



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 APRIL 13, 2009

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 Wednesday, April 8, 2009, 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, April 13, 2009 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 March 30, April 6 and April 8, 2009
- 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, if removed from the table, 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; Tri-County Awareness Committee and Kickoff to Alcohol Awareness Month
- VII. COUNCILMEMBERS' COMMENTS AND CITY CLERK'S ANNOUNCEMENTS
- VIII. SPEAKER REGISTRATION FOR PUBLIC COMMENT
- IX. MAYOR'S COMMENTS
- X. SHOW CAUSE HEARINGS

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 SLU-4-2008; 5405 S. Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd., Construction of a cell phone tower in an "A" Residential District
2. In consideration of the proposed Consolidated Strategy and Plan Annual Action Plan Submission to HUD for FY 2009-2010
3. In consideration of Z-10-2008; a request filed by Harilaos and Stella Sorovigas to rezone the property located at 527 W. Hillsdale St. and the vacant property to its east from "DM-4" Residential District to "D-1" Professional Office District to utilize the building at this location for a law office and title insurance company
4. In consideration of an Ordinance of the City of Lansing to Amend Chapter 1442, Section 1442.24 of the Lansing Codified Ordinances by modifying the regulations for signs in the Capitol Center District
5. In consideration of an Ordinance of the City of Lansing to Amend Chapter 1442, Section 1442.02, of the Lansing Codified Ordinances by modifying adding and deleting certain definitions for signs

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 ROBINSON
 - a. Establishing an increase in the multiplier for Defined Benefit Retirement System for City Council Staff hired after October 29, 1990
2. BY COUNCILMEMBER WOOD
 - a. Tribute; Tri-County Awareness Committee and Kickoff to Alcohol Awareness Month

- b. Tribute; Verna Holley, Recipient of the 2009 Sojourner Truth Award at the National Association of Negro Business & Professional Women's 27th Annual Founders' Day Awards Ceremony
 - c. Tribute; Derrick Quinney, Recipient of the 2009 Frederick Douglass Award at the National Association of Negro Business & Professional Women's 27th Annual Founders' Day Awards Ceremony
 - d. Tribute; Leola Taylor, Recipient of the 2009 Community Service Award at the National Association of Negro Business & Professional Women's 27th Annual Founders' Day Awards Ceremony
 - e. Tribute; Edwin Thompson, Recipient of the 2009 Business Excellence Award at the National Association of Negro Business & Professional Women's 27th Annual Founders' Day Awards Ceremony
 - f. Tribute; Sharon Zipporah Champion, Recipient of the 2009 Youth on the Move Award at the National Association of Negro Business & Professional Women's 27th Annual Founders' Day Awards Ceremony
 - g. Tribute, Chelsea D. Carroll, Recipient of the 2009 Youth on the Move Award at the National Association of Negro Business & Professional Women's 27th Annual Founders' Day Awards Ceremony
3. BY THE COMMITTEE ON DEVELOPMENT AND PLANNING
- a. Setting a Public Hearing for April 27, 2009 in consideration of an Application for Industrial Facilities Tax Exemption Certificate submitted by Bharat Forge America, Inc. for property located at 2807 S. Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd.
4. BY THE COMMITTEE ON GENERAL SERVICES
- a. Recognition of Non-Profit Status in the City of Lansing to Gardner Music Boosters located at 333 Dahlia Dr.
- 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 Quinney)**

1. REPORTS FROM CITY OFFICERS, BOARDS, AND COMMISSIONS

a. Letters from the City Clerk:

- i. Submitting an Application for a license to Sell or Offer to Sell Retail Fireworks filed by B. J. Alan on behalf of K-Mart #4382 located at 5400 S. Cedar St.
- ii. Submitting a request from The Chrome Cat, LLC to Transfer Ownership of a 2008 Class C Licensed Business with Dance-Entertainment Permit, located at 226 E. Grand River Ave., from Thatzit, Inc., to The Chrome Cat, LLC

2. COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS, AND OTHER CITY RELATED MATTERS

- a. Letter from the State of Michigan Department of Environmental Quality providing Public Notice of the City of Lansing's application for a permit to cover an exposed Central Interceptor sanitary sewer pipe with fill and riprap and replace an existing storm water outfall on the Grand River as part of the overall combined sewer separation project and for the purpose of protecting the sewer pipeline and stream bank restoration along 770 feet of shoreline on the Grand River. Approximately 244 cubic yards of material will be excavated, 1,300 cubic yards of riprap and 1,800 cubic yards of backfill will be placed along a 25-foot wide ribbon of stream bank beginning at Walnut Street and extending 770 feet downstream adjacent to the Consumers Power property. Live willow stakes will also be planted for additional bank stabilization. An existing 10-inch diameter outfall at the end of Chestnut Street will be replaced with a 12-inch in diameter outfall and riprap.
- b. Letter from the State of Michigan Liquor Control Commission providing 15-Day Notice of AHR Ventures, Inc. request to Transfer Ownership of Escrowed 2008 SDD License only from Rite Aid of Michigan, Inc.; Transfer Location from 3825 W. Jolly Rd. to 3333 Martin Luther King. Jr. Blvd, to be held in conjunction with proposed new SDM License
- c. Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) requests from John Pollard of 1718 Blair St. Regarding:

- i. The City owned Cadillac driven by Mayor Bernero
 - ii. Travel related expenses incurred by Mayor Bernero and his staff on trips to Washington, DC
- d. Letters in support of the sale of the North Capitol Parking Ramp submitted by:
 - i. William Petry of 1416 N. Genesee Dr.
 - ii. Nancy Parsons Mahlow, no address given

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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