

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE HIGHLAND PARK CITY COUNCIL

April 15, 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 Council Pro Tem McDonald

Supported by Councilmember Lewis

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 April 1, 2019. Yeas (5), Nays (0), Absent (0).

CITY CLERK

04-15-19-V

The Clerk submitted the following application.

The Clerk submitted a business license application from Goddess Upscale Beauty Bar located at 13804 Woodward Ave.

Moved by Councilmember Lewis

Supported by Councilmember Bates

To approve the business license application from Goddess Upscale Beauty Bar located at 13804 Woodward Ave. Yeas (5), Nays (0), Absent (0).

FINANCE:

04-15-19-VI-a

The Director submitted the monthly financial statement March 31, 2019.

Moved by Council Pro Tem McDonald

Supported by Councilmember Lewis

To receive and file the monthly financial statement March 31, 2019. Yeas (5), Nays (0), Absent (0).

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04-15-19-VI-b

The following resolution was submitted for approval.

Moved by Council Pro Tem McDonald

Supported by Councilmember Lewis

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Highland Park City Council hereby approves for an ad to be placed in the Michigan Chronicle advertising a public hearing for the 2019/20 proposed budget to be set on April 29, 2019. Yeas (5), Nays (0), Absent (0).

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04-15-19-VI-c

The Finance Director submitted the 2019-2020 Proposed Budget.

Moved by Councilmember Lewis

Supported by Councilmember Woodard

To receive and review the submission of the 2019 Proposed Budget. Yeas (5), Nays (0), Absent (0).

LEGAL:

04-15-29-VII

The following resolution was submitted for approval.

RESOLUTION APPROVING SETTLEMENT IN THE MATTER OF MICHAEL THOMAS V CITY OF HIGHLAND PARK AND JEFFERY CROUCH CASE NO. 2:16-EV-10313

Moved by Council Pro Tem McDonald
Supported by Councilmember Woodard

WHEREAS, Plaintiff alleges federal constitutional violations when he was unlawfully stopped by Officer Crouch; and

WHEREAS, the Federal Mediation recommended payment in excess of the settlement requested; and

WHEREAS, the parties wish to settle the lawsuit pursuant to the terms of the Settlement Agreement attached hereto; and

WHEREAS, Plaintiff's has agreed to accept a settlement of \$19,000.00; and

WHEREAS, settlement of this case limits the City's exposure; however, if rejected and the case proceeds to trial, the City would be exposed to a jury verdict and incur attorney fees and court costs that would far exceed the proposed settlement amount.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that City Council approves a settlement payment to Plaintiff in the amount of \$19,000.00. Yeas (3), Nays (2), Councilmember Lewis and Council President Patrick, Absent (0).

PUBLIC WORKS:

04-15-19-VIII-a

The following resolution was submitted for approval.

RESOLUTION FOR ADDENDUM TO CONTRACT FOR WOODWARD AVENUE (M-1) SIDEWALK REMOVAL AND REPLACEMENT SERVICES

WHEREAS, Highland Park City Council authorized DPW to enter into a contract with Hayes Land Corporation to remove and replace 391 sidewalk flags for a total cost of \$156,400 to be funded by Public Act 51 funds; and

WHEREAS, the contract was completed and funds were distributed on July 27, 2018; and

WHEREAS, said contract for removal and replacement of 391 flags on the west side of Woodward (M1) extended from Mc Nichols to Sears Street (Phase One); and

WHEREAS, using the experience gathered from phase one, including MDOT demands for pedestrian safety, the interlocking nature of the sidewalks flags and the costs associated with the project, DPW now wishes to extend the project from Sears Street to Tuxedo Street on the west side of Woodward (Phase Two); and

WHEREAS, the sidewalks on the east side of Woodward will be evaluated at a later date based on the availability of Act 51 funds in 2019; and

WHEREAS, Phase Two (Sears to Tuxedo on the west side of Woodward) requires the removal and replacement of 695 flags, plus ADA ramps, for a total cost of \$315,000; and

BE IT RESOLVED by Highland Park City Council that DPW be allowed to add this addendum to the contract with Hayes Land Corporation to remove and replace an additional 695 flags, plus ADA ramps, at a price of \$315,000, which will be funded by Public Act 51 funds.

Moved by Council Pro Tem McDonald
Supported by Councilmember Woodard

To table the above resolution. Yeas (5), Nays (0), Absent (0).

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04-15-19-VIII-b

The following resolution was submitted for approval.

Moved by Councilmember Lewis
Supported Councilmember Bates

RESOLUTION TO ISSUE CONTRACT FOR AN ENVIRONMENTAL SITE ASSESSMENT FOR THE McGREGOR LIBRARY

WHEREAS, on April 1, 2019, the City Council approved a resolution to allow the Department of Public Works to solicit bids from highly reputable environmental professionals for an environmental site assessment for the McGregor Library; and

WHEREAS, a mandatory site visit was held on March 26, 2019 and March 27, 2019 and five contractors participated; and

WHEREAS, the five contractors were asked to submit the cost of an environmental site assessment for asbestos, mold, lead, radon, hazardous waste or any other potential hazardous material that would need to be removed from the site prior to renovation; and

WHEREAS, the City received five bids: 1) \$9,800, 2) \$12,250 3) \$7,898, 4) \$8,280 and \$13,960 (see attached); and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City approves the issuance of a contract to Intertek-PSI at \$7,898 for an environmental site assessment for the McGregor Library. Yeas (5), Nays (0), Absent (0).

WATER:

04-15-19-IX

A RESOLUTION REQUESTING PUBLIC HEARING AND COMMENT FOR THE STATE REVOLVING FUND (SRF) PROJECT PLAN APPLICATION FOR THE CITY OF HIGHLAND PARK

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

WHEREAS, it is necessary for the City of Highland Park Water Department to address sewer infrastructure improvements; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the Water Department Director to complete the 2020 SRF Project Plan Application for the City of Highland Park requesting \$5,000,000; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the Water Department Director that, if funds are awarded, shall be applied to improvements identified in the 2020 SRF Project Plan Application for the City of Highland Park; and

WHEREAS, all comments received from citizens at a duly advertised public hearing will be documented;

BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Highland Park City Council approves public hearings to be held at the regular City Council Meetings on May 20th and June 3rd to receive these comments regarding the 2020 SRF Project Plan Application this 15th day of April 2019.

PASSED AND ADOPTED, this 15th day of April 2019 by the votes of Highland Park City Council Yeas (5), Nays (0), Absent (0).

COUNCIL AFFAIRS:

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

To hold a budget review workshop on April 22, 2019 @ 6:00 p.m. Yeas (5), Nays (0), Absent (0).

ADJOURNMENT:

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

To adjourn this meeting; motion carried meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

