



**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF
THE CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF LANSING
PROCEEDINGS OF FEBRUARY 18, 2008**

City Council Chambers
Lansing, Michigan

The City Council of the City of Lansing met in regular session and was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Jeffries.

PRESENT: Councilmembers Dunbar, Hewitt, Jeffries, Kaltenbach, Quinney, Robinson, Wood

ABSENT: Councilmember Allen

The Council observed a moment of Meditation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by President Jeffries

APPROVAL OF PRINTED COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

By Councilmember Quinney

To approve the printed Council Proceedings of February 11, 2008

Motion carried

**COUNCILMEMBERS' COMMENTS
AND CITY CLERK'S ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Councilmember Wood reminded everyone of the upcoming Bea Christy Award Dinner.

Councilmember Robinson announced the Churchill Downs Community Association meeting, the Colonial Village Neighborhood Association meeting and Lewton-Rich Neighborhood Association meeting.

Councilmember Quinney spoke about UAW Local 652's upcoming 13th Annual Black History Program.

Councilmember Dunbar announced Allen Neighborhood Center's I Love My Neighborhood Fair and the Grand River Connection event. She also spoke about Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds available for free home repair for code related issues.

Councilmember Hewitt announced the Foster Neighborhood Association meeting.

Council President Jeffries stated that matters relating to the Lansing Boat Club would be taken up at the Committee of the Whole meeting next week, not this week.

SPEAKER REGISTRATION FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

Clerk Swope announced that the public comment registration form(s) for those intending to address Council on legislative or City government matters will be collected and that only those persons who have fully completed the form(s) will be permitted to speak.

MAYOR'S COMMENTS

Mayor Bernero spoke extensively about the Administration's position regarding the Lansing Boat Club. He stated that shortly after taking office as mayor, he announced a new initiative called Grand Vision. The goal of Grand Vision is to correct one of the most significant errors in the historic planning and development of Lansing – the fact that we turned

our back on one of our greatest assets: the Grand River. For years, the Lansing Boat Club has occupied this public riverfront through a series of temporary leases with the City of Lansing. And for years, the Lansing Boat Club has passed down memberships and docking rights to subsequent generations. He said that although this is public park property, this is a private membership club. And while we all own this parkland, only a few of us are allowed to own a docking slip. He stated that when he took office, he issued a challenge to each of us—that by working together, we could take Lansing from good to great. He issued that same challenge for Grand River Park. Rather than a small, private club that benefits the few at the expense of the many, He envisioned a truly public, truly first-class marina for the good of all.

President Jeffries recessed the Council Meeting 7:16 p.m. due to an emergency alarm in CityHall.89

President Jeffries called the Council back to order at 7:27 p.m. Councilmember Quinney left the meeting at 7:27 p.m.

Mayor Bernero continued with his comments by stating that Grand River Park was a gift to the City of Lansing by the legendary automobile pioneer R. E. Olds. Contrary to the claims made by some, he did not donate the land to the Lansing Boat Club for use as a private club. It was a gift to the City of Lansing for use as a public park. He spoke about the reasons for the lease proposed for the Lansing Boat Club and the terms of the lease. A one-year lease allows the Boat Club to remain in their current location with their current facilities and it allows the City to move forward with our plans to enhance the recreational facilities at Grand River Park for the benefit of the owners of that park – the people of Lansing. He stated that like every Lansing resident who has occasion to drive on our roads, he is extremely frustrated by the rising number of potholes on our city streets. He said that fixing potholes in the winter time is also a frustrating business. The material used is called "cold patch". It is an asphalt-based material that can be used in cold weather, but it does not have anywhere near the durability or permanence of a "hot" asphalt patch. Hot asphalt can only be used when the temperature reaches 40 degrees or more. He mentioned that this past weekend our Department of Human Relations and Community Services, in conjunction with the American Red Cross Food Distribution Program, held our first ever Mobile Food Pantry. He spoke about a referral on tonight's agenda from his office about an exciting new plan to redevelop the Cedar Street School in Old Town, which has been vacant for nearly two decades. He also spoke about a referral from his office regarding the Act 285 review for the acquisition of the Center for the Arts property at 425 S. Grand in downtown Lansing.

