



City of Pleasant Ridge
23925 Woodward Avenue
Pleasant Ridge, Michigan 48069

**Public Hearing and Regular City Commission Meeting
July 10, 2018**

Having been duly publicized, Deputy Mayor Perry called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

Present: Commissioners Krzysiak, Perry, Scott, Wahl
Also Present: City Manager Breuckman, City Attorney Need, City Clerk Drealan
Absent: Mayor Metzger

Public Discussion

Mr. Jake Cunningham, 246 Withington, Ferndale is running for 6th Circuit Court Judge. He is currently Judge Brennan's staff attorney in the Family Division.

Governmental Reports

(None)

City Commission Liaison Reports

Commissioner Perry reported on the Planning Commission/DDA. The next meeting is July 23rd at 7:00 p.m.

Commissioner Scott reported on the Historical Commission. The next meeting will be in September. There is an event on August 9th at 7:00 p.m. discussing kit houses. Andrew and Wendy Much, the Kit House Hunters, will be the speakers.

Commissioner Wahl reported on the Recreation Commission. She reported that the Camp is going well. Adult Swim is July 18th at the pool. Ice Cream Social on July 25th from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. On August 15th at 7:00 p.m. is the Synchro Show at the pool. Residents can still sign up to participate.

Commissioner Krzysiak reported on Ferndale Public Schools. The School Board presented the last Eagle of the Month Award for this school year. It was presented to Kaylee Griffin from Ferndale Upper Elementary. The Superintendent delivered a summary of the school year. The District's budget for the upcoming school year was approved, as was the teachers' contract.

Consent Agenda

18-3375

Motion by Commissioner Wahl, second by Commissioner Scott, to approve the consent agenda as presented.

Adopted: Yeas: Commissioners Wahl, Scott, Krzysiak, Perry.
 Nays: None

Public Hearing Soliciting Comments Regarding Amendment to Chapter 42 of the Penal Code - Disorderly Persons

City Manager Breuckman noted that the request for this amendment came from the Police Department.

Deputy Mayor Perry opened the public hearing at 7:39 p.m.
With no comments or discussion, Deputy Mayor Perry closed the public hearing at 7:40 p.m.

Commissioner Krzysiak inquired as to what caused the request for these amendments. Breuckman stated that this request was the result of years of keeping track of incidents within the city and the need for better ordinance language to help the police deal with certain situations. There was discussion regarding how the previous ordinance language had been applied and why these amendments were necessary. Previously these situations fell under state law which then requires a county prosecutor to get involved. The ordinance amendments allow these situations to be handled locally. The proposed language is similar to that found in other communities.

18-3376

Motion by Commissioner Scott, second by Commissioner Wahl, to adopt the amendments and additions to Ordinance 433, Chapter 42, Penal Code, as presented.

Adopted: Yeas: Commissioners Scott, Wahl, Krzysiak, Perry.
 Nays: None

Chariot Local Area Transit Program Sponsorship

City Manager Breuckman indicated that this weekend service, which is modeled after the K-Line in Grosse Pointe, was previously discussed in the winter of 2017. Previous discussions included too many cities to make it viable. Ferndale is now working with a service called Chariot. The plan is for Pleasant Ridge to partner with Ferndale in this program. The Chariot program is part of Ford Motor Company's Smart Mobility program. The service will be free during the pilot period. There may be a fee applied in the future. The drivers are hired and managed by the Chariot program. There is an app that will show users the route and where the vehicles are located. Users are asked to check in online so that data can be collected regarding usage. A map of the proposed route was presented. The plan is that one vehicle will run from Thursday through Saturday from 4:00 p.m. to 12:00 a.m. An additional vehicle will run from 5:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. During those peak hours it is expected that there will be a 15-minute headway. No reservation is currently required but might be during popular events. The seven-month pilot will run from September through the end of March, 2019. Door to door service might be considered in the future. The request is to reaffirm the previous \$10,000 commitment, \$5000 from DDA and \$5000 from the City, for this new program.

Larry Stiffman, 18 Sylvan, supports the transit system but indicates that there is a problem with the stop at Sylvan and Indiana. He has questions regarding where riders would park their cars and where the shuttle stop would be placed. He also expressed concerns regarding whether there would be shelter or a bench for people waiting for the shuttle. He proposed moving the stop to Woodward and Sylvan.

Breuckman indicated that the Indiana and Sylvan stop was chosen because it is convenient for both east and west side residents. He noted that the vehicles seat eight to twelve people. He also noted that, with the app feature, riders can know when to expect the shuttle and so their wait time will likely be short.

Krzysiak acknowledged the concerns regarding some of the stops and expressed support for the SMART bus system as well. He hopes that the local shuttle does not undermine use of the larger bus system. There was discussion regarding whether a local shuttle system helps get more people comfortable with using public transportation overall. Scott noted that local shuttle systems often shift their stops and routes based on crowdsourcing data and actual usage.

18-3377

Motion by Commissioner Scott, second by Commissioner Wahl, to allocate \$10,000 to the Chariot Local Area Transit Program, \$5000 of which is contingent upon the DDA reconfirming their contribution.

Adopted: Yeas: Commissioners Scott, Wahl, Krzysiak, Perry.
 Nays: None.

City Manager's Report

A construction update has been posted on the website and Facebook page. Ridge Road will be closing July 18. It is scheduled to be reopened on August 1st. A contract to construct the new room at the Community Center will be presented at the August meeting and should be completed by November.

Other Business

Commissioner Krzysiak noted that the July book is *Mayflower*, by Nathaniel Philbrick.

City Clerk Drealan noted that there is an election August 7th. Applications for absentee ballots and sample ballots are on the website and can be obtained at city hall. Polls will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

With no further business or discussion, Deputy Mayor Perry adjourned the meeting at 8:19 p.m.

Mayor Kurt Metzger

Amy M. Drealan, City Clerk
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