



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

**City Commission Meeting
January 12, 2021
Agenda**

Honorable Mayor, City Commissioners and Residents: This shall serve as your official notification of the Regular City Commission Meeting to be held Tuesday, January 12, 2021, at 7:30pm, via teleconference as described below. The following items are on the Agenda for your consideration:

REGULAR CITY COMMISSION MEETING – 7:30 P.M.

1. Meeting Called to Order.
2. Pledge of Allegiance.
3. Roll Call.
4. PUBLIC DISCUSSION – items not on the Agenda.
5. Governmental Reports.
6. City Commission Liaison Reports.
 - Commissioner Scott – Historical Commission.
 - Commissioner Wahl – Recreation Commission.
 - Commissioner Budnik – Ferndale Public Schools.
 - Commissioner Perry – Planning/DDA.
7. Consideration of the following Consent Agenda.

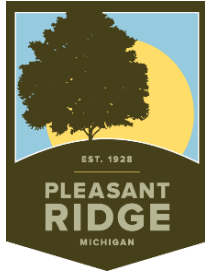
All items listed on the Consent Agenda are considered to be routine by the City Commission, will be enacted by one motion and approved by a roll call vote. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a City Commissioner or visitor so requests, in which event, the item will be removed from the consent agenda and considered as the last item of business.

 - a. Minutes of the minutes of the Public Hearing and Zoning Board of Appeals meeting held Tuesday, December 1, 2020 and the Regular City Commission Meeting held Tuesday, December 8, 2020.
 - b. Monthly Disbursement Report.
8. Establish a public hearing on Tuesday, February 9, 2021 at 7:30pm to solicit public comments on an ordinance to amend Pleasant Ridge City Code, Chapter 54, Article I – Temporary and Nonconforming Signs, Section 54-2 – Definition, Section 54-7(b)(6) – Election Signs, Section 54-7(b)(8) – Sandwich Board Signs, Section 54-7(b)(9) – Street Banner Signs, and to amend the Pleasant Ridge Zoning Ordinance, Chapter 82, to remove the provisions dealing with temporary signs, and to revise sections of Chapter 82 accordingly.

9. **Junior Commission Appointments.**
 - a. **Historical Commission.**
 - b. **Planning Commission/DDA.**
 - c. **Recreation Commission.**
 - d. **Library Board.**
10. **Street sign replacement discussion.**
11. **City Commission moving into closed session under section 8(e) of the Open Meetings Act, and MCL 15.268 (e) and (h), to consult with our attorney regarding trial or settlement strategy in connection with Phillips v City of Pleasant Ridge, et al., Circuit Court Case No. 17-157620-NZ.**
12. **City Manager's Report**
13. **Other Business.**
14. **Adjournment.**

Due to the COVID-19 State of Emergency declared by the Governor's Executive Order 2020-4, the limitation on public assemblies of Executive Order 2020-11, and the permitting of public meetings by remote participation allowed by Governor's Executive Order 2020-15, the January 12, 2021, Pleasant Ridge City Commission meeting will be conducted via remote participation.

All members of the public will be permitted to participate during the public comment and public hearing portions of the meeting. There are two ways that members of the public can participate in the meeting 1) by joining the Zoom meeting by computer videoconference, or 2) by watching the meeting livestream on the City's YouTube channel or public access channel and providing comments by email at appropriate times during the meeting. If you have any ADA questions, please call the Clerk's Office (248) 541-2901.



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Public Hearing and Zoning Board of Appeals Meeting December 1, 2020

Having been duly publicized, Mayor Metzger called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

Present: Mayor Metzger, Commissioners Budnik, Perry, Scott, Wahl,
Also Present: City Manager Breuckman, City Attorney Need, City Clerk Allison
Absent: None

38 Ridge Road

Mr. Stephen Plane, 38 Ridge Road, Pleasant Ridge, for a for a use variance to Section 84-193(9), of the Pleasant Ridge Zoning Ordinance, to allow a combination of uses that would allow the accessory building to be used as habitable space.