SHOW CAUSE HEARINGS

- Comment on Scheduled Show Cause Hearings:

There were no Show Cause Hearings

**PUBLIC COMMENT
ON LEGISLATIVE MATTERS**

- Public Comment on Legislative Matters:

Legislative Matters included the following public hearings:

1. In consideration of Z-9-2007; 1242 Allen St., a request filed by Steven Bacon to rezone the property located at 1242 Allen St. from "B" Residential District to "C" Residential District to bring the duplex at this location into compliance

with the Zoning Ordinance and to construct another duplex on the vacant lot to the south

2. In consideration of Z-13-2007; 509 Jason Ct., A request filed by Jeff Deehan to rezone the property located a 509 Jason Ct. from "F" Commercial District to "A" Residential District to make the zoning designation of the property consistent with its single family residential use
3. In consideration of Z-14-2007; Vacant lot west of 517 Baker St., A request filed by the Greater Lansing Housing Coalition to rezone the vacant lot west of 517 Baker St. from "F" Commercial District to "C" Residential District for the purpose of combining the vacant property with the adjoining lot at 517 Baker St. and utilize the entire parcel for one single family residential house

Councilmember Wood gave a brief overview of all three public hearings.

Councilmember Dunbar requested a point of personal privilege to address threatening comments made at last week's meeting. She said a speaker made reference to the recent shooting of city officials at a council meeting in Kirkwood, Mo., and read a transcript of the speech in question: "Keep it up, brother. I mean, you all will be just like it was, you understand, with that mayor down there [near] St. Louis. We only gonna take so much. Remember that." She then reminded speakers that council has rules that specifically prohibit "threatening or abusive language" and "personally abusive attacks" from the speakers' podium.

Steven Bacon of 1321 Illinois Ave. spoke in support of Z-9-2007

John Pollard of 1718 Blair St. spoke in support of Z-9-2007 and the claim resolution for Willie Hobbs

REFERRAL OF PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. In consideration of Z-9-2007; 1242 Allen St., a request filed by Steven Bacon to rezone the property located at 1242 Allen St. from "B" Residential District to "C" Residential District to bring the duplex at this location into compliance with the Zoning Ordinance and to construct another duplex on the vacant lot to the south

REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON DEVELOPMENT AND PLANNING

2. In consideration of Z-13-2007; 509 Jason Ct., A request filed by Jeff Deehan to rezone the property located a 509 Jason Ct. from "F" Commercial District to "A" Residential District to make the zoning designation of the property consistent with its single family residential use

REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON DEVELOPMENT AND PLANNING

3. In consideration of Z-14-2007; Vacant lot west of 517 Baker St., A request filed by the Greater Lansing Housing Coalition to rezone the vacant lot west of 517 Baker St. from "F" Commercial District to "C" Residential District for the purpose of combining the vacant property with the adjoining lot at 517 Baker St. and utilize the entire parcel for one single family residential house

REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON DEVELOPMENT AND PLANNING

PUBLIC COMMENT

ON CITY GOVERNMENT RELATED MATTERS:

Jeff Schmacher of 3705 ½ Burchfield Dr. spoke about the Lansing Boat Club.

Merl McVay of 1902 N. Waverly Rd. spoke about various city matters.

Stan Shuck of 818 Cooper Ave. spoke about various city matters.

Eugene Wanger of 1735 Abington Place spoke about the Lansing Boat Club.

Bob Gray of 422 Dadson Dr. spoke about various city matters.

Frank S. Curtis X. of 1137 W. Allegan St. spoke about various city matters.

Ted Boettcher of 320 W. Northrup St. spoke about Public Improvement I/II; Curb and gutter, sidewalk and necessary storm drainage facilities on Northrup St. from Washington Ave. to Cedar St.

John Brady of 614 W. Northrup St. spoke about Public Improvement I/II; Curb and gutter, sidewalk and necessary storm drainage facilities on Northrup St. from Washington Ave. to Cedar St.

