

1. Agenda

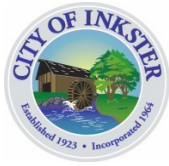
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INKSTER CITY COUNCIL
January 3 (Tuesday), 2017
26215 Trowbridge, Inkster, MI 48141
(313) 563-4232 www.cityofinkster.com

Mayor – Byron Nolen
Mayor Pro Tem – Timothy Williams, District I

Council Members:

Clarence Oden, Jr., District II
Sandra K. Watley., District III
Jewell Jones, District IV
Kim Howard, District V
Connie Mitchell, District VI

FELICIA RUTLEDGE
CITY CLERK

BYRON NOLEN
MAYOR

TREASURER
DARIN CARRINGTON

DAVID JONES
CITY ATTORNEY

Council may be addressed during the Regular Meeting by filling out the Public Participation Form. Address Council as a whole through the Mayor. Please state your name and your address for the record prior to providing your comments. Comments are limited to three (3) minutes.

Council Orientation Agenda – 6:00 PM

1. Call to Order
2. Discussion
 - A. Agenda Discussion
3. Public Participation (limit to 3 minutes)
4. CLOSED SESSION – Council may enter into Closed Session to discuss contract negotiations, purchase or lease of real property and/or pending litigation in accordance with MCL 15.268 (a), (c), (d), (e) and/or (f).
5. Adjournment

January 3, 2017

Regular City Council Agenda – 7:00 PM

1. Call Meeting to Order
 - A. Pledge of Allegiance
 - B. Roll Call
2. Approval of Agenda
3. Presentations/Discussion
 - A. Operation Civic Pride – Deborah Owens
4. Public Hearing
5. Consent Agenda
 - A. December 19, 2016 Regular City Council Meeting Minutes. **Pg. 1**
 - B. Allen Brother's & Attorney's PLLC Invoice \$18,186.94 **Pg. 7**
6. Boards and Commissions
 - A. Update of current list of appointments to Boards & Commissions. **Pg. 8**
7. Previous Business
8. Ordinance(s)
 - A. First Reading(s)
 - B. Second Reading(s)
9. New Business
 - A. Discussion/Action: (City Council) Appointment to fill the vacancy in District IV; former Councilman Jewell Jones, now State Representative of the 11th District.
 - B. Discussion/Action: (Darin Carrington) Consideration to purchase a Fire Truck.
10. Public Participation (limit to 3 minutes)
11. City Clerk

12. City Treasurer

13. Mayor and Council Communication

14. Closed Session

Council may enter into Closed Session to discuss contract negotiations, purchase or lease of real property and/or pending litigation in accordance with MCL 15.268 (a), (c), (d), (e) and/or (f).

15. Adjournment

Felicia Rutledge
City Clerk

December 19, 2016
Regular City Council Meeting – 7:30 PM

The regular meeting of the Council of the City of Inkster, Wayne County, Michigan convened in the Council Chambers, 26215 Trowbridge, on Monday, December 19, 2016.

Prior to the Regular Council Meeting: City Council members discussed:

- A. The agenda.
- B. Master Plan & Zoning Ordinance Update – McKenna Associates

Moved by Mayor Pro-Tem Williams, Seconded by Councilmember Jones Council convenes into a Closed Executive Session a 6:50 p.m. to discuss pending litigation in accordance with MCL 15.286 (e).

Roll Call Vote:

YEAS: 7
 NAYS: 0
 ABSENT:

Moved by Mayor Pro-Tem Williams, Seconded by Councilmember Jones to adjourn the closed Executive Session at 7:17 p.m. – Motion carried unanimously.

Call Meeting to Order

Mayor Nolen called the meeting to order at 7:40 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

City Council and the public in attendance pledged allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

Prayer

Prayer was led by Father Ellis Clifton

Roll Call

Mayor Nolen	Present	Councilwoman Howard	Present
Councilwoman Watley	Present	Mayor Pro-Tem Williams	Present
Councilman Oden	Present	Councilman Jones	Present
Councilwoman Mitchell	Present		

Approval of Agenda

Moved by Councilmember Jones, Seconded by Councilmember Oden
to approve the agenda with added item "F" under New Business.
12-16-270R - Motion carried.

