

**MINUTES FEBRUARY 9, 2021
ELECTRONICALLY HELD REGULAR MEETING OF THE DEARBORN HEIGHTS CITY COUNCIL
VIRTUAL MEETING**

21-050 The meeting was called to order at 7:15 p.m. by Council Chairwoman Denise Malinowski Maxwell.

Roll Call showed the following:

Present: Council Chairwoman Denise Malinowski Maxwell (Dearborn Heights, MI), Council Chair Pro Tem Dave Wassim Abdallah (Dearborn Heights, MI), Councilman Zouher Abdel-Hak (Dearborn Heights, MI), Councilman Mo Baydoun (Playa Mujeres, Mexico), Councilman Robert Constan (Dearborn Heights, MI), Councilman Ray Muscat (Dearborn Heights, MI), Councilman Tom Wencel (Wayne County, MI).

Absent: None.

Also Present: City Clerk Senia, Mayor Bazzi, Treasurer Hicks-Clayton, Assessor Comer, Building and Engineering Director Watland, Chief of Staff Hernandez, Community and Economic Development Director Hachem, Comptroller Bonza, DPW Director Selmi, Emergency Management Coordinator Gavin, Fire Chief Brogan, Human Resource Director Sobota-Perry, Library Director McCaffery, Ordinance Enforcement and Animal Control Director McIntyre, Parks and Recreation Director Haddad, Police Chief Meyers.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilman Tom Wencel.

Council Chairwoman Malinowski Maxwell stated that Councilman Constan and herself will recuse themselves from the Closed Study Session 3.1-A, regarding a lawsuit due to a possible conflict of interest.

21-051 Motion by Councilman Constan, seconded by Councilman Abdallah to approve the Order of Business for the February 9, 2021 Electronically Held Regular Meeting of the City of Dearborn Heights City Council Virtual Meeting as submitted.

Motion unanimously adopted

21-052 Motion by Councilman Muscat, seconded by Councilman Baydoun to move to a Closed Session at 7:20 p.m. to discuss a lawsuit, as outlined in 3.1-A.

Ayes: Council Chairwoman Malinowski Maxwell, Council Chair Pro Tem Abdallah, Councilman Abdel-Hak, Councilman Baydoun, Councilman Constan, Councilman Muscat, Councilman Wencel.

Nays: None.

Absent: None.

Motion unanimously adopted

City Clerk Senia reminded Council Chairwoman Malinowski Maxwell to have someone take minutes during the Closed Session and return them to the Clerk's Office.

21-053 Motion by Councilman Muscat, seconded by Councilman Abdel-Hak to return to an Open Session at 8:01 p.m.

Motion unanimously adopted

21-054 Motion by Councilman Muscat, seconded by Councilman Abdel-Hak to approve the Minutes for the Electronically Held Regular Meeting of January 26, 2021, as outlined in 4-A.

Motion unanimously adopted

21-055 Motion by Councilman Constan, seconded by Councilman Abdallah to approve the Minutes for the Electronically Held Special Meeting of January 28, 2021, as outlined in 4-B.

Motion unanimously adopted

21-056 Motion by Councilman Muscat, seconded by Councilman Constan to approve Current Claims 6-1 through 6-21 as submitted.