Anthony Pryer of 2621 N. Grand River Ave. spoke about a Letter from the City Clerk providing notice of a petition for Revocation of Pryers Towing's wrecker license by the Lansing Police Department.

John Pollard of 1718 Blair St. spoke about various city matters.

Charlene Decker of 2711 Pleasant Grove Rd. spoke about various city matters.

Mary Prince of 2116 Ferrol St. spoke about Lansing being a good-hearted city.

LEGISLATIVE MATTERS

RESOLUTIONS

City Clerk Swope read the following Resolution:

RESOLUTION#034

BY COUNCILMEMBERS A'LYNNE ROBINSON AND DERRICK QUINNEY
RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LANSING

WHEREAS, Mary Lois Whitehurst Powell was born on August 7, 1921 to Rev. Sewell and Mother Florence Whitehurst in Dunkirk, Indiana, and after an extended illness, at age 86, took her final journey in life to peace and tranquility on February 4, 2008; and

WHEREAS, Mary grew up attending local schools in Dunkirk, Indiana and graduated from Dunkirk High School in 1938; and

WHEREAS, Mary was a very gifted and talented child who learned to play the piano at 10 years of age in her father's church; and

WHEREAS, Mary was a member of her father's church, Triumph the Church and Kingdom of God in Christ, until she moved to Michigan in 1951; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Powell worked at the Lansing Community Center, served as staff musician at the Riley Funeral Home and was a 19 year employee of Tri-County Office on Aging; and

WHEREAS, Mary's many talents shown through various works; as a leading Avon Dealer in the State of Michigan, one of the founding members of the Ellis Tabernacle O.C.O.G.; and serving her church in many capacities; and

WHEREAS, Mary was a "Minister of Music" for many years in addition to being a trustee along with holding various offices. Her music in ministry was widely renown, performing throughout the United States and Canada, and as a Missionary/Musician, she had a great impact upon many churches and their congregations along with many individuals outside the church that came in contact with her;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Lansing City Council, hereby, pays reverence to Mary Lois Whitehurst Powell for her many years of devotion to her friends, family, and church and sharing her gift of music and her kind and gentle nature with all who came in contact with her, and for her dedicated service to the citizens of Lansing.

By Councilmember Robinson

Motion Carried

City Clerk Swope read the following Resolution:

RESOLUTION#035

BY COUNCILMEMBERS A'LYNNE ROBINSON AND DERRICK QUINNEY
RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LANSING

WHEREAS, Doris Bobbitt Austin was born February 24, 1923 in Danvill, Kentucky and found peace and comfort on February 10, 2008; and

WHEREAS, Doris Bobbitt Austin had been a respected resident of Lansing since the tender age of two; and

WHEREAS, Doris met and married Joe Austin, Jr. in Toledo, Ohio and later became a proud parent to a daughter, Lorene Faye; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Austin united with Union Missionary Baptist Church under the leadership of Rev. Charles J. Patterson and was devoted to the church as was she her community; and

WHEREAS, Doris was employed by J.W. Knapps and General Motors, where she retired after 32 years of diligent service; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Austin was a community organizer, leader, and go-getter; she enjoyed serving her community and was involved with many affiliates, including a 40 year tenure with the Les Mere et Debutantes serving as Les Mere, Advisor, and Mother Substitute; Trinity AME Women's Guild; Inter-Racial Fellowship Club; Les Amies Club; and past Board member of the YMCA along with the Center for Urban Affairs at MSU.

WHEREAS, Mrs. Austin was instrumental in the formation of the Summer Tutorial School for students at the LeJon Building;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Lansing City Council, hereby, pays reverence to Doris Bobbitt Austin for her many years of devotion to her friends and family, sharing her kind and general nature with all who came in contact with her, and for her dedicated service to the citizens of Lansing.

