

MINUTES NOVEMBER 14, 2023
REGULAR MEETING OF THE DEARBORN HEIGHTS CITY COUNCIL

23-510 The meeting was called to order at 6:06 p.m. by Council Chairman Dave Wassim Abdallah.

Roll Call showed the following:

Present: Council Chairman Dave Wassim Abdallah, Council Chair Pro Tem Mo Baydoun, Councilman Zouher Abdel-Hak, Councilman Hassan Ahmad, Councilwoman Nancy Bryer, Councilman Robert Constan, Councilman Tom Wencel.

Absent: None.

Also Present: City Clerk Senia, Mayor Bazzi, Treasurer Hicks-Clayton, Building & Engineering Director Watland, Chief of Staff Hernandez, CEDD Director Jamal, City Engineer Dib, Comptroller King, Corporation Counsel Farinha, Emergency Management Coordinator Ankrapp, Fire Chief Brogan, Library Director McCaffery, Ordinance Enforcement & Animal Control Director Dishroon, Parks & Recreation Director Laurencelle.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by the Police Officers present.

Councilman Hassan Ahmad presented a certificate of appreciation honoring resident Haidar Koussan, owner of Greenland Market, and Fire Chief Brogan also presented a plaque of appreciation.

23-511 Motion by Councilman Baydoun, seconded by Councilman Ahmad to approve the Agenda for the Regular Meeting of November 14, 2023, as submitted, with an adjustment to the order, that Item 11-A "City Council Resolution Calling for an Immediate Ceasefire in Gaza" be recognized between Sections 5 and 6, and to add Item 9-K "City Charter Competitive Bid Process Affirmation".

Ayes: Council Chairman Abdallah, Council Chair Pro Tem Baydoun, Councilman Abdelhak, Councilman Ahmad, Councilwoman Bryer, Councilman Wencel.

Nayes: Councilman Constan.

Absent: None.

Motion adopted

23-512 Motion by Councilman Baydoun, seconded by Councilman Ahmad to approve the Minutes for the Regular Meeting of October 24, 2023, as outlined in 4-A.

Motion unanimously adopted

23-513 Motion by Councilman Baydoun, seconded by Councilman Constan to adopt the resolution regarding the call for an immediate ceasefire in Gaza, with the support of City Clerk Senia and Treasurer Hicks-Clayton, as outlined in 11-A.

Motion unanimously adopted

23-514 Motion by Councilman Baydoun, seconded by Councilwoman Bryer to approve Current Claims and ACH/Wire Transfers 6-1 through 6-75 as submitted.

1	ALURE INTERNATIONAL, LLC	\$1,500.00
2	ARTISTIC LANDSCAPING & LAWN	\$6,445.96
3	ARTISTIC LANDSCAPING & LAWN	\$2,174.25
4	ASCENSUS	\$2,350.00

