



**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF  
THE CITY COUNCIL  
CITY OF LANSING  
PROCEEDINGS OF JUNE 14, 2010**

to be held on June 19, 2010

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 Dunbar, Hewitt, Houghton, Jeffries, Quinney, Robinson, Wood

**ABSENT:** Council Member Yorko

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 Dunbar

To approve the printed Council Proceedings of June 7, 2010

Motion carried

**CONSIDERATION OF LATE ITEMS**

By Vice President Dunbar

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 Council Member Quinney; Approval of an Application for a license to sell or offer to sell retail fireworks filed by Janet Stajos on behalf of American Eagle Superstore located at 901 North Larch St.
2. From Council Member Quinney; Approval of an Application for a license to sell or offer to sell wholesale fireworks filed by Janet Stajos on behalf of American Eagle Superstore located at 3366 Remy Dr.
3. From Council Member Quinney; Approval of an Application for a license to sell or offer to sell retail fireworks filed by B.J. Alan Company on behalf of Menard's #3158 located at 725 American Rd.
4. From Council Member Quinney; Approval of an Application for a license to sell or offer to sell retail fireworks filed by Charles G. Friese of TNT Fireworks on behalf of Meijer's located in the parking lot at 6200 S. Pennsylvania Ave.

**SPECIAL CEREMONIES**

• Special Ceremonies

1. Tribute; Juneteenth Celebration "Beyond Emancipation-Continuing Towards Empowerment-Moving to the Next Level"

Council Member Quinney spoke about Juneteenth.

Marilyn Plummer introduced the Juneteenth committee members present and spoke about all of the events related to the holiday celebration. She invited the public to the events.

Rev. Richard Doss stated that the events are very family friendly. He also stated that a health fair would take place at the event.

Jerry Ambrose, Executive Assistant to Mayor Bernero, thanked the committee members for all of their hard work.

City Clerk Swope read the following resolution:

**RESOLUTION #2010-185**

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

WHEREAS, June 19, 1865, coined as "Juneteenth," is of a great historical significance as the oldest African American Holiday; it is now an official state holiday in 15 states across the country, Michigan celebrating their 6th Annual Juneteenth Freedom Day; and

WHEREAS, Juneteenth is imbedded in Michigan's history with official acknowledgement of P.A. 48 of 2005, stating that the third Saturday in June of each year is known as "Juneteenth National Freedom Day"; and

WHEREAS, it was on June 19, 1865, that news of the Emancipation Proclamation reached the slaves of Texas and became the true Independence Day of African-Americans ending slavery in the United States; and

WHEREAS, the slaves immediately left the plantations, congregated in the cities, and began celebrating their freedom by praying, feasting, dancing, and singing; and

WHEREAS, Juneteenth is a day to honor and respect the sufferings of slavery and acknowledge the evils of slavery and its aftermath; it is a day to reflect upon our history and realize that because of it, there will forever be a bond between mankind; and

WHEREAS, Juneteenth is a day to commit to each other the needed support as family, friends, and co-workers; a day to build coalitions; and

WHEREAS, the Lansing Juneteenth Celebration Capital City Kick-off starts Thursday, June 17, 2010 with a luncheon and is followed by festivities on Friday, June 18th and Saturday, June 19th commemorating the end of slavery in the United States with joys of liberty and positive cultural interaction;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Lansing City Council, hereby, recognizes June 19th as Juneteenth Day and encourages everyone to participate in the 17th Juneteenth Anniversary Campaign;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, we extend our appreciation to the Lansing Juneteenth Committee for their dedication to the education in the community about our heritage and promoting positive cultural interaction.

By Council Member Quinney

Motion Carried  
 Council Member Quinney thanked the committee members for all of their hard work and encouraged citizens to attend the event.

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

Council Member Hewitt spoke about the Baker-Donora street makeover.  
 Council Member Wood announced public safety meeting regarding parking near the former GM plant on Verlinden St.  
 Council Member Quinney announced Friendship Baptist Church's Walking for the Cure event.  
 Council Member Houghton announced Old Everett Neighborhood's annual picnic.  
 President Robinson announced Churchill Downs' neighborhood picnic and the Next Colonial Village neighborhood meeting. She also stated that the next Lewton-Rich neighborhood meeting has been canceled.  
 City Clerk Swope spoke about the upcoming Primary Election and the absentee ballot request process.

**COMMUNITY EVENT ANNOUNCEMENTS**

A representative of the On the Boulevard Business Association announced the upcoming On the Boulevard Barbecue 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, stated that the administration would announce any upcoming changes to city hall and city government hours of operation due to budgetary issues as soon as plans are finalized. He also stated that 5:00 p.m. tomorrow is the deadline for employees to turn in their paperwork for the retirement incentive. He announced the upcoming Touch A Truck event and the Battle of the Badges events between the Police and Fire Departments. He spoke about several items on tonight's agenda including the public hearing for the sale of the Comfort Station. He announced the next Mobile Food Pantry.

**PUBLIC COMMENT  
 ON LEGISLATIVE MATTERS**

- Public Comment on Legislative Matters:

Legislative Matters included the following public hearings:

1. In consideration of SLU-1-2010; 5750 S. Cedar St., a Special Land Use request by Abundant Grace Faith Church to utilize the building at 5750 S. Cedar St. for a church
2. In consideration of ACT-5-2009; 313 E. Grand River Ave., Comfort Station Sale
3. In consideration of Brownfield Redevelopment Plan #48; Holmes Street School Redevelopment Project

4. In consideration of an Obsolete Property Rehabilitation Act (OPRA) District submitted by Foresight Group for property located at 2282 N. Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd.

