

REGULAR MEETING OF THE DEARBORN HEIGHTS CITY COUNCIL

FEBRUARY 9, 1999

99-044 The meeting was called to order at 8:08 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, Executive Assistant Heise, Corporation Counsel Berry-Harris, City Clerk Robbins, Deputy Clerk Pawlukiewicz, Treasurer Riley, Comptroller Barrow, Assessor Welch, Building Inspector Lamontagne, Police Chief Webber, Police Officers Gust and Knezek, Fire Marshall Mc Donagh, Recreation Director Grybel, Public Service Administrator Blackburn, Community Development Director Oliverio.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by members of Jaycees.

Recreation Director Grybel and Mayor Canfield presented a Community Service Award to the Dearborn Heights Jaycees for their contributions to the improvement of the quality of life.

A plaque was presented to Debbie Willett, John Riley and Jennifer Matte.

99-045 Motion by Councilwoman Van Houten seconded by Councilman Baron, that the Agenda for the Regular Meeting of February 9, 1998, be approved as submitted with the addition of 9-L, (the creation of a Leader position in the Water Department, requested by Comptroller Barrow) and Current Claims 6-2 (Olson Cement) and 6-5 (O'Reilly, Rancilio, Nitz, Andrews & Turnbull, P.C. - Legal Services) be referred back to the Administration.

Motion unanimously adopted.

99-046 Motion by Councilman Zulinski, seconded by Councilwoman Horvath, that the Minutes from the Regular Meeting of January 26, 1998, be approved as submitted.

Motion unanimously adopted.

The Public Hearing for the 1999-2000 Action Plan Public Hearing was called to order at 8:17 p.m., by Council Chairman Joseph V. Kosinski.

Council Chairman Kosinski asked City Clerk Robbins to read the official Notice of Public Hearing.

City Clerk Robbins "The City of Dearborn Heights is developing its 1999-2000 Action Plan, which will be used to direct the City in its use of US Department of Housing and Urban Development Community Development Block Grant CDBG funds. The City anticipates receiving \$1,193,000 for the 1999-2000 Block Grant Program. The Action Plan will contain an application for, and the intended use of, the anticipated 1999-2000 Grant allocation (see Proposed Budget below).

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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, February 9, 1999 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 person 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 resident in interpreting program opportunities and provisions on a by case basis, as well as provide auxiliary aides and services for individuals with disabilities. Request 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.

Proposed 1999-2000 CEDBG Budget
\$1,193,000

Housing Rehabilitation	\$ 150,000
Recreation Bond Program	244,500
Housing Referral	45,000
Administration	215,000
First Step	10,000
Crime Prevention	20,000
D.A.R.E. Program	5,000
Parkland Park Improvement	200,000
Municipal Building ADA Access	11,500
Economic Development Improvements	290,000
Strategic Plan Update	<u>2,000</u>
Total	\$1,193.00

Joyce A. Robbins, City Clerk. This notice was published January 21, 1999, no communications Mr. Chairman.

Council Chairman Kosinski asked Community Development Director Oliverio for his opening remarks.

Community Development Director Oliverio submitted a written report to the City Council on the 1999-00 Community Development Block Grant Program. Due to the length of this Public Hearing the official minutes are on file in the City Clerk's office.

Council Chairman Kosinski asked if the City Council had any questions or comments for Mr. Oliverio.

Councilwoman Van Houten asked "You have budgeted \$5,000 for a Library Feasibility Study, is that enough?"

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CDD Oliverio "Yes, five thousand dollars is on the high end for a feasibility study."

Councilwoman Van Houten "Does that also include commission fees?"

CDD Oliverio "No, but if the council wishes that can be done."

Councilwoman Horvath "You show a strategic plan update in your budget, what are you planning?"

CDD Oliverio "We have achieved almost everything in the strategic plan so we need to meet with the people to let them know what we have accomplished."

Jerry Kowal, 6971 Whitefield "There are a lot of small cottage type home in the area that are in need of repair. Is there any way to demolish these homes and grant a tax incentive of one year so they can rebuild?"

CDD Oliverio "The tax abatement would have to come from the City. We have been doing this for twenty five years. We have attempted to outreach to people to encourage them to fix up their homes, don't know what else we can do."