By Councilmember Robinson

Motion Carried

City Clerk Swope read the following Resolution:

RESOLUTION#036

BY COUNCILMEMBERS A'LYNNE ROBINSON AND DERRICK QUINNEY
RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LANSING

WHEREAS, Ollie Carter was born December 23, 1910 in Giles County Pulaski, Tennessee and found rest after a 97 year journey on February 12, 2008; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Carter moved to Lansing in 1946 and was a resident of Lansing for more than 50 years before joining his daughter's family in Grand Blanc; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Carter met and married Learia Carter of 50 years and later became the proud parents of Kathy Carter Boles; and

WHEREAS, Ollie Carter served his country during a tour of duty while in the Navy in WWII; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Carter retired from Oldsmobile in 1974 after a number of years of service and became a very active member in his Lansing Westside community; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Carter was a member of Union Missionary Baptist Church, under the leadership of Rev. Charles J. Patterson, while living in Lansing and during his membership at "Union", he was a dutiful Sunday School teacher and served for 20 years as the Sunday School Superintendent along with being very active with the youth program; and

WHEREAS, several current members of the church attribute the strength of their walk with God to the training they received from Mr. Carter through the youth programs at Union Missionary Baptist Church;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Lansing City Council, hereby, pays reverence to Ollie Carter for his many years of dedication to his family, friends, and church sharing his wisdom and kindness with all who came in contact with him and for his loyal service to the citizens of Lansing.

By Councilmember Robinson

Motion Carried

RESOLUTION#037

BY COUNCILMEMBER DERRICK QUINNEY
RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LANSING

WHEREAS, Estellar Brooks was born on March 8, 1910, the youngest of five children to sharecroppers in Meadville, Mississippi; and

WHEREAS, Estellar married David Butler in 1933 and was later blessed by the birth of two children; Rueben and Edna Butler; and

WHEREAS, Estellar also had two step-children, Della Lavalis and Maggie Collier; she has one grandchild, Pierre Butler and two great-grandchildren, Pierre David and Sasha Butler; and

WHEREAS, Estellar traveled the roads with her husband working different jobs, including road construction, until finally making Michigan her home and working at Michigan State University until she retired in 1977; and

WHEREAS, Mother Estellar Butler has been a faithful member of Pilgrim Rest Baptist Church for over 35 years and served in many different capacities; Ushers' Board, Missionary Society, Mothers' Board, and other ministries at Pilgrim Rest; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Lansing City Council, hereby, honors Mother Estellar Butler for her work in the kingdom and for her un-denying love for our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that we extend congratulations to Mother Estellar Butler on her 98th birthday this 23rd day of February 2008.

By Councilmember Wood

Motion Carried

RESOLUTION#038

BY THE COMMITTEE ON GENERAL SERVICES
RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LANSING

WHEREAS, the Mayor made the appointment of Lamar D. Wilson, of 4014 Glenburne Blvd., Lansing, Michigan 48911-2533, to the Third

Ward position of the Human Relations and Community Service Board for a term to expire June 30, 2009; and

WHEREAS, the Committee on General Services met on February 11, 2008 and took affirmative action;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Lansing City Council, hereby, confirms the appointment of Lamar D. Wilson to the Third Ward position of the Human Relations and Community Service Board for a term to expire June 30, 2009.

By Councilmember Kaltenbach

Motion Carried

RESOLUTION#039

BY THE COMMITTEE ON GENERAL SERVICES
RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LANSING

WHEREAS, the Mayor made the appointment of Toni Young, of 511 N. Jenison, Lansing, Michigan 48915, to the Fourth Ward position of the Human Relations and Community Services Board for a term to expire June 30, 2011; and

WHEREAS, the Committee on General Services met on February 11, 2008 and took affirmative action;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Lansing City Council, hereby, confirms the appointment of Toni Young to the Fourth Ward position of the Human Relations and Community Services Board for a term to expire June 30, 2011.

By Councilmember Kaltenbach

Motion Carried

RESOLUTION#040

BY THE COMMITTEE ON GENERAL SERVICES
RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LANSING

WHEREAS, the Mayor made the appointment of Mary Ann Prince, of 2116 Ferrol, Lansing, Michigan 48910, to a position of the Telecommunications and Cable Advisory Board for a term to expire June 30, 2012; and

WHEREAS, the Committee on General Services met on February 11, 2008 and took affirmative action;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Lansing City Council, hereby, confirms the appointment of Mary Ann Prince to a position of the Telecommunications and Cable Advisory Board for a term to expire June 30, 2012.