Council Member Jeffries gave a brief overview of the public hearings.  
 Sherry Shaw of 403 Beaver St. stated concerns with the proposed sale of the Comfort Station regarding the retention of the Thelma Olsteen plaque.  
 Becky Weck of 213 Douglas Ave. stated concerns with the proposed sale of the Comfort Station regarding the Thelma Olsteen plaque.  
 Ryan Vartoogian of 115 W. Allegan St. spoke in support of Brownfield Redevelopment Plan #48.  
 Kirk Riley of 1030 S. Holmes Rd. spoke in support of Brownfield Redevelopment Plan #48.  
 Kathi Raffone of 1221 Muskegon Ave. spoke in support of SLU-1-2010.  
 Bill Christofferson of 619 E. Hazel St. spoke in support of an Obsolete Property Rehabilitation Act (OPRA) District submitted by Foresight Group for property located at 2282 N. Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd.  
 Harold Leeman, Jr. of 435 N. Francis Ave. stated concerns with the proposed sale of the Comfort Station.

John Pollard of 1718 Blair St. spoke in opposition to Brownfield Redevelopment Plan #48 and an Obsolete Property Rehabilitation Act (OPRA) District submitted by Foresight Group for property located at 2282 N. Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd.

Louis Dixon, Sr. of Lansing spoke in support of SLU-1-2010.  
 Bruce Morton of Grand Ledge spoke in support of SLU-1-2010.

**REFERRAL OF PUBLIC HEARINGS**

1. In consideration of SLU-1-2010; 5750 S. Cedar St., a Special Land Use request by Abundant Grace Faith Church to utilize the building at 5750 S. Cedar St. for a church

REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON DEVELOPMENT AND PLANNING

2. In consideration of ACT-5-2009; 313 E. Grand River Ave., Comfort Station Sale

REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON DEVELOPMENT AND PLANNING

3. In consideration of Brownfield Redevelopment Plan #48; Holmes Street School Redevelopment Project

REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON DEVELOPMENT AND PLANNING

4. In consideration of an Obsolete Property Rehabilitation Act (OPRA) District submitted by Foresight Group for property located at 2282 N. Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd.

REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON DEVELOPMENT AND PLANNING

**LEGISLATIVE MATTERS**

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Council Member Jeffries asked that items 1b, 2a, 2b, 2c, 2d, 2e, 3a, 3b, 3c, 3d, 3e, 3f, 3g, 3h, 3i, 4a, 4b, and 4c be removed from the consent agenda.

## RESOLUTIONS

**RESOLUTION #2010-186**

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

WHEREAS, Dr. Gladys Beckwith founded the Michigan Women's Studies Association in 1973 and served as president for the past 37 years; and

WHEREAS, in 1979, the Michigan Women's Studies Association entered into an agreement with the City of Lansing to lease the historic Cooley-Haze House, raising \$350,000 to turn the house into a museum celebrating Michigan women's history and art; and

WHEREAS, on July 10, 1987, the doors to the new Michigan Women's Historical Center and Hall of Fame were opened, and to commemorate the dedication day, the Picnic on the Lawn is held annually; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Beckwith also served as the unpaid Executive Director of the Michigan Women's Historical Center & Hall of Fame for 28 years; and

WHEREAS, the Michigan Women's Hall of Fame was founded in 1983 and currently honors 258 Michigan women for their outstanding achievements; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Beckwith once stated, "The Hall of Fame has enabled us to write women back into history by providing inspiring role models for girls and women as well as a fuller picture of our state's history for all its citizens"; and

WHEREAS, at the 26th Annual Picnic on the Lawn, the Michigan Women's Historical Center and Hall of Fame will be honoring Dr. Gladys Beckwith for her many years of dedicated service;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Lansing City Council, hereby, wishes to express its deepest appreciation to Dr. Gladys Beckwith for her dedication and efforts to preserve and record women's history in the City of Lansing and for her many years of service to the Michigan Women's Historical Center and Hall of Fame, which would not exist without her! We wish you continued success in all your future endeavors!

By Council Member Quinney

Motion Carried

**RESOLUTION #2010-187**

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

WHEREAS, Michele Hirschfield, since she was very young, knew that she wanted to serve the public and make a difference in her community; and

WHEREAS, after graduating from Hillsdale College, Michele continued to hone her skills in the retail, restaurant, and construction industries while residing in the San Francisco Bay area; and

WHEREAS, making her way East, she spent time working in the brokerage industry on Wall Street until family and friends called her back to Michigan where she spent years working in the telecommunications, utilities, and information securities industries; and

WHEREAS, in 2007, Michele and Tim relocated to Holt, Michigan and were presented with an opportunity to join the Lansing region as Tim Horton's franchise owners; and

WHEREAS, as a leader of positive growth in the business community, Michele co-owns two Tim Horton's locations, on Cedar Street in South Lansing and in Holt. Under Michele's guidance, the stores have become a showcase of marketing wizardry with Senior Mondays and the classic car shows on Monday evenings during spring and summer; and

WHEREAS, Michele is as dedicated to her employees and customers as she is to the elementary students in Holt and at the Wexford Montessori Magnet School through the Tim Horton's Children's Foundation, which will send more than 14,000 kids to camp in 2010.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Lansing City Council, hereby, wishes to congratulate Michele Hirschfield for being awarded the South Lansing Business Association's Business Person of the Year Award. We wish you continued success!

