

**MINUTES APRIL 12, 2016**  
**REGULAR MEETING OF THE DEARBORN HEIGHTS CITY COUNCIL**

**16-102** The meeting was called to order at 8:08 p.m. by Council Chairman Robert Constan.

Roll Call showed the following:

Present: Council Chairman Robert Constan, Councilman "Dave" Wassim Abdallah, Councilman Thomas A. Berry, Councilwoman Lisa Hicks-Clayton, Councilwoman Margaret M. Horvath, Councilman Joseph V. Kosinski, Councilman Ray Muscat.

Absent: None.

Also Present: City Clerk Prusiewicz, Mayor Paletko, Treasurer Riley, Administrative Assistant Laslo, Building and Engineering Director Sobh, Community and Economic Development Grant Coordinator Klimchak, Deputy Comptroller Laub, Corporation Counsel Miotke, Fire Chief Brogan, Human Resource Director Sobota-Perry, Library Director McCaffery, Ordinance Enforcement Director McIntyre, Police Chief Gavin, Public Service Administrator Zimmer, Recreation Director Grybel.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Treasurer John J. Riley II.

Mayor Paletko presented the Michigan Municipal League Elected Officials Academy Level One Award to Councilwoman Lisa Hicks-Clayton.

**16-103** Motion by Councilman Berry, seconded by Councilwoman Hicks-Clayton, that the Agenda for the Regular Meeting of April 12, 2016, be approved as submitted.

Motion unanimously adopted.

**16-104** Motion by Councilwoman Hicks-Clayton, seconded by Councilman Muscat, that the Minutes from the Regular Meeting of March 22, 2016, be approved as submitted.

Motion unanimously adopted.

**16-105** Motion by Councilman Berry, seconded by Councilman Kosinski, that Current Claims 6-1 through 6-26, be approved as submitted.

1. Ajax Materials Corp.	Road Supply	\$	3,769.35	Highway
2. Bill's Garage Towing & Repairs	Inv-Auto Parts	\$	1,614.76	Water
3. Bowles Brothers Services, Inc.	Inv-Piping/Trans	\$	1,680.00	Water
4. Centron Data Services	Supplies	\$	1,960.22	Assessor
5. Cummings, McClorey, Davis & Acho	Prof/Consult	\$	8,949.00	Gen Govt
6. Dearborn, City of	Water Charges	\$	1,869.11	Water
Dearborn, City of	Sewer Charges	\$	26,041.19	Water
7. Dornbos Sign	Street Sign	\$	1,717.77	Highway
8. EJ USA, Inc.	Inv-Piping/Trans	\$	4,885.84	Water
9. Great Lakes Water Authority	Sewage Disposal	\$	4,800.00	Water
10. Hahn's Collision	Inv-Auto Parts	\$	2,692.02	Water
11. Lemmen Oil Company	Inv-Gasoline	\$	17,970.94	Water
12. The Library Network	Capital Outlay	\$	9,641.28	Library
13. Michigan Meter Technology Group, Inc.	Inv-Piping/Trans	\$	7,997.83	Water
14. Nagel Construction, Inc.	Cont Services	\$	20,814.72	Water
15. SysTemp Corporation	Rep, Maint, Equip	\$	2,275.00	Dist Court
16. Taser International	Cont Services	\$	1,798.23	Dist Court
17. Wade Trim	Cont Services	\$	2,135.00	Water
18. Wade Trim	Administration	\$	9,605.80	Com Dev
19. Wade Trim	Administration	\$	2,114.01	Com Dev
20. Wade Trim	Watermain Rep	\$	4,499.75	Com Dev

21. Wade Trim	Bridge Repair	\$	5,190.00	DPW
22. Wayne County	Traffic Light Maint	\$	1,521.68	DPW-Highway
23. Wayne County	Sewage Disposal	\$	375,532.52	Water
24. Wayne County Dept of Environment	Dues Member	\$	4,363.45	DPW
25. Wayne County Dept of Environment	SRF Principal	\$	8,824.50	Water
Wayne County Dept of Environment	SRF Interest	\$	3,441.79	Water
Wayne County Dept of Environment	CSO Bond Int	\$	26,190.00	Water
26. Westland Lawn and Snow Equipment	Rep/Maint	\$	1,685.00	BldgMaint

Motion unanimously adopted.

- 16-106** Motion by Councilman Kosinski, seconded by Councilwoman Hicks-Clayton, to approve the acceptance of the matching MMRMA Grant in the amount of \$6,220.00 and the Contract with Guardian Alarm which includes a monthly fee of \$188.00 to cover the swipe key access and the ID card machine for City Hall. Per Mayor Paletko, communication dated March 28, 2016.

Motion unanimously adopted.

- 16-107** Motion by Councilman Kosinski, seconded by Councilman Berry, to approve the St. Sebastian Parish 2016 Spring Festival Parade to be held on Saturday, May 21, 2016 at 11:00 a.m. Per Mayor Paletko, communication dated March 17, 2016.

