



Minutes - July 24, 2006

Wyandotte, Michigan July 24, 2006

Regular session of the City Council of the City of Wyandotte, the Honorable Mayor James R. DeSana presiding.

ROLL CALL

Present: Councilpersons Browning, Fricke, Kolakowski, Peterson, Ptak, Sutka

Absent: None

PERSONS IN THE AUDIENCE

George Angel, 1075 – 12th, regarding property upkeep. Neighbor complains about him all the time. Will not pay future bills for property maintenance phoned in by his neighbor.

COMMUNICATIONS – MISCELLANEOUS

To Wyandotte City Council

We would like to have a car show July 29th 2006 from 12 noon to 5 pm at 6 Perry Place and we would like to block off 100 yds of the street in front of Seaway Boat Club from the river up to 100 yds.

Ken Sant & Seaway Boat Club
313-550-1139, 1288 Stewart, Lincoln Park, MI 48146

July 18, 2006

Honorable Mayor and Council, 3131 Biddle, Wyandotte MI 48192

Greetings,

I have recently been informed that I will not be reappointed to the DDA after 12 years of service. It has been an educational experience and I appreciate the opportunity to serve. I've heard it said that in politics your friends become your enemies and your enemies become your friends. I'm not sure why the mayor decided not to reappoint me because I was informed by mail and we never discussed my reappointment. He originally appointed me and really needs no reason at all. I serve at his behest.

In my years of service I have taken some unpopular positions on issues before the commission which time has proven to be in the best interest of the city. I have taken my responsibility seriously and am proud of my record of service.

I would like to thank the city employees and citizens of Wyandotte I have had the pleasure of working with for their kindness and support.

If I may be of any assistance in the future please feel free to contact me.

Yours truly,

Salem Darany, Former Commissioner DDA

June 17, 2006

City of Wyandotte

Dear Mayor and Council,

My name is Alex Alexander and I reside at 2303 Third St. For several years I have been experiencing extreme sewer problems. The neighbors to the south of me are also having difficulty. The homes affected are 253 Mulberry, 2309 Third and 2319 Third. The problem is located on the east side of Mulberry from Mulberry south on Third to the alley. I am requesting a special assessment district of this area to be designated for the public improvement of a public sewer. I would appreciate your assistance in this matter.

Thanking you in advance for your cooperation.

Alex T. Alexander, RE/MAX Experts
13080 Eureka, Southgate, MI 48195

July 18, 2006

Honorable Mayor DeSana and City Council,

Many good big things are taking place in our great City – new business, new condos and homes – all important! My concerns are for all the minor small things that make a city look bad. We have had much rain this year. With it has come an unreal amount of weeds and mainly weep trees that look like palm trees. They grow 3 times as fast as regular trees and are weeds, and are now throughout the City. Example 566 Vinewood – front yard. Full grown, is across the street in the yard behind the beauty shop. Over 50' tall, another 1700 block, back yard, 7th Street off Northline.

An ordinance officer with any knowledge of trees and weeds is needed who will enforce.

The rehab of homes is great when a deposit is taken from buyers until improvements are made. I would only suggest that the exterior be done first before the interior. Then our City would look better sooner. Example: one house had no siding on for four years.

Please refer this to the correct department.

I shop Wyandotte whenever possible, we just need a grocery or fruit and vegetable store downtown.

Thank you,

H. Jackson, 6th Street, Wyandotte

July 10, 2006

Dear Mayor and Council,

I have recently purchased a home in Wyandotte at 4296 17th Street. When I purchased the home there were a few issues that were open before the city would certify the inspection. All of the issues listed have been fixed except the concrete sidewalk.

The city inspection sheet first called out that 3 blocks need to be replaced, 1 to be repaired and 1 to be fixed. However it did not specify which blocks needed to be replaced on the sheet nor were they marked outside. So I requested that the city come by and mark the blocks. When I saw that they marked an additional block to be replaced I called the engineering department to question why. The engineering group stated that since the original inspection in 2003 the freezing and thawing of the ground caused an additional block to move.

In the city escrow account that the seller left me I received \$400.00. The minor issues cost me around \$45 and the remainder was left for the concrete. I had the blocks that were marked quoted and they said it would be \$900.00 and that the tree out front needed to be removed.

The reason for this request was because the silver maple that was planted right next to my driveway and the side-walk, caused the lifting and the movement of the concrete. If you read anywhere on the internet or in landscaping books the silver maple is a surface root tree. The roots of the tree in front of my house stuck out of the ground above the concrete more than a foot. They also grew over the concrete and you can find one in between the driveway block and sidewalk block that is about 2-3 inches in diameter right where there is a 3 inch gap.

The city did come by and cut down the tree and grinded down the root. The areas where the root overlapped the concrete were also ground down so far that it grinded away part of the sidewalk.

