

CITY OF STERLING HEIGHTS
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL
TUESDAY, JULY 5, 2016
IN CITY HALL

Mayor Michael C. Taylor called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

Mayor Taylor led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag and Mark Carufel, City Clerk, gave the Invocation.

Council Members present at roll call: Deanna Koski, Joseph V. Romano, Maria G. Schmidt, Nate Shannon, Doug Skrzyniarz, Michael C. Taylor, and Barbara A. Ziarko.

Also Present: Mark D. Vanderpool, City Manager; Marc D. Kaszubski, City Attorney; Mark Carufel, City Clerk; Carol Sobosky, Recording Secretary.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by Koski, seconded by Romano, to approve the Agenda as presented.

Yes: All. The motion carried.

REPORT FROM CITY MANAGER

Mr. Vanderpool reported the Clinton River Habitat Restoration project began today, starting west of Hayes behind Palmer Woods Boulevard, and will continue upstream to the city limit. This project involves log jam removal and streambank stabilization, and throughout the project, portions of the Clinton River path system may be temporarily closed to facilitate the construction and movement of equipment. He stated that, as the project moves upstream, further updates will be provided and can be found on the City's website. This is a joint project between

the cities of Sterling Heights and Utica and is funded by a \$4 million grant, with Sterling Heights' share being \$3.3 million. They hope to be substantially completed with this by the end of the year, with final completion next spring. Mr. Vanderpool stated the purpose of this grant program is to make the river more usable for recreational purposes. There are canoe/kayak launches provided in the plan, but the river has to be able to be used first.

Mr. Vanderpool reported that Zippia.com, a career-advice and job-listing website, ranked Sterling Heights as the #3 city to retire to in the United States. This list was compiled by looking at cities across the country and ranking them based on low cost of living, low crime, things to do, and proximity to an international airport. He stated that the cities of Pittsburgh and Philadelphia were listed as #1 and #2, respectively, and advised that this story can be found on the CBS Detroit website at detroit.cbslocal.com.

Mr. Vanderpool reported that 2016 summer tax bills were mailed late last week, and the vast majority of taxpayers are seeing lower tax bills. He added that those homeowners within the Utica Community School District will see a slight decrease in their total tax bill. He stated that taxable values rose only 0.3%, which is the lowest since 1995. The tax bill is based on capped taxable value, not SEV. The SEV's rose about 10% so that is a good sign that property values are going up, but he reminded that taxable values are capped.

Mr. Vanderpool reported there are two new blogs added to the city website. Chief Berg and Chief Martin will provide posts about public safety issues on "From the

Chief's Desk". City Development Director Denice Gerstenberg will be sharing information about new businesses coming to Sterling Heights through the blog post "Economic Development News". He stated that these can be accessed through the city's website.

Mr. Vanderpool reminded that, under state statute, the use of consumer-grade fireworks cannot be used after today until the Labor Day weekend on September 4th through 6th. He advised anyone hearing these fireworks after tonight is welcome to call the Police Department, and those who are trying to get away with it risk being cited by the Police Department for fines in excess of \$500.

Mr. Vanderpool reported that the Kmart at 18 Mile and Dequindre recently closed, but the City has received plans for a 130,000 square-foot Kroger Marketplace Store, and the entire shopping center will be improved significantly. He stated this continues the trend of significant retail development they are seeing throughout the City, in addition to manufacturing investments and residential homes going up.

PRESENTATION

Police Chief John Berg stated that as of today, including these four officers being sworn in, Sterling Heights has hired 32 new officers since February 2015. He explained that there will be another 16 retiring next year, including 14 command and 2 patrol officers. With those 16 retirements and with what they are budgeted, they will have to hire another 21 officers, which he anticipated will be done by this time next year or shortly thereafter. He recognized that two of the new

officers today were born and raised in Sterling Heights, one being a Henry Ford II graduate and the other a Stevenson graduate. He stated he is excited about having all four of the new officers, but added it is nice when they can get hometown people back in the city.

Police Chief John Berg introduced and swore in new Sterling Heights Police Officers Jason Criner, Edward Jacques, Christopher Moreau and Emily Prezzato.

Officer Jason Criner thanked the Council members and the Chief for affording him this opportunity to work for the City of Sterling Heights and serve the community in which he was born and raised. He looks forward to a long career and appreciated his family's ongoing support of his law enforcement career.

Officer Edward Jacques thanked the Council members and the Chief for providing him with this opportunity to serve the City. He stated he has worked for the past three years trying to get into a full-time position, and he is very excited that his first full-time police experience is in this City.

Officer Christopher Moreau stated he grew up in Sterling Heights and had a childhood that people dream of having, and now he is one of the people who make that happen. He stated he is excited to be here and felt growing up in this City has given him this opportunity.

Officer Emily Prezzato stated she is very excited to begin her work with the City of Sterling Heights, and she thanked the City Council, the Police Department and Chief Berg for making this a possibility.

The City Council stepped down to congratulate the newly sworn-in officers.

Mayor Taylor congratulated all four new officers and welcomed two of them back to the community. He stated they all have experience in the field, and it is good to see people with established careers looking to come here and those who grew up here wanting to come back and serve the community in which they grew up. He stated this community is very supportive and will give them everything they need to do a great job for the citizens. He welcomed them and felt most of them will stay and retire from Sterling Heights, so he looked forward to a long career for all four of the new officers.

PUBLIC HEARING

1. Mayor Taylor opened the public hearing to consider the application by Ric-Man Construction, Inc. to establish an Industrial Development District (IDD) at 42600 R Mancini Drive.

Mr. Dwayne McLachlan, City Assessor, made a presentation. He explained this is a request for the creation of an Industrial Development District, and this mechanism allows property owners to come back and request a formal tax abatement. He reported that this property is at 42600 R Mancini Drive and they have a building under construction that will serve as their new headquarters. He explained there is a letter included from the Mancini's that expresses their regrets for being unable to attend tonight's meeting. Tonight's action establishes the district and sets the ability to request an Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate as their option at a later date.

Mayor Taylor opened the public hearing for comments at this time.

There was no audience participation at this time.

Mayor Taylor closed the public hearing.

Moved by Romano, seconded by Ziarko, RESOLVED, that the application by Ric-Man Construction, Inc. to establish an Industrial Development District at 42600 R Mancini Drive is hereby approved in accordance with the guidelines established by City Council and the Mayor and City Clerk are hereby authorized to sign, as applicable, all documents required in conjunction with this approval.

Mayor Pro-Tem Romano stated that, having seen the letter from the petitioner indicating they are unable to attend tonight's meeting, and upon receiving recommendation for approval from the City Assessor, he has no objections to the request.

Yes: All. The motion carried.

2. Mayor Taylor opened the public hearing to consider the application by SDE Mancini Holdings, LLC to establish an Industrial Development District (IDD) on vacant land located on Mound Road and 18 ½ Mile Road.

Mr. Dwayne McLachlan, City Assessor, made a presentation. He reported that this request is also from the Mancini's, who indicated in their letter that they are unable to attend tonight's meeting. This property, located at Mound and 18-1/2 Mile, was acquired by the petitioner from the State of Michigan. This request is to establish the district and they will come forward with the request for an Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate when they have identified a tenant.

Mayor Taylor opened the public hearing for comments at this time.

There was no audience participation at this time.

Mayor Taylor closed the public hearing.

Moved by Schmidt, seconded by Ziarko, RESOLVED, that the application by SDE Mancini Holdings, LLC to establish an Industrial Development District on vacant property situated on Mound Road and 18 ½ Mile Road is hereby approved in accordance with the guidelines established by City Council and the Mayor and City Clerk are hereby authorized to sign, as applicable, all documents required in conjunction with this approval.

Councilwoman Schmidt stated that Mancini Corporation has been a wonderful corporate partner for a long time, so she is in full support of establishing this Industrial Development District.

Yes: All. The motion carried.

3. Mayor Taylor opened the public hearing to consider the application by Metro Industrial Properties, LLC to establish a Commercial Redevelopment District (CRD) at 42373 and 42501 Van Dyke.

Mr. Dwayne McLachlan, City Assessor, made a presentation. He reported that this request is slightly different because it is our first experience with a commercial redevelopment district. They are requesting to establish this district for several reasons. The establishment of this district will eliminate a competitive disadvantage for the applicant by creating an opportunity for abatement because its proposed use does not fit the Industrial Development District under Public Act

198 since they do not manufacture anything but are a logistics and repair facility. The property will go through substantial redevelopment in order to use it as a logistics and truck repair facility which is an ancillary industrial-type use. The city will benefit because the property is located within the corridor improvement property which is already targeted for redevelopment projects. The guidelines for establishing application will be considered by City Council on July 19th and will be similar to those already established for Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificates. The City's approach will be conservative and will make the Commercial Facilities Exemption Certificates available to only projects such as this that will increase commercial activity, increase or retain employment or prevent loss of employment. Mr. McLachlan concluded that for these reasons, they are requesting approval of this application from Metro Industrial Properties LLC to establish a Commercial Redevelopment District.

Mayor Taylor opened the public hearing for comments at this time.

There was no audience participation at this time.

Mayor Taylor closed the public hearing.

Moved by Ziarko, seconded by Schmidt, RESOLVED, to adopt the resolution approving the application by Metro Industrial Properties, LLC to establish a Commercial Redevelopment District at 42373 and 42501 Van Dyke.

Councilwoman Ziarko stated this has been explained well and will be coming back for application for a Commercial Facilities Exemption Certificate. She was satisfied with Mr. McLachlan's explanation.

Yes: All. The motion carried.

Resolution

This Resolution was made and adopted at a meeting of the City Council of the City of Sterling Heights, Macomb County, Michigan held at the City Center on the 5th day of July, 2016.

Members Present: Koski, Romano, Schmidt, Shannon, Skrzyniarz, Taylor, Ziarko

Members Absent: None

The following preamble and resolution was offered by Member Ziarko and supported by Member Schmidt.

WHEREAS, pursuant to PA 255 of 1978, the city of Sterling Heights has the authority to establish a Commercial Redevelopment District (CRD) within the city at the request of a commercial business enterprise or upon its own initiative; and

WHEREAS, Metro Industrial Properties, LLC has filed a written application with the clerk of the city of Sterling Heights requesting the establishment of a CRD to include the parcels of real property commonly known as 42373 and 42501 Van Dyke, Sterling Heights, Michigan and as more particularly hereinafter described; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the city of Sterling Heights has determined that the district meets the requirements set forth in section 5 of PA 255 of 1978; and

WHEREAS, written notice has been given by certified mail to all owners of real property located within the proposed CRD as required by section 5(3) of PA 255 of 1978; and

WHEREAS, on July 5, 2016, a public hearing was held and all residents and taxpayers of the city of Sterling Heights were afforded an opportunity to be heard thereon; and

WHEREAS, the City Council deems it to be in the public interest of the city of Sterling Heights to establish the CRD as proposed;

NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the city of Sterling Heights determines that the following described parcels of real property situated in the city of Sterling Heights, Macomb County, and State of Michigan, to wit:

T2N, R12E, SEC 9; COMM AT E 1/4 SEC 9; TH N01*57'W 1178.34 FT, TH S87*52'21"W 60.0 FT TO POB; TH S87*52'43"W 311.0 FT, TH S01*57'E 287.14 FT, TH S87*53'21"W 328.42 FT, TH N02*01'07"W 171.10 FT, TH N87*53'21"E 59.46 FT, TH N02*01'07"W 215.99 FT, TH N87*52'43"E 580.42 FT, TH S01*57'E 100.0 FT TO POB; 3.34 AC. Split/Combination: 10-09-200-031 and -044 into -047, -048 & -049 for 2009.

Commonly known as: 42501 Van Dyke

PIN: 50-10-09-200-048-000

T2N, R12E, SEC 9; COMM AT E 1/4 SEC 9; TH N01*57'W 891.13 FT, TH S87*53'21"W 60.0 FT TO POB; TH S87*53'21"W 311.0 FT, TH N01*57'W 287.14 FT, TH N87*52'43"E 311.0 FT, TH S01*57'E 287.20 FT TO POB; 2.05 AC. Split/Combination: 10-09-200-031 & -044 into -047, -048 & -049 for 2009.

Commonly known as: 42373 Van Dyke

PIN: 50-10-09-200-049-000

be and hereby are established as a Commercial Redevelopment District pursuant to the provisions of PA 255 of 1978.

AYES: Ziarko, Schmidt, Koski, Romano, Shannon, Skrzyniarz, Taylor

NAYS: None

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED.

CERTIFICATION

I, Mark Carufel, certify that the above resolution is a true copy of the Resolution made and adopted by the City Council of the City of Sterling Heights at its regular meeting held on July 5, 2016.

Mark Carufel, City Clerk

ORDINANCE INTRODUCTION

4. Assistant City Attorney Don DeNault Jr. made a brief PowerPoint presentation to consider introduction of an ordinance amending Section 28.13 of Chapter 28 of

the Sterling Heights Zoning Ordinance to update the City's sign regulations. He stated that Mr. Chris McLeod, City Planner, was unable to be present this evening. Mr. DeNault explained that a U.S. Supreme Court case decided on June 18, 2015, regarding *Reed v Gilbert*, ruled that the town of Gilbert's sign code provisions violated the First Amendment. The Supreme Court ruled political signs or opinion signs must be treated the same as other signs to avoid being subjected to challenges in court. The proposed ordinance will create content-neutral sign categories: Short-Term Temporary, Long-Term Temporary, Permanent and Mobile, which are in place of political, opinion and event-based signs. Different rules will be established for "commercial speech" versus "non-commercial speech". Function-based categories, which do not necessarily fit in the content-neutral sign categories, are also being established, including agricultural sales, directional signs, residential identification, development signs, public signs and address signs.

Mr. DeNault outlined some of the changes being proposed:

- For Opinion Signs, Political Signs, Real Estate Signs and Other Messages in Residential Districts, they will now be categorized as "Temporary Signs". There will be no limit on the number of signs but there will be controls on the square footage, with short-term signs limited to 3 square feet each and long-term sign limited to 6 square feet each. The sign cannot exceed a 3 to 1 length to width design ratio, agricultural sales sign is permitted if verified by the City Planner, and all signs must be removed within 7 days after the

purpose is fulfilled. There is no change in the total 9 square feet allowed for temporary signage, it cannot be an off-premises sign, it cannot be a home occupation sign and cannot relate to medical marijuana growing on the property.

