

Wyandotte, Michigan November 23, 2009

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

ROLL CALL

Present: Councilpersons Browning, DeSana, Fricke, Galeski, Sabuda, Stec

Absent: None

COMMUNICATIONS MISCELLANEOUS

November 19, 2009

The Honorable Mayor Joseph R. Peterson And City Council
3131 Biddle Avenue, Wyandotte, MI 48192

Re: Request to Create a Commercial Redevelopment District for Property at 3450 Biddle (former location of River Pointe Electric)

Dear Mayor and Members of Council:

To assist in facilitating the redevelopment of the property at 3450 Biddle, I'm requesting the creation of a Commercial Redevelopment District.

Establishing the District will allow the demolition of the existing structure so that a new structure may be developed. The plans are to construct a 10,712 square foot building for new Social Security offices. Total investment at the site is estimated at \$1,500,000.

Once the District is established, an application for a Commercial Facilities Exemption Certificate will be filed. Additional information about the proposed project will be submitted along with the application.

Thank you for your consideration of this request. If you have any questions, please contact me.

Very truly yours,
Joseph S. Daly

November 19, 2009

The Honorable Mayor Joseph R. Peterson And City Council
City Hall

RE: Establishing a Commercial Redevelopment District (CRD) for property at 3450 Biddle Ave.

Dear Mayor and Council:

It is understood that Joseph S. Daly, via his correspondence dated November 19, 2009, wishes to establish a single property Commercial Redevelopment District (CRD) at 3450 Biddle.

If a District is established, the property owner will be eligible to apply to the Mayor and City Council for a Commercial Facilities Exemption Certificate. The exemption certificate is similar to incentives provided under the Obsolete Property Rehabilitation Act and the Plant Rehabilitation and Industrial Development Act. The State of Michigan reactivated the Commercial Redevelopment Act (CRA) legislation in 2008, after allowing it to expire in 1985.

Prior to expiring in 1985, the City created several such districts and approved several exemption certificates, including one for Portofino's Restaurant at 3455 Biddle and one for the medical office building at 3351 Biddle (immediately south of the Blockbuster store). Additional information about the proposed project will be submitted along with the exemption certificate application.

The enclosed resolution has been prepared which authorizes the holding of a public hearing by the Mayor and City Council to consider establishing the District. Also enclosed is a summary of the Commercial Redevelopment Act (CRA), Public Act 255 of 1978, as amended. Note that the actual date of the public hearing won't be scheduled until after the existing structure at 3450 Biddle Avenue has been demolished. This is necessary to comply with the criteria specified in the Commercial Redevelopment Act.

Sincerely,
 Todd A. Drysdale
 Director of Finance and Administration

November 17, 2009

Mayor Joseph Peterson
 City of Wyandotte
 3131 Biddle, Wyandotte, MI 48192

Your Honor:

It is with deep regret that I must resign my commission as a member and Chairman of the Downtown Development Authority effective immediately in light of the recent closing of my business.

I want to thank former Mayor DeSana for the appointment and to you, Mr. Mayor, for your continued support of my efforts with the DDA during my short tenure. It is my greatest hope that the DDA will discover through their vision a new path to assist the City Council in moving Wyandotte to a renewed prosperity. Please know that Wyandotte has been a rewarding place to grow and that the unique makeup of this great community need the type of leadership you and the DDA can provide.

I will miss the challenge and hold great hope that the Main Street program can be a critical component in making these advancements possible.

With Great Respect,

Tony Trupiano

November 19, 2009

The Honorable Joseph R. Peterson, Mayor and City Council Members
 The City of Wyandotte
 3131 Biddle Avenue
 Wyandotte, Michigan 48192

Dear Mayor Peterson and City Council Members,

I recently had the pleasure of joining Brandon Wescott, Wyandotte DDA Director, and eight other volunteers on a day trip to Old Town Lansing for a seminar concerning the Michigan Main Street Program. It was an energizing day filled with forward-thinking individuals sharing their ideas and methods of creating vibrant and vital downtown areas. Earlier this year, Wyandotte was selected through a competitive application process that made our city eligible for technical assistance services provided by the state. It is truly an honor and a privilege to be among this group of Michigan communities that have been designated to receive this in-depth training as it will ultimately improve all aspects of our downtown area.

