

**MINUTES OF THE
VIRTUAL REGULAR MEETING OF THE HIGHLAND PARK CITY COUNCIL
AUGUST 17, 2020**

Council convened at 7:01 p.m. with Council President Clyburn presiding.

Present: Council Pro Tem Patrick, Councilmember Bates, Councilmember Armstrong and Council President Clyburn (4).

Absent: Councilmember Lewis (1).

A quorum being present, Council was declared in session.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by Council Pro Tem Patrick
Supported by Councilmember Bates

To approve the agenda with the following changes; removal of items XV a and IX. Yeas (4), Nays (0), Absent (1) Councilmember Lewis.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Moved by Councilmember Armstrong
Supported by Councilmember Bates

To approve the minutes of the Virtual Special meeting held August 10, 2020. Yeas (4), Nays (0), Absent (1) Councilmember Lewis.

ADMINISTRATION

08-17-20 IV a

The following resolution was submitted for approval.

RESOLUTION TO EXPEND FUNDS FOR ADA COMPLIANT FRONT ENTRANCE

Moved by Councilmember Bates
Supported by Councilmember Armstrong

WHEREAS, on May 20, 2020, the Michigan department of Treasury notified Highland park of the intent to award the City a FDVCT grant in the amount of \$75,000 to bring the front entrance of city hall into ADA compliance; and

WHEREAS, on August 7, 2020, the Michigan Department of Treasury – Revenue Sharing and Grants Division issued final approval of the FDVCT grant award of \$75,000; and

WHEREAS, DPW will secure an architectural bid package along with a contractor to complete the project; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Highland Park approves the expenditure of \$75,000 toward bringing the front entrance of City Hall into ADA compliance, with all expenditures to be reimbursed by FDVCT grant funds. Yeas (4), Nays (0), Absent (1) Councilmember Lewis.

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08-17-20 IV b

The following resolution was submitted for approval.

RESOLUTION TO EXPEND FUNDS FOR EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES AS SPECIFIED IN DOJ GRANT #2020-VD-BX-1676

Moved by Councilmember Bates
Supported by Council Pro Tem Patrick

WHEREAS, on June 11, 2020, the Department of Justice (DOJ) awarded Highland Park \$44,431 for Grant #2020-VD-BX-1676 under the CARES Act for the purpose of preventing, preparing for and responding to the coronavirus; and

WHEREAS, the grant award included up to: 1) \$39,000 for the purchase of a new police vehicle, 2) \$2,196 for reimbursement for temperature sensors, and 3) \$3,040 for hand sanitizer; and

WHEREAS, Highland Park received an estimate, using MiDeal pricing, for a 2021 Ford Police Interceptor SUV from Jorgensen Ford (see attached) and have/will purchase temperature sensors and hand sanitizer; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Highland Park approves the expenditure of \$44,431 for the purchase of equipment and supplies as specified in DOJ grant #2020-VD-BX-1676 for the purpose of preventing, preparing for and responding to the coronavirus, to be reimbursed from DOJ grant funds. Yeas (4), Nays (0), Absent (1) Councilmember Lewis.

**TABLED ITEM
08-17-20 V**

The following resolution was tabled from July 20, 2020.

Moved by Council Pro Tem Patrick
Supported by Councilmember Bates

To bring back from the table. Yeas (4), Nays (0), Absent (1) Councilmember Lewis.

RESOLUTION TO SELL 45 CANDLER TO PATRICIA DARWISH

Moved by Council Pro Tem Patrick
Supported by Councilmember Bates

To deny the sale of 39 and 45 Candler to Patricia Darwish. Yeas (4), Nays (0), Absent (1) Councilmember Lewis.

WHEREAS, City Ordinance 208.11 authorizes the sale of vacant lots with structures; and

WHEREAS, the City of Highland Park is the owner of 45 Candler and 39 Candler, parcel #43- 002-02-0015-000 and #43-002-02-0014-000 which is a commercial lot with a structure; and

WHEREAS, the City of Highland Park has received an Offer to Purchase from Patricia Darwish (Buyer) a Program Developer that has a Master's in Early Childhood Education with over 25 Years working for communities; Offer for 45 Candler to rehabilitate the structure into a Child Development and Elderly Care Facility and 39 Candler for parking; to help support promote a healthy environment and assist in becoming active neighbors in Highland Park Community; and

WHEREAS, the Buyer must fully comply with all of the requirements of Ordinance 208.11 for the sale of commercial lots with structures; and

WHEREAS, the City Assessor has set the market value at \$17,040; and \$500 for the lot; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City authorizes the Department of Community and Economic Development to sell 45 Candler and 39 Candler to Patricia Darwish at a price of \$17,540 and will issue a Quit-Claim deed.