1	Allen Brothers	CV Planning	\$1,610.00	Community Dev.
2	Centron Data Services	Cont. Serv	\$10,583.00	Assessor
3	Cummings, McClorey, Davis & Acho	Prof/Con	\$1,740.00	General Govt
4	Central Wayne County Sanitation Authority	Sanitation	\$68,895.50	General Govt
5	D & L Garden Center, Inc.	Rep/Maint	\$2,110.08	Building & Maint
6	Dearborn Tree Service	Tree Removal	\$2,400.00	Highway
7	Downriver Utility Wastewater Authority	Sewer Disposal	\$38,685.00	Water
8	Etna Supply	Wtr/Swr Supply	\$19,078.00	Water
9	Filter Engineering	Rep/Maint	\$2,925.84	Building & Maint
10	Library Network, The	Capital Outlay	\$10,033.79	Library
	Library Network, The	Dues Member	\$18,021.19	Library
	Library Network, The	Lib Events	\$615.00	Library
11	Michigan Humane Society	Animal Pro	\$2,669.00	Ordinance
12	Miotke, Gary T.	Coun. Serv	\$61,725.00	General Govt
13	Network Services Company	Rep/Maint	\$1,109.70	Building & Maint
	Network Services Company	Rep/Maint	\$2,673.03	Recreation
	Network Services Company	Rep/Maint	\$915.03	Recreation
14	New Image Building Services	Cont/Serv	\$2,395.71	Library
15	Pediatric Emergency Standards, Inc.	Cont. Serv	\$1,750.00	Fire
16	Pipetek Infrastructure Services, LLC	Cont. Cleaning	\$14,909.60	Water
17	Schenk & Bruetsch	Council/Legal Fees	\$13,540.51	General Govt
18	SysTemp Corporation	Cont. Serv	\$2,080.00	Police
19	Wayne County	Traffic Light Maint	\$2,368.78	Highway
20	Wayne County	Sewage Disposal	\$432,991.48	Water
21	Wayne County Dept. of Environment	W.C. Basin Srf	\$148,881.26	Water

Motion unanimously adopted

21-057 Motion by Councilman Abdallah, seconded by Councilman Muscat to award the bid for the replacement of a failed Roof Top Unit (RTU) at City Hall to Johnson Controls in the amount of \$14,587.00. In addition, authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the agreement and to authorize payment after successful installation and start up, as outlined in 7-A. Per DPW Director Selmi communication dated February 1, 2021.

Motion unanimously adopted

21-058 Motion by Councilman Muscat, seconded by Councilman Abdel-Hak to concur with the Mayoral appointment of Mr. Gary Miotke as Corporation Counsel pursuant to Section 5.13(a) and Section 5.15 of the City Charter, with the term to expire on January 2, 2022, as outlined in 8-A. Per Mayor Bazzi communication dated February 2, 2021.

Motion unanimously adopted

21-059 Motion by Councilman Abdallah, seconded by Councilman Muscat to approve the proposed Maintenance of Services Agreement between Mr. Gary Miotke and the City of Dearborn Heights. In addition, authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the Agreement on behalf of the City. The City shall pay Mr. Miotke the total sum of \$67,500.00, less Current Claim 6-12 in the amount of \$61,725.00 for invoices previously submitted to the City, as outlined in 8-B. Per Mayor Bazzi communication dated February 2, 2021.

Motion unanimously adopted

21-060 Motion by Councilman Abdallah, seconded by Councilman Muscat to concur with the Mayoral appointment of Ms. Robin Massey, 27335 Terrel, to the Board of Review, term to expire in January, 2024. This appointment is to replace Charles Bonza, who was appointed as the City's Comptroller. In addition, reappoint/extend appointments for Mr. Dennis Sobota and Mr. Jim Roulo until January, 2022 and appoint Mr. Ali Charara, 26325 Timber Trail, term to expire in January 2022, as outlined in 8-C. Per Mayor Bazzi communication dated February 2, 2021.

Motion unanimously adopted

21-061 Motion by Councilman Muscat, seconded by Councilman Abdallah to approve the Budget Amendment of \$434.09 from the Treasurer Department's Mileage Account (101-253-861.000) into Capital Outlay (101-253-981.000). The Treasurer's Office had damaged office chairs which needed to be replaced, as outlined in 9-A. Per Treasurer Hicks-Clayton communication dated January 27, 2021.

Motion unanimously adopted

21-062 Motion by Councilman Abdallah, seconded by Councilman Muscat to receive, note, and file the Quarterly Investment of Funds Report for December 31, 2020, as outlined in 9-B. Per Treasurer Hicks-Clayton communication dated February 9, 2021.