5	BOUND TREE MEDICAL, LLC	\$2,829.53
6	CDW	\$10,005.55
7	CENTRAL WAYNE COUNTY SANITATION	\$43,342.79
8	CENTRAL WAYNE COUNTY SANITATION	\$7,952.00
9	CONFERENCE OF WESTERN WAYNE	\$8,604.00
10	CUMMINS SALES AND SERVICE	\$1,971.79
11	CUMMINS SALES AND SERVICE	\$3,738.31
12	DEARBORN POSTMASTER	\$10,000.00
13	DEARBORN SURGERY CENTER, LLC	\$2,249.00
14	DELL	\$14,580.00
15	DEWOLF AND ASSOCIATES	\$1,780.00
16	DORNBOS SIGN INC	\$2,169.25
17	DOWNRIVER COMMUNITY CONFERENCE	\$14,661.91
18	DOWNRIVER UTILITY WASTEWATER AUTH	\$58,719.20
19	DUKE'S ROOT CONTROL INC.	\$12,981.88
20	DUKE'S ROOT CONTROL INC.	\$8,919.75
21	DUKE'S ROOT CONTROL INC.	\$8,334.10
22	DUKE'S ROOT CONTROL INC.	\$16,656.19
23	EMPCO, INC.	\$3,171.00
24	ENTERPRISE FM TRUST	\$6,082.10
25	ENTERPRISE FM TRUST	\$2,312.94
26	ETNA SUPPLY	\$1,980.00
27	ETNA SUPPLY	\$50,730.00
28	FAMILY FARM AND HOME	\$9,459.06
29	FERGUSON WATERWORKS #3386	\$3,043.80
30	FERGUSON WATERWORKS #3386	\$4,743.12
31	GA BUSINESS PURCHASER	\$1,662.03
32	GRAINGER	\$1,533.76
33	HAGOPIAN CLEANING SERVICES	\$1,987.00
34	HEALTHJOY, LLC	\$1,651.00
35	HEALTHJOY, LLC	\$1,638.00
36	INLAND PRESS	\$5,943.48
37	INLINER SOLUTIONS, LLC	\$39,690.00
38	INTEGRITY BUSINESS SOLUTIONS	\$1,639.60
39	JACK DEMMER FORD	\$2,269.02
40	KEVIN SWOPE	\$1,690.00
41	LED LION	\$6,080.00
42	LED LION	\$12,500.00
43	MARKS WELDING	\$3,500.00
44	MAZEN GHAITH	\$1,705.00
45	MAZEN GHAITH	\$2,425.00
46	MICHIGAN HUMANE SOCIETY	\$4,667.25
47	MICHIGAN MUNICIPAL RISK	\$12,507.76
48	OAKLAND COUNTY TREASURERS	\$1,808.00
49	OAKLAND COUNTY TREASURERS	\$18,651.50

50	OCCMED CONNECT	\$2,642.00
51	OGLETREE, DEAKINS, NASH, SMOAK	\$5,445.00
52	OGLETREE, DEAKINS, NASH, SMOAK	\$5,747.50
53	O'REILLY RANCILIO P.C.	\$848.00
54	O'REILLY RANCILIO P.C.	\$1,152.00
55	O'REILLY RANCILIO P.C.	\$1,854.00
56	O'REILLY RANCILIO P.C.	\$4,784.00
57	PLANTE & MORAN PLLC	\$18,300.00
58	PLANTE & MORAN PLLC	\$43,828.50
59	PRIORITY WASTE LLC	\$213,465.28
60	RKA PETROLEUM COMPANIES, INC	\$11,787.70
61	SAAD LAW, PLLC	\$4,905.00
62	SAAD LAW, PLLC	\$11,250.00
63	STATE OF MICHIGAN – EGLE	\$22,248.19
64	THE LIBRARY NETWORK	\$7,121.26
65	THE LIBRARY NETWORK	\$2,407.66
66	THE LIBRARY NETWORK	\$2,437.95
67	THE LIBRARY NETWORK	\$2,683.00
68	THE LIBRARY NETWORK	\$10,796.70
69	THE LIBRARY NETWORK	\$10,110.35
70	TRUCK & TRAILER SPECIALTIES INC	\$1,640.15
71	URBAN TREE TRIMMING	\$5,536.00
72	VILLANOVA CONSTRUCTION	\$7,425.32
73	WAYNE COUNTY	\$104,144.67
74	WOLVERINE TRUCK SALES INC.	\$5,624.39
75	ZEHNDER'S OF FRANKENMUTH	\$2,842.00

Motion unanimously adopted

23-515 Motion by Councilwoman Bryer, seconded by Councilman Abdel-Hak to award the bid for an Animal Control Unit Box to Swab Wagon Company Inc. as the lowest qualified bidder in the amount of \$23,910.00 plus shipping. In addition, authorize the Mayor and Comptroller or Clerk to sign the necessary warrants, and the Treasurer to issue payment. Furthermore, provided the Mayor also authorizes any such payment as a necessary expense the City Council authorizes warrants to be issued from GL Account # 101-426-981.000 for these payments. By doing so, the City Council is authorizing any such warrant and payment without prior authorization by the City Council of the specific warrant and payment as permitted by and consistent with City Charter Section 8.9, as outlined in 7-A. Per Ordinance Enforcement & Animal Control Director Dishroon communication dated November 2, 2023.

