

REGULAR MEETING OF THE DEARBORN HEIGHTS CITY COUNCIL

AUGUST 11, 1998

98-365 The meeting was called to order at 8:15 p.m. by Council Chairman Joseph V. Kosinski.

Roll Call showed the following:

Present: Councilman Kenneth R. Baron, Councilwoman Janet L. Blackburn, Councilwoman Margaret M. Horvath, Council Chairman Joseph V. Kosinski, Councilman Daniel S. Paletko, Councilwoman Margaret Van Houten, Councilman Gregg Zulinski.

Absent: None.

Also Present: Mayor Canfield, Corporation Counsel Berry-Harris, City Clerk Robbins, Treasurer Riley, Comptroller Barrow, Assessor Welch, Building & Engineering Director Opalewski, Human Resources Director Sullivan, Deputy Police Chief Blaszczyk, Fire Chief Barnett, Recreation Director Grybel, Public Service Administrator Blackburn, Community Development Director Oliverio.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Spirit Festival Committee members.

Council Chairman Kosinski, Councilwoman Horvath and Councilman Zulinski presented "Certificates of Appreciation" signed by Mayor Canfield, Treasurer Riley, Clerk Robbins, and Council members to the following Spirit Festival Committee members:

Bill Eby
Judy Sullivan Dudzinski
Marge Horvath
Marty O'Sullivan
Ron Sineni
Jack Van Nest
Gerry Willemse (absent)
Linda Ziembra

Council Chairman Kosinski expressed appreciation to Recreation Director Grybel and Deputy Director Constan for their continuing efforts on behalf of the City.

98-366 Motion by Councilman Baron, seconded by Councilman Zulinski, that the Agenda for the Regular Meeting of August 11, 1998, be approved as submitted.

Motion unanimously adopted.

98-367 Motion by Councilwoman Horvath, seconded by Councilman Zulinski, that the Minutes from the Regular Meeting of July 28, 1998, be approved as submitted.

Motion unanimously adopted.

98-368 Motion by Councilwoman Horvath, seconded by Councilman Zulinski, that the Minutes from the Special Meeting of August 5, 1998, be approved as submitted.

Motion unanimously adopted.

98-369 Motion by Councilwoman Horvath, seconded by Councilman Baron, that Current Claims 6-1 through 6-20, be approved as submitted.

1. BRATCHER ELECTRIC - Electric for 1998 Spirit Festival - Inv. 7795 dated 06/30/98 from A/C 101-XXX-202-098 (Accounts Payable) \$4,014.55. ENC.

Recreation.

