



OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF
THE CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF LANSING
PROCEEDINGS OF APRIL 28, 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 Allen, Hewitt, Jeffries, Kaltenbach, Quinney, Wood

ABSENT: Councilmembers Dunbar (Arrived at 7:20) and Robinson (Arrived at 7:12)

The Lansing Police and Fire Departments' Color Guard held a flag presentation processional.

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

SPECIAL CEREMONIES

- Special Ceremonies

1. Tribute; Recognition of Workers' Memorial Day

Councilmember Quinney recognized April 28, 2008 as Workers' Memorial Day, which honors the lost lives of individuals in workplace fatalities and asked for a moment of silence. He stated that this year's theme is Good Jobs, Safe Jobs for All.

Councilmember Robinson arrived at the meeting at 7:20 p.m.

City Clerk Swope read the following Resolution:

RESOLUTION#183

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

WHEREAS, on April 28, 2008, the labor movement will once again observe Workers Memorial Day to remember workers who have been killed or injured on the job and to renew the fight for strong safety and health protections; and

WHEREAS, more than three decades ago, Congress passed the Occupational Safety and Health Act and Mine Safety and Health Act promising every worker the right to a safe job; and

WHEREAS, despite the efforts of the unions and their allies, who fought to make that promise a reality, the toll of workplace injuries, illnesses, and deaths remains enormous. Each year, thousands of worker's are killed and millions more are injured or diseased because of their jobs; and

WHEREAS, progress in protecting workers' safety and health has slowed, and for some groups of workers, jobs are becoming more dangerous; and

WHEREAS, many employers, in a race to the bottom in the global economy, have been pushing to cut wages and benefits and loosen protections; and

WHEREAS, with fewer and fewer workers having the protection of unions, more workers are afraid to speak out and raise job safety concerns, fearing retaliation and firing; and

WHEREAS, on April 28, 2008, the unions of the AFL-CIO observe Worker's Memorial Day to remember those who have suffered and died on the job and to renew the fight for safe workplaces, to speak out and bargain for safe jobs, respect, and a better future; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Lansing City Council, hereby, urges employers and employees to continue to fight to make workers' issues a priority, to guarantee the freedom of workers to form a union, and to keep and create good safe jobs in this country.

By Councilmember Quinney

Motion Carried

Chris Sherwood stated that the UAW is always striving for safety.

Paul Hufnagel spoke about MIOSHA and why it was adopted and thanked the City Council for their support of workplace safety.

Brian O'Boyle, City of Lansing Safety Administrator, thanked Councilmember Quinney for this presentation and stated that this is an initiative for change in the workplace.

Councilmember Quinney introduced Caroline Ross and Willie Paulsen.

Council President Jeffries stated that the City Council supports workplace safety and congratulated all who work towards safe work environments.

Jerry Ambrose, Executive Assistant to Mayor Bernero, stated that safety is always assumed until a life is lost.

Councilmember Quinney thanked and acknowledged everyone involved in tonight's presentation, including the Lansing Police and Fire Department's Color Guard.

APPROVAL OF PRINTED COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

By Councilmember Quinney

To approve the printed Council Proceedings of April 21, 2008

Motion carried

CONSIDERATION OF LATE ITEMS

By Vice President Quinney

To suspend City Council Rule #11 to allow for Consideration of Late Items

Motion carried

The following items were added to the agenda:

1. From Councilmember Quinney; Letter from the Mayor re: Proposed anti-graffiti Ordinance

The City Council returned to the order of:

SPECIAL CEREMONIES

2. Tribute; Lansing Catholic Central Boys Basketball State Champions

Councilmember Dunbar arrived at the meeting at 7:12 p.m.

Councilmember Kaltenbach stated that it was a great honor and a pleasure to have the Lansing Catholic Central Boys Basketball State Champions present tonight.