Ayes: Council Chairman Abdallah, Councilman Abdelhak, Councilman Ahmad, Councilwoman Bryer, Councilman Constan, Councilman Wencel.

Nayes: None.

Absent: Council Chair Pro Tem Baydoun.

Motion adopted

- 23-516** Motion by Councilwoman Bryer, seconded by Councilman Abdel-Hak to award the bid for an Animal Control Truck Chassis to Gorno Ford in the amount of \$52,181.00. In addition, authorize the Mayor and Comptroller or Clerk to sign the necessary warrants, and the Treasurer to issue payment. Furthermore, provided the Mayor also authorizes any such payment as a necessary expense the City Council authorizes warrants to be issued from GL Account # 101-426-981.000 for these payments. By doing so, the City Council is authorizing any such warrant and payment without prior authorization by the City Council of the specific warrant and payment as permitted by and consistent with City Charter Section 8.9, as outlined in 7-B. Per Ordinance Enforcement & Animal Control Director Dishroon communication dated November 2, 2023.

Motion unanimously adopted

- 23-517** Motion by Councilman Abdel-Hak, seconded by Councilwoman Bryer concur with the Mayoral reappointment of the following individuals to the Planning Commission: Mr. Kenji Fujita, Mr. Jim Jomaa, Dr. Ali S. Makki, Ms. Jill Myslinski, Mr. Saif Alsenad, and Ms. Lisa Farrens Oshanski. These terms all expire January 2026. Further, concur with the Mayoral appointment of the following individuals to the Planning Commission to fill vacancies left by Mr. Ali Berry and Mr. Hassan Saab: Mr. Wissam Fadlallah and Mr. Hassan Bazzi, terms to expire January 2026, as outlined in 8-A. Per Mayor Bazzi communication dated November 9, 2023.

Motion unanimously adopted

- 23-518** Motion by Councilman Ahmad, seconded by Councilman Constan to concur with the Mayoral appointment of Mr. Dennis Koski, PE and Ms. Roxanna Martin to the Local Officers Compensation Commission, terms to expire November 2024, as outlined in 8-B. Per Mayor Bazzi communication dated November 9, 2023.

Motion unanimously adopted

- 23-519** Motion by Councilman Constan, seconded by Councilman Abdel-Hak to concur with the Mayoral reappointment of Mr. Douglas Bailey to the General Government Civil Service Commission, term to expire March 2026, as outlined in 8-C. Per Mayor Bazzi communication dated November 9, 2023.

Motion unanimously adopted

- 23-520** Motion by Councilman Ahmad, seconded by Councilwoman Bryer to approve the 2023-2024 Proposed Brownfield Redevelopment Authority Budget adopted by the Brownfield Redevelopment Authority Board on September 13, 2023, as outlined in 9-A. Per Brownfield Administrator Rosco communication dated November 7, 2023.

Motion unanimously adopted

- 23-521** Motion by Councilwoman Bryer, seconded by Councilman Abdel-Hak to approve the renewal of the Joint Funding Agreement between the U.S. Geological Survey (U.S.G.S.) and the City for the operation of a stream gaging station on the Ecorse Creek for a cost of \$16,000.00, and authorize the Mayor and Clerk to sign the contract on behalf of the City. In addition, authorize the Mayor and Comptroller or Clerk to sign the necessary warrants, and the Treasurer to issue payment from GL Account #592-536-817.000, as outlined in 9-B. Per Chief of Staff Hernandez & City Engineer Dib communication dated November 7, 2023.