- For the same type of signs on vacant parcels, they will now be categorized as “Temporary Signs”. There will be no limit on the number of signs but there will be controls on the square footage, registration of short-term signs is valid for 90 days with one extension permitted, registration of long-term signs is valid for 1 year with one extension permitted, they cannot exceed 5 feet in height, and all signs must be removed within 7 days after the purpose is fulfilled.
- For the same type of signs on commercial parcels, they will now be categorized as “Temporary Signs”. Temporary signs relating to commercial use are not permitted unless a temporary use permit is obtained, no temporary signs are permitted until the monument sign is full or modification is granted, registration of short-term signs is valid for 90 days with one extension permitted, and registration of long-term signs is valid for 1 year with 1 extension permitted, any number of temporary signs may be installed, although there are square footage controls, signs cannot exceed 5 feet in height, and all signs must be removed within 7 days after the purpose is fulfilled. There is no proposed change in the square footage permitted for

short-term signs, long-term signs, total temporary signage, and the 6 to 1 length to width ratio.

- For permanent freestanding signs, the only proposed change is that no billboard signs will be allowed.
- Electronic Message Boards (EMB) have some changes, including the requirement for automatic intensity adjustment for ambient light, messages may change after 10 seconds rather than the current 30 seconds, and the messages must change instantly with no effects and turn off or go to a black screen in the event of a malfunction. The other change is that if the sign is adjacent to residential use, it may only be on when the business is open, or 6 a.m. to 10 p.m., whichever is shorter, except that noncommercial uses may also utilize an EMB during special events that are open to the public.
- Wall signs have one proposed change, and that is that one (1) additional wall sign is permitted relating to commercial use of the property on facades not visible from a public right-of-way, and they can occupy 10% of the tenant space or building façade. This occurs on parcels that have outlots, so the sign on the front of the building situated on the outlot is not necessarily visible to someone coming out of a business located behind that building.

Mr. DeNault summarized the purpose for the proposed changes, including enhancing the physical appearance of the City, preserving the scenic and natural beauty of designated areas, creating a more attractive economic and business climate, reducing signage distractions and eliminating hazards caused by signs,

and establishing the minimum amount of regulation necessary to achieve these purposes, yet balancing against providing effective and efficient opportunities for business identification and allowing for ample expression through signage within the City.

Mayor Taylor opened the discussion to the audience.

Ms. Linda Godfrey objected to the fee for temporary non-residential signage. She also objected to the \$250 fee for a permanent sign. She had an issue with the temporary sign, which requires no fee but does require a temporary permit application to be filled out by the property owner, along with a photo and an illustration or rendering of the sign that represents an accurate depiction of the sign's message, construction and design. She requested clarification as to whether this is only for the short-term non-political signs or commercial signs. She did not recall whether the ordinance regulating electronic message boards addressed political candidates. She stated that during the last election, some of the Council members rented a couple of large traveling billboards and stationed them at polling locations. Ms. Godfrey complained that the residents are not afforded the same advantages regarding signage as the City officials or elected Council. She recalled the ordinance permitting the City to have a sign of up to 100 square feet without a registration or permit, but she felt she, as a resident, would not be permitted that same consideration. She also understood that the City is putting up a tent with signage at the

Farmer's Market promoting the proposed Parks & Recreation millage. She questioned the large expensive mile road markers proposed along Van Dyke, and whether those are going to be held to the regulations of the sign ordinance.

Mr. Jeffrey Norgrove stated that the Troy American Legion Post, located on 15 Mile Road between John R and Dequindre, flies the American flag, the State flag, a POW flag and an Army/Navy/Coast Guard flag. He inquired as to whether these will be exempt from the Ordinance. He understood that if someone flies college flags and also has a couple of political signs, they would be in violation of the ordinance. He questioned whether veterans organizations can be exempt so they can fly their flags.

Mr. John Spica questioned when this sign ordinance will take place if it is adopted. He stated he is a candidate and has his signs already made up, and he questioned how this ordinance will affect him in this election cycle.

Mr. Michael Lombardini thanked the Planning Commissioners for the number of questions they had on this proposal. He understood that the only flags which are exempt are those which are regulated by U.S. government law. He also questioned whether a lighted address is considered a sign.

Moved by Ziarko, seconded by Schmidt, RESOLVED, to introduce the ordinance amending Chapter 28, Section 28.13 of the Sterling Heights Zoning Ordinance to update the City's sign regulations.

Councilwoman Ziarko questioned when this will take effect and whether it will affect the upcoming election. She also requested clarification on the difference between flags and signs.

Mr. DeNault replied to inquiry that they struggled with the flag issue because a flag conveys a message like any other sign. Flags fit the definition of temporary signs, and the only flags exempt from that would be the United States flag under federal law, the State flag under state law, and the Sterling Heights municipal flag. If this ordinance is adopted at the next meeting or thereafter, it would be effective on June 22, 2016, and no one would be grandfathered.

Councilwoman Ziarko stated that because the square footage and the placement of the signs does not appear to be changed, she did not feel it will make a difference for the upcoming election.

Mr. DeNault stated they did their best to try to carry everything forward so it would not restrict anyone who already has their signs. The restrictions on square footage are included, but is more liberal because political signs are not separated from other signs. He pointed out that lack of a real estate sign on a property would result in more political signage being allowed on that parcel.

Councilwoman Ziarko addressed an earlier comment about candidates who rented a mobile billboard, and she stated that was not true. She added that there may have been a billboard, but none of the candidates had anything to do with it.

Councilwoman Schmidt questioned whether the 90-day permit, which needs to be signed for vacant commercial property and which is allowed for a period of 90

days with one extension, is effective from the date of the signature or the placement of the sign.

Mr. DeNault replied it is effective ninety days from the date the registration is accepted by the City of Sterling Heights. The City Planner and City Clerk felt the receipt date, which is the date it is stamped, would be the most effective date to regulate.

Councilwoman Schmidt requested clarification that if she has a United States flag, it does not count for her signage.

Mr. DeNault replied that is correct.

Councilwoman Schmidt inquired as to whether there is a way they can make more flags exempt.

Mr. DeNault replied if the Council requests, they can try. He cautioned that it becomes difficult because they would be establishing that some organizations are exempt but other organizations not mentioned are not exempt. He replied to further inquiry that another country's flag, such as the Italian flag, would be counted as signage.

Mayor Taylor questioned whether they can restrict signs based on the material they are made of, such as a sign constructed out of nylon that might be permitted if it is a certain size.

Mr. DeNault stated that they can come up with creative ways to try to address specific types of signage based on materials and construction.

Mayor Pro-Tem Romano questioned the Building Department's sign permit. He understood that existing ground signs on commercial properties are exempt from pulling permits because they are grandfathered in.

Mr. DeNault confirmed they are allowed to remain without permits until replaced.

Mayor Pro-Tem Romano questioned a person coming in with a new ground sign has to apply for a permit, which is \$150, plus \$37 application fee plus a plan review fee of \$68, totaling \$255. He felt that is very expensive on top of the cost to have the signs made and painted. He requested an example of a long-term temporary sign.

Mr. DeNault replied a good example would be a "for sale" sign for a commercial property, which is a durable sign made to last longer.

Mayor Pro-Tem Romano pointed out the application for a wall sign would cost the business owner \$255 on top of the actual cost for the sign. He stated these are extremely costly fees for people trying to do business in the City. He stated he will not vote for this and felt something has to be done to regulate these permit fees. He also stated that if a political sign meets the requirements but is picked up for some reason by Code Enforcement, there is a cost of \$10 to retrieve it. He recalled that retrieval fee used to be \$3, and he questioned who would pay \$10 when the signs only cost \$7.50.

Mr. DeNault replied that he has not been involved in any of the pricing or appropriations ordinance amendments so he does not know if that amount has officially changed.

Mayor Pro-Tem Romano stated until he sees the pricing changed in this proposed ordinance, he will not be voting in favor of it.

Mayor Taylor requested Mr. Vanderpool to clarify some of the fees.

Mr. Vanderpool stated that the fees reflect what is currently in place, and there is no increase in those fees, including the retrieval fines for the signs the City picks up.

Mayor Pro-Tem Romano stated he paid \$3 to pick up each of his signs from DPW, and wanted to know when it was raised to \$10.

Mr. Vanderpool stated he will check the \$10 fee and confirm it but he believed it is currently in place.

Councilwoman Koski cited the example of a "Guess Who's 40?" sign, along with 40 flamingos in a front yard.

Mr. DeNault responded that they discussed those instances, and they determined that would be considered lawn ornamentation, which is already governed. He stated someone from Code Enforcement or City Planning would need to address those rules.

Councilwoman Koski questioned whether a birthday sign or banner on the front lawn that is much larger than permitted will be allowed.

Mr. DeNault replied Code Enforcement would have to deal with it. If it is larger than 9 square feet, it would be in violation, but being the temporary nature of the sign, he assumed Code Enforcement would probably give the property owners notice to take it down within 24 hours.

Councilwoman Koski inquired as to the banners hanging from the light poles, similar to what the City has on the round-about.

Mr. DeNault replied that public signage presented by the City to the community for informational purposes is not limited by size or number.

Councilwoman Koski inquired as to the small decorative flags or banners displayed by homeowners in their gardens or front lawns, depicting holiday wishes, birthday wishes, or possibly their favorite college teams.

Mr. DeNault replied those would be considered signage.

Councilwoman Koski felt residents should have the right to display these flags and banners. She also objected to the costly fees for the sign applications. She requested that the cost be broken down so they have some justification as to why it costs the City so much that they have to pass that cost on to those applying for signs.

Councilman Shannon agreed with the majority of the proposed ordinance, but he questioned the short-term temporary sign registration. He questioned how they can make a distinction between a residential property owner and a business owner, and have different rules for those groups.

Mr. DeNault replied that the courts have ruled it is permissible for municipalities to establish different rules for different land uses. Vacant properties are different from homes, and so are commercial properties. They are different types of uses, so they have different types of rules.

Councilman Shannon questioned whether this infringes on a business owner's right to freedom of speech.

Mr. DeNault replied they do not feel there is any constitutional or First Amendment infringement here. This is intended to protect the speech that comes first, because if there is too much signage, the City does not get into the business of figuring out which signs to remove. He advised this is not a rule that has to be included, but he stated that it can be defended.

Councilman Shannon inquired as to why the photo is required with the application to put up a sign.

Mr. DeNault stated he would try his best to answer the question. In his meetings with City Development and City Planning, the consensus was the City may eventually have the capacity to allow sign registration on line and it would make it simpler for an applicant to upload a photo.

Councilman Shannon felt that requirement should be eliminated because that was not previously required. He also inquired why the property owner's email is required on the application.

Mr. DeNault recalled they made that mandatory because it is easier for the administration to contact them.

Councilman Shannon stated he would like to see that removed or made optional rather than mandatory. He questioned how the 90-day extension works, and whether the property owner has to go back to the City to request this extension.

Mr. DeNault replied they do not want to make it more burdensome so it is simply a box check on a second line on the form that indicates one extension is approved as well. When Code Enforcement goes out to check the sign on the 100th day and the sign is in good shape and has been approved for the one extension, it is automatically allowed for that extension.

Councilman Shannon stated he would like the issue of the flags examined closer. He felt a flag is more of a decoration.

Councilwoman Ziarko inquired as to whether they contacted any other cities as to the fees they charge for some of the commercial signs.

Mr. DeNault clarified he has done no work on the fees, but has concentrated on content and rules for signs. The fees are part of the form adopted in the appropriations ordinance in the past through analysis of the involved time and review process. He stated whether this ordinance is approved or denied, those fees are still in place.

Councilwoman Ziarko questioned the 90 days for the temporary signs. She explained candidates obtain their signatures in May and immediately go out to secure locations for their signs. They are submitted on June 1, so according to this ordinance, the 90 days would begin on June 1 even though she has no intention of putting up the sign until 30 days before the election. She suggested the 90 days should be counted back from a primary or general election and that is when the permit would start. She stated they would not need an extension for a temporary political sign.

Mr. DeNault stated they struggled with that but could not determine a way to distinguish the difference between signs without basing it on content of the sign. He stated if they counted back 90 days from the event, that would work for some signs, but an opinion sign would have no event for which to calculate that date.

Councilwoman Ziarko inquired as to whether there could be something on the application that she could fill out to indicate when she would like the 90-day countdown to begin. This would solve the problem of the purpose for the sign.

Mr. DeNault stated they talked about that but were concerned it ends up with political candidates playing games with each other. He stated the difficulty comes in when the owner has to decide what signs to put up, for what time frames, and how they may have to tell a local candidate they cannot accommodate that sign because a candidate for another office is using up their space.

Councilwoman Ziarko inquired as to whether the extension is also effective for 90 days.

Mr. DeNault replied the permit is for 90 days, and with the additional 90-day extension, that totals 180 days, which should be sufficient even for candidates.

Mayor Taylor stated the presidential election process is over a period of close to a year, so if he would like to put up a sign for a presidential candidate, he questioned whether he can take it down and put up another one, thereby giving him another 180 days. He further questioned about whether they have to determine whether the purpose of the sign has been fulfilled, and he stated if he

puts up a sign supporting a candidate because he likes that candidate, his intended purpose may never end.

Mr. DeNault stated this is one of those gray areas and there was some disagreement on it.

Mayor Taylor inquired as to whether Mr. Baker can provide any clarification as to the amount of money charged for retrieving a sign. He assumed they set fees based on the administration costs associated with them. If those fees are reduced to a point below the City's costs, those costs would have to be subsidized using General Fund dollars.

Mr. Brian Baker, Finance Director, explained that, under state law, the City cannot charge more for a service than the cost of that service. He cited the example of the sign permit, with \$37 for the sign application fee, and \$68 for the sign review fee, and time studies have been done on these to determine these amounts. A permanent sign is \$150, and temporary sign is \$68. The claimed sign fee is \$5 for a sign measuring 16 square feet or less, \$25 for a sign measuring between 17 and 31 square feet, and anything over 32 square feet would be \$120 to claim the sign back if Code Enforcement picks it up. He clarified that the fees have not changed with this ordinance, but have gone up periodically with the rate of inflation.