Motion unanimously adopted.

- 16-108** Motion by Councilman Kosinski, seconded by Councilwoman Hicks-Clayton, to schedule the Public Hearing for the proposed 2016-2017 Corporate Fund Budget for May 10, 2016 and the adoption of the Budget for Tuesday, May 24, 2016. The Notice of Public Hearing shall be posted four weeks prior to adoption on the internet at [www.ci.dearborn-heights.mi.us](http://www.ci.dearborn-heights.mi.us). Per City Clerk Prusiewicz, communication dated March 28, 2016.

Motion unanimously adopted.

- 16-109** Motion by Councilwoman Hicks-Clayton, seconded by Councilman Muscat, to approve the appointment of Councilman Ray Muscat as the City Council Liaison to the General Government Pension Committee. Per Councilman Muscat, communication dated March 22, 2016.

Councilman Berry brought to the attention of City Council that this appointment is an actual board member appointed by City Council.

There was a friendly amendment that clarified that this appointment was for a General Government Pension Committee board member appointed by the City Council for a term to expire December, 2017.

Ayes: Council Chairman Constan, Councilman Abdallah, Councilwoman Hicks-Clayton, Councilman Muscat.

Nays: Councilman Berry, Councilwoman Horvath, Councilman Kosinski.

Absent: None.

Motion adopted.

Councilman Abdallah requested clarification if two people were running for the same position on the General Government Pension Committee.

A discussion ensued clarifying that Councilman Muscat and Comptroller Macari were both running for one vacant board member position.

**16-110** Motion by Councilwoman Hicks-Clayton, seconded by Councilman Muscat, to rescind Motion 16-109.

Motion unanimously adopted.

**16-111** Motion by Councilman Berry, seconded by Councilman Muscat, to combine Agenda Items 9-B and 9-C to determine the General Government Pension Board member by election.

A vote followed for the two candidates:

Councilman Muscat: Council Chairman Constan, Councilwoman Hicks-Clayton, Councilman Muscat.

Comptroller Macari: Councilman Abdallah, Councilman Berry, Councilwoman Horvath, Councilman Kosinski.

Comptroller Vincent Macari is elected as a General Government Pension Committee Board member for a term to expire December, 2017. Per Councilman Kosinski, communication dated March 29, 2016.

Motion adopted.

**16-112** Motion by Councilman Muscat, seconded by Councilwoman Hicks-Clayton, to direct Corporation Counsel to draft a letter informing the Detroit Newspapers to stop the deliveries of the Saturday advertisement coupons to every house. This motion further authorizes the Mayor and City Council to sign the letter on behalf of the City. Per Councilman Muscat, communication dated March 20, 2016.

Ayes: Council Chairman Constan, Councilman Abdallah, Councilman Berry, Councilwoman Hicks-Clayton, Councilman Muscat.

Nays: Councilwoman Horvath, Councilman Kosinski.

Absent: None.

Motion adopted.

**16-113** Motion by Councilman Berry, seconded by Councilman Kosinski, to concur with Council Chairman Constan's recommendation to appoint Anthony Mifsud to fill the vacancy previously occupied by Aldo Gabriele, to the Zoning Board of Appeals for a term to expire in May, 2017. Per Council Chairman Constan, communication dated March 28, 2016.

Motion unanimously adopted.

**16-114** Motion by Councilwoman Hicks-Clayton, seconded by Councilman Muscat, to approve the following Budget Amendment.

Fire Grant Revenue:	274-000-530.091	\$1,042,600.00
Miscellaneous Grant Revenue:	274-000-639.000	\$ 57,400.00
Fire Grant Expense:	274-673-940.088	\$1,100,000.00

Per Comptroller Macari, communication dated April 12, 2016.

Motion unanimously adopted.

**16-115** Motion by Councilman Berry, seconded by Councilman Kosinski, to approve the following Fund Transfer of \$25,000.00.

From: Fund Balance	101-000-699.000	\$	25,000.00
To: Part-Time	101-371-707.100	\$	25,000.00

Per Building & Engineering Director Sobh, communication dated March 16, 2016.

Motion unanimously adopted.

**16-116** Motion by Councilman Muscat, seconded by Councilman Kosinski, to approve the authorization of the design/layout, printing and distribution services for the Spring/Summer 2016 Dearborn Heights Today Newsletter and approve payment for the these expenses not to exceed:

Walt Kempiski Graphics	Design/Layout	\$	2,500.00
Grand Blanc Printing	Pre-Press, Printing and Delivery	\$	5,900.00
Total		\$	8,400.00

Per Emergency Management Director Ankrapp, communication dated April 5, 2016.

Motion unanimously adopted.

**16-117** Motion by Councilwoman Horvath, seconded by Councilman Berry, to approve the designation of Nowlin Cemetery, along Van Born, as a Local Historical Site. Per Library Director McCaffery, communication dated March 17, 2016.

Motion unanimously approved.