Motion unanimously adopted

21-063 Motion by Councilman Muscat, seconded by Councilman Abdallah to approve the updated requirements for the City of Dearborn Heights 2021 Poverty Exemption Policy and Guidelines, the Exemption Application, the Waiver of Confidentiality and also an authorization form to conduct a property inspection to meet the new legislation changes in the state of Michigan. The Assessing Department will make these forms accessible for taxpayers as of March 1, 2021, as outlined in 9-C. Per Assessor's Office Kimberly Comer communication dated February 1, 2021.

Motion unanimously adopted

21-064 Motion by Councilman Abdallah, seconded by Councilman Muscat to authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign four (4) copies of the signature page of the contract for Thomas Trucking Services for the CDBG PY 2019 Demolition Program, as outlined in 9-D. Per Community and Economic Development Director Hachem communication dated January 27, 2021.

Motion unanimously adopted

21-065 Motion by Councilman Constan, seconded by Councilman Baydoun to approve the purchase of one (1) 2021 Ford F-450 Stake Truck from Gorno Ford, in the amount of \$59,126.00. This purchase will be made under the MI-Deal purchasing program, as outlined in 9-E. Per DPW Director Selmi communication dated February 1, 2021.

Motion unanimously adopted

21-066 Motion by Councilman Muscat, seconded by Councilman Baydoun to approve the purchase of Rogue fitness equipment for both Fire Stations, in the amount of \$12,783.00, to be paid from Capital Outlay upon receipt. This is the last of the equipment to complete the Firefighter wellness, functional strength and injury prevention programs, as outlined in 9-F. Per Fire Chief Brogan communication dated January 28, 2021.

Motion unanimously adopted

21-067 Motion by Councilman Abdallah, seconded by Councilman Muscat to approve the purchase of a Stryker Powerload for the rescue squad, in the amount of \$31,989.00, to be paid from Capital Outlay upon receipt, as outlined in 9-G. Per Fire Chief Brogan communication dated January 28, 2021.

Motion unanimously adopted

21-068 Motion by Councilman Constan, seconded by Councilman Baydoun to approve the City of Dearborn Heights Council Resolution. This Resolution directs the City Comptroller to prepare compensation in the amount of \$5,000.00 gross pay to Council Chairwoman Malinowski Maxwell for serving as Mayor Pro Tem from December 29, 2020 to January 26, 2021, as outlined in 11-A. Per Council Chairwoman Malinowski Maxwell communication.

Ayes: Councilman Chair Pro Tem Abdallah, Councilman Abdel-Hak, Councilman Baydoun, Councilman Constan, Councilman Muscat, Councilman Wencel.

Nays: None.

Abstain: Council Chairwoman Malinowski Maxwell.

Absent: None.

Motion adopted

21-069 Motion by Councilman Constan, seconded by Councilman Baydoun to approve the Resolution Authorizing 2021 Capital Improvement Bonds Limited Tax General Obligation). The Resolution authorizes the issuance of Bonds in the amount not exceed \$25,700,000.00 to acquire, construct, furnish and equip various capital improvements, including sewer system improvements and combined sewer overflow facilities and improvements; water supply system improvements including water main replacements and water meter replacements, together with all related site improvements, appurtenances and attachments, as outlined in 11-B. Per Miller Canfield communication dated January 31, 2021.

Ayes: Council Chairwoman Malinowski Maxwell, Councilman Chair Pro Tem Abdallah, Councilman Baydoun, Councilman Constan, Councilman Muscat, Councilman Wencel.

Nays: Councilman Abdel-Hak.

Absent: None.

Motion adopted

21-070 Motion by Councilman Constan, seconded by Councilman Muscat to renew the Business Licenses for Bone Yard at 7010 N. Telegraph, Korte's Collision at 27100 Van Born and Van Born Tavern and Grill at 22426 Van Born, as outlined in 13-A.

Motion unanimously adopted

21-071 Motion by Councilman Muscat, seconded by Councilman Baydoun to adjourn the Dearborn Heights City Council Regular Meeting.

Motion unanimously adopted

The meeting adjourned at 10:00 p.m.

LYNNE M. SENIA
CITY CLERK

DENISE MALINOWSKI MAXWELL
COUNCIL CHAIRWOMAN

DANA FLAMONT
COUNCIL SECRETARY