

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE HIGHLAND PARK CITY COUNCIL

April 1, 2019

Council convened at 7:10 p.m. with Council President Patrick presiding.

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

Absent: None

A quorum being present, Council was declared in session.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

**Moved by Councilmember Woodard
Supported by Council Pro Tem McDonald**

To approve the agenda. Yeas (5), Nays (0), Absent (0).

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

**Moved by Councilmember Lewis
Supported by Councilmember Bates**

To approve the minutes from the Regular Meeting held March 18, 2019. Yeas (5), Nays (0), Absent (0).

PUBLIC HEARING:

The Clerk stated this was the place and time to hear comments on proposed water distribution improvement project.

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

To open the Public Hearing. Yeas (5), Nays (0), Absent (0). Public Hearing opened at 7:15 p.m.

Project Manager, Jarion Bradley of Metro Consulting gave a brief overview of the proposed improvement projects. No questions were received.

Moved by Council Pro Tem McDonald
Supported by Councilmember Lewis

To close the Public Hearing. Yeas (5), Nays (0), Absent (0).

BID OPENINGS:

The Clerk stated this was the place and time to open bids to repair/replace city hall's rear porch and parking lot and make the front porch ADA compliant.

Nine (9) bids were received.

Al's Asphalt Paving
25500 Brest
Taylor, MI 48180
bid amount \$106,500

Audia Const.
2985 Childs Lake Rd.
Milford, MI 48381
bid amount \$153,000

Best Asphalt Inc.
6334 N Beverly Plaza
Romulus, MI 48174
bid amount \$178,000

Luigi Ferdiando & Son Const.
16481 Commor
Roseville, MI 48066
bid amount \$87,629

Midtown Group, LLC
5650 W Jefferson
Detroit, MI 48209
bid amount \$116,000

Hutch Paving
3000 East Ten Mile
Warren, MI 48091
bid amount \$91,500

Birmingham Sealcoat
2651 Metamora Rd.
Oxford, MI
bid amount \$178,280

Hayes Land Construction
30835 W 10 Mile Rd
Farmington Hills, MI 48336
bid amount \$133,700

Koala T Construction
424 Ferry Ave.
Pontiac, MI 48341
bid amount \$109,350

Moved by Councilmember Woodard
Supported by Councilmember Lewis

To refer these bids to Director of Public Works. Yeas (5), Nays (0), Absent (0).

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The Clerk stated this was the place and time to open bids to demolish four houses.

Five (5) bids were received.

Universal Consolidated Enterprises
17625 E Ten Mile Rd.
Roseville, MI 48066
bid amount \$49,969

Inner City Contracting, LLC
18701 Grand River
Detroit, MI 48223
bid amount \$42,643

International Const.
53618 Cherry Wood
Shelby Township, MI 48315
bid amount \$42,500

Blue Star
21950 Hoover
Warren, MI 48089
bid amount \$112,550

S.A. Torello, Inc.
3500 Dove Rd.
Port Huron, MI 48060
bid amount \$81,100

Moved by Councilmember Lewis
Supported by Councilmember Woodard

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

TABLED ITEM

Moved by Council Pro Tem McDonald
Supported by Councilmember Woodard

To bring back the new business license application for The Chat Room located at 16000 Woodward Ave. Yeas (5), Nays (0), Absent (0).

Moved by Councilmember Lewis
Supported by Councilmember Bates

To remove the new business license application for The Chat Room located at 16000 Woodward Ave. from the agenda. Yeas (5), Nays (0), Absent (0).

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Moved by Councilmember Lewis
Supported by Councilmember Woodard

To bring the resolution in support of TAP Project Implementation back from the table. Yeas (5), Nays (0), Absent (0).

Moved by Councilmember Bates

To approve the resolution.

MOTION FAILED DUE TO LACK OF SUPPORT

CITY CLERK

The following resolution was submitted for approval.

