

REGULAR MEETING OF THE DEARBORN HEIGHTS CITY COUNCIL

MARCH 28, 2000

00-112 The meeting was called to order at 8:07 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, City Clerk Robbins, Deputy Clerk Pawlukiewicz, Treasurer Riley, Comptroller Barrow, Financial Analyst Macari, Deputy Assessor Cooper, Building & Engineering Director Opalewski, Human Resources Director Sullivan, Police Chief Webber, Fire Marshal McDonagh, Recreation Director Grybel, Public Service Administrator Blackburn, Community Development Director Oliverio.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Public Service Administrator Blackburn.

00-113 Motion by Councilman Paletko, seconded by Councilwoman Van Houten, that the Agenda for the Regular Meeting of March 28, 2000, be approved with the addition of Agenda Item 9-G (Appointment to the Library Board) and Item 9-H (Michigan Municipal Legislative Conference Attendance).

Motion unanimously adopted.

00-114 Motion by Councilman Paletko, seconded by Councilman Zulinski, that the Minutes from the Regular Meeting of March 14, 2000, be approved as submitted.

Motion unanimously adopted.

The second Public Hearing for the Community Development 2000-2005 Consolidated Plan and Action Public Hearings opened at 8:09 p.m., by Council Chairwoman Margaret M. Horvath.

Council Chairwoman Horvath waived the reading of the official notice of a Public Hearing. (Notice of Public Hearing follows).

The City of Dearborn Heights is developing its 2000-2005 Consolidated Plan, which will be used to direct the City in the use of U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Community Development Block Grant funds. The Consolidated Plan will guide the City in its use of CDBG funds for the five year period from July 1, 2000 to June 30, 2005. The City anticipates receiving \$1,214,000 for the 2000-2001 Block Grant Program. The Consolidated Plan will contain:

1. An assessment of the housing and community development needs and priorities of low income households.
2. A summary of Strategic Plan accomplishments based on the previous five year Strategic Plan, and the proposed goals of the 2000-2005 Strategic Plan. The Strategic Plan is a Consolidated Plan requirement.
3. Modifications for the 2000-2005 Plan including:
 - a. Community housing needs and priorities;
 - b. Community non-housing needs and priorities;
 - c. Homeless and Special needs Populations;

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- d. Citizen Participation Plan;
- e. Lead based paint needs;
- f. Fair housing barriers and solutions;
- g. Barriers to affordable housing;
- h. Anti-poverty strategy;
4. An application for and the intended use of the anticipated 2000-2001 Block Grant allocation of \$1,214,000.

The Community Development Department, per its Citizen Participation Plan, encourages all parties to contribute their views and comments in person at a PUBLIC HEARING on Tuesday, March 28, 2000, at 8:00 P.M., at the City Hall Council Chambers, 6045 Fenton Avenue, Dearborn Heights, Michigan.

The City will provide technical assistance to citizens and groups representative of persons of low and moderate income that request such assistance in developing funding request proposals, in the review of program activities and in the review of program performance. In addition, the City will make adequate provisions to assist non-English speaking residents in interpreting program opportunities and provisions on a by-case basis, as well as, provide auxiliary aides and services for individuals with disabilities. Requests for special accommodations must be made with reasonable advance notice.

Citizen comments are welcome and may be given in person at the Public Hearing or in writing, by addressing the City Clerk, Dearborn Heights City Hall, 6045 Fenton Avenue, Dearborn Heights, Michigan 48127. Written answers to complaints and grievances will be provided within 15 working days where practicable.

Further information may be obtained by calling or writing: Community Development Director, City of Dearborn Heights, 26155 Richardson, Dearborn Heights, Michigan, 48127, telephone number 313-277-7844. Joyce A. Robbins, City Clerk. Published March 9, 2000.

Chairwoman Horvath asked Community Development Director Oliverio for his opening remarks.

Community Development Director Oliverio "The City of Dearborn Heights is developing its 2000-2005 Consolidated Plan which is a collaborative process whereby the community establishes a unified vision for Community Development actions. The Plan will contain:

1. An assessment of the Housing and Community Development needs and priorities of low and moderate income households.
2. A Five Year Strategic Plan to address identified needs and priorities.
3. An Annual Plan which contains the application for and describes the intended use of 2000-2001 CDBG funds.