Mayor Taylor stated he does not like the registration requirement for temporary signs, especially commercial signs. He felt it is a restraint on free speech, and it is not necessarily the political candidate's free speech that is the issue, but it is the

property owner's expression of free speech that is the issue, and he could see no compelling reason for the government to regulate that. If a property owner wants to "speak", which is what they are doing through the display of a sign, the government should not register that person before they "speak". He stated the only real justification is a protection on the speech that comes first. There is a limit on total square footage, so this helps the City regulate because the registration process will determine which of the signs is in violation; however, that argument is easily rebutted because there is no registration required on residential properties. He recommended the City regulate commercial signage the same as the residential signage. If a property owner does not want a sign that was put up without his permission, he can remove it. The City has no mechanism to provide for which permission slip is most valid based on different people signing them. He felt it is a private property dispute and the property owner should be the one to determine which signs can remain. He stated the requirement for registering these signs becomes an unnecessary burden on the Clerk's time for no apparent reason. If there are too many signs on a property, the Code Enforcement officer can tag them all and let the property owner know they will all be removed within 24 hours, and they will have to pay to get them back. He recommended this registration requirement be removed for commercial and industrial non-vacant parcels. Mayor Taylor stated that properties vary in size, and he did not feel it is equitable for someone with a small parcel to be permitted the same square footage requirement as someone with a large parcel. He suggested

allowing 40 square feet for properties under a certain threshold and 60 square feet or more for properties over a certain acreage, and he deferred this to Mr. McLeod to give a baseline of where the City is at in terms of properties over 2-1/2 acres and how difficult it would be to determine the size of the property for this type of regulation. From an aesthetic standpoint, the ordinance does not accomplish what it sets out to accomplish because a 250-foot-wide parcel would be allowed only 40 square foot of signage, but there could be six 60-foot-wide parcels that would each be allowed 40 square feet of signage. He stated he will vote in favor of this tonight because it is an introduction, but he added he will not vote in favor if the registration requirement is not removed for commercial and industrial non-vacant parcels.

Mayor Pro-Tem Romano noted that Mr. Baker had indicated the \$5 claimed sign fee has been in effect for a while, but the proposed ordinance states a claimed sign will be released upon payment of a \$10 fee.

Mr. Baker stated he will look into the matter.

Mayor Pro-Tem Romano agreed with Mayor Taylor and hoped they tweak the proposed ordinance, or he will not vote in favor of it.

Councilwoman Ziarko stated she would be opposed to eliminating the requirement for the permission of the property owner to allow any kind of sign to be put up on the property. She felt it is the only way the City can regulate the signs, and she added the only valid permission should be from the property owner.

Mayor Taylor stated he would not request they drop the permission requirement, but it places an incredible administrative burden on the City Clerk to track down who the owner is. He stated that anyone can turn in a permission form with any name on it, but he questioned how the Clerk will determine who the property owner is, especially if it is a corporation, an "LLC", and how the Clerk is supposed to determine who in the company is authorized to sign the form. He felt if the individual putting up the sign does not get the proper permission and the owner does not want the sign, the owner will remove it. He stated he would like to know how much time the Clerk and his staff spend on these sign registration forms, and he felt this year will be even more burdensome. He said the solution is simple.

Councilwoman Schmidt stated they will have to respectfully agree to disagree on this. When she got her permission slips signed by various property owners, she had inquired as to whether it was a burden, and the majority had indicated to her they liked the fact that the City required this because they were aware of whose signs would be permitted. She stated she will not be in favor of removing that provision from the ordinance.

Mayor Taylor proposed that all business owners in the City of Sterling Heights can opt to have a permission slip requirement if they so choose to have one. If anyone wants it, they should be able to have one, but if they do not want one, it should not be mandatory.

Councilman Skrzyniarz stated he has a problem with the registration requirement and he did not feel there is enough of a burden on the City to tread on the rights of the property owner. He stated the way the ordinance is written with requiring registration favors the incumbent versus the non-incumbent. If a business owner has to register their signs and fill out a form indicating they are supporting a non-incumbent, and then they have to send that form to the Clerk's office, that is not an easy task for a business owner. He was concerned about it from a free speech aspect. He stated he is not going to support just any amendment that gets rid of the registration, but he would like to see what it says and how it is balanced and integrated into the new sign ordinance. He is generally in support of getting rid of that requirement for commercial property.

Mayor Taylor stated that by his count, Councilman Shannon, Councilman Skrzyniarz, Mayor Pro-Tem Romano and himself expressed interest in seeing the registration requirement removed, so he would like to ask administration to prepare an alternative, possibly not to remove it entirely, but something that allows them to move forward without the registration requirement for commercial and industrial short-term temporary signs.

Mr. Vanderpool requested clarification as to whether Mayor Taylor is referring to non-vacant commercial and industrial.

Mayor Taylor responded it would be for any non-vacant commercial and industrial.

Mr. Vanderpool responded to Councilman Shannon's concern about the email requirement, and stated it is very difficult to send out letters and get enforcement in a reasonable amount of time. Making contact in most cases with absentee property owners is very difficult and the email requirement helps. It has been customary to get email addresses for almost all business conducted in City Development and the Clerk's office.

Mayor Taylor called for the roll call vote.

Ms. Ziarko withdrew her motion from the floor.

Councilwoman Koski inquired as to whether it would be better to postpone this.

Mayor Taylor inquired as to whether Mr. Vanderpool felt it would be beneficial to postpone this until after July 19 so they can have discussion on a proposed alternative, and then bring it back for final consideration at a later date.

Mr. Vanderpool replied that with the election season coming up, they would like to be able to enforce any new rules and get information out so everyone is aware of the regulations. He stated they received good feedback tonight and they have good direction, so he felt they can have collaboration on July 19, but that is up to Council.

Mayor Taylor stated he would like to go forward to introduce the ordinance tonight as a draft. He indicated they have had healthy discussion and he was confident they will have two alternatives to consider at the next meeting.

Moved by Romano, seconded by Skrzyniarz, RESOLVED, to introduce the ordinance amending Chapter 28, Section 28.13 of the Sterling Heights Zoning Ordinance to update the City's sign regulations.

Roll call vote:

Yes: Romano, Skrzyniarz, Shannon, Taylor.

No: Schmidt, Ziarko, Koski.

The motion carried.

ORDINANCE ADOPTION

5. Mayor Taylor opened the discussion to the audience.

Ms. Linda Godfrey questioned the "Total General Revenues" listed on Page 29 reads \$7,160,880, but she stated other documents reflect that only references the 1.7 mils of the Police and Fire portion. She requested clarification as to why the portion for the street millage is not included in the General Revenues. She also inquired why the drain tax is not included because it is still being collected. She stated it seems as though everything is being put into General Fund and is being pulled out but it is not transparent. She questioned why "cost recovery" is still on the books. She also inquired about Proposal "R".

Moved by Romano, seconded by Taylor, BE IT ORDAINED, to adopt the final amendment to the Appropriations Ordinance for the 2015/16 fiscal year.

Mayor Pro-Tem Romano requested a quick overview of clarification to Ms. Godfrey's questions.

Mr. Baker reported that the 1.7 mills for Safe Streets is in the General Fund. The 0.8 mills for the Local Roads Safe Street millage is in the Local Road Fund. This amendment is for the 2015-16 Fiscal Year. There was drain debt in this year, but starting this fiscal year, which began on July 1st, there is no drain debt and that is why it did not show up on the tax bills that were mailed out. The land sale funds, per Council resolution for property that is sold by the City, are designated to park improvements except if the land was purchased through road funds. By law, that has to go back into the debt fund. Proposal "R" was retired many years ago, so that is not in the budget. Mr. Baker replied to inquiry that the city-owned property was sold for approximately \$120,000 and that was given to Parks and Recreation.

CITY OF STERLING HEIGHTS

**MACOMB COUNTY, MICHIGAN
ORDINANCE NO. 441B**

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE "ANNUAL APPROPRIATIONS ORDINANCE"
BY AMENDING THE VARIOUS CITY BUDGETS.**

THE CITY OF STERLING HEIGHTS ORDAINS:

ARTICLE I

TITLE

This ordinance shall constitute the "ANNUAL APPROPRIATIONS ORDINANCE" in accordance with Section 9.14 of the City Charter, the "GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS ACT" in accordance with the Michigan Uniform Budgeting and Accounting Act, MCL 141.436 and the "SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS ACT" pursuant to Public Act 493 of 2000.

ARTICLE II

The following is an estimate of revenues, by source, in each fund and an appropriation of monies as authorized by law, as may be needed or deemed necessary to defray all expenses and liabilities of the City as

specified for the corporate purposes and objects of the City for the fiscal year July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016. The City Council does hereby adopt, by budgetary center, the following General Fund and Special Revenue Funds budgets for 2015/16.

Sec. 2.01

GENERAL FUND BUDGET:

REVENUES & OTHER FINANCING SOURCES

REVENUES

Net General Tax Revenue	\$39,678,770	\$40,338,770	
Licenses and Permits	1,805,000	2,196,000	
State and Local Returns	11,995,200	11,722,570	
Fines and Forfeitures	2,355,000	3,067,000	
Charges for Services	9,821,770	9,750,770	
Other Revenue	2,845,180	2,661,220	
Cable Revenue	2,450,000	2,600,000	
Use of Fund Balance	<u>0</u>		
 Total General Revenue		 70,950,920	 72,336,330
 Refuse Tax Revenue	 4,795,150	 4,805,150	
Police & Fire Pension Tax Revenue	7,986,310		
Safe Streets Tax Revenue	<u>7,135,880</u>	7,160,880	
Total Other Tax Revenue		<u>19,917,340</u>	19,952,340
 Total Revenues		 90,868,260	 92,288,670
 OTHER FINANCING SOURCES			
Transfers In	<u>-1,564,180</u>	1,360,140	
Total Other Financing Sources		<u>1,564,180</u>	1,360,140
 Total Revenues & Other Financing Sources		 <u>\$92,432,440</u>	 <u>\$93,648,810</u>

and does hereby designate ~~\$39,838,770~~ \$39,898,770 to be raised by 9.4909 mills tax levied for General Purposes on the assessed valuation of all real and personal property subject to taxation in the City,

and does hereby designate \$7,986,310 to be raised by 1.9026 mills tax levied on the assessed valuation of all real and personal property subject to taxation in the City, for the purpose of meeting appropriations for fire and police pension purposes, as authorized by MCL 38.551, et. seq.,

and does hereby designate ~~\$4,795,150~~ \$4,805,150 to be raised by 1.1424 mills tax levied on the assessed valuation of all real and personal property subject to taxation in the City, for the purpose of the collection and removal of garbage and trash of the City as authorized by MCL 123.261, et. seq.,

and does hereby designate ~~\$7,135,880~~ \$7,160,880 to be raised by 1.7000 mills tax levied on the assessed valuation of all real and personal property subject to taxation in the City, for the purpose of providing revenue for

police and fire protection as authorized by the electors of the City in approving the Safe Streets Proposal in 2013, et. seq.

and directs the Treasurer to add a collection fee of one-half (1/2) percent per month to all taxes, charges and assessments paid after September 1, and further, upon all taxes, charges and assessments returned to the County Treasurer upon any delinquent tax roll, a charge of three percent (3%) shall be added and the same shall be collected by the County Treasurer in like manner as and together with the taxes, charges and assessments so returned.

EXPENDITURES & OTHER FINANCING USES

EXPENDITURES

City Administration Department	\$7,229,110	\$7,141,520	
Community Services Department	4,479,140	4,442,360	
Police Department	33,948,680	33,145,280	
Fire Department	17,395,890	16,966,360	
Public Works Department	8,142,820	7,739,110	
Refuse Collection	4,817,150	4,787,000	
City Development Department	4,074,600	4,000,210	
Community Relations Department	1,036,470	1,028,460	
41-A District Court	3,202,320	3,222,620	
General Expenditures	1,216,150	1,014,370	
Contribution to Fund Balance	<u>868,790</u>	2,944,200	
Total Expenditures		86,411,120	86,431,490

OTHER FINANCING USES

Transfers Out	<u>6,021,320</u>	7,217,320	
Total Other Financing Uses		<u>6,021,320</u>	
	7,217,320		

Total General Fund

\$92,432,440 **\$93,648,810**

Sec. 2.02

WATER & SEWER OPERATING FUND:

OPERATING REVENUES

Operating Revenues	\$43,329,160	
Use of Net Assets	<u>1,355,990</u>	

Total Operating Revenues

\$44,685,150

OPERATING EXPENSES

Administration	\$3,374,840	
Water Distribution	17,191,970	
Sewage Collection	<u>24,118,340</u>	

Total Water & Sewer Operating Fund

\$44,685,150

and does hereby designate the rates to be charged for water and sewage disposal services to be as follows for all bills rendered on or after July 1, 2015.

WATER RATES

Consumption Charges Per Billing Period:	<u>Rate Per Thousand Cubic Ft.</u>
First 3,000 cubic feet or less	\$20.63
All over 3,000 cubic feet.....	25.79
Fixed DWSD fee (single-family residential customers)	\$4.25
Fixed DWSD fee (all other customers).....	6.00
 Meter Charges Per Billing Period	
1 1/2"	4.45
2"	11.54
3"	21.16
4"	27.76
6"	43.93
8"	69.95
10"	91.88
16"	105.00

SEWER RATES

This charge shall be based on the amount of water used per billing period:	<u>Rate Per Thousand Cubic Ft.</u>
Per 1,000 cubic feet.....	\$34.74
Fixed Macomb County fee (single-family residential customers)	\$4.25
Fixed Macomb County fee (all other customers).....	6.00

BILLING

Bills for water and sewer service shall be rendered periodically as set forth in this article. The billing period for single-family residential customers is quarterly, all other customers are billed monthly. All bills shall be due and payable twenty (20) days from the date thereon. A penalty of six percent (6%) of the amount of the unpaid portion of each current bill shall be added to each bill not paid on or before the due date. An additional penalty of seventeen percent (17%) of the total of the unpaid balance and the six percent (6%) penalty shall be added at the time the delinquent bill is entered upon the tax roll, pursuant to section 35-6 (a) of the Sterling Heights City Code. The City shall establish a minimum water and sewer bill, which shall be based on 800 cubic feet of water usage per billing cycle. There will be a \$70.00 charge per bill for sewer only customers.

For all single-family residential customers of both water and sewer services from the City, the charges billed during the months of September, October, and November shall be reduced by twenty-five percent (25%) of the combined use charge for both water and sewer usage, as specified in this ordinance; provided, however, no customer shall have the charges reduced by an amount more than \$26.00 during the quarterly period billed during the months of September, October, and November.

For all customers who are not single-family residential customers and have both water and sewer services from the City, the charges billed during the months of July, August, and September shall be reduced by twenty-five percent (25%) of the combined use charge for both water and sewer usage, as specified in this ordinance; provided, however, no customer shall have the charges reduced by an amount more than \$8.67 during the monthly period billed during the month of July, \$8.67 during the month of August, and \$8.66 during the month of September.

