



**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF
THE CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF LANSING
PROCEEDINGS OF APRIL 13, 2009**



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 Quinney.

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

ABSENT: None

Councilmember Wood asked for a moment of silence to remember Hollis Duncan who recently passed away.

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

APPROVAL OF PRINTED COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

By Councilmember Robinson

To approve the printed Council Proceedings of March 30, April 6 and April 8, 2009

Motion carried

CONSIDERATION OF LATE ITEMS

By Vice President Robinson

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 Kaltenbach; Letter from the Mayor re: Noise Waiver – Edgewood Blvd. Project
2. From Councilmember Wood; Letter from the Mayor re: Grant Acceptance; Grand Avenue Enhancement
3. From Councilmember Robinson; Presentation; Diversity Day

TABLED ITEMS

1. BY THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
 - a. Authorizing Litigation Against the Mayor to Compel the Opening of Waverly and Red Cedar golf courses

SPECIAL CEREMONIES

- Special Ceremonies

1. Tribute; Tri-County Awareness Committee and Kickoff to Alcohol Awareness Month

Councilmember Wood spoke about various upcoming events sponsored by the Tri-County Alcohol Awareness Committee.

RESOLUTION #2009-095

**BY COUNCILMEMBER CAROL WOOD
RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LANSING**

WHEREAS, the Tri-County Alcohol Awareness Committee began in 2001, when Rod MacDonald, then director of the National Council on Alcoholism, Lansing Regional Area, and Fawn Jones, of the Neighborhood Youth and Parent Prevention Partnership, wanted an event in Lansing to coincide with the National Alcohol Awareness Day/Month in April; and

WHEREAS, the Tri-County Alcohol Awareness Committee is dedicated to reducing the misuse of alcohol by adults and the prevention of underage use of alcohol. This year they have expanded their activities to include a talent show for high school youth, at Hannah Center in East Lansing, on April 18, 2009, a poster contest for youth in grades 4-12, an essay contest for middle and high school youth, and an event at a Lugnuts game; and

WHEREAS, continuing this year is the Safe Prom Initiative, developed in 2004 by Lt. Tim Gill of Tri-County Metro Narcotics and Sheriff Mike Raines, where law enforcement from the Tri-County Area is given dates and locations of proms. They contact hotels, motels, party stores, and limousine services, surrounding prom locations, to help ensure that youth will have a safe and alcohol-free Prom; and

WHEREAS, people who begin drinking before age 15 are four times more likely to develop alcoholism than those who begin at age 21; and

WHEREAS, nearly one-fourth of all persons admitted to general hospitals have alcohol problems or are undiagnosed alcoholics being treated for the consequences of their drinking; and

WHEREAS, based on victim reports, each year 183,000 (37%) rapes and sexual assaults involve alcohol use by the offender as do just over 197,000 (15%) of robberies, about 661,000 (27%) aggravated assaults, and nearly 1.7 million (25%) simple assaults;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Lansing City Council, hereby, proclaim April 2009 as Alcohol Awareness Month in Lansing, Michigan. We also call upon all citizens, parents, youth, governmental agencies, public and private institutions, businesses and workplaces, hospitals, and schools in Lansing to support Tri County Alcohol Awareness Committee initiatives and other local efforts to reduce and prevent underage drinking in our communities.

By Councilmember Wood

Motion Carried

A representative of the Tri-County Alcohol Awareness Committee spoke about its upcoming events, such as announcing a list of poster contest winners.

2. Presentation; Diversity Day

Mayor Bernero spoke about the Diversity Day event and he introduced and spoke about the various sponsors of the event. He handed certificates to those sponsors present.

COUNCILMEMBERS' COMMENTS AND CITY CLERK'S ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Councilmember Hewitt announced the Baker-Donora Neighborhood Watch meeting and the Lansing Area Rescue Mission's dinners.

Councilmember Allen asked Mayor Bernero to provide her with information related to the permit holders of the North Capitol Parking Ramp. She announced the Lyons School neighborhood meeting.

Council Vice-President Robinson thanked those who attended the recent 2nd Saturdays meeting and she announced the Colonial Village, Kensington Meadows and Lewton-Rich neighborhood meetings.