By Councilmember Kaltenbach

Motion Carried

RESOLUTION#041

BY THE COMMITTEE ON GENERAL SERVICES
RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LANSING

WHEREAS, the Mayor made the appointment of Edwina Marshall, of 1233 Coolidge, Lansing, Michigan 48912, to the At-Large position of the Human Relations and Community Services Board for a term to expire June 30, 2011; and

WHEREAS, the Committee on General Services met on February 11, 2008 and took affirmative action;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Lansing City Council, hereby, confirms the appointment of Edwina Marshall to the At-Large position of the Human Relations and Community Services Board for a term to expire June 30, 2011.

By Councilmember Kaltenbach

Motion Carried

City Clerk Swope administered the Oath of Office to Lamar Wilson and Mary Ann Prince

RESOLUTION#042

BY THE COMMITTEE ON GENERAL SERVICES
RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LANSING

WHEREAS, the City of Lansing Department of Public Service in 2008 will be reconstructing Collins Road from Jolly Road to Dunckel Road; and

WHEREAS, the construction project will result in the closure of this major road; and

WHEREAS, construction of this project is scheduled to begin in May of 2008 and be completed by August 22, 2008; and

WHEREAS, the City of Lansing Department of Public Service is requesting a waiver of the noise ordinance to help expedite construction of Collins Road; and

WHEREAS, the City of Lansing Department of Public Service recommends that the contractor be permitted to work Saturdays from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM while conducting construction activities for this project; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that a public hearing be held on Monday, March 24, 2008, at 7:00 PM in the City of Lansing Council Chambers, 124 W. Michigan, in consideration of the request for issuance of a waiver of the noise ordinance to permit the contractor to work Saturdays from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM.

By Councilmember Kaltenbach

Motion Carried

RESOLUTION#043

BY THE COMMITTEE ON GENERAL SERVICES
RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LANSING

WHEREAS, the City of Lansing Department of Public Service in 2008 will be resurfacing Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard from the bridge over The Grand River to Grand River Avenue and reconstructing Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard from Grand River Avenue to Marquette Street; and

WHEREAS, the construction project will result in the closure of this major road; and

WHEREAS, construction of this project is scheduled to begin in May of 2008 and be completed by August 2008; and

WHEREAS, the contractor, Hoffman Brothers Construction, has requested to work on Saturdays; and

WHEREAS, the City of Lansing Department of Public Service concurs with the request from the contractor and is requesting a waiver of the noise ordinance to help expedite construction of Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard; and

WHEREAS, the City of Lansing Department of Public Service recommends that the contractor be permitted to work Saturdays from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM while conducting construction activities for this project; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that a public hearing be held on Monday, March 24, 2008, at 7:00 PM in the City of Lansing Council Chambers, 124 W. Michigan, in consideration of the request

for issuance of a waiver of the noise ordinance to permit the contractor to work Saturdays from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM.

By Councilmember Kaltenbach

Motion Carried

RESOLUTION#044

BY THE COMMITTEE ON GENERAL SERVICES
RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LANSING

WHEREAS, Willie Hobbs sought to eliminate the special assessment of \$326.50 and all associated penalties and interest on the property tax bill involving a trash and debris violation on the property of 5017 Conners Ave. along with restitution for items removed in the amount of \$600.00 ; and

WHEREAS, the General Services Committee met on February 11, 2008 and voted to deny the claim of \$600.00 but to order the lien from the property at 5017 Conners Ave. removed and to grant compensation in the amount of \$260.00 to cover replacement costs for a bike, weedwacker, and wheelbarrow;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council, hereby, denies the claim of Willie Hobbs in the amount of \$600.00 but grants that portion of the claim to remove the \$326.50 lien on the property at 5017 Conners Ave. and grants compensation in the amount of \$260.00 as replacement costs for the bicycle, weedwacker, and wheelbarrow that were removed;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Attorney shall take the appropriate steps to process this claim.