Sec. 2.03

MAJOR ROAD FUND BUDGET:

REVENUES & OTHER FINANCING SOURCES

REVENUES

Fund Balance	\$2,589,390	\$2,284,570	
Federal Grants	164,600		
State Sources	7,057,190	7,207,190	
Other Revenue	<u>142,000</u>	184,070	
Total Revenues		9,953,180	9,840,430

OTHER FINANCING SOURCES

Transfer from General Fund	<u>0</u>		
Total Other Financing Sources		<u>0</u>	

Total Revenues & Other Financing Sources **\$9,953,180** **\$9,840,430**

EXPENDITURES & OTHER FINANCING USES

EXPENDITURES

Administration Expenses	\$130,610	\$115,610	
Major Street Maintenance	2,252,500	2,379,450	
Major Street Improvements	5,820,070	5,245,370	
Contribution to Fund Balance	<u>0</u>		
Total Expenditures		8,203,180	7,740,430

OTHER FINANCING USES

Transfer to Road Bond Debt Retirement Fund	1,000,000		
Transfer to Local Road Fund	<u>750,000</u>	1,100,000	
Total Other Financing Uses		<u>1,750,000</u>	2,100,000

Total Major Road Fund **\$9,953,180** **\$9,840,430**

Sec. 2.04

LOCAL ROAD FUND BUDGET:

REVENUES & OTHER FINANCING SOURCES

REVENUES

Fund Balance	\$0	\$234,100	
Net Property Taxes	3,376,400	3,382,400	
State Sources	2,190,000	2,230,000	

Charges for Services	40,000	50,000	
Other Revenue	<u>42,010</u>	45,510	
Total Revenues		5,648,410	5,942,010
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES			
Transfer from Major Road Fund	<u>750,000</u>	1,100,000	
Total Other Financing Sources		<u>750,000</u>	1,100,000
Total Revenues & Other Financing Sources		<u>\$6,398,410</u>	<u>\$7,042,010</u>

and does hereby designate ~~\$3,360,000~~ \$3,370,000 to be raised by 0.8000 mills tax levied on the assessed valuation of all real and personal property subject to taxation in the City for the purpose of providing revenue for local street improvements as authorized by the electors of the City in approving the Safe Streets Proposal in 2013.

EXPENDITURES & OTHER FINANCING USES

EXPENDITURES

Administration Expenses	\$160,310	\$150,310	
Local Street Maintenance	1,536,000	2,075,100	
Local Street Improvements	4,657,000	4,816,600	
Contribution to Fund Balance	<u>45,100</u>	0	
Total Expenditures		6,398,410	7,042,010

OTHER FINANCING USES

Transfer to Road Bond Debt Retirement Fund	<u>0</u>		
Total Other Financing Uses		<u>0</u>	
Total Local Road Fund		<u>\$6,398,410</u>	<u>\$7,042,010</u>

Sec. 2.05

LAND & WATER CONSERVATION FUND BUDGET:

REVENUES & OTHER FINANCING SOURCES

REVENUES

Fund Balance	\$80,800	\$0	
Federal & State Sources	4,500,000	0	
Other Revenue	<u>200</u>	800	
Total Revenues		4,581,000	800

OTHER FINANCING SOURCES

Transfer from General Fund	<u>738,700</u>		
Total Other Financing Sources		<u>738,700</u>	
Total Revenues & Other Financing Sources		<u>\$5,319,700</u>	<u>\$739,500</u>

EXPENDITURES

Land Improvements	\$5,319,700	\$309,630	
Contribution to Fund Balance	0	429,870	
Total Land & Water Conservation Fund		<u>\$5,319,700</u>	<u>\$739,500</u>

Sec. 2.06

PUBLIC SAFETY FORFEITURE FUND BUDGET:

REVENUES

Fund Balance	\$486,360	\$290,380	
Federal Forfeitures	16,170	22,480	
Treasury Forfeitures	0	23,410	
State Forfeitures	33,460	101,870	
Gambling Forfeitures	0		
Operating While Intoxicated Forfeitures	4,500	15,300	
Act 302 Training Funds	30,800	15,040	
Interest Income	440	720	
Total Revenues		<u>\$571,730</u>	<u>\$469,200</u>

EXPENDITURES

Federal Forfeitures	\$409,480	\$324,370	
Treasury Forfeitures	0		
State Forfeitures	80,160	60,460	
Gambling Forfeitures	8,830	17,330	
Operating While Intoxicated Forfeitures	42,460	39,660	
Act 302 Training Funds	30,800	27,380	
Total Public Safety Forfeiture Fund		<u>\$571,730</u>	<u>\$469,200</u>

Sec. 2.07

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT FUND BUDGET:

REVENUES

Community Development Block Grant	<u>\$1,234,160</u>	\$845,530	
Total Revenues		<u>\$1,234,160</u>	<u>\$845,530</u>

EXPENDITURES

Administrative Expenses	\$182,230	\$171,460	
Books	6,000		
Senior Citizens Home Chore Program	20,000		
Single Parent Education Program	13,000		
Minor Home Repair	34,000		
Handicapped Recreation Program	19,000		
Housing Rehabilitation Program	299,960	53,000	
Macomb Homeless Coalition	3,000		
Contributions to Non-Profit Organizations	49,970		
Capital & Other Improvements	<u>607,000</u>	476,100	

Total Community Development Block Grant Fund \$1,234,160 \$845,530

Sec. 2.08

NEIGHBORHOOD STABILIZATION PROGRAM FUND:

REVENUES

Federal Grants \$0 \$2,180

Total Revenues \$0 \$2,180

EXPENDITURES

Administration Costs \$0 \$2,180

Total Neighborhood Stabilization Program Fund \$0 \$2,180

Sec. 2.09

CORRIDOR IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY FUND:

REVENUES & OTHER FINANCING SOURCES

REVENUES

Property Taxes \$18,940

Federal Grants 0

Other Revenue 10

Total Revenues 18,950

OTHER FINANCING SOURCES

Transfer from General Fund 0

Total Other Financing Sources 0

Total Revenues & Other Financing Sources \$18,950

EXPENDITURES

Miscellaneous \$0

Contribution to Fund Balance 18,950

Total Corridor Improvement Authority Fund \$18,950

Sec. 2.10

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION FUND BUDGET:

REVENUES & OTHER FINANCING SOURCES

REVENUES

Funding from General Government \$300,000

Other Revenue 500

Total Revenues 300,500

OTHER FINANCING SOURCES

Transfer from General Fund	0	
Total Other Financing Sources		0

Total Revenues & Other Financing Sources **\$300,500**

EXPENDITURES

Miscellaneous	\$0
Contribution to Fund Balance	300,500

Total Economic Development Corporation Fund **\$300,500**

Sec. 2.11

BROWNFIELD REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY FUND BUDGET:

REVENUES & OTHER FINANCING SOURCES

REVENUES

Property Taxes	\$0	\$106,060	
Charges for Services	0		
Other Revenue	0	1,100	
Total Revenues		0	107,160

OTHER FINANCING SOURCES

Transfer from General Fund	0	
Total Other Financing Sources		0

Total Revenues & Other Financing Sources **\$0** **\$107,160**

EXPENDITURES & OTHER FINANCING USES

EXPENDITURES

Miscellaneous	\$0	(\$332,610)	
Contribution to Fund Balance	0	439,770	
Total Expenditures		0	107,160

OTHER FINANCING USES

Transfer to General Fund	0	
Total Other Financing Uses		0

Total Brownfield Redevelopment Authority Fund **\$0** **\$107,160**

Sec. 2.12

LOCAL DEVELOPMENT FINANCE AUTHORITY FUND BUDGET:

REVENUES & OTHER FINANCING SOURCES

REVENUES

Federal Grants	\$0	
Property Taxes	616,980	549,630
Other Revenue	427,950	163,650

Total Revenues		1,044,930	713,280
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES			
Transfer from General Fund	_____	0	
Total Other Financing Sources		_____	0
Total Revenues & Other Financing Sources		<u>\$1,044,930</u>	<u>\$713,280</u>
<u>EXPENDITURES</u>			
Incubator Renovations	\$0	\$35,000	
Incubator Operations	851,920	924,200	
BAE Reimbursement	0	(\$327,880)	
Contribution to Fund Balance	<u>193,010</u>	81,960	
Total Local Development Finance Authority Fund		<u>\$1,044,930</u>	<u>\$713,280</u>

Sec. 2.13

GENERAL DRAIN FUND:

REVENUES & OTHER FINANCING SOURCES

REVENUES

Net Drain Tax Revenue	\$155,350	
Delinquents & Penalties	1,500	
Other Revenue	<u>200</u>	
Total Revenues		157,050

OTHER FINANCING SOURCES

Bond Proceeds – Refunding	_____	0
Total Other Financing Sources		_____

Total Revenues & Other Financing Sources **\$157,050**

and does hereby designate \$158,350 to be raised by 0.0377 mills tax levied on the assessed valuation of all real and personal property subject to taxation in the City for the purpose of defraying the several costs of the drains in the General Drain Budget.

EXPENDITURES

Other Charges	\$300
Principal	150,000
Interest	<u>6,750</u>

Total Drain Fund **\$157,050**

Sec. 2.14

VOTED TAX GENERAL OBLIGATION DEBT FUND:

REVENUES & OTHER FINANCING SOURCES

REVENUES

Delinquents & Penalties	\$1,350	
Other Revenue	200	
Net Proposal F Tax Revenue	<u>469,300</u>	
Total Revenues		470,850

OTHER FINANCING SOURCES

Transfer from General Fund	<u>0</u>	
Total Other Financing Sources		<u>0</u>

Total Revenues & Other Financing Sources **\$470,850**

and does hereby designate \$471,000 to be raised by 0.1122 mills tax levied on the assessed valuation of all real and personal property subject to taxation in the City, for the purpose of meeting appropriations for public improvement debt service as authorized by the electors of the City in approving Proposal F in 2006.

EXPENDITURES

Proposal F Expenditures	<u>\$470,850</u>
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Total Voted Tax General Obligation Debt Fund **\$470,850**

Sec. 2.15

ROAD BOND DEBT RETIREMENT FUND:

REVENUES & OTHER FINANCING SOURCES

REVENUES

Special Assessment Revenue	\$145,750	
Interest Income	97,970	98,870
Federal Interest Rebates	<u>31,990</u>	
Total Revenues		275,710 276,610

OTHER FINANCING SOURCES

Transfer from Major Road Fund	1,000,000	
Transfer from Road Bond Construction Fund	<u>130,000</u>	
Total Other Financing Sources		<u>1,130,000</u>

Total Revenues & Other Financing Sources **\$1,405,710** **\$1,406,610**

EXPENDITURES

Principal	\$990,000	
Interest	330,940	
Other Fees	1,100	1,600
Contribution to Fund Balance	<u>83,670</u>	84,070

Total Road Bond Debt Retirement Fund \$1,405,710 \$1,406,610

Sec. 2.16

LIMITED TAX GENERAL OBLIGATION DEBT FUND:

REVENUES & OTHER FINANCING SOURCES

REVENUES

Other Revenue	\$0	
Total Revenues		0

OTHER FINANCING SOURCES

Transfer from General Fund	322,380	
Total Other Financing Sources		<u>322,380</u>

Total Revenues & Other Financing Sources \$322,380

EXPENDITURES

Principal	\$260,000
Interest	62,150
Other Fees	<u>230</u>

Total Limited Tax General Obligation Debt Fund \$322,380

Sec. 2.17

CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND:

REVENUES & OTHER FINANCING SOURCES

REVENUES

Fund Balance	\$1,465,220	\$691,660	
State & Local Returns	27,350		
Other Revenue	<u>325,180</u>	303,180	
Total Revenues		4,817,750	1,022,190

OTHER FINANCING SOURCES

Transfer from General Fund	4,960,240	6,156,240	
Total Other Financing Sources		<u>4,960,240</u>	6,156,240

Total Revenues & Other Financing Sources \$6,777,990 \$7,178,430

EXPENDITURES

Capital Equipment	\$386,220
Capital Vehicles	1,727,350
Capital Projects	<u>4,664,420</u>

Total Capital Projects Fund \$6,777,990 \$7,178,430

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CLINTON RIVER RESTORATION FUND:

REVENUES

Federal Grants	\$0	\$1,000,000	
Total Revenues		<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$1,000,000</u>

EXPENDITURES

Capital Projects	\$0	\$1,000,000	
Total Clinton River Restoration Fund		<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$1,000,000</u>

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ROAD BOND CONSTRUCTION FUND:

REVENUES & OTHER FINANCING SOURCES

REVENUES

Fund Balance	\$0		
Other Revenue	136,000	136,000	
Federal Grants	0		
Total Revenues		136,000	136,000

OTHER FINANCING SOURCES

Proceeds from Long-Term Debt	8,150,000	9,884,560	
Transfer from Major Road Fund	0		
Total Other Financing Sources		<u>8,150,000</u>	9,884,560

Total Revenues & Other Financing Sources		<u>\$8,280,000</u>	<u>\$10,020,560</u>
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EXPENDITURES & OTHER FINANCING USES

EXPENDITURES

Construction	\$8,280,000	\$4,553,500	
Contribution to Fund Balance	0	5,467,060	
Total Expenditures		8,280,000	10,020,560

OTHER FINANCING USES

Transfer to Major Road Fund	0		
Total Other Financing Uses		<u>0</u>	

Total Road Bond Construction Fund		<u>\$8,280,000</u>	<u>\$10,020,560</u>
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ARTICLE III

The City Council adopts the following fee schedule for public records and services provided by the City of Sterling Heights for the fiscal year July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016. Any parts of resolutions and ordinances in conflict with this article are repealed. This article is intended to preserve all existing charges and fees set forth in any resolution, ordinance, or law which are not in conflict with this article and to fulfill the requirements of any ordinance authorizing the City Council to establish fees by resolution.

Fees for public records not set forth in this article, or in any other resolution, ordinance, or law, shall be set by the City Manager in accordance with Act 442 of the Public Acts of 1976, as amended. Fees for public services not specifically set forth in this article or in any other resolution, ordinance, or law may be established by the City Manager, who shall promptly notify the City Council in writing of each of them. The City Manager shall establish fees for public services based upon the cost of providing the public service.