Councilmember Dunbar stated that she spent the last week with her children who were on spring break. She announced that the next Hawk Island Triathlon is seven weeks away and that volunteers are still needed.

Councilmember Wood announced the upcoming Sikh Parade and the Michigan Pride Brunch.

Councilmember Dunbar announced that former Detroit Tiger Mark Fidrych had recently passed away.

Council President Quinney announced the National Association of Negro Business & Professional Women's 27th Annual Founders' Day Awards Ceremony and he announced upcoming budget hearings. He wished his daughter Dekeea and his son Dominic happy birthdays.

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 announced the next Diversity Day event, the Adopt A River Spring Clean-Up and Mobile Food Pantry. He spoke about the potential sale of the North Capitol Parking Ramp.

Councilmember Allen asked Mayor Bernero if the Mobile Food Pantry was open only to Lansing Residents and he stated that yes it is for Lansing residents only.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON LEGISLATIVE MATTERS

- Public Comment on Legislative Matters:

Legislative Matters included the following 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

Councilmember Jeffries gave a brief overview of all of the Public Hearings.

William Hubbell of 3916 Wedgewood Dr. stated concerns with the Sign Ordinances.

Stan Shuck of 818 Cooper Ave. spoke in opposition to SLU-4-2008.

Derek Melot of 1520 W. Ottawa St. spoke in support of the Sign Ordinances.

John Pollard of 1718 Blair St. spoke in opposition to SLU-4-200, Z-10-2008 and the Sign Ordinances. He stated concerns with the proposed Consolidated Strategy and Plan Annual Action Plan Submission to HUD for FY 2009-2010.

Charlene Decker of 2711 Pleasant Grove Rd. spoke in opposition to SLU-4-2008.

Darnell E. Oldham, Sr. of 3815 Berwick Dr. spoke in opposition to SLU-4-2008.

REFERRAL OF 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

REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON DEVELOPMENT AND PLANNING

2. In consideration of the proposed Consolidated Strategy and Plan Annual Action Plan Submission to HUD for FY 2009-2010

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REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON DEVELOPMENT AND PLANNING

- 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

REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON DEVELOPMENT AND PLANNING

**PUBLIC COMMENT
ON CITY GOVERNMENT RELATED MATTERS:**

Michael Mercer of 4530 Sycamore St., Holt, spoke about various city matters.

Bryan Decker of 543 E. Edgewood Blvd. spoke about various city matters.

Bob Gray of 422 Dadson Dr. spoke about the CATA bus turn around on Edgewood Blvd.

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

Loretta Stanaway of 546 Armstrong Rd. spoke about various city matters.

Bonnie Eastman of 1901 Vermont Ave. spoke about Riverfront Apartments.

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

Christopher Davis of 122 W. Hourns spoke about various city matters.

Pattie Smith 1124 W. Edgewood Blvd. spoke about the lack of afterschool programs for children in the city.

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

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

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

Robert Ovalle of 2023 Park Ln. spoke about a march for justice.

LEGISLATIVE MATTERS

RESOLUTIONS

THIS ITEM WAS RETURNED TO COUNCILMEMBER ROBINSON

Establishing an increase in the multiplier for Defined Benefit Retirement System for City Council Staff hired after October 29, 1990

By Councilmember Robinson

That this item be returned to her

Motion Carried

RESOLUTION #2009-096

BY COUNCILMEMBER CAROL WOOD
RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LANSING

WHEREAS, Verna D. Holley is a native of Detroit where she attended Dwyer Elementary School and graduated from Northern High School. She received her BA in Music Education from Wayne State University and her MA from Michigan State University; and

WHEREAS, she began her teaching career in elementary music in the Detroit Public Schools; and

WHEREAS, Verna married Melvin J. Holley in 1957 and together they had three children; Mark, Timothy, and Millicent; and

WHEREAS, in 1970, the family moved to Lansing where Verna was hired three years later by the Lansing School District, teaching vocal music to elementary students; and

WHEREAS, Verna later became the Choral Music and Piano Teacher for Sexton High School where she directed the award winning Sexton High School Choir; and

WHEREAS, shortly after her assignment to Sexton High School, she accepted the position of Director of the Earl Nelson Singers Company, a position she still holds today; and

