

**CITY OF LIVONIA – CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES OF STUDY MEETING HELD SEPTEMBER 8, 2025**

Meeting was called to order at 8:34 p.m. by President McCullough. Present: Scott Morgan, Laura Toy, Rob Donovic, Vice President Ptashnik, Carrie Budzinski, Lynda Scheel and President McCullough. Absent: None.

Elected and appointed officials present: Carter Fisher, City Attorney; Lori L. Miller, City Clerk; Jacob Uhazie, Assistant Planning Director.

Councilmember Toy led the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

During Audience Communication, Jim Biga, Resident, inquired if consultants would be at the budget review.

Eileen McDonnell, Resident, asked where the budget attachments could be found.

Steve King, Coventry Gardens, expressed frustration on the spending of budget towards cars, conferences, and coffee rather than police, parks, and people.

NEW BUSINESS

1. BLOCK PARTY: Malgorzata Simmons, re: to be held Saturday, October 25, 2025, from 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., on Melrose Street between Elsie Street and Jamison Avenue.

Petitioner was not present.

Motion was made by Councilmember Budzinski to put the matter on the Regular portion of the next Regular Agenda.

DIRECTION:	APPROVING	REGULAR
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2. BLOCK PARTY AND STREET BARRICADING: Danielle Greason, re: to be held Friday, October 31, 2025, from 5:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m., on Emerson Court to West Chicago and on Tulipwood from Emerson Court to Harrison Street.

Petitioner was not present.

Motion was made by Councilmember Toy to put the matter on the Regular portion of the next Regular Agenda.

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3. REQUEST TO WAIVE THE FORMAL BIDDING PROCESS AND AUTHORIZE THE PURCHASE

Thomas Goralski, Chief of Police, stated the Flock cameras help recognize vehicle descriptions and license plates, all the surrounding cities have them, Flock maintains all of the posts, and grant money will cover the costs.

DIRECTION: APPROVING CONSENT

- Steve King, Coventry Gardens, mentioned electrical vehicles and the possibility of gravitating towards them, stated grappling devices are not new, and pushed towards the further use of drones.

DIRECTION: APPROVING CONSENT

- Denise Mika, Resident, echoed the opposition of spending so much money on third-party services.

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- Motion was made by Vice President Ptashnik to put the matter on the Regular portion of the next Regular Agenda.

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- Ted Davis, Superintendent of Parks and Recreation, noted the low bid offered and explained the clothing is to provide uniforms for staff.

Motion was made by Vice President Ptashnik to put the matter on the Consent portion of the next Regular Agenda.

DIRECTION: APPROVING CONSENT

- Doug Moore, Assistant Director of Public Works, stated the systems are old and parts have become unavailable, meaning it is time to upgrade to a newer system.

Motion was made by Councilmember Budzinski to put the matter on the Regular portion of the next Regular Agenda.

DIRECTION: APPROVING CONSENT

AUDIENCE COMMUNICATION

Eileen McDonnell, Resident, requested Council keep in mind the people that come to speak at the meetings do so because they care about Livonia.

ADJOURNED

Meeting adjourned at 09:35 pm

For October 6th, 2025 Regular Meeting