

**MINUTES OF THE
REGULAR MEETING OF THE HIGHLAND PARK CITY COUNCIL**

DECEMBER 7, 2015

Council convened at 7:09 p.m. with Council President Woodard presiding.

Present: Council Pro Tem Lewis, Councilmember Moore, Councilmember Patrick,
Councilmember McClary, Council President Woodard (5).

Absent: (0)

A quorum being present, Council was declared in session.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Moved by Councilmember McClary
Supported by Council Pro Tem Lewis

To add the following items from the Legal Department to the agenda:

- Approval of Miller Canfield as special counsel in the matter of Kramer et al, v. City of Highland Park
- Resolution authorizing the engagement of Findley Davies to provide a GASB 45 valuation report for an amount not to exceed \$8,000

Yeas (5), Nays (0), Absent (0).

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Moved by Councilmember McClary
Supported by Council Pro Tem Lewis

To add the following items from Community Development to the agenda:

- Resolution to approve the purchase of residential vacant lot located at 209 Pilgrim at a cost of \$250 by Clara Rich
- Resolution to approve the purchase of residential vacant lot located at 213 Pilgrim at a cost of \$250 by Clara Rich

Yeas (5), Nays (0), Absent (0).

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Moved by Council Pro Tem Lewis
Supported by Councilmember Moore

To approve the minutes of the September 21, 2015 Workshop meeting. Yeas (5), Nays (0), Absent (0).

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Moved by Councilmember Patrick
Supported by Council Pro Tem Lewis

To approve the minutes of the November 16, 2015 Workshop meeting. Yeas (5), Nays (0), Absent (0).

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Moved by Council Pro Tem Lewis
Supported by Councilmember McClary

To approve the minutes of the Regular November 16, 2015 meeting. Yeas (5), Nays (0), Absent (0).

PRESENTATION:

Mayor DeAndre Windom presented plaques of appreciation to DTE, Modular Automotive Systems, Council Member Titus McClary and Council President Christopher Woodard.

TABLED ITEM:

Approve purchase of 46 Tuxedo at a cost of \$2,334.00 by Curtis Jordan. REMAINS TABLED.

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Approve purchase of 55 Tuxedo at a cost of \$2,287.00 by Curtis Jordan. REMAINS TABLED.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT:

The following resolution was submitted for approval.

RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE BID AWARD AND CONTRACT EXECUTION TO ABLE DEMOLITION, INC. FOR HUD EDI NORTH POINTE NEIGHBORHOOD CLEANUP

Resolution authorizing the award of the bid for the HUD EDI North Pointe Neighborhood Cleanup inspection of asbestos and preparation of a report at the following addresses together with execution of contract to Able Demolition, Inc. 5674 Auburn Road, Shelby Township, MI 48317.

WHEREAS, the CED Staff published the opportunity to bid on Neighborhood Cleanup in a paper of record, seeking competitive bids from qualified, licensed vendors/contractors in accordance with applicable laws and regulation;

WHEREAS, Able Demolition, Inc submitted a bid proposal in the amount of **\$89,430.00** together with a 5% bid bond that was opened at a regular meeting of the City Council;

WHEREAS, the CED Department evaluated the bid received in terms of cost qualifications, and responsiveness;

WHEREAS, the funding source for the successful bid awarded will be HUD EDI Grant funds;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of Highland Park that:

The City Council authorizes award of the bid to Able Demolition, Inc and for the Mayor and City Clerk to execute a contract with Able Demolition, Inc. for Neighborhood Cleanup to repair sidewalks, cleanup and grade sites, and remove trees and underbrush for the attached list of homes and sites.

ADDRESS	SIDEWALKS	TREES	GRADING	CLEAN UP	TOTAL
68 McNichols	\$1,600.00	\$1,000.00	\$3,500.00	\$5,000.00	\$11,100.00
168 Church	\$1,500.00	\$700.00	\$400.00	\$400.00	\$3,000.00
172 Church	\$1,500.00	\$700.00	\$400.00	\$400.00	\$3,000.00
176 Church	\$1,500.00	\$700.00	\$400.00	\$400.00	\$3,000.00
178 Church	\$1,500.00	\$700.00	\$400.00	\$400.00	\$3,000.00
184 Church	\$1,500.00	\$700.00	\$400.00	\$400.00	\$3,000.00
186 Church	\$1,500.00	\$700.00	\$400.00	\$400.00	\$3,000.00
87 Stevens	\$1,600.00	\$800.00	\$700.00	\$500.00	\$3,600.00
95 Stevens	\$1,600.00	\$800.00	\$500.00	\$400.00	\$3,300.00
109 Stevens	\$1,600.00	\$900.00	\$800.00	\$400.00	\$3,700.00
113 Stevens	\$1,600.00	\$3,000.00	\$1,800.00	\$1,500.00	\$7,900.00
126 Stevens	\$1,600.00	\$700.00	\$400.00	\$800.00	\$3,500.00
140 Stevens	\$2,200.00	\$2,000.00	\$900.00	\$500.00	\$5,600.00
144 Stevens	\$1,600.00	\$3,000.00	\$1,500.00	\$500.00	\$6,600.00
148 Stevens	\$1,600.00	\$2,000.00	\$600.00	\$400.00	\$4,600.00
6 Mile Alley				\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00
Church Alley				\$8,130.00	\$8,130.00

