

**PROPOSED MINUTES OF THE VIRTUAL & IN-PERSON  
REGULAR MEETING OF THE HIGHLAND PARK CITY COUNCIL**

**FEBRUARY 18, 2025**

Council convened at 7:00 p.m. with Council Pro Tem Robinson presiding.

Present: Councilwoman Manica, Councilwoman Martin, Councilman Ash-Shafii, and Council Pro Tem Robinson (4).

Absent: Council President Thomas, (1).

A quorum being present, Council was declared in session.

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**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Moved by Councilman Ash-Shafii  
Supported by Councilwoman Martin

To add two resolutions regarding the purchase of a pro plow truck for the Fire Department. Yeas (4), Nays (0), Absent (1) Thomas.

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**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Moved by Councilwoman Manica  
Supported by Councilman Ash-Shafii

To approve the minutes of the In-Person and Virtual Regular meeting held February 3, 2025. Yeas (3), Nays (1) Robinson, Absent (1) Thomas.

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**TABLED  
02-18-25 V**

The following resolution was tabled from the February 3, 2025 Regular meeting.

**RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE PURCHASE OF 1 (ONE) DEPARTMENT 2025 GMC  
SIERRA 1500 4WD PRO PLOW TRUCK TO BE FUNDED THROUGH THE CURRENT  
AVAILABLE FUNDS FROM THE 2024/2025 FIRE BUDGET**

Moved by Councilwoman Martin  
Supported by Councilman Ash-Shafii

To bring from the table. Yeas (4), Nays (0), Absent (1) Thomas.

Moved by Councilwoman Manica  
Supported by Councilman Ash-Shafii

\* After discussion Councilwoman Manica withdrew her motion and Councilman Ash-Shafii withdrew his support.

**\*\* NO FURTHER ACTION TAKEN \*\***

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The following resolution was submitted for approval.

**RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE PURCHASE OF (1) ONE DEPARTMENT 2024 CHEVY SILVERADO 1500 REG WT 4WD PRO PLOW TRUCK TO BE FUNDED THROUGH THE CURRENT AVAILABLE FUNDS FROM TE 2024/2025 FIRE BUDGET**

Moved by Councilwoman Manica

To refer the purchase of a 2024 Chevy Silverado 1500 to the Fire Department for consideration.

**\*\* ITEM DIES, LACK OF SUPPORT \*\***

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Moved by Councilman Ash-Shafii  
Supported by Councilwoman Martin

**WHEREAS**, the city of Highland Park Fire Department wishes to replace the current Department Pick-up Plow truck. In doing so (1) maintenance expenses will be reduced, (2) response times will be improved, and (3) assist with overall operations, (4) fire prevention will be assisted.

**WHEREAS**, the City of Highland Park Fire Department requested a quote through GENESSIS CHEVROLET for a department 2024 CHEVY pickup at \$50,277.08 for optimal pricing from GENESSIS CHEVROLET vendor with a discount of \$8,658.00

**WHEREAS**, the price from GENESSIS CHEVROLET could save the City of Highland Park approximately \$14,963 compared to vehicles purchased from other vendors.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the City approves the purchase of the new Pickup plow truck at a total cost of \$50,277.00 with a discount of \$8,658.00. Yeas (2) Ash-Shafii and Martin, Nays (2), Robinson and Manica, Absent (1) Thomas.

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The following resolution was submitted for approval.

**RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE PURCHASE OF ONE DEPARTMENT 2022 CHEVROLET COLORADO 4WD EXT CAB 128" LT PRO PLOW TRUCK TO BE FUNDED THROUGH THE CURRENT AVAILABLE FUNDS FROM THE 2024/2025 FIRE BUDGET**

**\*\* NO ACTION TAKEN \*\***

**LEGAL  
02-18-25 VI**

The following resolution was submitted for approval.