2. COMPUTER TECH INC. - Professional Services July 1998 - Inv. 80550 dated 07/15/98 from A/C 101-200-817-000 (Professional & Consult) \$2,260.00. General Govt.
3. DSS CORPORATION - Maintenance Agreement 32 Channel Recorder - Inv. 16860 dated 02/10/98 from A/C 101-XXX-202-098 (Accounts Payable) \$3,300.00. General Govt.
4. DEARBORN HEIGHTS YOUTH HOCKEY ASSOCIATION - 1998-99 Youth Hockey Allotments - Ck. Req. dated 08/04/98 from A/C 101-691-887-000 (Recreation Programs) \$16,950.00. Recreation.
5. E & N CEMENT - Pavement Repairs - Two (2) Inv's dated 08/01/98 from A/C 101-440-880-000 (Road Repairs) \$39,064.48 and A/C 592-540-818-000 (Contractual Services) \$13,911.48. DPW-Water.
6. GREAT LAKES SANITATION - Portable Restroom for Spirit Festival - Inv. H533 dated 07/01/98 from A/C 101-XXX-202-098 (Accounts Payable) \$4,900.00. Recreation.
7. LAURA BERRY-HARRIS - Legal Services May 1998 - Inv. dated 07/13/98 from A/C 101-XXX-202-098 (Accounts Payable) \$5,228.00. Corp. Counsel.
8. GARY MIOTKE - Legal Services May 1998 - Inv. dated 07/13/98 from A/C 101-XXX-202-098 (Accounts Payable) \$3,000.00. Corp. Counsel.
9. MICHIGAN HUMANE SOCIETY - Animal Processing June 1998 - Inv. 5844 dated 06/30/98 from A/C 101-XXX-202-098 (Accounts Payable) \$3,082.50. General Govt.
10. NTH CONSULTANTS - Professional Services Canfield Ice Arena Roof - Inv. 202780 dated 07/27/98 from A/C 101-200-950-000 (Ice Arena Roof) \$7,000.00. General Govt.
11. OLSON CEMENT COMPANY - 1998 Sidewalk Replacement Program - Inv. dated 08/03/98 from A/C 101-200-963-000 (Sidewalks/Weeds) \$103,753.70. General Govt.
12. PRINTING SYSTEMS - Absentee Ballot Return Envelopes - Invoice 65227 dated 07/21/98 from A/C 101-190-730-000 (Supplies) \$1,608.75. ENC. City Clerk.
13. ROMULUS WHOLESALE FOODS - Dry Ice 1998 Windstorm - Inv. 98-072802 from A/C 101-440-731-000 (Emergency Storm Clean Up) \$5,000.00. DPW-Highway.
14. VARIOUS BASEBALL TEAMS - 1998 Youth Baseball Allotments - D-7 Dad's Club \$6,630.00; St. Linus \$2,220.00; Crestwood \$5,295.00 and St. Sebastian \$2,055.00 from A/C 101-691-887-000 (Recreation Programs) \$16,200.00. Recreation.
15. W.J. HENNIGER - 1998 Storm Clean Up - Inv. dated 07/31/98 from A/C 101-440-731-000 (Emergency Storm Clean Up) \$11,875.00. DPW-Highway.
16. WADE-TRIM ASSOCIATES - 1998-99 CDBG Action Plan - Inv. 58129 dated 07/14/98 from A/C 103-960-918-097 (Administration) \$262.20. Community Devel.
17. WADE-TRIM/ASSOCIATES - Environmental Review 1998-99 CDBG - Inv. 58128 dated 07/09/98 from A/C 103-960-918-097 (Administration) \$1,614.50. Community Devel.
18. WADE-TRIM/ASSOCIATES - Plans/Specs Municipal Walkway - Inv. 58121 dated 07/09/98 from A/C 103-960-938-097 (Walkway) \$597.00. Community Devel.
19. WAYNE COUNTY GENERAL FUND ACCOUNT - Assessment Admin/Tax Billing - Inv. 4111 dated 01/07/98 from A/C 101-XXX-202-098 (Accounts Payable) \$17,780.70. Assessor.
20. WESTLAND TREE SERVICE - 1998 Storm Clean Up - Inv. dated 07/31/98 from A/C 101-440-731-000 (Emergency Storm Clean Up) \$24,590.00. DPW-Highway.

Motion unanimously adopted.

98-370 Motion by Councilman Baron, seconded by Councilman Zulinski, that the City Council

concurs with and approves the appointments of Robert E. Calhoun, 24303 Currier, to the Tax Increment Finance Authority Board, term to expire December 1999 and Gabriel Noory, 4459 Lincoln, term to expire December 2000.

Motion unanimously adopted.

- 98-371 Motion by Councilwoman Horvath, seconded by Councilwoman Van Houten, that the City Council concurs with the letter dated August 5, 1998, from the City Treasurer and approves the extension of the 1998 City and Summer School tax collection period through Monday, August 31, 1998.

Motion unanimously adopted.

- 98-372 Motion by Councilman Zulinski, seconded by Councilwoman Blackburn, that the City Council authorize Wade-Trim/Associates, upon release of funds from HUD, prepare the plans and specifications and advertise for bids for the Canfield Parking Lot Extension, at a cost not-to-exceed \$12,000, per Community Development Director, communication dated July 20, 1998. This project is CDBG funded.

Motion unanimously adopted.

- 98-373 Motion by Councilman Baron, seconded by Councilwoman Horvath, that the City Council adopt the Reimbursement Under Headlee Resolution as follows:

Whereas Public Act 415 of 1994 defined the implementation and administration of "Proposal A", and

Whereas, the homestead exemption portion of Proposal A effects the State Education Tax, and therefore the revenues of the State are directly impacted by the accuracy of the homestead exemption procedure, and

Whereas, the local municipality receives no benefit from the massive hours necessary to maintain accurate homestead records, and

Whereas, the legislature could have directed the State Department of Treasury be responsible for the implementation and administration of the homestead exemption process, and