WHEREAS, Verna is the founding member and president of the United Conference for Women, a non-denominational Christ centered outreach ministry that meets yearly for a weekend of speakers and workshop leaders who direct an intense study of God's word; and

WHEREAS, in 1984, the Lansing School District honored her as "Teacher of the Year"; and

WHEREAS, she returned to teaching piano after her retirement from the Lansing School District and assists many churches, groups, vocal and instrumental artists as accompanist; and

WHEREAS, Verna has touched the lives of many young people and women in her years of involvement within the church and the secular world;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lansing City Council, hereby, wish to congratulate Verna D. Holley on being the proud recipient of the Sojourner Truth Award by the Greater Lansing Area Club of the National Association of Negro Business and Professional Women's Club, Inc.!

By Councilmember Wood

Motion Carried

RESOLUTION #2009-097

BY COUNCILMEMBER CAROL WOOD
RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LANSING

WHEREAS, Derrick L. Quinney is a long time resident of Lansing and graduate of Harry Hill High School. After high school, he attended the Dale Carnegie University of Michigan's Michigan Labor Studies, International Chemical Worker Council, and UAW Health and Safety School; and

WHEREAS, he has served as a member on many union committees and groups, including Capitol Area Michigan Works, CPA Council, United Way Labor Loan Executive, Lansing Community College LipSync Fundraiser, Coalition of Blood and Bone Marrow Drive, Lansing Police Commission, and is an Honorary Board Member of the Old News Boys; and

WHEREAS, Derrick is the State President of the A. Philip Randolph Institute and has won numerous awards, including the Walt Campbell Community Service Award and Alvin J. Pressley Trail Blazer Award; and

WHEREAS, in January 2007, Derrick was appointed to the Lansing City Council to fulfill the remainder of the term for the vacated At Large Council seat, once held by Joan Bauer; and

WHEREAS, in 2008, Derrick was elected by the citizens of Lansing,

where he currently serves as President of the Lansing City Council; and

WHEREAS, he is an active member of the Committee on Development and Planning, Ways and Means, General Services, Vice Chair of the Committee on Personnel, and Chairperson of the Committee of the Whole; and

WHEREAS, as many other Councilmembers, Derrick balances his responsibilities as a Councilmember with a fulltime job as the Health and Safety Director for the Michigan AFL-CIO; and

WHEREAS, he is dedicated to enhancing the quality of life for the citizens of Lansing through community service and his position on the Lansing City Council;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Lansing City Council, hereby, wish to congratulate Derrick L. Quinney for being the proud recipient of the Frederick Douglass Award by the Greater Lansing Area Club of the National Association of Negro Business and Professional Women's Club, Inc.!

By Councilmember Wood

Motion Carried

RESOLUTION #2009-098

BY COUNCILMEMBER CAROL WOOD
RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LANSING

WHEREAS, Leola (Lee) Taylor has been an activist for youth and dedicated to community service for over 32 years, beginning in the 1960's targeting "at risk" pre-school and K-12 students; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Taylor joined forces with the late Richard Letts, and together they organized a variety of programs and talent shows, eventually culminating into a program in 1978 entitled Models, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, Models Inc. partnered with the Michigan Employment Security Commission to conduct job workshops for the benefit of inner city youth. The workshops were based on the utilization of an automated skill testing system; whereby individuals could ascertain basic skill sets that they possess and identify employment goals; and

WHEREAS, Models Inc. also helped youth develop the skills necessary to become community leaders, including instruction on how to conduct meetings and engage in public speaking. Whenever possible, all workshops linked the contributions of Black America into their curriculum; and

WHEREAS, Models, Inc. has evolved into the present program, the Brand New Me Workshops (BNM), that which focuses on employability, personal development, and life skills to enable citizens to live independently with an emphasis on building self-awareness, self-esteem, and encouraging continuing education. BNM Workshops have been conducted within local school districts, Michigan penal institutions, boys vocational schools, and have been extended to mentally challenged populations; and

WHEREAS, in 1994, Heather Taylor-Livas, eldest daughter of Lee Taylor, brought African dance to BNM, via the African Masquerade Dancers (AMD), to inspire youth to explore their roots with pride, and travel the country and take part in a constructive activity; and

WHEREAS, Lee has worked with several community programs, including as a volunteer with Dr. Willie Davis, Jr. and his "All Around the African World Museum," designed, developed, and implemented the Youth Advisory Boards at the Black Child and Family Institute where young participants are actively involved in the eradication of alcohol and other drug use in the community;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Lansing City Council,

hereby, wish to extend its appreciation to Leola Taylor for her dedication to the African American youth community. Congratulations on being the recipient of the Community Service Award by the Greater Lansing Area Club of the National Association of Negro Business and Professional Women's Club, Inc!

