

July 20, 2020
Regular (Virtual) City Council Meeting – 7:00 PM

The regular meeting of the Council of the City of Inkster, Wayne County, Michigan was a virtual meeting held on the Zoom platform in compliance with the State of Michigan Open Meetings Act and Governor Gretchen Whitmer’s Executive Order on Monday, July 20, 2020

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

Call Meeting to Order

Mayor Wimberly called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

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

Prayer

Roll Call

Mayor Wimberly	Present	Councilwoman Howard	Present
Councilwoman Watley	Present	Councilman Williams	Present @ 7:20PM
Councilwoman Washington	Present	Councilman Chisholm	Present
Councilman Shaw	Present		

Approval of Agenda

Moved by Councilmember Shaw, Seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Howard to approve the agenda.

Resolution 07-20- 82COV - Motion carried.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilmember Chisholm	Yea	Councilmember Washington	Yea
Councilmember Shaw	Yea	Councilmember Watley	Yea
Councilmember Howard	Yea		

Presentations/Discussion

Public Hearings

- A. A public hearing to consider an Amendment to Senior Citizen Housing PILOT Ordinance #531 in connection with the Cherry Hill Senior Citizen Housing Development/Cherry Hill Place Apartments.

Moved by Mayor Pro-Tem Howard, Seconded by Councilmember Chisholm to OPEN the public hearing for Amendment to Senior Citizen Housing PILOT Ordinance #531 in connection with the Cherry Hill Senior Citizen Housing Development/Cherry Hill Place Apartments.

Resolution 07-20- 83COV - Motion carried.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilmember Chisholm	Yea	Councilmember Shaw	Yea
Councilmember Washington	Yea	Councilmember Howard	Yea
Councilmember Watley	Yea		

- **Darrin Carrington** – Stated that the property Cherry Hill place is covered by a PILOT that pays the city 4% of certain revenues. The property is being proposed to be purchased by LARC Community Development Group in order for the property to be purchased, the PILOT Ordinance for the property must be amended to allow for this transaction.
- **Mandsi** – Asked what other cities are doing this program.
- **Darrin Carrington** – Responded that other cities are City of Detroit, Adrian, Saginaw Township, Lansing, Westland and Southfield.

Moved by Councilmember Shaw, Seconded by Councilmember Williams to CLOSE the public hearing for Amendment to Senior Citizen Housing PILOT Ordinance #531 in connection with the Cherry Hill Senior Citizen Housing Development/Cherry Hill Place Apartments.
Resolution 07-20- 84COV - Motion carried.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilmember Williams	Abstain	Councilmember Shaw	Yea
Councilmember Howard	Yea	Councilmember Washington	Yea
Councilmember Watley	Yea	Councilmember Chisholm	Yea

Consent Agenda

- A. July 6, 2020 Regular (Virtual) City Council Meeting Minutes.
- B. Allen Brother’s and Attorney’s PLLC Invoice \$19,771.56

Moved by Councilmember Shaw, Seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Howard to approve the Consent Agenda.
Resolution 07-20- 85COV - Motion carried.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilmember Shaw	Yea	Councilmember Washington	Yea
Councilmember Williams	Yea	Councilmember Chisholm	Yea
Councilmember Howard	Yea	Councilmember Watley	Yea

Boards and Commission

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

Moved by Councilmember Williams, Seconded by Councilmember Shaw to appoint Toni Bailey to the Beautification Commission.
Resolution 07-20- 86COV - Motion carried.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilmember Watley	Yea	Councilmember Chisholm	Yea
Councilmember Shaw	Yea	Councilmember Williams	Yea
Councilmember Washington	Yea	Councilmember Howard	Yea

Moved by Councilmember Shaw, Seconded by Councilmember Williams to appoint Chuck Coleman to the Commission on Aging.
Resolution 07-20- 87COV - Motion carried.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilmember Howard	Yea	Councilmember Williams	Yea
Councilmember Williams	Yea	Councilmember Shaw	Yea
Councilmember Chisholm	Yea	Councilmember Watley	Yea