The purpose of this letter is I feel that due to poor research the tree was planted in an area that it should not have been and has caused safety issues with the concrete. I would like to request that the city replace the concrete in front of my house. I am willing to pay for the other issues I have already fixed out of pocket and turn the money in the escrow over to the city to contribute to the cost of fixing the concrete.

Thank you for your time and at the city board meeting I will have photos to confirm the information that I have explained above.

Sincerely,
Lisa Laurain, 4296 – 17th Street

7/6/06

Dear Mayor and Council

About a month ago I received a bill from the city for sewer and one for paving (see attached copied). I was in shock because you added interest to the balance. Originally when we bought this new construction condo at 486 Mulberry in 8/2003, we were told after quite a while from the original purchase agreement that we would have to pay a bill for paving – they didn't know how much, but the dollar amount would be available when the city got around to billing us, but that would be sure to be available at closing. At closing we were told it would be around \$3000.00 and we could pay it over 10 yrs. Last year 2005 we paid \$331.23 (we closed 12/23/04). This year the bill totaled \$525.71 – (interest added).

(1) The contract for paving and sewer on new construction should have been the builder's bill and any negotiations should have been relayed to the buyers upon closing. We were never told that we had the option of paying it in full or had the other option of paying it in 10 yrs with interest added. They just said it was payable in 10 yrs.

(2) The recent bill was mailed on May 29, 2006 and said it was due June 1, 2006. I've never had a bill that didn't have at least a 10 day grace period.

(3) The bill is not even on a City tax statement just on plain paper.

When I spoke to the clerk at the payment window, she said all this was negotiated with the builder and we should take it up with him – I disagree – after closing the builder is no longer in the picture. I am taking it up with you all.

I spoke to the clerk's "supervisor" and he looked at the bill, it seemed like he didn't know what it was all about and said "oh my! that really should be looked into and changed".

When the south end of Wyandotte was improved with new homes, that got tax abatements for several years, where we are, the new construction, renewed old factory areas. Where is our tax abatement incentives?? My taxes are very high and I'm almost sorry that I moved back to Wyandotte. I would appreciate your consideration in this matter. Thank-you.

Florence O'Brien
July 6, 2006

To: Honorable Mayor and City Council

From: Department of Legal Affairs and City Engineer

Re: Allowing Wyandotte-Based Business to Match Lowest Bid in Certain Circumstances

Dear Mayor and City Council:

Enclosed for your consideration is a resolution concerning the above reference topic which would permit a Wyandotte-based business under certain circumstances to match the lowest bid concerning bids submitted pursuant to paragraph 267, section 1 of the Wyandotte City Charter.

Paragraph 267 requires competitive bidding in certain circumstances and states contracts shall be awarded to "a responsible bidder". However, paragraph 89, section 14 of the City Charter concerning the Department of Municipal Service requires the construction or a repair of any public work shall be let to the "lowest responsible bidder who shall be deemed competent to do the work" (public work or improvement costing more than \$5000). It would be our opinion that this section would not qualify for the attached resolution unless there was a charter amendment. This resolution would not apply to purchases and sales by the purchasing agent under paragraph 109, section 34 because paragraph 111, section 36 would require an ordinance to be adopted for purchases and sales.

The resolution allows a Wyandotte-based business within 2% of the lowest bid to reduce its bid to match the low bid.

Respectfully submitted,

Mark A. Kowalewski, City Engineer
William R. Look, City Attorney

July 19, 2006

The Honorable James R. DeSana, Mayor and City Council Members
3131 Biddle Avenue, Wyandotte, Michigan 48192

Dear Mayor DeSana and City Council Members,

A budgeted position has been open in the Fire Department since the retirement of a number of employees as the end of last fiscal year. Based on a review of the City's current resources, organizational structure, and staffing expectations, the filling of this position appears necessary to provide effective services to the citizens of the City of Wyandotte.

As such, the undersigned recommends concurring with the recommendation of the Police and Fire Commission to hire the employee selected by Mayor DeSana on June 14, 2006.

Sincerely,

Todd A. Drysdale, Director of Financial and Administrative Services

July 18, 2006

Dear Mayor James R. DeSana and City Council
c/o
Mr. William R. Griggs, City Clerk, City Hall
Wyandotte, Michigan

Dear Mr. Griggs:

Attached is the Neighborhood Enterprise Zone Application for the following property: 422 Pine.

This application needs to be processed through the Mayor and Council for their approval. If you should have any questions, please to not hesitate to call.

Very truly yours,

Kelly Roberts, Development Coordinator

July 14, 2006

The Honorable Mayor James R. DeSana and City Council
City Hall, Wyandotte, Michigan

RE: Former 643 Clinton Parcel #12 – 645 Clinton Lot Sizes: 50' x 140'

Dear Mayor DeSana and City Council Members:

During the City's solicitation of proposals for the Sale of 14 Vacant Parcels, the City received four (4) proposals for the sale of the above-captioned property. See attached summary sheet.