Moved by Council Pro Tem McDonald
Supported by Councilmember Lewis

BE IT RESOLVED that all election inspectors serving for the Special Election to be held on Tuesday, May 7, 2019 shall be paid on a fee basis; and the fee to be paid for Chairperson shall be the sum of \$175.00 and the fee to be paid for Inspector shall be the sum of \$150.00 each which includes the \$10 fee for attending the training session prior to the election.

BE IT RESOLVED that the following places are hereby designated as the polling places within the City of Highland Park for the May 7, 2019 Special Election:

PRECINCTS	LOCATION	
1	Healing Spring Missionary Baptist Church	12647 Hamilton
8	Faith Tabernacle Church	16548 Hamilton
14	Ernest T. Ford Field House	10 Pitkin
15	Ernest T. Ford Field House	10 Pitkin
18	Robert B. Blackwell Municipal Complex	12050 Woodward Ave.
20	New Mt. Moriah Baptist Church	13100 Woodward Ave.
23	Downes Manor	13725 John R.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that pay for all election inspectors and the establishment of polling places and (1) A.V. Counting Board for all precincts for the Special Election to be held Tuesday, May 7, 2019 be approved. Yeas (5), Nays (0), Absent (0).

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The Clerk submitted the following application.

The Clerk submitted a Parade Permit application from Parker Pride Alumni Association to hold the Michigan Week parade on May 18, 2019 starting at Tuxedo/Hamilton and terminating at Pitkin.

Moved by Council Pro Tem McDonald
Supported by Councilmember Lewis

To approve contingent upon waivers for the participant and insurance being submitted to council for legal viewing. Yeas (5), Nays (0), Absent (0).

POLICE DEPARTMENT

The following resolution was submitted for approval.

Moved by Councilmember Lewis
Supported by Council Pro Tem McDonald

TO ACCEPT THE AWARD OF THE FINANCIALLY DISTRESSED CITIES, VILLAGES AND TOWNSHIPS (FDCVT) GRANT PROGRAM FROM THE STATE OF MICHIGAN

WHEREAS, the City of Highland Park applied to the Department of Treasury, Office of Revenue and Tax Analysis (ORTA) for the FDCVT Grant, and

WHEREAS, on March 21, 2019, the City of Highland Park received a letter from ORTA advising the City of its intent to award the City of Highland Park a total of \$134,030.00 (One Hundred Thirty-Four Thousand and Thirty Dollars) for the Blue Light Camera project; and

WHEREAS, the State of Michigan requires each municipality's governing body to adopt a resolution authorizing participation in the proposed project prior to finalizing the award of grants from the State of Michigan's FDCVT grant program, and now therefore

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the Highland Park City Council hereby accepts the award of the FDCVT grant in the amount of \$134,030.00. Yeas (5), Nays (0), Absent (0).

The following resolution was submitted for approval.

**Moved by Councilmember Woodard
Supported by Council Pro Tem McDonald**

TO ACCEPT THE AWARD OF THE FINANCIALLY DISTRESSED CITIES, VILLAGES, AND TOWNSHIPS (FDCVT) GRANT PROGRAM FROM THE STATE OF MICHIGAN

WHEREAS, the City of Highland Park applied to the Department of Treasury, Office of Revenue and Tax Analysis (ORTA) for the FDCVT Grant, and

WHEREAS, on March 21, 2019, the City of Highland Park received a letter from ORTA advising the City of its intent to award the City of Highland Park a total of \$42,000.00 (Forty-Two Thousand Dollars) for the Public Safety Enhancement thru Partial Fleet Replacement of Vehicles project, and

WHEREAS, the State of Michigan requires each municipality's governing body to adopt a resolution authorizing participation in the proposed project prior to finalizing the award of grants from the State of Michigan's FDCVT grant program, and now therefore,

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the Highland Park City Council hereby accepts the award of the FDCVT grant in the amount of \$42,000.00. Yeas (5), Nays (0), Absent (0).

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SERVICE

The following resolution was submitted for approval.

