

REGULAR MEETING OF THE DEARBORN HEIGHTS CITY COUNCIL

SEPTEMBER 24, 2002

02-394 The meeting was called to order at 8:07 p.m. by Council Chair Daniel S. Paletko.

Roll Call showed the following:

Present: Councilwoman Elizabeth J. Agius, Councilman Kenneth R. Baron, Councilwoman Janet S. Badalow, Councilman Bob Constan, Councilwoman Margaret M. Horvath, Council Chair Daniel S. Paletko, Councilwoman Margaret M. Van Houten.

Absent: None.

Also Present: Mayor Canfield, Corporation Counsel Miotke, City Clerk Robbins, Deputy Clerk Pawlukiewicz, Treasurer Riley, Comptroller Barrow, Interim Building & Engineering Director Lamontagne, Police Chief Gust, Deputy Fire Chief McElroy, Recreation Director Grybel, Public Service Administrator Blackburn, Community Development Director Oliverio.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilwoman Agius.

02-395 Motion by Councilman Baron, seconded by Councilwoman Agius, that the Agenda for the Regular Meeting of September 24, 2002, be approved as submitted.

Motion unanimously adopted.

02-396 Motion by Councilwoman Horvath, seconded by Councilman Baron, that the Minutes from the Regular Meeting of September 10, 2002, be approved as submitted.

Motion unanimously adopted.

The Public Hearing for the Dearborn Heights Housing Commission Agency Plan was called to order at 8:08 p.m. by Council Chair Daniel S. Paletko.

Council Chair Paletko waived the reading of the official notice of the Public Hearing (see below).

The Dearborn Heights Housing Commission has developed its Agency Plan in compliance with the Quality Housing and Work Responsibility Act of 1998. This plan is available for review at the Community Development Department located at 26155 Richardson, Dearborn Heights, Michigan, between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday.

In addition, a public hearing will be held on Tuesday, September 24, 2002 in the Dearborn Heights City Council Chambers located at 6045 Fenton, Dearborn Heights, Michigan at 8:00 p.m.. Everyone is invited. Published August 8, 2002.

Council Chair Paletko asked Community Development Director Oliverio for his opening remarks.

Community Development Oliverio "This evening we are pleased to have with us two representatives from the Plymouth Housing Commission. Sharon Thomas who is the Director and Kathy Swarthout and Eleanor Gnatek, our Housing Pro Director for my department, she's keeping them in order over there. Every year HUD mandates that we give a report to the community on our Section 8 Program and it's called the Agency Plan. In this plan it outlines what we have achieved in the previous year, what our goals are, the status of our Section 8 certificates. The fiscal year 2003 Agency Plan is available and has been since August in my department to be reviewed by any of the elected officials or residents. I would like to call Kathy

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up here now to give you a quick outline and explanation of the Agency Plan."

Kathy Swarthout "Good evening. It's hard to believe it's been a whole year since I was here it seems six months ago. As Carmine has indicated for the last 45 days the HUD mandated Agency Plan has been available at the Housing Commission offices for review. As you know we have partnered with Dearborn Heights and we are the administrative partner, we do the actual leasing out of the Section 8 vouchers. The program is going extremely well. We are over 100% leased up. Subsidy dollars we haven't needed quite as much subsidy to service the number of families we have been allocated so we have been able to help a few extra families this year and we have very pleased with that. My primary and sole purpose this evening is to take any questions you might have in conjunction with the Agency Plan. If you have had the opportunity to review it you'll know that it gives the statistics of the program, the various programs that we administer and what are goals and objectives in the Mission Statement is for the next year. I will entertain any questions if anyone has any."

Councilwoman Van Houten "With the economy in the state it's in have you seen a significant increase in the number of applicants?"

Ms. Swarthout "We took applications last August from approximately 8:30 in the morning until 3:30 in the afternoon. We did it on a mail in basis when we finally tallied it up we had over 9,000 applications, so the answer is yes. We have a lot of working poor. The need is greater now probably than ever before. Social Services has limited what is available, there's time constraints so we have families that are being forced to work in positions that don't provide them with enough income to support their family in a decent manner. So yes, very much so."

Council Chair Paletko asked if there were any more questions or comments, hearing none, he asked for a motion to close the public hearing.

02-397 Motion by Councilman Baron, seconded by Councilwoman Van Houten, that the Public Hearing be closed.

Motion unanimously adopted.

The Community Development Action Plan Public Hearing closed at 8: 12 p.m.

02-398 Motion by Councilwoman Agius, seconded by Councilman Baron, that Current Claims 6-1 through 6-26, be approved as submitted.