When a community participates in a comprehensive revitalization effort, its downtown will experience a return of economic vitality, as people enjoy unique environments and experiences. Some benefits are:

- Protecting and strengthening the existing tax base
- Creating visually appealing and economically viable downtown buildings
- Attracting new businesses
- Creating new jobs

The Main Street approach is a community-driven program. This means that many volunteers will be needed to experience true success. Wyandotte has a huge advantage over other communities on this long-range project - we have an dynamic DDA, an energetic business association, a vigorous cultural and historical commission, a many-faceted recreation, leisure and culture department, a beautification committee, in addition to numerous active service organizations, such as the Jaycees. Imagine all that can be accomplished by linking all of these individuals into a common-goal mission!

I am looking forward to your support as this program advances. The next training session will be held in Portland, Michigan on January 21, 2010. I hope to see some of you there to experience an uplifting and informational day with us.

Sincerely,
Dianne L. Woodruff

PERSONS IN THE AUDIENCE

None

COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITY AND OTHER OFFICIALS

November 18th, 2009

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

Dear Mayor & City Council,

The City of Wyandotte Downtown Development Authority (DDA) would like to announce that the Tour the City Downtown property showcase will be held Tuesday December 1st, 2009 from 3 to 7 PM. Any individual or group wishing to explore the available participating properties in Downtown Wyandotte is asked to stop by City Hall from 2 — 7 PM to pick up an information packet and map of the participating properties. Property owners and landlords should have representatives at each property to answer any questions and briefly present their properties. Please note that the public is responsible for their own transportation and a brief survey will also be distributed for feedback on the event in order to improve future events.

If anyone has any questions or comments, please contact Brandon Wescott of the Wyandotte DDA at 734 324 4506 or bwescott@wyan.org

Respectfully,

Brandon E. Wescott

Thursday, November 19, 2009

Mayor & City Council
City of Wyandotte 3131 Biddle Ave.
Wyandotte, MI, 48192

Honorable Mayor and City Council Members;

Please consider approving the attached contracts relative to the Wyandotte Museums event: A Victorian Holiday Evening.

The Victorian Holiday Evening is a Signature Event of the Wyandotte Museums - a part of our year long Heritage Event Series. Now in its third year, this highly successful series of monthly special programs from April through December are hosted by the Wyandotte Museums and highlight the unique heritage of the City of Wyandotte.

For this particular event, the Wyandotte Museums Campus will be featured Saturday, December 12th for a special Christmas celebration. Guest will enjoy live harp music, a visit with Santa in a Christmas Wonderland, storytelling, wassail and cookies - all in the authentically decorated FordMacNichol Home. In the Yard, children of all ages can see Santa's live reindeer and treat themselves to roasted chestnuts while listening to our strolling Victorian carolers and three-piece brass ensemble. Then, following the lantern lit sidewalk, guests will get a glance inside our newest building, the 1908 Burns Home, where they can festively decorate gingerbread men cookies with icing and candy. Finishing up the evening at the Marx Home, children can make a reproduction Victorian scrap art ornament and orange pomander ball to take home as a token of this memorable family experience.

A fun family event for all ages, tickets are now on sale at the Wyandotte Museums Office, 2624 Biddle Avenue. We are offering two program start times: 6:00 PM and 6:45 PM, and tickets are priced at \$10 for Adults, and \$5 for children 12 and under.

The two contracts attached are for the musical entertainment and live reindeer which will be featured at the event. We are pleased to say that both of these contract fees have been fully covered by the gracious support of Daly Merritt Inc., who are our reindeer sponsors, and Southgate Lincoln Mercury, who will be sponsoring our harpist. In addition, Mr. Leo Stevenson of the Downtown Merrill Lynch office made a generous donation to cover refreshments.

I invite all members of Council to join us the evening of December 12th in support of Wyandotte Museums programming. We look forward to seeing you!

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me and thank you for your support of Wyandotte Museums Cultural Programs.

Thank you very much,

Jody Chansuolme

November 17, 2009

The Honorable Mayor Joseph R. Peterson and City Council
City Hall
Wyandotte, Michigan

Dear Mayor Peterson and City Council Members:

In accordance with Article XI A of the AFSCME Local #894 Agreement with the City, the undersigned recommends a Leave of Absence be granted to Jeffrey Lefever due to the care of a family member. The Leave of Absence is requested on an as needed basis for a period of six (6) months.

Very truly yours,
Mark A. Kowalewski City Engineer

November 19, 2009

The Honorable Joseph R. Peterson, Mayor and City Council Members
3131 Biddle Avenue, Wyandotte, Michigan 48192

Dear Mayor Peterson and City Council Members,

Attached for your review and approval are necessary 2010 Fiscal Year budget amendments required to meet General Fund and Special Revenue Fund obligations. The attached budget amendments also keep the City in compliance with Public Act 621 of 1978.

