

**City of Hazel Park
City Council Meeting Minutes: August 10, 2021**

A City of Hazel Park Regular City Council meeting was held on Tuesday, August 10th, 2021 in Council Chambers, 111 E. Nine Mile Rd., Hazel Park, MI 48030. Mayor Webb called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

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

Absent: None

Also present: City Manager Klobucher, City Attorney Schwartz

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

CO-08-100-21 Motion for approval of Agenda: Motion by Londo, second by LeCureaux, to approve the Agenda. All in favor. Motion carried unanimously.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

CO-08-101-21 Motion to go into Executive Session to discuss Brikho v. Hazel Park, Corsini v. Hazel Park, Ivy Room v. Hazel Park, Beiss v. Wittenberg & contract negotiations: Motion by McFall, second by Londo, to enter Closed Session for the purposes of pending litigation and collective bargaining. All in favor. Motion carried unanimously.

The open meeting reconvened at 7:13 p.m.

CO-08-102-21 Motion to resume City Council Meeting from Executive Session: Motion by Londo, second by Sullivan, to reconvene the open meeting. All in favor. Motion carried unanimously.

CO-08-103-21 Motion to adopt discussion and recommendations presented during Executive Session: Motion by Londo, second by LeCureaux, to adopt the discussion and recommendations from Closed Session. All in favor. Motion carried unanimously.

CIVIC ANNOUNCEMENTS

County Commissioner Charlie Cavell warned of the local rise of the Delta variant of COVID. In addition to allocating American Rescue Plan funding, Oakland County has passed a landlord risk mitigation fund and will be implementing body-worn cameras in the Sheriff's Office. City Manager Klobucher recommended using County funds to address the difference between entitlement and non-entitlement communities as distinguished under the American Rescue Plan.

Councilmember Sullivan advised that the Hazel Park Art Fair will be held on August 28th & 29th and is currently seeking volunteers. New entertainers will debut this year in addition to many great artists and musical performers.

Councilmember McFall advised that the inaugural Hazel Park Pride Celebration, which will feature entertainers, food, vendors, drag-bingo, etc. The event will run from noon to 7:00 p.m. on August 15th.

PUBLIC DISCUSSION

No one wished to speak.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approve City Council Meeting Minutes 7/13/2021 & 7/28/2021
2. Hazel Park Historical Commission Minutes 6/17/2021 (receive & file)
3. Approve Business License for 20937 John R Rd.: Strive Empowerment Center – consulting and entrepreneurship workshop
4. Approve Business License for 24112 John R Rd.: Gameday Detroit – wholesale and retail business
5. Approve Business License for 1408 E. Nine Mile Rd.: Logan’s Lawn Care, LLC
6. Approve Business License for 21107 John R Rd.: HP 1.0 LLC: executive office
7. Pending Business Licenses (Informational)
8. Invoice Approval List
9. Approve Purchase of BS&A Building Online Services
10. Approve Lease of 2022 Ford F-450 Chassis
11. Approve Lease of 2022 Utility Vehicle
12. Approve Inspection Policy
13. Approve Business License for 24040 Vance Ave.: Bimbo Bakeries USA Inc.

CO-08-104-21 Motion to approve Consent Agenda Items #1-13: Motion by Londo, second by McFall, to approve the Consent Agenda, following discussion. All in favor. Motion carried unanimously.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

1. Approve Amendment to Ordinance Title 2, Environmental Sustainability Commission, Chapter 2.51, upon 2nd Reading, and associated Bylaws.

CO-08-105-21 Motion to approve Environmental Sustainability Commission, Chapter 2.51: Motion by LeCureaux, second by Sullivan, to approve the enabling Ordinance for the Environmental Sustainability Commission upon 2nd reading, following discussion. All in favor. Motion carried unanimously.

2. Approve Amendment to Ordinance to Title 5, Business Licenses and Regulation, Chapter 5.04, Commercial Marihuana Facilities, Section 5.04.050, Entitled Application and Fee Requirements, 2nd Reading.

CO-08-106-21 Motion to approve Amendment to Ordinance Title 5, Business Licenses & Regulations, Chapter 5.04, Commercial Marihuana Facilities, Section 5.04.050, Entitled Application & Fee Requirements upon 2nd Reading: Motion by Londo, second by LeCureaux, to approve the amendment to Ordinance Title 5, Commercial Marihuana Facilities, upon 2nd reading. All in favor. Motion carried unanimously.