Section 82-193(9) of the Zoning Ordinance prohibits residential occupancy of an accessory building. In order to maintain reasonable enforcement of this provision, a combination of services may not be provided that would allow an accessory building to be converted to habitable space. Generally, there are three types of service that all must be present to allow a building to be used as habitable space: Water/sewer, electric, and gas/heat/HVAC. Accessory buildings can only have two of the three services.

The applicant is requesting a variance to allow all three services to be present in the accessory building. The applicant represents that they have no intention of using the accessory building as habitable space or as an accessory dwelling unit, however, approval of the variance would create the possibility that the structure could be converted to habitable space in the future by the current or any future property owners.

The applicant has constructed an accessory building which includes a garage and pool house. The pool house portion of the structure includes a bathroom, meaning that water/sewer and electrical are present in the structure. In March of this year the building received zoning approval prior to the building permits being issued. The zoning review ensured that the building met applicable dimensional standards and exterior design standards. On March 20, 2020 the City issued a building permit for the project, including a note on the permit that it could not be used as a dwelling unit. On June 26, 2020, the applicant requested a separate electric meter for the garage. This request was denied by the City in writing on July 15 citing the combination of services issue. Allowing a separate meter would make it easier to convert the structure into habitable space in the future. In September the applicant applied for a permit to install a mini-split HVAC unit. This was denied on September 15, 2020 citing the combination of services issue.

Sheet A102 of the approved plans includes a callout for a ceiling mounted Mitsubishi HVAC unit. This note was missed during the initial zoning review. However, this error in the initial review does not preclude the City from correcting our error by denying the permit to install HVAC service to the building.

In order to grant the variance, there would need to be a 2/3 vote of the Zoning Board members.

Mayor Metzger opened the public hearing a 6:20pm.

Mr. George Lenko, 32 Oakland Park, sent a written notification he is in favor of granting the variance.

Mr. John Sargent, 40 Ridge Road, is in favor of granting the variance.

With no further comments or discussion, Mayor Metzger closed the public hearing at 6:22pm.

20-ZBA-3486

Motion by Commissioner Perry, second by Commissioner Scott, in the matter of the request for a use variance to Section 84-193(9), to allow a combination of uses that would allow the accessory building to be used as habitable space, the Zoning Board of Appeals denies the variance with the following findings and subject to any applicable conditions:

Findings

1. The property is already used for the purposes permitted in the Zoning District, and as such, a use variance to expand the uses already permitted is not necessary or justified.
2. There are no unique circumstances peculiar to the property that support the request for a use variance.
3. Approval of the variance would alter the essential character of the area.
4. The problem is self-created. While the initial zoning review did not comment on the note indicating that a mini-split HVAC unit was proposed, the proposal always violated the zoning ordinance.
5. The spirit of the Zoning Ordinance will not be observed, and substantial justice will not be done by providing a special benefit to the applicant that is not enjoyed by other properties in the zoning district, and which will promote future requests for similar variances that undermine the integrity of the Zoning Ordinance.

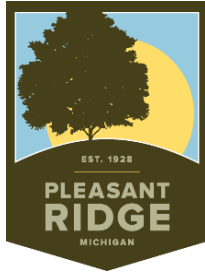
Adopted: Yeas: Commissioners Perry, Scott, Budnik, Wahl, Mayor Metzger

Nays: None

With no further business, Mayor Metzger adjourned the meeting at 6:36pm.

Mayor Kurt Metzger

Amy M. Allison, City Clerk



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**Regular City Commission Meeting
December 8, 2020**

Having been duly publicized, Mayor Metzger called the meeting to order at 7:32pm.

Present: Mayor Metzger, Commissioners Budnik, Perry, Scott, Wahl,
Also Present: City Manager Breuckman, City Attorney Need, City Clerk Allison
Absent: None

FY20 Annual Audit

Mr. Aaron Stevens, auditor from Maner Costerisan, gave a brief presentation regarding the City's annual audit.

20-3487

Motion by Commissioner Perry, second by Commissioner Wahl, that the audit of the City's financial statements for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2020 be received and filed.