**RESOLUTION TO ADD TREASURER LISA STOLARSKI TO THE CITY OF HIGHLAND  
PARK'S ACCOUNTS WITH COMERICA BANK**

Moved by Councilwoman Martin  
Supported by Councilman Ash-Shafii

**WHEREAS**, Treasurer Lisa Stolarski has been informed by a representative of Comerica Bank that she cannot access the City's bank accounts until she presents both a "signing card" and a Resolution from this Honorable Body to Comerica Bank; and

**WHEREAS**, Highland Park Charter Section 7-7(a) empowers its treasurer, once assuming office, to "receive, have custody and account for all moneys belonging to and receivable by the City..."; and

**WHEREAS**, Treasurer Stolarski needs to access the City's accounts with Comerica Bank to perform her duties; and

**WHEREAS**, the Treasurer is required to be appropriately bonded prior to carrying out of the duties of office.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the City Council for the City of Highland Park approves the addition of Treasurer Lisa Stolarski to the City's accounts with Comerica Bank once she is appropriately bonded, which such bonds being received and filed in the manner set forth by the City of Highland Park Charter. Yeas (2) Martin and Robinson, Nays (2) Ash-Shafii and Manica, Absent (1) Thomas.

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**WATER  
02-18-25 VII**

The following resolution was submitted for approval.

**RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT WAYNE COUNTY ANNUAL MAINTENANCE PERMIT  
A-25058, ANNUAL PAVEMENT RESTORATION PERMIT A-25113, AND ANNUAL  
PERMIT FOR SPECIAL EVENTS A-25146 AS REQUESTED BY THE CITY  
ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT**

Moved by Councilwoman Manica  
Supported by Councilman Ash-Shafii

**WHEREAS**, City of Highland Park (hereinafter the "Community") periodically applies to the County of Wayne Department of Public Services, Engineering Division Permit Office (hereinafter the "County") for permits to conduct emergency repairs, annual maintenance work, and for other purposes on local and County road located entirely within the boundaries of the Community, as needed from time to time to maintain the roads in a condition reasonably safe and convenient for public travel; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Act 51 of 1951, being MCL 247.651 et seq., the County permits and regulates such activities noted above and related to temporary road closures; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, in consideration of the County granting such permit (hereinafter the "Permit"), the Community agrees and resolves that:

Any work performed for the Community by a contractor or subcontractor will be solely as a contractor for the Community and not as a contractor or agent of the County. Any claims by any contractor or subcontractor will be the sole responsibility of the Community. The County shall not be subject to any obligations or liabilities by vendors and contractors of the Community, or their subcontractors.

The Community shall take no unlawful action or conduct, which arises either directly or indirectly out of its obligations, responsibilities, and duties under the Permit which results in claims being asserted against or judgment being imposed against the County, and all officers, agents and employees thereof pursuant to a maintenance contract. In the event that same occurs, for the purposes of the Permit, it will be considered a breach of the permit thereby giving the County a right to seek and obtain any necessary relief or remedy, including, but not by way of limitation, a judgement for money damages.

With respect to any activities authorized by Permit, when the Community requires insurance on its own or its contractor's behalf, it shall also require that such policy include as named insured the County of Wayne and all officers, agents and employees thereof.

The incorporation by the County of this Resolution as part of a permit does not prevent the County from requiring additional performance security or insurance before issuance of a Permit.

This Resolution stipulates that the requesting Community shall, at no expense to Wayne County, provide necessary police supervision, establish detours and post all necessary signs and other traffic control devices in accordance with the Michigan Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices.

This Resolution stipulated that the requesting Community shall assume full responsibility for the cost of repairing damage done to the County Road during the period of road closure or partial closure.

This Resolution shall continue in force from the date of execution until cancelled by the Community or the County with no less than thirty (30) days prior written notice to the other party. It will not be cancelled or otherwise terminated by the Community with regard to any Permit which has already been issued or activity which has already been undertaken.

The Community stipulates that it agrees to the terms of the County of Wayne permit at the time of permit is signed by the Community's authorized representative.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the following individual is authorized in their official capacity as the Community's authorized representative to sign and so bind the Community to the provisions of any and all permits applied for to the County of Wayne, Department of Public Services Engineering Division Permit Office for necessary permits from time to time to work within County road right-of-way or local roads on behalf of the Community, Damon Garret, City Engineer. Yeas (4), Nays (0), Absent (1) Thomas.

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- \* Councilman Ashi-Shafii left the meeting at 8:37 p.m.
- \* Councilman Ash-Shafii returned at 8:39 p.m.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Moved by Councilwoman Manica  
Supported by Councilwoman Martn

To adjourn the meeting, motion carried, meeting adjourned at 9:33 p.m.

## **CERTIFICATE**

I hereby certify that the attached is a copy of the minutes of the In-Person and Virtual Regular Meeting held the 18<sup>th</sup> day of February 2025 and that said minutes are available for public inspection at the address designated on the posted public notice.



Cidia Wicker-Brown, Deputy City Clerk