

Wyandotte, Michigan August 16, 2010

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

August 6, 2010

City of Wyandotte
3131 Biddle Ave
Wyandotte, MI 48192

Dear Mayor and City Council:

On behalf of the Wyandotte Music Boosters we request permission and approval for adult booster members to solicit at the intersection of Biddle Ave and Eureka Rd on Friday, August 20, 2010 from 5pm to 9pm. Donations will be collected for the Wyandotte Marching Chief's 2010 Band Camp Fund.

In past years the Music Boosters have requested and received approval to seek donations from the public at this intersection. The annual fund raisers for this year Band Camp have fallen shorter than anticipated. As our camp is fast approaching we are seeking additional no cost avenues to help defray student and budgeted costs.

Please consider our request for approval.

Respectfully,

Michael J. Haggerty, Vice President/Wyandotte Music Boosters
465 Spruce St, Wyandotte, MI 48192
734-246-1161 Home Phone

TO: Mayor and City Council of Wyandotte

DATE: August 11, 2010

FROM: Mark and Kathleen Behm

SUBJECT: Property located at 2287 10th Street, Wyandotte, MI

1. We had the sidewalk in front of our house replaced at our own expense. As we discussed in the past, during a storm the sidewalk would flood, due to improper drainage of the storm sewer. This flooding has caused the sidewalk to shift. Recently, we have had to replace the same sidewalk. We feel the city should reimburse us since the damage was caused by faulty city infrastructure.
2. During the repaving process and the new water main installation, the company doing the install had to go through the root ball of a tree we have complained about in the past. The city has trimmed said tree numerous times. Now the root system had been compromised and we feel the tree has become a threat to our home.

The neighbors want to keep the tree, we do not. Recent high winds have caused the tree to lean toward our home. Even though we have homeowner's insurance, our bedroom would be in the direct path if this tree fell during a storm while we were sleeping. We have invested a lot of money into our home and do not want to worry about a disaster such as this. We have seen the damage these trees can do. We do not feel our neighbors have any more rights than we do regarding this tree since it is on city property. We do feel we have the right to feel safe in our home and currently do not.

Please find enclosed photos of the tree, tree roots and current damages. These photos have been documented for liability purposes. Please review and make an honest and considerate decision to remove this tree.

Sincerely,
Mark and Kathleen Behm

PERSONS IN THE AUDIENCE

None

COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITY AND OTHER OFFICIALS

August 12, 2010

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 Margaret E. Molnar, 2651 Biddle Avenue, #701, Wyandotte MI 48192 to the Beautification Commission. Ms. Molnar will fill the position created by the resignation of Mary Louise Bahnemann. Her term will expire April 2013.

Thanking you in advance for your support of this appointment, I remain

Sincerely,

Joseph R. Peterson, Mayor

August 11, 2010

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

Dear Mayor Peterson and City Council Members:

Enclosed please find an amendment to the Zoning Ordinance, Section 2404 Off-Street Parking Space Layout, Standards, Construction and Maintenance, Subsection 2404.N regarding lighting used to illuminate any off-street parking areas. This amendment will allow for two (2) different lighting types to be used in any off-street parking area.

If you concur with this change the attached ordinance has been prepared and the same should be referred to the Planning Commission for the required public hearing.

Very truly yours,

Mark A. Kowalewski, City Engineer

William R. Look, City Attorney

August 12, 2010

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

Dear Mayor Peterson and City Council Members:

Enclosed please find a Letter of Understanding between the City of Wyandotte and Environmental Generation Technology Advisor, LLC for a portion of the City owned property located at 4800 Central Avenue for on alternative energy park.

This Letter of Understanding has been reviewed and approved by the City Attorney.

The attached Resolution will authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute same.

Very truly yours,
Mark A. Kowalewski City Engineer

August 11, 2010

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

Dear Mayor Peterson and City Council Members:

Please find enclosed specifications for the future Solid Waste Collection Program in the City of Wyandotte. The proposed contract would begin November 1, 2010, for a period of seven (7) years. Proposals will be opened August 25, 2010, and a recommendation will be forthcoming in September. This will enable financial information to be presented to City Council prior to adoption of next year's budget.