By Council Member Wood

Motion Carried

**RESOLUTION #2010-188**

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

WHEREAS, Lisa Gnass holds a Bachelor's degree from Michigan State University and lives in Dimondale with her husband, Camron, and three children; and

WHEREAS, prior to joining the Ronald McDonald House, Lisa was a communications specialist at the Michigan Economic Development Corporation, leaving in 2000 to open a communications and marketing firm, consulting with companies in a variety of industries including automotive, education, economic development, and cosmetics; and

WHEREAS, she is the Executive Director of the Ronald McDonald House of Mid-Michigan, with the responsibility of overseeing operations, including fund development, finances, marketing and communications, community relationships, staff management, and design and implementation of policies and procedures; and

WHEREAS, Lisa was an eight-year member of the Board of Directors of the Ronald McDonald House and is a current Junior League of Lansing board member; and

WHEREAS, on June 22, 2010, the Ronald McDonald House will celebrate its 10th Anniversary serving hundreds of families visiting the Lansing area seeking medical treatment for their seriously ill or injured children; and

WHEREAS, Lisa's enthusiasm, strength, resourcefulness, sparkling personality, and dedication to serving the community has provided a solid network of individuals committed to ensuring the success of the Ronald McDonald House;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Lansing City Council, hereby, wishes to congratulate Lisa Gnass on being the proud recipient of the South Lansing Business Association's 2010 Community Service Award. We wish you continued success in all your future endeavors!

By Council Member Wood

Motion Carried

**RESOLUTION #2010-189**

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

WHEREAS, Kellie P. Dean is a graduate of Michigan State University with a Bachelor's degree from the College of Education and a Masters Degree in Special Education Administration; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Dean was named the "outstanding Special Education Teacher in Michigan" by the prestigious Council for Exceptional Children in 1983 for his dedication and leadership in the education of persons with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, he has served on the Board for the Association for Retarded

Citizens, Chief Okemos Boy Scout Council, Lansing Area Safety Council, Marvin E. Beekman Center Work Activity Center, Lansing Education Advancement Foundation, Capital Area United Way, Ebersole Foundation, Ronald McDonald House, St. Vincent Home Capital Campaign, BoarsHead Theater, Lansing Economic Area Partnership, Mid-Michigan Chapter of the American Red Cross, Greater Lansing Convention & Visitors Bureau, and supports Special Olympics throughout Michigan; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Dean has over thirty years of volunteer experience in Special Olympics, serving on the Sports Board of Directors of Special Olympics International and as a Volunteer Director for the Michigan Special Olympics, and has been instrumental in raising approximately \$150,000 for these special athletes; and

WHEREAS, Dean Transportation has generously donated transportation for the Early Childhood Development Program as part of an effort to assist "at-risk" four year olds for the Association for the Prevention of Child Abuse and all transportation to the Area 8 Special Olympics for over 25 years; and

WHEREAS, Kellie Dean and Dean Transportation received national recognition in 1995 by being named the "School Bus Contractor of the Year" by the School Bus Fleet Magazine and recently was named Business of the Year by Michigan Special Olympics; and

WHEREAS, for over 12 years Dean Transportation, Inc. has participated in the very successful Young Spartans Program, transporting perspective college students in the Detroit Public Schools and across the State of Michigan to allow urban youth to experience the college atmosphere and hopefully become future MSU students; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Dean was the recipient of the Lansing Chamber of Commerce Community Service Award, Lansing Catholic Central High School Father Mac Community Service Award, Greater Lansing Sports Hall of Fame Richard "Dick" Letts Youth and Community Service Award and the MSU/Downtown Coaches Club – The Edward R. Vandervoort Memorial Award; and

WHEREAS, Kellie Dean's participation and support was instrumental in the Lansing/Michigan Legislative Black Caucus Katrina Relief efforts launching three buses to Louisiana to deliver goods and bring back evacuees, and he provided two buses during the Labor Day weekend to move donated goods from the Union Hall to the Black Child and Family Institute;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Lansing City Council, hereby, congratulates Kellie P. Dean on receiving the 2010 Alfreda Schmidt Lifetime Achievement Award from the South Lansing Business Association. Thank you for your many years of dedication and service to the City of Lansing and its residents. We wish you continued success!

By Council Member Wood

Motion Carried

**RESOLUTION #2010-190**

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

WHEREAS, Lutheran Social Services of Michigan has requested \$500.00 to defray costs associated with the World Day at Hunter Park to be held on June 5, 2010; and

WHEREAS, the Committee on General Services met on Monday, June 7, 2010 and reviewed the request; and

WHEREAS, the maximum total amount of Community Promotion Funds to be awarded an organization in one fiscal year is \$500.00;

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

hereby, approves an allocation of \$500.00 from the Community Promotion Account to Lutheran Social Services of Michigan to defray costs associated with the World Day at Hunter Park held on June 5, 2010;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and the Finance Department shall process this request by charging \$500.00 to the Council Community Promotion Account – 101.112101.741289.0;

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the Lutheran Social Services of Michigan shall submit a written analysis of the event, including information regarding the number of attendees, a detailed account as to contributors, funds received, expended, and residual funds to the Lansing City Council within 60 days after the event.

