



**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF
THE CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF LANSING
PROCEEDINGS OF FEBRUARY 1, 2010**

**PUBLIC COMMENT ON CITY GOVERNMENT
RELATED MATTERS**

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 Robinson

PRESENT: Council Members Hewitt, Houghton, Jeffries, Quinney, Robinson, Wood

ABSENT: Council Members Dunbar (Arrived at 7:08p.m.) and Yorke (Arrived at 7:03 p.m.)

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

APPROVAL OF PRINTED COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

By Council Member Quinney

To approve the printed Council Proceedings of January 25, 2010

Motion carried

Council Member Yorke arrived at the meeting at 7:03 p.m.

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

Council Member Hewitt announced the next 1st Contact meeting for residents of the 1st Ward.

Council Member Wood announced the next Eastside Neighborhood Organization and Genesee Neighborhood Association meetings.

City Clerk Swope announced the Community Mental Health event Autism – The Musical. He spoke about the upcoming U.S. Census and the need to raise awareness of it.

Council Member Dunbar arrived at the meeting at 7:08 p.m.

**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, spoke about a grant acceptance for Neighborhood Stabilization Program 2. He announced the 36 year Community Development Block Grant Public Hearing, Master Planning meetings, the Mother-Son Masquerade Ball, Daddy-Daughter Masquerade Ball and the Frost Fest event.

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**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

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- b. Letters from the Mayor re:

- i. Grant Acceptance; Neighborhood Stabilization Program 2

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

- ii. Ratification of Teamster 580 Collection Bargaining Agreements

REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

• Communications and Petitions, and Other City Related Matters:

- a. Contract between the State of Michigan Department of Transportation and the City of Lansing to allow for:

PART A

Rehabilitation work for the structure B01 of 33-06-05 (#3937), which carries Kalamazoo Street over the Grand River, Section 16, T4N, R2W, City of Lansing, Ingham County, Michigan; including expansion joint replacement, structural steel painting, deck patching, and crack sealing work; and all together with necessary related work

PART B

Rehabilitation work for the structure B01 of 33-06-19 (#3952), which carries Pennsylvania Avenue over the Red Cedar River, Section 22, T4N, R2W, City of Lansing, Ingham County; including expansion joint replacement, structural steel painting, deck patching, and crack sealing work; and all together with necessary related work

REFERRED TO THE CITY ATTORNEY AND REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SERVICES

- b. Letter from the State of Michigan Public Service Commission providing notice of a Public Hearing for the Gas Customers of Consumers Energy Company Case No. U16149 to be held February 9, 2010

ADJOURNED TIME 9:46 P.M.

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- c. Letter from Comcast Cable providing notice of new Triple Play bundles

CHRIS SWOPE, CITY CLERK

REFERRED TO THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND CABLE ADVISORY BOARD

- d. Request for Recognition of Non-Profit Status in the City of Lansing submitted by The Gratitude Group of P.O. Box 21006

REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON GENERAL SERVICES

- e. Letter from students from Dwight Rich Middle School requesting the retention of the G.R.E.A.T. program

REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY AND REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS

- f. Letter from Kenneth Vaughan of P.O. Box 22012 regarding the Lansing City Council

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REMARKS BY COUNCIL MEMBERS

Council Member Wood stated her objection to the elimination of Public Comment during the Committee of the Whole portion of the meeting.

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

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

Claude Beavers of 3010 Boston Blvd. spoke about the proposed sale of the North Capitol Parking Ramp and the election of Tina Houghton as 2nd Ward Council Member.

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

Ammahad-Shekarakki of 902 W. Willow St. spoke about Malcolm X.

William Hubbell of 3916 Wedgewood Dr. spoke about winter.

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

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

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

Patrick Mercer of Holt High School spoke about golf courses.

By Council Member Dunbar

To resolve into the Committee of the Whole

Motion Carried (Council Members Jeffries and Wood voting nay)

The City Council resolved into the Committee of the Whole at 7:36 p.m.

The City Council rose from the Committee of the Whole at 9:46 p.m.