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ASSESSING OFFICE:

Lot Splits.....	550.00
Lot Combinations	450.00
Processing Labels (per page)	1.30
Resident Field Sheet Fee.....	2.00
Apartment Listing (Names/Sidwells/Assessments)	60.00
Shopping Center List	60.00
Section or Subdivision Listing (per page).....	1.00
Assessing, Board of Review, & Sales Information (first page)	2.00
Additional Pages	0.30
Plat Map.....	133.00
Custom Assessment Information Report	50.00
IFEC Extension Application Fee	575.00
IFEC Request for Extension to Complete Project Application Fee	575.00
IFEC Request for Revision of Final Project Cost Application Fee.....	575.00
Application to Establish a Speculative Building Designation Fee.....	575.00
Tax Hardship Income Limits:	
1 Person.....	13,600.00
2 Person.....	15,730.00
3 Person.....	19,790.00
4 Person.....	23,850.00
5 Person.....	27,910.00
6 Person.....	31,970.00
7 Person.....	36,030.00
8 Person.....	40,090.00
Each Additional Person.....	3,800.00

Sec. 3.02

BUILDING OFFICE:

Fence Permit	38.00
Fence Permit – Masonry, Separation	56.00
Board of Code Appeals.....	226.00
Reestablish Expired Permit Fee	67.00
Overtime Inspections, Each Hour (4 hour minimum).....	89.00
Special Inspections, Each Trade (Residential).....	51.00
Special Inspections, Each Trade (Commercial)	73.00
Building Code Publication.....	Cost + 13.00 Administration fee
Building Moving Permit	297.00
Municipal Civil Infraction:	
Each Violation.....	150.00
First Repeat Offense.....	375.00
Second Repeat Offense	750.00
Third or Subsequent Repeat Offenses	1,500.00

Electrical Work

Application Fee (Non-refundable).....	36.00
Permit fee (minimum).....	48.00
Electrical Contractor’s Registration.....	26.00
Fire Alarm Contractor’s Registration	26.00
Sign Contractor’s Registration.....	26.00
Furnace Wiring	27.00
Air Conditioner Reconnect	27.00
Circuits: Each (new or extended).....	21.00
Fixtures: Each 25	21.00
Motors, Power, Heating Units, Furnaces, Transformers:	
Each ¼ to 10 HP.....	27.00
Each 11 to 30 HP.....	32.00
Each 31 to 50 HP.....	37.00
Each 51 to 60 HP.....	43.00
Each 61 and over	57.00
Feeders (Conduit, Wireways, Bus Ducts, Cables):	
Each 100 ft. (or less)	50.00
Refrigeration Units:	
Air Conditioning (residential)	27.00
Interruptible Service.....	27.00
Air Conditioning (commercial):	
Up to 5 Tons.....	32.00
5 to 40 Tons.....	50.00
Over 40 Tons.....	75.00
Electric Ranges, Ovens, Dryers, Water Heaters, X-Ray Equipment:	
Each unit of type	27.00
Swimming Pools/Hot Tubs (all)	56.00
Service (Lights, Heat, and Power):	
100 Ampere or less.....	27.00
101 to 500 Ampere.....	37.00
501 to 900 Ampere.....	50.00
900 Ampere or more	62.00
Signs: Sign Circuit	43.00

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Sign Tag Inspection.....	65.00
Sign Connection.....	70.00
General Repair & Alterations (per hour or fraction thereof)	58.00
Generator Connection.....	50.00
Motion Picture Apparatus.....	50.00
Special Inspections not specifically covered:	
Festivals	131.00
Carnivals	131.00
Circuses.....	131.00
Shop Inspection.....	74.00
Theatrical Road Show	74.00
Christmas Tree Lot.....	74.00
Temporary Wiring:	
Display Area (Sq. Ft.):	
Up to 100,000 sq. ft.....	67.00
Over 100,000 to 200,000 sq. ft.....	124.00
Over 200,000 to 300,000 sq. ft.....	148.00
Over 300,000 to 400,000 sq. ft.....	219.00
Over 400,000 sq. ft.....	292.00
Outline Tubing – Connection or Tag Inspection:	
Each 100 feet.....	74.00
Mobile Home and Trailer Park Inspections (minimum).....	51.00
Fire Alarm Inspection (minimum).....	71.00
Plan Review Fee.....	97.00
Manual Pull Station.....	12.00
A/V, Strobe, Voice Speaker	12.00
Water Flow/Tamper Switch	12.00
Heat or Smoke Detector	12.00
Flame, Duct Detector	12.00
Auxiliary Panel.....	12.00
Electric Door Release.....	12.00
Elevator Recall Status	12.00
Fire Alarm Circuit	20.00
Alterations to existing system.....	58.00
Reinspection Fee.....	58.00
Miscellaneous Fire Alarm Fee	58.00
Plumbing Work	
Application Fee (Non-refundable).....	40.00
Permit Fee (minimum).....	48.00
Plumber’s Registration	1.00
Journeyman Plumber’s Registration	0.50
Fixture Inspection: (New and Replacement)	
New Installation (minimum)	48.00
New Stack or Stack Alteration.....	18.00
Air Admittance Valve	18.00
Roof conductor.....	18.00
Sump or interceptor.....	18.00
Backflow preventor.....	18.00
Pump or Water Lift	18.00

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Hose connection (sillcocks)	18.00
Water treatment device.....	18.00
Water closets	18.00
Shower traps.....	18.00
Baths.....	18.00
Water heater	32.00
Tankless water heater.....	32.00
Basement Waterproofing.....	48.00
Sinks (any description).....	18.00
Lavatories.....	18.00
Laundry trays	18.00
Floor drains	18.00
Ice Maker	18.00
Back Water Valve	18.00
Thermal Expansion Tank	18.00
Bidet.....	18.00
Dental Chair	18.00
Grease or Oil Interceptor.....	18.00
Drinking fountains	18.00
Soda fountains/bars	18.00
Waste opening.....	18.00
Humidifiers	18.00
Food waste grinders	18.00
Dishwashers	18.00
Urinals.....	18.00
Whirlpools.....	37.00
Lawn Sprinkler Systems.....	43.00
All other fixtures not mentioned	18.00
Reinspection Fee.....	58.00
Special Equipment (automatic laundry, humidifier, beverage vending machine, vacuum systems, nitrous oxide, oxygen, nitrogen, medical air):	
Automatic Machines (minimum)	32.00
Each additional.....	18.00
Building Sewer Connection – sump connection	50.00
Drains:	
Storm drains to catch basin for main storm sewer	292.00
Lines less than 4” in diameter	28.00
Lines less than 6” in diameter	33.00
Lines less than 8” in diameter	44.00
Lines less than 10” in diameter	58.00
Lines less than 12” in diameter	74.00
Lines less than 14” in diameter	88.00
Lines less than 16” in diameter	103.00
Lines less than 18” in diameter	118.00
Lines exceeding 18” in diameter (per inch)	16.00
Water Distribution System:	
¾”	22.00
1”	33.00
1 ¼”	38.00
1 ½”	51.00

2"	67.00
2 1/2"	96.00
3"	110.00
4"	124.00
Exceeding 4"	147.00
Replace piping, no increase in size	38.00

Mechanical Work

Application Fee (Non-refundable).....	36.00
Permit Fee (minimum).....	48.00
License/Registration	15.00
Gas-Fired Equipment; Oil Burners; New or Replacement – Burners with input:	
up to 75,000.....	50.00
75,001 to 500,000.....	57.00
500,001 – 1,000,000.....	100.00
1,000,001 – 2,000,000.....	114.00
2,000,001 – 3,000,000.....	142.00
over 3,000,000.....	171.00
Air Handlers:	
Up to 2,000 CFM	50.00
Over 2,000 CFM	100.00
Duct Work	50.00
Hydronic Piping.....	58.00
Gas Piping:	
Mains up to 2"	43.00
Mains 2 1/2" to 4"	57.00
Mains over 4"	71.00
Each Opening off of Main.....	15.00
Factory Built Chimneys:	
Up to 8"	21.00
9" to 12"	32.00
Over 12"	43.00
Pre-Fab Fireplace.....	57.00
Flue Liner.....	37.00
Exhaust Fans:	
Up to 400 cfm.....	16.00
401 cfm to 1,000 cfm	21.00
1,001 cfm to 4,000 cfm	32.00
Over 4,000 cfm.....	43.00
Dryer Vents.....	21.00
Kitchen Hood and Duct (UL300/FM200).....	51.00
Spray Booth Hood and Duct.....	51.00
Alterations to existing installations.....	58.00
Alterations to existing boilers.....	58.00
Reinspection Fee.....	58.00
Refrigeration Systems – Self Contained:	
2 Tons or Less, each.....	43.00
Over 2 to 5 Tons, each.....	50.00

Alterations to each system.....	58.00
Remote Systems:	
5 Tons or Less, each.....	50.00
Over 5 to 50 Tons, each.....	71.00
Over 50 Tons, each.....	114.00
Alterations to each system.....	58.00
Cooling Towers.....	71.00
Stand Pipes and Fire Suppression:	
Riser pipe up to 4" diameter.....	44.00
Riser pipe up to 6" diameter.....	74.00
Riser pipe up to 8" diameter.....	103.00
Riser pipe 8" or more diameter.....	219.00
Each suppression opening (each head of the system).....	5.00
Alteration to existing system.....	58.00
Flammable and Bulk Storage Tanks:	
Tanks under 500 Gallons.....	50.00
Tanks under 5,000 Gallons.....	65.00
Tanks under 20,000 Gallons.....	85.00
Tanks under 50,000 Gallons.....	100.00
Tanks under 200,000 Gallons.....	114.00
Tanks over 200,000 Gallons.....	213.00

Buildings

Application Fee (Non-refundable).....	36.00
Plan Review Deposits (Non-refundable):	
Single Family Residential.....	550.00
Commercial Alteration.....	219.00
New Commercial/Industrial Building.....	1,095.00
Commercial/Industrial Addition.....	550.00
Building Permit Fees (all use groups):	
Valuation to \$1,000.....	56.00
Valuation \$1,001 to \$10,000.....	56.00 + 15.00 per 1,000.00 over 1,000.00
Valuation \$10,001 to \$100,000.....	222.00 + 6.00 per 1,000.00 over 10,000.00
Valuation \$100,001 to \$500,000.....	933.00 + 6.00 per 1,000.00 over 100,000.00
Valuation \$500,001 and over.....	4,050.00 + 6.00 per 1,000.00 over 500,000.00
Residential Bond (5% Retained).....	510.00
Temporary C/O Refundable Bond.....	530.00
Multi-Family Bond (5% Retained).....	765.00
Commercial Bond (5% Retained).....	1,550.00
Industrial Bond (5% Retained).....	3,080.00
Mobile Homes.....	149.00
Plan Review Fee:	
Valuation \$0 - \$500,000.....	0.0040 of valuation but not less than 100.00
Valuation over \$500,000.....	2,370.00 + 0.0015 of valuation over 500,000.00
Residential Plan Review: If Plan Number is on File.....	110.00
Additional Expedited Commercial Interior Alteration Plan Review Fee.....	200.00
Miscellaneous Plan Review.....	67.00
Misc. Items (concrete, antennas, awnings, sheds, canopies, tents, gazebos, decks, porches, reroofs).....	67.00
Pigeon Loft Inspection.....	67.00

Replacement of Public Sidewalk Section(s) by Abutting Property Owner.....	36.00
Use Permit (tenant space)	96.00
Fire Repair/Water Repair.....	218.00
Fire Inspection Fee (New City Businesses)	90.00
Reinspection Fee.....	58.00
Demolition:	
Plan review and administration base fee	67.00 + 0.10 per square ft.
Swimming Pools:	
Above Ground.....	71.00
Below Ground	142.00
Signs:	
Application Fee (non-refundable)	36.00
Plan Review Fee.....	67.00
Permanent.....	147.00
Temporary	67.00
Contractor Registration Fee	26.00
Residential Basement Finish.....	212.00
Residential Interior Finish	212.00
Minor Commercial Alterations under 400 sq. ft.	219.00

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CITY ADMINISTRATION:

Amusement Device License:	
Types A & B	950.00 + 62.00 per device
Renewal Fee	193.00 + 36.00 per device
Type C.....	950.00
Renewal Fee	194.00
Attorney Services.....	Attorney fees & costs
Auction Sales License (per day)	25.00
Auctioneer License	57.00
Business Registry License	47.00
Carnival/Festival License	75.00 + 6.00 each booth, ride, etc.
Cigarette Vending Machine License.....	66.00 + 6.00 each additional machine
Death and Birth Certificate (Non-FOIA)	24.00
Additional Copies (Non-FOIA)	9.00
Dog License:	
Newly Acquired Dog - Jan. 1 to Oct. 31 OR License Renewal - Jan. 1 to Mar. 31:	
Spayed/Neutered Dog:	
1-Year License	8.00
2-Year License	14.00
3-Year License	20.00
Unaltered Dog:	
1-Year License	21.00
2-Year License	40.00
3-Year License	59.00
Newly Acquired Dog - Nov. 1 to Dec. 31	
Spayed/Neutered Dog:	
1-Year License	4.00
Unaltered Dog:	

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1-Year License	10.50
Newly Acquired Dog - Registering later than 30 days after acquisition:	
Additional Late Fee.....	10.00
License Renewal - After Mar. 31:	
Additional Late Fee.....	10.00
Senior (60+) Owner.....	No charge
Service Dog.....	No charge
Potentially Dangerous Dog Annual License Fee	56.00
Replacement Dog Tag	4.50
Fire Inspection Fee (new City businesses – charged by Building)	90.00
Going Out of Business Sales License	50.00
Renewal Fee	50.00
House Moving License	75.00
Industrial Development District Filing Fee	1,000.00
Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate Filing Fee	2,000.00
Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate Application Amendment Fee	1,000.00
Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate Transfer Fee	1,000.00
New Personal Property Exemption Fee	2,000.00
Junk Yard License	275.00
Landscaper License (Non-resident)	68.00
Medical Marijuana Location Registration Fee.....	350.00
Mobile Vending License.....	189.00
Pawnbroker License.....	500.00
Refuse Collection License	99.00 + 7.00 each truck
Secondhand Goods Merchant Registration Fee	104.00
Snow Removal License	193.00
Solicitor/Peddler License	124.00
Tattoo Permit	570.00
Taxi License (annual fee).....	97.00 + 12.00 per vehicle
Temporary Use Vendor License	49.00
Wrecker Driver License (Towing Contractor).....	121.00
Renewal Fee Wrecker Driver License (Towing Contractor).....	61.00
Massage Establishment License	655.00
Renewal Fee Massage Establishment License	329.00
Precinct Map.....	7.85
City Street Map.....	4.90
Zoning Map	6.20
City Budget	52.00
Municipal Improvement Program.....	32.00
City Financial Audit.....	32.00
Collective Bargaining Agreement.....	6.20
Election Results	9.60
Voter and Business Registry Labels (per page).....	1.30
Voter and Business Registry Lists (per computer hour)	Payroll + 0.05/page
Voter Data CD	29.00
Liquor License: Class C.....	2,080.00
Tavern	2,080.00
SDD & SDM.....	2,080.00
Entertainment and/or Dance Permit	2,080.00
Extended Hours Permit	2,080.00