1. ACCUMED BILLING - Ambulance Service August 2002 - Inv. dated 09/11/02 from A/C 101-000-626-000 (Ambulance) \$3,857.23. General Govt.
2. BIO-CARE INC. - August Respiratory Surveillance Program - Inv. 11177 dated 08/30/02 from A/C 101-335-818-000 (Contract Serv.) \$2,310.00. Fire Dept.
3. CITY OF DEARBORN - Water and Sewer Rates 04/16/02-04/29/02 - Inv 79926 dated 09/10/02 from A/C 592-537-928-000 (Water) \$5,199.48 and A/C 592-537-929-000 (Sewage) \$16,344.45. Water Dept.
4. CUMMINGS, MC CLOREY, DAVIS... - Labor Matter and Water & Sewer Issues - Inv. 35968 dated 08/21/02 and Inv. 35992 dated 09/09/02 from A/C 101-200-817-000 (Prof/Consult) \$4,099.56 and A/C 592-536-817-000 (Prof/Consult) \$2,593.50. General Govt.
5. SECREST, WARDLE, LYNCH... - Legal Services May 2002 - Inv. dated 07/02/02 from A/C 101-210-826-000 (Counsel Serv.) \$6,235.00. Corp. Counsel.
6. EMPCO INC. - Professional Test - Inv. 1132 dated 08/20/02 from A/C 101-221-817-000 (Prof/Consult) \$1,998.00. ACT 78.
7. E & N CEMENT - Pavement Repairs - (2) Inv's dated 09/14/02 from A/C 203-203-880-300 (Street Construction) \$84,227.11. Local Streets.
8. FIRST STEP - Counseling Services July and August - (2) Ck. Req. 09/12/02 from

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- 103-960-927-202 (First Step) \$3,349.16. CDBG.
9. J Q INC. - Weed Cutting Charges - Inv. dated 09/10/02 from A/C 101-200-963-000 (Weeds) \$7,050.00. General Govt.
 10. MATT'S AUTO SERVICE - Repair Cars #89 and #86 - Inv. 6199 dated 08/20/02 and Inv. 6173 dated 08/14/02 from A/C 101-300-932-000 (Repair/Maint.) \$3,091.14. ENC. Police Dept.
 11. METCO - Boundary and Topography Study - Inv. 10867 dated 06/20/02 from A/C 738-738-807-000 (Misc.) \$9,550.00. Library.
 12. PAINTER & RUTHENBERG - Roll Off Services June and August - Inv. 52244 dated 09/03/02 and Inv. 51522 dated 07/02/02 from A/C 101-200-810-000 (Sanitation) \$13,696.00. General Govt.
 13. PLANTE & MORAN - Account Service & Audit Charges - Inv. 849933; 9932; 9931 dated 09/03/02 and Inv. 850000; 0004 dated 09/06/02 from A/C 101-200-817-000 (Prof/Consult) \$21,885.00; A/C 101-440-818-000 (Contract Serv.) \$2,900.00 and A/C 592-536-817-000 (Prof/Consult) \$16,885.00. General Govt.
 14. PLANTE & MORAN - Audit Service Year-End 06/2002 - Inv. 849934 dated 09/03/02 from A/C 103-960-918-200 (Admin.) \$1,900.00. CDBG.
 15. PRINTING SYSTEMS INC. - Voter ID Cards and Data - Inv. 16963 dated 07/31/02 from A/C 101-190-730-000 (Supplies) \$2,802.01. ENC. City Clerk.
 16. QUAD-TRAN OF MICHIGAN - Data Processing Sept. 2002 - Inv. 3933 and 3934 dated 08/30/02 from A/C 101-130-818-000 (Contract Serv.) \$3,600.00; A/C 101-130-728-000 (Supplies) \$1,854.07 and A/C 101-130-728-000 (Supplies) \$1,058.90. District Court.
 17. STATE OF MICHIGAN - MDOT - Local Progress Billing - Evergreen - Inv. 246996 dated 09/03/02 from A/C 202-202-880-300 (Street construction) \$16,546.65. Major Streets.
 18. TODAYLINK, LLC - Connection Support Aug/Sept - Inv. 1035 dated 09/03/02 from A/C 101-200-819-999 (Internet) \$7,626.85. General Govt.
 19. WADE-TRIM/ASSOCIATES - Berwyn/Eton Parking Lots - Inv. 74823 dated 08/14/02 from A/C 103-960-962-202 (Berwyn) \$1,523.00 and A/C 103-960-963-202 (Eton) \$1,523.00. CDBG.
 20. WADE-TRIM/ASSOCIATES - Contract Admin. Heather Lane - Inv. 74819 dated 08/14/02 from A/C 103-960-967-201 (Heather Lane) \$2,594.01. CDBG.
 21. WADE-TRIM/ASSOCIATES - Residential Rehab Manuals - Inv. 18 dated 09/04/02 from A/C 103-960-900-202 (Residential Rehab) \$592.00. CDBG.
 22. WADE-TRIM/ASSOCIATES - Warren Avenue Facade Pattern Book - Inv. 75419 dated 09/12/02 from A/C 103-960-944-099 (Warren Ave.) \$7,300.00. CDBG.
 23. WADE-TRIM/ASSOCIATES - Warren Avenue Streetscape Parking Study - Inv. 75066 dated 08/27/02 from A/C 103-960-944-099 (Warren Ave.) \$682.63. CDBG.
 24. WAYNE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT - Principal & Interest Bonds - Inv. 21130 dated 09/10/02 from A/C 592-905-995-002 (Interest) \$87,958.66. Water Dept.
 25. WAYNE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT - Principal & Interest Bonds - Inv. 211332 dated 09/10/02 from A/C 592-905-992-003 (Principal) \$560,000.00 and A/C 592-905-992-004 (Interest) \$285,277.50. Water Dept.
 26. WAYNE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT - Principal & Interest ECPAD Bonds - Inv. 211337 dated 09/10/02 from A/C 101-200-944-000 (Ecorse Creek) \$118,037.80. General Govt.

