

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

**NOVEMBER 4, 2013**

**Council convened at 7:05 p.m. with Council President Christopher Woodard presiding.**

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

**Absent: None (0).**

**A quorum being present, Council was declared in session.**

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**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**Moved by Council Pro Tem Lewis  
Supported by Councilmember McClary**

**To approve the agenda with the following amendments.**

- 1- Exchange the current resolution submitted in the council's packet with a new resolution.**
- 2- Add the Offer to Purchase Procedure Revision (tabled from the October 21, 2013 meeting).**

**Yeas (5), Nays (0), Absent (0).**

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**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

**Moved by Council Pro Tem Lewis  
Supported by Councilmember McClary**

**To approve the minutes from the Special Meeting held October 2, 2013. Yeas (5),  
Nays (0), Absent (0).**

**Moved by Councilmember McClary  
Supported by Council Pro Tem Lewis**

**To approve the minutes from the Workshop Meeting held October 7, 2013. Yeas (5),  
Nays (0), Absent (0).**

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**Moved by Council Pro Tem Lewis  
Supported by Councilmember Moore**

**To approve the minutes from the Special Meeting held October 16, 2013. Yeas (5),  
Nays (0), Absent (0).**

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**Moved by Councilmember McClary  
Supported by Council Pro Tem Lewis**

**To approve the minutes from the Regular Meeting held October 21, 2013. Yeas (5),  
Nays (0), Absent (0).**

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**TABLED ITEM:**

**Moved by Councilmember McClary**

**10-21-13-4 To remove the following resolution from the table.**

**WHEREAS, the properties located at various addresses are owned by the City of  
Highland Park; and**

**WHEREAS, the City of Highland Park passed the ordinance allowing for  
commercial and residential structures sale; and**

**WHEREAS, the policy and procedure instructions and applications required  
updating, revisions and a defined fee schedule; and**

**WHEREAS, the City Council has reviewed and accepted the revisions and attached  
fee schedule; and**

**NOW HEREBY BE IT RESOLVED, that the Highland Park City Council approve  
the revisions for the Offer to Purchase Policy and Procedures and attached fee schedules  
for purchasing city owned lots and structures within the City of Highland Park.**

**THIS ITEM RECEIVED NO SUPPORT THEREFORE IT REMAINS Tabled.**

**ADMINISTRATION:**

**11-4-13-1**

**The following resolution was submitted for approval.**

**Moved by Council Pro Tem Lewis  
Supported by Councilmember Patrick**

**A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING A PROPOSAL FROM JOY CONSTRUCTION LEASING, INC. LOCATED AT 7730 JOY RD. DETROIT, MI. 48204 FOR WATERMAIN REPAIR ON FERRIS ST. IN THE CITY OF HIGHLAND PARK, MICHIGAN.**

**BE IT RESOLVED, that the Highland Park City Council accepts the proposal from Joy Construction Leasing, Inc. to perform water main repair on Ferris St. in Highland Park, MI. for an amount not to exceed Three Thousand Three Hundred Dollars (\$3,300.00). Yeas (5), Nays (0), Absent (0).**

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**11-4-13-2**

**The following resolution was submitted for approval.**

**Moved by Councilmember McClary  
Supported by Council Pro Tem Lewis**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE S.A.W. GRANT AGREEMENT**

**WHEREAS, Part 52 (strategic water quality initiatives) of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, 1994 PA451, as amended (“Part 52”), provides at MCL 324.5204e that the Michigan Finance Authority (the “MFA”) in consultation with the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (the “DEQ”) shall establish a strategic water quality initiatives grant program; and**

**WHEREAS, in accordance with the provisions of 2012 PA 511, which provides grants to municipalities for sewage collection and treatment systems or storm water or nonpoint source pollution control; and**

**WHEREAS, in accordance with the provisions of 1985 PA 227, as amended, Part 52, and other applicable provisions of law, the MFA, the DEQ, and the Municipality that is a grant recipient shall enter into a grant agreement (the “SAW Grant Agreement”) that requires the Municipality to repay the grant under certain conditions as set forth in MCL 324.5204e, as amended; and**

**WHEREAS, the Municipality does hereby determine it necessary to establish a (n) (select one or more), asset management plan, storm water management plan, plan for wastewater/storm water, design of wastewater/storm water, innovative technology, or for disadvantaged community construction activities (up to \$500,000).**

**WHEREAS, it is the determination of the Municipality that at this time, a grant in the aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$2,000.00 ("Grant") be requested from the MFA and the DEQ to pay for the planning and/or design activities; and**

**WHEREAS, the Municipality shall obtain this Grant by entering into the SAW Grant Agreement with the MFA and the DEQ.**

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

**Director of Public Service a position currently held by Gerrajh Surles, is designated as the authorized representative for purposes of the SAW Grant Agreement.**

- 1. The proposed form of the SAW Grant Agreement between the Municipality, the MFA and DEQ (attached hereto as Appendix I) is hereby approved and the Authorized Representative is authorized and directed to execute the SAW Grant Agreement with such revisions as are permitted by law and agreed to by the Authorized Representative.**
- 2. The proposed form of the SAW Grant Agreement between the Municipality, the MFA and DEQ (attached hereto as Appendix I) is hereby approved and the Authorized Representative is authorized and directed to execute the SAW Grant Agreement with such revisions s are permitted by law and agreed to by the Authorized Representative.**
- 3. The Municipality shall repay the Grant, within 90 days of being informed to do so, with interest at a rate not to exceed 8 percent per year, to the Authority if the Municipality is unable to, or decides not to, proceed with constructing the project or implementing the asset management program for which the funding is provided within 3 years of the Grant award.**
- 4. The Grant, if repayable, shall be a first budget obligation from the general funds of the Municipality, and the Municipality is required, if necessary, to levy ad valorem taxes on all taxable property in the Municipality for the payment thereof, subject to applicable constitutional, statutory and Municipality tax rate limitations.**
- 5. The Municipality shall not invest, reinvest or accumulate any moneys deemed to be Grant funds, nor shall it use Grant funds for the general local government administration activities or activities performed by municipal employees that are unrelated to the project.**