The Annual Plan Summary contains the proposed 2000-2001 CDBG allocation of \$1,214,000. The Annual Plan proposes to utilize these funds to meet the following housing priorities:

1. Housing Rehabilitation - Provides low interest loans.
2. Housing Referral - Assists low/moderate income residents in finding affordable housing and Section 8 assistance.
3. Affordable Housing and Section 8 Assistance - Provides Section 8 vouchers and provides assistance to low/mod income renters.

The City also proposes to utilize its 2000-2001 allocation in these additional areas:

Recreation Bond Program \$225,250 - Provide funds for the yearly bond payment for the Richard A. Young Recreation Center, 5400 McKinley.

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Housing Referral \$45,000 - Provide assistance for people seeking rental units, operate low interest rental rehabilitation program, coordinate the City's Section 8 Program.

Administration \$215,000 - Continued operation of the Community Development Department including rent, phones, office supplies, legal fees, salaries, etc.

Parkland Park Improvements \$100,000 - Continued improvement of the City's largest park, located on Ann Arbor Trail at Parkland Road, including upgrades to park facilities, ADA trails, football and soccer field improvements and parking.

First Step \$10,000 - Provide assistance to the First Step Organization which assists abused spouses and provides emergency shelter.

Crime Prevention \$20,000 - Provides for funds covering approximately 50% of a City Police Officer's salary who in turn provides assistance to residents in the City's low/mod income areas with education programs, Neighborhood Watch Groups, etc.

D.A.R.E. Program \$5,000 - Assist in funding of various Drug Education Programs for City students.

Tree Replacement Program \$20,000 - Provide funding for tree replacement (city-wide) where trees were removed due to storm damage or disease.

Warren Avenue Streetscape \$278,750 - Provide funds for street and sidewalk improvements along Warren Avenue in the City's north end, including ADA required improvements, plazas and aesthetic enhancements.

Kinloch Park Improvements \$55,000 - Installation of playscape in Kinloch Park in the City's north end which services a low/mod income area.

Senior Center Computers \$30,000 - Installation of computers at the Berwyn and Eton Senior Centers for the exclusive use of our senior residents.

Berwyn Center Parking Lot \$210,000 - Expansion and improvement of the existing parking lot at the Berwyn Senior Center.

The City is also reprogramming \$490,508 of previous years unobligated funds to the Warren Avenue Streetscape.

Written comments on this Plan will be accepted through April 24, 2000 at 4:00 p.m. by the City of Dearborn Heights Community and Economic Development Department, 26155 Richardson, Dearborn Heights, MI 48127. Published March 23, 2000. No other comments Madam Chair."

Council Chairwoman Horvath asked if there were any questions from the public.

Mr. Jerry Kowal, Whitefield asked about low income housing and if Dearborn Heights residents were given preference.

Community Development Director Oliverio responded that the Residential Rehab Program residents must be a homeowner in Dearborn Heights and for the Section 8 Program priority is given to Dearborn Heights residents.

Mr. Jim Bertollini discussed his opposition to Block Grant money being put into Parkland Park because the south end of Dearborn Heights needs more programs and parks for the kids. Due to the length of this comments for this Public Hearing the complete text of the hearing is on file in the Clerk's office.

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

00-115 Motion by Councilman Paletko, seconded by Councilwoman Blackburn, that the public hearing be closed.

Motion unanimously adopted.

The Community Development Action Plan and Consolidated Plan second Public Hearing closed

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at 8:26 p.m.

- 00-116** Motion by Councilman Zulinski, seconded by Councilman Agius, that Fund Transfer 6-A and 6-B and Current Claims 6-1 through 6-11, be approved as submitted.