**16-118** Motion by Councilman Muscat, seconded by Councilwoman Hicks-Clayton, to approve the trade of the 1999 Ford Crown Victoria from the City to Matt's Auto Service, 21002 Van Born Rd, for a service credit in the amount of \$1,200.00 and to authorize Comptroller Macari to sign off on the vehicle title. Per Community and Economic Director Amen, communication dated March 29, 2016.

Motion unanimously adopted.

**16-119** Motion by Councilman Berry, seconded by Councilman Muscat, to approve the purchase and payment upon receipt of one computer and one laptop computer for the Water Department and one computer for the Highway Department purchased with City of Dearborn contract pricing from UltraLevel, Inc. for a total cost of \$2,735.44. The computers for the Water Department were approved in the 2015-2016 Water Budget under Capital Outlay computer upgrades. The computers for the Highway Department will come out of Capital Outlay sign making equipment. Per Public Service Administrator Zimmer, communication dated April 4, 2016.

Motion unanimously adopted.

**16-120** Motion by Councilman Kosinski, seconded by Councilwoman Hicks-Clayton, to approve Change Order No. 7 in the amount of \$144,149.90 decrease to the contract and Payment Certificate No. 14 in the amount of \$206,523.60 as prepared by Wade Trim Associates, Inc. for the 2014-2015 Watermain Improvement Program. Payment Certificate No. 14 includes the contract decrease reflected in Change Order No. 7. Per Public Service Administrator Zimmer, communication dated March 30, 2016.

Motion unanimously adopted.

**16-121** Motion by Councilwoman Hicks-Clayton, seconded by Councilman Kosinski, to approve and award the contract for the Appleton Avenue Watermain Improvements from Ann Arbor Trail to Joy Road, to Lawrence M. Clarke Inc., Belleville Michigan, in the amount of \$573,437.50 and establish a construction engineering budget for Wade Trim Associates, Inc. in the amount of \$60,000.00. This project is being funded jointly through the Community Development Block Grant Program for \$250,000.00 and the 2015-2016 Water Budget for the remaining \$383,437.50. Per Public Service Administrator Zimmer, communication dated March 30, 2016.

Motion unanimously adopted.

**16-122** Motion by Councilman Kosinski, seconded by Councilwoman Hicks-Clayton, to approve the following fund transfer:

From:	Building Maintenance	101-265-932.000	\$	5,000.00
To:	Repair and Maintenance	101-265-707.000	\$	5,000.00

Per Public Service Administrator Zimmer, communication dated April 4, 2016.

Motion unanimously adopted.

**16-123** Motion by Councilman Berry, seconded by Councilman Kosinski, to refer the Request for Proposals Package for Residential Solid Waste Autoside Collection and Disposal, Yardwaste Curbside Collection and Disposal and Autoside Recycling Collections to a Study Session for further discussion.

Motion unanimously adopted.

**16-124** Motion by Councilman Berry, seconded by Councilman Muscat to rescind Motion 16-123 and approve the Request for Proposals Package for Residential Solid Waste Autoside Collection and Disposal, Yardwaste Curbside Collection and Disposal and Autoside Recycling Collections, subject to review and revisions by Corporation Counsel Miotke. Per communication from Corporation Counsel Miotke.

Motion unanimously adopted.

**16-125** Motion by Councilman Berry, seconded by Councilman Kosinski to approve the Local Governing Body Resolution for Charitable Gaming Licenses for the Lennon Pregnancy Center.

Motion unanimously adopted.

**16-126** Motion by Councilwoman Hicks-Clayton, seconded by Councilman Muscat, to approve the Resolution Objecting to Proposed Legislation That Would Negatively Impact Tax Increment Financing for City Improvements. Per Councilwoman Hicks-Clayton, communication dated March 31, 2016.

Motion unanimously adopted.

**16-127** Motion by Councilman Kosinski, seconded by Councilman Muscat, to approve the Resolution Honoring the Fifty Year Anniversary of the Divine Child Band Program. Per Council Chairman Constan, communication dated March 14, 2016.

Motion unanimously adopted.

**16-128** Motion by Councilman Berry, seconded by Councilman Kosinski, to approve the business license renewals for Uncle Ray's Place, 24502 Warren; Warren Valley Golf and Banquet Center, 26116 Warren; Leo's Coney Island, 26540 Ford; Traction Bar and Grill, 5990 N. Telegraph; Lamarina Auto Sales, 8230 N. Telegraph; Cariera's Cucina Italiana, 6565 N. Telegraph; and Ford Lanes Inc., 23100 Van Born.

Motion unanimously adopted.

**16-129** Motion by Councilman Berry, seconded by Councilman Muscat, that the meeting be adjourned.

Motion unanimously adopted.

The meeting adjourned at 10.00 p.m.

**WALTER J. PRUSIEWICZ**  
**CITY CLERK**

**ROBERT CONSTAN**  
**COUNCIL CHAIRMAN**

**DENISE WALKER**  
**COUNCIL SECRETARY**