**ORDINANCE Final Reading
08-17-20 VI**

The Clerk stated this was the final reading of the following ordinance:

An ordinance setting forth the authority and procedures for designating violations of city ordinances as municipal civil infractions, establishing a municipal ordinance violations bureau for the purpose of accepting admissions of responsibility for ordinance violations, authorizing the issuance of civil infraction notices and citations and the manner of serving the same; establishing sanctions for municipal civil infractions; authorizing the collection and retention by the city of civil fines / costs for such violations as prescribed herein and to repeal all conflicting ordinance or parts of ordinances.

THE CITY OF HIGHLAND PARK ORDAINS:

Section 1. Title

This ordinance shall be known and cited as the City of Highland Park Civil Infractions Ordinance.

Section 2. Definitions

As used in this Ordinance:

- a. "Authorized city official" means any personnel of the city authorized by this ordinance or any other city ordinance to issue municipal civil infraction citations.
- b. "Municipal civil infraction" means an act or omission that is prohibited by any ordinance of the city (e.g. IMPC, Muni Codes, etc.), but which is not a crime under the ordinance, and for which civil sanctions, including, without limitation, fines, damages, expenses and costs, may be ordered, as authorized by Chapter 87 of Act No. 236 of the Public Acts of 1961, as amended. A municipal civil infraction is not a lesser included offense of a violation of any city ordinance that is a criminal offense.
- c. "Municipal civil infraction citation" means a written complaint prepared by an authorized city official and filed with the court, in those cases where the alleged violator either denies responsibility or admits responsibility with explanation following the issuance of a municipal civil infraction notice.
- d. "Municipal civil infraction notice" means a written notice issued and served by an authorized city official which shall notify an alleged violator of the proposed commenced by an authorized city official regarding the occurrence or existence of a municipal civil infraction violation.

Section 3. Establishment, Location and Personnel of Municipal Ordinance Violations Bureau

- a. Establishment of Bureau. The City of Highland Park Municipal Ordinance Violations Bureau (hereafter Bureau) is hereby established pursuant to Public Act 12 of 1994

(MCL 600.8396), as it may be amended from time to time, for the purpose of accepting admissions of responsibility for ordinance violations designated as municipal civil infractions, and to collect and retain civil fines/costs for such violations as prescribed herein.

Prior to, or in lieu of, the formal establishment of the City of Highland Park Municipal Ordinance Violations Bureau, the 30th District Court will accept admissions of responsibility, with or without an explanation, for ordinance violations designated as municipal civil infractions. The Court shall collect civil fines/costs and remit them to the City of Highland Park.

For those individuals who deny responsibility, the 30th District Court will set the matter for a hearing pursuant to Section 7(b)(3)(i) or (ii).

For those individuals who fail to either admit or deny within the given time, then the court will enter a default and assess the prescribed fine.

- b. Location of Bureau. The bureau shall be located at the city hall/office.
- c. Personnel. Once formally established, all personnel of the Bureau shall be city employees. The Mayor may designate Bureau personnel and a Bureau clerk with the duties prescribed herein and as otherwise may be delegated by the Mayor.
- d. Operational Procedure. The City Administration may adopt rules and regulations for the operation of the Bureau.

Section 4. Bureau Authority

The Bureau shall only have authority to accept admissions of responsibility without explanation for municipal civil infractions for which a municipal ordinance violations notice has been issued and served, and to collect and retain the scheduled civil fines/costs for such violations specified pursuant to this ordinance or other applicable ordinance. The Bureau shall not accept payment of fines/costs from any person who denies having committed the alleged violation or who admits responsibility only with explanation. The Bureau shall not determine or attempt to determine the truth or falsity of any fact or matter relating to an alleged ordinance violation.

Section 5. Authorized City Officials

The following personnel are authorized to issue municipal civil infraction ordinance violation notices and/or municipal civil infraction citations:

- a. Any Peace Officer or Police Officer;
- b. Fire Department Officers;
- c. Building or other duly authorized Code Inspector or Officer;
- d. Ordinance Enforcement Officers;

The City Council may by resolution authorize such personnel to issue municipal civil infractions ordinance violation notices or municipal civil infraction citations as it deems necessary and proper.