City Clerk Swope read the following Resolution:

RESOLUTION#184

BY COUNCILMEMBER TIM KALTENBACH
RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LANSING

WHEREAS, an amazing journey began with tryouts for the "Cougars" boys basketball team at Lansing Catholic Central on November 13, 2007, that culminated in a moment, which many athletes have only dreamed about, of being "State Champions"; and

WHEREAS, these talented athletes demonstrated their athleticism and enthusiasm throughout the season, molding it into a remarkable, successful 2007-2008 year, earning the respect and admiration of their families, friends, and community; and

WHEREAS, the Cougars were challenged at various stages of league and tournament play, but the team played with "heart" and battled through, earning the league's title for the second year in a row with a standing of 10-0, finishing the regular season with an overall record of 16-4, and making a run in tournament play that resulted in a 54-53 win for the 2008 Class B State Championship, the first state championship victory for Lansing Catholic Central, founded in 1970; and

WHEREAS, the tournament run included district wins over 8th ranked Dewitt and Waverly, regional wins over Comstock and Gull Lake, a quarterfinal victory over Detroit Community, and a semi-final victory over Menominee, setting up a final game against Flint Powers Catholic for the State Title; and

WHEREAS, two teams opened with one of the crispest, cleanest, and most even halves of finals weekend. They combined to shoot 52 percent from the floor, 47 percent on 3-pointers, and turned the ball over just a combined six times during the first two quarters. Lansing Catholic Central held a one-rebound edge and a 32-29 lead at halftime; and

WHEREAS, in a battle of two evenly matched teams, the Cougars found themselves in a familiar position, down 44-40 entering the fourth quarter. The calm and collective Head Coach, Darren Zwick, called a quick timeout early in the fourth quarter and reminded his team that they have been in this type of situation before and "we always seem to find a way," and as he sent them back onto the floor advised them "not to hit the panic button." The Cougars responded and were able to tie the game at 52-52. The stage was set for a dramatic finish. In what will go down in Lansing Catholic history as "The Shot", Max Gover's fall away 15 footer with 12 seconds to play propelled the Cougars to 54-53 victory, the school's first Boys Class B State Basketball Title and memories to last a lifetime; and

WHEREAS, anything can happen in a single game, but teams who are "winners" play with devotion throughout the season and tournament play, demonstrating their true athletic abilities and dedication to themselves, teammates, and coaches, becoming not only champions as athletes but also champions of character;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Lansing City Council, with great privilege, hereby, salute the Lansing Catholic Central High School "Cougars" Boys Basketball Team on winning the 2008 Class B State Championship;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that we applaud the efforts, team spirit, and preparation of these talented basketball players and coaches.

By Councilmember Kaltenbach

Motion Carried

Coach Darren Zwick stated that he and his team felt privileged to be here tonight. He said the boys are ordinary boys but good citizens and thanked the City Council for this honor.

Councilmember Hewitt passed out certificates to each boy present and each players stated his name, position and year in high school.

Jerry Ambrose, Executive Assistant to Mayor Bernero, congratulated the championship team.

Councilmember Hewitt stated that the boys have done a great job and have supportive parents who have done a good job as well.

Councilmember Kaltenbach once again congratulated the team and stated how great a job they have performed.

3. Presentation; Recognition of Sponsors of the Celebrating Diversity Day Event on May 3, 2008

Jerry Ambrose, Executive Assistant to Mayor Bernero, introduced Joe McDonald and Martha Fujita, who are responsible for putting together the Diversity Day celebration.

Joe McDonald, Special Assistant to Mayor Bernero, invited citizens to attend the Diversity Day celebration this Saturday and recognized organizations committed to diversity by passing out certificates to sponsors of the event. He once again invited citizens to come out on Saturday and enjoy the entertainment, food and speakers at the event.

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

Councilmember Kaltenbach thanked Mayor Bernero and the Chief of Police for visiting Riddle Middle School's garden. He spoke about the need for a stop sign on Forest Rd. near the Hunt Club Apartments' private driveway. He announced that First Tee is hosting its first clinic at Sycamore Golf Course.

Councilmember Allen stated that she visited the dog park at Hawk Island and had a wonderful time.

Councilmember Dunbar stated that those families not inclined to adopt a dog can enjoy other people's dogs at the dog park.