**Moved by Councilmember Woodard
Supported by Councilmember Lewis**

RESOLUTION TO SOLICIT BIDS FOR ASPHALT FOR POTHOLE REPAIR

WHEREAS, potholes are a common nuisance in all of Michigan, including Highland Park; and

WHEREAS, potholes are dangerous for drivers, motorcyclists, bicyclists, and pedestrians; and

WHEREAS, potholes have resulted in damage to vehicles, accidents and pedestrian injuries;

WHEREAS, the City Council wishes to provide for the safety and general welfare of its citizens and the public at large; and

WHEREAS, there is an immediate need to fill a significant number of potholes throughout the City; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by Highland Park City Council that DPW be allowed to solicit bids for asphalt to repair the potholes in Highland Park. Yeas (5), Nays (0), Absent (0).

The following resolution was submitted for approval.

Moved by Councilmember Woodard

Supported by Councilmember Lewis

WHEREAS, catch basins and curb inlets perform a vital role in maintaining the safety and health of Highland Park citizens; and

WHEREAS, catch basins and curb inlets collect storm water, provide basic physical filtration and release the effluent into the sewer system; and

WHEREAS, when catch basins and curb inlets are not properly cleaned, it could result in flooding of streets and properties, deterioration of roads from standing water, hazardous conditions for drivers/pedestrians and contamination of waterways; and

WHEREAS, the City Council wishes to provide for the safety of general welfare of its citizens and the public at large; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by Highland Park City Council that DPW be allowed to solicit quotes for catch basin and curb inlet cleaning.

FINALLY, BE IT RESOLVED that the Director get prices on the repair of the old sweeper if there is one. Yeas (5), Nays (0), Absent (0).

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The following resolution was submitted for approval.

Moved by Council Pro Tem McDonald

Supported by Councilmember Bates

WHEREAS, the City of Highland Park has 7 miles of major roadways, 46 miles of local roadways, 28 miles of alleyways and municipal parking lots; and

WHEREAS, Highland Park has not had street sweeping services for a number of years; and

WHEREAS, the appearance of the City is vital to the health, safety and well-being of the residents and the public at large; and

WHEREAS, the appearance of the City will enhance future economic development prospects and the financial recovery of the City of Highland Park; and

WHEREAS, the City Council wishes to provide for the safety and general welfare of its citizens and the public at large; and

WHEREAS, the City issued an RFP with no affordable response; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE Highland Park City Council that the Department of Public Works is permitted to solicit street sweeping services. Yeas (5), Nays (0), Absent (0).

OUTSIDE COMMUNICATION:

The following communication was received from Brenda L. Blackwell-Mims.

Last year during our Mother's Memorial Service the Highland Park City Council declared May 4th from that point on will be known as a "Day of Love" in the City of Highland Park, Michigan.

We would like to have a Community Literacy Program (PK-5th grade) on May 4, 2019 from 11-3 p.m. at Ernest T. Ford Recreation Center. Grades: PK-5. We will have reading centers, tour the new library, face painting, storytelling, music, children dancers and food. Each child will receive a new book.

Our goal is to promote literacy for the children, their parents and guardian and honor our Mother who stressed the importance of reading. We hope to encourage the students in the Highland Park community to learn to read and read to learn with love.

We will be getting the appropriate liability insurance to cover the community program.

Moved by Councilmember Woodard

Supported by Council Pro Tem McDonald

To receive and file this communication. Yeas (5), Nays (0), Absent (0).

ADJOURNMENT:

Moved by Councilmember Lewis

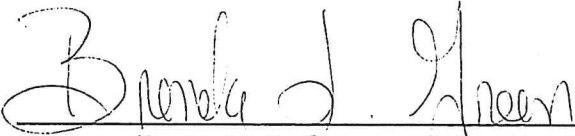
Supported by Council Pro Tem McDonald

To adjourn this meeting; motion carried the meeting was adjourned at 9:05 p.m.

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CERTIFICATE

I, hereby certify that the attached is a copy of the minutes of a Regular Meeting held on the 1st of April 2019. Minutes are available for public inspection at the address designated on the posted public notice.



Brenda J. Green, City Clerk