Adopted: Yeas: Commissioners Perry, Wahl, Budnik, Scott, Mayor Metzger
Nays: None

Public Discussion

None.

Governmental Reports

Chief Kevin Nowak, Pleasant Ridge Police Department, reminded residents to lock their homes and car doors. Be aware of packages that are being delivered to homes over the holiday season.

Commissioner Scott gave an update from the Historical Commission. September 11, 2021 is the tentative date for the Home and Garden Tour. Centennial home recipients have been notified and may purchase their tile at City Hall. Upcoming openings for the Commission. The next meeting will be held in January 2021.

Commissioner Perry gave an update from the Planning Commission/DDA. There was a meeting to discuss an upcoming ordinance amendment regarding signs. Manager Breckman indicated the public hearing regarding the proposed ordinance will be held Monday, December 14th at 7pm.

Commissioner Budnik gave an update from the Ferndale Public School Board.

Commissioner Wahl gave an update from the Recreation Commission. She detailed upcoming events related to the Recreation Department.

Consent Agenda

20-3488

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

Adopted: Yeas: Commissioners Budnik, Scott, Perry, Wahl, Mayor Metzger
Nays: None

Interlocal Agreement between the City of Pleasant Ridge and the City of Berkley for Emergency Dispatch Services

20-3489

Motion by Commissioner Perry second by Commissioner Wahl, that that the Interlocal agreement between the City of Pleasant Ridge and the City of Berkley for Police Dispatch services, be approved and that the Mayor be authorized the sign the agreement.

Adopted: Yeas: Commissioners Perry, Wahl Budnik, Scott, Mayor Metzger
Nays: None

Investment Committee Report regarding investment allocations

Scott and Breuckman gave a presentation regarding the results of the last investment committee meeting and the fund allocations.

City Manager's Report

Gainsboro Park Pavilion project is underway. Curbside leaf collection has ended, homeowners can place bagged leaves at the curb until December 14, 2020. Specific sewer leads on Amherst have been replaced and process was smooth and successful, concrete will be replaced in the spring. City Hall will be closed between December 28th – January 4th. Budnik congratulated staff regarding the budget and audit.

Other Business

Scott makes request for historical photographs for the Pleasant Ridge Then and Now update. Requesting information regarding use of the City Seal. Metzger gave information regarding Toys for Tots drop off site and hours for drop off. Stamper gave update regarding the Coats for the Cold program and the amount of donations from Pleasant Ridge residents. Perry announced a drive-by no contact Santa event to be held December 13th beginning around 1pm, snow removal season and removing cars from the street, requested direct contact if people need assistance. Scott commented about an issue with tonight's broadcast, but it will be replayed in its entirety on the YouTube site after the meeting. Metzger wished everyone a happy holiday season.

With no further business or discussion, Mayor Metzger adjourned the meeting at 8:36pm.

Mayor Kurt Metzger

Amy M. Allison, City Clerk

December 2020

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

PAYROLL LIABILITIES	\$	11,140.79
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ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	\$	75,598.17
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TAX LIABILITIES	\$	270,662.98
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TOTAL	\$	86,738.96
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PAYROLL

December 2, 2020	\$	40,907.24
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December 16, 2020	\$	33,407.78
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December 30, 2020	\$	34,855.16
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TOTAL	\$	109,170.18
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CHECK REGISTER FOR CITY OF PLEASANT RIDGE
PAYROLL LIABILITIES
December 2020