By Councilmember Kaltenbach

Motion Carried

RESOLUTION#045

BY THE COMMITTEE ON INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS
RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LANSING

WHEREAS, the Committee of the Whole in a series of meetings in June of 2007 took testimony from a number of police officers, fire fighters, and 911 operators on the deficiencies in the Ingham County 911 Radio System; and

WHEREAS, the Lansing City Council has held meetings with the Ingham County Board of Commissioners to voice their concern for the safety of the public and the public safety officers for the City of Lansing; and

WHEREAS, on July 2, 2007, the Lansing City Council appropriated \$100,000 from the 2006 Homeland Security grant to match funding of \$200,000 from Ingham County 911 funds and \$100,000 coming from Ingham County to fix the radio system based on the recommendations of M/A-COM, Inc., the vendor for the system; and

WHEREAS, to ensure the safety of the officers and the public, the Lansing City Police Department staffed two officers in vehicles to patrol the Southside since June of 2007, which has created staffing and overtime issues; and

WHEREAS, Jeff Kludy, Lansing Police Department's Radio Technician has spent countless hours switching out microphones, software, and trying to isolate problems beyond what is required to bring a new system online; and

WHEREAS, the Intergovernmental Relations Committee held a meeting on February 13, 2008 with Ingham Country Controller Matt Myers and Deputy Controller John Neilsen; and

WHEREAS, the Committee was informed that Ingham County would be paying an additional \$400,000 for equipment needed to be installed at the location of the new antenna in order for the equipment to function

properly. It was stated that all repairs and fixes to the system should be concluded by July 1st, 2008;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Lansing City Council is extremely dissatisfied and frustrated with the service and equipment supplied by M/A-COM, Inc. and the resulting harm and risk caused to our public safety officers and members of the public;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Lansing City Council demands M/A-COM, Inc. pay the City of Lansing for its actual costs related to M/A-COM's failure being: 9,000 shift hours at \$26.74 per hour for a cost of \$240,674.40 and 200 hours for two radio technicians with an additional 50 hours each in overtime for a cost of \$15,061.50, resulting in a total cost of \$255,735.90;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Lansing City Council directs the City Attorney's office to review this matter and report back to City Council all potential legal options to recover the costs described above;

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the Lansing City Council requests the City Clerk to forward this resolution on the Ingham County Board of Commissioners and 911 Advisory Board.

By Councilmember Robinson

To amend the fourth "WHEREAS" clause by striking "2006" and Inserting "2007"

Motion Carried

By Councilmember Robinson

To place an affirmative roll on the amended Resolution

Motion Carried

RESOLUTION#046

BY THE COMMITTEE ON WAYS & MEANS
RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LANSING

That the following FY 2008 transfer be approved:

911 Communications Center

AMOUNT TO TRANSFER	TRANSFER FROM ACCOUNT #	TRANSFER TO ACCOUNT #
\$55,996.00	Estimated County Revenue 211.0.580001.0	
\$55,996.00		911 Center UPS Upgrade 211.343230.977013.0

(To provide for a Lansing 911 Communications Center equipment upgrade funded solely by the Ingham County 911 Fund for Management and System Improvements. The purchase and funding agreement is authorized by the Ingham County Board of Commissioners Resolution #07-337. The equipment upgrade includes a replacement Liebert 32kW Uninterrupted Power System [UPS], battery power pack system, transient voltage suppressor system, and on-site installation.)

