

**City of Hazel Park
City Council Meeting Minutes: November 13, 2018**

A City of Hazel Park City Council meeting was held on Tuesday, November 13th, 2018 in the City Council Chambers, 111 E. Nine Mile Rd., Hazel Park. Mayor Webb called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

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

Absent: None

Also present: City Manager Klobucher, City Attorney Schwartz, Planning & Economic Development Director Campbell

CALL TO ORDER – 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

CO-11-131-18 Motion to Approve Agenda as Revised: Motion by LeCureaux, second by Aubry, to approve the Agenda as Revised. All in favor. Motion carried.

CIVIC ANNOUNCEMENTS

Recreation Director Sareen Papakhian provided an update regarding the recent "Ruck 22 March" to raise awareness of veteran suicide. 130 people participated in the event and donated non-perishable foodstuffs for charity. A "Snowflake Social" will take place at 6:00 p.m. on Thursday, December 6th, 2018 at the Recreation Center. The event is for all individuals with disabilities aged 18-26, and is hosted in partnership with Oakland County Parks & Recreation and the Jardon Vocational School.

Mayor Webb advised that the Hazel Park Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony will begin at 6:15 p.m. on Tuesday, November 20th, 2018.

Councilmember Holland let everyone know that on Thursday, November 15th the Hazel Park Historical Museum will be hosting a fundraiser event, which begins at 6:00 p.m.

City Manager Klobucher mentioned that on Tuesday, December 4th, St. Justin's Church will be holding the annual Project Blue Light event in honor of first-responders who have sacrificed their lives in the line of duty.

PUBLIC DISCUSSION

No one from the public wished to speak.

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

1. Stuart Sherman Presentation

Stuart Sherman, Board Member of the Sutar-Sutarek-Meyer Foundation, addressed Council. The Sutar-Sutarek-Meyer Foundation has recently authorized a grant to the Hazel Park Promise Zone in the amount of \$90,000, with an additional challenge grant of \$25,000. Moreover, a \$15,000 grant has been made to replace City-owned trees, which could grow up to \$90,000 depending on the level of community involvement. The Foundation also wishes to turn Scout Park into a "community destination" (similar to Booth Park in Birmingham) by way a preliminary grant of \$25,000 and preliminary project budget of \$350,000.

2. Kurtis Kitchen & Bath

Mayor Webb read into record a resolution for Kurtis Kitchen & Bath in light of their recent renovation of the Hazel Park Recreation Center kitchen. Representatives from the company were presented with the resolution.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approve City Council Meeting Minutes 10/22/2018
2. Approve Business License for 23411 John R Rd.– Central Eye Care P.C.
3. Approve Business License for 1400 E. Ten Mile Rd. – EliteBlu Delivery Services
4. Approve Business License for 1400 E. Ten Mile Rd. – Professional Delivery Service
5. Approve Business License for 510 E. Ten Mile Rd. – Zarathustra R Coin
6. Pending Business Licenses (Informational)
7. Invoice Approval List
8. Award Bid #2030 to RJ Hoffman for demolition of 134 E. Mapledale Ave.
9. Award Bid #2031 to RJ Hoffman for demolition of 1244 E. Granet Ave.
10. Renewal of METRO Act Permit for Fiber Technologies Networks, LLC
11. Sale of Vacant Land at 361 Hamata Ave.
12. Sale of Vacant Land at 49 W. Pearl Ave.
13. Sale of Vacant Land at 411 N. Felker Ave.
14. ~~Sale of Vacant Land at 305 W. Woodruff Ave.~~
15. ~~Sale of Vacant Land at 23091 Reynolds Ave.~~
16. Sale of Vacant Land at 438 E. Goulson Ave.
17. Sale of Vacant Land at 424 W. Jarvis Ave.
18. ~~Sale of Vacant Land at 36 W. Maxwell Ave.~~
19. Sale of Vacant Land at 23123 Berdeno Ave.
20. Oakland County Hazard Mitigation Plan
21. Oakland County Emergency Operations Support Plan
22. Police Body-Worn Camera Contract w/ Axon Enterprise

The owner of Professional Delivery Service, Fred Hatcher, spoke before Council regarding his new business license. Council discussed the observance of traffic laws for delivery drivers operating out of the Tri-County Commerce Center.

Chief Buchholz provided an update on the status of police-worn body-cameras. The cameras are partially funded through a MMRMA RAP Grant, and have already helped to protect officers against false allegations. City Attorney Schwartz added that her office has found great value in the body-worn camera footage.

Adam Gardin, property owner of 134 E. Mapledale Ave. and 1244 E. Granet Ave., spoke before Council regarding his wish to assess the former and personally arrange for demolition of the latter.

CO-11-132-18 Motion to Approve Consent Agenda Items #1-7, 10-13, 16-17 & 19-22, with the property owner of 134 E. Mapledale Ave. & 1244 E. Granet Ave. being given 10 days to pull relevant permits and 60 days to demolish the properties: Motion by Sullivan, second by Aubry, to approve Consent Agenda Items #1-7, 10-13, 16-17 & 19-22, with the property owner of 134 E. Mapledale Ave. & 1244 E. Granet Ave. being given 10 days to pull relevant permits and 60 days to demolish the properties. All in favor. Motion carried.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

1. PA 202 Corrective Action Plan for Retiree Healthcare and Pension System

CO-11-133-18 Motion to Approve PA 202 Corrective Action Plan for Retiree Healthcare and Pension System: Motion by LeCureaux, second by Sullivan, to Approve the PA 202 Corrective Action Plan for Retiree Healthcare and Pension System. All In Favor. Motion carried.

