

Minutes of the electronically conducted regular meeting of the City Commission held Monday, November 8, 2021, 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 (7:09 p.m.), Olivia Cyman, Lori Gillis, George Ronan and Petro Tolas. All Commissioners present indicated they were in Mt. Pleasant, Isabella County, Michigan.

Commissioners Absent: None

Others Present: City Manager Aaron Desentz, City Clerk Heather Bouck and City Attorney Michael Homier

All present attended virtually via Zoom video conference.

### Proclamations and Presentations

Middle Michigan Development Corporation (MMDC) presentation was postponed; however, MMDC's Third Quarter Report and 2022-2024 Strategic Plan were provided in the agenda packet.

### Public Input on Agenda Items

Kolmarge Harris, 2237 S. Vandecar Rd, formerly from Lansing, wishes to bring a boxing fitness program to area youth and is seeking assistance and direction on this effort. He is specifically seeking a community center to bring the program forward in 2022.

### Receipt of Petitions and Communications

Received the following petitions and communications:

1. City Manager report on pending items;
  - a. Monthly report on police related citizen complaints received.
2. Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting Minutes. (September)
3. Resignation of Candace Johnson from the Historic District Commission.
4. Notice of Temporary Traffic Control Order #1-2022.

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

1. Minutes of the electronically conducted regular meeting of the City Commission held October 25, 2021.
2. Warrants dated October 27 and November 3, 2021 and Payrolls dated October 29, 2021 all totaling \$812,692.79.

AYES: Commissioners Alsager, Cyman, Gillis, Joseph, Perschbacher, Ronan & Tolas

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

Motion unanimously adopted.

Public hearing on proposed 2022 Annual Operating Budget. There being no public comments or communications received, the Mayor closed the public hearing. There is no action required at this time.

Public hearing on S.A. 2-21 Principal Shopping District to consider approval of resolution #5 for approval of the roll and setting of payment terms. There being no public comment or communications received, the Mayor closed the public hearing.

Moved by Vice Mayor Perschbacher and seconded by Commissioner Alsager to approve resolution #5 for approval of the roll and setting of payment terms as follows:

PRINCIPAL SHOPPING DISTRICT 2-21  
RESOLUTION NO. 5

WHEREAS, the City Commission has met after due and legal notice and reviewed the special assessment roll to provide for funding for the Principal Shopping District, in the City, Special Assessment District No. 2-21;

WHEREAS, after hearing all persons interested therein and after carefully reviewing the special assessment roll, the City Commission deems said special assessment roll to be fair, just and equitable and that each of the assessments contained thereon are in accordance with the benefits to be derived by each parcel of land assessed;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. Said special assessment roll as prepared by the City Assessor, in the amount of \$104,700 per year for each year including 2022 and 2023, is hereby confirmed.

2. Said special assessment roll will be two annual installments, each of which will be billed semiannually. The billings will be on July 1 and December 1 of each year 2022 through 2023.

3. No interest will be charged on the unbilled balance of said special assessment roll.

4. The City Clerk is directed to attach his warrant to a certified copy of this resolution within ten (10) days after its adoption requesting the Assessor to spread and the Treasurer to collect the sums and amounts as directed by the Commission.

5. The City Clerk is directed to endorse the date of confirmation on the roll.

6. All resolutions and parts of resolutions conflicting with the provisions of this resolution are rescinded.

AYES: Commissioners Alsager, Cyman, Gillis, Joseph, Perschbacher & Ronan

NAYS: Commissioner Tolas

ABSENT: None

Motion carried.

Moved by Vice Mayor Perschbacher and seconded by Commissioner Cyman to authorize the City Manager to execute the contract with RISE, Inc. as presented.

AYES: Commissioners Alsager, Cyman, Gillis, Joseph, Perschbacher, Ronan & Tolas

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

Motion unanimously adopted.

## Announcements on City-Related Issues and New Business

Mayor Joseph announced that flu and COVID vaccines are available and encouraged the public to take steps to protect themselves and others. He asked that we all assist others when possible as there are many in need. He thanked City Manager Desentz for his conducting of his first meeting.

Commissioner Alsager welcomed Manager Desentz to the City.

Commissioner Ronan welcomed Manager Desentz to the City.

The Commission recessed at 7:25 p.m. and went into a work session at 7:31 p.m.

WORK SESSION: 2022 Operating Budget discussion.

Mayor Joseph led a brief discussion on the 2022 Operating Budget.

Mayor Joseph adjourned the meeting without objection at 7:43 p.m.

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William L. Joseph, Mayor

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Heather Bouck, City Clerk