6. **The Authorized Representative is hereby jointly or severally authorized to take any actions necessary to comply with the requirements of the MFA and the DEQ in connection with the issuance of the Grant. The Authorized Representative is hereby jointly or severally authorized to execute and deliver such other contracts, certificates, documents, instruments, applications and other papers as may be required by the MFA or the DEQ or as may be otherwise necessary to effect the approval and delivery of the Grant.**
7. **The Municipality acknowledges that the SAW Grant Agreement is a contract between the Municipality, the MFA and the DEQ.**
8. **All resolutions and parts of resolution insofar as they conflict with the provisions of this resolution are rescinded.**

**Council also requested that Mr. Mayer send council a copy of the letter he received that states the city would not be required to match any funds. Yeas (4) Council Pro Tem Lewis, Councilmember Moore, Councilmember McClary and Council President Woodard, Nays (1), Councilmember Patrick, Absent (0).**

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**FIRE DEPARTMENT:**

**11-4-13-3**

**The following resolution was submitted for approval.**

**RESOLUTION TO APPROVE A DONATION TO THE HIGHLAND PARK FIRE DEPARTMENT**

**Moved by Councilmember McClary  
Supported by Councilmember Patrick**

**BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Highland Park City Council approve the donation of \$5,000 from Great Lakes Wines and Spirits to the Highland Park Fire Department to aid in the purchase of new equipment and uniforms. Yeas (5), Nays (0), Absent (0).**

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**The following resolution was submitted for approval.**

**RESOLUTION TO APPROVE A DONATION TO THE HIGHLAND PARK FIRE DEPARTMENT**

**Moved by Councilmember Patrick  
Supported by Council Pro Tem Lewis**

**BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Highland Park City Council approve the donation of \$5,000 from Eastown Distributors to the Highland Park Fire Department to aid in the purchase of new equipment and uniforms. Yeas (5), Nays (0), Absent (0).**

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**LEGAL:**

**11-4-13-4**

**The following resolution was submitted for approval.**

**RESOLUTION TO APPROVE A CLOSED SESSION**

**Moved by Council Pro Tem Lewis  
Supported by Councilmember McClary**

**BE IT RESOLVED, that the Highland Park City Council approves a closed session pursuant to the Open Meetings Act 267 of 1976 Section 8(b) to discuss a settlement offer in the matter of Pratt vs. City of Highland Park, Case #12-016653-NI. Council will recess into closed session after the last citizen participation session. Yeas (5), Nays (0), Absent (0).**

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**COUNCIL AFFAIRS:**

**Moved by Councilmember McClary  
Supported by Council Pro Tem Lewis**

**To make the following resolution honoring Mrs. Alma L. Greer part of the official record. Yeas (5), Nays (0), Absent (0).**

# City of Highland Park Resolution



**HONORING**

## **MRS. ALMA L. GREER**

- WHEREAS**, The City of Highland Park has come together to recognize and thank a phenomenal and virtuous resident for her outstanding services to the people of her community, and wish her a happy 80th Birthday; and
- WHEREAS**, **Mrs Alma L. Greer**, moved to Highland Park in 1963 (Over 50 years ago), where she and her husband Edward L. Greer raised their children Allo and Michael, who attended the Highland Park School System, while she taught in the Detroit Public Schools where she retired after teaching elementary and middle school, rising to the positions as Assistant Principal and Principal; and
- WHEREAS**, **Mrs Alma L. Greer**, campaigned and was elected and served on the Highland Park Board of Education for over nine (9) years in the capacities of Secretary, Vice President and President. Alma was instrumental in getting men to participate in the “Real Men Read” program; and
- WHEREAS**, **Mrs Alma L. Greer**, has worked tirelessly for Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Alliance of Black School Educators, Black Storytellers (DABS), Literacy in the Park, and is founder of Legacy of Literacy, Inc.; now
- THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, That the Highland Park City Council, on this 26th day of October, 2013, do and hereby proclaim Saturday, October 26, 2013 as **Alma L. Greer Day**. We urge the citizens, schools, churches, media and business of Highland Park to recognize this day and offer this virtuous and giant of a woman our most profound Congratulations on her **80th Birthday**

Dated: October 26, 2013

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Christopher Woodard, President

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Norma Lewis, President Pro-Tem

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Mamie Posey Moore, Councilwoman

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Rodney Patrick, Councilman

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Titus McClary, Councilman

**Moved by Councilmember McClary  
Supported by Councilmember Patrick**

**To recess into a closed session, motion carried meeting recessed at 9:07 p.m.**

**Moved by Councilmember McClary  
Supported by Council Pro Tem Lewis**

**To reconvene the regular meeting, motion carried meeting reconvened at 9:37 p.m.**

**Moved by Councilmember Moore  
Supported by Councilmember McClary**

**To adjourn the regular meeting, motion carried, meeting adjourned at 9:38 pm.**



**CERTIFICATE**

**I, hereby certify that the attached is a copy of the proposed minutes of a Regular Meeting held on the 4<sup>th</sup> day of November 2013 and that said proposed minutes are available for public inspection at the address designated on the posted public notice.**

  

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**Brenda J. Green, City Clerk**