Council Chairman Kosinski asked if there were any more questions or comments, hearing none he asked for a motion to close the Public Hearing.

99-047 Motion by Councilman Paletko, seconded by Councilwoman Blackburn, that the Public Hearing be closed.

Motion unanimously adopted.

The Public Hearing for the 1999-2000 Action Plan closed at 8:40 p.m.

99-048 Motion by Councilman Baron, seconded by Councilwoman Horvath, that Current Claims 6-1 through 6-14, be approved as submitted, with the exclusion of Claims 6-2 (Olson Cement) and 6-5 (O'Reilly, Rancilio, Nitz, Andrews & Turnbull, P.C., referred back to Administration.

1. MICHIGAN HUMANE SOCIETY - Animal Processing for November & December 1998 - Inv. 5919 and Inv. 5935 from A/C 101-222-806-000 (Animal Processing) \$4,914.00. General Govt.
3. PLANTE & MORAN, LLP - Professional Services CDBG Single Audit - Inv. dated 12/12/98 from A/C 103-960-918-097 (Administration) \$2,200.00. Comm. Dev.
4. PLANTE & MORAN, LLP - Professional Services for Major Street Fund & Local Street Fund - Inv. dated 12/21/98 from A/C 101-440-818-000 (Contractual Services) \$5,525.00. DPW.
6. TRANSCONTINENTAL TECHNICAL SERVICES, INV. - Workers Comp. Services - Inv. 26120 dated 01/01/99 from A/C 101-200-724-000 (Workers Compensation) \$18,520.00. General Govt.
7. VALENTI, KAREN M. - Vocational Assessment Report 10/21/98 to 12/22/98 - Claim # 252479 dated 01/22/99 from A/C 101-220-724-000 (Workers Compensation) \$3,875.80. General Govt.
8. WADE-TRIM/ASSOCIATES - Construction Engineering Services Beech Daly-Cherry Hill Resurfacing - Inv. DHT-2426-02T dated 01/15/99 from A/C 202-202-880-300 (Street Construction) \$15,584.50. Major Streets.
9. WADE-TRIM/ASSOCIATES - Construction Engineering Services Cherry Hill Resurfacing - Inv. DHT-2408-02T dated 01/14/99 from A/C 202-202-880-300

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- (Street Construction) \$712.50. Major Streets.
10. WADE-TRIM/ASSOCIATES - Downriver Technical Assistance Flow Monitoring-
Project Plan Downriver Sewer - Downriver Relief Sewer - Construction
Engineering - Inv.'s DHT2311-04. DHT2311-09T, DHT 2311-12T dated 01/14/99
from A/C 592-XXX-154-000 (Sewer System) \$6,778.70. Water.
 11. WADE-TRIM/ASSOCIATES - Plans & Specs Canfield Center Parking Lot
Professional Services 11/29/98 thru 01/02/99 Inv. DHT2400-04T dated 01/15/99
from A/C 103-960-930-098 (Canfield Parking Lot) \$2,594.30. Comm. Dev.
 12. WADE-TRIM/ASSOCIATES - Rouge Valley Storm Water Professional Services
11/29/98 thru 01/02/99 - Inv. DHT2412-01T dated 01/15/99 from A/C 592-XXX-
154-000 (Sewer System) \$365.00. Water.
 13. WAYNE COUNTY - Local Progress Billings Warren & Inkster Intersections - Inv.
92011 dated 01/20/99 from A/C 202-202-880-300 (Street Construction) \$7,983.95.
Major Streets.
 14. WEST SHORE SERVICES, INC. - Early Warning Systems - Inv. 8001 dated
01/18/99 from A/C 103-960-950-098 (Early Warning System) \$81,475.00. Comm.
Dev.

Motion unanimously adopted.

- 99-049** Motion by Councilman Zulinski, seconded by Councilwoman Van Houten, that the City Comptroller be authorized to advertise for bids, per specifications, for the 1999 Sidewalk Replacement Program, per the request of Building & Engineering Director Opalewski, communication dated January 25, 1999.

Motion unanimously adopted.

- 99-050** Motion by Councilman Kosinski, seconded by Councilman Zulinski, that the Sidewalk Replacement Program specifications include a waiver of lien and indicate on invoices to Council which homeowners have been required to take a permit for additional work to be done outside of the 1999 Sidewalk Program.