Whereas, the legislature chose to direct this massive amount of paperwork on to the local assessors, and

Whereas, the administration of the homestead process has increased the burden on the local assessing staff to an unbearable degree, and

Whereas, the burden of administration has not decreased but has become more convoluted as time passes, and

Whereas, per Article 9 Section 29 of the Constitution of the State of Michigan (Headlee Amendment) local municipalities are to be reimbursed for work done on the local level for the benefit of the State

Therefore be it resolved that the Dearborn Heights Administration and City Council declares that the City of Dearborn Heights is legally entitled to immediate reimbursement as follows:

1. \$2.00 per annum per homestead affidavit for the burden of processing, maintaining, and updating all homestead data.
2. \$10.00 per State denial for costs of processing.

3. \$10.00 per State cited rescission for costs of correcting and processing

These costs should be indexed by the annual consumer price index for future payments.

Be it further resolved that Administration and the members of the Dearborn Heights City Council urge the elected officials of other communities to join in this request for equitable and just reimbursement;

Be it further resolved that the Administration and the members of the Dearborn Heights City Council urge Senator George Hart and Representative Robert Brown respond to this resolution and urge other legislators to join to vote to bring this to fruition;

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be sent to Governor John Engler, Senator George Hart, Representative Robert Brown, and to the communities of Redford Township, Dearborn, Taylor, Lincoln Park, Allen Park, Detroit, Melvindale, Inkster, Garden City and Livonia.

Motion unanimously adopted.

- 98-374** Motion by Councilman Paletko, seconded by Councilman Zulinski, that Wade-Trim/Associates, 25251 Northline Road, PO Box 10, Taylor, MI 48180 be authorized to proceed with construction engineering and testing services for the Beech Daly/Cherry Hill Roads Resurfacing Project, at a cost not-to-exceed \$127,500.00 per, Public Service Administrator Blackburn, communication dated July 30, 1998.

Motion unanimously adopted.

- 98-375** Motion by Councilman Baron, seconded by Councilwoman Van Houten, that the City Council concurs with and approves Change Order No. 2 for the Downriver Local Relief Sewer and Ric-Man Construction, Inc., 6850 Nineteen Mile Road, Sterling Heights, MI 48314, for a decrease of \$5,982.20 per, Public Service Administrator Blackburn, communication dated August 6, 1998. Further, that the Mayor and City Clerk sign on behalf of the City.

Motion unanimously adopted.

- 98-376** Motion by Councilman Baron, seconded by Councilwoman Horvath, that referred CM 98-349, the Parkland Park Renovation Project Phase II Architectural Services Agreement, be brought to the table.

Motion unanimously adopted.

- 98-377** Motion by Councilman Baron, seconded by Councilwoman Horvath, that the City Council concurs with and approves an agreement between the City of Dearborn Heights and Grissim/Metz & Associates, 37801 Twelve Mile Road, Farmington Hills, MI 48331 for architectural services for Phase II Parkland Park Renovation Project per, Recreation Director Grybel, communication dated July 20, 1998. Further, that the Mayor and City Clerk sign on behalf of the City.

Motion unanimously adopted.

- 98-378** Motion by Councilman Baron, seconded by Councilwoman Horvath, that the City Council concurs with and approves Grissim/Metz & Associates, 37801 Twelve Mile Road, Farmington Hills, MI 48331 to begin the development of the specifications and bid package for Phase II Parkland Park Renovation Project and to begin the bid process by securing competitive bids per the City's established bid procedure to include provisions indicating that this project is being funded under the rules of the Davis-Bacon Act per, Recreation Director Grybel, communication dated July 20, 1998.

Motion unanimously adopted.

98-379 Motion by Councilwoman Van Houten, seconded by Councilman Baron, that the 1998-99 business license renewals for Buck's Pub, 23845 Warren, Sokol Cultural Center, 23600 Warren and Mickey T's, 8471 N Telegraph be approved.

Motion unanimously adopted.

98-380 Motion by Councilwoman Horvath, seconded by Councilman Zulinski, that the meeting be adjourned.

Motion unanimously adopted.

The meeting adjourned at 8:59 p.m.

JOYCE A. ROBBINS
CITY CLERK

JOSEPH V. KOSINSKI, CHAIRMAN
CITY COUNCIL

MARIA E. LAWRENCE
RECORDING SECRETARY