2. PC Case 68-18: Rezoning Request for MD to M1 or RB

CO-11-134-18 Motion to Approve PC Case 68-18: Rezoning Request for MD to M1 or RB: Motion by LeCureaux, second by Holland, to Approve Planning Commission Case 68-18: Rezoning Request for MD to M1 or RB. All In Favor. Motion carried.

- ~~3. Financial Update – Quarter ended September 30, 2018~~

PUBLIC HEARING

1. Program Year 2019 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Application

Public Hearing was opened at 7:48 p.m. Kye Campbell-Fox of HAVEN spoke before Council regarding the disbursement of the CDBG Grant. In the 2017-18 year, 61 Hazel Park residents were served by HAVEN. Public Hearing was closed at 8:01 p.m.

CO-11-135-18 Motion to Approve the Program Year 2019 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Application: Motion by LeCureaux, second by Aubry, to Approve the Program Year 2019 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Application. All In Favor. Motion carried.

SHOW CAUSE HEARING

1. 23433 Easterling

Public Hearing was opened at 8:02 p.m. No one wished to speak. Public Hearing was closed at 8:03 p.m.

CO-11-136-18 Motion to Follow Demolition Order for 23433 Easterling Ave. as Presented:
Motion by LeCureaux, second by Aubry, to Follow the Demolition Order for 23433 Easterling Ave. as presented. All In Favor. Motion carried.

BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS - None

NEW BUSINESS - None

COMMUNICATIONS FROM DEPARTMENT HEADS

Department of Public Works Superintendent Tom Jones stated that leaf pickup has begun on local streets. Residents are advised not to rake leaves into the street, as it is not allowed. The sidewalk replacement program is still underway, although no new sidewalk work will begin due to the cold temperatures. The new garbage cans are available for purchase through the DPW, with approximately 32 having been sold so far. A formal complaint will be lodged with SOCRRA regarding GFL's performance with trash collection.

Chief Buchholz advised that it is important to drive safely in inclement weather; distracted driving is unacceptable in such conditions. Additionally, residents should refrain from leaving running vehicles unlocked and unattended. Thanks were expressed for all of the Ruck 22 March volunteers and Reserve Police Officers.

Chief Story mentioned that the Fire Department will be ready to transport Santa to the Hazel Park Ice Arena for the Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony at 6:15 p.m. on Tuesday, November 20th. Additionally, unattended stoves are a major cause of fires this time of year.

Water Department Superintendent Tim Young let residents know it is a good time to properly winterize homes. Residential water lines are subject to freezing, including spigots, crawlspace pipes, and plumbing attached to exterior walls.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITY ATTORNEY - None

COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITY MANAGER

City Manager Klobucher made tribute to the late comic-book icon Stan Lee. Furthermore, Michigan's system of municipal finance is fundamentally broken.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM MAYOR AND COUNCIL

Councilmember Sullivan wished a happy belated Veteran's Day to all veterans. Veterans should be remembered, especially during the holiday season. In the same vein, people should not forget about the needs of their neighbors.

Councilmember Holland thanked Mr. Sherman and the Sutar-Sutarek-Meyer Foundation for their continued investment in Hazel Park. She recently visited Color & Ink Studio and was thoroughly impressed with the artwork on display. Additionally, she thanked Tom Jones for the relocation of "Signs of the Times" to the Hazel Park Historical Museum. The Historical Museum is also home to a piece called "Hope," which doubles as a fundraiser for afterschool programs. In light of the upcoming Project Blue Light service on December 4th, her condolences went out the St. Clair Shores Police Dept. for the loss of their K-9 unit named Axe. Councilmember Holland congratulated the winning Hazel Park School Board candidates on their re-election.

Councilmember LeCureaux thanked the Sutar-Sutarek-Meyer Foundation, Mr. Sherman and Kurtis Kitchen & Bath for their contributions to Hazel Park. He hopes to see everyone at the upcoming Tree Lighting Ceremony.

Mayor Pro Tem Aubry wished everyone a happy Thanksgiving. The Hazel Park Nature Initiative hosted its second event at the Hazel Park District Library on Tuesday, November 13th to shed light on plants and people native to Michigan. She hopes that the City of Hazel Park can support HAVEN in the future, and pledged to personally do so herself.

Mayor Webb wished all a happy Thanksgiving. He is highly encouraged about the more than \$350,000 being injected into Scout Park by the Sutar-Sutarek-Meyer Foundation. Together with the new businesses coming into the City, he believes that it is time to get excited about the future and take advantage of what we have.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – None

ADJOURNMENT – 8:27 p.m.

CO-11-137-18 Motion to Adjourn: Motion by LeCureaux, second by Sullivan, to Adjourn. All in favor. Motion carried.



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).