The undersigned hereby recommends that the City sell said lot to Mary Kathleen and Freeman David Hopkins, 1288 23rd Street, Wyandotte, Michigan, for \$18,000.00, pursuant to their proposal to construct a single family two (2) story home, consisting of approximately 2,450 square feet, 3 bedrooms, brick exterior on the 1st floor, attached garage and full basement with back water flow valve, sump pump, emergency escape and rescue opening per the 2003 Michigan Residential Code.

Very truly yours,

Mark A. Kowalewski, City Engineer
Colleen A. Keehn, City Assessor

July 18, 2006

The Honorable Mayor James R. DeSana and City Council
City Hall, Wyandotte, Michigan

Dear Mayor and Council Members:

Attached please find the following Purchase Agreement for the City to acquire:

2338 Biddle \$114,000.00 TIFA Area Funds

If this meets with your approval, I recommend that the Department of Legal Affairs be directed to prepare the necessary sale documents and the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to execute same. I further recommend that the undersigned be authorized to demolish same.

Very truly yours,

Mark A. Kowalewski, City Engineer

July 10, 2006

The Honorable Mayor James R. DeSana and City Council
City Hall, Wyandotte, Michigan

RE: Former 2534 – 3rd/304 Vinewood Parcel #2 – 306 Vinewood Lot Sizes: 60' x 150'

Dear Mayor DeSana and City Council Members:

During the City's solicitation of proposals for the Sale of 14 Vacant Parcels, the City received five (5) proposals for the sale of the above-captioned property. See attached summary sheet.

The undersigned hereby recommends that the City sell said lot to Mark Havlicsek, 1837 Electric, Wyandotte, Michigan, for \$30,000.00, pursuant to their proposal to construct a single family two (2) story home, consisting of approximately 2,200 square feet, 3 bedrooms, exterior to be James Haride Siding, detached garage and full basement with back water flow valve, sump pump, emergency escape and rescue opening per the 2003 Michigan Residential Code.

Very truly yours,

Mark A. Kowalewski, City Engineer
Colleen A. Keehn, City Assessor

July 14, 2006

The Honorable Mayor James R. DeSana And City Council
City Hall, Wyandotte, Michigan

Dear Mayor DeSana and City Council Members:

The Alliance of Downriver Watersheds (ADW) will assist the City in complying with Phase II of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act or commonly known as The Clean Water Act Requirements. The cost is approximately \$1,641.00 and will be included in the City's 2006-2007 Sewer Fund Budget.

I recommend the enclosed Resolution be adopted. The City Attorney has reviewed same.

Very truly yours,

Mark A. Kowalewski, City Engineer

July 14, 2006

The Honorable Mayor James R. DeSana and City Council
City Hall, Wyandotte, Michigan

RE: Former 428 Pine Parcel #1 – 422 Pine Lot Sizes: 50' x 140'

Dear Mayor DeSana and City Council Members:

During the City's solicitation of proposals for the Sale of 14 Vacant Parcels, the City received five (5) proposals for the sale of the above-captioned property. See attached summary sheet.

The undersigned hereby recommends that the City sell said lot to Jeff Smith and Anna Hardy, 1478 12th Street, Wyandotte, Michigan, for \$33,000.00, pursuant to their proposal to construct a single family two (2) story home, consisting of approximately 2,800 square feet, 3-4 bedrooms, brick exterior on the 1st floor, detached garage and full basement with back water flow valve, sump pump, emergency escape and rescue opening per the 2003 Michigan Residential Code.

Very truly yours,

Mark A. Kowalewski, City Engineer
Colleen A. Keehn, City Assessor

July 18, 2006

The Honorable Mayor James R. DeSana and City Council
City Hall
Wyandotte, Michigan

Dear Mayor and Council Members:

Attached please find the following Purchase Agreement for the City to acquire:

755 Pine \$55,000.00 TIFA Area Funds

If this meets with your approval, I recommend that the Department of Legal Affairs be directed to prepare the necessary sale documents and the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to execute same. I further recommend that the undersigned be authorized to demolish same.

Very truly yours,

Mark A. Kowalewski, City Engineer

REPORTS AND MINUTES

Financial Services Daily Cash Receipts July 7 - July 13, 2006 \$452,765.07
Fire Fighter's Civil Service Commission June 21, 2006
Municipal Service Commission June 20, 2006
Retirement Commission Meeting July 19, 2006
Fire Commission Meeting June 6, 2006

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

There was no response to the Mayor's inquiry.

