

Minutes of the electronically conducted regular meeting of the City Commission held Monday, June 28, 2021, at 7:01 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, 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 Nancy Ridley and City Clerk Heather Bouck

All present attended virtually via Zoom video conference.

#### Receipt of Petitions and Communications

Received the following petitions and communications:

1. City Manager report on pending items.
2. Downtown Development Authority (DDA) Meeting Minutes. (May)

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

1. Minutes of the electronically conducted regular meeting of the City Commission held June 14, 2021.
2. Minutes of the electronically conducted closed session of the City Commission held June 14, 2021.
3. MDOT Resolution authorizing approval of a contract for reimbursement of funds for approach slope clearing project for the Mt. Pleasant Airport.
4. Professional Services Agreement with Mead & Hunt for the Airport Tree Abatement Project at a cost of \$28,642.
5. Warrants dated June 6, 14 & 16, 2021 and Payrolls dated June 11, 2021 all totaling \$750,965.98.

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

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

Motion unanimously adopted.

A Public Hearing was held on proposed ordinance to amend Chapter 10: GENERAL PROVISIONS, §10.05 DEFINITIONS and Chapter 91: ANIMALS of the Mt. Pleasant City Code of Ordinances.

Amanda Tillotson, Executive Director, Humane Animal Treatment Society (HATS), submitted a letter and spoke regarding the proposed ordinance and the removal of feral cats isn't always the best remedy to correct the issue. She would like to have more input into the matter.

There being no additional public comments or communications received, the Mayor closed the Public Hearing.

Moved by Commissioner Alsager and seconded by Vice Mayor Perschbacher to table the proposed amendment to Chapter 10: GENERAL PROVISIONS, §10.05 DEFINITIONS and Chapter 91: ANIMALS of the Mt. Pleasant City Code of Ordinances.

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

NAYS: Commissioners Gillis & Tolas

ABSENT: None

Motion carried.

Moved by Commissioner Alsager and seconded by Vice Mayor Perschbacher to approve a contract extension with Isabella County for the Material Recovery Facility (MRF).

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

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

Motion unanimously adopted.

Moved by Vice Mayor Perschbacher and seconded by Commissioner Alsager to approve a budget amendment for the Material Recovery Facility (MRF).

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

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

Motion unanimously adopted.

Moved by Vice Mayor Perschbacher and seconded by Commissioner Ronan to change use of funds for Broadway Central.

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

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAINED: Commissioner Tolas

Motion carried.

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

Commissioner Gillis indicated that she will not be attending the work session this evening due to computer issues and stated that she will follow-up with Frank Walsh at a later date. She further stated that she would prefer evenings or weekends for commitments related to the City Manager search and vetting candidates. Lastly, Commissioner Gillis announced her resignation from the Appointments Committee.

The Commission recessed at 8:10 p.m. and went into work session at 8:18 p.m. Commissioner Gillis left the meeting at 8:10 p.m.

WORK SESSION - Discussion with Walsh Municipal Services (Frank Walsh) regarding City Manager search.

Discussion ensued to assist Frank Walsh of Walsh Municipal Services with the City Manager recruitment posting and a suggested timeline for the hiring process.

Mayor Joseph adjourned the meeting without objection at 9:28 p.m.

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William L. Joseph, Mayor

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Heather Bouck, City Clerk