Councilmember Wood announced the Genesee Neighborhood Association meeting.

Councilmember Hewitt announced the Northtown Neighborhood Association meeting.

City Clerk Swope spoke about the recent U.S. Supreme Court decision upholding the right for states to require photo I.D. in order to vote. He explained Michigan's policy and how those without I.D. can still vote. He announced filing deadlines for candidates in the upcoming elections.

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

Jerry Ambrose, Executive Assistant to Mayor Bernero, thanked Councilmember Kaltenbach for bringing to his attention the need for a

stop sign on Forest Rd. near the Hunt Club Apartments' private driveway. He stated that last week on Tuesday we celebrated Earth Day at City Hall with the help of hundreds of Lansing school children and a wide variety of city agencies and community groups. Also last week on Thursday night was the second annual Crosstown Showdown baseball game at Oldsmobile Park. A record crowd of nearly 13,000 people were on hand to watch the Lansing Lugnuts take on the Michigan State University Spartan baseball team. It was an exciting game and the Luggies came out on top by a score of 4 to 2. He also stated that this past weekend on Saturday a very successful Adopt-A River event was held. Hundreds of volunteers came out on an unseasonably chilly morning to help clean up the Grand and Red Cedar Rivers. He spoke about several items on tonight's agenda, including the approval of an Industrial Development District for Jackson National Life. He stated that last week the City of Lansing was recognized as one of the Top Ten Cool Capital Cities in the entire nation. He announced that our third annual Diversity Day Celebration is set for this Saturday, May 3rd, from noon until 5 pm at Eastern High School's Don Johnson Field House. Finally, he was pleased to announce that our Employee of the Month for April is Amy Fraser of our Human Resources Department. Amy has been a City employee since 1996 and works as the Health and Wellness Administrator in the HR Department. Her official duties include providing support and assistance to employees when they are sick or injured.

SHOW CAUSE HEARINGS

- Comment on Scheduled Show Cause Hearings:

1. In consideration of the issuance of orders for Make Safe or Demolish to the owners of property located at 2226 Rheamount Ave.
2. In consideration of the issuance of orders for Make Safe or Demolish to the owners of property located at 504 S. Hayford Ave.
3. In consideration of the issuance of orders for Make Safe or Demolish to the owners of property located at 1004 Dunlap St.

Robert Cusack of 3010 Runyan Dr., Lake Odessa, MI spoke about repairs to 504 S. Hayford Ave.

REFERRAL OF SHOW CAUSE HEARINGS

1. In consideration of the issuance of orders for Make Safe or Demolish to the owners of property located at 2226 Rheamount Ave.

REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY

2. In consideration of the issuance of orders for Make Safe or Demolish to the owners of property located at 504 S. Hayford Ave.

REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY

3. In consideration of the issuance of orders for Make Safe or Demolish to the owners of property located at 1004 Dunlap St.

REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY

PUBLIC COMMENT ON LEGISLATIVE MATTERS

- Public Comment on Legislative Matters:

Legislative Matters included the following public hearings:

There were no Public Hearings

Thomas Ryan of 4336 Chadburne Dr. spoke about several legislative

matters.

Thomas Ryan spoke on behalf of Celeste Ryan of 4336 Chadburne Dr. about several legislative matters.

Darnell E. Oldham, Sr. spoke about the sponsors of Diversity Day being some of the same donors for surveillance cameras.

Charlene Decker 2711 Pleasant Grove Rd. spoke about the Make Safe or Demolish process.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON CITY GOVERNMENT RELATED MATTERS:

Walter Gray of 4619 Bristol St. spoke about alleged harassments.

Robert Ovalle of Holt, MI spoke about the environment.

Robert Cusack of 3010 Runyan Dr., Lake Odessa, MI spoke about repairs to 504 S. Hayford Ave.

Michael Morofsy of 1300 Woodbine Ave. spoke about a potential health hazard at the former Oldsmobile plant on Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd.

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

William Hubbell of 3916 Wedgewood Dr. spoke about the Memorial Review Board.

