MINUTES OF THE TWO THOUSAND AND FORTY SIXTH REGULAR MEETING AUGUST 17, 2026

On August 17, 2026, the above meeting was held at the City Hall, 33000 Civic Center Drive, Livonia, Michigan, and was called to order by the President of the Council at 7:00 p.m. Councilmember Budzinski led the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll was called with the following result: Carrie Budzinski, Robin Persiconi, Martha Ptashnik, Patrick Brockway, Brandon McCullough, Eileen McDonnell, and Kayleigh Reid. Absent: None.

Elected and appointed officials present: Eric Goldstein, City Attorney; Lori Miller, City Clerk; Mark Taormina, Planning and Economic Development Director; Todd Zilincik, City Engineer.

On a motion by Councilmember Ptashnik, supported by Councilmember Persiconi, and unanimously adopted, it was:

#281-26 RESOLVED, that the Minutes of the 2045th Regular Meeting of the Council held July 13th, 2026, are approved as presented.

During Audience Communication the following residents spoke: Beth Cheola, Steve King, Jackie Carns, Debbie McDermott, Jenaveve Lenoir, Frank McDermott, Jim Biga, Greg Ralko, John Schafer, and Denise Mika.

New data was announced for Items #12 and #13.

President Reid passed the gavel to Vice President Brockway at approximately 7:30 p.m.

On a motion by President Reid, supported by Councilmember Ptashnik, it was:

RESOLVED, that upon the motion by Council President Kayleigh Reid, seconded by Councilmember Martha Ptashnik, regarding proposed ordinance amendment(s) establishing the City Clerk's duties in creating the Council Agenda(s), the Council does hereby refer this item to the Department of Law for its report and recommendation.

Following discussion by Council, President Reid and Councilmember Ptashnik withdrew the proposed motion.

On a motion by President Reid, supported by Councilmember Ptashnik, it was:

#282-26 RESOLVED, that upon the motion by Council President Kayleigh Reid, seconded by Councilmember Martha Ptashnik, at the Regular Meeting held August 17, 2026, regarding proposed ordinance amendment(s) establishing the City Clerk's duties in creating the Council Agenda(s), the Council does hereby refer this item to the Committee of the Whole for its report and recommendation.

A roll call vote was taken on the foregoing resolution with the following result:

AYES: Budzinski, Persiconi, Ptashnik, Brockway, McDonnell, and Reid.

NAYS: McCullough.

The following residents spoke regarding the foregoing resolution: Denise Mika, Laura Shoemaker, Jerry Karasinski, Laura Jannika, Steve King, and Greg Ralko.

On a motion by President Reid, supported by Councilmember Ptashnik, and unanimously adopted, it was:

#283-26 RESOLVED, that upon the motion by Council President Kayleigh Reid, seconded by Councilmember Martha Ptashnik, at the Regular Meeting held August 17, 2026, regarding the subject matter of establishing a cutoff time for submitting New Data of 12:00 p.m. on the business day prior to the meeting, the Council does hereby refer this item to the Committee of the Whole for its report and recommendation.

Vice President Brockway returned the gavel to President Reid at approximately 8:00 p.m.

On a motion by Councilmember Budzinski, supported by Councilmember Ptashnik, and unanimously adopted, it was:

#284-26 RESOLVED, that upon the motion by Councilmember Carrie Budzinski, seconded by Councilmember Martha Ptashnik, at the Regular Meeting held August 17, 2026, regarding the subject matter of Flock

Cameras, the Council does hereby refer this item to the Public Safety and Health Committee for its report and recommendation.

A communication from the Department of Finance, dated July 23, 2026, forwarding various financial statements of the City of Livonia for the months of December 2025 through May 2026, were received and placed on file for the information of the Council.

On a motion by Councilmember McDonnell, supported by Councilmember Ptashnik, it was:

#285-26 RESOLVED, that having considered an application from Karen Werden, dated July 23, 2026, requesting permission to close Flamingo Boulevard between St. Martins and Bretton Streets, on Saturday, August 29, 2026, from 3:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m., for the purpose of conducting a block party, the Council does hereby grant permission as requested, including therein permission to conduct the said affair on Sunday, August 30, 2026, in the event of inclement weather, the action taken herein being made subject to the approval of the Police Department.