Presentations/Discussion

- A. Rehmann Robson Audit Presentation – Mark Kettner
- B. Romulus School District Resolution Presentation – Byron Nolen, Mayor
- C. City of Inkster Holiday Presentations for Families – Byron Nolen, Mayor
- ~~D. Operation Civic Pride – Deborah Owens~~
- E. Certificate of Recognition Inkster Warriors & Inkster Bengals – Jewell Jones, Councilman
- F. Newly Formed Inkster Police Athletic League – Officer Andrea Lebo
- G. Introduction of Inkster Library New Director – Michael Wells

Public Hearings

Consent Agenda

- A. December 5, 2016 Regular City Council Meeting Minutes.

**Moved by Councilmember, Seconded by Councilmember Jones to approved the Consent Agenda.
Resolution 12-16-271R – Motion carried.**

Boards and Commission

- A. Update of current list of appointments to Boards & Commissions.

**Moved by Councilmember Jones, Seconded by Councilmember Howard to appoint Ronald Johnson to the Compensation Commission.
Resolution 12-16-272R – Motion carried.**

**Moved by Mayor Pro-Tem Williams, Seconded by Councilmember Jones to appoint George Williams to the Compensation Commission.
Resolution 12-16-273R – Motion carried.
NAY: (Howard)**

**Moved by Councilmember Jones, Seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Williams to appoint George Williams to the Housing Commission.
Resolution 12-16-274R – Motion carried.
NAY: (Howard)**

**Moved by Councilmember Jones, Seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Williams to *TABLE* appointing DeSalla Scott to the Housing Commission
Resolution 12-16-275R – Motion carried.**

**Moved by Councilmember Oden, Seconded by Councilmember Mitchell to appoint Darin Carrington to the Brownfield Redevelopment Authority.
Resolution 12-16-276R – Motion carried.**

NOMINATIONS

- 1. Sandra Watley – Cable Commission
- 2. Troy Seaton – Cable Commission
- 3. Audrey Jean Searcy – Aging Commission
- 4. Dorothy Gardner – Aging Commission

- 5. Evonne Moore – Housing Commission
- 6. Tonia C. Williams – Brownfield Redevelopment
- 7. Iris Love – Aging Commission

Previous Business

- A. Tabled the appointment of Jeffrey Gisstner to the Housing Commission
(Remove from the Table)
Motion died was never removed from the table.

Ordinance(s)

- A. First Reading(s)
- B. Second Reading(s)

New Business

- A. Discussion/Action: (Jerome Bivins) Consider authorizing the Deputy Director of DPS, as a representative of the City, to make an application to the Wayne County Department of Public Services for necessary annual permit to allow temporary closure of certain Local and County Roads for specified period in accordance with all general and special conditions of this permit on behalf of the City of Inkster. Consider adopting the attached Resolution to be submitted to Wayne County as part of the requirements to submit the permit application. (Local County Roads)

Moved by Councilmember Jones, Seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Williams to approve authorizing the Deputy Director of DPS, as a representative of the City, to make an application to the Wayne County Department of Public Services for necessary annual permit to allow temporary closure of certain Local and County Roads for specified period in accordance with all general and special conditions of this permit on behalf of the City of Inkster. Consider adopting the attached Resolution to be submitted to Wayne County as part of the requirements to submit the permit application. (Local County Roads) Resolution 12-16-277R – Motion carried.

- B. Discussion/Action: (Jerome Bivins) Consider authorizing the Deputy Director of DPS, as a representative of the City, to make an application to the Wayne County Department of Public Services for necessary annual permit to occupy the Right-Of-Way of County Roads on behalf of the City of Inkster. Consider adopting the attached Resolution to be submitted to Wayne County as part of the requirements to submit the permit application. (City of Inkster Roads Right-Of-Way)

Moved by Mayor Pro-Tem Williams, Seconded by Councilmember Oden to authorize the Deputy Director of DPS, as a representative of the City, to make an application to the Wayne County Department of Public Services for necessary annual permit to occupy the Right-Of-Way of County Roads on behalf of the City of Inkster. Consider adopting the attached Resolution to be submitted to Wayne County as part of the requirements to submit the permit application. (City of Inkster Roads Right-Of-Way) Resolution 12-16-278R – Motion carried.