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Shareholder Partial Transfer.....	1,030.00
Temporary Liquor License Application Fee	34.00
Outdoor Service Permit.....	258.00
Hotel/Motel License	2,080.00
Renewal Fee Hotel/Motel License	1,030.00
Certifications.....	5.00
Photo Copies – Black & White (Non-FOIA).....	2.00
Additional Pages – Black & White (Non-FOIA).....	0.30
Photo Copies – Color (Non-FOIA).....	2.00
Additional Pages – Color (Non-FOIA)	0.85
Microfilm Copies (per page) (Non-FOIA).....	5.50
Recording Fee (formerly Encroachment Fee).....	40.00
Notary Fee	10.00
Audio Tape Recordings - prepay minimum (Non-FOIA).....	19.00
Fireworks Display Permit	720.00
Close Proximity Pyrotechnic Display Permit	720.00
Sterlingfest Art Fair Applications.....	230.00
Double Booth Fee	410.00
Corner Booth Additional Charge	30.00
Sterlingfest Art Fair Vendor Jury Fee (Non-Refundable).....	17.00
“Taste of the Town” Sterlingfest Booth – Food Cart Vendors	660.00
“Taste of the Town” Sterlingfest Booth - Restaurateurs.....	1,500.00
VHS Tape Dubs (Non-FOIA).....	36.00
DVD Dubs	
Resident (Non-FOIA).....	26.00
Non-Resident (Non-FOIA)	36.00
Gazebo Rental (per event):	
Resident.....	59.00
Non-Resident.....	90.00
Gazebo Rental for Photographs Only (per 1 hour rental):	
Resident.....	32.00
Non-Resident.....	45.00
Upton House Rental – (per 4 hour rental):	
Resident.....	59.00
Non-Resident.....	90.00
Sterling Heights Magazine Advertisement Fees:	
Full Page Ad (Full Color).....	1,538.00
Full Page Ad (Two Color).....	1,318.00
One-Half Page Ad (Full Color).....	879.00
One-Half Page Ad (Two Color)	769.00
One-Fourth Page Ad (Full Color)	496.00
One-Fourth Page Ad (Two Color)	439.00
Business Card Ad (Full Color).....	329.00
Business Card Ad (Two Color).....	274.00
Name & Phone Number Ad	110.00
Three-Edition Ad Commitment (Minimum).....	20% Discount
Environmental Recovery Fee.....	Cost + 25% Administrative Fee
Municipal Civil Infraction:	
Each Violation.....	150.00
First Repeat Offense.....	375.00

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Inspections by Consultants.....	Consultant Fee +10%
Private Development Engineering Consultant Fee	Consultant Fee +10%
Sidewalk Repair and Gap Programs	Cost +20%
Easement Vacations	Attorney fee+ 240.00
Easement Encroachments	260.00
Building Number Assignments (per address).....	22.00
S.E.S.C. Review Fee for:	
Commercial, Industrial, Multi-Family, Subdivision	¼ of 1% of first \$500,000.00
+1/8 of 1% over \$500,000.00 (50.00 minimum)	
Single-Family Residential House	70.00
Underground Private Utility	0.05 linear foot (50.00 minimum)
S.E.S.C. Inspection Fees	Payroll + 180%
S.E.S.C. Inspection by Consultant	Consultant fee +10%
S.E.S.C. Permit Renewal Fee (\$50 min.).....	10% of Permit Fee
Water & Sewer Permit Revision Review Fee.....	103.00
Public Services Agreement Execution Fee	33.00
Recording Fee	40.00
Water & Sewer Debt Service Agreement Finance Charge	20%
Document Copying for:	
24" x 36" Prints (Xerox 2510 or blueline)	8.00 each
34" x 34" Prints (Xerox 2510 or blueline)	8.00 each
Larger than 34" x 34" (Xerox 2510 or blueline).....	8.00 each
Detail Sheets (Mylar)	9.50 each
Topographic Map 36" x 36" (blueline)	42.00 each
Planimetric Map 36" x 36" (blueline)	25.00 each
Overall Watermain Map (blueline)	8.50 each
Overall Sanitary Sewer Map (blueline).....	8.50 each
Overall Storm Sewer Map (blueline)	8.50 each
Master Storm Sewer Plan (book form).....	49.00 each
Master Watermain Plan (book form).....	37.00 each
Master Sanitary Sewer Plan (book form).....	37.00 each
Master Road Plan (book form) 1998 HRC.....	49.00 each
Municipal Civil Infraction for Various Soil Erosion and Sedimentation Control Regulations:	
First and Subsequent Repeat Offenses	750.00
Municipal Civil Infraction for Unabated Knowing Violations of City Code Chapter 17:	
Each Violation.....	5,000.00
First Repeat Offense.....	7,500.00
Second and Subsequent Repeat Offenses.....	10,000.00
Municipal Civil Infraction for Unabated Knowing Violations After a Notice of Determination:	
Each Violation.....	10,000.00
First Repeat Offense.....	15,000.00
Second and Subsequent Repeat Offenses.....	20,000.00
* Class 1 projects include drain enclosures, channel improvements, sanitary sewer, water main, and pavement overlay.	
** Class 2 projects include new road construction or reconstruction, bridges, pumping stations, etc.	

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FIRE DEPARTMENT:

Fire Reports: First Page (Non-FOIA)	11.00
Additional Pages (Non-FOIA)	1.00
Digital Photographs:	
5" x 7" Color Print (Non-FOIA)	32.00
8" x 10" Color Print (Non-FOIA)	32.00
8" x 10" Contact Sheet (Non-FOIA)	32.00
Compact Disc (Non-FOIA)	25.00
Burning Permit	200.00
Fireworks Sales Permit	720.00
Fireworks Display Permit	720.00
Close Proximity Pyrotechnic Display Permit	720.00
Board of Code Appeals	240.00
Witnessed Acceptance Test Fee	170.00
Off-Hour Witnessed Acceptance Test Fee (3 hour minimum)	781.00
Each additional hour	261.00
Reinspection Fee for Witnessed Acceptance Test	170.00
Phase I Site Inspection (1 hour minimum)	60.00 + 35.00 per hour
Special Fire Prevention Inspection (festivals, craft shows, carnivals, haunted houses, flea markets)	
Each Inspection	184.00
Each Re-Inspection	184.00
Off-Hour Inspection (3 hour minimum)	261.00
Each Additional Hour	76.00
Off-Hour Re-Inspection (3 hour minimum)	261.00
Each Additional Hour	76.00
Plan Review Fee	160.00
Resubmitted Plan Review Fee	53.00
Explosive Materials Permit Fee	195.00
Requested Fire Services (Schools, Businesses, Hazmat Incidents, etc.)	Cost + 30%
Reinspection Fees:	
First Reinspection	No Fee
Second and Subsequent Reinspections	114.00
False Alarm Fees: (within a 12 month period)	
First Response	No Fee
Second Response	150.00
Third Response	320.00
Fourth and Subsequent Responses	645.00
Municipal Civil Infraction:	
First Offense Each Violation	150.00
First Repeat Offense	375.00
Second Repeat Offense	750.00
Third and Subsequent Repeat Offenses	1,500.00
Municipal Civil Infraction for Violation of a Stop Work Order:	
First Offense Each Violation	150.00
First Repeat Offense	375.00
Second Repeat Offense	750.00
Third and Subsequent Repeat Offenses	1,500.00

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NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICES:

Administrative Warrant	125.00
Board of Ordinance Nuisance Abatement Appeals	225.00
Board of Ordinance Noxious Weed Appeals	50.00
Single Family Res. Non-Homestead Inspection Fee (biennial)	128.00
Nuisance Abatement Administrative Fee	25%
Nuisance Abatement Agreement Execution Fee	Attorney Fee + 25%
Sidewalk Snow Removal Fee	Cost + 25% + 58.00
Claimed Signs:	
16 sq. ft. or less	5.00 each
17 – 31 sq. ft.	25.00 each
32 sq. ft. and over	119.00 each
Code Enforcement Inspection	57.00
Real Estate Sign Removal Fee	Contract Costs + 25% Administration Fee
Municipal Civil Infraction (Residential Parking and Signs):	
Each Violation.....	100.00
First Repeat Offense.....	250.00
Second and Subsequent Repeat Offenses.....	500.00
Municipal Civil Infraction for Prohibited Parking during a Snow Emergency:	
Each Violation.....	25.00
First Repeat Offense.....	100.00
Second and Subsequent Repeat Offenses.....	125.00

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PARKS & RECREATION:

Pavilion Rental:	
Weekday (Resident)	66.00
(Non-Resident).....	99.00
Weekend (Resident)	89.00
(Non-Resident).....	133.00
Picnic Kits:	
Weekday (Resident)	10.00
(Non-Resident).....	15.00
Weekend (Resident)	30.00
(Non-Resident).....	45.00
Nature Center Classes:	
School Field Trips (WCS/UCS Schools)	30.00
(All Other Districts per class)	45.00
Children’s Nature Classes (Resident).....	8.00
(Non-Resident)	12.00
Scout Badge Classes (Resident)	9.00
(Non-Resident)	13.00
Birthday Parties (Resident)	118.00
(Non-Resident).....	153.00
Parent & Tot Classes:	
1 Child Per Family (Resident).....	50.00
(Non-Resident)	75.00
2 Children Per Family (Resident).....	56.00
(Non-Resident)	84.00
Summer Playground:	

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Resident.....	104.00
Non-Resident.....	156.00
Field Trip Bus Fee (Per Person).....	8.00
Special Recreation Dances:	
Pre-Registered (Resident)	7.50
(Non-Resident).....	10.50
Registration at the Door (Resident).....	9.50
(Non-Resident).....	13.50
Staff Registration	1.00
Prom Dance – Individual (Resident).....	17.50
(Non-Resident).....	26.25
Special Recreation Playgrounds:	
Physically or Otherwise Health Impaired (P.O.H.I.) – Individual (Resident).....	156.00
(Non-Resident).....	234.00
Physically or Otherwise Health Impaired (P.O.H.I.) – Family (Resident).....	263.00
(Non-Resident).....	394.00
Mentally Impaired (M.I.) – Individual (Resident).....	156.00
(Non-Resident).....	234.00
Mentally Impaired (M.I.) – Family (Resident).....	263.00
(Non-Resident).....	394.00
Special Recreation:	
Early On Parent & Tot (Resident).....	32.00
(Non-Resident).....	48.00
Crafts (Resident)	8.00
(Non-Resident).....	12.00
Creative Cooking (Resident).....	8.00
(Non-Resident).....	12.00
Line Dance Exercise (Resident)	44.00
(Non-Resident)	66.00
Softball – Individual (Resident)	58.00
(Non-Resident).....	75.00
Softball – Family (Resident)	101.00
(Non-Resident).....	131.00
Farmers Market:	
Advanced Pay-Full Season.....	375.00
Per-Day Rate	20.00
Electricity (Additional Fee Per Day).....	5.00
Coffeehouse Tickets:	
Advance Tickets (Resident)	14.00
(Non-Resident)	18.00
At the Door Sales (Resident).....	15.00
(Non-Resident)	20.00
Karate:	
Resident.....	50.00
Non-Resident.....	65.00
Yoga/Fitness Classes:	
Resident.....	42.00
Non-Resident.....	55.00
Zumba:	
Resident.....	60.00

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Non-Resident.....	78.00
Men's Gym:	
Resident.....	45.00
Non-Resident.....	58.00
Senior Boys Basketball.....	530.00
Men's Softball.....	898.00
Co-ed Softball.....	587.00
Women's Softball.....	587.00
Ball Field Rental Fees – Seasonal:	
Delia or LWB Park (per field per day):	
MABF Teams/Church Teams.....	390.00
All Other Users.....	415.00
All Users – Lighted Fields Additional Fee (per day).....	63.00
Jaycee Park (per field per day):	
MABF Teams/Church Teams.....	270.00
All Other Users.....	295.00
Ball Field Rental Fees – Daily:	
Delia or LWB Park (per field per day):	
MABF Teams/Church Teams.....	68.00
All Other Users.....	78.00
All Users – Lighted Fields Additional Fee (per day).....	63.00
Jaycee Park (per field per day):	
MABF Teams/Church Teams.....	46.00
All Other Users.....	56.00
Ball Field Request to Groom/Stripe Additional Fee.....	Cost + 25%
Soccer Field Rental Fees (per field per season):	
Travel Clubs:	
Seasonal 1-3 days/week.....	560.00
Seasonal 4-7 days/week.....	850.00
Camp/Other	
Weekly (one week only).....	200.00
Daily.....	85.00
Sand Volleyball League.....	228.00
Teenfest:	
Resident.....	2.50
Non-Resident.....	3.50
Snowmobile Safety (Resident).....	15.00
(Non-Resident).....	22.00
Gymnastics:	
One-half Hour Class (Resident).....	45.00
(Non-Resident).....	67.00
One Hour Class (Resident).....	56.00
(Non-Resident).....	84.00
Dance:	
Fall Session (Resident).....	52.00
(Non-Resident).....	67.00
Winter/Spring Session (Resident).....	83.00
(Non-Resident).....	108.00
30 Minute Dance Classes:	
Fall Session (Resident).....	41.00

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(Non-Resident)	53.00
Winter/Spring Session (Resident)	53.00
(Non-Resident)	69.00
Ballroom:	
Resident.....	40.00
Non-Resident.....	60.00
Senior Center Activities:	
Aquatic Exercise (Resident).....	36.00
(Non-Resident)	47.00
Arthritis Exercise (Resident)	5.00
(Non-Resident)	7.00
Exercise (Resident)	6.00
(Non-Resident)	9.00
Golf League (Resident)	16.00
(Non-Resident).....	24.00
Line Dance (Resident).....	5.00
(Non-Resident)	7.00
Senior News Subscription per year (Resident).....	14.50
(Non-Resident)	21.75
Stained Glass Class (Resident).....	7.00
(Non-Resident).....	10.50
Tai Chi (Resident).....	6.00
(Non-Resident).....	9.00
Volleyball Player Fee (Resident)	34.00
(Non-Resident).....	51.00
Zumba Gold (Resident).....	5.00
(Non-Resident).....	7.00
Senior Bus Trip:	
1 day.....(Resident)	8.00
(Non-Resident).....	12.00
2-4 days....(Resident)	15.00
(Non-Resident).....	22.50
Extended..(Resident)	33.00
(Non-Resident).....	50.00
SMART Bus Day Trips (Resident).....	4.00
(Non-Resident)	6.00
Senior Activity Fee - per day (Resident)	0.25
(Non-Resident)	0.50
Senior Center Gymnasium Activities:	
Co-ed Pickleball (Resident)	24.00
(Non-Resident)	36.00
Track Usage Fee – After Hours (Resident).....	1.00
(Non-Resident).....	1.50
Gymnasium Usage Fee – After Hours (Resident).....	Trial Reduced Fee: 2.00
(Non-Resident)	Trial Reduced Fee: 3.00
Parks and Recreation Plan	8.75

