

**City of Hazel Park
City Council Meeting Minutes: October 13, 2020**

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, a City of Hazel Park Regular City Council meeting was held on Tuesday, October 13th, 2020 via *Zoom* video/telephone conferencing. Mayor Webb called the meeting to order at 6:04 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 – 6:04 p.m.

ROLL CALL

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

CO-10-148-20 Motion to approve Revised Agenda: Motion by LeCureaux, second by Sullivan, to approve the Agenda. All in favor. Motion carried unanimously.

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

1. Proclamation Naming October as Breast Cancer Awareness Month

The Proclamation above was read into record by Mayor Webb.

2. Resolution #10-020-20: Oakland County Parks & Recreation Endorsement

CO-10-149-20 Motion to support Oakland County Parks & Recreation: Motion by LeCureaux, second by McFall, to approve Resolution #10-020-20: Oakland County Parks & Recreation Endorsement. All in favor. Motion carried unanimously.

1. Resolution #10-021-20: Domestic Violence Awareness Month

CO-10-150-20 Motion to approve Resolution: Motion by Sullivan, second by LeCureaux, to approve Resolution #10-021-20: Domestic Violence Awareness Month. All in favor. Motion carried unanimously.

City Manager Klobucher advised that Mayor Pro Tem Sullivan, Police Chief Brian Buchholz, City Attorney Schwartz, Fire Chief Rich Story, Judge Brian Hartwell and he participated in a meeting with representatives from HAVEN for the purpose of establishing a high-risk response team for domestic violence.

CIVIC ANNOUNCEMENTS

County Commissioner Helaine Zack advised that an ORV park has been opened in Holly, there is a "Safe for School" hotline in conjunction with the Beaumont Health System from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 a.m. at (248) 551-4242 for parents to ask health questions about their children before school. Oakland County is still offering free COVID testing by appointment only, and flu shots are also available at the Health Dept. A bipartisan County budget was passed, which includes funds for the Local Road Improvement Program, the Tri-Party Program for roads, community policing programs, the study of a new dispatch public safety training center, and remediating a contamination site in Madison Heights. Additionally, a landlord mitigation fund will be created and CARES grants are still available for nonprofits, veterans, homeowners, renters, schools and other public institutions.

Jesse Robertson advised that the Hazel Park Historical Museum will be open on Sunday, November 1st from noon to 4:00 p.m.

PUBLIC DISCUSSION

Jessica Venture spoke on behalf of candidate Sherry Wells.

Jesse Robertson spoke regarding the upcoming General election and the Mural Policy being considered by City Council.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approve City Council Meeting Minutes 9/8/2020 & 9/14/2020
2. Approve New Business License for 731 E. Nine Mile Rd. - Ink Detroit: Apparel wholesale & retail
3. Pending Business Licenses (Informational – Receive & File)
4. Invoice Approval List
5. Michigan Municipal League Membership Renewal: 2020-21
6. Mural Policy
9. Offer to Purchase Vacant Lot

CO-10-151-20 Motion to approve Consent Agenda Items #1-6 & 9: Motion by LeCureaux, second by Sullivan, to approve the Consent Agenda, following discussion. All in favor. Motion carried unanimously.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

1. Resolution #10-018-20: Adoption of Master Plan

CO-10-152-20 Motion to approve Resolution for adoption of Master Plan for the City of Hazel Park: Motion by LeCureaux, second by Aubry, to approve Resolution #10-018-20: Adoption of Master Plan. All in favor. Motion carried unanimously.

2. Amendment to Title 5, Adding Chapter 5.07 - Use of City Seal & Flag, 2nd Reading.

CO-10-153-20 Motion to approve on Second Reading the Amendment to Title 5, Adding Chapter 5.07 - Use of City Seal & Flag: Motion by McFall, second by Sullivan, to approve the Amendment to Title 5, Adding Chapter 5.07 - Use of City Seal & Flag upon 2nd Reading. All in favor. Motion carried unanimously.

3. Resolution #10-019-20: Outdoor Dining Renewal

CO-10-154-20 Motion to approve Resolution #10-019-20: Outdoor Dining Renewal: Motion by Sullivan, second by LeCureaux, to approve Resolution #10-019-20: Outdoor Dining Renewal, following discussion. All in favor. Motion carried unanimously.

4. Designated Lounges

CO-10-155-20 Motion to approve opening of Designated Consumption Lounge application process: Motion by LeCureaux, second by McFall, to open an application period for Designated Consumption Lounges between October 14th and 28th, 2020, following discussion. All in favor. Motion carried unanimously.

SHOW CAUSE HEARING

1. 23113 Cayuga Ave.