By Council Member Quinney

Motion Carried

**RESOLUTION #2010-191**

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

WHEREAS, Capital City African American Cultural Association has requested \$500.00 to defray costs associated with the African American Parade & Family Festival to be held on Saturday, August 14, 2010; and

WHEREAS, the Committee on General Services met on Monday, June 7, 2010 and reviewed the request; and

WHEREAS, the maximum total amount of Community Promotion Funds to be awarded an organization in one fiscal year is \$500.00;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Lansing City Council, hereby, approves an allocation of \$500.00 from the Community Promotion Account to Capital City African American Cultural Association to defray costs associated with the African American Parade & Family Festival to be held on August 14, 2010;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and the Finance Department shall process this request by charging \$500.00 to the Council Community Promotion Account – 101.112101.741289.0;

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the Capital City African American Cultural Association shall submit a written analysis of the event, including information regarding the number of attendees, a detailed account as to contributors, funds received, expended, and residual funds to the Lansing City Council within 60 days after the event.

By Council Member Quinney

Motion Carried

**RESOLUTION #2010-193**

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

WHEREAS, the application for a license to sell or offer to sell retail fireworks filed by Charles Walker of American Promotional/TNT Fireworks on behalf of:

Aldi's #1519 located at 6555 Pennsylvania Ave  
Kroger #852 located at 443 Mall Court  
Kroger #884 located at 921 W. Holmes St  
L&L Food Center #275 located at 5016 S. Martin Luther King Blvd  
L&L Food Center #279 located at 1615 W. Mount Hope Ave  
Meijer #24 located at 6200 S. Pennsylvania Ave  
Target #361 located at 500 E. Edgewood Blvd  
Sam's Club #8137 located at 340 E. Edgewood Blvd

was referred to the Committee on General Services; and

WHEREAS, the application has been previously approved by the appropriate departments within the City of Lansing; and

WHEREAS, Charles Walker of American Promotional/TNT Fireworks on behalf of:

- Aldi's #1519 located at 6555 Pennsylvania Ave
- Kroger #852 located at 443 Mall Court
- Kroger #884 located at 921 W. Holmes St
- L&L Food Center #275 located at 5016 S. Martin Luther King Blvd
- L&L Food Center #279 located at 1615 W. Mount Hope Ave
- Meijer #24 located at 6200 S. Pennsylvania Ave
- Target #361 located at 500 E. Edgewood Blvd
- Sam's Club #8137 located at 340 E. Edgewood Blvd

agree that only retail fireworks that are approved for sale by the State of Michigan and the City of Lansing will be sold at the site;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the application for a license to sell or offer to sell retail fireworks filed by Charles Walker of American Promotional/TNT Fireworks on behalf of:

- Aldi's #1519 located at 6555 Pennsylvania Ave
- Kroger #852 located at 443 Mall Court
- Kroger #884 located at 921 W. Holmes St
- L&L Food Center #275 located at 5016 S. Martin Luther King Blvd
- L&L Food Center #279 located at 1615 W. Mount Hope Ave
- Meijer #24 located at 6200 S. Pennsylvania Ave
- Target #361 located at 500 E. Edgewood Blvd
- Sam's Club #8137 located at 340 E. Edgewood Blvd

is approved;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this license to sell retail fireworks will expire on April 30, 2011, as set forth in the City of Lansing Fireworks Ordinance, Chapter 1615 of the Lansing Code of Ordinances.

By Council Member Quinney

Motion Carried

**RESOLUTION #2010-194**

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

WHEREAS, Robert and Evelyn Thocker filed a claim for \$2,500 in restitution for property he claimed was removed from 0 W. Miller Road, Lansing, Michigan; and

WHEREAS, the Committee on General Services met on Monday, June 7, 2010 to review the claim and found that the claimant did not contest the \$1,328.91 assessment;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council, hereby, denies the claim filed by Robert and Evelyn Thocker of \$2,500 in restitution for property he claimed was removed from 0 W. Miller Road, Lansing, Michigan;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that no further action is required by the City Attorney for processing this claim.

By Council Member Quinney

Motion Carried

**RESOLUTION #2010-195**

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

WHEREAS, the application for a license to sell or offer to sell retail fireworks filed by Janet Stajos of 901 N. Larch St. on behalf of American

Eagle Superstore was referred to the Committee on General Services; and

WHEREAS, the application has been previously approved by the appropriate departments within the City of Lansing; and

WHEREAS, Janet Stajos of American Eagle Superstore located at 901 N. Larch St. agrees that only retail fireworks that are approved for sale by the State of Michigan and the City of Lansing will be sold at the site;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the application for a license to sell or offer to sell retail fireworks filed by Janet Stajos of 901 N. Larch St. on behalf of American Eagle Superstore is approved;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this license to sell retail fireworks will expire on April 30, 2011 as set forth in the City of Lansing Fireworks Ordinance, Chapter 1615 of the Lansing Code of Ordinances.

