

CITY OF WYANDOTTE
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

A Regular Session of the Wyandotte City Council was held in Council Chambers, on Monday, September 12, 2016, and was called to order at 7:00pm with Honorable Mayor Joseph R. Peterson presiding.

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

Present: Councilpersons Daniel Galeski, Sheri Fricke, Ted Miciura, Leonard Sabuda, Donald Schultz, and Kevin VanBoxell

Absent: None

Also Present: Todd Browning, City Treasurer; Thomas Woodruff, City Assessor; William Look, City Attorney; Mark Kowalewski, City Engineer; and Lawrence Stec, City Clerk

PRESENTATIONS

- Beautification Awards – John Darin & Alice Ugljesa, Wyandotte Beautification Commission

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

COMMUNICATIONS MISCELLANEOUS

Discussion regarding Resolutions #2016-438

PERSONS IN THE AUDIENCE

- Karen Kowalik, 14649 Burns, thanking officials & city for International Overdose Awareness Event
- Andy Przytula, 1736 Oak St, regarding traffic concerns on Oak Street.

NEW BUSINESS (ELECTED OFFICIALS)

- Councilperson Galeski: McKinley Yard Signs (Karas), DCA lease and grants (2016-442), number of city compliance inspectors (2016-445).
- Councilperson Sabuda: Discussion regarding bids (2016-442).

COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITY AND OTHER OFFICIALS

Discussion regarding Resolution #2016-439 – #2016-450

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS

None

REPORTS & MINUTES

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| City Council | August 29, 2016 |
| Brownfield Redevelopment Authority | August 16, 2016 |
| Daily Cash Receipts | August 31, 2016 |
| Fire Commission | August 9, 2016 |
| Municipal Service Commission Regular & Working Sessions | August 24 & September 7, 2016 |
| Planning Commission | August 18, 2016 |
| Police Commission | August 23, 2016 |
| Recreation Commission | August 16, 2016 |
| Tax Increment Finance Authority | August 16, 2016 |

CITIZENS PARTICIPATION

None

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Present: Councilpersons Galeski, Fricke, Miciura, Sabuda, Schultz, VanBoxell and Mayor Joseph R. Peterson

Absent: None

Also Present: Todd Browning, City Treasurer; Thomas Woodruff, City Assessor; William Look, City Attorney; Mark Kowalewski, City Engineer; and Lawrence Stec, City Clerk

HEARINGS

- Budget Hearing: 2017 Fiscal Year
- Show Cause Hearing: 517 Riverbank (#2016-452)

FIRST READING OF AN ORDINANCE

- #1430: 2017 Fiscal Year Budget Ordinance
- #1431: Zoning Ordinance Amendment – 828 4th Street, RT to RM-1A

FINAL READING OF AN ORDINANCE

None

RESOLUTIONS**2016-437 MINUTES**

By Councilperson VanBoxell, supported by Councilperson Schultz
RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held under the date of August 29, 2016, be approved as recorded, with necessary corrections.
Motion unanimously carried.

2016-438 CITIZEN COMMUNICATION – J.P. KARAS

By Councilperson VanBoxell, supported by Councilperson Schultz
BE IT RESOLVED that the communication from J.P. Karas regarding the McKinley School Site Redevelopment is hereby received and placed on file.
Motion unanimously carried.

2016-439 GUIDE TO DEVELOPMENT AND DOING BUSINESS – RRC

By Councilperson VanBoxell, supported by Councilperson Schultz
WHEREAS, the MEDC has developed a program for certifying Redevelopment Ready Communities, and the City of Wyandotte desires to achieve that certification by implementing best practices and recommended strategies for redevelopment; and
WHEREAS, the City of Wyandotte has engaged in the MEDC Redevelopment Ready Communities Program, in order receive Redevelopment Ready Communities Certification from the MEDC.
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that the City of Wyandotte, Michigan through its City Council, accepts the Guide to Development and Doing Business as written.
Motion unanimously carried.

2016-440 2017 WMS BUDGETS

By Councilperson VanBoxell, supported by Councilperson Schultz
BE IT RESOLVED that Council concurs with the Wyandotte Municipal Services Commission to approve the adoption of the Electric Utility Operating & Capital Budget for Fiscal 2016 - 2017, Water Utility Operating & Capital Budget for Fiscal 2016 – 2017, and Telecommunications Utility Operating & Capital Budget for Fiscal 2016 - 2017.
Motion unanimously carried.

2016-441 2017 SPRING FLING & VARIOUS YACK ARENA EVENTS

By Councilperson VanBoxell, supported by Councilperson Schultz
BE IT RESOLVED that Council hereby approves the Benjamin F. Yack Recreation Center Rental Contracts for the following events to be held at the Benjamin F. Yack Recreation Center on the following dates:

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| St. Vincent Pallotti Spring Fling Festival | May 12 th and 13 th , 2017 |
| Guru Purnima | July 6 th -9 th , 2017 |
| Koeller Wedding Reception | July 22 nd |

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the contracts are approved in the amount of \$1,300.00 per day including any extra associated rental costs, payable in full upon completion of the event as stipulated in the contracts; AND
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Council hereby authorizes the Mayor and City Clerk to sign said contracts.
Motion unanimously carried.

2016-442 81 CHESTNUT (DCA) LEASE AGREEMENT

By Councilperson VanBoxell, supported by Councilperson Schultz
BE IT RESOLVED that Council approves the request of the DDA Director to draft a 5-year or 10-year lease agreement for 81 Chestnut Street for the Downriver Council for the Arts, whichever is most beneficial to the city and future grant possibilities.
Motion unanimously carried.