Moved by Councilmember Shaw, Seconded by Councilmember Chisholm to appoint Debra Owens to the Commission on Aging.
Resolution 07-20- 88COV - Motion carried.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilmember Williams	Yea	Councilmember Shaw	Yea
Councilmember Howard	Yea	Councilmember Washington	Yea
Councilmember Watley	Yea	Councilmember Chisholm	Yea

Moved by Councilmember Shaw, Seconded by Councilmember Williams to appoint Jean Liddell to the Commission on Aging.
Resolution 07-20- 89COV - Motion carried.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilmember Washington	Yea	Councilmember Howard	Yea
Councilmember Chisholm	Yea	Councilmember Williams	Yea
Councilmember Shaw	Yea	Councilmember Watley	Yea

Moved by Councilmember Williams, Seconded by Councilmember Washington to appoint Rosie Allen-Thompson to the Commission on Aging.
Resolution 07-20- 90COV - Motion carried.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilmember Watley	Yea	Councilmember Washington	Yea
Councilmember Williams	Yea	Councilmember Shaw	Yea
Councilmember Howard	Yea	Councilmember Chisholm	Yea

Moved by Councilmember Shaw, Seconded by Councilmember Williams to appoint Gabe Henderson to the Commission on Aging.
Resolution 07-20- 91COV - Motion carried.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilmember Chisholm	Yea	Councilmember Washington	Yea
Councilmember Shaw	Yea	Councilmember Shaw	Yea
Councilmember Washington	Yea	Councilmember Chisholm	Yea

Moved by Councilmember Shaw, Seconded by Councilmember Williams to appoint Henry Wade to the Commission on Aging.
Resolution 07-20- 92COV - Motion carried.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilmember Chisholm	Yea	Councilmember Washington	Yea
Councilmember Shaw	Yea	Councilmember Shaw	Yea
Councilmember Washington	Yea	Councilmember Chisholm	Yea

Moved by Councilmember Shaw, Seconded by Councilmember Williams to appoint Rochelle Wells to the Commission on Aging.
Resolution 07-20- 93COV - Motion carried.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilmember Washington	Yea	Councilmember Williams	Yea
Councilmember Howard	Yea	Councilmember Shaw	Yea
Councilmember Chisholm	Yea	Councilmember Watley	Yea

Previous Business

- A. Discussion/Action: (Special Projects Director) Consideration and approval of offer to purchase (Case # LD 20-03) one (1) residential house, which is located on the west side of Spruce St. between Beech St. and Carlisle St. and is legally described as 25R82 83 LOTS 82 AND 83 WESTWOOD HEIGHTS SUB T2S R9E L63 P2 WCR (Property I.D. 44 010 03 0082 000), or 3544 Spruce, in the amount of \$1.00 to Platinum Acquisitions.

Moved by Councilmember Chisholm, Seconded by Councilmember Washington to **REMOVE FROM THE TABLE** Consideration and approval of offer to purchase (Case # LD 20-03) one (1) residential house, which is located on the west side of Spruce St. between Beech St. and Carlisle St. and is legally described as 25R82 83 LOTS 82 AND 83 WESTWOOD HEIGHTS SUB T2S R9E L63 P2 WCR (Property I.D. 44 010 03 0082 000), or 3544 Spruce, in the amount of \$1.00 to Platinum Acquisitions.

Resolution 07-20- 94COV - Motion carried

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilmember Shaw	Yea	Councilmember Williams	Nay
Councilmember Watley	Yea	Councilmember Chisholm	Yea
Councilmember Howard	Yea	Councilmember Washington	Yea

Moved by Councilmember Howard, Seconded by Councilmember Shaw to **TABLE** of an offer to purchase (Case # LD 20-03) one (1) residential house, which is located on the west side of Spruce St. between Beech St. and Carlisle St. and is legally described as 25R82 83 LOTS 82 AND 83 WESTWOOD HEIGHTS SUB T2S R9E L63 P2 WCR (Property I.D. 44 010 03 0082 000), or 3544 Spruce, in the amount of \$1.00 to Platinum Acquisitions.