PG 1

Check Date	Check	Vendor Name	Description	Amount
12/2/2020	6410500175	FOPLC	UNION DUES	\$ 141.00
12/2/2020	6410500176	ALERUS FINANCIAL	RETIREMENT CONTRIBUTIONS	\$ 32.09
12/2/2020	6410500177	ICMA - VANTAGEPOINT	RETIREMENT CONTRIBUTIONS	\$ 80.00
12/2/2020	6410500178	ALERUS FINANCIAL	HCSP CONTRIBUTIONS	\$ 564.53
12/2/2020	6410500179	ALERUS FINANCIAL	RETIREMENT CONTRIBUTIONS	\$ 1,454.57
12/2/2020	6410500180	ALERUS FINANCIAL	RETIREMENT CONTRIBUTIONS	\$ 1,843.36
12/16/2020	6410500181	ALERUS FINANCIAL	RETIREMENT CONTRIBUTIONS	\$ 32.09
12/16/2020	6410500182	ALERUS FINANCIAL	HCSP CONTRIBUTIONS	\$ 478.01
12/16/2020	6410500183	ICMA - VANTAGEPOINT	RETIREMENT CONTRIBUTIONS	\$ 80.00
12/16/2020	6410500184	ALERUS FINANCIAL	RETIREMENT CONTRIBUTIONS	\$ 1,315.52
12/16/2020	6410500185	ALERUS FINANCIAL	RETIREMENT CONTRIBUTIONS	\$ 1,556.07
12/30/2020	6410500189	ALERUS FINANCIAL	RETIREMENT CONTRIBUTIONS	\$ 32.09
12/30/2020	6410500190	ALERUS FINANCIAL	HCSP CONTRIBUTIONS	\$ 492.36
12/30/2020	6410500191	ICMA - VANTAGEPOINT	RETIREMENT CONTRIBUTIONS	\$ 80.00
12/30/2020	6410500192	ALERUS FINANCIAL	RETIREMENT CONTRIBUTIONS	\$ 1,391.14
12/30/2020	6410500193	ALERUS FINANCIAL	RETIREMENT CONTRIBUTIONS	\$ 1,567.96
TOTAL PAYROLL LIABILITIES				<u>\$ 11,140.79</u>

CHECK REGISTER FOR CITY OF PLEASANT RIDGE
TAX LIABILITIES
December 2020

PG 2

Check Date	Check	Vendor Name	Description	Amount
12/9/2020		CITY OF PLEASANT RIDGE-DDA	2020 TAX COLLECTIONS	\$ 4,355.96
12/9/2020	2791	CITY OF PLEASANT RIDGE-GENERAL	2020 TAX COLLECTIONS	\$ 63.10
12/9/2020	2792	CITY OF PLEASANT RIDGE-TAXES	2020 TAX COLLECTIONS	\$ 104,900.88
12/9/2020	2793	FERNDALE SCHOOL DISTRICT	2020 TAX COLLECTIONS	\$ 48,572.85
12/9/2020	2794	OAKLAND COUNTY TREASURER	2020 TAX COLLECTIONS	\$ 112,270.63
12/9/2020	2795	VOID CHECK	VOID CHECK	\$ -
12/9/2020	2796	KRISTI MCAULIFFE	2020 WINTER TAX OVERPAYMENT	\$ 499.56
TOTAL TAX LIABILITIES				<u>\$ 270,662.98</u>

