

CITY OF LIVONIA – CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES OF STUDY MEETING HELD FEBRUARY 12, 2024

Meeting was called to order at 8:00 p.m. by Council President Brandon McCullough. Present: Scott Morgan, Jim Jolly, Vice President Martha Ptashnik, Rob Donovic, Carrie Budzinski, and President Brandon McCullough. Absent: Laura Toy.

Elected and appointed officials present: Lori Miller, City Clerk; Paul Bernier, City Attorney; and David Lear, Assistant City Engineer.

Councilmember Morgan led the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

There was no audience communication at the beginning of the meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

1. REQUEST TO WAIVE THE CITY'S NOISE ORDINANCE: Dave Groff, re: in order to host a party with a band, to be held Thursday, July 4, 2024, from 1:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. at the homes located at 18111 and 18133 Floral Street.

Dave Groff, 18133 Floral, presented the request to Council.

President Jolly offered an approving motion for the Consent agenda.

DIRECTION: APPROVING CONSENT

2. APPOINTMENT OF MARY CIOLINO TO THE LIVONIA BOARD OF REVIEW: Office of the Mayor, re: for a term which will expire on February 16, 2026.

Jacob Liberati, Assistant City Assessor, presented the request to Council.

Mary Ciolino said she is very happy to serve on the board.

Councilmember Donovic offered an approving motion for the Consent agenda.

DIRECTION: APPROVING CONSENT

3. REAPPOINTMENT OF ANDREW LENDRUM TO THE LIVONIA BOARD OF REVIEW:
Office of the Mayor, re: for a three-year term, which will expire on February 16, 2027.

Jacob Liberati, Assistant City Assessor, presented the request to Council.

Councilmember Morgan offered an approving motion for the Consent agenda.

DIRECTION: APPROVING CONSENT

4. REAPPOINTMENT OF JACOB GHANNAM TO THE LIVONIA BOARD OF ETHICS:
Office of the Mayor, re: for a three-year term, which will expire on March 1, 2027.

Paul Bernier, City Attorney, presented the request to Council.

Ted Davis, Superintendent of Parks and Recreation, presented the request to Council.

Vice President Ptashnik asked if this type of art would be excluded by the zoning ordinance.

Councilmember Morgan asked if this would be art displayed in City Hall or murals on buildings.

Mr. Davis explained it could be a mural on a proposed location, using the example of the newly installed comfort station at Ben Celani Park. It would not be art displayed in City Hall. The proposal would need to be approved by a public art committee.

Councilmember Jolly commended Mr. Davis stating he feels this is something our community is missing and these simple expressions within the community inspire children.

President McCullough said he appreciates the program.

Councilmember Budzinski offered an approving motion for the Consent agenda.

DIRECTION:	APPROVING	CONSENT
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9. AWARD OF BID: Department of Parks and Recreation, re: for beverage and snack vending service at the Jack E. Kirksey Recreation Center for a three-year agreement.

Ted Davis, Superintendent of Parks and Recreation presented the request to Council.

Councilmember Donovic verified the city profit is thirty-five percent.

Vice President Ptashnik offered an approving motion for the Consent agenda.

DIRECTION:	APPROVING	CONSENT
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10. REQUEST TO ADOPT A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF AN APPLICATION FOR THE MICHIGAN HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICE (SHPO) 2024 CLG GRANT: Department of Parks and Recreation, re: for the Rehabilitation Planning for the south barn at Greenmead Historical Park.

Ted Davis, Superintendent of Parks and Recreation, presented the request to Council.

Councilmember Jolly offered an approving motion for the Consent agenda.

DIRECTION:	APPROVING	CONSENT
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11. REQUEST TO ADOPT A RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING THURSDAY, APRIL 25, 2024, AS ARBOR DAY IN THE CITY OF LIVONIA: Douglas L. Moore, Assistant Director of Public Works re: to be celebrated at 3:00 pm at Niji-Iro Japanese Immersion Elementary School, 36611 Curtis.

Doug Moore, Assistant Director of Public Works, presented the request to Council.

Vice President Ptashnik offered an approving motion for the Consent agenda.

DIRECTION: APPROVING CONSENT

12. REQUEST TO RELEASE DEVELOPMENT BONDS: Engineering Division, re: for Dover Court Site Condominium, located south of Ann Arbor Trail, west of Dover Avenue in the Southwest 1/4 of Section 33. (CR 290-19)

David Lear, Assistant City Engineer, presented the request to Council.

Councilmember Donovic offered an approving motion for the Consent agenda.