Stevens Alley				\$8,400.00	\$8,400.00
TOTAL	\$24,000.00	\$18,400	\$13,100.00	\$33,930.00	\$89,430.00

Moved by Council Pro Tem Lewis
Supported by Councilmember Moore

To approve the resolution authorizing bid award and contract execution to Able Demolition Inc, for HUD EDI North Pointe neighborhood clean-up. Yeas (5), Nays (0), Absent (0).

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The following resolution was submitted for approval.

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE PURCHASE OF RESIDENTIAL VACANT LOT LOCATED AT 305 LOUISE HIGHLAND PARK MI 48203 PIN: 43 004 02 0104 000

WHEREAS, the properties located at various addresses and are owned by the City of Highland Park; and

WHEREAS, the City of Highland Park passed the ordinance allowing for commercial and residential lot sales; and

WHEREAS, the proposed purchasers, Shirley Davis and Aaron Davis, meet the criteria approved by the City Council for the lot sale program; and

WHEREAS, Shirley Davis and Aaron Davis agree to comply with the provisions of the program and the city ordinance regarding such purchase;

NOW HEREBY BE IT RESOLVED that the Highland Park City Council approves the sale of the vacant lot located at 305 Louise, Highland Park MI at the cost of \$250 to Shirley Davis and Aaron Davis.

Moved by Council Pro Tem Lewis
Supported by Councilmember Moore

To approve the sale of the residential lot located at 305 Louise to Shirley Davis and Aaron at a cost of \$250. Yeas (5), Nays (0), Absent (0).

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The following resolution was submitted for approval.

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE PURCHASE OF RESIDENTIAL STRUCTURE LOCATED AT 115 MASSACHUSETTS HIGHLAND PARK MI 48203 PIN: 43 013 08 0310 000

WHEREAS, the properties located at various addresses and are owned by the City of Highland Park; and

WHEREAS, the City of Highland Park passed the ordinance allowing for commercial and residential lot sales; and

WHEREAS, the proposed purchasers Sierra Cain and Dennis Edgar II, meet the criteria approved by the City Council for the lot sale program; and

WHEREAS, Sierra Cain and Dennis Edgar II agree to comply with the provisions of the program and the city ordinance regarding such purchase;

NOW HEREBY BE IT RESOLVED that the Highland Park City Council approves the sale of the structure at 115 Massachusetts, Highland Park MI at the cost of \$2,175 to Sierra Cain and Dennis Edgar II.

Moved by Council Pro Tem Lewis
Supported by Councilmember Patrick

To approve the purchase of the residential structure located at 115 Massachusetts by Sierra Cain and Dennis Edgar II at a cost of \$2,175. Yeas (5), Nays (0), Absent (0).

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The following resolution was submitted for approval.

**RESOLUTION TO APPROVE PURCHASE OF RESIDENTIAL VACANT LOTS
LOCATED AT: 27 CHURCH HIGHLAND PARK MI 48203 PIN: 43 017 02 0017 000, 33
CHURCH HIGHLAND PARK MI 48203 PIN: 43 002 03 0391 000, 59 CHURCH
HIGHLAND PARK MI 48203 PIN: 43 002 03 0043 002, 61 CHURCH HIGHLAND PARK
MI 48203 PIN: 43 002 03 0043 001, 69 CHURCH HIGHLAND PARK MI 48203 PIN: 43
002 03 0041 000, 75 CHURCH HIGHLAND PARK MI 48203 PIN: 43 002 03 0040 000**

WHEREAS, the properties located at various addresses and are owned by the City of Highland Park; and

WHEREAS, the City of Highland Park passed the ordinance allowing for commercial and residential lot sales; and

WHEREAS, the proposed purchaser, Bishop Lewis E. Evans, meets the criteria approved by the City Council for the lot sale program; and

WHEREAS, Bishop Lewis E. Evans agrees to comply with the provisions of the program and the city ordinance regarding such purchase;

NOW HEREBY BE IT RESOLVED that the Highland Park City Council approves the sale of the residential vacant lot located at 27, 33, 59, 61, 69 and 75 Church, Highland Park MI at the cost of \$250 each to Bishop Lewis E. Evans.