RECESS

RECONVENING

ROLL CALL

Present: Councilpersons Browning, Fricke, Kolakowski, Peterson, Ptak, Sutka

Absent: None

HEARING

NOTICE OF A BUDGET HEARING TO DISCUSS PROPERTY TAX RATES TO
DEFRAY THE CITY OF WYANDOTTE'S 2006-2007 OPERATING EXPENSES

No public comments

July 11, 2006

The Honorable Mayor James R. DeSana and City Council Members
3131 Biddle Avenue, Wyandotte, Michigan 48192

Dear Mayor DeSana and City Council Members,

The following City property tax rates are being submitted for your adoption for the 2006 Fiscal Year pursuant to sections 211.23E and 211.34D of Michigan Compiled Laws and Public Act 40 of 1995:

City Operating \$12.0538/Thousand \$ of Taxable Value
Refuse Collection and Disposal \$ 2.5166/Thousand \$ of Taxable Value
Debt \$ 2.5166/Thousand \$ of Taxable Value
Judgment Levy-EPA Lawsuit \$ 1.3446/Thousand \$ of Taxable Value

Drain #5 Operation and Maintenance \$ 1.5684/Thousand \$ of Taxable Value

The attached resolution will satisfy the above referenced Public Act requirements. Also, the above rates reflect the maximum authorized rates that can be considered.

Please refer to Attachment A for details and the source of said tax levies.

Sincerely,

Todd A. Drysdale, Director of Financial and Administrative Services

FINAL READING OF ORDINANCE

AN ORDINANCE ENTITLED
AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CITY OF WYANDOTTE ZONING
ORDINANCE TO REZONE PROPERTY KNOWN AS 404-414 OAK STREET
WYANDOTTE, MICHIGAN FROM MULTIPLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT
(RM-1) TO MULTIPLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT (RM-1A)

THE CITY OF WYANDOTTE ORDAINS:

Section 1. Rezoning of Property:

The following described property located in the City of Wyandotte, County of Wayne, State of Michigan, and described as follows: Lots 6 and 7, Block 103, Part of Wyandotte as recorded in Liber 1, Page 56, Wayne County Records.

Be and is hereby rezoned from Multiple Family Residential District (RM-1) to Multiple Family Residential District (RM-1A).

Section 2. Amendment of Zoning Map.

The zoning map of the City of Wyandotte be and is hereby amended in accordance with the provisions of this Ordinance as set forth in Zoning Map No. 262.

Section 3. Severability.

All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances in conflict herein are hereby repealed only to the extent to give this Ordinance full force and effect.

Section 4. Effective Date.

This Ordinance shall take effect fifteen (15) days from the date of its passage by the Wyandotte City Council and shall be published along with the notice of adoption in a newspaper generally circulated in the City of Wyandotte within ten (10) days after adoption. The notice of adoption shall include the text of the amendment, the effective date of the Ordinance and the place and time where a copy of the Ordinance may be purchased or inspected.

On the question, "SHALL THIS ORDINANCE NOW PASS?", the following vote was recorded:

YEAS: Councilpersons Browning, Fricke, Kolakowski, Peterson, Ptak, Sutka
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None

I hereby approve the adoption of the foregoing ordinance this 24th day of July, 2006.

CERTIFICATE

We, the undersigned, JAMES R. DESANA and WILLIAM R. GRIGGS, respectively the Mayor and City Clerk of the City of Wyandotte, do hereby certify that the foregoing Ordinance was duly passed by the Council of the City of Wyandotte, at a regular session thereof on Monday, the 24th day of July, 2006.

Dated: July 24, 2006

JAMES R. DESANA, Mayor WILLIAM R. GRIGGS, City Clerk

RESOLUTIONS

Wyandotte, Michigan July 24, 2006

RESOLUTION by Councilperson Sheri Fricke

RESOLVED by the City Council that the reading of the minutes of the previous meeting be dispensed with and the same stand APPROVED as recorded without objection.

I move the adoption of the foregoing resolution.
MOTION by Councilperson Sheri Fricke
Supported by Councilperson Patrick Sutka
ROLL ATTACHED

Wyandotte, Michigan July 24, 2006

RESOLUTION by Councilperson Sheri Fricke

RESOLVED by the City Council that Council hereby GRANTS permission to Ken Sant, 1288 Stewart, Lincoln Park, Michigan 48146 and the Seaway Boat Club, 6 Perry Place to close approximately 100 yards of the public Street Perry Place for a car show on July 29, 2006 provided a Hold Harmless Agreement is executed by said parties and further that the parties understand and adhere to a alcohol free zone within the closure.

I move the adoption of the foregoing resolution.
MOTION by Councilperson Sheri Fricke
Supported by Councilperson Patrick Sutka
YEAS: Councilmembers Browning, Fricke, Kolakowski, Peterson, Ptak, Sutka
NAYS: None

Wyandotte, Michigan July 24, 2006

RESOLUTION by Councilperson Sheri Fricke

RESOLVED by the City Council that the communication from Salem Darany, Former Commissioner of the Downtown Development Authority dated July 18, 2006 is hereby received and placed on file. AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Mayor and Council thank Mr. Darany for his many years of service to the City of Wyandotte.

I move the adoption of the foregoing resolution.
MOTION by Councilperson Sheri Fricke
Supported by Councilperson Patrick Sutka
ROLL ATTACHED
Wyandotte, Michigan July 24, 2006

RESOLUTION by Councilperson Sheri Fricke

RESOLVED by the City Council that the communication from Alex T. Alexander, 2303 Third Street dated July 17, 2006 requesting a special assessment district to be designated for the public improvement of a public sewer in his neighborhood is hereby referred to the City Engineer for a review and report back in four weeks.