Section 6. Civil Infraction Action

- a. Commencing Action. A municipal civil infraction action shall be commenced by the issuance of a municipal civil infraction notice by an authorized city official directing the alleged violator to contact the bureau for purposes of admitting or denying responsibility for the violation.
- b. Grounds for Issuing Notice. An authorized city official may issue a municipal civil infraction notice to a person if:
 - 1. The authorized city official witnesses that person commit a municipal civil infraction, or
 - 2. Based upon investigation, the official has reasonable cause to believe that that person is responsible for a municipal civil infraction; or
 - 3. Based upon investigation of a complaint by someone who allegedly witnessed that person commit a municipal civil infraction, the official has reasonable cause to believe that that person is responsible for an infraction and if the City attorney approves in writing the issuance of the municipal civil infraction notice.

Section 7. Civil Infraction Notice

- a. Contents of Notice. A municipal ordinance notice shall at a minimum contain the following information:
 - 1. The name and address of the alleged violator;
 - 2. The municipal civil infraction alleged;
 - 3. The address and telephone number of the bureau;
 - 4. The days and hours that the bureau is open;
 - 5. The amount of the scheduled fines/costs for the violation;
 - 6. The time within which the person must contact the bureau for purposes of admitting or denying responsibility for the violation;
 - 7. The methods by which the violation may be admitted or denied; and
 - 8. The consequences of failing to pay the required fines/costs or contact the bureau

within the required time;

- b. Rights of Violator. Further, the municipal civil infraction notice shall inform the alleged violator that he or she may do one of the following:
 - 1. Admit responsibility for the municipal civil infraction by mail, in person, or by representation, at or by the time specified for appearance.
 - 2. Admit responsibility for the municipal civil infraction "with explanation" by mail by the time specified for appearance or, in person, or by representation.
 - 3. Deny responsibility for the municipal civil infraction by doing either of the following:
 - i. Request an informal hearing in which event he or she shall appear in person for a hearing before a judge or district court magistrate, without the opportunity of being represented by an attorney, unless a formal hearing before a judge is requested by the city; or
 - ii. Request a formal hearing before a judge, with the opportunity of being represented by an attorney.
- c. Effect of Failure to Admit. The municipal civil infraction notice shall also inform the alleged violator that in the event the alleged violator admits responsibility "with explanation", denies responsibility or fails to contact the bureau within the prescribed time, the municipal civil infraction will be filed with the 30th District Court for entry of default or the setting of an informal hearing or setting of a formal hearing as set forth in Section 7b.

Section 8. Civil Infraction Citation

- a. When Citation Shall Issue. Where a person fails to admit responsibility without explanation for a violation within the jurisdiction of the Bureau and pay the required civil fines/costs within the designated time period, the bureau clerk or other designated city employee(s) shall advise the authorized city official to issue and file a municipal civil infraction citation for such violation with the court having jurisdiction of the matter.
- b. Contents of Citation. The citation filed with the court and served on the alleged violator shall contain the following information:
 - 1. The name and address of the alleged violator;
 - 2. A sworn complaint containing all the allegations regarding the violation as set forth in the municipal civil infraction notice;

3. The place where the alleged violator shall appear in court;
 4. The address and telephone number of the court;
 5. The time that the appearance shall be made;
 6. Clear and unambiguous information on how the alleged violator must respond to the citation; and
 7. Notice in boldfaced type that the failure of the alleged violator to appear within the time specified in the citation or at the time scheduled for a hearing or appearance is a misdemeanor and will result in entry of a default judgment against the alleged violator on the municipal civil infraction.
- c. Rights of Violator. The citation shall also inform the alleged violator of his or her right to admit or deny the violation, as more fully set forth Section 7b of this ordinance.
- d. Service of the Citation. A copy of the citation may be served on the alleged violator either by personal service or by first class mail sent to the alleged violator's last known address. The citation shall thereafter be processed in the manner required by law.

Section 9. Schedule of Civil Fines/Costs

Unless a different schedule of civil fines is provided for by an applicable ordinance, the civil fines payable to the bureau upon admissions of responsibility by persons served with municipal ordinance violation notices shall be determined pursuant to the following schedule and on the basis of the of the date of the violation(s):

- **First violation \$150**
- **Second violation \$350**
- **Third and subsequent violation \$500 and/or a misdemeanor**

In addition to the above prescribed civil fines, costs in the amount of \$10 shall be assessed by the Bureau if the fine and costs are paid within 10 days of the date of service of the municipal ordinance violation notice. Otherwise, costs of \$20 shall be assessed by the Bureau.