Moved by Council Pro Tem Lewis
Supported by Councilmember Patrick

To table the purchase of 27, 33, 59, 61, 69 and 75 Church. Yeas (3), Nays (2)
Councilmember McClary and Council President Woodard, Absent (0).

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The following resolution was submitted for approval.

**RESOLUTION TO APPROVE PURCHASE OF RESIDENTIAL VACANT LOTS
LOCATED AT: 91 FERRIS HIGHLAND PARK MI 48203 PIN: 43 002 01 0019 000, 93
FERRIS HIGHLAND PARK MI 48203 PIN: 43 002 01 0020 000, 16343 JOHN R
HIGHLAND PARK MI 48203 PIN: 43 002 03 0037 002**

WHEREAS, the properties located at various addresses and are owned by the City of Highland Park; and

WHEREAS, the City of Highland Park passed the ordinance allowing for commercial and residential lot sales; and

WHEREAS, the proposed purchaser, Bishop Lewis E. Evans, meets the criteria approved by the City Council for the lot sale program; and

WHEREAS, Bishop Lewis E. Evans agrees to comply with the provisions of the program and the city ordinance regarding such purchase;

NOW HEREBY BE IT RESOLVED that the Highland Park City Council approves the sale of the vacant lot located at 91 Ferris, 93 Ferris and 16343 John R Highland Park MI at the cost of \$250 each to Bishop Lewis E. Evans

Moved by Council Pro Tem Lewis
Supported by Councilmember Patrick

To table the purchase of the vacant lots located at 91 Ferris, 93 Ferris and 16343 John R. Yeas (3), Nays (2) Councilmember McClary and Council President Woodard, Absent (0).

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The following resolution was submitted for approval.

**RESOLUTION TO APPROVE PURCHASE OF RESIDENTIAL VACANT LOTS
LOCATED AT: 108 CORTLAND HIGHLAND PARK MI 48203 PIN: 43 012 04 0081 002,
110 CORTLAND HIGHLAND PARK MI 48203 PIN: 43 012 04 0081 001, 116
CORTLAND HIGHLAND PARK MI 48203 PIN: 43 012 04 0080 000**

WHEREAS, the properties located at various addresses and are owned by the City of Highland Park; and

WHEREAS, the City of Highland Park passed the ordinance allowing for commercial and residential lot sales; and

WHEREAS, the proposed purchaser, Wayne Metropolitan Community Action Agency, meet the criteria approved by the City Council for the lot sale program; and

WHEREAS, Wayne Metropolitan Community Action Agency agrees to comply with the provisions of the program and the city ordinance regarding such purchase;

NOW HEREBY BE IT RESOLVED that the Highland Park City Council approves the sale of the vacant lots located at 108, 110 and 116 Cortland Highland Park MI at the cost of \$250 each to Wayne Metropolitan Community Action Agency.

Moved by Council Pro Tem Lewis
Supported by Councilmember Moore

To table the purchase of the vacant lots located at 108, 110 and 116 Cortland. Yeas (3), Nays (2) Councilmember Patrick and Councilmember McClary, Absent (0).

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**RESOLUTION TO APPROVE PURCHASE OF RESIDENTIAL VACANT LOTS
LOCATED AT: 12320 THIRD HIGHLAND PARK MI 48203 PIN: 43 012 04 0069 001,
12344 THIRD/169 CORTLAND HIGHLAND PARK MI 48203 PIN: 43 012 04 0117 002**

WHEREAS, the properties located at various addresses and are owned by the City of Highland Park; and

WHEREAS, the City of Highland Park passed the ordinance allowing for commercial and residential lot sales; and

WHEREAS, the proposed purchaser, Wayne Metropolitan Community Action Agency, meet the criteria approved by the City Council for the lot sale program; and

WHEREAS, Wayne Metropolitan Community Action Agency agrees to comply with the provisions of the program and the city ordinance regarding such purchase;

NOW HEREBY BE IT RESOLVED that the Highland Park City Council approves the sale of the vacant lots located at 12320 Third and 12344 Third/169 Cortland Highland Park MI at the cost of \$250 each to Wayne Metropolitan Community Action Agency.