I move the adoption of the foregoing resolution.
MOTION by Councilperson Sheri Fricke
Supported by Councilperson Patrick Sutka
ROLL ATTACHED

Wyandotte, Michigan July 24, 2006

RESOLUTION by Councilperson Sheri Fricke

RESOLVED by the City Council that the communication from H. Jackson, 6th Street, Wyandotte dated July 18, 2006 regarding the high weed situation throughout the City of Wyandotte is hereby referred to the City Engineer to direct the Ordinance Officers to investigate said claim in the areas mentioned.

I move the adoption of the foregoing resolution.
MOTION by Councilperson Sheri Fricke
Supported by Councilperson Patrick Sutka
ROLL ATTACHED

Wyandotte, Michigan July 24, 2006

RESOLUTION by Councilperson Sheri Fricke

RESOLVED by the City Council that the communication from Lisa Laurain, 4296-17th dated July 10, 2006 relative to the replacement of concrete in front of her home due to tree roots is hereby referred to the City Engineer for a review and report back in one week.

I move the adoption of the foregoing resolution.
MOTION by Councilperson Sheri Fricke

Supported by Councilperson Patrick Sutka
ROLL ATTACHED

Wyandotte, Michigan July 24, 2006

RESOLUTION by Councilperson Sheri Fricke

RESOLVED by the City Council that the communication from Florence O'Brien 486, Mulberry dated July 6, 2006 is hereby received and placed on file. AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Ms. O'Brien be made aware by the City Engineer of the agreement between the City of Wyandotte and the Contractor of her Home that the Homeowner would be liable and made aware of all special assessment levies at closing including interest payments on the unpaid balance conforming to the requirements and standards of all special assessments levied within the City of Wyandotte.

I move the adoption of the foregoing resolution.

MOTION by Councilperson Sheri Fricke
Supported by Councilperson Patrick Sutka
ROLL ATTACHED

RESOLUTION

Wyandotte, Michigan July 24, 2006

RESOLVED that the City of Wyandotte adopts the following bid procedure for any public work or improvement as set forth in Chapter XVIII of the City Charter, Paragraph 267, Section 1 in determining the responsible bidder:

Section 1. Rules for Purchases or Sales or Construction of Public Works that are submitted for competitive bids.

A. Definitions.

Wyandotte-Based Business means a business that has its offices or business, or substantial portion of its equipment physically located in the City of Wyandotte and which pays real property taxes and/or personal property taxes in the City of Wyandotte.

B. Rules concerning determination of lowest responsible bidder.

When sealed bids are received by the City for purchases, supplies and construction contracts, the following shall apply

- (a) The person or business submitting the lowest responsible bid shall be deemed the lowest bidder: If, however, the lowest bidder is not a Wyandotte-based business, any Wyandotte-based business with a bid within a specified percentage of the lowest bid (two (2%) percent) that has been deemed responsive and responsible by the City may be deemed the lowest bidder if it agrees to reduce its bid to match the bid of the lowest bidder within five (5) days of request by the City. (except for bids under Paragraph 89 of Charter)
- (b) If a Wyandotte-based business refuses to reduce its bid to match the lowest bid, then the next lowest responsible Wyandotte-based business with a bid within the established percentage of the lowest bid shall be given the opportunity to reduce its bid to match the bid of the lowest bidder. If the Wyandotte-based bidder agrees to reduce its bid to match the bid of the lowest non-Wyandotte bidder, it may be deemed the lowest bidder and awarded the contract.
- (c) If no responsive and responsible Wyandotte-based business within the established percentage of the lowest bid agrees to reduce its bid to that of the lowest bidder, then the contract shall be awarded to the person or business with the lowest responsible bid.
- (d) Except for construction contracts, no contract awarded pursuant to this Section shall be sublet in any manner that permits any of the contract to be performed by a subcontractor or subcontractors who do not meet the definition of Wyandotte-based.
- (e) Before any Wyandotte-based business is awarded a contract pursuant to this Section, it shall agree to make available to the City all records necessary to establish its eligibility and compliance with all City, State and local laws, including verification that said business is current in payment of all taxes and obligations due to the City and is in compliance with all Code requirements of the City and is not in violation of any City Ordinance, County ordinance and State law.
- (f) The bid specifications shall include a copy of these rules so all bidders are aware of the procedure to be followed by the City concerning a Wyandotte-based business.
- (g) These rules are designed to advance the best interest of the City of Wyandotte in its sole discretion and are not intended to provide any unsuccessful bidder with a basis for commencing litigation against the City to seek award of a contract by judicial action. The City of Wyandotte reserves the right to reject any and all

bids and the right in its sole discretion to determine if a Wyandotte-based business is eligible to match the low bid.