By Council Member Quinney

Motion Carried

**FAILED**

Approval of an Application for a license to sell or offer to sell wholesale fireworks filed by Janet Stajos on behalf of American Eagle Superstore located at 3366 Remy Dr.

By Council Member Quinney

Motion Failed (Council Members Dunbar, Houghton, Quinney, and Wood voting Aye)

**RESOLUTION #2010-196**

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

WHEREAS, the application for a license to sell or offer to sell retail fireworks filed by B.J. Alan Company of 725 American Rd on behalf of Menard's #3158 located at 725 American Road was referred to the Committee on General Services; and

WHEREAS, the application has been previously approved by the appropriate departments within the City of Lansing; and

WHEREAS, B.J. Alan Company on behalf of Menard's #3158 located at 725 American Rd agrees that only retail fireworks that are approved for sale by the State of Michigan and the City of Lansing will be sold at the site;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the application for a license to sell or offer to sell retail fireworks filed by B.J. Alan Company on behalf of Menard's #3158 located at 725 American Rd is approved;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this license to sell retail fireworks will expire on April 30, 2011 as set forth in the City of Lansing Fireworks Ordinance, Chapter 1615 of the Lansing Code of Ordinances.

By Council Member Quinney

Motion Carried (Council Member Hewitt voting nay)

**RESOLUTION #2010-197**

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

WHEREAS, the application for a license to sell or offer to sell retail fireworks filed by Charles Friese of TNT Fireworks to sell in Meijer's parking lot located at 6200 S. Pennsylvania Ave. was referred to the Committee on General Services; and

WHEREAS, the application has been previously approved by the

appropriate departments within the City of Lansing; and

WHEREAS, Charles Friese of TNT Fireworks agrees that only retail fireworks that are approved for sale by the State of Michigan and the City of Lansing will be sold at the site;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the application for a license to sell or offer to sell retail fireworks filed by Charles Friese of TNT Fireworks to sell in Meijer's parking lot located at 6200 S. Pennsylvania Avenue is approved;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this license to sell retail fireworks will expire on April 30, 2011, as set forth in the City of Lansing Fireworks Ordinance, Chapter 1615 of the Lansing Code of Ordinances.

By Council Member Quinney

Motion Carried (Council Member Hewitt voting nay)

**RESOLUTION #2010-198**

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

WHEREAS, the application for a license to sell or offer to sell wholesale fireworks filed by Janet Stajos of 901 N. Larch St. on behalf of American Eagle located at 3366 Remy Dr. was referred to the Committee on General Services; and

WHEREAS, the application has been previously approved by the appropriate departments within the City of Lansing; and

WHEREAS, Janet Stajos of 901 N. Larch St. on behalf of American Eagle located at 3366 Remy Dr. agrees that only wholesale fireworks that are approved for sale by the State of Michigan and the City of Lansing will be sold at the site;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the application for a license to sell or offer to sell wholesale fireworks filed by Janet Stajos of 901 N. Larch St. on behalf of American Eagle located at 3366 Remy Dr. is approved;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this license to sell wholesale fireworks will expire on April 30, 2011 as set forth in the City of Lansing Fireworks Ordinance, Chapter 1615 of the Lansing Code of Ordinances.

By Council Member Quinney

To reconsider the vote by which the resolution was not adopted

Motion Carried (Council Member Robinson voting nay)

The question being the motion to place an affirmative roll on the resolution

Motion Carried (Council Members Hewitt and Robinson voting nay)

**RESOLUTION #2010-199**

BY COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS  
RESOLVED BY THE CITY OF LANSING OF THE CITY OF LANSING

WHEREAS, the City of Lansing desires to encourage and support shopping and commercial activity in the Principal Shopping District area by public improvement to develop, redevelop, promote economic activity, and provide for the maintenance, security, and operation of the Principal Shopping District by such public improvement which especially benefits any property within a district; and

WHEREAS, the City of Lansing desires to encourage promotional efforts, business recruitment in all zones and physical improvements and maintenance services (in zone "A") of the Principal Shopping District; and

WHEREAS, the City of Lansing has determined that this should be provided through special assessment zones established for the purpose of financing Principal Shopping District activities; and

WHEREAS, the City of Lansing has determined that the cost of providing such services should be recovered by a special assessment against properties especially benefited as authorized by Act No. 120 of the Public Acts of 1961, as amended, and Chapters 812 and 1026 of the Lansing Code of Ordinances; and

WHEREAS, the City of Lansing has reviewed the proposed special assessment boundaries; and

WHEREAS, the City of Lansing has also reviewed the proposed services within the boundaries with an estimated cost of these services;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the special assessment zones for the Principal Shopping District are established by City Council as follows:

