

REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF LANSING, MICHIGAN
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 10TH FLOOR
LANSING CITY HALL
124 W. MICHIGAN AVENUE



AGENDA FOR SEPTEMBER 15, 2008

TO THE HON. MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL:

The following items were listed on the agenda in the City Clerk's Office by 4:00 p.m. on Thursday, September 11, 2008, in accordance with Section 3-103(2) of the City Charter and will be ready for your consideration at the regular meeting of the City Council on Monday, September 15, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. at the Council Chambers, 10th Floor, City Hall.

- I. ROLL CALL
- II. MEDITATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- III. READING AND APPROVAL OF PRINTED COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS
Approval of the Printed Council Proceedings of September 8, 2008
- IV. CONSIDERATION OF LATE ITEMS (Suspension of Council Rule # 11 is needed to allow consideration of late items. Late items will be considered as part of the regular portion of the meeting to which they relate.)
- V. TABLED ITEMS (Tabled items will be considered as part of the regular portion of the meeting to which they relate.)
 1. BY THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
 - a. Authorizing Litigation Against the Mayor to Compel the Opening of Waverly and Red Cedar golf courses
- VI. SPECIAL CEREMONIES
 1. Tribute; Recognizing Eagle Scout Arantes Salinas for his accomplishments
 2. Presentation; Recognizing September 21, 2008 as International Peace Day
- VII. COUNCILMEMBERS' COMMENTS AND CITY CLERK'S ANNOUNCEMENTS
- VIII. SPEAKER REGISTRATION FOR PUBLIC COMMENT
- IX. MAYOR'S COMMENTS

- X. SHOW CAUSE HEARINGS (Only persons who have received notice from the City as an interested party or the interested party's agent with written permission may speak for up to a total of 3 minutes. Speakers must sign up on green form.)
 - A. SCHEDULED SHOW CAUSE HEARINGS
 - 1. In consideration of the issuance of orders for Make Safe or Demolish to the owners of property located at 209 W. Willow St.
 - 2. In consideration of the issuance of orders for Make Safe or Demolish to the owners of property located at 3126 Felt St.
- XI. PUBLIC COMMENT ON LEGISLATIVE MATTERS (Legislative matters consist of the following items on the agenda: public hearings, resolutions, ordinances for introduction, and ordinances for passage. The public may comment for up to three minutes. Speakers must sign up on white form.)
 - A. SCHEDULED PUBLIC HEARINGS
 - 1. In consideration of the Transfer of Industrial Facilities Tax Exemption Certificate from Tropic Ice Partners LLC to Arctic Glacier Lansing, Inc. for property located at 5635 Commerce St.
- XII. PUBLIC COMMENT ON CITY GOVERNMENT RELATED MATTERS (City government related matters are issues or topics relevant to the operation or governance of the city. The public may comment for up to three minutes. Speakers must sign up on yellow form.)
- XIII. COUNCIL CONSIDERATION OF LEGISLATIVE MATTERS
 - A. REFERRAL OF PUBLIC HEARINGS
 - B. RESOLUTIONS FOR ACTION
 - 1. BY COUNCILMEMBER SANDY ALLEN
 - a. Setting a Show Cause Hearing for October 6, 2008 in consideration of the issuance of orders for Make Safe or Demolish to the owners of property located at 520 W. Kilborn St.
 - 2. BY COUNCILMEMBERS BRIAN JEFFRIES AND DERRICK QUINNEY
 - a. Tribute; Recognizing Eagle Scout Arantes Salinas for his accomplishments

3. BY THE COMMITTEE ON DEVELOPMENT AND PLANNING
 - a. Setting a Public Hearing for September 29, 2008 in consideration of an Obsolete Property Rehabilitation Act (OPRA) District filed by Smart Office Systems for property located at 2101 W. Willow St.
 - b. New Renaissance Subzone, Ottawa Power Substation Redevelopment Project
4. BY THE COMMITTEE ON GENERAL SERVICES
 - a. Recognition of Non-Profit status in the City of Lansing to Lansing Area AIDS Network located at 913 W. Holmes Rd.
 - b. Appropriation of Community Funding to 2nd Annual Back-N-The-Day Picnic Committee and Westside Neighborhood Association for their Picnic to be held September 20, 2008
 - c. Claim Denial; Jamie Jansz for property located at 1239 Dakin St.
 - d. Claim Denial; Robert Plesscher for property located at 1721 Mary Ave.
5. BY THE COMMITTEE ON PERSONNEL
 - a. Appointment of Jason Gabriel to the position of City TV Videographer
6. BY THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
 - a. Extension of the 30 day moratorium on consideration of cell tower applications through November 30, 2008
- C. REPORTS FROM COUNCIL COMMITTEES
- D. ORDINANCES FOR INTRODUCTION and Setting of Public Hearings
- E. ORDINANCES FOR PASSAGE
- F. REPORTS OF CITY OFFICERS, BOARDS, AND COMMISSIONS; COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS; AND OTHER CITY RELATED MATTERS **(Motion that all items be considered as being read in full and that the proper referrals be made by President Jeffries)**