#286-26 RESOLVED, that having considered a communication from the Assistant City Engineer, dated July 15, 2026, approved for submission by the Mayor, to which is attached a letter from Gaspare Compo, TCM Development LLC, dated July 7, 2026, requesting a waiver of the sidewalk requirement for property located at 37633 Scone Court, in the SE ¼ of Section 19, the Council does hereby approve this request inasmuch as omitting the sidewalk on the subject property would have no detrimental effect upon the neighboring properties at this time due to no public sidewalks existing on that side of the street; FURTHER, the Council does hereby reserve the right to require sidewalks at this location in the event that additional sidewalks are installed in this area at some future date.

#287-26 RESOLVED, that having considered a communication from the Assistant City Engineer, dated July 15, 2026, approved for submission by the Mayor, to which is attached a letter from Bilal Saad, dated July 13, 2026, requesting a waiver of the sidewalk requirement for property located at 27416 Sunnydale, in the SE ¼ of Section 13, the Council does hereby approve this request inasmuch as omitting the sidewalk on the subject property would have no detrimental effect upon the neighboring properties at this time due to relative lack of other public sidewalks existing within the neighboring area; FURTHER, the Council does hereby reserve the right to require sidewalks at this location in the event that additional sidewalks are installed in this area at some future date.

#288-26 RESOLVED, that having considered a communication from the Assistant City Engineer, dated July 13, 2026, approved for submission by the Mayor, to which is attached a letter from Joe Eadeh, American Building Co., dated July 8, 2026, requesting a waiver of the sidewalk requirement for property located at 18252 Lathers, in the NE 1/4 of Section 12, the Council does hereby approve this request inasmuch as omitting the sidewalk on the subject property would have no detrimental effect upon the neighboring properties at this time due to the intermittent and few public sidewalks existing within the neighboring area; FURTHER, the Council does hereby reserve the right to require sidewalks at this location in the event that additional sidewalks are installed in this area at some future date.

#289-26 RESOLVED, that having considered the report and recommendation of the Assistant City Engineer, dated July 14, 2026, which bears the signatures of the Interim Director of Public Works and the City Attorney, and is approved for submission by the Mayor, with regard to a storm water maintenance agreement from Emerson Oaks - Livonia, LLC, a Michigan limited liability company, with its principal offices located at 42400 Grand River, Suite 112, Novi, MI 48375, in conjunction with the construction of a storm drain system that provides adequate drainage for the Emerson Oaks Site Condominium, located North of West Chicago Road, West of Harrison Road, in the Northwest 1/4 of Section 36, the Council does hereby:

1. Accept the Storm Water Management System (SWMS) for Emerson Oaks Site Condominium, located North of West Chicago Road, West of Harrison Road, in the N.W. ¼ of Section 36; and

2. Authorize the Mayor and the City Clerk to execute the Storm Water Facilities Maintenance Agreement on behalf of the City.

#290-26 RESOLVED, that having considered the report and recommendation of the Assistant City Engineer, dated July 14, 2026, which bears the signatures of the Interim Director of Public Works and the City Attorney, and is approved for submission by the Mayor, with regard to a storm water maintenance agreement from UAG Realty, LLC, a New Jersey limited liability company, with its principal offices located at 2555 S. Telegraph Road, Bloomfield Hills, Michigan 48302, in conjunction with the construction of a storm drain system that provides adequate drainage for property located at 32400 Plymouth Road, in the S.W. 1/4 of Section 27, the Council does hereby:

1. Accept the Storm Water Management System (SWMS) for Bill Brown Ford (Penske Automotive Group), located at 32400 Plymouth Road in the S.W. 1/4 of Section 27; and

2. Authorize the Mayor and the City Clerk to execute the Storm Water Facilities Maintenance Agreement on behalf of the City.