AYES: Council Chairman Kosinski, Councilman Zulinski.

NO: Councilman Baron, Councilwoman Blackburn, Councilwoman Horvath,
Councilman Paletko, Councilwoman Van Houten.

ABSENT: None.

Motion defeated.

- 99-051** Motion by Councilman Zulinski, seconded by Councilwoman Horvath, that the City Comptroller be authorized to advertise for bids, per specifications, for the 1999 Grass Cutting Program, per the request of Building & Engineering Director Opalewski, communication dated January 19, 1999.

Motion unanimously adopted.

- 99-052** Motion by Councilman Baron, seconded by Councilman Zulinski, that the communication from the Mayor, dated January 25, 1999 re: Reappointment of George Paron to the Sign Board of Appeals, term to expire September 2001, be received, contents noted and filed.

Motion unanimously adopted.

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- 99-053** Motion by Councilwoman Horvath, seconded by Councilwoman Van Houten, that the City Council concurs with and approves the reappointments of Gus Batsakis, Bruce Edwards and Cliff Martin to the Board of Review, terms to expire January 2001, per Mayor Canfield, communication dated February 3, 1999.

Motion unanimously adopted.

- 99-054** Motion by Councilwoman Van Houten, seconded by Councilwoman Horvath, that the request from Monsignor Hunt Council of the Knights of Columbus to solicit donations through their annual Tootsie Roll Drive, scheduled for March 26, 27 and 28, 1999, be approved.

Motion unanimously adopted.

- 99-055** Motion by Councilwoman Horvath, seconded by Councilman Zulinski, that the present and all future Treasurers be allowed to deny the request from Wayne County Regional Education Service Agency (RESA) (Collection of 100% of their tax with the City's summer tax bill) when received from RESA and inform the Council of same, per Councilwoman Horvath, communication dated February 3, 1999.

Motion unanimously adopted.

- 99-056** Motion by Councilman Paletko, seconded by Councilwoman Van Houten, that the communication from Treasurer Riley, dated February 3, 1999 re: Winter Tax Collection Extension through Monday, March 1, 1999 be received, contents noted and filed.

Motion unanimously adopted.

- 99-057** Motion by Councilman Zulinski, seconded by Councilwoman Van Houten, that a resolution proclaiming "Constitution Day" in Dearborn Heights be adopted as follows:

WHEREAS, the preamble of the US Constitution states "We the people of the United States, in order to form a more perfect union, establish justice, insure domestic tranquility, provide for the common defense, promote the general welfare, and secure the blessings of liberty to ourselves and our posterity, do ordain and establish this Constitution for the United States of America."

WHEREAS, March 4, 1999 marks the 210th anniversary of the day our first United States Congress convened under a constitutionally limited republic; and

WHEREAS, the Constitution is described as "The Supreme Law of the Land"; the fulfillment of the promise made in the Declaration of Independence; and

WHEREAS, the recognition of Constitution Day has given us the opportunity to recall the high ideals and devotion to liberty of the individuals who framed our Constitution; and

WHEREAS, all of us need to be inspired to rededicate ourselves to our country and to the support and defense of our Constitution, and to a greater involvement in responsible citizenship.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Dearborn Heights, State of Michigan does herein proclaim as a City in these United States of America, the day of **March 4, 1999** as

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and encourages the citizens to renew their dedication to the preservation of the ideals upon which this great nation was founded. Further, that the Mayor, City Clerk and Treasurer be authorized to sign on behalf of the City of Dearborn Heights.

Motion unanimously adopted.

- 99-058** Motion by Councilman Paletko, seconded by Councilman Zulinski, that the City Council concurs with and approves the “Annual Permit for Work on State Highways Performance and Indemnification Resolution” per, Executive Assistant Heise, communication dated January 7, 1999. Further, that Public Service Administrator Blackburn be the person authorized to sign all State Right-of-Way Permits beginning January 1999.

Motion unanimously adopted.

- 99-059** Motion by Councilman Zulinski, seconded by Councilwoman Van Houten, that a Public Hearing be scheduled on Tuesday, March 9, 1999 at 8:00 p.m. to hear objections, if any, to the submission of a Grant Application to the Department of Natural Resources.

