

CITY OF WYANDOTTE
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

A Regular Session of the Wyandotte City Council was held in Council Chambers, on Monday, September 28, 2015, and was called to order at 7:00pm, Honorable Joseph R. Peterson presiding.

The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by roll call.

Present: Councilpersons Fricke, Galeski, Miciura, Sabuda, Schultz and VanBoxell

Absent: None

Also Present: Joseph R. Peterson, Mayor; Todd Browning, City Treasurer; William Look, City Attorney; Mark Kowalewski, City Engineer; and Lawrence Stec, City Clerk. Thomas Woodruff, City Assessor, was excused from the meeting.

PRESENTATION - Larie Stewart of Belicoso presented a check to Dr. David Wolf and Susan LaCroix, RN, of HFWH Safe Sleep Program in the amount of \$2400.00.

COMMUNICATIONS MISCELLANEOUS: None

PERSONS IN THE AUDIENCE: None

NEW BUSINESS (ELECTED OFFICIALS)

COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITY AND OTHER OFFICIALS

AGENDA ITEM #1

Communication from Deputy Treasurer/Assistant Finance Director, Robert J. Szczechowski, requesting approval of the recommendations for 2015 Fiscal Year Budget Amendments

AGENDA ITEM #2

Communication from Police Chief, Daniel Grant, requesting establishment and approval of Halloween "Trick or Treat" hours from 5:30 P.M. to 7:30 P.M. on Saturday, October 31, 2015

AGENDA ITEM #3

Communication from City Engineer, Mark Kowalewski, regarding the setting of a public hearing for vacating and abolishing the public alley adjacent to Lot 86, Hudson's Subdivision

AGENDA ITEM #4

Communication from City Engineer, Mark Kowalewski, requesting the adoption of a resolution to set a public Show Cause Hearing in regards to the property at 2250 7th Street

AGENDA ITEM #5

Communication from City Engineer, Mark Kowalewski, requesting that the budget amendment required for the facilitation of repairs to the alley behind Wilson Middle School be prepared by the City Administrator

AGENDA ITEM #6

Communication from City Engineer, Mark Kowalewski, requesting approval of the purchase from Bell Equipment of one Leaf Vac and one Truck Box for the Department of Public Service

AGENDA ITEM #7

Communication from City Engineer, Mark Kowalewski, requesting that Council concur with the recommendation to purchase the property at 705 Plum, with City Attorney to prepare and sign closing documents and Mayor and City Clerk to execute Purchase Agreement

AGENDA ITEM #8

Communication from City Engineer, Mark Kowalewski, requesting that Council concur with the recommendation to purchase 144 - Ninety-Six gallon carts from Cascade Engineering

AGENDA ITEM #9

Communication from Special Event Coordinator, Heather Thiede, requesting that the Council concur with the recommendation for the 2015 Holiday Lighting Contract with Grosse Ile Lawn Sprinkler, Inc.

AGENDA ITEM #10A

Communication from Special Event Coordinator, Heather Thiede, regarding approval for road closures and city property use in relation to the City of Wyandotte Holiday Parade and Tree Lighting

AGENDA ITEM #10B

Communication from Special Event Coordinator, Heather Thiede, regarding the RHS Downriver Fanfare event on October 6, 2015

REPORTS AND MINUTES

Daily Cash Receipts	September 18, 2015 & September 24, 2015
Wyandotte Recreation Commission	September 8, 2015
Design Review Committee	September 22, 2015

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION:

John Karas of 2614 12th Street (Home)/1134 Oak (Business) regarding the placement of dumpsters near his home

RECESS**RECONVENE****ROLL CALL**

Present: Councilpersons Galeski, Miciura, Sabuda, Schultz and VanBoxell

Absent: Councilwoman Fricke

Also Present: Joseph R. Peterson, Mayor; Thomas Woodruff, City Assessor; Todd Browning, City Treasurer; William Look, City Attorney; Mark Kowalewski, City Engineer; and Lawrence S. Stec, City Clerk. Thomas Woodruff, City Assessor, was excused from the meeting.