Principal Shopping District: Beginning at the intersection of West right-of-way line of S. Capitol Avenue and the north right-of-way line of W. St. Joseph Street, "Point of Beginning," North along S. Capitol Avenue right-of-way line to the center-line of W. Washtenaw Street, west along the centerline of W. Washtenaw Street to the center-line of Townsend Street, north along the center-line of Townsend Street to the center-line of W. Allegan Street, then east along the W. Allegan Street center-line to the center-line of S. Capitol Avenue, north along the S. Capitol Avenue center-line to the center-line of W. Saginaw Street, east along the W. Saginaw Street center-line to the west right-of-way line of N. Washington Avenue, north along the N. Washington Avenue right-of-way line to the north right-of-way line of W. Grand River Avenue, east along the W. Grand River Avenue right-of-way line to the west right-of-way line of Turner Street, north along the Turner Street right-of-way line to the north right-of-way line of Clinton Street, east along Clinton Street right-of-way to the east right-of-way line of Center Street, south along the Center Street right-of-way line to the north right-of-way line of Liberty Street, east along the Liberty Street right-of-way line to the centerline of N. Cedar Street, south along the N. Cedar Street center-line to the south right-of-way line of East Grand River Avenue, east along the E. Grand River Avenue right-of-way line to the west right-of-way line of N. Larch Street, south along the N. Larch Street right-of-way line to the center-line of E. Shiawassee Street, east along the E. Shiawassee Street center-line to the west right-of-way line of the Conrail right-of-way, south along the Conrail right-of-way line to the south right-of-way line of E. Michigan Avenue, west along the E. Michigan Avenue right-of-way to the east right-of-way line of S. Larch Street, south along the S. Larch Street right-of-way line to the center-line of E. Kalamazoo Street, then west along E. Kalamazoo Street center-line to the center-line of S. Larch Street, then south along the S. Larch Street center-line to the north right-of-way line of St. Joseph Street (extended), west along the St. Joseph Street right-of-way line (extended) to the Point of Beginning.

The Principal Shopping District, as described herein, shall contain zones as described below:

Zone A: Beginning at the intersection of the center-line of W. Shiawassee Street and the centerline of N. Capitol Avenue, the "Point of Beginning - A", east along the center-line of Shiawassee Street to the west right-of-way line of the Conrail right-of-way, south along the Conrail right-of-way line to the center-line of E. Michigan Avenue, west along the center-line of E. Michigan Avenue to the center-line of S. Cedar Street, south along the S. Cedar Street center-line to the center-line of E. Kalamazoo Street, west along the E. Kalamazoo Street center-line to the center-line of Museum Drive, northwesterly along the center-line of Museum Drive to the north line of Impression Five Condominium (extended), west along the said north line of Impression Five Condominium (extended) to the center-line of the Grand River, southeasterly along the center of the Grand River to the center-line of E. Kalamazoo Street, continuing along the center-line of E. Kalamazoo Street to the center-line of Grand Avenue, south along the Grand Avenue center-line to the center-line of W. Lenawee Street, west

along the W. Lenawee Street center-line to the west right-of-way line of S. Capitol Avenue, north along the west right-of-way line of S. Capitol Avenue to W. Washtenaw street, west along the centerline of W. Washtenaw Street to the centerline of Townsend Street, north along the centerline of Townsend Street to the centerline of W. Allegan Street, then east along the W. Allegan Street center-line of W. Allegan Street to the center-line of S. Capitol Avenue, north along the S. Capitol Avenue center-line to the Point of Beginning -A.

Zone B: Beginning at the intersection of west right-of-way line of N. Washington Avenue and the north right-of-way line of W. Grand River Avenue, the "Point of Beginning -B," east along the W. Grand River right-of-way line to the west right-of-way line of Turner Street, north along the Turner Street right-of-way line to the north right-of-way line of Clinton Street, east along the Clinton Street right-of-way line to the east right-of-way line of Center Street, south along the Center Street right-of-way line to the north right-of-way line of Liberty Street, east along the Liberty Street right-of-way line to the center, line of N. Cedar Street, south along the N. Cedar Street center-line to the centerline of E. Maple Street, west along E. Maple Street center-line (as aligned) to the west right-of-way line of N. Washington Avenue, north along the N. Washington Avenue right-of-way line to the Point of Beginning -B.

Zone C -North: Beginning at the intersection of the center-line of N. Capitol Avenue and the center-line of W. Shiawassee Street, the "Point of Beginning -C (North)," north along the N. Capitol Avenue center-line to the center-line of W. Saginaw Street, east along the W. Saginaw Street center-line to west right-of-way line of N. Washington Avenue, north along the N. Washington Avenue right-of-way line to the center-line of E. Maple Street, east along E. Maple Street (as aligned) center-line to the center-line of N. Cedar Street, north along the N. Cedar Street center-line to the south right-of-way line of E. Grand River Avenue, east along the E. Grand River Avenue right-of-way line to the west right-of-way line of N. Larch Street, south along the N. Larch Street right-of-way line to the center-line of E. Shiawassee Street, west along the E. Shiawassee Street Center-line to the Point of Beginning - C (North).

Zone C -South: Beginning at the intersection of the west right-of-way line of S. Capitol Avenue and the center-line of W. Lenawee Street, the "Point of Beginning -C (South)," east along the W. Lenawee Street center-line to the center-line of Grand Avenue, north along Grand Avenue centerline to the center-line of E. Kalamazoo Street, east along the Kalamazoo Street center-line to the center of the Grand River, northwesterly along the center-line of the Grand River to the north line of Impression Five Condominium (extended), east along the north line of Impression Five Condominium (extended) to the center-line of Museum Drive, southeasterly along the center-line of Museum Drive to the center-line of E. Kalamazoo Street, east along the Kalamazoo Street centerline to the center-line of S. Cedar Street, north along the Cedar Street center-line to the center-line of E. Michigan Avenue, east along the E. Michigan Avenue center-line to the west right-of-way line of the Conrail right-of-way, south along the Conrail right-of-way line to the south right-of-way line of E. Michigan Avenue, then west along the E. Michigan Avenue right-of-way line to the east right-of-way line of S. Larch Street, south along the S. larch Street right-of-way line to the center-line of E. Kalamazoo Street, west along the E. Kalamazoo Street center-line to the center-line of S. Larch Street, south along the S. larch Street center-line to the north right-of-way line of St. Joseph Street (extended), west along the St. Joseph Street right-of-way line (extended) to the west right-of-way line of S. Capitol Avenue, then north along the S. Capitol Avenue right-of-way to the Point of Beginning -C (South).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Principal Shopping District public improvements and services be supported by a special assessment of these costs against the properties especially benefited as follows:

