

**City of Hazel Park  
City Council Meeting Minutes: April 14, 2020**

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, a City of Hazel Park Regular City Council meeting was held on Tuesday, April 14<sup>th</sup>, 2020 via *Zoom* video/telephone conferencing in accordance with Executive Order 2020-15. Mayor Webb called the meeting to order at 7:00 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 – 7:00 p.m.**

**ROLL CALL**

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**CO-04-050-20 Motion to Approve Agenda as Presented:** Motion by LeCureaux, second by McFall, to approve the Agenda. All in favor. Motion carried unanimously.

**PUBLIC DISCUSSION**

Madison Heights Mayor Brian Hartwell spoke before Council regarding the contaminated electroplating site on Ten Mile Rd.

**CIVIC ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM CITY COUNCIL**

City Manager advised that the City of Hazel Park is monitoring restrictions and news at other levels of government. Most City events are cancelled through the month of April, if not longer.

Mayor Webb stated that the City will get through this difficult time, which will ultimately make us stronger as a community.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

1. Approve Special City Council Meeting Minutes 3/17/2020
2. Pending Business Licenses (Informational – Receive & File)
3. Invoice Approval List
4. Issues Media Contract

**CO-04-051-20 Motion to Approve Consent Agenda with the Issue Media Contract reduced to four (4) stories:** Motion by LeCureaux, second by Sullivan, to Approve the

Consent Agenda, following discussion, with the Issue Media Contract (Item #4) reduced to four (4) stories. All in favor. Motion carried unanimously.

#### **ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS**

##### 1. Consideration of Licenses and Temporary Licenses

**CO-04-052-20 Motion to approve a Provisioning Center for Recreational Marihuana for temporary 90-day license for Helios & permanent license for Breeze:** Motion by LeCureaux, second by Aubry, to approve temporary 90-day Recreational Marihuana Provisioning Center licensure for Helios and permanent licensure for Breeze. All in favor. Motion carried unanimously.

**CO-04-053-20 Motion to approve Adult-Use licensure for 23506 John R Rd.:** Motion by LeCureaux, second by McFall, to approve Recreational Marihuana Processor licensure at 23506 John R Rd. All in favor. Motion carried unanimously.

2. 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, First Reading.

**CO-04-054-20 Motion to approve Ordinance upon First Reading:** Motion by LeCureaux, second by Sullivan, to approve the above-listed Ordinance upon First Reading, following discussion. All in favor. Motion carried unanimously.

#### **BOARDS & COMMISSIONS**

City Manager Klobucher made the following recommendations for appointments to Boards & Commissions. Mayor Webb agreed with said recommendations.

**CO-04-055-20 Motion to Reappoint Rich Robbins & Dave Martina & Appoint Rob Zograph to Planning Commission for terms ending in 2022, & Reappoint Rich Burleson & Barb Winter & Appoint Jeremiah Armstrong IV for terms ending in 2023:** Motion by Sullivan, second by McFall, to reappoint Planning Commissioners Burleson, Martina, Robbins & Winter, as well as to appoint Jeremiah Armstrong IV & Robert Zograph to said body. All in favor. Motion carried unanimously.

**CO-04-056-20 Motion to Reappoint Carl Taylor, Ron Nagy & Ken Muha to Zoning Board of Appeals, & Anja Wriedt for a one (1) year term as Alternate:** Motion by Sullivan, second by LeCureaux, to reappoint Zoning Board of Appeals members Muha, Nagy & Taylor, as well as reappoint Anja Wriedt as an Alternate. All in favor. Motion carried unanimously.

**CO-04-057-20 Motion to Appoint Planning Commission Liaison to Zoning Board of Appeals as Jake Slivatz:** Motion by LeCureaux, second by Sullivan, to appoint Jake Slivatz as the

Planning Commission liaison to the Zoning Board of Appeals. All in favor. Motion carried unanimously.

**CO-04-058-20 Motion to Reappoint Amanda Klein to Recreation Advisory Board:** Motion by LeCureaux, second by Sullivan, to reappoint Recreation Advisory Board Member Klein. All in favor. Motion carried unanimously.

**CO-04-059-20 Motion to Reappoint Daniel Cruz to the Downtown Development Authority:** Motion by Aubry, second by McFall, to reappoint Downtown Development Authority Member Cruz. All in favor. Motion carried unanimously.

#### **TABLED ITEMS - None**

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

City Manager Klobucher related information about the construction currently being done on I-75, as well as fixes to previous construction to Nine Mile Rd.

#### **COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITY ATTORNEY - None**

#### **COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITY MANAGER**

City Manager Klobucher reminded everyone that Michigan's system of municipal finance is fundamentally broken. He called upon Lansing to make substantive changes to municipal finance before a wave of bankruptcies occur in the wake of the economic shutdown resulting from COVID-19. It is important that City's are made whole for expenditures and losses incurred during this crisis. Reduced sales tax collections will negatively impact municipalities in terms of revenue sharing next year. He is hopeful that the Federal Government will remember that municipalities provide law enforcement, emergency medicine, infrastructure, water, and other basic necessities for human life.

#### **COMMUNICATIONS FROM MAYOR & COUNCIL**

Councilmember Aubry thanked City staff, including Police and Fire employees, plus everyone who is doing their best to stay safe during this pandemic. It is crucial to protect and be kind to those working to continue to provide food, as those individuals are putting themselves in danger every day.

Councilmember McFall reminded everyone who has not already done so to complete the 2020 U.S. Census. It can be completed online at [my2020census.gov](https://my2020census.gov), and is extremely important in terms of funding and political representation.

Councilmember LeCureaux thanked City staff and everyone who is working hard during these trying times, as well as those members of the public who watched the meeting.

Mayor Pro Tem Sullivan thanked City staff and echoed Councilmember Aubry's comments about food-service workers and Police and Fire employees. She appreciates people taking

care of their neighbors. Additionally, people suffering from domestic violence can reach out to 1(800)799-SAFE for help.

Mayor Webb advised people to continue to social distance and to contact health care professionals if they display possible COVID-19 symptoms. He also thanked the City staff for their work. City Manager Klobucher thanked Planning & Economic Development Director Campbell for his multifaceted and amazing performance. Finally, Mayor Webb reminded everyone that Hazel Park will get through this challenge.


**EXECUTIVE SESSION - None**

**ADJOURNMENT – 7:29 p.m.**

**CO-04-060-20 Motion to Adjourn:** Motion by LeCureaux, second by Aubry, to Adjourn. All in favor. Motion carried unanimously.



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Mayor Michael Webb



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James Finkley, City Clerk

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