By Councilmember Wood

Motion Carried

RESOLUTION #2009-099

BY COUNCILMEMBER CAROL WOOD
RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LANSING

WHEREAS, Edwin E. Thompson, was born and raised in Southern Florida, and is one of seven siblings and twin to his brother Edward; and

WHEREAS, he graduated from Hollywood Hills High School in 1974 and went on to attend Florida A&M University where he was recruited by the State of Michigan as an Environmental Engineer; and

WHEREAS, Edwin worked for the State of Michigan for sixteen years, and in 1995, he moved on to pursue his financial services business and earned an MBA in Technology Management from the University of Phoenix in 2004; and

WHEREAS, he is a member of Empire Who's Who, the American Management Association, and the Quality Assurance Institute, the Lansing Juneteenth Committee, the Westside Neighborhood Association, and Chairman of the Expanded Capital Commons Citizen District Council; and

WHEREAS, Edwin and his brother, Edward, have co-written a book titled "Refocusing the African Dream," a personal, professional, and human perspective of two twin's dreams, hopes, and passions; and

WHEREAS, his company, HD Vest Financial Services collaborated with EDM Tax Service in 1984. Together, they introduced an innovative new standard in financial services that incorporated financial planning services with basic tax preparation services, making the technical expertise of a trusted tax professional available to individuals from all financial levels;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Lansing City Council, hereby, wish to congratulate Edwin E. Thompson for being the proud recipient of the Business Excellence Award by the Greater Lansing Area Club of the National Association of Negro Business and Professional Women's Club, Inc.!

By Councilmember Wood

Motion Carried

RESOLUTION #2009-100

BY COUNCILMEMBER CAROL WOOD
RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LANSING

WHEREAS, Sharon Zipporah Champion, better know as "Z", is the daughter of Sharon Denise Champion and granddaughter of Norma Champion Jones. She is a tenth grade honor student at J W Sexton High School, maintaining a 4.0 GPA. Z's favorite subjects are Math and Chemistry; and

WHEREAS, Z exhibits mentor capabilities by tutoring students in geometry and chaperoning children in the LCC Science Olympiad; and

WHEREAS, she is a member of the Sexton Marching Band and enjoys reading and playing the piano. She has received an honorary scholarship from the Michigan State University Chamber Music

Department; and

WHEREAS, Sharon eagerly involves herself in the community and her church. She assists senior citizens and neighbors by lending a helping hand with odd jobs and doing lawn care. She runs the PA system in church and assists the pianist in Sunday School; and

WHEREAS, Z's many activities include her membership in the Robotic Club, Greater Lansing Area NBPW Youth Club, People to People Ambassador program, and the NAACP, a lifetime member; and

WHEREAS, among the many awards presented to Z, the Greater Lansing Area Club of the National Association of Negro Business and Professional Women's Club, Inc. recognizes her as a 2009 Lansing Youth On the Move Awardee.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Lansing City Council, hereby, expresses its gratitude for her contributions to the City of Lansing through her church and community efforts and wishes her continued success!

By Councilmember Wood

Motion Carried

RESOLUTION #2009-101

BY COUNCILMEMBER CAROL WOOD
RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LANSING

WHEREAS, Chelsea Danielle Carroll is the daughter of Cynthia McCoy and Curtis Carroll. Chelsea is a junior at Everett High School maintaining a 3.5 GPA. She is listed in the Who's Who among High School Students and a 2004 Great Lakes Scholar.

WHEREAS, Chelsea enjoys jazz dance, reading, and computers and, currently, taking Visual Imaging classes at Harry Hill Academy.