1. REPORTS FROM CITY OFFICERS, BOARDS, AND COMMISSIONS

a. Letters from the City Clerk:

- i. Submitting a request from Germaine Redding to Transfer Ownership of Escrowed 2008 Class C Licensed Business, with Dance-Entertainment Permit, Located at 6810 S Cedar St., from Lansing Marc, LLC to A Peace Of Mind Elite Club, LLC
- ii. Submitting an Application for a Peddler and Transient Merchants License filed by Rebecca Kamara of 715 North Pine St., to sell hot dogs at various locations in the City of Lansing
- iii. Providing notice to Pawn Central of the Denial of a request for a Secondhand Dealer's license in the City of Lansing by the Lansing Police Department
- iv. Submitting Minutes of Boards and Authorities placed on file in the City Clerk's Office

b. Letters from the Mayor re:

- i. ACT-13-08; Grand Woods Park Drainage Easement
- ii. Z-8-2008; Planning Board Recommendations regarding a request filed by Sycamore Street Partners, LLC to rezone the property bounded by Ionia St. to the north, Ottawa St. to the south, Butler Blvd. to the west and Sycamore St. to the east, with the exception of the properties at 217 N. Sycamore St., the north 66 feet of the south 132 feet of 227 N. Sycamore St., 727 & 733 W. Ionia St. and 732 W. Ottawa St., from "C" Residential, "DM-3" Residential and "D-1" Professional Office Districts to "DM-1" Residential district to accommodate a multi-unit, residential condominium development that would have a density of approximately 15 units per acre, and to rezone the 173.84' x 132.44' property located at the northwest corner of W. Ottawa St. and N. Sycamore St. from "DM-3" Residential and "D-1" Professional Office district to "F-1" Commercial district to accommodate a mixed use (office, commercial and possibly residential,) building with associated site improvements

2. COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS, AND OTHER CITY RELATED MATTERS

- a. Contract between the State of Michigan Department of Transportation and the City of Lansing for upgrading sidewalk ramps to Americans with Disabilities Act standards at various locations along eastbound and westbound Highway M-43 and I-69BL (Saginaw Street, Oakland Street, and Grand River Avenue) between the west city limits and Coolidge Road in conjunction with resurfacing work; together with necessary related work, located within the corporate limits of the city
- b. Letters from the State of Michigan Department of Treasury providing notice of New Personal Property Tax Exemptions to:
 - i. Spartan Internet Consulting Corporation located at 1030 S. Holmes St.
 - ii. XG Sciences, Inc. located at 2100 S. Washington Ave.
- c. Letter from Waverly Community Schools submitting its 2008 Tax Levy and Millage Reduction Fraction Computation
- d. Letter from Timothy Adams, Treasurer of Lansing Sesquicentennial Foundation submitting its monthly report of expenditures for August 2008
- e. Affidavits of Disclosure filed by Lansing Police Department Employees:
 - i. Dustin Belill
 - ii. Angela Fairchild
 - iii. Cedric Ford
 - iv. Daniel Abercrombie
 - v. Anthony Beatty
 - vi. Scott Ellis
 - vii. Raymond Hall
 - viii. Tami Welt
- f. Petitions containing forty-eight (48) signatures demanding that the Mayor open and operate Waverly and Red Cedar Golf Courses as City golf Courses

- g. Petitions containing fourteen (14) signatures in support of SLU-1-2008; a request filed by Kenneth Settimo to utilize the vacant property at the northwest corner of Hillsdale St. and River St. for a private recreational use, along with letters in support from:
 - Patrick Barron of 345 E. St. Joseph St
 - Paula Smith of 529 Cherry St.
 - Judi Morella of 700 River St.
 - Penelope Godfrey McNitt of 609 Cherry St.
- h. Letters requesting street repairs to Goesbeck Blvd. and N. Fairview Ave. submitted by:
 - i. Margaret Costigan of 2111 Groesbeck Ave.
 - ii. Christopher Costigan of 2111 Groesbeck Ave.

XIV. MOTION OF EXCUSED ABSENCE

XV. REMARKS BY COUNCILMEMBERS

XVI. REMARKS BY THE MAYOR OR EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT

XVII. ADJOURNMENT

CHRIS SWOPE, CITY CLERK

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