

REGULAR MEETING OF THE DEARBORN HEIGHTS CITY COUNCIL

JUNE 27, 2000

00-258 The meeting was called to order at 8:06 p.m. by Council Chairwoman Margaret M. Horvath.

Roll Call showed the following:

Present: Councilwoman Elizabeth J. Agius, Councilman Kenneth R. Baron, Councilwoman Janet L. Blackburn, Council Chairwoman Margaret M. Horvath, Councilman Daniel S. Paletko, Councilwoman Margaret M. Van Houten, Councilman Gregg Zulinski.

Absent: None.

Also Present: Mayor Canfield, Executive Assistant Heise, Corporation Counsel Miotke, Deputy Clerk Pawlukiewicz, Comptroller Barrow, Financial Analyst Macari, Deputy Assessor Cooper, Human Resources Director Sullivan, Deputy Police Chief Gust, Fire Marshal McDonagh, Recreation Director Grybel, Public Service Administrator Blackburn, Community Development Director Oliverio.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by exiting Ecorse Creek Chairwoman Exie Markowsky.

Council Chairwoman Horvath introduced Exie Markowsky, Chairwoman of the Ecorse Creek Clean-up Committee.

Exie Markowsky presented Certificates of Appreciation to Mayor Canfield, Council Chairwoman Horvath, Rhonda McElroy, Don Titus, Bernice and Al Nason, Tracy Blazy and John Zadikian.

00-259 Motion by Councilman Zulinski, seconded by Councilman Baron, that the Agenda for the Regular Meeting of June 27, 2000, be approved as submitted.

Motion unanimously adopted.

00-260 Motion by Councilman Baron, seconded by Councilman Zulinski, that the Minutes from the Regular Meeting of June 13, 2000, be approved as submitted.

Motion unanimously adopted.

The Public Hearing for the Local Law Enforcement Block Grant Public Hearings opened at 8:11 p.m., by Council Chairwoman Margaret M. Horvath.

Council Chairwoman Horvath asked the Deputy Clerk to read the official notice of a Public Hearing.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a Public Hearing will be held on Tuesday, June 27, 2000, by the Dearborn Heights City Council at the Administrative Offices, 6045 Fenton, Dearborn Heights, Michigan, at 8:00 p.m., for the purpose of hearing objections, if there be any, to the Local Law Enforcement Block Grant expenditures to be used for the proposed purchase of 15 in-car laptop computer systems and payment of the final two years of a three year lease agreement with Dell Computers.

Written comments may be directed to the City Clerk's Office, 6045 Fenton, Dearborn Heights, MI 48127 Joyce A. Robbins, City Clerk. This Notice was published June 22, 2000. No communications Madam Chairwoman.

Council Chairwoman Horvath asked for opening remarks.

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Deputy Police Chief Gust “This is Officer Knezek’s project. We are proposing to use the 1998 and 1999 Local Law Enforcement Block Grant fund provided to us by the Federal government to purchase the in-car computers. We held some of the money from the 1998 grant so we would be able to buy these computers you are about to see. With that I would like to turn it over to Officer Knezek, who is in charge of our research and development and has done a lot of work on this project.”

Police Lt. Dave Knezek presented an in-depth report on the Local Law Enforcement Block Grant fund proposed Mobile Data Computer System purchase. Due to the length of Officer Knezek’s presentation the entire text of his speech is on file in the official Public Hearing Minute book in the City Clerk’s office.

Council Chairwoman Horvath asked the audience if there were any questions or comments.

Councilwoman Blackburn “What is the life expectancy of the unit?”

Officer Knezek “On the keyboards and that, I’m not really too sure, a lot of it will have to do with use and abuse. The nice thing is the keyboard itself is replaceable it’s not like you have to replace the entire unit.”

Councilwoman Van Houten “Is there any kind of printer capability in the car where, like you said they might be able to do something with the tickets in the future.”

Officer Knezek “There are printer cords on the back of the units.”

Councilwoman Van Houten “Am I right that the monitor will be permanently mounted in the car?”

Officer Knezek “Yes, actually the docking station is mounted in the car. The radio will be underneath then there is the docking station that the monitor is actually mounted to, you can flip it down, flip it up and the keyboard locks into the docking station.”

Councilwoman Van Houten “Are the installation costs figured in?”

Officer Knezek “The installation costs are included yes.”

Council Chairwoman Horvath asked the audience if there were any questions or comments.

Donald Plichta, 26504 Doxtator, “Who’s going to pay for it?”

Officer Knezek “The bulk of it is going to be paid for with block grant funds which are federal dollars which are allocated to police agencies. These funds have already been allocated to our budget.”