3. Planning Commission Case 21-03: Rezoning Request

CO-08-107-21 Motion to approve Planning Commission Case 21-03, Rezoning Request: Motion by McFall, second by Londo, to approve Planning Commission Case 21-03. All in favor. Motion carried unanimously.

4. Planning Commission Case 21-04: Text Amendment

CO-08-108-21 Motion to approve Text Amendment to add Section 17.54.040, Special Land Uses, to P-1 Parking District: Motion by LeCureaux, second by Londo, to approve Planning Commission Case 21-04. All in favor. Motion carried unanimously.

5. Res. #08-017-21: Support of the South Oakland Area Regional Chamber of Commerce

South Oakland Area Regional (SOAR) Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Joy Wells and Planning & Economic Development Director Jeff Campbell spoke before Council. Resolution #08-017-21 was then read into record by Councilmember McFall.

CO-08-109-21 Motion to approve Resolution # 08-017-21 in support of the South Oakland Area Regional Chamber of Commerce - Whereas, the South Oakland Area Regional Chamber of Commerce ("SOAR") reformed in 2020; whereas, SOAR's mission is to provide economic development, community and professional resources to help local and regional businesses succeed; whereas, SOAR's goal is to be the essential hub for regional economic and community development; whereas, SOAR's stated values are partnership & collaboration, connection, diversity, equity & inclusion, and service; whereas, SOAR promotes business networking, advocates for businesses, engages in economic development, provides volunteer opportunities and other community support, and shall serve as a resource center for businesses in SOAR; whereas, SOAR currently serves the communities of Hazel Park, Ferndale and Oak Park; whereas Hazel Park local officials and business leaders serve on the Chamber Board of Directors, along with representatives from the other communities and Oakland County; whereas, the City of Hazel Park recognizes the value of SOAR to the City of Hazel Park and its business community; and now therefore be it resolved that the City of Hazel Park will actively become a paying member of SOAR, paying SOAR dues in the amount of \$4,000 for the 2021 fiscal year, advance the benefits, values, assistance, and regional approach of SOAR to Hazel Park businesses and other businesses across the region, engage with SOAR to collaborate on community events and functions throughout the year, and continue to have representation on SOAR's Board of Directors and various committees: Motion by McFall, second by Londo, to approve Resolution #08-017-21, following discussion. All in favor. Motion carried unanimously.

BOARDS & COMMISSIONS – None**TABLED ITEMS – None****NEW BUSINESS – None****COMMUNICATIONS FROM DEPARTMENT HEADS**

Water Dept. Superintendent Tim Young advised that information regarding the FY 2021-22 water rate will soon be publicized. Additionally, a water project will necessitate the temporary closure of Nine Mile Rd. near Hughes Ave. on August 14th. He thanked City Council for the new Water Dept. vehicles, which provide a great morale boost.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITY ATTORNEY – None**COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITY MANAGER**

City Manager Klobucher stated that Michigan's system of municipal finance remains fundamentally broken.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM MAYOR & COUNCIL

Councilmember Sullivan wished her parents a happy anniversary, thanked the various department heads, and stated how she is proud of the City for its consistent and successful resource management. She thanked Commissioner Cavell for the source-of-income assistance program and expressed hope for better access to housing in Hazel Park. The family-friendly Art Fair is August 28th & 29th. Lastly, she encouraged people to get vaccinated against COVID, wash their hands, and wear masks.

Councilmember McFall thanked City employees for all that they do and reminded everyone of the Pride event on August 15th in Green Acres Park.

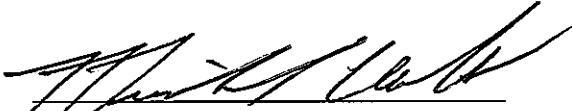
Councilmember Londo referenced the upcoming Pride and Art Fair events. He reiterated his support for the SOAR Chamber of Commerce and expressed how Hazel Park is lucky to have Councilmember McFall and local businessperson Nowfal Akash on the Board of Directors.

Mayor Pro Tem LeCureaux advised of the Hazel Park Casual Bike Club, which meets behind Hazel Park High School on Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m. Drivers should watch out for bicyclists, especially at night. He is excited that festivals such as the Pride event and Art Fair have returned.


Mayor Webb thanked residents for remaining upbeat throughout the COVID pandemic. He thanked the City Administration and staff for doing a good job and always making sacrifices. Motorized scooter drivers were reminded that they must obey stop signs.

ADJOURNMENT – 7:45 p.m.

CO-08-110-21 Motion to Adjourn: Motion by LeCureaux, second by McFall, 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).