DIRECTION: APPROVING CONSENT

13. REQUEST TO WAIVE THE FORMAL BIDDING PROCESS AND APPROVE THE 2024 CONCRETE ROAD PROGRAM BY EXTENDING CONTRACT 23-C UNIT PRICES WITH HARD ROCK CONCRETE: Engineering Division, re: for Contract 24-C in the amount of \$4,523,752.63 (CR 120-23)

David Lear, Assistant City Engineer, presented the request to Council.

Councilmember Jolly verified there would be no benefit to send this out for bid since Hard Rock Concrete was the low bidder last year and they have agreed to honor last year's prices. He also said he appreciates their participation in the Touch a Truck event.

John Donabedian, 14236 Beatrice, asked what the criteria is for concrete replacement.

Councilmember Jolly indicated there is a section on the city website for road repairs and maintenance. All streets are given a Paser rating which shows the roads that need repair most. He asked Mr. Donabedian to contact Mr. Lear for more specifics after the meeting.

Mr. Donabedian said he questions some of the choices since he has seen some roads being worked on that don't really have significant problems.

Councilmember Jolly stated the road repairs are being done using dollars available due to a millage approved by the voters. The roads being repaired are determined based on review by the Engineering Department and the Citizens Road Advisory Committee.

Councilmember Jolly offered an approving motion for the Regular agenda.

DIRECTION: APPROVING REGULAR

14. REQUEST TO AMEND THE CONTRACT WITH ANDERSON, ECKSTEIN AND WESTRICK, INC. FOR CONSTRUCTION ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR THE 2024 CONCRETE ROAD PROGRAM (CONTRACT 24-C): Engineering Division, re: for same. (CR 336-21)

David Lear, Assistant City Engineer, presented the request to Council.

Councilmember Jolly offered an approving motion for the Consent agenda.

DIRECTION: APPROVING CONSENT

15. REQUEST TO WAIVE THE FORMAL BIDDING PROCESS AND APPROVE THE 2024 CONCRETE ROAD MAINTENANCE/SELECTIVE SLAB PROGRAM BY EXTENDING CONTRACT 23-J UNIT PRICES WITH GREAT LAKES CONTRACTING SOLUTIONS: Engineering Division, re: for Contract 24-J in the amount of \$1,626,472.54. (CR 409-23)

David Lear, Assistant City Engineer, presented the request to Council.

Councilmember Donovic offered an approving motion for the Regular agenda.

DIRECTION: APPROVING REGULAR

16. REQUEST TO AMEND THE CONTRACT WITH ANDERSON, ECKSTEIN AND WESTRICK, INC. FOR CONSTRUCTION ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR THE 2024 CONCRETE ROAD MAINTENANCE/SELECTIVE SLAB PROGRAM (CONTRACT 24-J): Engineering Division, re: for same. (CR 336-21)

David Lear, Assistant City Engineer, presented the request to Council.

Councilmember Morgan asked for the project total.

Mr. Lear indicated the amount is \$203,309.00.

Councilmember Morgan offered an approving motion for the Consent agenda.

DIRECTION: APPROVING CONSENT

17. REQUEST TO WAIVE THE FORMAL BIDDING PROCESS AND APPROVE THE 2024 LANE LINE MARKING PROGRAM BY EXTENDING CONTRACT 23-H UNIT PRICES WITH PK CONTRACTING, INC.: Engineering Division, re: for Contract 24-H in the amount of \$125,000 (CR 230-23)

David Lear, Assistant City Engineer, presented the request to Council.

Councilmember Jolly offered an approving motion for the Consent agenda.

DIRECTION: APPROVING CONSENT

18. REQUEST TO WAIVE THE FORMAL BIDDING PROCESS AND APPROVE THE 2024 SIDEWALK REPAIR PROGRAM BY EXTENDING CONTRACT 23-G UNIT PRICES WITH JOE ROTONDO CONSTRUCTION CORP. AND REQUEST TO AUTHORIZE AN APPROPRIATION AND EXPENDITURE TO PRECISION CONCRETE CUTTING, INC.; Engineering Division, re: for Contract 24-G in the amount of \$1,202,750.52 (CR 71-23)

David Lear, Assistant City Engineer, presented the request to Council.

Vice President Ptashnik offered an approving motion for the Regular agenda.

DIRECTION: APPROVING REGULAR

There was no audience communication at the end of the meeting.

Minutes for the Study Meeting of February 12, 2024

As there were no further questions or comments President McCullough adjourned the Study Session at 8:40 p.m. on Monday, February 12, 2024.

For the Regular Meeting of February 28, 2024.

LORI L. MILLER, CITY CLERK