

Minutes of the regular meeting of the City Commission held Monday, March 12, 2018, at 7:00 p.m., in the City Commission Room.

Mayor Lents called the meeting to order and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Commissioners Present: Mayor Lents and Vice Mayor Madaj; Commissioners Gillis, Joseph, Kulick and Ling

Commissioners Absent: Commissioner LaLonde

Others Present: City Manager Ridley, City Clerk Howard and City Attorney Curcio

### Proclamations and Presentations

Middle Michigan Development Corporation (MMDC) President Jim McBryde gave a quarterly update for MMDC.

Discussion ensued.

### Additions/Deletions to Agenda

Item #22 – “Consider approval of resolution supporting March for Our Lives”, was added to the agenda.

### Public Input on Agenda Items

Jim Moreno, 316 S. Arnold; Gerald Griffin, GMG Public Affairs Consulting; Ashley Nola, President, Student Advocates for Medical and Responsible use of Cannabis; Deb Cary, Vestaburg, MI and Chris Yermian, Grand Blanc spoke in support of Michigan Medical Marihuana Facility Licensing Act (MMMFLA).

Brandon Darsow, 4319 Sterling Way, spoke in support of the resolution supporting March for Our Lives.

### Receipt of Petitions and Communications

Received the following petitions and communications:

1. City Manager report on pending items.
2. Planning Commission Minutes. (February)
3. Resignation of Damian Fisher from the Parks and Recreation Commission.
4. Downtown Planning Information from Town Planning Urban Design Collaborative (TPUDC).
5. Planning Commission’s 2017 Annual Report.
6. Notice of Temporary Traffic Control Order #3-2018.
7. Correspondence from I-Ride Executive Director Rick Collins.
8. Contracts approved by the Local Development Finance Authority Board (LDFA).

9. Electronic correspondence from Jim Holton, 1828 Woods Way, regarding proposed ordinance to amend Title XV, Chapter 150, §150.02 of the Mount Pleasant City Code regarding private swimming pools.
10. Electronic correspondence from Glenn Bordine, 7265 S. Mission Rd, regarding MMMFLA.
11. Letter at dais from Theresa Binkoski, 187 E. Boulevard St., Shepherd, regarding potential removal of I-Ride shelter downtown.

Moved by Commissioner Gillis and supported by Commissioner Kulick to approve the following items on the Consent Calendar:

1. Minutes of the regular meeting of the City Commission held February 26, 2018.
2. Minutes of the special meeting of the City Commission held February 27, 2018.
3. Receive revisions to Purchasing Policy.
4. Amendment to assessing contract with Coucke Property Assessing, LLC to include residential field services at an additional cost of \$15,000 for 2018.
5. Set special meeting on April 9, 2018 at 5:30 p.m. for a joint meeting with the Planning Commission.
6. Receive City requests for Spring 2018 Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe 2% allocations.
7. Warrants dated February 21 and March 1, 2018 and Payrolls dated February 23, 2018 all totaling \$703,157.36.

Motion unanimously adopted.

A public hearing was held on proposed amendment to Title XV, Chapter 150, §150.02 of the Mount Pleasant City Code regarding private swimming pools. Electronic correspondence from Jim Holton, 1828 Woods Way questioning the amendment. There being no additional public comment or communications, the Mayor closed the public hearing.

Moved by Commissioner Kulick and supported by Commissioner Joseph that Ordinance 1035, an Ordinance to amend Title XV, Chapter 150, §150.02 of the Mount Pleasant City Code regarding private swimming pools having been introduced and read, now be passed, ordained and ordered published.

AYES: Commissioners Joseph, Lents, Ling and Madaj

NAYS: Commissioners Kulick and Gillis

ABSENT: Commissioner LaLonde

Motion carried.

Commissioner Kulick recused himself from discussion and motion on special assessment to remove any appearance of a conflict of interest.

A public hearing was held on the necessity of the public improvement; consider resolution #3 to proceed with improvements; consider Resolution #4 to accept the special assessment roll and set a public hearing for Monday, March 26, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.

Ron Western, 415 S. Fancher and Barbara Sheperdigian, 421 S. Fancher, spoke in support of the special assessment. Larry Burdick, 401 S. Fancher, questioned who makes the

determination that the alley is in need of repair. There being no additional comments or communications, the Mayor closed the public hearing.

Moved by Vice Mayor Madaj and supported by Commissioner Joseph to approve the adoption of the following Resolution Nos. 3 to proceed with improvements and Resolution 4 to accept the special assessment roll and set a public hearing for Monday, March 26, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. on Special Assessment District 1-18:

SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT 1-18  
RESOLUTION NO. 3

WHEREAS, the City Commission, after due and legal notice, has met and heard all interested persons to be affected by the proposed public improvements hereinafter described;

AND, WHEREAS, the City Commission deems it advisable and necessary to proceed with Special Assessment No. 1-18;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. The City Commission hereby determines to install public improvements as follows: reconstruct the alley in the block between Fancher on the west, Kinney on the east, Locust on the south and Wisconsin on the north in the City Special Assessment District No. 1-18;
2. The plans, profiles and specifications previously prepared by the City Manager are hereby approved.
3. The Commission hereby approves the detailed estimates of cost and determines a total estimated cost of \$57,000. The amount of \$51,300 shall be spread by special assessments upon the City Special Assessment District No. 1-18, and the amount of \$5,700 shall be the obligation of the city-at-large.
4. The City Assessor is directed to prepare a special assessment roll in accordance with the Commission's determination.
5. When the Assessor has completed the assessment roll he shall file the roll with the City Clerk for presentation to the Commission.
6. All resolutions and parts of resolutions conflicting with the provisions of this resolution be and the same hereby are rescinded.

SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT 1-18  
RESOLUTION NO. 4

WHEREAS, the Assessor has prepared the special assessment roll for Special Assessment District No. 1-18 to special assess that portion of the cost of the public improvements to the properties specially benefited by said public improvements, and the same has been presented to the City Commission by the City Clerk.

WHEREAS, the Special Assessment District No. 1-18 is described as: reconstruct the alley in the block between Fancher on the west, Kinney on the east, Locust on the south and Wisconsin on the north in the City Special Assessment District No. 1-18.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. Said special assessment roll is accepted and will be on file in the office of the City Clerk for public examination.
2. The City Commission shall meet at City Hall, 320 W. Broadway Street, Mt. Pleasant, Michigan, at 7:00 p.m., Daylight Saving Time, on March 26, 2018 to hear all persons interested in reviewing the special assessment roll, and shall

be afforded an opportunity to be heard, and the City Clerk is directed to publish and mail, in accordance with applicable statutory and ordinance provisions, the notice of hearing.

3. All resolutions and parts of resolutions insofar as they conflict with the provisions of this resolution be and the same hereby are rescinded.

AYES: Commissioners Gillis, Joseph, Lents, Ling and Madaj  
NAYS: None  
ABSENT: Commissioner LaLonde  
ABSTAINED: Commissioner Kulick  
Motion carried.

Moved by Commissioner Ling and supported by Commissioner Kulick to make the following appointments to various City Boards and commissions as recommended by the Appointments Committee:

	<u>Term Expires</u>
<u>Zoning Board of Appeals</u> Aaron White, alternate	December 31, 2020
<u>Downtown Development Authority (DDA)</u> Robert VanDorin	December 31, 2021

Motion unanimously adopted.

Moved by Commissioner Kulick and supported by Commissioner Joseph to approve a budget amendment for staffing in Treasurer's Department. Motion unanimously adopted.

Moved by Commissioner Joseph and supported by Commissioner Ling to reprioritize pedestrian lighting project location to Broadway between Maxwell and Bradley.

Moved by Commissioner Gillis and supported by Commissioner Ling to postpone action on reprioritization of pedestrian lighting until next meeting so that staff can contact residents and let them know of the project.

AYES: Commissioners Gillis, Joseph, Ling and Madaj  
NAYS: Commissioners Kulick and Lents  
ABSENT: Commissioner LaLonde  
Motion carried.

Moved by Commissioner Ling and supported by Commissioner Joseph to approve the resolution supporting March for Our Lives:

WHEREAS the United States has experienced a number of mass shootings, defined as four or more people being shot during one incident, not including the shooter; and

WHEREAS statistics from the not for profit organization, Gun Violence Archive, reveal there have been 41 mass shootings thus far in 2018, resulting in 68 deaths and 162 injuries; and

WHEREAS the Parkland survivors have organized a “March for Our Lives” to take place Saturday, March 24; and

WHEREAS students from around the county (and the world) will unite on March 24, 2018 to show their resolve and demand action for comprehensive gun control; and

WHEREAS a local March for Our Lives event has been organized for March 24, 2018 at 1:00 p.m. in Island Park; and

WHEREAS we believe children in Mt. Pleasant are no less at risk than anywhere else in the country.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the City of Mt. Pleasant supports the students and children of our community by encouraging our state and federal elected officials to enact sensible gun control policies; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the City of Mt. Pleasant invites all residents to join in showing support on March 24, 2018 as we all come together for our children and their future and join them in the March for Our Lives.

Motion unanimously adopted.

#### Announcements on City-Related Issues and New Business

Commissioner Gillis thanked Damian Fisher for his time on the Parks and Recreation Commission.

Commissioner Ling announced that there are openings on boards and commissions and encouraged the public to apply. She also announced that Parks and Recreation will be looking at their Master Plan in the near future.

#### Public Comment on Agenda and Non-Agenda Items

Matt Mertz, 1540 S. Bamber and Rick Collins, I-Ride Director, spoke of concerns with the removal of the I-Ride bus stop shelter downtown.

Jim Moreno, 316 S. Arnold, thanked the Commission for support of the March for Our Lives Resolution and invited Commissioners to Business After Hours on Wednesday, March 14 at Hunter’s Ale House.

The Commission recessed at 8:40 p.m. and went into a work session at 8:50 p.m.

WORK SESSION – Michigan Medical Marihuana Facilities Licensing Act (MMMFLA) draft ordinance discussion.

Mayor Lents led a discussion on Michigan Medical Marihuana Facilities Licensing Act (MMMFLA) draft ordinance

Discussion ensued.

Staff and City Attorney will incorporate generally agreed upon parameters into the draft ordinance to send to the Planning Commission for consideration and recommendation to the City Commission.

Mayor Lents adjourned the meeting at 10:14 p.m. without objection.

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Allison Lents, Mayor

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Jeremy Howard, City Clerk