City of Hazel Park
City Council Meeting Minutes: April 28, 2020

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, a City of Hazel Park Regular City Council meeting was held on Tuesday, April 28th, 2020 via Zoom video/telephone conferencing in accordance with Executive Order 2020-15. Mayor Webb called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Present: Mayor Webb, Mayor Pro Tem Sullivan, Councilmember Aubry, Councilmember LeCureaux, Councilmember McFall

Absent: None

Also present: City Manager Klobucher, City Attorney Schwartz, Deputy City Attorney Campbell, Assistant City Attorney Mason

CALL TO ORDER – 5:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

CO-04-061-20 Motion to Approve Agenda: Motion by LeCureaux, second by McFall, to approve the Agenda. All in favor. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC DISCUSSION

No one from the public wished to speak.

CIVIC ANNOUNCEMENTS

City Manager Klobucher advised that Memorial Day festivities have had to be cancelled, though alternative plans to honor our fallen heroes are being developed.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approve City Council Meeting Minutes 4/14/2020
2. Pending Business Licenses (Informational – Receive & File)
3. Invoice Approval List

CO-04-062-20 Motion to Approve Consent Agenda Items #1-3: Motion by LeCureaux, second by Aubry, to Approve the Consent Agenda. All in favor. Motion carried unanimously.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

1. AN ORDINANCE TO ADD TO TITLE 2 – ADMINISTRATION AND PERSONNEL CHAPTER 2.25 – MAIN STREET HAZEL PARK, AND TO ADD SECTION 2.52.010 – CREATED; SECTION 2.52.020 – ORGANIZATION; SECTION 2.52.030 PURPOSE; SECTION 2.52.040 – DUTIES; SECTION 2.25.050 – COMPOSITION; SECTION
2.52.060 – COMPENSATION; AND SECTION 2.52.070 – ACCEPTANCE OF FUNDS, Second Reading.

**CO-04-063-20 Motion to add deadline of May 1st for Annual Report:** Motion by Aubry, second by McFall, to approve a deadline of May 1st for the provision of Main Street Hazel Park’s Annual Report under Section 2.52.020 beginning in 2021, following discussion. All in favor. Motion carried unanimously.

**CO-04-064-20 Motion to approve Ordinance with the addition of the word “entities” after the hyphenated word “non-profit”:** Motion by Aubry, second by LeCureaux, to approve Ordinance 02-20 with the specified changes to Section 2.52.040, following discussion. All in favor. Motion carried unanimously.

**CO-04-065-20 Motion to approve May 1st, 2021 filing deadline for all Board & Commission Annual Reports to Finance Department & City Council:** Motion by LeCureaux, second by Sullivan, to approve a May 1st filing deadline. All in favor. Motion carried unanimously.

**BOARDs & COMMISSIONs - None**

**TABLED ITEMS - None**

**NEW BUSINESS - None**

**COMMUNICATIONs FROM CITY ATTORNEY - None**

**COMMUNICATIONs FROM CITY MANAGER**

City Manager Klobucher stated that the Coronavirus is going to have a very negative impact on things like revenue sharing in the State of Michigan. Hopefully pent-up demand will result in increased consumer activity when the economy reopens; if not, tough budgetary decisions will need to be made.

**COMMUNICATIONs FROM MAYOR & COUNCIL**

Councilmember LeCureaux stated that in rebuilding I-75 bridges, the amount of earth to be moved and sewer lines to be rebuilt constitutes a gigantic undertaking. Perhaps a silver lining of COVID-19 is that it mitigates the burden of the construction on residents. City Manager Klobucher added that the I-75 construction running concurrently with the lockdowns has lessened the impact of the latter on the City of Hazel Park.

Councilmember Aubry thanked City staff, essential workers and first responders, as well as everyone who is doing their best to stay safe and stay home during this complicated and uncertain time.

Councilmember McFall thanked firefighters, police officers, and City employees for everything that they do. Additionally, he reminded everyone that the Census is still taking place and that there will be a blood drive at the Recreation Center on Monday, May 4th.
Mayor Pro Tem Sullivan echoed the gratitude for our first responders and essential workers, including City employees. She is grateful for the removal of some restrictions to help the State reopen safely and get back to work. People were encouraged to complete the Census and, if needed, to contact the Suicide Prevention Hotline at 1(800) 273-8255.

Mayor Webb reminded people about the Census, and thanked all first responders and City employees. Everyone will soon be facing a “new normal” and must work through it all together.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

CO-04-066-20 Motion to Enter Executive Session for the purposes of pending litigation regarding DJR & Hazel Park Provisioning Center. & lease of property: Motion by Sullivan, second by LeCureaux, to enter Executive Session for the purposes of pending litigation and lease of property. All in favor. Motion carried unanimously.

CO-04-067-20 Motion to approve the actions discussed in Executive Session: Motion by LeCureaux, second by Aubry, to approve the recommendations of Closed Session. All in favor. Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT – 6:59 p.m.

CO-04-068-20 Motion to Adjourn: Motion by LeCureaux, second by Aubry, to Adjourn. All in favor. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Michael Webb

James Finkley, City Clerk

(The preceding minutes are a synopsis of the City Council Meeting and do not represent a verbatim record).