Mr. Plichta “So you are actually asking for more money now?”

Various Council members responded “No.”

Mr. Plichta “Prices go up, I don’t care what anybody says. If you say you can get a computer for \$50 today two days later its \$100 that’s the same way your prices are going to go up?”

Officer Knezek “Actually computers have come down in price, just like VCR’s. When VCR’s first came out you could pay \$1000 and now you can buy one for \$100. Same thing with computers, when they first came out you could spend thousands of dollars for a mediocre computer now you can buy one for \$400 or \$500.”

Mr. Plichta "You are getting top of the line?"

Officer Knezek "Yes, it is top of the line and the reason is it is built to be used constantly. It's not like this unit here, (referring to his Dell computer) this laptop is not designed to be used that way. It's not as rugged."

Ed Drazda, 24353 Hanover "Will future funds be granted for replacement?"

Officer Knezek "We haven't looked that far down the road. I don't foresee being able to use block grant funds. Block grant funds are usually for large projects such as this not so much replacement. It will have to be budgeted."

Mike Reid, 25553 New York "I noticed Ameritech is going to be handling your CDPD, is that price locked in?"

Officer Knezek "Yes, that is a fixed dollar figure that is offered to Oakland County's CLEMIS and that is an annual locked in figure for CDPD. That figure could go up next year. Right now it is a locked figure and I think it will probably stay at that dollar amount for awhile."

Mr. Reid "Did you get any money from any drug forfeiture funds or other forfeiture funds that could help with this project?"

Deputy Chief Gust "That's where the City's match is coming from."

Council Chairwoman Horvath asked if there were any more questions or comments, hearing none, she asked for a motion to close the Public Hearing.

00-261 Motion by Councilwoman Van Houten, seconded by Councilman Zulinski, that the Public Hearing for the Local Law Enforcement Block Grant Expenditures be closed.

Motion unanimously adopted.

The Local Law Enforcement Block Grant Public Hearing closed at 8:27 p.m.

00-262 Motion by Councilwoman Agius, seconded by Councilwoman Blackburn, that Fund Transfer 6-A and Current Claims 6-1 through 6-12, be approved as submitted.

A. \$5,000.00 from Treasurer Capital Outlay (#101-253-981-000) to Treasurer Supplies (#101-253-728-000) to cover 1998-1999 Office Expenses.

1. ACCUMED BILLING - Ambulance Billing May 2000 - Inv. dated 06/08/00 from A/C 101-000-626-000 (Ambulance) \$3,850.84. General Govt.
2. CENTRAL WAYNE COUNTY SANITATION AUTHORITY - Monthly Debt, Operation & Waste - Inv. dated 06/19/00 from A/C 101-200-810-000 (Sanitation). \$216,056.34. General Govt.
3. CUMMINGS, MCCLOREY, DAVIS & ACHO - Labor Attorney May 2000 - Inv. dated 06/13/00 from A/C 101-200-817-000 (Professional/Consult) \$1,974.01. General Govt.
4. E & N CEMENT - Pavement Repairs - Two (2) Inv's dated 06/17/00 from A/C 101-440-880-000 (Road Repairs) \$14,004.94 and A/C 592-537-818-000 (Contract Serv.) \$52,833.27. See Budget Amendment. DPW-Water.
5. ELLEFSON BUILDING DEMOLITION CO., INC. - Lot Clean-up 5128 Westpoint and Demo 4908 Hipp - Two (2) Inv's dated 05/31/00 from A/C 101-371-818-010 (Demo) \$4,200.00. Building Dept.
6. JQ INC. - Various Invoices for Grass/Weed Cutting - from A/C 101-200-963-000 (Grass/Weeds) \$21,435.00. General Govt.

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7. GARY MIOTKE - Legal Services May 2000 - Inv. dated 06/06/00 from A/C 101-210-826-000 (Counsel Services) \$5,283.30. Corp. Counsel.
8. SECREST, WARDLE, LYNCH...- Legal Services April 2000 Inv. dated 06/06/00 from A/C 101-210-826-000 (Counsel Services) \$8,752.50. Corp. Counsel.
9. PAINTER & RUTHENBERG - Newsprint & Roll-Off Service May 2000 - Inv. 40900 and 40901 dated 06/01/00 from A/C 101-200-810-000 (Sanitation) \$5,570.00. General Govt.
10. SBC GLOBAL NETWORK - Maintenance Bill for E-911 System - Inv. 380223 dated 06/14/00 from A/C 101-200-831-100 (E-911 Radios) \$4,900.00. General Govt.
11. TODAY LINK - DHOL Connections May 2000 - Inv. 1008 dated 06/01/00 from A/C 101-200-819-999 (Internet) \$5,359.50. General Govt.
12. WAYNE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF ROADS - Traffic Signal Maintenance - Inv. 94627 dated 06/10/00 from A/C 101-440-925-000 (Traffic Signal) \$16,913.22. DPW-Highway.