The undersigned recommends that the City Council approve the budget amendments as outlined on Attachment A of this communication. If you should have any questions, comments or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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

November 19, 2009

The Honorable Joseph R. Peterson And City Council
City Hall
Wyandotte, Michigan 48192

Dear Mayor Peterson and City Council Members:

The Engineering Department on behalf of the Beatification Committee solicited bids for the Purple Heart Memorial Garden Project. On October 28, 2009 proposals for the Purple Heart Memorial Garden were opened and read out loud. A tabulation of the proposals is as follows:

Bidder	Completion Date	Cost per 4"x4" Brick	Bid Amount	Remove Six Light Fixtures
Alastra Construction Co Wyandotte, MI 48192	May 21, 2010	\$16.91/brick	\$158,549.94	(\$6,000.00)
Brivar Construction Co Brighton, MI 48116	January 30, 2010	\$20.00/brick	\$174,062.00	
B Sarkett Construction Co Woodhaven, MI 48183	April 20, 2010	\$16.70/brick	\$176,972.00	
CMA Design/Build, Inc Shelby Twp, MI 48318	May 30, 2010	\$30.00/brick	\$179,000.00	
J.G. Morris Jr Woodhaven, MI 48183	April 30, 2010	\$21/brick	\$198,937.00	
Ferlito Construction Roseville, MI 48066	May 15, 2010	\$15.70/brick	\$209,000.00	
Baird & Lowler Building Co Grosse Ile, MI 48138	May 28, 2010	\$22.81/brick	\$211,411.00	
Sole Building Co Westland, MI 48185	May 20, 2010	\$20.00/brick	\$212,260.00	
TDS Contractors Union Lake, MI 48387	May 15, 2010	\$17.50/brick	\$215,745.00	
A.Z. Shimina, Inc Brighton, MI 48116	180 Days	\$18.00/brick	\$217,000.00	
Hicks Construction Co Shelby Twp, MI 48315	May 31, 2010	\$18/brick	\$249,900.00	
Daly Real Estate Services, Inc C LeClair Building Wyandotte, MI 48192	Memorial Day 2010	\$35/brick	\$282,611.00	

The current funds available are \$152,875.23; see the attached email from Natalie A. Rankine. By eliminating the lighting fixtures, a deduction of \$6,000.00, (see the attached memo from Alastra Construction) the project cost would be \$152,549.94.

The fund raising has also included the installation of 8" x 8" engraved bricks. Alastra Construction's bid for 8" x 8" engraved bricks is \$39.65/brick

The undersigned recommends the acceptance of the proposal from Alastra Construction in the amount of \$152,549.94 as being the best proposal received.

Very truly yours,
Mark A. Kowalewski, City Engineer
Todd A. Drysdale, Director of Administrative/Financial Services
Natalie Rankine, RA, Special Project Coordinator

November 20, 2009

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

Gentlemen and Madam:

I am writing to request your concurrence in the appointment of Leo G. Stevenson, 27359 West River, Grosse Ile MI 48138, to the Downtown Development Authority. Mr. Stevenson will fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Tony Trupiano. His term will expire June 2012.

Enclosed for your information is a copy of Mr. Stevenson's resume. I appreciate your support of this appointment.

Sincerely,

Joseph R. Peterson, Mayor

REPORTS AND MINUTES:

Financial Services Daily Cash Receipts	November 13, 2009
Beautification Commission Minutes	October 13, 2009
Brownfield Redevelopment Authority	November 17, 2009
Tax Increment Finance Authority	November 17, 2009
Fire Commission Meeting	November 3, 2009
Municipal Service Commission	October 20, 2009
Retirement Commission Meeting	November 18, 2009
Police Commission Meeting	November 3, 2009
Wyandotte Recreation Commission	November 10, 2009
Wyandotte Cultural & Historical Commission	October 21, 2009
Southgate-Wyandotte Relief Drains Drainage Board	September 24, 2009

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

Bill Harris, 357 Superior, tree lighting went well – parade was excellent.

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RECONVENING

ROLL CALL

Present: Councilpersons Browning, DeSana, Fricke, Galeski, Sabuda, Stec

Absent: None

RESOLUTIONS

Wyandotte, Michigan November 23, 2009

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 Daniel E. Galeski
ROLL ATTACHED

Wyandotte, Michigan November 23, 2009

RESOLUTION by Councilman Todd M. Browning

RESOLVED by the City Council that the communication from Joseph S. Daly, Property Management, Development, 100 Maple Street, dated November 19, 2009, regarding the request to Create a Commercial Redevelopment District for property at 3450 Biddle Avenue (former location of River Pointe Electric) is hereby referred to the Director of Financial and Administrative Services.