The Solid Waste Program is not a General Fund obligation, but utilizes a dedicated tax rate and various fees to finance the program. A significant portion of the Solid Waste Fund balance may include the purchasing of 96 gallon carts via a separate purchase proposal. The carts may be utilized for collection of solid waste and/or single source recycling. The program may also include a points program to encourage recycling. The points are redeemable at local stores and restaurants. Inclusions of specific programs are dependent on the bids received. Various options are included in the proposals requested, as well as alternatives comprised of different methods for bulk collections. One method for bulk collections is to utilize the Department of Public Service (DPS) employees to manage bulk collections. This may include a fee system for bulk collections.

I encourage you to review these specifications to determine if there are any changes you desire to make before receipt of bids. Any suggestions need to be communicated to me before August 18, 2010, so an addendum could be issued prior to receipt of proposals.

Very truly yours,
Mark A. Kowalewski City Engineer

August 12, 2010

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

Dear Mayor Peterson and City Council Members:

I have received an approved budget for all activities identified in the Neighborhood Stabilization Program 1 (NSP1) of \$560,000.00 (enclosed). The proposals received were under budget and there is an opportunity for the Engineering and Building Department to provide services to oversee, inspect and monitor the contract activities.

The enclosed contract between the City of Wyandotte and Engineering and Building Department in the amount of \$27,142.00 will provide for these services. This money will be received into the General Fund for Engineering Department Employees' Activities.

I recommend the enclosed Contract be approved and the Mayor, City Clerk and City Engineer be authorized to sign said Contract.

Very truly yours,

Mark A. Kowalewski, City Engineer

August 12, 2010

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

Dear Mayor Peterson and City Council Members:

Enclosed please find an Operations Agreement between the City of Wyandotte and the Michigan Land Bank Fast Track Authority. This Operations Agreement is for the acquisition and demolition of properties on non-buildable lots in the Neighborhood Stabilization Program 2 (NSP2) Area. The Land Bank's allocation for this task is \$1,710,683.00 and the City's allocation for acquisition, rehabilitation and new construction is \$6,438,036.00.

The Engineering Department will identify and negotiate the sales price of the properties to purchase, City Council will approve the purchase, then the Engineering Department will contact the Land Bank to enter into the Purchase Agreement and close on the property. The Land Bank would demolish the property and maintain the property for three (3) years or until it is sold.

This Agreement has been reviewed and approved by the City Attorney.

If you concur with this Agreement, the attached Resolution will authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute same.

*Agreement on File with the City Clerk and the City Engineer

Very truly yours,

Mark A. Kowalewski City Engineer

August 9, 2010

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

RE: Former 2123 2nd Street Wyandotte, MI Lot Size: 61.75' x 50'

Dear Mayor Peterson and City Council Members:

Attached please find a Purchase Agreement to sell the above captioned property to the adjacent property owner Kelly and Brion Dobson at 163 Spruce in the amount of \$3,250.00. The combination of the two (2) parcels will result in one (1) parcel measuring 50' x 140'.

The attached resolution will authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute the necessary documents.

Very truly yours,

Mark A. Kowalewski, City Engineer
Colleen A. Keehn, City Assessor

August 10, 2010

Honorable Mayor Peterson And City Council Members 3131 Biddle Avenue
Wyandotte, MI. 48192

Dear Mayor Peterson and Council Members -

In accordance with the provisions of Michigan Pubic Act # 200 of the Public Acts of 1969 of the State of Michigan, please request the Department of Public Works to close Biddle Avenue from 8 AM to Noon for the 67th Annual Wyandotte Christmas Parade Saturday, November 20th, 2010.

The parade will necessitate closing Biddle Avenue from Ford Street to Plum Street. Traffic to be rerouted northbound to Third Street and to Ford Street, and Southbound on Fourth Street from Ford Street.