- A. \$10,500.00 from A/C 101-335-706-000 (Fire Salaries) to A/C 101-335-932-000 (Fire Repair/Maint.) to cover extensive engine repair to Fire Engine #1221 .
 - B. \$25,000.00 from A/C 101-300-706-000 (Police Salaries) to A/C 101-300-707-100 (Police Part Time) to cover part-time secretaries for Police Department.
- 1. COMERICA SECURITIES - Payment for Energy Savings & Sweepers - Inv. dated 03/09/00 from A/C 101-200-965-000 (Energy Savings) \$75,250.00 and from A/C 101-200-996-001 (Sweepers) \$137,486.25. General Govt.
 - 2. DOUBLEDAY BROTHERS - Change of Assessment Notices - Inv. 38495 dated 03/07/00 from A/C 101-200-728-000 (Supplies) \$5,415.43 and from A/C 101-209-818-000 (Contract Serv.) \$2,059.10. General Govt.
 - 3. ELLEFSON BUILDING DEMOLITION CO., INC. - Demo at 6315 Heyden - Inv. dated 02/28/00 from A/C 101-371-818-010 (Demo's) \$6,900.00. Building/Eng.
 - 4. MUNICIPAL CODE CORPORATION - Updates to Municipal Codes Supplement 16 - Inv. 29671 dated 02/29/00 from A/C 101-210-818-000 (Contract Serv.) \$1,914.40. Clerk.
 - 5. NAGEL CONSTRUCTION - Sewer Cleaning Project - Inv.'s 1232 and 1231 dated 03/07/00 from A/C 592-540-818-030 (Contract Serv.) \$29,761.87. Water Dept.
 - 6. PAINTER & RUTHENBERG - Newsprint Pickup February '00 - Inv. 34155 dated 03/06/00 from A/C 101-200-810-000 (Sanitation) \$1,625.00. General Govt.
 - 7. PLANTE & MORAN - Account Services February '00 - Inv. 650539 dated 03/13/00 from A/C 101-200-817-000 (Prof/Consult) \$1,896.00 and from A/C 592-536-817-000 (Prof/Consult) \$1,144.00. General Govt.
 - 8. R & R FIRE TRUCK REPAIR - Repairs on Fire Unit - Inv. 14825 dated 12/14/99 from A/C 101-335-932-000 (Repair/Maint.) \$8,074.56. ENC. Fire Dept.
 - 9. WADE-TRIM/ASSOCIATES - Waterline Legacy Park Condo's - Inv. 64727 dated 02/10/00 from A/C 592-XXX-255-000 (Jobs in Progress) \$1,686.20. Water Dept.
 - 10. WADE-TRIM/ASSOCIATES - Waterline Walgreens - Inv. 65794 dated 02/10/00 from A/C 592-XXX-255-000 (Jobs in Progress) \$306.00. Water Dept.
 - 11. WESTLAND TREE SERVICE - Tree Trimming/Removals - Inv. dated 03/20/00 from A/C 101-440-820-000 (Tree Trimming) \$6,005.58. DPW-Highway.

Motion unanimously adopted.

- 00-117** Motion by Councilman Baron, seconded by Councilwoman Van Houten, that the City Comptroller be authorized to advertise for bids, per specifications, for Uniform Traffic Law Citations, per the request of Police Chief Webber, communication dated March 20, 2000.

Motion unanimously adopted.

- 00-118** Motion by Councilman Zulinski, seconded by Councilman Baron, that the City Comptroller be authorized to advertise for bids, per specifications, for the 2000 Sidewalk Replacement Program, per the request of Building & Engineering Inspector Lamontagne, communication dated March 9, 2000.

Motion unanimously adopted.

- 00-119** Motion by Councilwoman Blackburn, seconded by Councilwoman Agius, that the City Council award the bid for the 2000 Grass & Weed Cutting Program to J. Q. Inc., 4406 Merrick, Dearborn Heights, MI 48125, Proposal No. 2, per Building & Engineering

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Director Opalewski, communication dated March 20, 2000. This bid does not include the \$75.00 Administrative Fee.

Motion unanimously adopted.

- 00-120** Motion by Councilwoman Van Houten, seconded by Councilman Zulinski, that the City Council concurs with and approves the request from Wade-Trim/Associates, 25251 Northline Road, PO Box 10, Taylor, MI 48180 for the renewal of applications for the Combined Sewer Overflow NPDES Permits, per Executive Assistant Heise, communication dated March 21, 2000. Further, that Mayor Canfield be authorized to sign on behalf of the City.

Motion unanimously adopted.

- 00-121** Motion by Councilman Zulinski, seconded by Councilman Baron, that the communication from Building & Engineering Inspector Lamontagne, dated March 21, 2000 RE: The 2000 Sidewalk Replacement Program Mayor/Council Letter, be received, contents noted and filed.

Motion unanimously adopted.

- 00-122** Motion by Councilwoman Van Houten, seconded by Councilman Baron, the request from Computer Analyst Clark, communication dated March 10, 2000 regarding the disposal of the following old computer equipment: CPU, tag # 4430; CPU, no tag; two monitors tag #5543; #4394, be approved.

Motion unanimously adopted.

- 00-123** Motion by Councilman Baron, seconded by Councilman Zulinski, that the request from Fire Chief Barnett, communication dated March 17, 2000 regarding the disposal of various unusable equipment, be approved as outlined. (Pagers, Pager Chargers, Alert Monitors, Cell Phone, Dialer Encoders, various Computer Equipment.)

