

CITY OF MUSKEGON

CITY COMMISSION MEETING

AUGUST 28, 2012

CITY COMMISSION CHAMBERS @ 5:30 P.M.

MINUTES

The Regular Commission Meeting of the City of Muskegon was held at City Hall, 933 Terrace Street, Muskegon, MI at 5:30 p.m., Tuesday, August 28, 2012.

Mayor Gawron opened the meeting with a prayer from Vice Mayor Spataro after which the Commission and public recited the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

ROLL CALL FOR THE REGULAR COMMISSION MEETING:

Present: Mayor Stephen Gawron, Vice Mayor Lawrence Spataro, Commissioners Willie German, Sue Wierengo, Byron Turnquist, Lea Markowski, and Eric Hood, City Manager Bryon Mazade, City Attorney John Schrier, and City Clerk Ann Marie Cummings.

2012-65 CONSENT AGENDA:

A. Approval of Minutes. CITY CLERK

SUMMARY OF REQUEST: To approve minutes of the August 13th Commission Worksession Meeting and the August 14th City Commission Meeting.

FINANCIAL IMPACT: None.

BUDGET ACTION REQUIRED: None.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Approval of the minutes.

B. Watermain Purchase. PUBLIC WORKS

SUMMARY OF REQUEST: Authorize staff to purchase 8 inch watermain and appurtenances from ETNA Supply. The watermain will be used to upgrade 718 feet of 6 inch watermain on Vulcan Street between Laketon and Larch using in-house work force and equipment. Street repairs will be contracted out to Asphalt Paving, Inc.

FINANCIAL IMPACT: Total cost \$32,417.86.

BUDGET ACTION REQUIRED: None, included in 2012/2013 Budget.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Approve purchase from ETNA Supply and Asphalt Paving, Inc.

C. Purchase of 2221 Surfwood Drive. COMMUNITY & NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICES

SUMMARY OF REQUEST: To approve the purchase of 2221 Surfwood Drive, Muskegon, MI 49441 (CITY OF MUSKEGON REVISED PLAT OF 1903 BLK 707 ELY 14 FT LOT 26 & ALL LOT 27) from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development for a bid price of up to \$42,000.

After 2221 Surfwood is obtained, the City will renovate the property as a part of its HOME funded Homebuyers Program.

FINANCIAL IMPACT: The funding used for the purchase has been identified in our 2012 HOME budget and the rehabilitation will be completed through our 2013 HOME entitlement.

BUDGET ACTION REQUIRED: None.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: To approve the request to purchase the property.

D. Liquor License Transfer Request for Downtown Muskegon, Inc., 1157 Third Street. CITY CLERK

SUMMARY OF REQUEST: The Liquor Control Commission is seeking local recommendation on a request from Agid, LLC to transfer ownership of the SDD/SDM license with Sunday Sales Permits located at 1157 Third Street from Downtown Muskegon, Inc.

FINANCIAL IMPACT: None.

BUDGET ACTION REQUIRED: None.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: All departments are recommending approval.

E. Liquor License Transfer Request for Frontier Liquor Shoppe, 631 W. Southern. CITY CLERK

SUMMARY OF REQUEST: The Liquor Control Commission is seeking local recommendation on a request from S & M Khamro, LLC to transfer ownership of the SDD/SDM license with Sunday Sales Permits located at 631 W. Southern from S & R Kado, LLC.

FINANCIAL IMPACT: None.

BUDGET ACTION REQUIRED: None.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: All departments are recommending approval.

Motion by Commissioner Turnquist, second by Commissioner Wierengo to accept the Consent Agenda as presented.

ROLL VOTE: Ayes: Wierengo, Turnquist, Markwoski, Gawron, Hood, Spataro, and German

Nays: None

MOTION PASSES

2012-66 NEW BUSINESS:

A. “Development and Reimbursement Agreement” Between the City of Muskegon Brownfield Redevelopment Authority (BRA) and Parkland Muskegon LLC (Jon Rooks). PLANNING & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

SUMMARY OF REQUEST: Jon Rooks has modified his plans for the High Point Flats project to include market-rate apartment units, which are more marketable in the current economy. Both Mr. Rooks and the City staff have been coordinating with the Michigan Economic Development Corporation (MEDC) to assist in additional funding for the project to enable construction to begin this year. The MEDC has agreed to provide loan funding to the project. There is a requirement that the local municipality also participate in the project. The local participation is proposed to be granting future BRA Tax Increment Finance (TIF) capture for the High Point Flats property to Mr. Rooks. With approvals from the City and the MEDC, the project is expected to begin within 30-90 days.

FINANCIAL IMPACT: Future BRA TIF capture will be directed to Mr. Rooks for reimbursement of loans he is securing for redevelopment of the property.

BUDGET ACTION REQUIRED: None.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: To endorse the approval by the BRA for the “Development and Reimbursement Agreement” between the City of Muskegon BRA and Parkland Muskegon, LLC.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: The BRA will be meeting on August 27, 2012, to review the “Agreement”.

Motion by Vice Mayor Spataro, second by Commissioner Wierengo to endorse the Brownfield Redevelopment Authority’s recommendation and adopt the “Development and Reimbursement Agreement” between the City of Muskegon BRA and Parkland Muskegon, LLC.

ROLL VOTE: Ayes: Turnquist, Markowski, Gawron, Hood, Spataro, German, and Wierengo

Nays: None

MOTION PASSES

B. Designation of Voting Delegates for the Michigan Municipal League Annual Business Meeting. CITY CLERK

SUMMARY OF REQUEST: To designate by action of the Commission, one of our officials who will be in attendance at the Convention as an official representative to cast the vote of the municipality at the annual meeting; and, if possible, to designate one other official to serve as alternate.

FINANCIAL IMPACT: None.

BUDGET ACTION REQUIRED: None.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Approval.

Motion by Vice Mayor Spataro, second by Commissioner Wierengo to appoint the City Clerk as the voting delegate for the Michigan Municipal League Annual Business Meeting.

ROLL VOTE: Ayes: Markowski, Gawron, Hood, Spataro, German, Wierengo, and Turnquist

Nays: None

MOTION PASSES

ANY OTHER BUSINESS: Vice Mayor Spataro commented on the County wanting to use McLaughlin School as a Juvenile Detention Center and that he is against this. Mayor Gawron also spoke against it.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: Public comments received.

ADJOURNMENT: The City Commission Meeting adjourned at 6:11 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Marie Cummings, MMC
City Clerk