



**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF  
THE CITY COUNCIL  
CITY OF LANSING  
PROCEEDINGS OF JANUARY 7, 2010**

City Council Chambers  
Lansing, Michigan

The City Council of the City of Lansing met in regular session and was called to order at 2:30 p.m. by City Clerk Swope.

**PRESENT:** Council Members Dunbar, Hewitt, Houghton, Jeffries, Quinney, Robinson, Wood, Yorko

**ABSENT:** None

By Council Member Robinson

To resolve into the Committee of the Whole

Motion Carried

The Council rose.

The Council observed a moment of Meditation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by City Clerk Swope.

**RESOLUTION #2010-001**

BY COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LANSING

WHEREAS, a nomination for President and Vice President for the Lansing City Council in 2010 was made on January 7, 2010; and

WHEREAS, Councilmember Kathie Dunbar made a motion to nominate Councilmember A'Lynne Robinson as President; and

WHEREAS, Councilmember Jessica Yorko made a motion to nominate Councilmember Kathie Dunbar as Vice President;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Lansing City Council unanimously appoints Councilmember A'Lynne Robinson as President and Councilmember Kathie Dunbar as Vice President for the Lansing City Council for the year 2010.

By Council Member Robinson

Motion Carried

City Clerk Swope passed the gavel to Council President A'Lynne Robinson.

**APPROVAL OF PRINTED COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS**

By Council Member Dunbar

To approve the printed Council Proceedings of December 14, 2009

Motion carried

**COUNCIL MEMBERS' COMMENTS  
AND CITY CLERK'S ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Council Member Dunbar announced four (4) master planning meetings

and registration for the 4th Annual Hawk Island Triathlon.

Council Member Wood announced that Tri-County Regional Planning will be receiving comments for its 15 year plan at several upcoming meetings. She also announced the Lansing Police Department's Take the Plunge event for the Special Olympics.

Council Member Quinney wished everyone a Happy New Year and spoke about the Old News Boys Final Report Dinner. He welcomed new Council Members Houghton and Yorko, and congratulated President Robinson and Vice-President Dunbar on their election to those positions.

Council Member Yorko announced a meeting for urban chicken farming.

Vice-President Dunbar stated that urban chicken farming only includes hens, not roosters.

Council President Robinson announced the next 2nd Saturdays meeting for residents of the 3rd Ward.

City Clerk Swope announced two (2) upcoming census jobs meetings.

**COMMUNITY EVENT ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Manuela Kress of the Women's Center of Greater Lansing announced the 5th Annual She Laughs event.

**SPEAKER REGISTRATION FOR  
PUBLIC COMMENT ON LEGISLATIVE MATTERS**

Clerk Swope announced that the public comment registration form(s) for those intending to address Council on legislative 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, welcomed new Council Members Houghton and Yorko, and congratulated President Robinson and Vice-President Dunbar on their election to those positions. He also thanked out-going City Council President Quinney for his service.

Council President Robinson welcomed new Council Members Houghton and Yorko.

**PUBLIC COMMENT  
ON LEGISLATIVE MATTERS**

- Public Comment on Legislative Matters:

Legislative Matters included the following public hearings:

There were no public hearings.

There were no speakers for Legislative Matters.

**SPEAKER REGISTRATION FOR  
PUBLIC COMMENT ON CITY GOVERNMENT  
RELATED MATTERS**

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

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

By Council Member Dunbar that all items be considered as being read in full and that President Robinson make the appropriate referrals

Motion Carried

- Reports from City Officers, Boards and Commissions:
  - a. 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

- b. Letter from the Internal Auditor submitting a Board of Water and Light Audit Review for Fiscal Year ended June 30, 2009

REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS AND THE INTERNAL AUDITOR

- c. Letters from the Mayor re:
  - i. Sole Source Purchase; Police Department request for L-1 Identity Solutions as the vendor for Identix Touch Print Live Scan TP3800XCH 081009 Archival System

REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS AND THE INTERNAL AUDITOR

- ii. ACT-18-08; 1941 Reo Rd., Reduce Church Drain Easement

REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON DEVELOPMENT AND PLANNING

- iii. Traffic Control Order 09-067; Installation of a stop sign on Continental Dr. at the intersection of Malibu Dr.; and Secretary Report #09-054

REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY

- iv. Traffic Control Order 09-066; Installation of a stop sign on Randolph St. at the intersection of Gary Ave.; and Secretary Report #09-053

REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY

- v. Traffic Control Order 09-065; Installation of stop signs on Westmoreland Ave. at the intersection of Hyland St.; and Secretary Report #09-051

REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY

- vi. Traffic Control Order 09-069; Installation of a stop sign on Biltmore St. at the intersection of Greenoak Ave.; and Secretary Report #09-062

REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY

- vii. Traffic Control Order 09-068; Installation of a stop sign on Belaire Dr. at the intersection of Lewton Pl.; and Secretary Report #09-055

REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY

- Communications and Petitions, and Other City Related Matters:
  - a. Letters from the State of Michigan Liquor Control Commission providing notice of:
    - i. The Denial of an Application to Transfer Ownership of Escrowed Specially Designated Distributor license with Sunday Sales Permit from Ho Tran, Inc.; transfer location from 3135 S. Pennsylvania Ave. to 1901 S. Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd., to be held in conjunction with existing 2009 Specially Designated Merchant license; and cancel the Specially Designated Merchant license being transferred; and submitting a copy of the Order of Denial

REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON GENERAL SERVICES

- ii. The Cancellation of Application to Transfer Ownership 2009 Class C & SDM licensed business with Sunday Sales permit and Dance-Entertainment permit, located at 400-402 Baker St. from Octavio's B & G, LLC to Tini Bikinis – Lansing, LLC, pursuant to the applicant's request

REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON GENERAL SERVICES

- b. Letter from the State of Michigan Department of Energy, Labor and Economic Growth providing notice of a Public Hearing to be held January 20, 2010 on proposed amendments to the Elevator Rule Set and the Plumbing Rule Set

REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY

- c. Letter from the State of Michigan Department of Environmental Quality providing notice of identification of the former Lansing Fuel and Gas Company located at 225 N. Grand River Ave. as a site of environmental contamination

REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON DEVELOPMENT AND PLANNING

- d. Letter from the Ingham Intermediate School District providing notice of its intent to collect 100% of 2010 summer taxes and submitting a resolution related thereto

REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS AND THE INTERNAL AUDITOR AND REFERRED TO THE CITY ASSESSOR

- e. Letter from Comcast Cable providing notice of a new Hispanic service tier effective January 14, 2010

REFERRED TO THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND CABLE ADVISORY BOARD

- f. Letter from the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local Union 665 regarding the proposed use of an electrical contractor outside of the Lansing metropolitan area for work on the Wastewater Treatment Plant

REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

- g. Request for Recognition of Non-Profit Status in the City of Lansing submitted by the Mid Michigan Softball Advisory Board located at 724 N. Francis Ave.

REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON GENERAL SERVICES

- h. Letter of Resignation from the Telecommunications and Cable Advisory Board submitted by Ken Orlich

REFERRED TO THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND CABLE ADVISORY BOARD

- i. Copy of a Letter from Michael Morofsky of 1300 Woodbine Ave. to Comcast Cable regarding its rate structure

REFERRED TO THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND CABLE ADVISORY BOARD

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

**ON CITY GOVERNMENT RELATED MATTERS:**

Christopher Davis of 122 W. Huron St. spoke about various city matters.

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

Carl Calille of 306 Harriet Ave. spoke about various city matters.

**ADJOURNED TIME 3:56 P.M.**

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**CHRIS SWOPE, CITY CLERK**