A Public Hearing was opened at 6:47 p.m. With no one wishing to speak, the Public Hearing was closed at 6:48 p.m.

CO-10-156-20 Motion to approve the recommended Motion based on the following: the structure is non-conforming and will require to be brought up to 1200 sq. ft. with a basement or 1300 sq. ft. without a basement, the current owner failed to follow the Hearing Officer's order of 1/22/20 and have this property demolished himself by 3/11/2020, and based upon the substantial repairs required to bring this property to Code and the Hearing Officer's orders, it is recommended that the structure be demolished within 30 days: Motion by LeCureaux, second by McFall, to demolish 23113 Cayuga Ave. within 30 days. All in favor. Motion carried unanimously.

BOARDS & COMMISSIONS

CO-10-157-20 Motion to appoint Victoria Upcott to the Historical Commission: Motion by Sullivan, second by LeCureaux, to appoint Victoria Upcott to the Hazel Park Historical Commission. All in favor. Motion carried unanimously.

CO-10-158-20 Motion to appoint Lillian Ristau to the Hazel Park Arts Council: Motion by Aubry, second by LeCureaux, to appoint Lillian Ristau to the Arts Council. All in favor. Motion carried unanimously.

TABLED ITEMS - None

NEW BUSINESS

1. Business License Revocation Appeal: 21502 John R Rd.

Attorney Fallon Moore spoke on behalf of the appellant, Ivy Room, LLC.

City Manager Klobucher read into record the complaints levied against the business in the revocation letter from the City dated 9/24/2020, as well as the conditions stipulated for reinstatement of the business license.

Councilmember McFall was excused from the meeting at 7:04 p.m.

A Public Comment period was opened, during which resident Lisa Chrouch-Johnson spoke before Council regarding past conduct of the patrons of the business.

In addition to discussion among Council, comments were made by City Manager Klobucher, City Attorney Schwartz, Assistant City Attorney Mason, and Chief Story.

CO-10-159-20 Motion to reinstate the business license for Ivy Room, LLC under the conditions that an in-building dumpster enclosure must be constructed with a door to the alley with all licensed permits and inspections conducted to make sure that the in-building dumpster enclosure is compatible with our Codes, this business must find and develop a shared parking arrangement for 25 additional spaces, a representative and/or manager must be on-site at all times when this facility is occupied, the business shall cease operations at 9:00 p.m., no outdoor activities whatsoever without prior approval from the City Manager's Office, occupancy has been set by the Fire Dept. and Fire Marshal at 76 persons, and a Special Inspection is to be performed: Motion by LeCureaux, second by Sullivan, to conditionally reinstate the business license for Ivy Room, LLC at 21502 John R Rd., following discussion. All in favor. Motion carried unanimously.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM DEPARTMENT HEADS

Chief Buchholz provided an update on the recent incident involving a barricaded gunman. The perpetrator was taken to Oakland County Jail and arraigned on a domestic violence charge.

Chief Story spoke regarding safe trick-or-treating practices to be used between the recommended hours of 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. on Halloween. He also reminded residents to change the batteries on their smoke detectors.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITY ATTORNEY - None

COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITY MANAGER

City Manager Klobucher advised that while an extremely contentious election is on the horizon, after it's over America is going to have to come together as a country and unite in the face of the challenges impacting us. He urged everyone to research the candidates, be discerning of all campaign information, and take the right to vote very seriously.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM MAYOR & COUNCIL

Councilmember Aubry advised that once the mural application becomes available the related fee will temporarily be waived. One of her main objectives as a Councilmember was to develop a new Master Plan, so she is very excited that it has been approved.

The owner of Ink Detroit, Steven Mansour, spoke before Council regarding his new business.

Councilmember LeCureaux stated how important tonight's Resolutions were. Additionally, when one's teenagers seem least lovable is when they may be most in need of a hug.

Mayor Pro Tem Sullivan encouraged everyone who has not already done so to complete the Census at 2020census.gov. She congratulated the new Board & Commission appointees. October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month, Breast Cancer Awareness Month, and contains Fire Safety Week, National Coming Out Day, and Halloween. The phone number for HAVEN is (877) 922-1274.

Mayor Webb advised everyone to be safe on Halloween and for businesses to be good neighbors. It is very important to exercise one's democratic rights, but also to work through our differences and be respectful of one another.

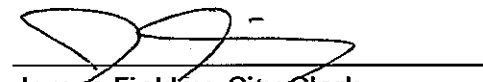
EXECUTIVE SESSION - None

ADJOURNMENT – 7:47 p.m.

CO-10-160-20 Motion to Adjourn: Motion by LeCureaux, second by Sullivan, 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).