Motion unanimously adopted.

- 99-060** Motion by Councilwoman Van Houten, seconded by Councilwoman Blackburn, that the City Council adopt the Board of Review’s Poverty Exemption Guidelines for 1999 per, Assessor Welch, communication dated January 29, 1999.

Motion unanimously adopted.

- 99-061** Motion by Councilman Baron, seconded by Councilwoman Horvath, that the City Council concurs with and approves the request to auction the following drug forfeiture vehicles:

1997 Chevrolet Camaro	VIN #2G1FP22P2V2120652
1984 Ford Van	VIN #1FTDE14Y9EHA55516

per, Police Chief Webber, communication dated January 26, 1999.

Motion unanimously adopted.

- 99-062** Motion by Councilwoman Van Houten, seconded by Councilwoman Horvath, that the City Council concurs with and approves a Computer Lease Agreement with Dell Computers, L.P., One Dell Way, Round Rock, Texas 78683 for twenty (20) p.c.’s and accompanying hardware, in the amount of \$50,118.48 for a three-year lease/option contract, and payment thereof, per Police Chief Webber, communication dated February 2, 1999. Funding for this purchase to be allocated from Federal Grant monies currently being sought.

Motion unanimously adopted.

- 99-063** Motion by Councilwoman Horvath, seconded by Councilman Baron, that the City Council concurs with and approves the Traffic Signal Agreement with the County of Wayne, Division of Roads, 29900 Goddard Road, Detroit, MI 48242, for the installation and maintenance of a new traffic signal device for the new Fire Station

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Headquarters, 1999 N Beech Daly, at the estimated cost of \$35,800.00, and payment thereof, per, Fire Marshal McDonagh, communication dated 02/02/99. Further, that the Mayor be authorized to sign on behalf of the City. The Building Authority has budgeted this expenditure.

Motion unanimously adopted.

- 99-064** Motion by Councilman Paletko, seconded by Councilwoman Horvath, that the City Council concurs with and approves the quotation from the Oscar W. Larson Co., 10100 Dixie Hwy., Clarkston, MI 48348, for the upgrade of two (2) underground storage tanks at 6100 Drexel, at a cost of \$33,900.00 and payment thereof, per Public Service Administrator Blackburn, communication dated February 3, 1999.

Motion unanimously adopted.

- 99-065** Motion by Councilman Baron, seconded by Councilwoman Van Houten, that the City Council concurs with and approves the Budget Amendment to cover the cost of the 1998 storm as follows:

INCREASE REVENUES	1998 STORM CLEAN-UP
# 101-000-676-098	\$ 1,200,000.00
INCREASE EXPENDITURES	1998 STORM CLEAN-UP
# 101-440-731-000	\$1,200,000.00

per, Comptroller Barrow, communication dated January 28, 1999.

Motion unanimously adopted.

- 99-066** Motion by Councilman Paletko, seconded by Councilman Zulinski, that the City Council concurs with and approves a Budget Amendment to upgrade one laborer position in the Water Department to leader position. This change will not decrease personnel in the Water Meter Department.

Motion unanimously adopted.

- 99-067** Motion by Councilwoman Horvath, seconded by Councilwoman Blackburn, that the request to transfer all stock interest in a 1998 SDD/SDM licensed corporation by dropping Hayat Gazguz, as sole stockholder thru transfer of 1,000 shares of stock to new stockholder Anaam Asmar, 5027 Blair Drive, Troy, MI 48098, at **Lucky Star Market, 22113 West Warren**, be approved and the Liquor Control Commission be so notified. Ref. #980004702. This approval is subject to the payment of a delinquent water account.

Motion unanimously adopted.

- 99-068** Motion by Councilman Baron, seconded by Councilwoman Horvath, that the business license renewal for the Varsity Club Lounge, 24676 Ford, be approved.

Motion unanimously adopted.

- 99-069** Motion by Councilman Zulinski, seconded by Councilman Baron, that the meeting be adjourned.

Motion unanimously adopted.

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The meeting adjourned at 10:03 p.m.

JOYCE A. ROBBINS
CITY CLERK

JOSEPH V. KOSINSKI, CHAIRMAN
CITY COUNCIL

MARIA E. LAWRENCE
COUNCIL/CLERK SECRETARY