

RESOLUTION by Councilperson Todd Browning

RESOLVED by the City Council that Council hereby CONCURS in the Contracts as submitted by the Superintendent of Recreation for the rental of the Yack Arena for the Lions Club Flea Market-April 18-19, 2009; National Walk MS-May 2, 2009, and the Roosevelt High School Commencement, June 11, 2009. AND FURTHER that the Hold Harmless Agreements and Insurance shall be placed on file in the Clerk's Office. AND FURTHER that the City Clerk and Mayor be directed to execute said contracts on behalf of the City of Wyandotte.

I move the adoption of the foregoing resolution.

MOTION by Councilperson Todd Browning
Supported by Councilperson Joseph Peterson
YEAS: Councilmembers Browning, Fricke, Kolakowski, Peterson, Ptak
NAYS: None

Wyandotte, Michigan April 6, 2009

RESOLUTION by Councilperson Todd Browning

RESOLVED by the City Council that Council hereby CONCURS in the recommendations of the Wyandotte Athletic Association and Superintendent of Recreation to rename the playground located at Alfred & Highland Streets; WYANDOTTE ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION RICHARD W. SMITH MEMORIAL PLAYGROUND in honor of the late Richard W. Smith.

I move the adoption of the foregoing resolution.

MOTION by Councilperson Todd Browning
Supported by Councilperson Joseph Peterson
ROLL ATTACHED

Wyandotte, Michigan April 6, 2009

RESOLUTION by Councilperson Todd Browning

RESOLVED by the City Council that Council CONCURS in the recommendation of the City Engineer in his communication dated April 1, 2009, regarding the Snow Removal for the Central Business District and hereby directs the City Assessor to spread said charges on the tax rolls against said properties.

I move the adoption of the foregoing resolution.

MOTION by Councilperson Todd Browning
Supported by Councilperson Joseph Peterson
YEAS: Councilmembers Browning, Fricke, Kolakowski, Peterson, Ptak
NAYS: None

Wyandotte, Michigan April 6, 2009

RESOLUTION by Councilperson Todd Browning

RESOLVED by the City Council that Council CONCURS in the recommendation as set forth in the City Engineer's communication and hereby refers said communication to the City Assessor and directs the City Assessor to levy said charges in accordance with Section 222 of the City Charter as a special assessment against the property.

I move the adoption of the foregoing resolution.
MOTION by Councilperson Todd Browning
Supported by Councilperson Joseph Peterson
YEAS: Councilmembers Browning, Fricke, Kolakowski, Peterson, Ptak
NAYS: None

Wyandotte, Michigan April 6, 2009

RESOLUTION by Councilperson Todd Browning

RESOLVED by the City Council that the costs for Special Assessment District (SAD)# 927, Sidewalk program in the City of Wyandotte as submitted by the City Engineer is hereby referred to the City Assessor to make a Special Assessment Roll and report the assessment to the City Council.

I move the adoption of the foregoing resolution.
MOTION by Councilperson Todd Browning
Supported by Councilperson Joseph Peterson
YEAS: Councilmembers Browning, Fricke, Kolakowski, Peterson, Ptak
NAYS: None

Wyandotte, Michigan April 6, 2009

RESOLUTION by Councilperson Todd Browning

RESOLVED by the City Council that Council CONCURS with the recommendation of the City Engineer and Director of Administrative and Financial Services to utilize the services of Applied Science, Inc., for an amount not to exceed \$14,220 from account # 590-200-926-310 to update the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers 1988 Great Lakes Open Coast Flood Levels Report to provide additional information to the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) regarding the proposed Flood Insurance Rate Maps (FIRMS).

I move the adoption of the foregoing resolution.
MOTION by Councilperson Todd Browning
Supported by Councilperson Joseph Peterson
YEAS: Councilmembers Browning, Fricke, Kolakowski, Peterson, Ptak
NAYS: None

Wyandotte, Michigan April 6, 2009

RESOLUTION by Councilperson Todd Browning

RESOLVED by the City Council that Council CONCURS in the recommendation of the City Clerk to transfer ownership of a 2008 Resort Class C Licensed Business (MCL 436.1531 (3); Non-Transferable with Dance-Entertainment Permit, located at 3455 Biddle Avenue Wyandotte, Michigan 48192, Wayne County, from ACK Restaurants, Inc., to Portofino Restaurant, Inc.

I move the adoption of the foregoing resolution.
MOTION by Councilperson Todd Browning
Supported by Councilperson Joseph Peterson
YEAS: Councilmembers Browning, Fricke, Kolakowski, Peterson, Ptak
NAYS: None

Wyandotte, Michigan April 6, 2009

RESOLUTION by Councilperson Todd Browning

RESOLVED by the City Council that Council CONCURS in the recommendation of the City Clerk to transfer ownership of 2008 Watercraft Licensed Business (MCL 436.1531 (3); Non-Transferable) with Dance-Entertainment Permit, located at 3455 Biddle Avenue Wyandotte, MI. 48192, Wayne County, from ACK Restaurant, Inc. to Portofino Friendship) to Portofino Restaurant, Inc.

I move the adoption of the foregoing resolution.
MOTION by Councilperson Todd Browning
Supported by Councilperson Joseph Peterson
YEAS: Councilmembers Browning, Fricke, Kolakowski, Peterson, Ptak
NAYS: None

Wyandotte, Michigan April 6, 2009

RESOLUTION by Councilperson Todd Browning

RESOLVED by the City Council that the Council meeting of April 13, 2009 is hereby CANCELLED due to the EASTER HOLIDAY.

I move the adoption of the foregoing resolution.
MOTION by Councilperson Todd Browning
Supported by Councilperson Joseph Peterson
YEAS: Councilmembers Browning, Fricke, Kolakowski, Peterson, Ptak
NAYS: None

Wyandotte, Michigan April 6, 2009

RESOLUTION by Councilperson Todd Browning

RESOLVED by the City Council that the total bills and accounts in the amount of \$429,835.51 as presented by the Mayor and City Clerk are hereby APPROVED for payment.

I move the adoption of the foregoing resolution.
MOTION by Councilperson Todd Browning
Supported by Councilperson Joseph Peterson
YEAS: Councilmembers Browning, Fricke, Kolakowski, Peterson, Ptak
NAYS: None

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Councilperson Todd Browning
Supported by Councilperson Joseph Peterson
That we adjourn
Carried unanimously.
Adjourned at 8:00 p.m.
April 6, 2009

William R. Griggs, City Clerk