#291-26 RESOLVED, that having considered the report and recommendation of the Assistant City Engineer, dated July 14, 2026, which bears the signatures of the Interim Director of Public Works and the City Attorney, and is approved for submission by the Mayor, with regard to a storm water maintenance agreement from The Cornelia Group, LLC, a Michigan limited liability company, whose mailing address is PO Box 252901, West Bloomfield, Michigan 48322, in conjunction with the construction of a storm drain system that provides adequate drainage for property located at 27777 Schoolcraft Road, in the N.E. 1/4 of Section 25, the council does hereby:

1. Accept the Storm Water Management System (SWMS) for the Penske Automotive Group, located at 27777 Schoolcraft Road in the N.E. ¼ of Section 25; and

2. Authorize the Mayor and the City Clerk to execute the Storm Water Facilities Maintenance Agreement on behalf of the City.

A roll call vote was taken on the foregoing resolutions with the following result:

AYES: Budzinski, Persiconi, Ptashnik, Brockway, McCullough, McDonnell, and Reid.

NAYS: None.

The following residents spoke regarding the Consent Agenda: Steve King.

On a motion by Councilmember McDonnell, supported by Councilmember Ptashnik, and unanimously adopted, it was:

#292-26 RESOLVED, that having considered the report and recommendation of the Committee of the Whole, dated July 20, 2026, submitted pursuant to Council Resolution 47-26, regarding the subject matter of conducting hybrid Council meetings in person and via interactive Zoom to allow Regular and Study Council meetings to be conducted in person in conjunction with a virtual option, the Council does hereby refer this item to the Department of Law for preparation of a proposed ordinance, following the City of Ann Arbor's model, allowing virtual attendance and virtual participation for audience communication only, during the regular and study council meetings.

President Reid passed the gavel to Vice President Brockway at approximately 8:14 p.m.

On a motion by President Reid, supported by Councilmember McDonnell, and unanimously adopted, it was:

#293-26 RESOLVED, that having considered the report and recommendation of the Committee of the Whole, dated July 20, 2026, submitted pursuant to Council Resolution 47-26, regarding the subject matter of conducting hybrid Council meetings in person and via interactive Zoom to allow Regular and Study Council meetings to be conducted in person in conjunction with a virtual option, the Council does hereby authorize the purchase of a tri-caster via leveraged purchase through government co-ops not to exceed $40,000.

Vice President Brockway returned the gavel to President Reid at approximately 8:15 p.m.

A communication from the City Assessor, dated July 12, 2026, forwarding the 2026 Assessment Data booklet, was received and placed on file for the information of the Council.

On a motion by Vice President Brockway, supported by Councilmember Persiconi, and unanimously adopted, it was:

#294-26 RESOLVED, that having considered an application from Caren Shatter, dated July 9, 2026, requesting permission to close Sussex Street between Sherwood and Fitzgerald Streets, on Saturday, September 12, 2026, from 12:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m., for the purpose of conducting a block party, the Council does hereby grant permission as requested, including therein permission to conduct the said affair on Sunday, September 13, 2026, in the event of inclement weather, the action taken herein being made subject to the approval of the Police Department.

On a motion by Councilmember Persiconi, supported by Councilmember Budzinski, and unanimously adopted, it was:

#295-26 RESOLVED, that having considered a communication from the Human Resources Director, dated July 21, 2026, which bears the signatures of the Director of Finance and the City Attorney, and is approved for submission by the Mayor, and which sets forth Civil Service Resolution No. 26-126, adopted at a Special Meeting of the Civil Service Commission on July 21, 2026, wherein the Commission approved the establishment of the new job classification of Capital Planning & Budget

Manager, and pending City Council approval, the posting for a promotional examination for the Capital Planning & Budget Manager position, the Council does hereby concur in and approves the recommendation of the Civil Service Commission and the establishment of the new classification of Capital Planning & Budget Manager, at the salary range equivalent to the Chief Accountant classification of $101,004.80 to $117,936.00, and paid from funds already budgeted in Account Nos. 592-558-702-000 (25% WATER) and 101-192-702-000 (75% FINANCE) for this purpose; and the posting for a promotional examination for the Capital Planning & Budget Manager position is hereby approved and authorized as outlined in the aforementioned communication and attachments thereto; FURTHER, the Capital Planning & Budget Manager position will be exempt from overtime/compensatory time, and, therefore, eligible for the new vacation policy applicable to exempt classifications.