Motion unanimously adopted.

- 00-263** Motion by Councilwoman Van Houten, seconded by Councilwoman Agius, that the City Comptroller be authorized to advertise for bids, per specifications, for a multi play structure for Kinloch Park, per the request of Recreation Director Grybel and Community Development Director Oliverio, communication dated June 12, 2000. Funds for this project have been budgeted in the 2000-2001 CDBG budget.

Motion unanimously adopted.

- 00-264** Motion by Councilman Paletko, seconded by Councilman Zulinski, that the lone bid Great Lakes Tower & Antenna Co., Inc., PO Box 77, Flat Rock, MI 48134-0077, for one (1) radio antenna replacement, in the amount of \$3,659.75, and payment thereof, be approved, per Public Service Administrator Blackburn, communication dated June 12, 2000. Monies for this purchase to be allocated from Water Dept. A/C 592-536-981-000.

Motion unanimously adopted.

- 00-265** Motion by Councilman Baron, seconded by Councilwoman Blackburn, that the second lowest bidder meeting all specifications, Wheeled Coach, PO Box 664, Niles, MI 49120, for one (1) Medium Duty Walk-thru Rescue Squad, in the amount of \$124,950.00, and payment thereof, be approved, per Fire Chief Barnett, communication dated June 20, 2000. Monies for this purchase to be allocated from Capital Outlay A/C 335-981. Further, that the Treasurer be authorized to return bid deposits to the unsuccessful bidders.

Motion unanimously adopted.

- 00-266** Motion by Councilman Paletko, seconded by Councilwoman Van Houten, that the City Council concurs with and approves the Agreement with Fanning/Howey Associates, Inc., 39830 Grand River Avenue, Suite B1-A, Novi, MI 48375, for professional services to provide a Needs Assessment, Building Program and Feasibility Study for the John F. Kennedy Jr. and Caroline Kennedy libraries, in an amount not-to-exceed \$37,000.00, per Mayor Canfield, communication dated June 20, 2000. Further, that Mayor Canfield be authorized to sign the Agreement on behalf of the City.

Motion unanimously adopted.

- 00-267** Motion by Councilman Zulinski, seconded by Councilwoman Blackburn, that the City

Council concurs with and approves the Telecommunications Facility Landlord/Tenant Agreement with Metricom Inc. for Co-Location at Sprint Spectrum Cellular Phone Tower at the DPW Yard, 24600 Van Born Road, in the amount of \$25,000.00 per year, per Executive Assistant Heise, communication dated June 21, 2000. Further, that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to sign the agreement on behalf of the City.

Motion unanimously adopted.

- 00-268** Motion by Councilman Paletko, seconded by Councilman Zulinski, that the Budget Amendment to cover expenditures budgeted in the 1998-99 fiscal year budget and received for payment in the 1999-2000 fiscal year budget be approved as follows:

INCREASE REVENUES #101-000-698-000	RESERVE FOR ENCUMBER \$30,200.00
INCREASE EXPENDITURES #101-440-981-000	DPW-CAPITAL OUTLAY \$28,700.00
INCREASE EXPENDITURES #101-335-981-000	FIRE-CAPITAL OUTLAY \$1,500.00

per, Comptroller Barrow, communication dated June 20, 2000.

Motion unanimously adopted.

- 00-269** Motion by Councilman Paletko, seconded by Councilman Zulinski, that the Budget Amendment to cover final costs of E & N Cement repairs for fiscal year 1999-2000 be approved as follows:

INCREASE EXPENDITURES #101-440-880-000	ROAD REPAIRS \$1,000.00
DECREASE EXPENDITURES #101-440-706-00	SALARIES \$1,000.00
INCREASE EXPENDITURES #592-537-818-000	CONTRACT SERVICES \$8,325.00
DECREASE EXPENDITURES #592-537-706-000	SALARIES \$8,325.00

per, Comptroller Barrow, communication dated June 20, 2000.

Motion unanimously adopted.

- 00-270** Motion by Councilman Paletko, seconded by Councilman Zulinski, that the Budget Amendment to cover the cost of 800mhz radio system for the Police and Fire Departments be approved as follows:

INCREASE REVENUES #101-000-699-000	APPRO. FUND BALANCE \$516,330.00
INCREASE EXPENDITURES #101-200-831-100	E-911 RADIOS \$516,330.00

per, Comptroller Barrow, communication dated June 20, 2000.

