

**MINUTES OF THE
REGULAR MEETING OF THE HIGHLAND PARK CITY COUNCIL**

MAY 16, 2016

Council convened at 7:07 p.m. with Council President Patrick presiding.

Present: Council Pro Tem McDonald, Councilmember Woodard, Councilmember Lewis
Councilmember McClary and Council President Patrick (5).

Absent: (0).

A quorum being present, Council was declared in session.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by Councilmember McClary
Supported by Councilmember Woodard

To approve the agenda with the addition of item VIb Resolution Authorizing The
Services of Special Legal Counsel, and item VIc Resolution Requesting Sewer Rate Clarification
Yeas (5), Nays (0), Absent (0).

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Moved by Councilmember Lewis
Supported by Councilmember Woodard

To approve the minutes from the Special meeting held April 25, 2016. Yeas (5), Nays
(0), Absent (0).

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Moved by Councilmember Lewis
Supported by Council Pro Tem McDonald

To approve the minutes from the Regular meeting held May 2, 2016. Yeas (5), Nays (0),
Absent (0).

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Moved by Councilmember Lewis
Supported by Councilmember Woodard

To approve the minutes from the Public Hearing held May 10, 2016. Yeas (5), Nays (0), Absent (0).

BID PROPOSALS
05-16-V

The Clerk stated this was the place and time to open bid proposals for CDBG Housing Rehab & Demolition of 106 Brighton and 165 Tennyson.

Two (2) were received for 106 Brighton.

Farrow Group	Blue Star
601 Beaufait St.	21950 Hoover
Detroit, MI 48207	Warren, MI 48089
313.259.7910	586.427.9933
Bid amount: \$348,500	Bid amount: \$59,800

Zero (0) bids were received for 165 Tennyson.

Moved by Councilmember McClary
Supported by Councilmember Lewis

To refer the bid proposals to the Director of Community Development. Yeas (5), Nays (0), Absent (0).

ADMINISTRATION
05-16-VIa

The following resolution was submitted for approval.

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE PROPOSED BUDGET FOR THE PERIOD
JULY 1, 2016 TO JUNE 30, 2017

WHEREAS, the City of Highland Park is required by the State of Michigan to submit an annual operating budget to accurately reflect current operations; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor of the City of Highland Park submitted a proposed Budget for the year 2016-2017 to the members of the Highland Park City Council on April 18, 2016; and

WHEREAS, members of the Highland Park City Council held a special meeting on April 25, 2016 and a Public Hearing on Tuesday, May 10, 2016 to review and discuss the proposed Annual Budget for the year 2016-2017; as provided in the attached budget for 2016-2017.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that **the Highland Park City Council adopts the Proposed Budget for the year 2016-2017** as presented by Mayor Yopp.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution becomes a part of the records of the City of Highland Park.

Moved by Councilmember Lewis
Supported by Councilmember McClary

To approve the 2016-2017 Operating Budget. Yeas (4), Nays (1) Councilmember McClary, Absent (0).

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05-16-VIb

The following resolution was submitted for approval.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SERVICES OF SPECIAL COUNSEL

WHEREAS, the City of Highland Park is currently involved in ongoing post judgment litigation with Detroit Water & Sewerage Department (DWSD),

WHEREAS, DWSD has initiated post judgment action that requires a time sensitive response related to the underlying cause of action,

WHEREAS, Attorney Calvin Grigsby has executed the financial authorization scope for services rendered, and there is additional work that requires urgent attention,

BE IT RESOLVED; that the Highland Park City Council approves Attorney Calvin Grigsby to continue to act as special legal counsel, these services, which relate to DWSD, shall not exceed \$20,000.

Moved by Councilmember Lewis
Supported by Councilmember Woodard

To approve Attorney Calvin Grigsby as special legal counsel for post judgment Detroit Water & Sewerage Department litigation for an amount not to exceed \$20,000. Yeas (4), Nays (1) Councilmember McClary, Absent (0).

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05-16-VIc

The following resolution was submitted for approval.

RESOLUTION REQUESTING SEWER RATE CLARIFICATION

WHEREAS, The City of Highland Park has requested formal written clarification for all rates pertaining to water & sewer services;

WHEREAS, The City has yet to receive such written clarification,

BE IT RESOLVED that the Highland Park City Council joins in the formal request to obtain any and all rates for water & sewer services.

Moved by Councilmember Lewis
Supported by Councilmember Woodard

To approve joining the formal request to obtain any and all rates for water and sewer services. Yeas (5), Nays (0), Absent (0).

**CITY CLERK
05-16-VII**

The Clerk submitted a Fireworks License application for Yellow Box Fireworks at 14110 Woodward.

Moved by Councilmember Lewis
Supported by Councilmember McClary

To approve the Fireworks License Application for Yellow Box Fireworks at 14110 Woodward from June 17 – July 7, 2016. Yeas (3), Nays (2) Council Pro Tem McDonald, Council Member Lewis, Absent (0).

**COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
05-16-VIIIa**

The following resolution was submitted for approval.