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PLANNING:

Special Approval Land Use	569.00
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Temporary Use	416.00
Administrative Review.....	255.00
Variances to Subdivision Regulations	416.00
Right-of-Way Vacations	630.00
Rezoning Petition:	
First Acre.....	1,770.00
Additional Acre.....	69.00
Public Hearing Postponements (Petitioner Requested).....	46.00
Ordinance Text Amendment.....	1,770.00
Subdivision Plat	1,390.00
Each lot over 100 lots.....	9.30
Subdivision Open Space and One-Family Cluster Development	775.00
Tree Preservation – Site Plans and Plats.....	880.00
Tree Preservation – Single Family Lot (less than one acre)	190.00
Tree Preservation Administrative Fee.....	25% of landscape plan inspection fees
Tree Preservation Inspection Fee (per inspection/re-inspection).....	Payroll + 175%
No Tree Affidavit.....	124.00
Site Plan Review:	
First Acre.....	425.00
Additional Acre.....	71.00
Site Plan Review by Planning Commission:	
First Acre.....	570.00
Additional Acre.....	71.00
As Built Revisions	251.00
Master Land Use Report	39.00
Master Land Use Map.....	12.50
Subdivision Plat Print (per sheet)	12.50
Subordination of Lien	150.00
Zoning Board of Appeals:	
Regular Meeting.....	420.00
Special Meeting.....	840.00
Zoning Compliance Letter	62.00
Landscape Plan Inspection.....	25% of site plan fees
Municipal Civil Infraction:	
Each Violation.....	150.00
First Repeat Offense.....	375.00
Second Repeat Offense	750.00
Third or Subsequent Repeat Offenses	1,500.00

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POLICE DEPARTMENT:

Police Reports:	
First Page (Non-FOIA)	11.00
Additional Pages (Non-FOIA)	2.00
Clearance Letter.....	16.00
Noncriminal Fingerprint Card.....	25.00
Photos: 8" x 10" Color (Non-FOIA).....	33.00
5" x 7" Color (Non-FOIA).....	31.00
8" x 10" Contact Sheet (Non-FOIA).....	31.00

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Compact Disc (Non-FOIA).....	46.00
Administrative Towing Fees: (Charged to Towing Company)	
Inspection of VIN.....	23.00
Reports on TR-52 Tracking.....	28.00
Administration and Presence at Auction.....	590.00
Audio Tape Duplication Fee (Non-FOIA).....	42.00
Video Tape, DVD, CD Duplication Fee (Non-FOIA).....	46.00
Animal Give-up Fee.....	30.00
Animal Impoundment Fee (Released from Station).....	31.00
Animal Impoundment Fee (Taken to Care Hospital):	
Up to 65 pounds.....	50.00
Over 65 pounds.....	60.00
Animal Trap Rental Fee (per 5 days).....	32.00
Animal 10-Day Quarantine Fee:	
Up to 65 pounds.....	150.00
Over 65 pounds.....	170.00
Rabies Testing:	
If Owner of Animal Known.....	75.00
If Owner of Animal Known (Decapitation Required).....	150.00
Microchipping of Animal (if required per ordinance/law).....	35.00
Flea Prevention (impounded animals if owner is known).....	20.00
Cremation of Pre-Deceased Animals (if owner is known).....	25.00
Personal Breathalyzer Test (PBT).....	24.00
Booking Photo (Non-FOIA).....	11.00
Notary Fee for Gun Permits.....	10.00
Park Alcohol Permit Fee.....	34.00
Requested Police Services (Schools, Businesses, Hazmat Incidents, etc.).....	Cost + 30%
Towed Vehicle Impound Fee.....	30.00
Correctable Traffic Violation.....	10.00
Warrant Fee (All Warrants).....	10.00
False Alarm Fees: (within a 12 month period)	
First Response.....	No fee
Second Response.....	No fee
Third Response (Residential).....	35.00
Third Response (Non-Residential).....	99.00
Fourth Response (Residential).....	67.00
Fourth Response (Non-Residential).....	201.00
Fifth and Subsequent Responses (Residential).....	132.00
Fifth and Subsequent Responses (Non-Residential).....	397.00
Municipal Civil Infraction (including Animal Control Regulations):	
Each Violation.....	150.00
First Repeat Offense.....	375.00
Second Repeat Offense.....	750.00
Third and Subsequent Repeat Offenses.....	1,500.00
Municipal Civil Infraction for Prohibited Parking during a Snow Emergency:	
Each Violation.....	25.00
First Repeat Offense.....	100.00
Second and Subsequent Repeat Offenses.....	125.00
Municipal Civil Infraction for Youth Curfew Violations:	
Each Violation.....	25.00

First Repeat Offense.....	50.00
Second and Subsequent Repeat Offenses.....	100.00
Municipal Civil Infraction for Violation of Bicycle Regulations (City Parks):	
Each Violation.....	10.00
First Repeat Offense.....	25.00
Second and Subsequent Repeat Offenses.....	50.00

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PUBLIC LIBRARY:

Overdue fines (per day):	
Hardcover Books (maximum \$15.00).....	0.25
Paperback Books (maximum \$5.00).....	0.25
Magazines (maximum \$5.00).....	0.25
Audios (maximum \$15.00).....	0.25
Compact Discs (maximum \$15.00).....	0.25
Videocassettes (maximum \$15.00).....	0.25
DVD's (maximum \$15.00).....	0.25
Replacement Library Card.....	3.00
Suburban Library Cooperative Non-Resident Library Card.....	200.00
Black & White Copy/Computer Print.....	0.10
Color Copy/Computer Print.....	1.00
Microfilm/Microfiche Print (per copy).....	0.20
Internet Use Without Library Card (per day).....	4.00
Municipal Civil Infraction:	
Each Violation.....	75.00
First Repeat Offense.....	150.00
Second or Subsequent Repeat Offenses.....	300.00

Sec. 3.12

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT:

Sewer Inspection.....	103.00
Sewer Tap.....	1,130.00
Sewer Capital/Unit	
Residential.....	840.00
Commercial/Industrial (per 1,000 sq. ft.).....	430.00
Sewer Frontage (per front ft.).....	70.00
Sewage Disposal Service Only (per billing).....	70.00
Residential and Commercial Water Meters:	
¾" Remote.....	390.00
1" Remote.....	440.00
1 ½" Remote.....	755.00
2" Compound Remote.....	1,960.00
3" Compound Remote.....	3,460.00
4" Compound Remote.....	4,855.00
6" Compound Remote.....	7,200.00
Double Check Detector Assembly with Meter:	
3".....	1,930.00
4".....	2,030.00
6".....	2,910.00

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8"	5,270.00
10"	7,680.00
Water Inspection	103.00
Water Tap	
1"	1,070.00
1 1/2"	1,460.00
2"	1,710.00
3"	3,420.00
4"	3,700.00
6"	4,230.00
Additional Charge for 86 ft. wide street:	
1"	340.00
1 1/2"	390.00
2"	530.00
Additional Charge for 120 ft. wide street:	
1"	680.00
1 1/2"	870.00
2"	1,130.00
Additional Charge for 204 ft. wide street:1,440.00	
1"	1,610.00
1 1/2"	2,050.00
2"	2,920.00
Water Capital/Unit:	
Residential	660.00
Commercial/Industrial (per 1,000 sq. ft.)	350.00
Water Frontage (per front ft.)	39.00
Monitor Surcharge	per City of Detroit Industrial Waste Control Rate Structure
Water Turn On Fee	89.00
Water Service Fee (avoidable & repeat visits)	89.00
Water Service Abandonment Fee:	
Residential	460.00
Commercial	Contract Costs + 920.00
Sewer Service Abandonment Fee	103.00
Water Service Re-Use Fee	
Residential	460.00
Commercial	Contract Costs + 920.00
Sewer Service Re-Use Fee	103.00
Water Meter Testing Fee	102.00
Water Meter Rescheduling Fee	89.00
Non-Compliance with Back Flow Fee	210.00
Automatic Fixed Network Meter Read Permit	171.00
Final Water Meter Read	34.00
Final Water & Sewer Bill Preparation Fee	14.00
Citizen Water Service Request – after hours	89.00
Public Works Services Provided	Cost + 25%
Water Meter Removal/Reinstallation for common area irrigation system	195.00
Landlord/Tenant Affidavit Filing Fee	150.00
Fire Hydrant Rental – Payable by City	26.00
Private Use of Fire Hydrant:	
Per Hydrant	110.00 per month + 320.00 water usage deposit

Bypass Inspection Fee	Back bill + 135.00
Common Area Irrigation System Permit	380.00
Planting of tree in right-of-way.....	200.00
Culvert installation permit	92.00
Ditch enclosure permit.....	92.00
Monitoring well installation permit	440.00
Sewer connection to discharge treated ground water.....	440.00
Cutting of noxious weeds	Contract costs + 60% administrative fee + 33.00 fine
Special Pickup/Additional Refuse Collection.....	Contract costs + 25% administrative fee
Refuse Collection Fees (Schools)	Contract costs
Refuse Collection Fees (Mobile Home Parks and Apartment Complexes)	Contract costs
.....	+ 5% administrative fee – refuse taxes paid
Curbside Recycling License (min. \$1,500/year).....	1% of program revenue based upon previous year
Debris Removal Fee.....	Contract Costs + 25% administrative fee
Tree Branch Chipping Fee	60.00
Fleet Services Requested by Other Cities	Cost + 30%
Municipal Civil Infraction:	
Each Violation.....	150.00
First Repeat Offense.....	375.00
Second Repeat Offense	750.00
Third and Subsequent Repeat Offenses.....	1,500.00
Municipal Civil Infraction for Trash Placed at Curb Outside of Permitted Hours:	
Each Violation.....	25.00
First Repeat Offense.....	50.00
Second and Subsequent Repeat Offenses.....	100.00
Municipal Civil Infraction for Violation of a Mandatory Water Restriction:	
Each Violation.....	25.00
First Repeat Offense.....	50.00
Second and Subsequent Repeat Offenses.....	100.00
Municipal Civil Infraction for Raking Leaves Into Street:	
Each Violation.....	25.00
First Repeat Offense.....	50.00
Second and Subsequent Repeat Offenses.....	100.00

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TREASURY OFFICE:

Bounced Check Fee	30.00
Delinquent Bill to Tax Roll Penalty (excluding Water & Sewer).....	17%
Late Payment Penalty	6%
Penalty Assessment on Delinquent Taxes	3%
Tax Statement Copy (Internet – Free).....	2.00
Attorney Review Fee for Liens or Discharges.....	78.00
Subordination of Lien	500.00
Annual Lien Penalty	6% + lien filing costs
O.U.I.L./O.U.I.D.....	320.00 + additional reimbursements
Property Tax Administration Fee (P.T.A.F.)	1%
Municipal Civil Infraction for Failure to Pay Police or Fire False Alarm Invoices:	
Each Violation.....	150.00
First Repeat Offense.....	375.00

Second Repeat Offense	750.00
Third and Subsequent Repeat Offenses.....	1,500.00

ARTICLE IV

The City Manager is hereby authorized to make transfers within the budgetary centers established in this ordinance but all transfers between budgetary centers, contingencies, reserves, and fund balances shall be made only by further action of the City Council pursuant to law; the City Manager is hereby authorized to sign letters of severance after notifying the City Council and establish City programs which are a de minimis, but necessary expenditure for the benefit of the recipient employee and funded through appropriations in this ordinance; the City Manager is hereby authorized to release bidding documents for those capital items and recurring commodities expressly authorized within appropriations in this ordinance for public review by the City Council following receipt of bids.

ARTICLE V

SEVERABILITY

If any clause, sentence, paragraph, or part of this ordinance, or the application thereof to any person or circumstance, shall for any reason be adjudged by any Court of competent jurisdiction to be unconstitutional or invalid, said judgment shall not affect, impair, or invalidate the remainder of this ordinance and the application of such provision to other persons or circumstances, but shall be confined in its operation to the clause, sentence, paragraph, or part thereof directly involved in the controversy in which such judgment shall have been rendered and to the person or circumstances involved. It is hereby declared to be the legislative intent of this body that the ordinance would have been adopted had such invalid provision not been included.

ARTICLE VI

EFFECTIVE DATE

This ordinance shall become effective upon publication.

AYES: Romano, Taylor, Koski, Schmidt, Shannon, Skrzyniarz, Ziarko

NAYES: None

ABSENT: None

City of Sterling Heights
City Clerk

INTRODUCED: 06/21/16
ADOPTED: 07/05/16
PUBLISHED: 07/13/16
EFFECTIVE: 07/13/16

Yes: All. The motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA

6. Moved by Koski, seconded by Romano, **RESOLVED**, to approve the Consent Agenda:
- A. To approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of June 21, 2016, as presented.
- B. To approve the payment of the bills as presented: General Fund - \$1,254,352.91, Water & Sewer Fund - \$206,244.99, Other Funds - \$606,990.38, Total Checks - \$2,067,588.28.
- C. **RESOLVED**, to
- a) Award the bid for a 2017 Ford F550 4x4 Supercab XLT cab and chassis from Jorgensen Ford Sales, Inc., 8333 Michigan Avenue, Detroit, MI 48210, in the amount of \$50,666.66;
- b) Approve the purchase of a KC1 08 service body and accessories from Knapheide Truck Equipment, 1200 S. Averill Avenue, Flint, MI 48503, through an Oakland County cooperative bid, contract no. 004021, in the amount of \$17,486.10; and
- c) Authorize an amendment to the Water & Sewer Fund budget in the amount of \$15,652.76 from Water & Sewer Fund net assets.
- D. **RESOLVED**, to approve the rental and cleaning of uniforms, shop towels, and floor mats from Cintas Corporation, 51518 Quadrate Drive, Macomb, MI 48042, for the period July 6, 2016 through March 31, 2019 at unit pricing available through the U.S. Communities Government Purchasing Alliance

cooperative bid, contract #12-JLH-011 C and authorize the City Manager to sign all documents required in conjunction with this approval on behalf of the City (Estimated annual expenditure of \$18,796.30).