- C. Discussion/Action: (Jerome Bivins) Consider authorizing the Deputy Director of DPS, as a representative of the City, to make an application to the Wayne County Department of Public Services for necessary annual permit to occupy the Right-Of-Way of Wayne County Roads on behalf of the city of Inkster. Consider adopting the attached Resolution to be submitted to Wayne County as part of the requirements to submit the permit application. (Wayne County Roads; Right-Of Way)

Moved by Councilmember Oden, Seconded by Councilmember Mitchell to authorize the Deputy Director of DPS, as a representative of the City, to make an application to the Wayne County Department of Public Services for necessary annual permit to occupy the Right-Of-Way of Wayne County Roads on behalf of the city of Inkster. Consider adopting the attached Resolution to be submitted to Wayne County as part of the requirements to submit the permit application. (Wayne County Roads; Right-Of-Way) Resolution 12-16-279R – Motion carried.

- D. Discussion/Action: (Jeannie Fields) Consideration and approval to apply for Wayne County 2017-2018 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding in the amount of \$216,477.

Moved by Councilmember Mitchell, Seconded by Councilmember Oden to approve to apply for Wayne County 2017-2018 Community Block Grant (CDBG) funding in the amount of \$216,477. Resolution 12-16-280R – Motion carried.

- E. Discussion/Action: (Jeannie Fields) Consideration and approval to begin the sixty three (63) day public review period of the Master Plan per the recommendation of the Planning Commission.

Moved by Mayor Pro-Tem Williams, Seconded by Councilmember Jones to approve beginning the sixty three (63) day public review period of the Master Plan per the recommendation of the Planning Commission. Resolution 12-16-281R – Motion carried.

- F. Discussion/Action: (City Council) Consideration to pass a Resolution establishing City Council as the adopting body of the Master Plan.

Moved by Councilmember Jones, Seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Williams to pass a Resolution establishing City Council as the adopting body of the Master Plan. Resolution 12-16-282R – Motion carried.

Public Participation

- **Danielle Williams** – Announced Founder’s Day for Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Inkster Chapter to be held on Saturday, January 21, 2017 at the Woodlands of Van Buren Golf Course. Tickets are \$45.00.
- **Evonne Moore** – Stated she would like to be considered for the Inkster Housing Commissioner appointment.
- **Carolyn Smith** – Announced the 2017 Free Home Buyer Seminar. She further announced openings at Starfish and the Starfish Winter Academy. She lastly announced the AKA Healthy Event when Pink goes Red.

- **Dorothy Gardner** – Thanked Mayor and Council for their gifts at the Senior Luncheon. She gave a special thank you to Mayor and Council for getting putting up Christmas lights.
- **Larry Motley** – Stated he had charter issues and issues with the Mayor.
- **Ekanem N. Obong** – Stated the Kidney Foundation will be working in conjunction with the DDA to establish a Farmer's Market. Feeding Inkster will resume January 17, 2017.
- **Akindele Akinyemi** – Stated the DDA will be having a meeting on December 21, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. and invited everyone to attend. He also said if anyone was interested in cyber security classes to contact him.
- **Ellis Clifton** – Thanked everyone on city council that supported the play that was produced by St. Clemmons Church by purchasing ads. He also thanked the Police Department for their quick response to an incident that occurred at the church.
- **George Williams** – Announced the Martin Luther King celebration. He thanked the mayor and council for his appointment to the Housing Commission. He said he grew up in Lemoyne Gardens. He congratulated Councilman Jewell Jones and wished him well in his new role as State Representative.

City Clerk

- Stated that beginning January 3, 2016 the city council meetings will begin at 7:00 p.m.

City Treasurer

- Stated that due to the holiday's falling on Sunday city hall would be closed Monday, December 26, 2017 and Monday, January 2, 2016.
- Stated that property taxes have been mailed.
- Thanked and acknowledged Jerome Bivins, DPS Deputy Director for his expeditious cleanup of the snow during the snow emergency.