(h) The criteria for awarding bids shall be as follows:

1. Previous work performance;
2. Reliability, skill, qualifications and integrity of bidder;
3. Bid price;
4. Cleanliness;
5. Sufficiency of equipment, fitness and responsibility or capacity to perform the work or furnish the supplies at the bid price;
6. Insurance and licenses when required by law in a form and amount satisfactory to the City;
7. References and experience of the bidder;
8. Good communication and compliance with bid requirements set forth in the specifications;
9. Wyandotte-Based Business;
10. Any other criteria of the City, in its sole discretion, feels is necessary for the particular bid.

The bid specifications should also include the statement "the City reserves the right to reject any and all bids and any determination of the lowest responsible bidder is based solely upon the City's exercise of its discretion.

I move the adoption of the foregoing resolution.

MOTION by Councilmember Sheri Fricke
Supported by Councilmember Patrick Sutka
YEAS: Councilmembers Browning, Fricke, Kolakowski, Peterson, Ptak, Sutka
NAYS: None

Wyandotte, Michigan July 24, 2006

RESOLUTION by Councilperson Sheri Fricke

RESOLVED by the City Council that Council acknowledges receipt of the communication from the Director of Financial and Administrative Services dated July 19, 2006, regarding the Fire Fighter position at the Fire Department and CONCURS with the recommendation therein and hereby declares said position vacant and authorizes the filling of such vacancy and further that the Council approves the hiring of Marcus Shruga contingent on the successful completion of a physical, psychological, and drug screen examination.

I move the adoption of the foregoing resolution.

MOTION by Councilmember Sheri Fricke
Supported by Councilmember Patrick Sutka
YEAS: Councilmembers Browning Fricke Kolakowski Peterson Ptak Sutka
NAYS: None

Wyandotte, Michigan July 24, 2006

RESOLUTION by Councilperson Sheri Fricke

RESOLVED by the City Council that Council hereby APPROVES the application as submitted by the City Engineer for the Neighborhood Enterprise Zone located at 422 Pine Street. AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Clerk be directed to execute said document.

I move the adoption of the foregoing resolution.

MOTION by Councilmember Sheri Fricke
Supported by Councilmember Patrick Sutka
YEAS: Councilmembers Browning, Fricke, Kolakowski, Peterson, Ptak, Sutka
NAYS: None

Wyandotte, Michigan July 24, 2006

RESOLUTION by Councilperson Sheri Fricke

RESOLVED by the City Council that Council CONCURS with the recommendation of the City Engineer and the City Assessor dated July 14, 2006, regarding the sale of the Former 643 Clinton; AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Council accepts the offer from Mary Kathleen and Freeman David Hopkins, dated July 11, 2006, for Parcel # 12-645 Clinton (Former 643 Clinton) in the amount of \$18,000.00 to construct a single family two story home, consisting of approximately 2,450 square feet, 3 bedrooms,

garage, brick exterior on the 1st floor, attached garage and basement with back water flow valve, sump pump, emergency escape and rescue opening per the 2003 Michigan Residential Code; AND BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and City Clerk are hereby authorized to execute the necessary documents subject to the approval of the Department of Legal Affairs. AND FURTHER that all bid bonds or bid checks be returned.

I move the adoption of the foregoing resolution.

MOTION by Councilmember Sheri Fricke

Supported by Councilmember Patrick Sutka

YEAS: Councilmembers Browning, Fricke, Kolakowski, Peterson, Ptak, Sutka

NAYS: None

Wyandotte, Michigan July 24, 2006

RESOLUTION by Councilperson Sheri Fricke

RESOLVED by the City Council that Council CONCURS with the recommendation of the City Engineer to acquire the property known as 2338 Biddle Avenue in the amount of \$114,000.00 to be appropriated from TIFA Area Funds; AND BE IT RESOLVED that the Department of Legal Affairs is hereby directed to prepare the necessary documents and the Mayor and City Clerk are hereby authorized to sign said documents; and that the City Engineer is directed to DEMOLISH same.

I move the adoption of the foregoing resolution.

MOTION by Councilmember Sheri Fricke

Supported by Councilmember Patrick Sutka

YEAS: Councilmembers Browning, Fricke, Kolakowski, Peterson, Ptak, Sutka

NAYS: None

Wyandotte, Michigan July 24, 2006

RESOLUTION by Councilperson Sheri Fricke

RESOLVED by the City Council that Council CONCURS with the recommendation of the City Engineer and City Assessor dated July 10, 2006, regarding the sale of the Former 2534 3rd/304 Vinewood Street; AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Council accepts the offer from Mark Havlicsek, dated July 10, 2006, for Parcel # 2-306 Vinewood (Former 2534 3rd/304 Vinewood) in the amount of \$30,000.00 to construct a single family two story home, consisting of approximately 2,200 square feet, 3 bedrooms, garage, exterior to be James Haride Siding, detached garage and basement with back water flow valve, sump pump, emergency escape and rescue opening per the 2003 Michigan Residential Code; AND BE IT that the Mayor and City Clerk are hereby authorized to execute the necessary documents subject to the approval of the Department of Legal Affairs. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all bid bonds or bid checks be returned.