Resolution 07-20- 95COV - Motion carried

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilmember Howard	Yea	Councilmember Washington	Yea
Councilmember Williams	Yea	Councilmember Shaw	Yea
Councilmember Chisholm	Yea	Councilmember Watley	Yea

- B. Discussion/Action: (Adrianna Jordan) Consider approval of Special Land Use (SLU 19-26) for a proposed Adult Foster Care Facility to be located at 3041 John Daly between Yale and Norfolk in the R-1B, One-Family Residential District with the conditions noted per the recommendation of the Planning Commission. Steven Flum is the applicant.

Moved by Councilmember Chisholm, Seconded by Councilmember Watley to REMOVE FROM THE TABLE approval of Special Land Use (SLU 19-26) for a proposed Adult Foster Care Facility to be located at 3041 John Daly between Yale and Norfolk in the R-1B, One-Family Residential District with the conditions noted per the recommendation of the Planning Commission. Steven Flum is the applicant.

Resolution 07-20- 96COV - Motion carried

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilmember Chisholm	Yea	Councilmember Washington	Yea
Councilmember Williams	Yea	Councilmember Shaw	Yea
Councilmember Howard	Yea	Councilmember Watley	Yea

Moved by Councilmember Chisholm, to approve of a Special Land Use (SLU 19-26) for a proposed Adult Foster Care Facility to be located at 3041 John Daly between Yale and Norfolk in the R-1B, One-Family Residential District with the conditions noted per the recommendation of the Planning Commission. Steven Flum is the applicant.

Resolution 07-20- 97COV - Motion failed.

Ordinance(s)

A. First Reading(s)

1. A first reading to consider an Amendment to Senior Citizen Housing PILOT Ordinance #531 in connection with the Cherry Hill Senior Citizen Housing Development/Cherry Hill Place Apartments.
2. A first reading of text amendments (TA 20-04) to the City's Zoning Ordinance pertaining to provisions for adult foster care homes per the recommendations of the Planning Commission. For a list of affected ordinance sections please see "background information".

B. Second Reading(s)

New Business

- A. Discussion/Action: (Jerome Bivins) Consideration and approval authorizing Administration to enter into a cost sharing INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT with Wayne County for the construction of Middlebelt Road from Michigan Avenue to Cherryhill and adopt the resolution attached to the IGA. Funding will come from Act 51 Major Roads Budget.

Moved by Councilmember Howard, Seconded by Councilmember Shaw to approve authorizing Administration to enter into a cost sharing INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT with Wayne County for the construction of Middlebelt Road from Michigan Avenue to Cherryhill and adopt the

resolution attached to the IGA. Funding will come from Act 51 Major Roads Budget.

Resolution 07-20-98COV – Motion carried

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilmember Chisholm	Yea	Councilmember Washington	Yea
Councilmember Williams	Yea	Councilmember Shaw	Yea
Councilmember Howard	Yea	Councilmember Watley	Yea

- B. Discussion/Action: (William Riley) Consideration and approval to accept award amount of \$1,459,734. from the U.S. Department of Justice COPS Office for the hiring of six new police officers for a total of three years with NO matching funds required from the City of Inkster.

Moved by Councilmember Williams, Seconded by Councilmember Shaw to approve to accept the COPS Grant to hire six Police Officers, grant awarded by the Department of Justice.

Resolution 07-20-99OV – Motion carried

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilmember Williams	Yea	Councilmember Shaw	Yea
Councilmember Howard	Yea	Councilmember Washington	Yea
Councilmember Watley	Yea	Councilmember Chisholm	Yea

- C. Discussion/Action: (Felicia Rutledge) Consideration and approval for a street closure on Hazelwood on July 25, 2020 from 3:00pm until 8:00pm for a Block/Birthday Party the applicant is Joslyn Kitzer with the placement of the Governor’s Executive Order.