A communication from Joe Hammond, dated August 12, 2026, forwarding revised plans with respect to Item 12, was received and placed on file for the information of the Council.

On a motion by Councilmember Persiconi, supported by Councilmember McCullough, it was:

#296-26 RESOLVED, that having considered a communication from the City Planning Commission, dated July 17, 2026, approved for submission by the Mayor, which transmits its Resolution #07-43-2026, adopted on July 14, 2026, with regard to Petition 2026-06-02-16 submitted by J.B. Donaldson Company, requesting waiver use approval to operate a licensed adult foster care facility (Adult Medium Group Home - Capacity 7-12), at 38525 Eight Mile Road, located on the South side of Eight Mile Road between Meadowview Street and Hickory Street in the Northwest 1/4 of Section 6, the Council does hereby reject the recommendation made by the City Planning Commission and Petition 2026-06-02-16 is hereby denied for the following reasons:

1. That the proposed establishment would have a detrimental effect upon the neighboring properties;

2. That the petitioner has failed to comply with all the concerns deemed necessary for the safety and welfare of the City and its residents; and

3. That the petitioner has not sufficiently demonstrated that the site can accommodate the required parking, circulation, and operational needs associated with an adult foster care facility of

this scale.

A roll call vote was taken on the foregoing resolution with the following result:

AYES: Persiconi, Ptashnik, Brockway, McCullough, and Reid.

NAYS: Budzinski and McDonnell.

The following residents spoke regarding Item 12: Jim Biga, Jerry Karasinski, John Schafer, and Denise Mika.

A communication from Leslie Accardo, PEA Group, dated August 12, 2026, forwarding an updated Elevation Plan, identified as Sheet A-3, regarding Item 13, was received and placed on file for the information of the Council.

A communication from Leslie Accardo, PEA Group, dated July 30, 2026, forwarding a Preliminary Landscaping Plan, identified as Sheet L-1.0, regarding Item 13, was received and placed on file for the information of the Council.

On a motion by Councilmember Budzinski, supported by Vice President Brockway, and unanimously adopted, it was:

#297-26 RESOLVED, that having considered a communication from the City Planning Commission, dated July 17, 2026, approved for submission by the Mayor, which transmits its Resolution #07-44-2026, adopted on July 14, 2026, with regard to Petition 2026-06-02-17 submitted by PEA Group, requesting waiver use approval to construct a drive-through restaurant (Culver's) and a 4,675 square- foot multi-tenant retail building, at 29155 Seven Mile Road, located on the South side of Seven Mile Road between Middlebelt Road and Maplewood Street in the Northwest 1/4 of Section 12, the Council does hereby concur in the recommendation made by the City Planning Commission and Petition 2026-06-02-17 is hereby approved and granted, subject to the following conditions:

1. That the Preliminary Site Plan identified as Sheet C-3.0 prepared by PEA Group, received by the City on July 29, 2026, is hereby approved and shall be adhered to;

2. That the petitioner shall be allowed to bank up to fifty percent (50%) of the diagonal parking located along Seven Mile Road;

3. That the Landscaping Plan identified as Sheet L-1.0 prepared by PEA Group, received by the City on July 29, 2026, is hereby approved and shall be adhered to;

4. That the Lighting Plan prepared by Gasser Bush Associates is hereby approved and shall be adhered to;

5. That the building elevation rendering prepared by Hendrickson Architecture and Planning, received on August 13, 2026, depicting the principal siding elements as Hardie Board or other similarly durable materials, with no more than ten percent (10%) of the total façade area being comprised of E.F.I.S, is hereby approved and shall be adhered to;