I move the adoption of the foregoing resolution.

MOTION by Councilmember Sheri Fricke

Supported by Councilmember Patrick Sutka

YEAS: Councilmembers Browning, Fricke, Kolakowski, Peterson, Ptak, Sutka

NAYS: None

RESOLUTION

Acceptance of Membership and Adoption of Bylaws

Alliance of DOWNRIVER WATERSHEDS

RESOLUTION by Councilperson Sheri Fricke

RESOLVED by the City Council that

WHEREAS the Charter County of Wayne, Wayne County Metropolitan Airport Authority ("Authority"), City of Allen Park, City of Dearborn Heights, City of Ecorse, City of Inkster, City of Lincoln Park, City of Melvindale, City of Romulus, City of Southgate, City of Taylor, City of Westland, City of Wyandotte within the Ecorse Creek watershed signed a Memorandum of Agreement (herein after, MOA) to form the Ecorse Creek Watershed Inter-Municipality Committee (ECIC), effective September 9, 2003 and amended January 28, 2005, to establish a permanent mechanism for communities in the Ecorse Creek watershed to cooperatively meet state storm water discharge permit requirements and encourage protection and restoration of river benefits for residents of the watershed;

WHEREAS Brownstown Township, Grosse Ile Township, Huron Township, City of Gibraltar, City of Riverview, City of Romulus, City of Southgate, City of Taylor, City of Woodhaven, City of Wyandotte, Woodhaven-Brownstown School District, Charter County of Wayne, and Wayne County Metropolitan Airport Authority within the Combined Downriver watershed signed a Memorandum of Agreement to form the Combined Downriver Watershed Inter-Municipality Committee (CDWIC), effective March 30, 2004

and amended July 16, 2004 to cooperatively meet state storm water discharge permit requirements and encourage protection and restoration of river benefits for residents of the watershed;

WHEREAS Berlin Township, Brownstown Township, Huron Township, Sumpter Township, Van Buren Township, City of Flat Rock, City of Gibraltar, City of Rockwood, City of Romulus, City of Woodhaven, Village of South Rockwood, Woodhaven-Brownstown School District, and Charter County of Wayne signed a Memorandum of Agreement to form the Lower Huron River Watershed Inter-Municipality Committee (LHRWIC), effective April 27, 2004 to cooperatively meet state storm water discharge permit requirements and encourage protection and restoration of river benefits for residents of the watershed;

WHEREAS after over two years of successful operation of all three watershed Inter-Municipality Committees, the watershed management plans must now be implemented and the Inter-Municipality Committees Act, PA 1957, No. 200 (MCL 123.631, et seq.) under which the existing IMCs were formed does not provide for implementing some of the required activities under the watershed management plans;

WHEREAS Watershed Alliance legislation passed the Michigan House of Representatives and the Michigan Senate and was signed into law by the Governor on January 3, 2005, as Act No. 517, Public Acts of 2004;

WHEREAS a subcommittee formed of members of the ECIC, CDWIC, and LHRWIC completed drafting of the attached Alliance of Downriver Watersheds bylaws, and the ECIC, CDWIC, and LHRWIC recommended adoption by the appropriate governing bodies of those public agencies within the three watersheds eligible for membership;

WHEREAS the formation of the Alliance of Downriver Watersheds under this new state law will provide the public agencies within the watersheds the authority to directly seek grants, enter into contracts, and manage its own resources;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Wyandotte formally adopts bylaws for, and accepts membership in the Alliance of Downriver Watersheds.

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that consistent with the terms of the Alliance of Downriver Watershed bylaws, the City of Wyandotte formally authorizes James R. DeSana, Mayor to designate a representative and an alternate representative to the Alliance of Downriver Watersheds, and the Council to concur with these appointments, and additional persons to represent the City of Wyandotte, if needed, as an alternate to assure voting representation.

The City of Wyandotte appoints Mark Kowalewski as the City's representative and Robert Daniels as an alternative representative.

FINALLY, BE IT RESOLVED that City of Wyandotte continuing membership will be evidenced by payment of its voluntary assessment on an annual basis to the Alliance of Downriver Watersheds.

Adopted July 31, 2006

I move the adoption of the foregoing resolution.

MOTION by Councilmember Sheri Fricke

Supported by Councilmember Patrick Sutka

YEAS: Councilmembers Browning, Fricke, Kolakowski, Peterson, Ptak, Sutka

NAYS: None

Wyandotte, Michigan July 24, 2006

RESOLUTION by Councilperson Sheri Fricke

RESOLVED by the City Council that Council CONCURS with the recommendation of the City Engineer and the City Assessor dated July 14, 2006, regarding the sale of the Former 428 Pine; AND BE IT RESOLVED that Council accepts the offer from Jeff Smith and Anna Hardy, dated July 11, 2006, for Parcel # 1-422 Pine (Former 428 Pine) in the amount of \$33,000.00 to construct a single family two story home, consisting of approximately 2,800 square feet, 3-4 bedrooms, garage, brick exterior on the 1st floor detached garage and basement with back water flow valve, sump pump, emergency escape and rescue opening per the 2003 Michigan Residential Code; AND BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and City Clerk are hereby authorized to execute the necessary documents subject to the approval of the Department of Legal Affairs. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all bid bonds or bid checks be returned.