Thomas Ryan of 4336 Chadburne Dr. spoke about various city matters.

Thomas Ryan spoke on behalf of Celeste Ryan of 4336 Chadburne Dr. spoke about accommodations for handicapped speakers at the podium.

Ted Boettcher of 320 W. Northrup St. spoke about the proposed public improvements to Northrup St.

Walter Brown of 1310 Knollwood Ave. spoke about surveillance cameras.

C. Harm Brooks of 1032 Dennis St. stated concerns about the conduct of the Lansing Police Department.

L'Tori Johnson of 5024 S. Washington Ave. stated concerns about the conduct of the Lansing Police Department.

Bre-Anne Johnson of 5024 S. Washington Ave. stated concerns about the conduct of the Lansing Police Department.

Tedessa Johnson of 5024 S. Washington Ave. stated concerns about the conduct of the Lansing Police Department.

Darnell E. Oldham, Sr. of 3815 Berwick Dr. spoke about various city matters.

Lamar Wilson of 4014 Glenburne Blvd. spoke about Glenburne Commons Grass Cutting and Trash Clean-up.

Adam Hussain of 3814 Calvin Dr. spoke about an alleged incident after last week's Council meeting.

Samara Washington of 2312 Bernard St. spoke about an alleged incident after last week's Council meeting.

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

Rob Wilcox of 1104 Pershing Dr. spoke about various city matters.

LEGISLATIVE MATTERS

RESOLUTIONS**RESOLUTION#185**

BY THE DEVELOPMENT AND PLANNING COMMITTEE
RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LANSING

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) requires that the City of Lansing submit the Annual Consolidated Strategy and Plan Submission (CSPS) in order to receive Community Development fund resources, including Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), HOME and Emergency Shelter Grant (ESG) program funds, for the upcoming fiscal year 2008-2009; and

WHEREAS, the estimated CDBG, HOME and ESG entitlement amount allocated to Lansing for the upcoming fiscal year is \$3,098,042 with an additional amount of \$350,000 in program income estimated to be available from the CDBG & HOME Programs; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to program requirements, the City has conducted a citizen participation and open review process which has included planning and meetings with neighborhood groups, housing and supportive service providers, the State and neighboring local governments; and

WHEREAS, the City has further promoted participation, input and review in the process by conducting two (2) separate advertised public hearings before the Lansing Planning Board, one on November 7, 2007 regarding housing and community development needs and one on January 8, 2008 regarding proposed Annual CSPS program objectives and projected use of Federal entitlement and formula program funds; and

WHEREAS, the City did also initiate and carry out the required thirty (30) day public comment period on the proposed Five-Year and Annual CSPS by publishing a summary of the plan in the Lansing State Journal on, March 5, 2008; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held by the Lansing City Council on April 14, 2008, to again receive citizen comments and recommendations and to give final review to the Annual CSPS; and

WHEREAS, Federal regulations require the City to make certain certifications and assurances to HUD as a part of the City's Annual CSPS application;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Lansing adopts the Five-Year and Annual Consolidated Strategy and Plan Submission for the City of Lansing that includes housing and community development goals, objectives and strategies, and the budget for the use of community development fund resources for fiscal year 2008-2009 as proposed by the Development and Planning Committee; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor, as the City's Chief Executive Officer, is hereby authorized to sign the Annual CSPS application for FY 2008-2009, including all understandings, assurances and certifications contained therein, and to submit the grant application to the Department of Housing and Urban Development; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the Mayor is authorized, as the official representative of the City of Lansing, to provide any and all information, to act in connection with the Annual CSPS application and to execute all agreements, contracts and legal documents, including the Agreement between the City and the Department of Housing and Urban Development, to secure funds and implement the CSPS program.