ZONE A -13.2 cents per square foot for first floor and 6 cents per square foot for second floors and above, parking structures at the rate of 4.8 cents per square foot for the main floors and 2.4 cents per square foot for second floors and above, parking lots at 4.8 cents per square foot, vacant land at 1.2 cents per square foot, and industrial & manufacturing

properties at 2.4 cents per square foot for the first floor and 1.2 cents per square foot for second floors and above; for a total of \$367,541.

ZONE B -9.2 cents per square foot for first floor and 3.45 cents per square foot for second floors and above, parking structures at the rate of 4.6 cents per square foot for the main floors and 2.3 cents per square foot for second floors and above, parking lots at 4.6 cents per square foot, vacant land at 1.15 cents per square foot, and industrial & manufacturing properties at 2.3 cents per square foot for the first floor and 1.15 cents per square foot for second floors and above; for a total of \$22,531.

ZONE C (North & South) -2 cents per square foot for first floor and 1 cent per square foot for second floors and above, parking structures at the rate of 2 cents per square foot for the main floors and 1 cent per square foot for second floors and above, parking lots at 2 cents per square foot, vacant land at 1 cent per square foot, and industrial & manufacturing properties at 2.3 cents per square foot for the first floor and 1 cent per square foot for second floors and above; for a total of \$28,589.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the cost and expense of making estimates, plans and assessments incidental to the preparation of the assessment and the role, and providing notices shall be included in the expense of the assessment.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Principal Shopping District public improvement and services be financed by a special assessment of these costs against the properties especially benefited as contained in the assessment Roll No. PSD09-A/PSD09-B/PSD09-C, compiled by the City Assessor and presented to Council with this resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that in zones "A," "B," and "C" (North & South), all property owners whose assessment would otherwise exceed \$10,000.00 per one parcel, shall be capped at no more than \$10,000.00 per one parcel on an annual basis.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that in zones "A," "B," and "C" (North & South), any property owned by a non-profit entity which has received a Federal IRS Section 501(c)(3) non-profit designation shall have their property assessment capped at 40% of the proposed assessment rate; provided that said entity shall file with the City Assessor, not later than August 9, 2010 a written application for non-profit Principal Shopping District designation, together with a copy of said determination of IRS Section 501 (c)(3) status.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a public hearing be held June 28, 2010, at 7:00 pm in the City Council Chamber, 10th Floor City Hall, Lansing, Michigan to consider the establishment of the Principal Shopping District special assessment roll.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Clerk publish notice of the hearing to confirm the special assessment roll in a newspaper of general circulation at least 10 (ten) days prior to the date of the hearing.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the notice to the affected owners of the properties in said district be given in accordance with Chapter 1026 of the Lansing Code of Ordinances.

By Council Member Wood

Motion Carried

**RESOLUTION #2010-200**

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

That the following FY 2010 transfers be approved:

Police  
Administration

\$202.00 from Donations Revenue

101.0.675000.0

\$202.00 to Donations/Contributions 101.343201.741880.0

(To appropriate donations for program activities advancing community policing.)

Police Administration

\$100.00 from Donations/Contributions 101.0.675000.0  
 \$100.00 to Donations/Contributions 101.343201.741880.0

(To appropriate donations to supplement the annual federal/state CARE project assisting victims of domestic abuse or violence.)

By Council Member Wood

Motion Carried

**RESOLUTION #2010-201**

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

WHEREAS, on December 11, 2008, the City of Lansing's Department of Parks and Recreation received written notification from the Michigan Department of Natural Resources and Environment (MDNRE) that our grant application to acquire approximately 28.5 acres with 500 feet of Grand River Shoreline, commonly referred to as "Hunter's Ridge" (the "Parcel") was recommended for funding by the Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund (MNRTF); and

WHEREAS, the estimated amounts and sources of the project funding are as follows:

Total Estimated Land/Property Value	\$997,500
Estimated Incidental Costs	\$49,460
Total Estimated Project Cost	\$1,046,960
Amount Requested from MNRTF (75% grant)	\$785,300
Amount Donated by Owners (25% match)	\$261,660

WHEREAS, the MDNRE requires the City of Lansing to sign two copies of the Project Agreement which describes the purpose and scope of the acquisition project, as well as the responsibilities the City of Lansing will be committing to undertake by accepting this acquisition grant; and

WHEREAS, the current owner of the Parcel has offered to donate the required 25% match to the City; and

WHEREAS, the parcel is currently in foreclosure but subject to redemption; and

WHEREAS, the MDNRE requires the City of Lansing to submit a certified resolution from our local governing body accepting the terms of the Project Agreement; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Lansing City Council does hereby accept the terms of the Project Agreement as received from the MDNRE, and that the City of Lansing does hereby specifically agree, but not by way of limitation, as follows:

1. To complete the project during the project period and to provide the owner-donated match of \$261,660.
2. To maintain satisfactory financial accounts, documents, and records to make them available to the MDNRE for auditing at reasonable times.
3. To regulate the use of the property acquired and reserved under this Project Agreement to assure the use thereof by the public on equal and reasonable terms.
4. To comply with any and all terms of said Project Agreement

including all terms not specifically set forth in the foregoing portions of this Resolution.