Motion unanimously adopted

- 23-522** Motion by Councilwoman Bryer, seconded by Councilman Abdel-Hak to authorize Wade Trim to design a City-Wide Stormwater and Flood Mitigation Plan for a cost to the City of \$81,010.00, per the attached scope of services and fee. In addition, authorize the Mayor and Comptroller or Clerk to sign the necessary warrants, and the Treasurer to issue payment accordingly, as outlined in 9-C. Per City Engineer Dib communication dated November 7, 2023.

Motion unanimously adopted

- 23-523** Motion by Councilwoman Bryer, seconded by Councilman Abdel-Hak to approve the increase of the Parks & Recreation credit card limit from \$1,400.00 to \$5,000.00, as outlined in 9-D.

After further discussion, the motion was amended to reflect the following:

Motion by Councilwoman Bryer, seconded by Councilman Abdel-Hak to approve the increase of the Parks & Recreation credit card limit from \$1,400.00 to \$3,500.00, with any charges over \$1,400.00 per month to be approved by the Mayor, Treasurer, Council Chairman, and Council Chairman Pro Tem. Per Parks & Recreation Director Laurencelle communication dated October 26, 2023.

Ayes: Council Chairman Abdallah, Councilman Ahmad, Councilwoman Bryer, Councilman Wencel.

Nayes: Council Chair Pro Tem Baydoun, Councilman Abdel-Hak, Councilman Constan.

Absent: None.

Motion adopted

- 23-524** Motion by Councilman Ahmad, seconded by Councilman Baydoun to approve the SMART Municipal and Community Credit Contract for Fiscal Year 2024, and authorize the Mayor and Clerk to sign the contract on behalf of the City, as outlined in 9-E. Per Parks & Recreation Director Laurencelle communication dated November 1, 2023.

Motion unanimously adopted

- 23-525** Motion by Councilwoman Bryer, seconded by Councilman Ahmad to approve the Proposal Agreement between the City and Mid-America Shows Delaware LLC for the Amusement Ride contract for 2024 through 2028. In addition, pending review of Corporation Counsel, authorize the Mayor and Clerk to sign the documents on behalf of the City, as outlined in 9-F.

After further discussion, the motion was amended to reflect the following:

Motion by Councilwoman Bryer, seconded by Councilman Ahmad to approve Mid-America Shows Delaware LLC for the amusement ride provider for 2024 through 2028, subject to City Council and Corporation Counsel approval of the contracts. Per Parks & Recreation Director Laurencelle communication dated November 2, 2023.

Ayes: Council Chairman Abdallah, Council Chair Pro Tem Baydoun, Councilman Ahmad, Councilwoman Bryer, Councilman Constan, Councilman Wencel.

Nayes: Councilman Abdelhak.

Absent: None.

Motion adopted

- 23-526** Motion by Councilman Ahmad, seconded by Councilman Baydoun to approve the acceptance of the National Fitness Campaign Grant in the amount of \$105,000.00, and authorize a local match of \$225,000.00 for the construction of outdoor Fitness Courts at the Richard A. Young Center and Canfield Center. In addition, allocate the necessary funds for the Phase 1 match to GL Account #101-692-981.000 in the amount of \$105,000.00 in Fiscal Year 2024, and the Phase 2 match to GL Account #101-691-981.000 in Fiscal Year 2025. Further, adopt the resolution for the outdoor fitness courts as part of the 2023-2024 National Fitness Campaign, and authorize the Mayor and Comptroller or Clerk to sign the necessary warrants, and the Treasurer to issue payments for Phase 1 from GL Account #101-692-981.000 in the amount of 105,000.00, as outlined in 9-G. Per Parks & Recreation Director Laurencelle communication dated November 7, 2023.

Ayes: Council Chairman Abdallah, Council Chair Pro Tem Baydoun, Councilman Abdelhak, Councilman Ahmad, Councilman Constan, Councilman Wencel.

Nayes: None.

Absent: Councilwoman Bryer.