WHEREAS, some of the many accomplishments of Chelsea is her community involvement and volunteer work at Valueland and Creation Station. She is a Sunday school teacher, mentor, and tutor for young children at the Church Without Walls. She is an active member of Union Baptist Church Sunday School, nursery, and the National Baptist Convention Youth Group.

WHEREAS, Chelsea is an active member and supporter of youth in the All of Us Express Children's Theater and the Storybook Story Theater.

WHEREAS, Chelsea Danielle Carroll is recognized by the Greater Lansing Area Club of the National Association of Negro Business and Professional Women's Club, Inc. as a 2009 Lansing Youth on the Move Awardee.

WHEREAS, NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Lansing City Council, hereby, recognizes Chelsea Danielle Carroll for her many contributions to the City of Lansing through her leadership and support to the youth, as well as her commitment and volunteering to her neighbors and the citizens of the City of Lansing.

By Councilmember Wood

Motion Carried

RESOLUTION #2009-102

BY THE PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LANSING
Setting a Public Hearing for an Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate

WHEREAS, the City of Lansing received and filed an application from Bharat Forge America, Inc.'s requesting an Industrial Facilities

Exemption Certificate (IFT 01-09) for real and personal property, pursuant to Public Act 198 of 1974, as amended; and

WHEREAS, prior to acting upon this request, it is necessary to hold a public hearing on Bharat Forge America, Inc.'s application for an Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate (IFT 01-09), to allow for any resident or taxpayer or ad valorem taxing unit the right to appear and be heard.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that a public hearing be held in the City Council Chambers of the City of Lansing, 10th Floor, Lansing City Hall, Lansing, Michigan, on Monday, April 27, 2009 at 7 p.m., on the application for an Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate (IFT 01-09) for real and personal property located within the boundary more particularly described as:

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and that the City Clerk cause to be published in a publication of general circulation, giving notice of such hearing, and that the City Clerk also cause the legislative body of each taxing unit levying ad valorem taxes on this property, as well as the owners of real and personal property located within the stated boundary, be notified by certified mail of this application and the scheduled public hearing.

By Councilmember Jeffries

Motion Carried

RESOLUTION #2009-103

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

WHEREAS, Gardner Music Boosters, 333 Dahlia Drive, Lansing, Michigan 48911 has requested a resolution of recognition as a Local Nonprofit Organization operating in the City of Lansing for the purpose of obtaining a charitable gaming license pursuant to MCL 432.103 (9); and

WHEREAS, the City Attorney has reported that, based on a review of the documentation submitted, the applicant qualifies as a Local Nonprofit Organization;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Lansing City Council, hereby, recognizes the Gardner Music Boosters as a Local Nonprofit Organization operating in the City of Lansing for the purpose of obtaining a charitable gaming license.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the City Clerk is requested to provide a copy of this resolution to Debra Dawsey, President, Gardner Music Boosters, 2414 Boston Blvd., Lansing, Michigan 48910.

By Councilmember Robinson

Motion Carried

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

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

Motion Carried

- 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.

REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON GENERAL SERVICES

- 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

REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON GENERAL SERVICES

- b. Letters from the Mayor re:
 - i. Noise Waiver; Edgewood Blvd. Project

*SUSPENSION ITEM – REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON GENERAL SERVICES

- ii. Grant Acceptance; Grand Avenue Enhancement

*SUSPENSION ITEM – REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS AND THE INTERNAL AUDITOR

• 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.

RECEIVED AND PLACED ON FILE

- 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

REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON GENERAL SERVICES

- c. Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) requests from John Pollard of 1718 Blair St. Regarding:
 - i. The City owned Cadillac driven by Mayor Bernero

REFERRED TO THE CITY ATTORNEY

- ii. Travel related expenses incurred by Mayor Bernero and his staff on trips to Washington, DC

REFERRED TO THE CITY ATTORNEY

- d. Letters in support of the sale of the North Capitol Parking Ramp submitted by:

- i. William Petry of 1416 N. Genesee Dr.

RECEIVED AND PLACED ON FILE

- ii. Nancy Parsons Mahlow, no address given

RECEIVED AND PLACED ON FILE

ADJOURNED TIME 8:44 P.M.

CHRIS SWOPE, CITY CLERK