By Councilmember Wood

Motion Carried

RESOLUTION#186

BY THE COMMITTEE ON DEVELOPMENT AND PLANNING

RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LANSING

WHEREAS, pursuant to Public Act 198 of 1974, as amended, the City of Lansing is requesting the establishment of an industrial development district (IDD-1-08) on property more fully described as contained in the attached Exhibit A, to be within the City of Lansing pursuant to an Act 425 Agreement with Alaiedon Township; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing on the proposed establishment of an industrial development district (IDD-1-08) was held on April 21, 2008, at which time the owners and all interested residents or taxpayers had an opportunity to appear and be heard; and

WHEREAS, the City of Lansing has met the requirements for the establishment of an industrial development district as required by Public Act 198 of 1974 and by the policies of this Council;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Lansing hereby approves the establishment of an industrial development district (IDD-1-08) for the property described in Exhibit A.

By Councilmember Wood

Motion Carried

EXHIBIT A**Parcel 2008-A**

A parcel of land in the Southwest ¼ of Section 4, T3N, R1W, Alaiedon Township, Ingham County, Michigan, the surveyed boundary of said parcel described as: Commencing at the South ¼ corner of said Section 4; thence N00°10'19"W along the North-South ¼ line of said Section 4 a distance of 1326.88 feet to the South line of the North ½ of the Southwest ¼ of said Section 4; thence S89°21'56"W along said South line a distance of 50.00 feet to the point of beginning of this description; thence S00°10'19"E parallel with said North-South ¼ line 330.00 feet; thence S89°21'56"W parallel with said South line 660.03 feet; thence N00°10'19"W parallel with said North-South ¼ line 330.00 feet; thence N89°21'56"E along said South line 660.03 feet to the point of beginning; said parcel containing 5.00 acres more or less; including 0.25 acres more or less presently in use as public right of way; said parcel subject to all easements and restrictions if any. Also including that portion of the Okemos Road right-of-way to the center of the road along the portions of Parcel 2008-A adjacent to said Okemos Road.

Parcel 2008-B

A parcel of land in the Southwest ¼ of Section 4, T3N, R1W, Alaiedon Township, Ingham County, Michigan, the surveyed boundary of said parcel described as: Commencing at the Southwest corner of said Section 4; thence N00°27'04"W along the West line of said Section 4 a distance of 660.01 feet to the point of beginning of this description; thence N00°27'04"W continuing along said West line 1990.05 feet to the West ¼ corner of said Section 4; thence N89°19'36"E along the East-West ¼ line of said Section 4 a distance of 668.23 feet; thence S00°22'52"E 2650.97 feet to the South line of said Section 4; thence S89°24'16"W along said South line 335.00 feet; thence N00°27'04"W parallel with said West line 660.01 feet; thence S89°24'16"W parallel with said South line 330.00 feet to the point of beginning; said parcel containing 35.56 acres more or less; including 0.25 acres presently in the use as public right of way; said parcel subject to all easements and restrictions if any.

Parcel 2008-C

A parcel of land in the Southwest ¼ of Section 4, T3N, R1W, Alaiedon Township, Ingham County, Michigan, the surveyed boundary of said parcel described as: Commencing at the Southwest corner of said Section 4; thence N89°24'16"E along the South line of said Section 4 a distance of 665.00 feet to the point of beginning of this description; thence N00°22'52"W along the West line of the East ½ of the Southwest ¼ of the Southwest ¼ of said Section 4 a

distance of 1325.49 feet to the North line of the Southwest ¼ of the Southwest ¼ of said Section 4; thence N89°21'56"E along said North line 666.61 feet to the East line of the Southwest ¼ of the Southwest ¼ of said Section 4; thence S00°18'41"E along said East line 1325.95 feet to the South line of said Section 4; thence S89°24'16"W along said South line 665.00 feet to the point of beginning; said parcel containing 20.25 acres more or less, including 0.50 acre more or less presently in use as public right of way; said parcel subject to all easements and restrictions if any.

