

Minutes of the electronically conducted regular meeting of the City Commission held Monday, July 27, 2020, at 7:00 p.m.

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

Commissioners Present: Mayor William Joseph and Vice Mayor Amy Perschbacher; Commissioners Mary Alsager, Lori Gillis, Kristin LaLonde, George Ronan and Petro Tolas

Commissioners Absent: None

Others Present: City Manager Nancy Ridley and City Clerk Jeremy Howard

All present attended virtually via Zoom video conference.

Proclamations and Presentations

Police Records Supervisor Dush gave a presentation on the Police Records Department.

City Clerk Howard gave an update on the status of the 2020 Census.

Receipt of Petitions and Communications

Received the following petitions and communications:

1. City Manager report on pending items;
 - a. Report from Public Safety Director Lauria regarding Governor Whitmer's police reform order.
2. Second Quarter Investment Report.
3. Traffic Control Committee Meeting Minutes. (June)
4. Planning Commission Meeting Minutes. (May)
5. Economic Development Corporation Meeting Minutes. (May)
6. Correspondence received from Jeff Jakeway, 625 E. Cherry St., regarding solid wastes ordinance.

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

1. Minutes of the regular meeting of the City Commission held July 13, 2020.
2. Authorize the Mayor to sign the electric facilities easement for Parking Lot #12 as presented.
3. Resolution Approving submittal of the grant application to the Michigan Arts Council for the 2021 Paint the Intersection project as follows:

Whereas, the City of Mount Pleasant working with community partners wishes to expand the Paint the Intersection public art project in downtown to help serve the community's arts for the fiscal year 2021, and;

Whereas, the proposed Paint the Intersections project is consistent with the goals and objectives of the City's current Master Plan, and;

Whereas the proposed 2021 Paint the Intersection project and grant application were discussed at a public meeting of the Mount Pleasant City Commission held July 27, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. Conducted Electronically via Zoom and;

Whereas, The City of Mount Pleasant has committed to providing \$1,000 in-kind funds toward the project cost from City staff for assistance in event planning, logistics, and road closures;

Now therefore, be it that the Mount Pleasant City Commission hereby approves submittal of a 2020 Michigan Arts Council for the Arts and Cultural Affairs grant application for the 2020 Paint the Intersections project.

4. Warrants dated July 7, 14, 15 and 16, 2020 and Payrolls dated July 10, 2020 all totaling \$724,398.09.

AYES: Commissioners Alsager, Gillis, Joseph, LaLonde, Perschbacher, Ronan & Tolas
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None
Motion unanimously adopted.

Public Hearing on proposed Ordinance to amend portions of Title V, Chapter 50: "Solid Wastes" of the Mt. Pleasant Code of Ordinances to provide pickup options for non-single-family residential buildings in the City. Correspondence was received from Jeff Jakeway, 625 E. Cherry St., regarding solid wastes ordinance.

There being no additional public comment or communications, the Mayor closed the public hearing.

Moved by Commissioner Ronan and supported by Commissioner Alsager that Ordinance 1056, an Ordinance to amend portions of Title V, Chapter 50: "Solid Wastes" of the Mt. Pleasant Code of Ordinances to provide pickup options for non-single-family residential buildings in the City having been introduced and read, now be passed, ordained and ordered published.

AYES: Commissioners Alsager, Gillis, Joseph, LaLonde, Perschbacher, Ronan & Tolas
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None
Motion unanimously adopted.

Moved by Commissioner Tolas and supported by Commissioner Ronan authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign a third amendment to the 2013 Real Estate Purchase Agreement with Mr. Olivieri as drafted by the City Attorney.

AYES: Commissioners Alsager, Joseph, LaLonde, Perschbacher, Ronan & Tolas
NAYS: Commissioner Gillis
ABSENT: None
Motion carried.

Announcements on City-Related Issues and New Business

Mayor Joseph commented that the painting on the picnic tables and umbrellas looks very nice; TIFA met and will be recommending some tweaks, but he thinks it has been a success to temporarily close part of Broadway downtown; and its nice to see people out and about downtown shopping.

Commissioner Gillis encouraged all citizens to wear masks and continue social distancing. She also encouraged everyone to vote next Tuesday in the primary election.

Commissioner Tolas commended Director Lauria on his PSA on wearing masks and asked if Brown Street construction was still on schedule.

Commissioner Alsager asked if there was a schedule for painting lines on city streets.

The Commission recessed at 7:55 p.m. and went into a work session at 8:02 p.m.

WORK SESSION – Discuss Charter Committee recommendations.

Mayor Joseph and City Manager Ridley led a discussion on recommendations received from the Charter Committee.

Discuss ensued.

Staff will begin work to move forward with items that were discussed and had general agreement by the Commission and will bring the items back to the Commission for further discussion and action at a future meeting.

Mayor Joseph adjourned the meeting without objection at 9:03 p.m.

William L. Joseph, Mayor

Jeremy Howard, City Clerk