I move the adoption of the foregoing resolution.

MOTION by Councilman Todd M. Browning

Supported by Councilman Daniel E. Galeski

YEAS: Councilmembers Browning, DeSana, Fricke, Galeski, Sabuda, Stec

NAYS: None

RESOLUTION INITIATING ACTION TO ESTABLISH A COMMERCIAL REDEVELOPMENT DISTRICT IN THE CITY OF WYANDOTTE AND THE SETTING OF A PUBLIC HEARING

Wyandotte, Michigan , November 23, 2009

RESOLUTION by Councilperson Todd M. Browning

At a regular session of the City Council of the City of Wyandotte

RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WYANDOTTE

That the City Council, upon the request of the property owner, authorizes the initiation of action to consider establishing a Commercial Redevelopment District for the property at 3450 Biddle Avenue, Wyandotte, MI, 48192, said property more particularly described as:

Parcel Identification No. 82-57-020-01-0004-303 and 82-57-020-01-0004-304

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the City Clerk is hereby directed to send written notice by certified mail to the owners of all real property within the proposed Commercial Redevelopment District and shall afford an opportunity for a hearing on the establishment of the Commercial Redevelopment District. Any of the owners and any other resident or taxpayer of the City of Wyandotte may appear at the hearing and be heard. The City Clerk is further directed to publish a public notice of the hearing not less than 10 days or more than 30 days before the date of the hearing. The public hearing will be scheduled for a date after which the existing structure at 3450 Biddle Avenue has been demolished, so that establishing the District complies with the criteria specified in the Commercial Redevelopment Act, Act 255 of 1978, as amended.

I move the adoption of the foregoing resolution.

Councilperson Todd M. Browning

Supported by Councilperson Daniel E. Galeski

YEAS: Councilpersons Browning, DeSana, Fricke, Galeski, Sabuda, Stec

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

Wyandotte, Michigan November 23, 2009

RESOLUTION by Councilman Todd M. Browning

RESOLVED by the City Council that the communication from Tony Trupiano, 3033 Biddle Avenue, Wyandotte, dated November 17, 2009, submitting his resignation from the Downtown Development Authority Commission is hereby received and placed on file. AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Council hereby accepts his resignation with regret and thanks Mr. Trupiano for his dedicated service to the City of Wyandotte.

I move the adoption of the foregoing resolution.

MOTION by Councilman Todd M. Browning

Supported by Councilman Daniel E. Galeski

ROLL ATTACHED

Wyandotte, Michigan November 23, 2009

RESOLUTION by Councilman Todd M. Browning

RESOLVED by the City Council that the communication from Dianne L. Woodruff, 433 Biddle Avenue, Wyandotte, regarding the successful trip to Old Town Lansing with Brandon Wescott, Downtown Development Director, for a seminar concerning the Michigan Main Street Program is hereby received and placed on file. AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Council supports said program and encourages individuals to take part in the next scheduled seminar to be held in Portland, Michigan on January 21, 2010.

I move the adoption of the foregoing resolution.
 MOTION by Councilman Todd M. Browning
 Supported by Councilman Daniel E. Galeski
 ROLL ATTACHED

Wyandotte, Michigan November 23, 2009

RESOLUTION by Councilman Todd M. Browning

RESOLVED by the City Council that the communication from Brandon E. Wescott, Downtown Development Authority, regarding the Tour the City Downtown property showcase to be held on Tuesday, December 1, 2009, from 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., is hereby received and placed on file.

I move the adoption of the foregoing resolution.
 MOTION by Councilman Todd M. Browning
 Supported by Councilman Daniel E. Galeski
 ROLL ATTACHED

Wyandotte, Michigan November 23, 2009

RESOLUTION by Councilman Todd M. Browning

RESOLVED by the City Council that the communication from Jody L. Chansuolme, Director of Museums and Cultural Affairs, dated November 19, 2009 submitting contracts for services for the Victorian Holiday Evening to be held on December 12, 2009 at the Museum Campus is hereby received and placed on file. AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Council hereby CONCURS in said contracts and authorizes the Museum Director to execute same for the Old Fashion Santa & Company in the amount of \$500.00 and to Bethany Stawasz in the amount of \$200.00 on behalf of the City of Wyandotte.

I move the adoption of the foregoing resolution.
 MOTION by Councilman Todd M. Browning
 Supported by Councilman Daniel E. Galeski
 YEAS: Councilmembers Browning, DeSana, Fricke, Galeski, Sabuda, Stec
 NAYS: None

Wyandotte, Michigan November 23, 2009

RESOLUTION by Councilman Todd M. Browning

RESOLVED by the City Council that Council hereby CONCURS with the recommendation of the City Engineer in accordance with the AFSCME Local #894 Agreement to grant Jeffrey LeFever an as needed Leave of Absence as specified in Article XI A of the AFSCME Local #894 Agreement with the City of Wyandotte for a period of six (6) months.