6. The petitioner shall return to the Planning Commission and City Council for a detailed review and site plan approval of the commercial building;

7. That all disturbed lawn areas shall be sodded in lieu of hydro-seeding;

8. That underground sprinklers are to be provided for all landscaped and sodded areas and all planted materials shall be installed to the satisfaction of the Inspection Department and thereafter permanently maintained in a healthy condition;

9. That the maximum customer seating count shall not exceed a total of 86 interior seats and sixteen (16) outdoor patio seats;

10. That all rooftop mechanical equipment shall be concealed from public view on all sides by screening that shall be of a compatible character material and color to other exterior materials on the building;

11. The height of the proposed light fixtures shall not exceed 20’ measured from the finished grade to the top of the fixture;

12. An enclosure of sufficient height to completely screen the dumpster is required on three (3) sides of the waste receptacle, with a solid gate on the fourth side. The height of the enclosure must be not less than six (6) feet or at least one (1) foot above the height of the dumpster, whichever is greater. The enclosure gates shall be of solid panel steel construction or durable, long-lasting solid panel fiberglass, and when not in use, closed at all times. The enclosure must be constructed of the same or compatible material and colors as the principal building in terms of texture and quality;

13. Grease interceptors shall be designed and shall perform in the manner provided for in Chapter 10 of the Michigan Plumbing Code,

governing traps, interceptors, and separators, as such code is amended from time to time. All grease interceptors shall be properly installed and maintained in working order, and shall be kept free from obstructions, leaks, and defects, and shall be capable of performing the function for which such devices are designed, as specified herein. All grease interceptors shall be maintained in a safe, sanitary, and functional condition. The City shall be granted access to conduct on-site inspections as necessary to assure compliance with Chapter 13.42 of the Livonia Code of Ordinances;

14. That only conforming signage is approved with this petition, and any additional signage shall be separately submitted for review and approval by the Zoning Board of Appeals;

15. That the Zoning Ordinance requirement of a minimum two (2) separate driveways, spaced at least 30 feet apart, be waived by City Council;

16. That the specific plans referenced in this approving resolution shall be submitted to the Inspection Department at the time the building permits are applied for; and

17. Per Section 13.13 of the Livonia Zoning Ordinance, this approval is valid for one (1) year from the date of approval by the City Council. Unless a building permit is obtained, this approval shall be null and void after the one (1) year period.

On a motion by Councilmember Ptashnik, supported by Councilmember McCullough, it was:

#298-26 RESOLVED, that having considered a communication from the City Planning Commission, dated July 17, 2026, approved for submission by the Mayor, which transmits its Resolution #07-44-2026, adopted on July 14, 2026, with regard to Petition 2026-06-02-17 submitted by PEA Group, requesting waiver use approval to construct a drive-through restaurant (Culver's) and a 4,675 square foot multi-tenant retail building, at 29155 Seven Mile Road, located on the South side of Seven Mile Road between Middlebelt Road and Maplewood Street in the Northwest 1/4 of Section 12, the Council does hereby waive the requirement for a minimum of two (2) separate driveways, spaced at least 30 feet apart, as set forth in Section 6.51(3)(b) of Zoning Ordinance No. 543, as amended, to allow for a single driveway from Seven Mile Road onto the subject property, on the basis that secondary access to the site is available through an ingress and egress easement from the adjacent parcel to the West.

A roll call vote was taken on the foregoing resolution with the following result:

AYES: Budzinski, Persiconi, Ptashnik, Brockway, McCullough, McDonnell, and Reid.

NAYS: None.