2016-443 PATRONICITY PLACEMAKING PROJECT – PIZZO BID

By Councilperson VanBoxell, supported by Councilperson Schultz

BE IT RESOLVED that Council approves the request of the DDA Director to select Pizzo Development Group, LLC to further design and deliver the City Hall Placemaking project; AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Mayor and Council hereby approve the continued pursuit of the Design-Build Public Space, Placemaking Project in association with the MEDC/MSHDA Patronicity Campaign; AND

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Council approves the return of the bidder's check back to unsuccessful bidders along with communication notifying them of our direction.

Motion unanimously carried.

2016-444 2017 OUR LADY OF FATIMA ROSARY RALLY

By Councilperson VanBoxell, supported by Councilperson Schultz

BE IT RESOLVED that Council approves the use of Bishop Park for the Our Lady of Fatima Rosary Rally to be held on October 15th, 2016, as reviewed and recommended by the Special Event Coordinator, Police Chief, Recreation Superintendent, Fire Chief, and Department of Public Services Superintendent.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Our Lady of Fatima is required to execute a Hold Harmless Agreement as prepared by the Department of Legal Affairs prior to the event date.

Motion unanimously carried.

2016-445 2017 TURN THE TOWNS TEAL – MI OVARIAN CANCER ALLIANCE

By Councilperson VanBoxell, supported by Councilperson Schultz

BE IT RESOLVED that Council grants permission to the Michigan Ovarian Cancer Alliance to utilize to place ribbons and lawns signs along Biddle Avenue from September 17th – 30th in an effort to raise awareness during National Ovarian Cancer Month, as recommended by the Special Event Coordinator; AND

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Michigan Ovarian Cancer Alliance will comply with the following:

- If there are any overtime costs for any city staff for said event, the group/organization will be responsible for those fees.
- Any tents on the street/sidewalk or grassy area must be weighted (no stakes are allowed to be used to anchor tents) to prevent collapse.
- Clean up before/during and after the event must be done by the Michigan Ovarian Cancer Alliance, this includes any signs or decorations.
- All material must be cleaned up and removed after the event has taken place; AND

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this event has been reviewed and approved by Police Chief, Recreation Superintendent, and Department of Public Service, provided that the MIOCA adds the City of Wyandotte as additional insured to their insurance policy and signs a hold harmless agreement as prepared by the Department of Legal Affairs.

Motion unanimously carried.

2016-446 HIRING CODE COMPLIANCE OFFICIAL – R. KEEHN

By Councilperson VanBoxell, supported by Councilperson Schultz

BE IT RESOLVED that Council approves the hiring of Ronald E. Keehn as a Contract Employee to perform Plumbing, Mechanical and Fire Inspections with the Department of Engineering and Building for the Upon Sale and Rental Inspection Program; AND

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Council authorizes the Mayor and City Clerk to execute the Memorandum of Agreement between the City of Wyandotte and Ronald Keehn to perform said services.

Motion unanimously carried.

2016-447 DEMOLITION BIDS - 1405 22ND

By Councilperson VanBoxell, supported by Councilperson Schultz

BE IT RESOLVED that Council concurs with the recommendation of the City Engineer in the acceptance of proposal of Pro Excavation of Wyandotte, Michigan in the amount of \$3,000 for the demolition of the property at 1405 22nd Street from account 492-200-850-519.

Motion unanimously carried.

2016-448 ADOPT-A-LOT PROGRAM – 80 CHESTNUT

By Councilperson VanBoxell, supported by Councilperson Schultz

BE IT RESOLVED that Council concurs with the recommendation of the City Engineer to allow Downriver Council of the Arts to utilize the City-Owned Property known as former 80 Chestnut in accordance with the executed Hold Harmless Agreement as part of the Adopt-A-Lot program.

Motion unanimously carried.

2016-449 SALE OF FORMER 2031-2035 3RD STREET

By Councilperson VanBoxell, supported by Councilperson Schultz

BE IT RESOLVED that Council approves the Purchase Agreement to sell the former 2031-2035 3rd Street to the adjacent property owners at 2039 3rd Street for the amount of \$1,940.00; AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Legal Affairs is hereby directed to prepare the necessary sale documents and the Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to sign. Motion unanimously carried.

2016-450 PURCHASE OF 453 PINE

By Councilperson VanBoxell, supported by Councilperson Schultz

BE IT RESOLVED that Council concurs with the recommendation of the City Engineer to acquire the property at known as 453 Pine in the amount of \$22,500.00 to be appropriated from TIFA Area Funds; 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 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; 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.

Motion unanimously carried.

2016-451 BILLS & ACCOUNTS

By Councilperson VanBoxell, supported by Councilperson Schultz

RESOLVED that the total bills and accounts of \$787,522.61 as presented by the Mayor and City Clerk are hereby APPROVED for payment.

Motion unanimously carried.

2016-452 517 RIVERBANK SHOW CAUSE HEARING

By Councilperson VanBoxell, supported by Councilperson Schultz

RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL that City Council held a Show Cause Hearing on September 12, 2016, regarding the property at 517 Riverbank, Wyandotte, Michigan due to various code violations and vacancies; AND

WHEREAS, on August 15, 2016, Mr. James Budziak submitted a Property Transfer Affidavit indicated that he purchased said property and on August 29, 2016, scheduled the required Upon Sale Inspection;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council that Show Cause Hearing regarding the property at 517 Riverbank, Wyandotte is hereby canceled and the Engineering and Building Department is directed to monitor the property for compliance with the Upon Sale Ordinance.

Motion unanimously carried.

2016-453 ADJOURNMENT

By Councilperson VanBoxell, supported by Councilperson Schultz

RESOLVED that this regular meeting of the Wyandotte City Council be adjourned at 7:57 p.m.

Motion unanimously carried.



Lawrence S. Stec, City Clerk