**RESOLUTION TO APPROVE PURCHASE OF RESIDENTIAL VACANT LOT
LOCATED AT 12344 THIRD/169 HIGHLAND HIGHLAND PARK, MI 48203
PIN:43 012 04 0117 002**

WHEREAS, in accordance with Section 3-1 of the Charter of the City of Highland Park, “the City shall have power to manage and control finances, rights, interests, buildings, and property” of the City; and

WHEREAS, the City of Highland Park holds in its inventory a surplus of city owned parcels that are not producing a taxable, habitable and general benefit to the City and its residents; and

WHEREAS, it is the goal of the City to decrease the number of city owned parcels and return them to productive use; and

WHEREAS, the City of Highland Park is the owner of the property located at 12344 THIRD/169 HIGHLAND, parcel ID number 43 012 04 0117 002; and

WHEREAS, the City received an offer to purchase 12344 THIRD/169 HIGHLAND from WAYNE METROPOLITAN COMMUNITY ACTION AGENCY of Highland Park, MI; and

WHEREAS, WAYNE METROPOLITAN COMMUNITY ACTION AGENCY meets the criteria approved by the City Council for the Offer to Purchase program and agrees to comply with the provisions of the City's Policy & Procedure regarding such purchases;

NOW HEREBY BE IT RESOLVED that the Highland Park City Council approves the sale of the vacant lot located at 12344 THIRD/169 HIGHLAND, Highland Park, MI at the cost of \$500 to WAYNE METROPOLITAN COMMUNITY ACTION AGENCY.

Moved by Councilmember Lewis
Supported by Council Pro Tem McDonald

To approve the purchase of the residential vacant lot at 12344 Third/169 Highland by Wayne Metro Community Action Agency for \$500. Yeas (5), Nays (0), Absent (0).

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05-16-VIIIb

The following resolution was submitted for approval.

RESOLUTION SETTING PUBLIC HEARING ON REALLOCATION OF 2014 AND 2016 CDBG FUNDS FROM DEMOLITION TO CODE ENFORCEMENT

WHEREAS, the Department of Community and Economic Development is seeking to establish Code Enforcement as an eligible activity for the 2014 and 2016 Community Block Grant (CDBG) program years; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Community and Economic Development would like to reallocate portions of the 2014 & 2016 CDBG funds from Demolition to Code Enforcement; and

WHEREAS, before City Council may reallocate CDBG funds it must hold at least two (2) Public Hearings in accordance with The Code of Federal Regulations (24 CFR 570.486(a)) and give citizens a reasonable opportunity to be a part of CDBG activities;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of Highland Park that: The City Council set June 6th and June 20th at 7:00pm as the dates for Public Hearings regarding the reallocation of 2014 and 2016 CDBG Funds to Code Enforcement. The City Clerk shall publish notice thereof in a paper of daily circulation in accordance with the requirements set forth herein.

Moved by Councilmember Lewis
Supported by Council Pro Tem McDonald

To set Public Hearings on June 6th & 20th at 7:00p.m. regarding reallocation of 2014 and 2016 CDBG Demolition funds to Code Enforcement. Yeas (5), Nays (0), Absent (0).

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05-16-VIIIc

Code Enforcement Office Carlton Clyburn gave an overview of the Code Enforcement Blitz scheduled to begin May 23, 2016.

FINANCE
05-16-IX

Submission of the Monthly Financial Statement for March 31, 2016.

Moved by Councilmember Woodard
Supported by Councilmember Lewis

To receive and file the monthly financial statement for March 31, 2016. Yeas (5), Nays (0), Absent (0).

RECREATION
05-16-X

The Director of Recreation submitted the Ernest T. Ford Fieldhouse Rental Agreement from HPCHS Class of 2007 for Sunday June 12, 2016 for approval.

Moved by Councilmember McClary
Supported by Councilmember Lewis with questions

After discussion among the council Councilmember Lewis withdrew her support.

ITEM FAILED FOR LACK OF SUPPORT

CITY COUNCIL
05-16-XIa

Moved by Councilmember McClary
Supported by Councilmember Woodard

To hold a Special Meeting Wednesday May 18, 2016 at 4:00p.m. regarding a resolution authorizing the use of recreational property. Yeas (5), Nays (0), Absent (0).

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05-16-XIb

Moved by Council Pro Tem McDonald
Supported by Councilmember Woodard

To approve the Ernest T. Ford Fieldhouse Rental Agreement for HPCHS Class of 2007 on Sunday, June 12, 2016 from 3:00pm – 7:00pm. Yeas (5), Nays (0), Absent (0).

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Councilmember Woodard
Supported by Councilmember Lewis

To adjourn the meeting, motion carried, meeting adjourned at 9:15p.m.

CERTIFICATE

I, hereby certify that the attached is a copy of the proposed minutes of the Regular Meeting held the 16th day of May, 2016 and that said proposed minutes are available for public inspection at the address designated on the posted public notice.



Cidia Wicker-Brown, Deputy City Clerk