I move the adoption of the foregoing resolution.

MOTION by Councilmember Sheri Fricke

Supported by Councilmember Patrick Sutka

YEAS: Councilmembers Browning, Fricke, Kolakowski, Peterson, Ptak, Sutka

NAYS: None

Wyandotte, Michigan July 24, 2006

RESOLUTION by Councilperson Sheri Fricke

RESOLVED by the City Council that Council CONCURS with the recommendation of the Assistant City Engineer to acquire the property known as 755 Pine in the amount of \$55,000.00 to be appropriated from TIFA Area Funds; AND BE IT RESOLVED that the Department of Legal Affairs is hereby directed to prepare the necessary documents and the Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to sign said documents; and BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Engineer is directed to DEMOLISH same.

I move the adoption of the foregoing resolution.

MOTION by Councilmember Sheri Fricke

Supported by Councilmember Patrick Sutka

YEAS: Councilmembers Browning, Fricke, Kolakowski, Peterson, Ptak, Sutka

NAYS: None

Wyandotte, Michigan July 24, 2006

RESOLUTION by Councilperson Sheri Fricke

RESOLVED by the City Council that the communication from the Director of Financial and Administrative Services dated July 11, 2006 submitting the proposed tax rates for the 2007 Fiscal year tax rates is hereby received and made part of the hearing file scheduled for tonight's meeting.

I move the adoption of the foregoing resolution.

MOTION by Councilmember Sheri Fricke

Supported by Councilmember Patrick Sutka

ROLL ATTACHED

Wyandotte, Michigan July 24, 2006

RESOLUTION by Councilperson Sheri Fricke

RESOLVED by the City Council that WHEREAS, this City Council of the City of Wyandotte has been advised by the City Assessor that the 2006 State Taxable Valuation for property located within the City of Wyandotte is \$685,028,066 as compared to \$753,994,443 State Taxable Valuation for the 2005 tax year plus 2006 additions; NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Wyandotte City Tax Rate for the Fiscal Year Ending September 30, 2007, shall be set at \$12.0538 operating, \$2.5166 refuse collection and disposal, \$2.5166 debt service (to include \$436,800 related to the construction of the facility to house the Department of Public Service \$236,084 related to the renovation of the Yack Arena, \$100,000 related to the purchase of improved information technology, and \$356,392 related to the construction of a new District Court facility and renovation to the existing police facility), \$1.3446 for the 2007 fiscal year assessment for obligations incurred to improve the Wyandotte Wastewater Treatment Plant pursuant to the Consent Decree entered into with the United States Environmental Protection Agency, and \$1.5684 for the operation and maintenance of Drain # 5 for a total tax levy of \$20.0000 per thousand dollars assessed valuation of the State Taxable Value.

I move the adoption of the foregoing resolution.

MOTION by Councilmember Sheri Fricke

Supported by Councilmember Patrick Sutka

YEAS: Councilmembers Browning, Fricke, Kolakowski, Peterson, Ptak, Sutka

NAYS: None

Wyandotte, Michigan July 24, 2006

RESOLUTION by Councilperson Sheri Fricke

RESOLVED by the City Council that an Employee of the City of Wyandotte has expressed a desire to meet in closed session to discuss evaluation of said employee. And further, the Director of Financial and Administrative Services has expressed a desire to discuss contract negotiations and strategy. Now, therefore, be it resolved that this Body will meet in closed session immediately following the regularly scheduled Council meeting for the above stated purpose only.

I move the adoption of the foregoing resolution.

MOTION by Councilmember Sheri Fricke

Supported by Councilmember Patrick Sutka

YEAS: Councilmembers Browning, Fricke, Kolakowski, Peterson, Ptak, Sutka

NAYS: None

Wyandotte, Michigan July 24, 2006

RESOLUTION by Councilperson Sheri Fricke

RESOLVED by the City Council that the total bills and accounts in the amount of \$448,476.06 as presented by the Mayor and City Clerk are hereby APPROVED for payment.

I move the adoption of the foregoing resolution.

MOTION by Councilmember Sheri Fricke

Supported by Councilmember Patrick Sutka

YEAS: Councilmembers Browning, Fricke, Kolakowski, Peterson, Ptak, Sutka

NAYS: None

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Councilperson Sheri Fricke

Supported by Councilperson Patrick Sutka

That we adjourn.

Carried unanimously.

Adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

July 24, 2006

William R. Griggs, City Clerk