Mayor and Council

- **Councilwoman Watley** – Stated on the fourth Thursday's of the month at the Mayor's luncheon he showcases home based businesses. She asked any person that is interested to get in touch with her. She further stated that the Veteran's would be holding monthly meetings the third Thursday of the month at the Inkster Library. She stated she will miss Councilman Jewell Jones and wished him the very best in his future endeavors.
- **Councilman Oden** – Thanked DPS for the job they did cleaning up the roads during the snow. However, he stated that residents did complain about ice. He stated that 29006 Oakwood the landlord put the tenants out and left all type of furniture and trash in the right-of-way. He wished all residents' happy holidays. He lastly stated that he is going to miss Councilman Jewell Jones and wished him good luck.
- **Councilwoman Mitchell** – Thanked Mr. Bivins for being persistent in letting her know that a community garden could not go in the place she had anticipated. She stated she concurs about slum landlords and the mess they are leaving in the city. She asked residents if they can help assist with toys for tots at Cherry Hill High School. She also recognized Shirley Hankerson for being chosen to speak in Switzerland at an international conference about A.I.D.S. She further stated that one and ninety people in the city of Inkster are suffering with this disease. She wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy Kwanza.
- **Councilwoman Howard** – Wished all residents a safe and Happy Holiday.
- **Mayor Pro-Tem Williams** – Stated that citizens have rights as tenants. He said tenants belongings can't just be placed out on the curb. He thanked all city hall employees for their diligence. He stated the Auxiliary Police are always there when needed. He further stated the City of Inkster has a new FB page that is titled the City of Inkster Official Communication Page. He wished all residents a happy holiday and encouraged them to shop Inkster.

- **Councilman Jones** – Stated he will be resigning on the 31st of December. He stated the city of Inkster is doing great things, being released from the consent agreement to the newly formed PAL League. He stated he is going to Lansing with the mindset that whatever he can do to help the District, he will be doing.
- **Mayor Nolen** – Stated city hall would be closed from twelve until two on December 22, 2016 for the City of Inkster Employee Holiday Luncheon. He wished Councilman Jones the best in his new role as State Representative. He wished everyone a safe and happy holiday.

Closed Session

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before Council, on a motion duly made by Councilmember Jones, Seconded by Councilmember Oden and carried, the Regular Council meeting of December 5, 2016 was adjourned at 9:56 p.m.



Felicia Rutledge, City Clerk
City of Inkster

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Inkster, MI 48141

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Attn: City Manager

BREAKDOWN OF FEES/EXPENSES BY CATEGORY

Category	Fees/Costs
Flat fee/City Attorney work	\$6,000.00
Municipal Legal Services	\$606.25
Labor	0.00
Litigation	\$11,580.69
Total invoice for December 20, 2016	\$18,186.94

BUILDING AUTHORITY COMMISSION - Inactive

[MEETINGS: Second Monday in January]

3 Year Term	5 Members	State Law and Resolution 74-1-39
Nathaniel Elcock		Exp. 12/31/05
Hersey Bryant, (C)		Exp. 12/31/00
Horace Wells		Exp. 12/31/01

CABLE TELEVISION COMMISSION

[MEETINGS: Second Tuesday of each month at 6:00 p.m., Recreation Center]

3 Year Term	9 Members	Ordinances 593 and 609
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Timothy Williams Ex-Official		Exp. 11/16/12
Danny Van Schoiack Dist. 1		Exp. 12/01/11
Vacant Dist. 2		
Vacant Dist. 3		
Alfreda Flowers Dist. 4		Exp. 06/04/15
Vacant Dist. 5		
Franklin Minor Dist. 6		Exp. 01/04/19
George Celler Mayoral		Exp. 03/16/12
Carmen Mitchell At-Large		Exp. 02/18/11

CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION AND BOARD OF ETHICS

[MEETINGS: Monthly]

3 Year Term	3 Members	Ordinances 237 & 559
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Clarence Oden		Exp. 6/18/15
Vacant - (Employee Representative)		
James White		Exp. 12/04/11
- (Commission Appointment)		

CONSTRUCTION BOARD OF APPEALS/PROPERTY MAINTENANCE BOARD

[MEETINGS: As required]

3 Year Term	3 Members	Ordinance
Henry Wade		Exp. 12/17
- (Licensed Plumber)		
Stephen Lawrence		Exp. 12/17
Tiara Jones		Exp. 10/17
Kenyatta Mason		Exp. 10/17
- (Licensed Electrician)		
Marcus Hendricks –		Exp. 12/17
- (Licensed Electrician)		
- Tom Michelin		Exp. 04/19
- Building Inspector		
- (Licensed Engineer/Inspector)		

DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

[MEETINGS: Third Tuesday of each month, 6:00 p.m. City Hall Council Chambers]