Motion adopted

- 23-527** Motion by Councilman Baydoun, seconded by Councilman Abdel-Hak to approve the City's participation in the Michigan Homeowner Assistance Fund (MIHAF), and authorize the Mayor and Clerk to sign the Michigan Homeowner Assistance Fund Michigan State Housing Development Authority Provider Participation Agreement on behalf of the City, as outlined in 9-H. Per Treasurer Hicks-Clayton communication dated November 7, 2023.

Motion unanimously adopted

- 23-528** Motion by Councilman Ahmad, seconded by Councilman Baydoun to receive, note and file the River Oaks Special Assessment, which will be levied on the 2023 winter taxes, as outlined in 9-I. Per Treasurer Hicks-Clayton communication dated November 7, 2023.

Motion unanimously adopted

- 23-529** Motion by Councilman Ahmad, seconded by Councilman Baydoun to approve the purchase and payment of two (2) BizHub printer-scanners using American Express points equivalent to the \$1,140.00 purchase price, as outlined in 9-J. Per Treasurer Hicks-Clayton communication dated November 7, 2023.

Motion unanimously adopted

- 23-530** Motion by Councilman Abdel-Hak, seconded by Councilman Baydoun to affirm the City Charter provisions regarding the use of competitive bids to buy all goods and products that exceed \$1,500.00 and to extend the competitive bids to all services provided by consultants, vendors, and any other services to the city. In addition, direct the Mayor to get the council's approval for all contracts, involving employment, contractors, vendors, consultants, engineering, planning, construction, and legal services before making any payments from the city treasury, as outlined in 9-K.

After further discussion, the motion was amended to reflect the following:

Motion by Councilman Abdel-Hak, seconded by Councilman Baydoun to refer to a study session Item 9-K City Charter Competitive Bid Process Affirmation to be held Tuesday, November 21, 2023, and to be reconsidered at the next City Council Regular Meeting scheduled for Tuesday, November 28, 2023. Per Councilman Abdel-Hak communication dated October 3, 2023.

Motion unanimously adopted

- 23-531** Motion by Councilman Constan, seconded by Councilman Baydoun that Proposed Ordinance H-23-04 AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF DEARBORN HEIGHTS, PROVIDING THAT THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, CITY OF DEARBORN HEIGHTS, BE AMENDED BY ADDING SECTION 28-5 CONCERNING UNATTENDED AND/OR UNUSED UTILITY POLES, be considered read for the first time, as outlined in 11-B.

After further discussion, the motion was amended to reflect the following:

Motion by Councilman Constan, seconded by Councilman Baydoun that Proposed Ordinance H-23-04 AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF DEARBORN HEIGHTS, PROVIDING THAT THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, CITY OF DEARBORN HEIGHTS, BE AMENDED BY ADDING SECTION 28-5 CONCERNING UNATTENDED AND/OR UNUSED UTILITY POLES, be considered read for the first **and second** time, as outlined in 11-B. Per Corporation Counsel Farinha communication dated November 7, 2023.

Motion unanimously adopted

23-532 Motion by Councilman Constan, seconded by Councilman Abdel-Hak to renew the business licenses for Livernois Motorsports & Engineering LLC at 2500 S. Gulley, and Bellagio Banquet LLC at 23900 W. Warren, as outlined in 13-A.

Motion unanimously adopted

23-533 Motion by Councilman Wencel, seconded by Councilman Baydoun to approve the Temporary Food Truck/Tent/Cart Business License Applications for Burgeratti, Chicken Cheese LLC, and Eat-N-Out Pizza & Gelato, as outlined in 13-B.

Motion unanimously adopted

23-534 Motion by Councilman Abdel-Hak, seconded by Councilman Baydoun to adjourn the Dearborn Heights City Council Regular Meeting.

Motion unanimously adopted

The meeting adjourned at 10:43 p.m.

LYNNE M. SENIA
CITY CLERK

DAVE WASSIM ABDALLAH
COUNCIL CHAIRMAN

GEORGANNE SEMENIUK
COUNCIL SECRETARY