By Councilmember Dunbar

Motion Carried

RESOLUTION#047

BY THE COMMITTEE ON WAYS & MEANS
RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LANSING

That the following FY 2008 transfers be approved:

State/Federal Programs

AMOUNT TO TRANSFER	TRANSFER FROM ACCOUNT #	TRANSFER TO ACCOUNT #
\$182,447.00	Estimated Federal Revenue 273.0.527001.17660	
\$45,851.00		Justice Assistance Grant Misc Op 273.343251.741000.17660
\$36,596.00		Justice Assistance Grant Equip - Ingham County and East Lansing 273.343251.961977.17660
\$100,000.00		Justice Assistance Grant Equip - Lansing Police Department 273.343251.977000.17660

(To appropriate 100% federal criminal justice/law enforcement grant funds to the Lansing Police Department state/ federal projects for a multi-year fiscal period project beginning 10/01/07. The Lansing Police Department is the fiduciary agent for the shared cities-county grant. The terms of this annually renewable Justice Assistance Grant [JAG] will allow Ingham County and East Lansing to fund patrol car mobile video recorders, non-lethal tasers, and laptop equipment. The remainder grant resources will allow the Lansing Police Department to fund software technology, the citizen observer program, and mobile mic/transmission systems for making reports directly from patrol cars.)

By Councilmember Dunbar

Motion Carried

REPORTS FROM COUNCIL COMMITTEES

There were no Committee Reports

ORDINANCES FOR INTRODUCTION

There were no Ordinances for Introduction

ORDINANCES FOR PASSAGE

There were no Ordinances for Passage

**REPORTS FROM CITY OFFICERS, BOARDS, AND COMMISSIONS;
COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS;
AND OTHER CITY RELATED MATTERS**

By Councilmember Quinney that all items be considered as being read in full and that President Jeffries make the appropriate referrals

Motion Carried

• Reports from City Officers, Boards and Commissions:

- a. Letter from the City Clerk providing notice of a petition for Revocation of Pryors Towing's wrecker license by the Lansing Police Department

REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON GENERAL SERVICES AND REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY AND REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

- b. Letter from the City Clerk providing notice of a petition for Revocation of Discount Towing's wrecker license by the Lansing Police Department

REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON GENERAL SERVICES AND REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY AND REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

- c. Letter from the City Clerk submitting minutes of Boards and Authorities placed on file in the City Clerk's Office

RECEIVED AND PLACED ON FILE

- d. Letter from the Board of Public Service providing updates on activities and achievements in FY 2007

REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SERVICES

- e. Letters from the Mayor re:
 - i. Appointment of Robert Swanson to the Capital Area Transportation Authority for an At-Large Term to Expire September 30, 2011

REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS

- ii. Appointment of Anne Wilson to the Capital Area Transportation Authority for an At-Large Term to Expire September 30, 2011

REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS

- iii. ACT-8-2007; 425 S. Grand Ave. Property Acquisition

REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON DEVELOPMENT AND PLANNING

- iv. Transfer of Funds; State/Federal Programs, Sobriety Court Project

REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS AND INTERNAL AUDIT

- v. Obsolete Property Rehabilitation Act (OPRA) District Application and Brownfield Redevelopment Plan #37a; Cedar Street School filed by Old Town Medical Building, LLC for property located at 1106 N. Cedar St.

REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON DEVELOPMENT AND PLANNING

- vi. Proposed Resolution to request authorization for the issuance and sale of bonds to fund the State Revolving Fund Loan (SRF 5005-21) eligible component of Phase IV Segment 5 Combined Sewer Overflow (CSO)

REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS AND INTERNAL AUDIT

- vii. Proposed Ordinance to Amend Chapter 1460 of the Lansing Codified Ordinances by Amending Sections 1460.08, 1460.09, 1460.44, and 1460.46, of the Lansing Codified Ordinances to establish administrative fees for monitoring residential structures with "Substandard" and "Unsafe" placards affixed thereto; and to provide for the administration and enforcement of the administrative fees, including penalties

REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY AND REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS AND INTERNAL AUDIT

- viii. Resolution and request for endorsement for the City of Lansing's Sesquicentennial

REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

- Communications and Petitions, and Other City Related Matters:

- a. Letter from the State of Michigan Department Environmental Quality providing notice of the renewal of Clean Corporate Citizen (C3) designation for Pratt & Whitney AutoAir, Inc. located at 5640 Enterprise Dr.

REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SERVICES

- b. Letter from the Capital Regional Airport Authority regarding a potential name change for Capital City Airport

REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS

- c. Letter from David Walker of Ledy Design Group regarding a permit for connection to the sanitary sewer for property located at 3010 Wood St., Lansing Twp.

REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS

- d. Request for recognition of non-profit status in the City of Lansing filed by Javier Cavazos of Capital Area Youth Sports Association located at 229 S. Cedar St.

REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON GENERAL SERVICES

- e. Letter from the Marilyn Wojack of the Lansing Boat Club requesting a meeting to discuss the lease between the City of Lansing and the Lansing Boat Club

REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

- f. Letter from Jeffrey Venn of 6315 Old River Trail stating concerns with a letter to the Lansing Boat Club regarding an eviction and notice to quit from the City Attorney, and submitting historical supporting documents

REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

- g. Letter from Mike Childers of MCS Excavating LLC of 4696 Tolland Ave., Holt, MI stating concerns regarding bid requirements for demolition in the City of Lansing

REFERRED TO THE FINANCE DEPARTMENT AND REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS AND INTERNAL AUDIT

- h. Letter from Marilyn Irvine of 5211 Tulip Ave. in support of Public Improvement I/II; Curb and gutter, sidewalk and necessary storm drainage facilities on Northrup St. from Washington Ave. to Cedar St.

REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SERVICES AND REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

- i. Letter from Rose and Mort Neff of 1022 S. Grand Ave. seeking an extension of code compliance adherence dates for property located at 1022 S. Grand Ave., and submitting copies of housing code correction notices

By Councilmember Hewitt

To place this item on the table

Motion Carried

- j. Postcard from Erma Johnson of 2702 Leland Dr., Jackson, MI requesting City Council to vote against adoption of Human Rights Ordinance #1120, which was adopted December 18, 2006

RECEIVED AND PLACED ON FILE

MOTION OF EXCUSED ABSENCE

By Councilmember Kaltenbach

To excuse Councilmember Allen from tonight's proceedings

Motion Carried

REMARKS BY COUNCILMEMBERS

Councilmember Kaltenbach asked why the letters from the City Clerk providing notice of a petition for Revocation of wrecker licenses by the Lansing Police Department were referred to the Committee of the Whole and other committees.

Council President Jeffries answered Councilmember Kaltenbach by stating that such matters will be up for a hearing and that the Committee of the Whole would be asked to make a recommendation on the matters once the entire process is completed.

Councilmember Kaltenbach asked Councilmember Wood how changes to the Zoning Ordinance would affect Z-9-2007; 1242 Allen St.

Councilmember Wood stated that the rezoning would potentially take place first and that the Zoning Ordinance change would not retroactively affect Z-9-2007 once adopted.

Councilmember Dunbar asked Jerry Ambrose, Executive Assistant to Mayor Bernero to explain how monies from the General Fund are saved or not when the City experiences light snowfall years. She also asked if we do in fact get our salt from Charlotte, as a speaker alluded to earlier tonight.

Jerry Ambrose, Executive Assistant to Mayor Bernero, stated that snow and pothole monies weren't in separate accounts and therefore there would be no saving of funds for future years' snow removal since all monies were for any road related issues. He also stated that there is a salt shortage throughout the lower portion of the State and that we do get our salt from Lansing when Lansing businesses have salt. Since there has been a shortage, the City has had to get salt from wherever it has been available.

Councilmember Hewitt stated that comments made by Councilmember Dunbar did not reflect the feelings of the entire City Council and that he was not personally offended by comments made at last week's meeting. He asked that in the future Councilmember Dunbar parse her comments so as not to incite speakers at the podium to avoid a circus like atmosphere.

Councilmember Kaltenbach stated that he was offended by comments made at last week's meeting and asked Councilmember Hewitt to ask his friends in the audience to tone it down.

REMARKS BY THE MAYOR OR EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT

Jerry Ambrose, Executive Assistant to Mayor Bernero, explained the City's policy for pothole repair when the ground is frozen and temperatures aren't ideal for a more permanent pothole repair.

ADJOURNED TIME 9:18 P.M.

CHRIS SWOPE, CITY CLERK