4 Year Term	12 Members	State Law and Ordinances 687 and 741
Byron Nolen		Tenure
Martha Theis		Exp. 01/14/18
Lewis Gregory		Exp. 10/06/18
Cynthia Adams		Exp. 01/14/18
Brittini Abiolu		Exp. 05/18/19
Peter Cimeot (Treasurer)		Exp. 01/21/18
Akindele Akinyemi (Chair)		Exp. 02/16/19
Val Ogbonaya		Exp. 07/20/19
Winston Wade (Vice-Chair)		Exp. 12/17/16
Rerhi Onomake (Secretary)		Exp. 3/16/19
Uche Ndubuisi		Exp. 7/20/19

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION (BOARD OF DIRECTORS)

[MEETINGS: Second Thursday each month, held in the Conference Room, City Hall]

6 Year Term	11 Members	State Law and Ordinances 517 and 570
Byron Nolen		Tenure
Bishop Walter Starghill, Jr.		Exp. 06/07/16
Winnie Nwankwo		Exp. 05/18/21
Akindele Akinyemi		Exp. 05/18/21
Deborah Walker		Exp. 06/07/16
Mary Weislo		Exp. 03/07/17
Cassandra Leonard		Exp. 06/07/16
Herbert Johnson		Exp. 06/07/16
Dennis Weislo		EXP. 06/07/19
Vacant		

ELECTRICAL EXAMINING BOARD

Indefinite Terms	4 Members	State Law and Ordinance 616
Walter Bays (Elec. Cont.)		
Andrew Hughes (Adm. Official)		
Carlton Trouteaud (Rep. of Detroit Edison)		

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

[MEETINGS: First Tuesday of each month at 7:30 P.M., Recreation Complex]

2 Year Term 9 Members Ordinances: 493 & 551

Sandra French	Dist. 1	Exp. 10/06/16
Deborah Owens	Dist. 2	Exp. 03/25/16
Shelby Johnson	Dist. 3	Exp. 09/15/16
Vernell Massey	Dist. 4	Exp. 12/01/16
Lenardo Gambrio	Dist. 5	Exp. 10/15/16
James Richardson IV	Dist. 6	Exp. 09/15/16
Tonia Williams	Mayoral	Exp. 02/16/17
	Mayoral	Exp.
Yolanda Lockett	Council	Exp. 01/20/17

PARKS AND RECREATION YOUTH COMMISSION

2 Year Term 6 Members

Alisa Todd	Dist. 1	Exp. 3/7/18
Katrina Coats	Dist. 2	Exp. 3/7/18
Zeavean Johnson	Dist. 3	Exp. 3/7/18
William Grubbs	Dist. 4	Exp. 3/7/18
Taylor Todd	Dist. 5	Exp. 3/7/18
Demon Zimmerman	Dist. 6	Exp. 3/7/18
Tiwain Smith	Mayoral	Exp. 3/7/18

PLANNING COMMISSION

[MEETINGS: Fourth Monday of each month at 6:00 p.m., City Council Chambers]

3 Year Term 9 Members State Law and Ordinance 33

Marcus Hendricks (Council appointee) (Chairman)	Exp. 12/18
Byron Nolen (Mayor)	Tenure
Darryl Davis (City appointee)	Exp. 10/18
Timothy Williams (Mayor Pro-Tem)	Exp. 7/19
Emmereal Wells (Resigned)	Exp. 04/18
James Garrett	Exp. 08/17
William Ratliff	Exp. 04/19
Lynette Cain	Exp. 05/19
Steven Chisholm	Exp. 04/19

POLICE AND FIREMAN RETIREMENT SYSTEM BOARD OF TRUSTEES

[MEETINGS: First Thursday of each month at 1:00 p.m., TIFA Room]

2 Year Term 5 Members Charter

Lorenzo A. Moner, Jr.	Mayoral	Exp. 12/17
Barry O'Bryan	Police Rep	
Jason Kaye	Fire Rep	
Hilliard Hampton, II	City Council Rep	Exp. 12/17
Velma Overman	Board of Trustee Rep	

WATER REVIEW COMMITTEE

[MEETINGS: Scheduled by Chairman Marcus Hendricks, City Hall TIFA Room]

Sam Brown	App. 01/07/13
Carl Woods	App. 01/07/13
Ann Coleman	App. 01/07/13
Courtney Owens	App. 01/07/13
Councilmember Williams	App. 02/04/13
Marcus Hendricks	App. 02/18/13
Dennis Welslo	App. 02/18/13