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Motion unanimously adopted.

- 00-271** Motion by Councilman Paletko, seconded by Councilman Zulinski, that the Budget Amendment to cover the cost of DHOL be approved as follows:

INCREASE REVENUES	INTERNET
#101-000-676-999	\$11,000.00

INCREASE EXPENDITURES	INTERNET
#101-200-819-999	\$11,000.00

per, Comptroller Barrow, communication dated June 20, 2000.

Motion unanimously adopted.

- 00-272** Motion by Councilwoman Blackburn, seconded by Councilman Baron, that the City Council concurs with and approves the demolition of the Hanover garage, 5457 S Telegraph, per Public Service Administrator Blackburn, communication dated June 21, 2000. Further, that \$12,000 be transferred from Capital Outlay to Fire Station #2 to tear off and re-roof Fire Station #2.

Motion unanimously adopted.

- 00-273** Motion by Councilwoman Van Houten, seconded by Councilman Baron, that the City Council concurs with and approves authorizing the Mayor to submit a request to the Wayne County Library System to increase the number of hours presently being allocated for Library Assistants by eleven (11) hours per week, at a cost not-to-exceed \$14,000 per year, per Recreation Director Grybel, communication dated June 21, 2000.

Motion unanimously adopted.

- 00-274** Motion by Councilman Paletko, seconded by Councilman Baron, that the "Definition of Family" Ordinance (H-00-06) and the "Off Street Parking Requirements" Ordinance (H-00-07), be referred to a Committee of the Whole Study Session.

Motion by Councilwoman Van Houten, seconded by Councilman Zulinski, that the City Council amend the original motion and consider proposed Ordinance H-00-06, AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF DEARBORN HEIGHTS, PROVIDING THAT THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, BE AMENDED BY AMENDING SECTION 36-3 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES TO ADD THE DEFINITION OF "FAMILY" UNDER CHAPTER 36, read for the first time and referred to the Committee of the Whole Study Session of July 11, 2000. Further, that proposed Ordinance H-00-07, Off-Street Parking Requirements, also be referred to the Committee of the Whole Study Session.

AYES: Councilwoman Agius, Councilwoman Blackburn, Council Chairwoman Horvath, Councilwoman Van Houten, Councilman Zulinski.

NO: Councilman Baron, Councilman Paletko.

ABSENT: None.

Motion adopted.

The original motion by Councilman Paletko, seconded by Councilman Baron was restated as the following:

- 00-275** Motion by Councilman Paletko, seconded by Councilman Baron, that the "Definition of

Family” Ordinance (H-00-06) as amended be considered read for the first time and referred to a Committee of the Whole Study Session for further discussion.

AYES: Councilwoman Agius, Councilman Baron, Councilwoman Blackburn,
Council Chairwoman Horvath, Councilwoman Van Houten, Councilman
Zulinski.
NO: Councilman Paletko.
ABSENT: None.

Motion adopted.

00-276 Motion by Councilman Zulinski, seconded by Councilwoman Blackburn, that the Budget Amendments referred to a Committee of the Whole Study Session, specifically Items 9-D, 9-E, 9-G, 9-H, 9-I and 9-J, be approved as submitted.

Motion unanimously adopted.

00-277 Motion by Councilwoman Agius, seconded by Councilman Baron, that business license renewals for Sokol Cultural Center, 23600 Warren and Red Lobster Inn, 6850 N Telegraph, be approved.

Motion unanimously adopted.

00-278 Motion by Councilman Baron, seconded by Councilman Zulinski, that the City Council designate Mayor Canfield and City Clerk Robbins, as voting delegate and alternate to represent the City of Dearborn Heights at the Michigan Municipal League annual meeting to be held on Mackinac Island, September 28-30, 2000.

Motion unanimously adopted.

00-279 Motion by Councilman Baron, seconded by Councilman Paletko, that the communication from Home Health Education Service, 8903 US 31, PO Box 262, Berrien Springs, MI 49103 re: Magabook Ministry fund raising event be received, contents noted and filed.

Motion unanimously adopted.

00-280 Motion by Councilman Baron, seconded by Councilman Zulinski, that the meeting be adjourned.

Motion unanimously adopted.

The meeting adjourned at 9:05 a.m.

JOYCE A. ROBBINS
CITY CLERK

MARGARET M. HORVATH, CHAIRWOMAN
CITY COUNCIL

MARIA E. LAWRENCE
COUNCIL/CLERK SECRETARY