HEARINGS: None

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES: None

FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES: None

RESOLUTIONS

By Councilperson Miciura, supported by Councilperson Fricke
RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held under the date of September 21, 2015, be APPROVED as recorded without objection.
Motion unanimously carried.

By Councilperson Miciura, supported by Councilperson Fricke
RESOLVED that Council hereby concurs in the recommendations of the Deputy Treasurer/Assistant Finance Director and approves the necessary 2015 Fiscal Year Budget amendments as outlined in the attached communication. Contents available upon request.
Motion unanimously carried.

By Councilperson Miciura, supported by Councilperson Fricke
RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council approve the Halloween "Trick or Treat" hours for Saturday, October 31, 2015 from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.
AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Trick or Treat Safety Tips be forwarded to Cable for airing upon approval.
Motion unanimously carried.

By Councilperson Miciura, supported by Councilperson Fricke
RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WYANDOTTE that it is a necessary public improvement for the health, welfare, comfort and safety of the People of the City of Wyandotte, and is deemed advisable to vacate the following land as a public alley in the City of Wyandotte, Wayne County, Michigan, more particularly described as:
The 31.14 feet of the eighteen (18) foot wide public alley north and adjacent to Lot 86, Hudson's Subdivision, as recorded in Liber 22, Page 23 of Plats, Wayne County Records.
RESOLVED FURTHER, that this Council will meet on Monday, October 19, 2015, at 7:00 p.m., in the Council Chambers of the Wyandotte City Hall, 3200 Biddle Avenue, in said City, to hear objections to the proposed vacation of said described land as a public alley. (cont.)

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the City Clerk shall give notice of such meeting, with a copy of this Resolution, in a newspaper published and circulating in said City, in accordance with the provisions of the City Charter.

Motion unanimously carried.

By Councilperson Miciura, supported by Councilperson Fricke

RESOLVED by the City Council that whereas a show cause hearing has been held in the Office of the Engineer in the Department of Engineering and Building, 3200 Biddle Avenue, Wyandotte, Michigan on July 1, 2015, and whereas the property owner or other interested parties, have been given opportunity to show cause, if any they had, why the structure at 2250 7th Street has not had all property maintenance repairs made or has been demolished in accordance with the City's Property Maintenance Ordinance, and whereas the Hearing Officer has filed a report of his findings with this Council; AND

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that this Council shall hold a public hearing in accordance with Section PM-I07.7 in the Council Chambers of the Wyandotte City Hall, 3200 Biddle Avenue, Wyandotte, on **October 12, 2015** at 7:00 p.m., at which time all interested parties shall show cause, if any they have, why the structure has not been demolished or why the City should not have the structure demolished and removed at 2250 7th Street; AND

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Clerk shall give notice of said hearing ten (10) days before the hearing by certified mail, return receipt requested, and first class mail, in accordance with the provisions of Section PM-I07.4 of the Property Maintenance Ordinance.

Motion unanimously carried.

By Councilperson Miciura, supported by Councilperson Fricke

RESOLVED that Council hereby concurs in the recommendation of the City Engineer regarding the repairs necessary to the alley behind Wilson Middle School; AND

FURTHER RESOLVED THAT Council directs the City Administrator to prepare the necessary budget amendment to the 2015-2016 Budget fund balance to account 249-450-825-462 (\$14,604.00).

Motion carried.

NAY: Councilperson Sabuda

By Councilperson Miciura, supported by Councilperson Fricke

BE IT RESOLVED that Council approves purchases from Bell Equipment, Lake Orion, Michigan to purchase one (1) leaf vac and one (1) truck box in the amount of \$33,283.00 from account no. 290-448-850-540 - 2015-2016 budget.

Motion unanimously carried.