By Council Member Wood

By Council Member Dunbar to Discharge the Committee on Intergovernmental Relations of any further consideration of this resolution

Motion Carried

The question being the motion to place an affirmative roll on the resolution

Motion Carried

**ORDINANCES FOR INTRODUCTION**

Council Member Wood, Chair of the Committee Ways and Means introduced:

An Ordinance of the City of Lansing to Amend Chapter 812 of the Lansing Codified Ordinances by allowing the Principal Shopping District to do business under another name and further defining the scope of allowed activities within the Principal Shopping District

The Ordinance was read by its title for a first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means

**RESOLUTION #2010-202**

RESOLUTION SETTING PUBLIC HEARING  
 By Council Member Wood

RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL, CITY OF LANSING, that a public hearing be set for Monday, June 28, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers, 10th Floor Lansing City Hall, 124 W. Michigan Ave., Lansing, MI for the purpose of considering an Ordinance of the City of Lansing, Michigan, to Amend Chapter 812 of the Lansing Codified Ordinances by allowing the Principal Shopping District to do business under another name and further defining the scope of allowed activities within the Principal Shopping District.

Interested Persons are invited to attend this Public Hearing

By Council Member Wood

Motion Carried

**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. Letters from the City Clerk
  - i. Submitting Applications for a license to sell or offer to sell retail fireworks filed by:
    - 1. B.J. Alan Company on behalf of Menard's #3158 located at 725 American Rd.

REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON GENERAL SERVICES

- 2. Janet Stajos on behalf of American Eagle Superstore located at 901 North Larch St.

REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON GENERAL SERVICES

- 3. Charles G. Friese of TNT Fireworks on behalf of Meijer's located in the parking lot at 6200 S. Pennsylvania Ave.

REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON GENERAL SERVICES

- ii. Providing notice of the placement on file of
  - 1. An Audit of Health Insurance from the Internal Auditor

RECEIVED AND PLACED ON FILE

- 2. Community Development Block Grant - Recover (CDBG-R) Subsequent Amendment to the Substantial Amendment to Action Plan (7/1/08-6/30/09)

REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON DEVELOPMENT AND PLANNING

- iii. Submitting minutes of Boards and Authorities placed on file in the City Clerk's Office

RECEIVED AND PLACED ON FILE

- b. Letters from the Mayor re:
  - i. Fiscal Year 2010 Year-End Budget Amendment

REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

- ii. Ratification of Fraternal Order of Police Capitol City Lodge #141 Supervisory Unit Collective Bargaining Agreement effective July 16, 2009 through July 15, 2015

REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

- iii. Establishment of Old Town Temple Historic District Study Committee and Appointment of Members

REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON DEVELOPMENT AND PLANNING

- iv. Transfer of Funds; Parks Millage Capital Projects, Kircher Ball Field Lighting

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

• Communications and Petitions, and Other City Related Matters:

- a. Letter from Comcast Cable providing notice of a name change from Digital Classic to Digital Preferred and an increase in its Late Fee charge

REFERRED TO THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND CABLE ADVISORY BOARD

- b. Application for Community Funding submitted by On The Boulevard Business Association for its Barbecue on the Boulevard event to be held July 10, 2010

REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON GENERAL SERVICES

- c. Letter from Joanne Yinger of 2812 LaSalle Gardens, in opposition to renaming part of Grand River Avenue as Cesar E. Chavez Avenue

REFERRED TO THE MEMORIAL REVIEW BOARD AND REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON GENERAL SERVICES AND REFERRED TO THE PARK BOARD

**MOTION OF EXCUSED ABSENCE**

By Council Member Quinney

To excuse Council Member Yorke from tonight's proceedings

Motion Carried

**REMARKS BY COUNCIL MEMBERS**

Council Member Wood stated that she would not attend next week's City Council meeting.

Vice President Dunbar asked about city board appointees returning for a Committee of the Whole meeting and President Robinson stated that they have been contacted regarding the rescheduling of that meeting.

**REMARKS BY THE MAYOR OR EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT**

Jerry Ambrose, Executive Assistant to Mayor Bernero, announced the Principal Shopping District's annual meeting, the Lansing Live event and the Team Playmaker's program.

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

William Hubbell of 3916 Wedgewood Dr. spoke about the Hunters Ridge project.

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

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

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

Kathi Raffone of 1221 Muskegon Ave. spoke about various city matters.

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

Christopher Davis of 921 W. Allegan St. spoke about various city matters.

Robert Ovalle of 2023 Park Ln., Holt, spoke about various city matters.

Patrick Mercer of 4350 Dell Rd., Holt, spoke about various city matters.

**ADJOURNED TIME 9:28 P.M.**

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CHRIS SWOPE, CITY CLERK