I move the adoption of the foregoing resolution.
 MOTION by Councilman Todd M. Browning
 Supported by Councilman Daniel E. Galeski
 YEAS: Councilmembers Browning, DeSana, Fricke, Galeski, Sabuda, Stec
 NAYS: None

Wyandotte, Michigan November 23, 2009

RESOLUTION by Councilman Todd M. Browning

RESOLVED by the City Council that Council hereby CONCURS in the recommendation of the Director of Financial and Administrative Services and approves the necessary 2010 fiscal year budget amendments as outlined in his communication dated November 19, 2009.

I move the adoption of the foregoing resolution.

MOTION by Councilman Todd M. Browning

Supported by Councilman Daniel E. Galeski

YEAS: Councilmembers Browning, DeSana, Fricke, Galeski, Sabuda, Stec

NAYS: None

Wyandotte, Michigan November 23, 2009

RESOLUTION by Councilman Todd M. Browning

RESOLVED by the City Council that Council hereby CONCURS in the recommendation of the City Engineer, the Finance Director and the Special Project Coordinator regarding the Purple Heart Memorial Garden project to accept the bid of Alastra Construction Company, 1149 Lincoln, Wyandotte, Michigan, File # 4489 in the amount of \$152,549.94, which is the base bid with acceptance of \$6,000.00 to eliminate six (6) light fixtures, from account # 101-000-257-084; AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that it is understood that the base bid includes \$6,764.00 for engraved brick installation. Final payment for engraved bricks will be based on the number of engraved bricks at \$16.91/brick for 4" x 8" bricks and \$39.65/brick for 8" x 8" bricks. If this total is less than \$6,764.00 the City will receive a credit. If this total is greater than \$6,764.00 the contractor will receive an extra cost; AND FURTHER that all bid bonds be returned to the unsuccessful bidders by the City Clerk and all bid checks be returned to the unsuccessful bidders by the City Treasurer; AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and City Clerk are hereby authorized to execute the necessary documents to perform said work.

I move the adoption of the foregoing resolution.

MOTION by Councilman Todd M. Browning

Supported by Councilman Daniel E. Galeski

YEAS: Councilmembers Browning, DeSana, Fricke, Galeski, Sabuda, Stec

NAYS: None

Wyandotte, Michigan November 23, 2009

RESOLUTION by Councilman Todd M. Browning

RESOLVED by the City Council that Council CONCURS in the recommendation of Mayor Peterson as set forth in his communication dated November 20, 2009 to appoint Leo G. Stevenson, 27359 West River, Grosse Ile, Michigan 48138 to the Downtown Development Authority to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Tony Trupiano, term to expire June 2012.

I move the adoption of the foregoing resolution.

MOTION by Councilman Todd M. Browning

Supported by Councilman Daniel E. Galeski

YEAS: Councilmembers Browning, DeSana, Fricke, Galeski, Sabuda, Stec

NAYS: None

Wyandotte, Michigan November 23, 2009

RESOLUTION by Councilman Todd M. Browning

RESOLVED by the City Council that the Council meeting of November 30, 2009 is hereby CANCELLED due to the THANKSGIVING DAY HOLIDAY.

I move the adoption of the foregoing resolution.

MOTION by Councilman Todd M. Browning

Supported by Councilman Daniel E. Galeski

YEAS: Councilmembers Browning, DeSana, Fricke, Galeski, Sabuda, Stec

NAYS: None

Wyandotte, Michigan November 23, 2009

RESOLUTION by Councilman Todd M. Browning

RESOLVED by the City Council that the Director of Financial/Administrative Services has expressed a desire to meet in closed session to discuss strategy in conjunction with negotiations with a City of Wyandotte Bargaining Unit. Now, therefore, be it resolved that this Body will meet in closed session immediately following the regularly scheduled Council meeting for the above purpose only.

I move the adoption of the foregoing resolution.

MOTION by Councilman Todd M. Browning

Supported by Councilman Daniel E. Galeski

YEAS: Councilmembers Browning, DeSana, Fricke, Galeski, Sabuda, Stec

NAYS: None

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Councilperson Todd M. Browning

Supported by Councilperson Daniel E. Galeski

That we adjourn

Carried unanimously.

Adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

November 23, 2009

William R. Griggs, City Clerk