Motion unanimously adopted.

- 00-124** Motion by Councilman Zulinski, seconded by Councilwoman Agius, that the City Council concurs with and approves the request to purchase of 29 Helmets with Riot Face Shields, from Gentex, a single source manufacturer, at a cost of \$5,807.00, and payment thereof, per Police Chief Webber, communication dated March 14, 2000. Funds for this purchase were budgeted in the 1999-2000 Capital Outlay account.

Motion unanimously adopted.

- 00-125** Motion by Councilwoman Agius, seconded by Councilwoman Van Houten, that the request from Police Chief Webber, communication dated March 15, 2000 RE: the purchase of a computer and printer from Dell Computers, at a cost of \$2,037.90, and payment thereof, be approved. Funds for this purchase to come from a Community Block Grant.

Motion unanimously adopted.

- 00-126** Motion by Councilwoman Van Houten, seconded by Councilman Zulinski, that the City Council concurs with and approves the appointment of Elizabeth J. Agius, as Ex-Officio to the Library Advisory Board, per Council Chairwoman Horvath, communication dated March 28, 2000.

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Motion unanimously adopted.

- 00-127** Motion by Councilman Zulinski, seconded by Councilwoman Van Houten, that the City Council approve the request from Councilman Zulinski to attend the Michigan Municipal Legislative Conference, Wednesday March 29, 2000, at a cost of \$175.00, and payment thereof. Further, to report back to Council on his findings.

Motion unanimously adopted.

- 00-128** Motion by Councilman Paletko, seconded by Councilwoman Van Houten, that the Amendment to Permanent Traffic Control Device Request T-72, No Left Turn with Supplement, 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. School Days for the N/W corner of driveway at Kinloch Elementary School, 1505 Kinloch, be approved.

Motion unanimously adopted.

- 00-129** Motion by Councilman Baron, seconded by Councilman Blackburn, that the request to transfer ownership of 1999 SDD/SDM licensed business located at 23438 Ford Road, Dearborn Heights, MI 48127 (Ara's Party Mart, LLC) from Audrey a. Markarian, Ralph A. Markarian, Arlene K. Hagopian, Michael A. Hagopian and Frances Sogian to Audrey A. Markarian and Ralph A. Markarian, 17160 Laurel Drive, Livonia, MI 48152, be approved and the Liquor Control Commission be so notified. RID # 12090 (vlr).

Motion unanimously adopted.

- 00-130** Motion by Councilman Baron, seconded by Councilwoman Van Houten, that the request to transfer stock interest in the 1999 SDD/SDM licensed corporation at 6235 N Telegraph Road, Dearborn Heights, MI 48127 (Mike's Party Store) by dropping Majid Koza, Eddie Koza, Zouh Koza, Wijdi Kouza and Lyon Koza thru transfer of 1,000 shares each to the corporation; and thru issuance of 5,000 shares each to existing stockholders Athir Konja, Mahir Konja, Mothafar Konja, Yass Konja, Mazin Konja and Athir Konja transfer of 71 shares to the corporation, be approved and the Liquor Control Commission be so notified. RID # 55768 (vlr).

Motion unanimously adopted.

- 00-131** Motion by Councilman Paletko, seconded by Councilman Zulinski, that the request from Mr. Harvey E. Warren, 25846 Hass, Dearborn Heights, MI 48127 to abandon the alley north of Hass and east of Centralia legally described as:

The east/west vacated alley north of Hass, bounded on the north by Lot 168; bounded on the west by Centralia; bounded on the south by Lots 162 through 167; bounded on the east by a north/south vacated alley; all contained in Annis Hawthorne Manor Subdivision, as recorded in Liber 54, Page 61, Wayne County Records, be abandoned.

Motion unanimously adopted.

- 00-132** Motion by Councilman Zulinski, seconded by Councilwoman Van Houten, that business license renewal for Leo's Coney Island, 26540 Ford Road, be approved.

Motion unanimously adopted.

- 00-133** Motion by Councilman Zulinski, seconded by Councilwoman Blackburn, that the meeting be adjourned.

Motion unanimously adopted.

The meeting adjourned at 9:01 p.m.

**JOYCE A. ROBBINS
CITY CLERK**

**MARGARET M. HORVATH, CHAIRWOMAN
CITY COUNCIL**

**MARIA E. LAWRENCE
COUNCIL/CLERK SECRETARY**