

Minutes of the regular meeting of the City Commission held Monday, October 24, 2022, at 7:00 p.m., in the City Commission Room, 320 W. Broadway St., Mt. Pleasant, Michigan with virtual options.

Mayor Perschbacher called the meeting to order.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Land Acknowledgement statement was recited.

Commissioners Present: Mayor Amy Perschbacher and Vice Mayor Mary Alsager; Commissioners Brian Assmann, Liz Busch, Bryan Chapman & Maureen Eke

Commissioners Absent: George Ronan

Others Present: City Manager Aaron Desentz and City Clerk Heather Bouck

Proclamations and Presentations

Director of Economic Development William Mrdeza introduced Manuela Powidayko Souza, the City's new Director of Planning & Community Development.

Public Safety Office Professional Meagan Long was introduced by Public Safety Director Paul Lauria.

Marcus Vogel was introduced as a newly hired Paid On Call Firefighter by Public Safety Director Paul Lauria.

John Zang provided an update on the Mid-Michigan Aquatic Recreational Authority.

Moved by Commissioner Eke and seconded by Commissioner Busch to approve the Agenda as presented. Motion unanimously adopted.

Receipt of Petitions and Communications

Received the following petitions and communications:

5. Minutes of the September Planning Commission meeting.
6. Third Quarter Investment Report.

Moved by Commissioner Eke and seconded by Commissioner Busch to approve the following items on the Consent Calendar:

7. Minutes of the regular meeting of the City Commission held October 10, 2022.
8. Resolution in support of fees related to electric scooters and/or skateboards as follows:

WHEREAS, Title 11, Chapter 116 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Mt Pleasant requires that the City Commission set by resolution the annual fees for businesses, activities or things requiring licenses under the Chapter,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the annual fee for Electronic Scooter and Skateboard business licenses under Section 116.02(B) and 116.04(D) of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Mt Pleasant be set as follows:

Calendar Year License	\$1,000
ICHAT Fee*	\$ 10 Scooter/Skateboard
Inspection Fee	\$ 15 (per scooter/skateboard)
Scooter/Skateboard Retrieval Fee	\$ 100 (per scooter/skateboard 8-4:30 M-F) \$ 120 (per scooter/skateboard hours other than 8-4:30 M-F)

*-All business licenses require ICHAT Look-up Fee

9. Approve Central Business District Tax Increment Finance Authority (CBD/TIFA) Façade Improvement Program.
10. Agreement with Central Michigan University for copier leases.
11. Warrants dated October 11, 17, 19 & 20, 2022 and Payrolls dated October 14, 2022 all totaling \$1,217,245.89.

Motion unanimously adopted.

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, November 14, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. regarding said roll for Special Assessment District #3-22. Jan Fokens, 318 N. Fancher, inquired what further steps would be taken in this process and confirmed a 2023 construction date. There being no additional public comments or communications, the Mayor closed the public hearing.

Moved by Vice Mayor Alsager and seconded by Commissioner Eke to adopt the following Resolutions #3 and #4 for Special Assessment District 3-22.

S.A. DISTRICT 3-22 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. 3-22;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. The City Commission hereby determines to install public improvements as follows: pave the alley in the block between Fancher on the west, Kinney on the east, Chippewa on the south and Lincoln on the north in the City Special Assessment District No. 3-22;
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 \$79,497.59. The amount of \$55,648.32 shall be spread by special assessments upon the City Special Assessment District No. 3-22, and the amount of \$23,549.28 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.

S. A. DISTRICT 3-22 RESOLUTION NO. 4

WHEREAS, the Assessor has prepared the special assessment roll for Special Assessment District No. 3-22 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. 3-22 is described as: pave the alley in the block between Fancher on the west, Kinney on the east, Chippewa on the south and Lincoln on the north in the City Special Assessment District No. 3-22.

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 p.m., Daylight Saving Time, on November 14, 2022 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 Alsager, Assmann, Busch, Chapman, Eke & Perschbacher

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Commissioner Ronan

Motion unanimously adopted.

Director Mrdeza presented the draft PILOT Policy. Commissioners were requested to submit any comments and/or concerns to City Manager Desentz by Friday, October 28th.

Announcements on City-Related Issues And New Business

Commissioner Busch reminded residents that the Pumpkin Promenade will take place Downtown from 4 – 6 p.m. and residential trick or treating from 6 – 8 p.m. on Monday, October 31st.

Mayor Perschbacher announced the Rocky Horror Picture Show will be at the Broadway Theater this weekend, Friday thru Sunday with two showings each evening. November 4th will be VHS Night showing the Nightmare before Christmas.

Vice Mayor Alsager stated that November 12th is Ladies Day Out. Information can be found on Instagram, Facebook and Twitter @/downtownmp.

Public Comment on Agenda and Non-Agenda Items

Doug Collins, 413 Winchester Towers, suggested the measurements for the MMARA pool should be meters instead of yards.

The Commission recessed at 7:47 p.m. and returned to a work session 7:57 p.m.

Work Session – 2023 Operating Budget.

City Manager Desentz led a discussion on the 2023 Operating Budget.

Moved by Vice Mayor Alsager and seconded by Commissioner Eke to adjourn the meeting at 8:57 p.m.

Amy Perschbacher, Mayor

Heather Bouck, City Clerk