Section 10. Record and Accounting

The Bureau clerk or other designated city official/employee shall retain a copy of all municipal ordinance violation notices and shall account to the City Council once a month or at such other intervals as the City Council may require concerning the number of admissions

and denials of responsibility for ordinance violations within the jurisdiction of the bureau and the amount of fines/costs collected with respect to such violations. The civil fines/costs collected shall be delivered to the City Treasurer at such intervals as the treasurer shall require, and shall be deposited in the specified accounts of the city.

Section 11. Availability of Other Enforcement Options

Nothing in this ordinance shall be deemed to require the City to initiate its municipal civil infraction ordinance enforcement activity through the issuance of an ordinance violation notice. As to each ordinance violation designated as a municipal civil infraction, the City may, at its sole discretion, proceed directly with the issuance of a municipal civil infraction citation or take such other enforcement action as is authorized by law.

Section 12. Severability

The provisions of this ordinance are hereby declared to be severable, and if any part is declared invalid for any reason by a court of competent jurisdiction, it shall not affect the remainder of the ordinance which shall continue in full force and effect.

Section 13. Repeal

All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed.

Section 14. Effective Date

This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon publication as required by law following adoption by the City Council.

Moved by Council Pro Tem Patrick
Supported by Councilmember Armstrong

To adopt the Civil Infractions Ordinance. Yeas (4), Nays (0), Absent (0)
Councilmember Lewis.

CITY CLERK
08-17-20 VII a

The following resolution was submitted for approval.

Moved by Council Pro Tem Patrick
Supported by Councilmember Bates

WHEREAS; the Center for Secure and Modern Elections & The Center for Tech & Civic Life a non-partisan and non-profit organization has created its COVID-19 Response Grants Program to support municipalities and counties with a need in the administration of safe

election in the midst of the COVID- 19 pandemic;

WHEREAS; in other jurisdictions funds have been used for helping recruit & train poll workers, provide PPE for poll workers & voters, advertising and cover the cost of postage, printing and more;

WHEREAS, the grant is intended to supplement public funding the amount will be determined upon acceptance of application without a match from the city;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED; that Council approve the Clerk to apply and accept the COVID-19 Response Grant from The Center for Secure and Modern Election & Civic Life to assist with the November 3, 2020 election administration. Yeas (4), Nays (0), Absent (1) Councilmember Lewis.

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08-17-20 VII b

The following resolution was submitted for approval.

Moved by Councilmember Bates
Supported by Council Pro Tem Patrick

WHEREAS, on July 2, 2020 Wayne County Commissioner McCormick sponsored and the Wayne County Commission supported a resolution providing for municipal clerk's office drop boxes that offer 24-hour access for voters to drop off absentee ballots, saving time and money. These drop boxes provide a safe, contact-free voting option during the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic.

WHEREAS, numerous communities are adding drop boxes for this year's elections;

WHEREAS, drop boxes can be placed at secure municipally owned properties, including city halls, fire stations, and community centers rather than only utilizing the US Postal Service only sworn officials representing the clerk's office would have access to the drop box;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED; that council approve the clerk to accept a ballot drop box from the Wayne County Commission.

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CITY COUNCIL
08-17-20 VIII a

Council President Clyburn reported to the Council about the Highland Park Housing Commission/HUD update per Ordinance 260.08 "Reports to Council".

08-17-20 VIII b

President Clyburn asked for the record to reflect that as of today's date, a Pension Waiver form had not been received from Mayor Yopp.

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08-17-20 VIII c

Council President Clyburn gave an update regarding the Council's COVID-19 Just Recovery Task Force and the Mayor's COVID-19 Response Task Force. The Response Task Force will answer calls and get accurate information from other government agencies and entities. The Recovery Task Force will communicate that information, identify funding and work on a recovery plan. There is a meeting scheduled for Tuesday August 26 which is open to the public.

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08-17-20 VIII d

Attorney Ford will forward the request for monthly Fire Department reports.

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08-17-20 VIII e

Moved by Councilmember Bates
Supported by Councilmember Armstrong

To remove item VIII e (Ethics Ordinance) and bring back at a later date once a satisfactory draft is ready. Yeas (4), Nays (0), Absent (1) Councilmember Lewis.