Moved by Council Pro Tem Lewis
Supported by Councilmember Moore

To table the purchase of the vacant lots located at 12320 Third and 12344 Third/169 Cortland. Yeas (3), Nays (2) Councilmember Patrick and Councilmember McClary, Absent (0).

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**RESOLUTION TO APPROVE PURCHASE OF RESIDENTIAL VACANT LOTS
LOCATED AT: 12345 SECOND HIGHLAND PARK MI 48203 PIN: 43 012 04 0105 000,
12319 SECOND HIGHLAND PARK MI 48203 PIN: 43 012 04 0082 002, 12340-46
SECOND HIGHLAND PARK MI 48203 PIN: 43 012 04 0104 002**

WHEREAS, the properties located at various addresses and are owned by the City of Highland Park; and

WHEREAS, the City of Highland Park passed the ordinance allowing for commercial and residential lot sales; and

WHEREAS, the proposed purchaser, Wayne Metropolitan Community Action Agency, meet the criteria approved by the City Council for the lot sale program; and

WHEREAS, Wayne Metropolitan Community Action Agency agrees to comply with the provisions of the program and the city ordinance regarding such purchase;

NOW HEREBY BE IT RESOLVED that the Highland Park City Council approves the sale of the vacant lots located at 12319, 12340-46 and 12345 Second Highland Park MI at the cost of \$250 each to Wayne Metropolitan Community Action Agency.

Moved by Council Pro Tem Lewis
Supported by Councilmember Moore

To table the purchase of the vacant lots located at 12319, 12340-46 and 12345 Second Yeas (3), Nays (2) Councilmember Patrick and Councilmember McClary, Absent (0).

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**RESOLUTION TO APPROVE PURCHASE OF RESIDENTIAL VACANT LOTS
LOCATED AT: 87 HIGHLAND HIGHLAND PARK MI 48203 PIN: 43 012 04 0103 002,
121 HIGHLAND HIGHLAND PARK MI 48203 PIN: 43 012 04 0108 000, 155 HIGHLAND
HIGHLAND PARK MI 48203 PIN: 43 012 04 0114 000**

WHEREAS, the properties located at various addresses and are owned by the City of Highland Park; and

WHEREAS, the City of Highland Park passed the ordinance allowing for commercial and residential lot sales; and

WHEREAS, the proposed purchaser, Wayne Metropolitan Community Action Agency, meet the criteria approved by the City Council for the lot sale program; and

WHEREAS, Wayne Metropolitan Community Action Agency agrees to comply with the provisions of the program and the city ordinance regarding such purchase;

NOW HEREBY BE IT RESOLVED that the Highland Park City Council approves the sale of the vacant lots located at 87, 121 and 155 Highland, Highland Park MI at the cost of \$250 each to Wayne Metropolitan Community Action Agency.

Moved by Council Pro Tem Lewis
Supported by Councilmember Moore

To table the purchase of the vacant lots located at 87, 121 and 155 Highland. Yeas (3), Nays (2) Councilmember Patrick and Councilmember McClary, Absent (0).

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The following resolution was submitted for approval.

**RESOLUTION TO APPROVE PURCHASE OF RESIDENTIAL VACANT LOT
LOCATED AT 209 PILGRIM HIGHLAND PARK MI 48203 PIN: 43 003 03 0658 000**

WHEREAS, the properties located at various addresses and are owned by the City of Highland Park; and

WHEREAS, the City of Highland Park passed the ordinance allowing for commercial and residential lot sales; and

WHEREAS, the proposed purchaser, Clara Rich, meets the criteria approved by the City Council for the lot sale program; and

WHEREAS, Clara Rich agrees to comply with the provisions of the program and the city ordinance regarding such purchase;

NOW HEREBY BE IT RESOLVED that the Highland Park City Council approves the sale of the vacant lot located at 209 Pilgrim, Highland Park MI at the cost of \$250 to Clara Rich.

Moved by Councilmember McClary
Supported by Council Pro Tem Lewis

To approve the sale of the residential vacant lot located at 209 Pilgrim to Clara Rich at a cost of \$250. Yeas (5), Nays (0), Absent (0).

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The following resolution was submitted for approval.