- E. RESOLVED, to award the bid for print shop/copy paper and envelopes to Veritiv Operating Company, 1376 Rankin, Troy MI 48083, for the period of six months from date of bid award at the unit prices bid, and authorize the City Manager to exercise the option to extend the bid period for an additional six-month period under the same terms and conditions upon mutual consent. (Estimated annual expenditure of \$27,217.41).
- F. RESOLVED, to purchase Neptune water meters and replacement parts from Michigan Meter Technology Group, Inc., 799 E. Whitcomb Avenue, Madison Heights, MI 48071, at unit pricing available through an Oakland County cooperative bid, contract #004361, through October 31, 2017. (Total estimated annual expense of \$155,000).
- G. RESOLVED, to purchase 18 Dell Latitude 14 Rugged Laptops and 17 Dell Havis Docks with power supply from Access Interactive, L.L.C., 46665 Magellan Drive, Novi, MI 48377, at a cumulative cost of \$61,674.90.
- H. RESOLVED/ to purchase Federal brand police ammunition at unit pricing available through the State of Michigan cooperative bid MiDeal contract #071 83200095, through August 31, 2016.
- I. RESOLVED, to award the bid for utility structure and concrete repairs to Luigi Ferdinandi & Son Cement Company, Inc., 16481 Common Road,

Roseville, MI 48066, at unit prices bid through December 31, 2016.
(Estimated cost of \$125,000 through December 31, 2016).

- J. RESOLVED, to extend the terms and conditions of the proposal by GDI Omni, 24300 Southfield Road, Suite 220, Southfield, MI 48075 for custodial and janitorial services for a one-year period, and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign, as applicable, all required documentation on behalf of the City, subject to review and approval by the City Attorney. (Estimated annual expenditure of \$280,167).
- K. RESOLVED, to approve the fiscal year 2016/2017 schedule of regular City Council meetings and direct the City Clerk to post notices in accordance with the Open Meetings Act.
- L. RESOLVED, to schedule a public hearing for August 3, 2016 for the purpose of hearing any objections to the changing of the name of the private street Ford County Lane to Suburban Drive and to direct City Administration to provide notice of the public hearing in accordance with City Charter Section 16.05.
- M. RESOLVED, to set a public hearing on Wednesday, August 3, 2016 at 7:30 p.m. regarding the application by Chardam Gear Company, Inc. to establish an Industrial Development District (IDD) at 40810 Brentwood Drive, 40765 Mound Road, 40805 Mound Road, and 40821 Mound Road.

- N. RESOLVED/ to set a public hearing on Wednesday, August 31, 2016 at 7:30 p.m. regarding the application by Ric-Man Construction, Inc. for an Industrial Facilities Tax Exemption Certificate at 42600 R Mancini Drive.
- O. RESOLVED, to approve the application by Cora Management, Inc., d/b/a Najeeb Grill Cafe, for a Type B Amusement Device License located at 4075 E. Fourteen Mile Rd., Sterling Heights, MI 48310.

Yes: All. The motion carried.

CONSIDERATION

7. Mr. Vanderpool explained the term of the current collective bargaining agreement expired on June 30, 2016. They have been negotiating and are pleased to announce a new agreement. He outlined the highlights of the new agreement, stating it is a three-year agreement through June 30, 2019. The wages are in accordance with some of the other agreements that have been recently approved, with a 1% increase this fiscal year, a 1.5% increase the following year and a 1.5% increase in the final year. There are equity adjustments to five classifications to better reflect changed duties. The four unpaid holidays and four unpaid furlough days will be eliminated by next July. Full-time members with a Master's Degree will receive \$1,000 per year allowance paid on a bi-weekly basis, with part-time members receiving \$500 per year. Members will have the option of being paid 50% of their sick time bank in excess of seven days and new full-time members will be paid 10% less than the current wage rates, and these new hires will eventually earn the equivalent wages of the existing employees through step

increases. The health insurance allowance paid to members who opt out of the City's health insurance coverage has increased from \$1,500 to \$3,000. Calculation of final average compensation for existing eligible members with pension benefit caps on the amount of vacation, sick and personal time buy-back for calculating the FAC is eliminated. The defined benefit plan has been eliminated for general employees, and the grandfathered members have reduced multipliers to achieve smaller pensions. The eligibility for retiree health care and pension benefits for age 60 and 10 years of service has been eliminated, but the age and service requirement of 75 remains in the collective bargaining agreement. Pensions and retiree health care have been eliminated for new employees. New hires will receive "PTO" (Paid Time Off) in lieu of Vacation, Personal and Sick time, which provides greater flexibility and increased productivity. The full-time/part-time ratio has been increased from 55% : 45% to 60% : 40%, while the Parks and Recreation ratio remains at 50% full-time and 50% part-time. Pension benefits, medical coverages, retiree medical coverages and longevity payments continue to be at reduced levels. Mr. Vanderpool acknowledged the willingness of this bargaining unit to work collaboratively through these labor issues, and he thanked Mr. Bahorski and Mr. Blessed for working hard on this proposal that is before the Council tonight.

Mayor Taylor opened the discussion up to the audience.

There was no one in the audience who wished to speak on this issue.

Moved by Ziarko, seconded by Romano, **RESOLVED**, to approve the collective bargaining agreement and memorandum of understanding between the City of Sterling Heights and the Michigan Association of Public Employees (MAPE) Professional and Technical Employees for the period of July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2019 and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign all documents required in conjunction with this approval on behalf of the City.

Councilwoman Ziarko stated this has been explained and everyone is working together to accomplish this and they are moving forward.

Mayor Pro-Tem Romano agreed with Councilwoman Ziarko, and stated that the wage increase for 2016-17 is 1%. He stated that generally when people receive wage increases, it is usually at a rate of 2% to 3% a year. He stated having the employees agree to the 1% is a “hats off” to them, and he appreciated what they do for the City. He added this is a way the Council can give back to them.

Yes: All. The motion carried.

8. Mayor Taylor opened the discussion to the audience.

Mr. Charles Jefferson inquired as to whether these appointees are representatives or agents of the City of Sterling Heights and why they have to take an oath of office if they are not.

Dr. Steve Naumovski stated he was reappointed to the Ethnic Committee and hopes the City will continue to appoint good people.

Moved by Romano, seconded by Taylor, RESOLVED, to nominate John Pitrone for consideration as an appointee to the Board of Ordinance Appeals Panel II (OBA II) – Alternate Member at the July 19, 2016 regular City Council meeting.

Yes: All. The motion carried.

Moved by Romano, seconded by Schmidt, RESOLVED, to nominate Michael Stickney for consideration as an appointee to the Board of Ordinance Appeals Panel I (OBA I) – Alternate Member at the July 19, 2016 regular City Council meeting.

Yes: All. The motion carried.

Mayor Taylor requested clarification on how many vacancies need to be filled on the OBA I and II.

Mr. Carufel replied to inquiry that at the last meeting, the Council filled one alternate member position on each, and since they found out they need two alternate members on each, they are now asking for the appointment of one more alternate member to each of the two panels. They will then have five regular members and two alternates on each panel.

Mayor Taylor recommended Louis Ottolini to be considered as an appointed to OBA II – Alternate Member.

Moved by Romano, seconded by Taylor, RESOLVED, to nominate Louis Ottolini for consideration as an appointee to the Board of Ordinance Appeals Panel II (OBA II) at the July 19, 2016 regular City Council meeting.

Yes: All. The motion carried.

Mayor Taylor recommended Benjamin D. McMartin to be considered as an appointee to OBA I, noting that Mr. McMartin rated this Board as his top priority. He stated he talked with Mr. McMartin, who indicated his willingness to serve on this board.

Moved by Romano, seconded by Schmidt, RESOLVED, to nominate Benjamin D. McMartin for consideration as appointee to the Board of Ordinance Appeals I (OBA I) at the July 19, 2016 regular City Council meeting.

Yes: All. The motion carried.

Mayor Taylor recommended Paul Zdzieblowski to be considered as an appointee to OBA I, noting that Mr. Zdzieblowski listed this Board as his second priority. He spoke with him earlier today and he indicated he is excited to serve on this Board.

Moved by Romano, seconded by Taylor, RESOLVED, to nominate Paul Zdzieblowski for consideration as an appointee to the Board of Ordinance Appeals I (OBA I) at the July 19, 2016 regular City Council meeting.

Yes: All. The motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITIZENS

Dr. Steve Naumovski – felt flags should be allowed as they are important to the ethnic community. Had successful community television program, “Getting to Know Your Neighbor”. Suggested a community television show introducing the local candidates running for office.

Ms. Linda Godfrey – stated breakdown on prices for Parks &

Recreation plan and total comes to over \$60 million, not the \$45 million advertised for the proposed millage. Said the ballot language for the millage proposal does not have to go through scrutiny, and it does not include the cap of \$40 to \$45 million; Language on ballot needs to be changed to be more transparent.

Ms. Jackie Ryan – stated the 3.35 mills approved for local roads versus neighborhood streets, and the proposed Parks & Recreation proposal; City needs to be transparent and outline all costs. Concerned about City going into debt for this, when many residents have not gotten raises.

Ms. Dolores Hatton – Thanked those responsible for restoring the name “Kleino” to the road off of Utica Road. Workmanship on Marne Road in Wanda Park Subdivision is very poor quality.

Mr. Bob Moffa – questioned who are the “Citizens for Accountable Government”. He loves the parks in the area but will be voting “no” on the ballot proposal because it is too much money.

Mr. John Spica – concerned about City Council trying to silence some of the members of the public speaking at the last meeting. Raised a concern at the last meeting about cement buckling in a street, and it has been resolved. Stated \$31 million being spent and wasted on the Freedom Hill lawsuit.

Mr. Charles Jefferson – said when additional money comes in from property sales, etc., a credit should be issued to the residents instead of spending it on something else. How many infractions were issued as a result of the fireworks.

Opposed to police having to witness the fireworks being set off before they can issue violations.

Ms. Beth deBaptiste-Follis, 53741 Whitby Way, Shelby Township, Michigan 48316 – introduced herself and noted she is running for office in upcoming election so her signs will be around.

Mr. Jeffrey Norgrove – Claim that City lost \$33 million over Freedom Hill lawsuit is wrong, because the Council went to court and recovered that money through insurance. Mayor needs to tell people to sit down or have them escorted out if they are in violation of the Sterling Heights Governing Body Rules of Procedure.

Mr. Dennis White – talked about a recent article in Macomb Daily dealing with public restrooms and the LGBT community.

REPORTS FROM CITY ADMINISTRATION AND CITY COUNCIL

Mr. Vanderpool stated he can address some of the concerns and questions raised this evening. He clarified that the comment made earlier regarding the Recreating Recreation Initiative not having a cap was not accurate. He stated it is proposed to assess each homeowner an amount not to exceed 0.97 mill for twenty years, and that is the cap. It is anticipated that would fund approximately \$45 million worth of projects outlined in the Recreating Recreation Initiative. That would include the \$1.2 million annually for operations and maintenance for the various amenities. The list the resident showed this evening that reflected \$60 million of projects is inaccurate, and he clarified that is the City's Master Plan list for

various projects that have been in the plan for decades. Not all of those projects are within the \$45 million Recreating Recreation Initiative. The average cost for the typical home in Sterling Heights is \$63 annually, and if it is approved, the projects would be bid and would come back to the City Council so there are numerous checks and balances. Mr. Vanderpool addressed an earlier comment about 0.8 mil for Safe Streets and whether that is enough money. He explained that entire millage, totaling \$3.3 million each year, goes directly into neighborhood road improvements, so the \$20 million or more over the six-year term will be spent on the roads. He clarified that is only one source of road funding, and the City is spending in excess of \$100 million over a five-year period from various sources, including state and federal funding, and the Safe Street millage is just one of those sources. They have equipment out every day patching and filling potholes. He stated they do not always get it 100% right, and there was one project where they may need to come back with some remedies and he agreed with Ms. Hatton that there are some problems with it. He reported that the City issued citations on fireworks over the last three days, and although he does not have a number, he will get that to City Council and the community. He reminded that after tonight, fireworks are not permitted in Sterling Heights until the Labor Day holiday.

Mr. Kaszubski reported he had nothing further to add.

Mayor Pro-Tem Romano stated the main entrance of his subdivision is being torn out and redone by Gallo Construction. He reported that he is extremely pleased

with the great job they have been doing. He addressed the issue of fireworks, stating that he enjoyed the fireworks on the 4th of July but does not enjoy them on other nights. He added that anyone wishing to thank someone for all of these fireworks can thank Senator Tory Rocca, who co-sponsored the bill that changed Michigan's laws to allow the commercial-grade fireworks on certain days of the year.

Councilman Skrzyniarz stated there has been a lot of talk about how more road repairs are needed, and if the State of Michigan passed legislation similar to this community's Safe Street millage, the City would not have had to do it. He commended the residents of Sterling Heights for approving this. He stated that the city is run very well by Mr. Vanderpool and Mr. Baker because they believe data is very important and they make their decisions based on that data. The city has done some benchmarking so they can tell how the city is doing in comparison to cities of similar size. He stated the tax revenue per resident is \$401 and out of ten comparable cities, Sterling Heights is number ten. The City of Southfield is at the top of the list at \$846, and most other cities are double the amount of tax paid per resident in Sterling Heights. Regarding expenditures, Sterling Heights is number ten on the list at \$1,099 per resident. Dearborn is at \$2,139 per resident, and even a city in the middle of the list, such as Troy, is \$800 more than Sterling Heights. He stated Sterling Heights is assessed \$13 per resident for Parks & Recreation expenditures, whereas in Dearborn they pay \$144 per resident. Grand Rapids is assessed \$38 and they are number nine on the list, which is over three

times what the residents of Sterling Heights spends on Parks and Recreation. He reminded the ballot issue in the fall is not only about new buildings but also having funds to take care of the existing parks. The total amount of State Equalized Values (SEV's) in the City, when added together, place Sterling Heights third in the State at \$5 billion, which is even higher than Grand Rapids. He cited more data with regard to employee expenditures, government debt, water and sewer bills, and in each area, the City of Sterling Heights is also ten out of ten, with all of the other cities paying more. Councilman Skrzyniarz compared the average tax bill from 2008 to the average tax bill in 2017, and the 2017 tax bill is \$200 cheaper today than it was in 2008. The City has had to deal with the cap, as well as the state divesting itself from revenue sharing, and he said it is important that the residents know the facts and go to the website to look at the data as they take on these challenges.

Mayor Taylor reminded that the Polish Festival is this weekend at the Polish Century Club, and there will be a Pierogi-eating contest at 3:30 Saturday afternoon.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no Unfinished Business discussed.

NEW BUSINESS

There was no New Business discussed.

ADJOURN

Moved by Ziarko, seconded by Romano, to adjourn the meeting.

Yes: All. The motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:37 p.m.

MARK CARUFEL, City Clerk