The Chief of Police is requested to apply to the Wayne County Office of Public Service for a road closure permit. He should be designated and authorized to sign said street closing permit document on behalf of the City of Wyandotte. Responsibility for all damage claims which may arise from the road closing must be assumed by the City of Wyandotte. The Fire Department should be notified of this event to reroute emergency vehicles.

Thank you for your consideration and we look forward to your response.

Sincerely,

Fred Pischke, Superintendent
Heather Thiede, Special Event Coordinator

REPORTS AND MINUTES

Financial Services Daily Cash Receipts	\$559,411.11
Wyandotte Recreation Commission	July 27, 2010

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

Lynn Steffensky, Downriver Business Association, regarding the 3rd Friday Wine Crawl.

RECESS

RECONVENING

ROLL CALL

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

Absent: None

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCE

AN ORDINANCE ENTITLED
AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CITY OF WYANDOTTE ZONING
ORDINANCE TO REZONE THE PROPERTY KNOWN AS 580 POPLAR AND THE
FORMER 600-604 POPLAR FROM TWO FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT (RT)
TO ONE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT (RA)

RESOLUTIONS

Wyandotte, Michigan August 16, 2010

RESOLUTION by Councilperson Leonard Sabuda

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 Leonard Sabuda
Supported by Councilperson Todd M. Browning
ROLL ATTACHED

Wyandotte, Michigan August 16, 2010

RESOLUTION by Councilperson Leonard Sabuda

RESOLVED by the City Council that Council hereby grants permission to the Wyandotte Music Boosters, 540 Eureka Road to solicit at the intersection of Biddle Avenue and Eureka Road on Friday, August 20, 2010 from 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. with the proceeds to be used for the Wyandotte Marching Chief's 2010 Band Camp Fund. AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a Hold Harmless Agreement as prepared by the Department of Legal Affairs shall be executed and placed on file with the City Clerk.

I move the adoption of the foregoing resolution.

MOTION by Councilperson Leonard Sabuda
Supported by Councilperson Todd M. Browning
YEAS: Councilmembers Browning, DeSana, Fricke, Galeski, Sabuda, Stec
NAYS: None

Wyandotte, Michigan August 16, 2010

RESOLUTION by Councilperson Leonard Sabuda

RESOLVED by the City Council that the communication from Mark and Kathleen Behm, 2287-10th Street, relative to the removal of a tree in front of their residence is hereby referred to the City Engineer for a review and report back to Council in one (1) week.

I move the adoption of the foregoing resolution.

MOTION by Councilperson Leonard Sabuda
Supported by Councilperson Todd M. Browning
ROLL ATTACHED

Wyandotte, Michigan August 16, 2010

RESOLUTION by Councilperson Leonard Sabuda

RESOLVED by the City Council that Council CONCURS in the recommendation of Mayor Peterson as set forth in his communication dated August 12, 2010 to appoint Margaret E. Molnar, 2651 Biddle Avenue #701 Wyandotte, Michigan to the Beautification Commission, term to expire April 2013.

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

Wyandotte, Michigan August 16, 2010

RESOLUTION by Councilperson Leonard Sabuda

RESOLVED by the City Council that the communication from the City Engineer and City Attorney regarding changes to the Zoning Ordinance, Section 2404 Off-Street Parking space Layout, Standards, Construction and Maintenance is hereby received and placed on file; AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Council hereby refers said ordinance amendment to the Planning Commission for the required public hearing.

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

Wyandotte, Michigan August 16, 2010

RESOLUTION by Councilperson Leonard Sabuda

RESOLVED by the City Council that the communication from the City Engineer regarding the Letter of Understanding for the City owned property located at 4200-8th, Wyandotte is hereby received and placed on file; AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Council authorizes the Mayor and City Clerk to execute the Letter of Understanding between the City of Wyandotte and Environmental Generation Technology-Advisor, LLC.