**RESOLUTION TO APPROVE PURCHASE OF RESIDENTIAL VACANT LOT
LOCATED AT 213 PILGRIM HIGHLAND PARK MI 48203 PIN: 43 003 03 0658 000**

WHEREAS, the properties located at various addresses and are owned by the City of Highland Park; and

WHEREAS, the City of Highland Park passed the ordinance allowing for commercial and residential lot sales; and

WHEREAS, the proposed purchaser, Clara Rich, meets the criteria approved by the City Council for the lot sale program; and

WHEREAS, Clara Rich agrees to comply with the provisions of the program and the city ordinance regarding such purchase;

NOW HEREBY BE IT RESOLVED that the Highland Park City Council approves the sale of the vacant lot located at 213 Pilgrim, Highland Park MI at the cost of \$250 to Clara Rich.

Moved by Councilmember McClary
Supported by Councilmember Moore

To approve the sale of the residential vacant lot located at 209 Pilgrim to Clara Rich at a cost of \$250. Yeas (5), Nays (0), Absent (0).

OUTSIDE COMMUNICATIONS:

The following request was submitted for approval.

Fire Chief Hillman:

The **CAPTAIN NAOMI BELL POST #70**, request permission to use the Highland Park Fire Department Community Activities Room, to hold our end of the year meeting of our American Legion Post. We are requesting to use the location n December 28, 2015, between the hours of 6:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m.

Captain Naomi Bernice Bell was the first women of color to be accepted into the U.S. Air Force as a Lieutenant on December, 1942. She has been mentioned as a member of the Tuskegee Army Air Force Player's Guild. She served at Brooke Army Air Force Base in San Antonio, Texas and served at Percy Jones Hospital in Battle Creek, Michigan. The Detroit Chapter of the Tuskegee Airmen sponsors a scholarship in her memory.

Thanks for your consideration in allowing the members of our post to meet at the Fire Station.

Sincerely,
Ezell Cuspart, First Vice-Commander, Titus McClary, Service Officer

Moved by Council Pro Tem Lewis
Supported by Councilmember Moore

To approve the request from Captain Naomi Bell Post #70 to use the Highland Park Fire Department Community Activities Room December 28, 2015 between the hours of 6:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. Yeas (5), Nays (0), Absent (0).

LEGAL DEPARTMENT:

Moved by Council Pro Tem Lewis
Supported by Councilmember Moore

To retain Miller Canfield as Special Counsel in the matter of Kramer et al, v. City of Highland Park. Yeas (4), Nays (1) Councilmember McClary, Absent (0)

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The following resolution was submitted for approval

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ENGAGEMENT OF FINDLEY DAVIES TO PROVIDE A GASB 45 VALUATION REPORT FOR THE CITY OF HIGHLAND PARK

BE IT RESOLVED that the Highland Park City Council hereby approves the Business Association Agreement between the City of Highland Park and Findley Davies located at One SeaGate, Suite 2050, Toledo, Ohio 43604-1338, to provide a GASB 45 actuarial valuation report for the City of Highland Park for an amount not to exceed Eight Thousand (\$8,000.00) Dollars.

Moved by Councilmember McClary
Supported by Councilmember Moore

To approve the resolution authorizing the engagement of Findley Davies to provide a GASB 45 valuation report for an amount not to exceed eight thousand (\$8,000.00) dollars. Yeas (5), Nays (0), Absent (0).

COUNCIL AFFAIRS

Moved by Councilmember Moore
Supported by Councilmember Patrick

To approve the 2016 Highland Park City Council Meeting Schedule. Yeas (5), Nays (0), Absent (0).

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HIGHLAND PARK CITY COUNCIL MEETING SCHEDULE

All Workshop and Regular Meetings of the Highland Park City Council are held the 1st & 3rd Monday of each month at 5:30 p.m. & 7:00 p.m. respectively, unless otherwise posted.

If a holiday falls on the scheduled date, the meeting will be held the following Tuesday.

Workshop & Regular Meetings

January 4th & 19th
February 1st & 15th

July 5th & 18th
August 1st & 15th

March 7th & 21st
April 4th & 18th
May 2nd & 16th
June 6th & 20th

September 6th & 19th
October 3rd & 17th
November 7th & 21st
December 5th & 19th

ADJOURNMENT:

Moved by Council Pro Tem Lewis
Supported by Councilmember Moore

To adjourn this meeting; motion carried, meeting adjourned 8:22 p.m.

CERTIFICATE

I, hereby certify that the attached is a copy of the proposed minutes of a Regular Meeting held on the 7th day of December, 2015 and that said proposed minutes are available for public inspection at the address designated on the posted public notice.



Cidia Wicker-Brown, Deputy City Clerk