Motion unanimously adopted.

- 02-399** Motion by Councilman Baron, seconded by Councilwoman Badalow, that the City Council concurs with and approves contract extension of the Dearborn Heights Professional Firefighters Union to the position of Fire Chief and to make the necessary salary adjustments for that position, per Mayor Canfield, communication dated September 18, 2002.

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Motion unanimously adopted.

- 02-400** Motion by Councilwoman Van Houten, seconded by Councilwoman Horvath, that the City Council concurs with and approves the Berwyn and Eton Sr. Citizen Centers USDA Food Commodity Agency Agreement, per Recreation Director Grybel, communication dated September 17, 2002. Further that the Mayor be authorized to sign the agreements on behalf of the City.

Motion unanimously adopted.

- 02-401** Motion by Councilman Baron, seconded by Councilwoman Agius, that the Special Land Use Request from Studz Hardware, 4457 S Telegraph to have outside display and storage (SPR-02-19), be tabled for 30 days.

Motion unanimously adopted.

- 02-402** Motion by Councilman Baron, seconded by Councilwoman Van Houten, that the Telegraph Tomorrow, Inc. Corridor Design Plan Resolution be adopted as follows:

Whereas, Telegraph Road is a major north-south arterial serving western Wayne County which accommodates both local traffic and regional trips, and which is the address of many local businesses, regional employers, and private residences;

Whereas, this main travel corridor is framed by Dearborn Heights, Redford Township and Brownstown Township, Dearborn, Detroit, Taylor and Flat Rock;

Whereas, local officials from these seven communities, in partnership with Wayne County and the State of Michigan, created Telegraph Tomorrow, Inc., as a coordinating entity in pursuit of the following goals:

1. Strengthen economic vitality as a major commercial corridor by fostering appropriate development and marketing.
2. Improve the effectiveness and efficiency of Telegraph Road in moving people and goods.
3. Improve the overall appearance.
4. Improve and strengthen adjacent corridor neighborhoods.
5. Implement a coordinated safety program.
6. A "Vision Statement" as follows:

Telegraph Road in Wayne County will join us together as an inviting, economically vital, regional highway, efficiently and effectively serving attractive, safe, well maintained neighborhoods.

Whereas, Telegraph Tomorrow, Inc. received a state grant from the Michigan Department of Transportation to retain consulting assistance in achieving this vision;

Now, therefore, be it resolved on this 24th day of September, 2002, that the Dearborn Heights City Council does favorably concur, in principle, with the recommendations of the Telegraph Tomorrow, Inc. Corridor Design Plan as part of the City's overall goals and objectives for Telegraph Road, and;

Be it further resolved that the City will consider corridor design guidelines regarding parking, administration, and facade recommendations articulated in the Corridor Design Plan. Such guidelines, if adopted, will be implemented and controlled solely by the City through appropriate Dearborn Heights Zoning Ordinances. The City further commits itself to continued participation in the Telegraph Tomorrow, Inc. organization

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in order to secure additional funding opportunities and coordinated planning.

Motion unanimously adopted.

02-403 Motion by Councilman Baron, seconded by Councilman Constan, that the meeting be adjourned.

Motion unanimously adopted.

The meeting adjourned at 8:26 p.m.

JOYCE A. ROBBINS
CITY CLERK

DANIEL S. PALETKO, CHAIR
CITY COUNCIL

MARIA E. LAWRENCE
COUNCIL/CLERK SECRETARY