

CITY OF MUSKEGON

CITY COMMISSION MEETING

OCTOBER 11, 2005

CITY COMMISSION CHAMBERS @ 5:30 P.M.

MINUTES

The Regular Commission Meeting of the City of Muskegon was held at City Hall, 933 Terrace Street, Muskegon, Michigan at 5:30 p.m., Tuesday, October 11, 2005.

Mayor Warmington opened the meeting with a prayer from Commissioner Stephen Gawron after which the Commission and public recited the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

ROLL CALL FOR THE REGULAR COMMISSION MEETING:

Present: Mayor Stephen Warmington, Vice Mayor Bill Larson, Commissioner Lawrence Spataro, Chris Carter, Stephen Gawron, and Clara Shepherd, City Manager Bryon Mazade, City Attorney John Schrier, and Deputy Clerk Linda Potter.

Absent: Commissioner Kevin Davis (excused)

2005-93 HONORS AND AWARDS:

A. U.S. Green Building Council LEED - NC Gold Award.

Paul Dickinson from Integrated Architecture presented the U.S. Green Building Council LEED - NC Gold Award for leadership in energy and environmental design to the Mayor.

2005-94 CONSENT AGENDA:

A. Approval of Minutes. CITY CLERK

SUMMARY OF REQUEST: To approve the minutes of the Regular Commission Meeting that was held on Tuesday, September 27, 2005.

FINANCIAL IMPACT: None

BUDGET ACTION REQUIRED: None

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Approval of the minutes.

B. Request for Additional Liquor License. CITY CLERK

SUMMARY OF REQUEST: The Liquor Control Commission is seeking local recommendation on a request from Vickibob Corporation for a new Specially Designated Distributor License to be held in conjunction with their existing Specially

Designated Merchant License with Direct Connection (1).

FINANCIAL IMPACT: None

BUDGET ACTION REQUIRED: None

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: All departments are recommending approval.

C. Fireworks Display Permit. CITY CLERK

SUMMARY OF REQUEST: West Michigan Burnerz is requesting approval of a fireworks display permit for the October 22nd Muskegon Fury game at the L C Walker Arena. Fire Marshall Metcalf will inspect the fireworks on the day of the event.

FINANCIAL IMPACT: None

BUDGET ACTION REQUIRED: None

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Approval contingent on inspection of the fireworks and approval of the insurance.

D. Community Relations Committee Appointment to Zoning Board of Appeals.
CITY CLERK

SUMMARY OF REQUEST: To appoint Lamont James Blackmon to the Zoning Board of Appeals.

FINANCIAL IMPACT: None

BUDGET ACTION REQUIRED: None

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: To make the appointment.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: The Community Relations Committee recommended the appointment at their October 3rd meeting.

E. Endorsement of Muskegon Area-Wide Plan. PLANNING & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

SUMMARY OF REQUEST: To approve the resolution endorsing the Muskegon Area-Wide Plan and agreeing to incorporate the general principles, policies, and visions into our local planning efforts.

FINANCIAL IMPACT: None

BUDGET ACTION REQUIRED: None

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: To approve the resolution and authorize the Mayor and Clerk to sign.

F. Annual Assessment Phase II Storm Water Compliance. PUBLIC WORKS

SUMMARY OF REQUEST: The Muskegon County Storm Water Committee has invoiced the City for its share of the 2005 payment to the consultant, FTC&H, to prepare planning documents as required by the Phase II Storm Water permit issued to the City.

FINANCIAL IMPACT: \$9,917 is allocated for Contractual Services in the Storm Water

Management Budget.

BUDGET ACTION REQUIRED: None

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Approval.

G. Purchase of 451 Isabella. COMMUNITY & NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICES

SUMMARY OF REQUEST: To approve the purchase of 451 Isabella from the U. S. Department of HUD for \$1 through its Good Neighbor program. Through the Good Neighbor program, a municipality can purchase a home for one dollar, if a property is on the market for more than six months. After 451 Isabella is obtained, the City will totally rehabilitate the structure and sell it to a qualified family continuing the City's aggressive neighborhood revitalization efforts.

FINANCIAL IMPACT: The dollar will come from CNS program income fund.

BUDGET ACTION REQUIRED: None

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: To approve the request to purchase the \$1 home.

H. Purchase of 214 Myrtle. COMMUNITY & NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICES

SUMMARY OF REQUEST: To approve the purchase of the property located at 214 Myrtle from American Residential Equities, 381 S. West Temple, Salt Lake City, Utah, for \$7,800. After approval of the purchase by the Commission, the CNS Department will work with an architect to develop new plans and specifications for the rehabilitation of the property. The CNS office will then solicit contractors to rehab the property. This property is located near the City's current Infill Development Project "Walton Street Renaissance". It is the hope that the rehabilitation of this home will continue the City's aggressive neighborhood revitalization efforts in the Angel Neighborhood area.

FINANCIAL IMPACT: Funding for purchase will come from the City's 2004 HOME program income funding.

BUDGET ACTION REQUIRED: None

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: To approve the request.

I. 2005-2006 Transportation Planning Program Funding. CITY MANAGER

SUMMARY OF REQUEST: To approve the City's share of the local matching funds for the West Michigan Metropolitan Transportation Planning Program for fiscal year 10/1/05 to 9/30/06. The City receives grant funds through this program for certain major streets.

FINANCIAL IMPACT: \$16,040 from the Major Street Fund.

BUDGET ACTION REQUIRED: None

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: To approve this request.

Motion by Commissioner Carter, second by Commissioner Spataro to approve the Consent Agenda as read.

ROLL VOTE: Ayes: Warmington, Carter, Gawron, Larson, Shepherd, and Spataro

Nays: None

MOTION PASSES

2005-95 NEW BUSINESS:

A. Approval of Loan in the Amount of \$20,000 to the Michigan Mayhem Basketball. PLANNING & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

SUMMARY OF REQUEST: To approve the loan agreement and related documents for a \$20,000 loan to the Michigan Mayhem.

BUDGET ACTION REQUIRED: None

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: To approve the loan to the Michigan Mayhem.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: The Revolving Loan Fund Advisory Committee has recommended approval of the loan.

Motion by Commissioner Shepherd, second by Vice Mayor Larson to approve the loan in the amount of \$20,000 to the Michigan Mayhem.

ROLL VOTE: Ayes: Carter, Gawron, Larson, Shepherd, Spataro, and Warmington

Nays: None

MOTION PASSES

B. Salaries for the City Commission for 2006 and 2007. CITY MANAGER

SUMMARY OF REQUEST: The Local Officer's Compensation Commission voted at their October 6, 2005, meeting to increase the salaries by \$500. This would result in annual salaries of \$8,000 for the Mayor and \$6,500 for the City Commissioners for 2006 and 2007.

Motion by Vice Mayor Larson, second by Commissioner Spataro to not approve the salary increase for the Mayor and City Commission that was recommended by the Local Officer's Compensation Commission.

ROLL VOTE: Ayes: Gawron, Larson, Shepherd, Spataro, Warmington, and Carter

Nays: None

MOTION PASSES

ADJOURNMENT: The City Commission Meeting adjourned at 5:57 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Gail A. Kunding, MMC
City Clerk