

**MINUTES OF THE IN-PERSON AND VIRTUAL
SPECIAL MEETING OF THE HIGHLAND PARK CITY COUNCIL**

January 23, 2023

Council convened at 6:32 p.m. with Council President Thomas presiding.

Present: Councilman Ash-Shafii, Councilwoman Martin, Councilwoman Manica, Council Pro Tem Robinson and Council President Thomas (5).

Absent:

A quorum being present, Council was declared in session.

The following Special Meeting notice was posted.

**NOTICE OF A SPECIAL MEETING
OF THE HIGHLAND PARK CITY COUNCIL**

Date: Monday, January 23, 2023
Time: 6:30p.m.
Place: Robert B. Blackwell Municipal Complex
12050 Woodward Avenue, 2nd Floor
Highland Park, Michigan 48203

I, Jamal K. Thomas, Council President, do hereby call a Special Meeting of the Highland Park City Council on the above date, time and place; pursuant to Section 5-3 (b) of the Highland Park City Charter.

The purpose of the meeting:

1. Resolution to approve the Historic District Commission to apply for the M-SHPO Grant for the McGregor Library.

Moved by Councilwoman Manica
Supported by Councilman Ash-Shafii

To amend the agenda with the addition of Public Comment. Yeas (5), Nays (0), Absent (0).

The following resolution was submitted for approval.

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION TO APPLY FOR THE M-SHPO GRANT FOR THE MCGREGOR LIBRARY

Moved by Councilman Ash-Shafii
Supported by Councilwoman Martin

WHEREAS, The City of Highland Park Historic District Commission has been certified by the Michigan State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) as a certified local government in which the City of Highland Park can apply for annual grants and;

WHEREAS, grants are available for certified local governments (CLG's) to provide funding for priority projects identified in the Historic District Commissions Community Preservation goals and;

WHEREAS, the Commissions top goal is "to provide support and historic guidance to McGregor Library Restoration efforts"

WHEREAS, the most critical need for McGregor Library is addressing the storm water drainage issues that are resulting in flooding and standing water in the basement of the library and;

WHEREAS, other issues to be addressed relate to roofing, windows, and masonry repairs, as well as rehabilitation and stabilization of other existing utilities and;

WHEREAS, the McGregor Library Stabilization Project Grant request amount is for \$50, 000 and;

WHEREAS, the application is due on Wednesday, February 1, 2023 by 5pm and;

WHEREAS, the City of Highland Park Mayor, administrative departments, engineering, and building department are supportive of the grant and;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council approves the Historic District Commission to apply for the Michigan State Historic Preservation Office Certified Local Government Grant for the McGregor Library Stabilization Project, amends the application amount from \$40,000 to \$100,000 and, requests a copy of the amended resolution in support of the application be given to City Council. Yeas (5), Nays (0), Absent (0).

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Councilman Ash-Shafii
Supported by Councilwoman Martin

To adjourn the meeting, motion passed, meeting adjourned at 7:13 p.m.

CERTIFICATE

I, hereby certify that the attached is a copy of the proposed minutes of the Special Meeting held the 23rd day of January, 2023 and that said minutes are available for public inspection at the address designated on the posted public notice.



Cidia Wicker-Brown, Deputy City Clerk