FINANCE

08-17-20 IX a

The monthly financial statement for May 31, 2020 was received and filed.

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08-17-20 IX b

The monthly financial statement for June 30, 2020 was received and filed.

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08-17-20 IX c

The monthly financial statement for July 31, 2020 was received and filed.

**POLICE
08-17-20 X**

The following resolution was submitted for approval.

**RESOLUTION TO APPROVE A PURCHASE ORDER WITH NYE UNIFORM COMPANY FOR
POLICE UNIFORMS**

Moved by Council Pro Tem Patrick
Supported by Councilmember Bates

WHEREAS, on July 6, 2020, the City approved a resolution to solicit quotes for police uniforms; and

WHEREAS, the current police contract states that "the City shall provide and maintain employees with all necessary turnout gear, equipment and articles of clothing required in the performance of their duties"; and

WHEREAS, three quotes were received in response to the RFQ (see attached); and

WHEREAS, the Police Department is recommending NYE Uniform Company due to the proximity of their Troy, Michigan store and availability of in-stock inventories and alterations; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City approves the issuance of a purchase order for \$22,404.27 plus up to 3% in cost overruns to NYE Uniform Company to provide police uniforms and ballistic vests. Yeas (4), Nays (0), Absent (1) Councilmember Lewis.

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**RECREATION
08-17-20 XI**

The following resolution was submitted for approval.

**RESOLUTION TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH CHARTER COUNTY OF
WAYNE TO COOPERATIVELY FUND THE CONSTRUCTION OF A FITNESS
COURT**

Moved by Councilmember Bates
Supported by Councilmember Armstrong

WHEREAS, the Charter County of Wayne (County) and the City of Highland Park (City) have an interest in entering into cooperative parks and recreation projects that are mutually beneficial to the citizens of Wayne County; and

WHEREAS, the County will provide up to \$50,000 for funding construction of a fitness court (see attached contract); and

WHEREAS, on August 20, 2018, Highland Park approved the land transfer of 179 Midland to the Recreation inventory and accepted a Wayne County partnership for a fitness court along with its installation; and

WHEREAS, Wayne County has forwarded the attached contract to Highland Park to formalize the agreement to cooperatively fund the construction of a fitness court; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Highland Park formally approves the contract with the Charter County of Wayne for up to \$50,000 to cooperatively fund and construct a fitness court. Yeas (4), Nays (0), Absent (1) Councilmember Lewis.

TREASURER
08-17-20 XII

The following resolution was submitted for approval.

**RESOLUTION TO APPROVE BILLING SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH
INVOICE CLOUD, INC.**

Moved by Council Pro Tem Patrick
Supported by Councilmember Bates

WHEREAS, BSA, the City's software provider, recently changed their credit card services provider for enhanced services; and

WHEREAS, after viewing video presentations of the product and through careful consideration by the Treasurer, Water Department, and Finance Department, it was agreed that INVOICE CLOUD provides the reporting services the City and its customers need to assist with bank reconciliation and as a means for our customers to pay bills online through an electronic payer portal.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council approves the agreement between the City of Highland Park and Invoice Cloud, Inc. Yeas (4), Nays (0), Absent (1) Councilmember Lewis.

**WATER
08-17-20 XIII**

The following resolution was submitted for approval.

**A RESOLUTION TO DEFER FY2021 WATER DEPARTMENT BUDGET APPROVAL
AND RATE CHANGES UNTIL SEPTEMBER 30, 2020 AS REQUESTED BY THE
WATER DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR**

Moved by Councilmember Bates
Supported by Council Pro tem Armstrong

WHEREAS, pursuant to chapter 1040.17 and 1042.01 of the City Code of Ordinances, it is the responsibility of the City of Highland Park to establish water and sewer rates; and

WHEREAS, the Highland Park City Council previously approved the FY20 Water Department Budget and Rates; and

WHEREAS, the Highland Park received a letter dated April 28, 2020 from the Great Lakes Water Authority (GLWA) regarding deferred implementation – Great Lakes Water Authority FY 2021 Wholesale Water Schedule of Charges; and

WHEREAS, the City of Highland Park Water Department requests the FY20 rates be authorized to continue to be in effect until September 30, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the City of Highland Park Water Department shall request a public hearing to be held at the Regular City Council Meetings of September 8th and September 21st, to receive comments regarding the FY 2021 Water Department Budget and Rates, pending the tentative expiration of the deferred implementation by GLWA; and

BE IT RESOLVED, the City of Highland Park City Council shall authorize the extension of the FY20 Water Department rates as requested by the Water Department Director; and

PASSED AND ADOPTED, this 17th day of August 2020 by the votes of Highland Park City Council. Yeas (4), Nays (0), Absent (1) Councilmember Lewis.