Parcel 2008-D

A parcel of land in the Southwest ¼ of Section 4, T3N, R1W, Alaiedon Township, Ingham County, Michigan, the surveyed boundary of said parcel described as: Commencing at the South ¼ corner of said Section; thence S89°24'16"W along the South line of said Section a distance of 50.00 feet to the point of beginning of this description; thence S89°24'16"W continuing along said South line 615.00 feet; thence N00°14'30"W 663.21 feet; thence N89°23'06"E 615.81 feet; thence S00°10'19"E parallel with the North-South ¼ line of said Section a distance of 663.42 feet to the point of beginning; said parcel containing 9.37 acres more or less; including 0.46 acre more or less presently in use as public right of way; said parcel subject to all easements and restrictions if any. Also including that portion of the Okemos Road right-of-way to the center of the road along the portions of Parcel 2008-D adjacent to said Okemos Road

Parcel 2008-E

A parcel of land in the Southwest ¼ of Section 4, T3N, R1W, Alaiedon Township, Ingham County, Michigan, described as: Commencing 663.21 feet North of the Southeast corner of the Southwest ¼ of Section 4, thence North 272 feet, thence West 154 feet, thence South 272 feet, thence East 154 feet to the point of beginning. Also including that portion of the Okemos Road right-of-way to the center of the road along the portions of Parcel 2008-E adjacent to said Okemos Road

RESOLUTION#187

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

WHEREAS, the City Clerk has forwarded an application for a City Permit, which has been routinely processed without objection, and is ready for final action by this Council; and

WHEREAS, all required signatures have been obtained supporting the application for a fireworks display permit;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Lansing City Council, hereby, approves the application for a City Permit as follows:

FIREWORKS DISPLAY PERMIT:

The Lansing Lugnuts and Roger Bonney of Night Magic Displays for a public display of fireworks at Oldsmobile Park to be held on May 2, 3, and 9, 2008, with a rain date of August 22, 2008.

By Councilmember Kaltenbach

Motion Carried

RESOLUTION#188

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

WHEREAS, the Michigan Liquor Control Commission received a request from Kelly's Restaurant and Pub., Inc. to transfer location of a 2006 Class C Licensed Business with Dance-Entertainment Permit, from 203 S. Washington, Lansing, Michigan 48933, Ingham County to 220 S. Washington, Lansing, Michigan 48933, Ingham County; and

WHEREAS, the Committee on General Services met on April 21, 2008, to review the request and took affirmative action;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Lansing City Council, hereby, approves the request of Kelly's Restaurant and Pub., Inc. to transfer location of a 2006 Class C Licensed Business with Dance-Entertainment Permit, from 203 S. Washington, Lansing, Michigan 48933, Ingham County to 220 S. Washington, Lansing, Michigan 48933, Ingham County.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the City Clerk is requested to notify the Michigan Liquor Control Commission of the action taken.

By Councilmember Kaltenbach

Motion Carried

RESOLUTION#189

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

WHEREAS, GLA Investment Company (Gregory L. Arntson) sought to eliminate fees in the amount of \$3100.00 relative to excessive false alarms and all associated penalties and interest placed on the property tax bill of 821 E. Kalamazoo Street, Lansing, Michigan; and

WHEREAS, the General Services Committee met on April 21, 2008, to review the claim filed by GLA Investment Company (Gregory L. Arntson);

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council, hereby, grants the claim filed by GLA Investment Company (Gregory L. Arntson) to eliminate fees in the amount of \$3100.00 relative to excessive false alarms and all associated penalties and interest placed on the property tax bill of 821 E. Kalamazoo Street, Lansing, Michigan;

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

By Councilmember Kaltenbach

Motion Carried

RESOLUTION#190

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

WHEREAS, Paul E. Brown sought to eliminate a special assessment on a trash and debris violation in the amount of \$1090.79 and all associated penalties and interest placed on the property tax bill of 1401 Comfort, Lansing, Michigan; and

WHEREAS, the General Services Committee met on April 21, 2008, to review the claim filed by Paul E. Brown;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council, hereby, denies the claim filed by Paul E. Brown to eliminate a special assessment on a trash and debris violation in the amount of \$1090.79 and all associated penalties and interest placed on the property tax bill of 1401 Comfort, Lansing, Michigan;

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

By Councilmember Kaltenbach

Motion Carried

RESOLUTION#191

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

That the following FY 2008 transfers be approved:

Drug Law Enforcement

Tri-County Task Force (IEC Co-Op)

There were no Ordinances for Introduction

AMOUNT TO TRANSFER	TRANSFER FROM ACCOUNT #	TRANSFER TO ACCOUNT #
\$ 4,500.00	Donations Revenue 265.0.675000.0	
\$ 4,500.00		Miscellaneous Operating 265.343253.741000.0

(To appropriate donations revenue for 13 GPS tracker devices).