By Councilperson Miciura, supported by Councilperson Fricke

RESOLVED that Council concurs with the recommendation of the City Engineer to acquire the property at 705 Plum in the amount of \$23,000.00 to be appropriated from TIFA Area Fund account no. 492-200-850-519; AND

BE IT RESOLVED that the Department of Legal Affairs, William R. Look, is hereby directed to prepare and sign the necessary documents and the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute the Purchase Agreement; AND

BE IT RESOLVED that William R. Look, City Attorney is authorized to execute closing documents for the purchase of said property on behalf of the Mayor and City Clerk; AND

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Engineer is directed to demolish same upon completion of the Wyandotte Historical Commission inspection of the home as it pertains to the preservation of historical and cultural items for the City of Wyandotte. The estimated cost of demolition is \$6,000.

Motion unanimously carried.

By Councilperson Miciura, supported by Councilperson Fricke

BE IT RESOLVED that Council concurs with the recommendation of the City Engineer to purchase 144 – Ninety-Six Gallon Carts from Cascade Engineering of Grand Rapids, Michigan in the amount of \$6,730.56 from account no. 290-448-850-770-540; each cart to be black with the City of Wyandotte's logo, imprinted serial numbers and include a standard ten (10) year warranty.

Motion unanimously carried.

By Councilperson Miciura, supported by Councilperson Fricke
BE IT RESOLVED that the Council concurs with the Special Event Coordinator to APPROVE the contract for Grosse Ile Lawn and Sprinkler for the 2015 Christmas event season. Funds to be paid from the Special Events Misc. in the amount of \$1638.00, and DDA Expense Account in the amount of \$30,000.00.
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and City Clerk are hereby directed to execute said contract on behalf of the City of Wyandotte.
Motion unanimously carried.

By Councilperson Miciura, supported by Councilperson Fricke
BE IT RESOLVED that Council hereby APPROVES the request of the Special Event coordinator to CLOSE Biddle Avenue from Ford Avenue to Plum Street on Saturday, November 21, 2015; traffic to be rerouted northbound to Third Street and to Ford Avenue and Southbound on Fourth Street from Ford Avenue AND
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Council grants permission for the use of the grassy area near City Hall and CLOSE Sycamore St. from Biddle to Coastal Thai for the Tree Lighting ceremony on Friday, November 20, 2015. 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 on behalf of the City of Wyandotte and the Fire Department is hereby notified to reroute emergency vehicles.
FURTHER, the City of Wyandotte assumes responsibility for all damage claims which may arise from the road closing.
Motion unanimously carried.

By Councilperson Miciura, supported by Councilperson Fricke
RESOLVED Council that Council concurs with the recommendation of the Special Events Coordinator relative to the request of the Roosevelt High School to hold their Downriver Fanfare event on October 6, 2015 from 4:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. and APPROVES the following requests:
1. Permission to close Maple Street between 5th and 7th Streets
2. Permission to close 5th Street from Eureka to Maple
3. Permission to close the alley behind the Auto Shop
4. Permission to utilize the Chase Bank parking lot located next to the Yack Arena for overflow parking.
AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this event has been reviewed and approved by Police, Fire, the Superintendent of Recreation, and Superintendent of DPS.
AND FURTHER that a Hold Harmless Agreement be executed as prepared by the Department of Legal Affairs.
Motion unanimously carried.

By Councilperson Sabuda, supported by Councilperson Fricke
RESOLVED that the City Administrator requests a closed session for an employee evaluation and to consider discipline of an employee who has requested the hearing be closed. This is in accordance with Section 15.268a of PA 267 of 1976.
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.
Motion unanimously carried.

By Councilperson Miciura, supported by Councilperson Fricke
RESOLVED that the total bills and accounts of \$928,984.99 as presented by the Mayor and City Clerk are hereby APPROVED for payment.
Motion unanimously carried.

By Councilperson Miciura, supported by Councilperson Fricke
RESOLVED, that this regular meeting of the Wyandotte City Council be adjourned at 8:55 p.m.
Motion unanimously carried.

Lawrence S. Stec, City Clerk