On a motion by Councilmember Budzinski, supported by Councilmember Persiconi, it was:

RESOLVED, that having considered a communication from the Interim Director of Public Works, dated July 15, 2026, which bears the signatures of the Director of Finance and the City Attorney, and is approved for submission by the Mayor, the Council does hereby accept the bid submitted by Guardian Environmental Services, 34400 Glendale Ave., Livonia, MI 48150 for performing all work required in connection with the removal and replacement of the Raypak boiler system at the Robert and Janet Bennett Civic Center Library, in an amount not to exceed $152,596.00, the same having been the lowest qualified bid received which meets all specifications; FURTHER, the Council does hereby authorize an expenditure in an amount not to exceed $152,596.00 from funds budgeted in Account No: GL# 401-000-976-000 for this purpose; and the Mayor and City Clerk are hereby authorized to execute a contract, subject to approval as to form and substance by the Department of Law, for and on behalf of the City of Livonia with Guardian Environmental Services, and to do all things necessary or incidental to the full performance of this resolution.

Following discussion by Council, Councilmember Budzinski and Councilmember Persiconi withdrew the proposed motion.

Item #14 was tabled for the August 31st Regular Meeting.

The following residents spoke regarding Item 14: Barbara Glover, John Schafer, Jerry Karasinski, Denise Mika, and Laura Shoemaker.

On a motion by Councilmember Budzinski, supported by Councilmember McCullough, it was:

#299-26 RESOLVED, that having considered a communication from the Assistant City Engineer, dated July 16, 2026, which bears the signatures of the Library Director, the Executive Director of Housing, the Finance Director and the City Attorney, and is approved for submission by the Mayor, in connection with the ADA Restroom Renovations project at the Robert and Janet Bennett Civic Center Library, located at 32777 Five Mile Road, Livonia, Michigan 48154, the Council does hereby determine to:

1. Award a contract for construction and remodeling of the family and women's atrium restrooms in the not to exceed amount of $304,123.00 to C & S Construction Management, 1306 Emmons, Lincoln Park, Michigan 48146, the same having been the lowest bid received which meets all specifications;

2. Award a contract for Professional Architecture Services through the QBS process (CR 378-20) for the construction contract administration in the not to exceed amount of $29,500.00 to DLZ Michigan, Inc., 607 Shelby Street, Suite 650, Detroit, Michigan 48226;

3. Authorize an appropriation and expenditure in an amount not to exceed $333,623.00 for the Robert and Janet Bennett Civic Center Library ADA Restroom Renovations project from Account No. 235-800-818-681 (Neighborhood Revitalization Fund); and

4. Authorize the City Engineer to approve minor adjustments in the work as it becomes necessary but this authorization does not entitle the City Engineer to authorize any increase in the not to exceed amount or to contract with other parties; and the Mayor and City Clerk are hereby authorized, for and on behalf of the City of Livonia, to execute a contract with the aforesaid bidder and to do all other things necessary or incidental to the full performance of this resolution.

A roll call vote was taken on the foregoing resolution with the following result:

AYES: Budzinski, Persiconi, Ptashnik, Brockway, McCullough, and Reid.

NAYS: McDonnell.

On a motion by Councilmember McCullough, supported by Councilmember Persiconi, and unanimously adopted, it was:

#300-26 RESOLVED, that having considered an application from Ashley May, dated July 21, 2026, requesting permission to close between 38532 and 38517 Tuscany Court, on Saturday, August 22, 2026, from 5:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., for the purpose of conducting a block party, the Council does hereby grant permission as requested, the action taken herein being made subject to the approval of the Police Department.

On a motion by Councilmember Persiconi, supported by Councilmember Budzinski, and unanimously adopted, it was:

#301-26 RESOLVED, that having considered an email communication from Nick Cornell, General Manager, Supernatural Brewing and Spirits, dated July 29, 2026, which requests permission to waive Section 8.32.070 (Noise Control) of the Livonia Code of Ordinances, as amended, to host the Wildwood Sourfest event with live music on the property located at 36685 Plymouth Road, on Saturday, August 29, 2026, from 3:00 p.m. to 10:30 p.m., the Council does hereby grant and approve this request in the manner and form herein submitted.

During Audience Communication, the following residents spoke: None.

On a motion by Councilmember Persiconi, supported by Councilmember Ptashnik, and unanimously adopted, this 2,046th Regular Meeting of the Council of the City of Livonia was adjourned at 10:02 p.m.

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Lori L. Miller, City Clerk