By Councilmember Dunbar

Motion Carried

RESOLUTION#192

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

That the following FY 2008 transfer be approved;

AMOUNT TO TRANSFER	TRANSFER FROM ACCOUNT #	TRANSFER TO ACCOUNT #
\$11,444.54	Cap Proj Fund-Fund Balance 410.000000.679100.00000	
\$11,444.54		Cap Proj Fund-RC Bike Link(River Trail) 410.933890.974000.43801

(Explanation: Lease of Lot 1, Block 227, Original Plat of the City of Lansing, to Outdoor Systems (Viacom Outdoor Inc.) for a billboard. (\$3,000.00 Received 6/8/2005; \$3,000.00 Received 5/9/2006; \$2,444.54 Received 6/8/2006; \$3,000.00 Received 5/11/2007). Per City Council Resolution #108, of March 2, 1987, revenues from rental of this property to be dedicated to Red Cedar Bike Link Improvements.)

By Councilmember Dunbar

Motion Carried

RESOLUTION#193

BY THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LANSING

WHEREAS, the Mayor presented his budget to the Lansing City Council on Monday, March 24, 2008; and

WHEREAS, the City Charter provides that citizens be afforded the opportunity to comment on proposed city spending to the adoption of the annual City Budget; and

WHEREAS, Public Act 5 of 1982, as amended, provides that units, such as the City of Lansing, which are in compliance with Section 16 of the Uniform Budgeting and Accounting Act (P.A. 2 of 1968, as amended) must provide appropriate public notice that a public hearing will be held on the budget and on the property tax millage rate necessary to support the budget;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Lansing City Council, hereby, sets a public hearing to be held on Monday, May 5, 2008, at 7:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers on the 10th Floor of City Hall in consideration of the City of Lansing's FY 2008/2009 Budget.

By Councilmember Quinney

Motion Carried

REPORTS FROM COUNCIL COMMITTEES

There were no Committee Reports

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. Letters from the City Clerk:
 - i. Submitting minutes of Boards and Authorities placed on file in the City Clerk's Office

RECEIVED AND PLACED ON FILE

- ii. Providing notice to Top Hat Pawn & Sales of the Denial of a request for a Secondhand Dealer's license in the City of Lansing by the Lansing Police Department

REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON GENERAL SERVICES

- iii. Submitting Licenses and Bonds for Approval; Application for Fireworks Display Permits filed by Lansing Lugnuts & Roger Bonney of Night Magic for May 24, 26, and 31; June 6, 7, 20, and 21; and July 5, 11, 12, 25, and 26, 2008 at Oldsmobile Park, with rain dates of August 22 and 28, 2008

REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON GENERAL SERVICES

- iv. Submitting Applications for Licenses to Sell or Offer to Sell Retail Fireworks filed by:
 - 1. American Promotional Events, Inc, dba TNT Fireworks of Florence, AL, for the following locations:
 - Target #361, 500 East Edgewood Blvd
 - Aldi's #1519, 6555 Pennsylvania Ave
 - Kroger #852, 443 Mall Court
 - Kroger #884, 921 W. Holmes St
 - Sam's Club #8137, 340 East Edgewood Blvd
 - L & L Food Center #279, 1615 W. Mt Hope Ave
 - L & L Food Center/Daily Deals #277, 3630 S. Cedar St
 - L & L Food Center #275, 5016 S. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd
 - Meijer #24, 6200 S. Pennsylvania Ave
 - 2. B.J. Alan Company of Youngstown, OH for the following location:

- Kmart #4382, 5400 S. Cedar St.

REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON GENERAL SERVICES

- b. Letters from the Mayor re:
- i. Transfer of Funds; Police Administration, Problem Solving Overtime

REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS AND INTERNAL AUDIT

- ii. Z-2-2008; 2908 Andrew Ave., Planning Board Recommendations regarding a request filed by DRM Private Home Health Care Providers & International Learning Center to rezone the property at 2908 Andrew Ave. from "A" Residential District to "D-1" Professional Office District

REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON DEVELOPMENT AND PLANNING

- iii. Z-3-2008; 1106 N. Cedar St. Planning Board Recommendations regarding a request filed by Gail A. Shafer-Crane, PhD & Carla Guggenheim, DO/Old Town Medical Arts Building, LLC to rezone the property at 1106 N. Cedar St. from "D-1" Professional Office District and "J" Parking District to "E-2" Local Shopping District

REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON DEVELOPMENT AND PLANNING

- iv. ACT-1-08 (Part B); 316 N. Capitol Ave., Disposition of Alley

REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON DEVELOPMENT AND PLANNING

- v. City Board and Commission Appointments

REFERRED TO ALL APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES

- vi. Proposed anti-graffiti Ordinance

*SUSPENSION ITEM-REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SERVICES

- Communications and Petitions, and Other City Related Matters:

- a. Notice from the State of Michigan Public Service Commission of a public hearing for the electric customers of Consumers Energy Company Case U-15001-R to be held on May 7, 2008

RECEIVED AND PLACED ON FILE

- b. Letters from the State of Michigan Department of Treasury providing notice of the issuance of:
- i. Obsolete Property Rehabilitation Exemption Certificate to Zander Management, LLC for property located at 319 Clinton St.

REFERRED TO THE PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT AND REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON DEVELOPMENT AND PLANNING AND REFERRED TO THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

- ii. New Personal Property Tax Exemption to Barnes Aerospace for property located at 5300 Aurelius Rd.

REFERRED TO THE PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT AND REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON DEVELOPMENT AND

PLANNING AND REFERRED TO THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

c. Applications for Community Funding filed by:

- i. Native American Arts and Crafts Council for their Riverbank Traditional Pow Wow, Native American Cultural Event to be held June 20-22, 2008

REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON GENERAL SERVICES

- ii. Churchill Downs Community Association for their Carnival Picnic to be held June 6, 2008

REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON GENERAL SERVICES

- d. Letter from Robert Hudson, Secretary of NorthTown Neighborhood Association, requesting traffic controls on E. Grand River Ave. at the intersections of Pennsylvania Ave. and High St.

REFERRED TO THE PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT AND REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY

- e. Letter from Todd Searlett, Vice President of Searlett Construction Company, Inc., regarding the issuance of orders for Make Safe or Demolish to the owners of property located at 429 Hylewood Ave.

REFERRED TO THE PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT AND REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY

f. Letters regarding Fenner Nature Center from:

- Mark Waddell, no address given
- James Coletta, no address given
- Katie Olender, no address given
- Daria Hyde of 3426 Glasgow Dr.

REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

- g. Letter from Sharon Howard, no address given, regarding the conduct of audience members at City Council meetings

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REMARKS BY COUNCILMEMBERS

Councilmember Kaltenbach spoke about his request for a stop sign on Forest Rd. near the Hunt Club Apartments' private driveway. He asked Jerry Ambrose, Executive Assistant to Mayor Bernero, to present a proposed resolution to eliminate the Memorial Review Board.

REMARKS BY THE MAYOR OR EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT

Jerry Ambrose, Executive Assistant to Mayor Bernero, addressed comments made by a speaker tonight regarding improvements to Northrup St. He spoke about the proposed anti-graffiti Ordinance and how the administration is awaiting response from the U.S. Post Office regarding the late delivery of post cards informing citizens of this month's City Hall on the Road program.

Councilmember Allen asked Jerry Ambrose about the cost of the postcards.

ADJOURNED TIME 9:42 P.M.

CHRIS SWOPE, CITY CLERK