**OUTSIDE COMMUNICATION
08-17-20 IVX a**

The following communication was received from the Michigan Municipal League.

The Michigan Municipal League Annual Convention will be held as an online virtual conference September 29 - October 2, 2020. The League's "**Annual Meeting**" is scheduled for 3:00 pm on Tuesday, September 29. The meeting will be held for the following purposes:

1. Election of Trustees. To elect six members of the Board of Trustees for terms of three years each (see #1 on page 2).

2. Policy. **A) To vote on the Core Legislative Principles document**

In regard to the proposed League Core Legislative Principles, the document is available on the League website at <http://www.mml.org/delegate>. If you would like to receive a copy of the proposed principles by fax, please call Monica Drukis at the League at 800-653-2483.

B) If the League Board of Trustees has presented any resolutions to the membership, they also will be voted on. (See #2 on page 2.)

In regard to resolutions, member municipalities planning on submitting resolutions for consideration by the League Trustees are reminded that under the Bylaws, they must be submitted to the Trustees for their review by **August 28 2020.**

3. Other Business. To transact such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

Designation of Voting Delegates

Pursuant to the provisions of the League Bylaws, you are requested to designate by action of your governing body one of your officials who will be in attendance at the Convention as your official representative to cast the vote of the municipality at the Annual Meeting, and, if possible, to designate one other official to serve as alternate. Please submit this information through the League website by visiting <http://www.mml.org/delegate> **no later than August 28, 2020.**

Voting Delegates must have access to a computer with reliable internet connection and a smartphone. Delegates will be sent login information and instructions the week of Convention.

Moved by Councilmember Bates
Supported by Council Pro Tem Patrick

To receive and file the above communication. Yeas (4), Nays (0), Absent (1)
Councilmember Lewis.

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08-17-20 IVX b

The following communication was received from Prayer Temple of Love Cathedral.

The Board of Directors of Prayer Temple Of Love Cathedral humbly request a street name change for Highland Street. It is our request that Highland will carry the name of our late pastor, Rev. Saint Richard A. Smith. Our Pastor, Rev. Saint Richard A. Smith passed away April 16, 2020 due to Covid-19

Rev. Smith and the congregation of Prayer Temple of Love Cathedral moved into their current edifice located at 12375 Woodward Avenue July 1977 and has been actively involved in the community. Rev. Smith has been an advocate for the city of Highland Park. He has work tirelessly with many officials of Highland Park to maintain and beautify the city and maintain Peace on Highland Street when Highland became bombarded with drugs and prostitution.

He worked closely with former Mayors Blackwell and Miller serving as a Human Rights Commissioner as well as with the City Council. He organized Operation Feed-All funded by Wayne Metro and fed the community at 17 Highland for 25 years. Currently the church has partnered with Forgotten Harvest for bi-monthly food give away. Rev. Smith also organized the PTLC Drug Program, Mental Health Counseling with a licensed therapist, Wednesday Homework Help and the PTLC Saturday Educational Tutorial/Computer Program for students in Kindergarten through High School with certified teachers. All programs were/are housed in the Church's Activity Center located at 17 Highland.

The Board of Directors of PTLC is requesting that the installation of the street sign take place on Sunday, August 30, 2020 as we celebrate and close out our Late Pastor and First Lady's 46th Pastoral Anniversary.

We look forward to the Council's response, praying that this prestigious honor will be granted for our late Pastor Rev. Saint Richard A. Smith.

Moved by Council Pro Tem Patrick
Supported by Councilmember Bates

To receive and file from the above communication. Yeas (3) Council President Clyburn, Council Pro Tem Patrick and Councilmember Bates, Nays (1) Councilmember Armstrong, Absent (1) Councilmember Lewis.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Councilmember Bates
Supported by Councilmember Armstrong

To adjourn the meeting, motion carried, meeting adjourned at 8:32 p.m.

CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify that the attached is a copy of the minutes of the Virtual Regular Meeting held the 17th of August 2020 and that said minutes are available for public inspection at the address designated on the posted public notice.



Cidia Wicker-Brown, Deputy City Clerk