Moved by Councilmember Shaw, Seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Howard to approve for a street closure on Hazelwood on July 25, 2020 from 3:00pm until 8:00pm for a Block/Birthday Party

Resolution 07-20-100COV – Motion carried

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilmember Washington	Yea	Councilmember Howard	Yea
Councilmember Chisholm	Yea	Councilmember Williams	Yea
Councilmember Shaw	Yea	Councilmember Watley	Yea

- D. Discussion/Action: (Felicia Rutledge) Consideration and approval for a street closure on Woodland on August 1, 2020 from 10:00am until 10:00pm for a Block Party the applicant is Lisa Pritchett.

Moved by Councilmember Shaw, Seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Howard to approve for a street closure on Hazelwood on July 25, 2020 from 3:00pm until 8:00pm for a Block/Birthday Party

Resolution 07-20-101COV – Motion carried

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilmember Watley	Yea	Councilmember Chisholm	Yea
Councilmember Howard	Yea	Councilmember Williams	Yea
Councilmember Shaw	Yea	Councilmember Washington	Yea

- E. Discussion/Action: (Dennis Black) Consideration and approval to convey a quit claim deed to Clarissa Wells of 3119 Harrison.

Moved by Councilmember Shaw, Seconded by Councilmember Chisholm to approve Resolution 07-20-102COV – Motion carried

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilmember Howard	Yea	Councilmember Washington	Yea
Councilmember Williams	Yea	Councilmember Shaw	Yea
Councilmember Chisholm	Yea	Councilmember Watley	Yea

Public Participation

- **Leslie Windless** - My name is Leslie Windless, and I am writing to have our event included in the public comment of section of the July 20, 2020 Inkster City Council meeting. Youth Against Racism will be having a peaceful protest SPECIFICALLY for the youth (19 & under) at the Dearborn Heights and Inkster Police Departments from 6PM to 8PM on Friday, 7/24/20. The protest was triggered by the murder of George Floyd but is required for the countless other senseless deaths of people of color. Our children are and have been watching but are not always heard. We felt it was necessary to give them a safe space/platform to tell their stories, share their ideas, and stand in solidarity in support of the notion that black lives matter. To ensure that this event is a success, we need your help. You are invited to stand in unity with the youth of color in Dearborn Heights and Inkster, MI. Please reach out to me at your earliest convenience if you are interested in attending this event. She can be contacted at (313) 695-7054 or Lesliewindless14@yahoo.com
- **Yvette Brock** – Stated it may be beneficial to know if the group home that was on the agenda is taxable or non-taxable.
- **Cody Corvet** – Provided explanations and MCL codes; 125.3206 Sub Sections I and II regarding group homes.

City Clerk

- Encouraged residents to vote by Absentee Ballot.

City Treasurer

- No comments

Mayor and Council

- **Councilmember Shaw** – Asked if other committees were having virtual meetings. Stated he liked the artwork that is around the city. He asked if the bus stop on Michigan Ave. could have plexiglass instead of real glass because the windows keep getting broken. He stated there was graffiti on the CSO Basin sign on Inkster Rd. He further stated there are overgrown bushes at 1191 Helen Street.
- **Mayor Wimberly** – Stated the Census 2020 Count is at sixty percent and the city is trying to get to ninety percent. He asked all councilpersons to make an effort within their districts to get the numbers up.

CLOSED SESSION

Moved by Councilmember Shaw, Seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Howard to go into closed session at 9:19 p.m.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilmember Chisholm	Yea	Councilmember Shaw	Yea
Councilmember Washington	Yea	Councilmember Williams	Yea
Councilmember Howard	Yea	Councilmember Watley	Yea

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before Council, on a motion duly made
By Councilmember Watley, Seconded by Councilmember Howard carried, to conclude
the Regular Virtual City Council meeting of July 20, 2020 was adjourned at 9:54PM.



Felicia Rutledge, City Clerk
City of Inkster