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

Wyandotte, Michigan August 16, 2010

RESOLUTION by Councilperson Leonard Sabuda

RESOLVED by the City Council that the communication from the City Engineer regarding the specifications for the City's Solid Waste Collection Program to begin November 1, 2010 for a seven (7) year period is hereby received and place on file; AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of said Specifications are on file in the City Clerk's Office.

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

Wyandotte, Michigan August 16, 2010

RESOLUTION by Councilperson Leonard Sabuda

RESOLVED by the City Council that the communication from the City Engineer regarding the Neighborhood Stabilization Program 1 (NSP1) is received and placed on file; AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Contract for \$27,142.00 in project management services between the City of Wyandotte and the Engineering and Building Department is hereby APPROVED and FURTHER the Mayor, City Clerk and City Engineer are hereby authorized to execute same.

I move the adoption of the foregoing resolution.

MOTION by Councilperson Leonard Sabuda

Supported by Councilperson Todd M. Browning

YEAS: Councilmembers Browning DeSana Fricke Galeski Sabuda Stec

NAYS: None

Wyandotte, Michigan August 16, 2010

RESOLUTION by Councilperson Leonard Sabuda

RESOLVED by the City Council that the communication from the City Engineer regarding the Operations Agreement for the Wyandotte NSP2 Program is hereby received and placed on file; AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Council authorizes the Mayor and City Clerk to execute said Operations Agreement between the City and Michigan Land Bank Fast Track Authority.

I move the adoption of the foregoing resolution.

MOTION by Councilperson Leonard Sabuda

Supported by Councilperson Todd M. Browning

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

NAYS: None

Wyandotte, Michigan August 16, 2010

RESOLUTION by Councilperson Leonard Sabuda

RESOLVED by the City Council that Council CONCURS with the communication from the City Engineer and City Assessor dated August 9, 2010, regarding the former 2123-2nd Street Wyandotte, AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Council accepts the offer from Kelly and Brion Dobson, to acquire the former 2123-2nd Street in the amount of \$3,250.00. AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Legal Affairs is hereby directed to prepare the necessary documents and the Mayor and City Clerk are hereby authorized to sign said documents.

I move the adoption of the foregoing resolution.

MOTION by Councilperson Leonard Sabuda

Supported by Councilperson Todd M. Browning

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

NAYS: None

Wyandotte, Michigan August 16, 2010

RESOLUTION by Councilperson Leonard Sabuda

RESOLVED by the City Council that Council hereby APPROVES the request of the Recreation, Leisure and Culture Department to close Biddle Avenue, from Ford to Plum (re-route northbound traffic on Third to Ford, southbound on Fourth from Ford) from 8:00 a.m. to Noon for Wyandotte's 67th Annual Christmas Parade scheduled for Saturday, November 20, 2010. 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 and further is hereby authorized and directed to sign said permit. The City of Wyandotte assumes responsibility for all damage claims which may arise from the road closing and further the Fire Department is hereby notified to reroute emergency vehicles during said closure.

I move the adoption of the foregoing resolution.

MOTION by Councilperson Leonard Sabuda

Supported by Councilperson Todd M. Browning

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

NAYS: None

Wyandotte, Michigan August 16, 2010

RESOLUTION by Councilperson Leonard Sabuda

RESOLVED by the City Council that the City Engineer has expressed a desire to meet in closed session to discuss acquisition and/or lease of real property. 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 Leonard Sabuda

Supported by Councilperson Todd M. Browning

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

NAYS: None

Wyandotte, Michigan August 16, 2010

RESOLUTION by Councilperson Leonard Sabuda

RESOLVED by the City Council that the total bills and accounts in the amount of \$535,357.78 as presented by the Mayor and City Clerk are hereby APPROVED for payment.

I move the adoption of the foregoing resolution.

MOTION by Councilperson Leonard Sabuda

Supported by Councilperson Todd M. Browning

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

NAYS: None

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Councilperson Leonard Sabuda

Supported by Councilperson Todd M. Browning

That we adjourn.

Carried unanimously.

Adjourned at 9 PM

August 16, 2010

Maria Johnson, Deputy City Clerk