CHECK REGISTER FOR CITY OF PLEASANT RIDGE
ACCOUNTS PAYABLE
December 2020

PG 3

Check Date	Check	Vendor Name	Description	Amount
12/09/2020	24235	ADKISON, NEED & ALLEN P.L.L.C.	ATTORNEY SERVICES	\$ 1,258.50
12/09/2020	24236	ADVANCED MARKETING PARTNERS, I	WINTER TAX STATEMENTS	\$ 276.00
12/09/2020	24237	AMROCK LLC	2020 TAX OVERPAYMENT	\$ 778.25
12/09/2020	24238	AMY MILLER	RECREATION PROGRAM REFUND	\$ 20.00
12/09/2020	24239	BADGER METER, INC.	WATER METER PURCHASES	\$ 297.39
12/09/2020	24240	CLINTON RIVER WATERSHED COUNCIL	FY21 MEMBERSHIP DUES	\$ 500.00
12/09/2020	24241	D'ANGELO BROTHERS	WATER SERVICE LINE REPLACEMENT	\$ 12,392.00
12/09/2020	24242	DETROIT EDISON COMPANY	STREETLIGHTING EXPENSE NOV 2020	\$ 3,922.81
12/09/2020	24243	EUGENE LUMBERG	COURT PROSECUTION SERVICES	\$ 405.00
12/09/2020	24244	GREAT AMERICA FINANCIAL SRV	TELEPHONE LEASE SERVICES	\$ 433.00
12/09/2020	24245	HYDROCORP	CROSS CONNECTION CONTROL PROGRAM	\$ 125.00
12/09/2020	24246	JON MOBILY	SPRINKLER REPAIR REIMBURSEMENT	\$ 150.00
12/09/2020	24247	SCHEER'S ACE HARDWARE	MAINTENANCE SUPPLIES	\$ 15.82
12/09/2020	24248	SOCRRA	REFUSE COLLECTION AGREEMENT	\$ 9,713.00
12/09/2020	24249	SOCWA	WATER PURCHASES-NOV 2020	\$ 11,128.87
12/09/2020	24250	THE SHEER SHOP	RECREATION BUILDING MAINTENANCE	\$ 587.00
12/09/2020	24251	TOSHIBA FINANCIAL SERVICES	COPIER LEASE AGREEMENT	\$ 1,043.48
12/09/2020	24252	USZTAN CONSTRUCTION	PAVILION PROJECT COSTS	\$ 31,710.57
12/09/2020	24253	W-S CITY OF PLEASANT RIDGE	UTILITIES SERVICES	\$ 841.48
Total Accounts Payable				\$ 75,598.17

CHECK REGISTER FOR CITY OF PLEASANT RIDGE
ELECTRONIC PAYMENTS
December 2020

PG 4

NONE



City of Pleasant Ridge

James Breuckman, City Manager

From: Jim Breuckman, City Manager
To: City Commission
Date: January 7, 2021
Re: Sign Ordinance Amendments Call for Public Hearing

Overview

Due to recent court cases, most notably Reed v. Gilbert from 2015 decided by the Supreme Court, our sign regulations require review and revision. The amendments and updates we must make are not major in scope, but it is important to ensure that we are current with our standards.

The Planning Commission held a public hearing on the proposed amendments and recommended approval to the City Commission on December 14, 2020.

Background – Article 54

The sign ordinance amendment consists of two parts, an amendment creating a new Article 54 in the Code of Ordinances addressing temporary signs, and an amendment to the sign standards in the Zoning Ordinance, Chapter 82 to regulate permanent signs. The temporary sign standards are largely consistent with our current standards. Most of the changes are to ensure that our standards regulate time, manner and place but not content, as sign speech is protected under the first amendment. City Attorney Need can elaborate on these issues at the January 12 meeting.

Background – Article 82

The changes to the sign ordinance in Article 82 are limited to eliminating all temporary sign regulations and a few housekeeping amendments to update section references. No changes are proposed to how we regulate permanent signs.

Requested Action

City Commission action to schedule a public hearing on the proposed sign ordinance amendments for the February 9, 2021 meeting.

The Code of Ordinances shall be amended by adding to Chapter 54, a new Article I.—TEMPORARY AND NONCONFORMING SIGNS to read in its entirety as follows.

ARTICLE I. - TEMPORARY AND NONCONFORMING SIGNS

SEC. 54-1. - Intent and Purpose – Compelling/Important Municipal Police Power Objectives and Relationship of Regulations to the Objectives.

Signs can obstruct views, distract motorists, displace alternative uses for land, interfere with uses of adjacent properties and pose other problems that legitimately call for regulation. The purpose of this chapter is to establish reasonable standards for the time, place, and manner of the erection and use of signs, symbols, markings, and advertising devices within the city. The standards are designed to promote the health, public safety, and welfare of persons within the community, including the promotion of traffic safety and aesthetics, and to aid in development and promotion of business and industry by providing sign regulations that encourage creativity, effectiveness, and flexibility in design and use of such devices without creating detriment to the general public. The intent is to allow communication through signage while encouraging aesthetic quality in design, locality, and size of signs. This chapter is to be read in a manner consistent with the First Amendment guarantee of free speech.

The following municipal interests are considered by the city to be “compelling” and “important” government interests. Each interest is intended to be achieved in a manner that represents the least restrictive means of accomplishing the stated interest, and in all events intended to promote an important government interest that would be achieved less effectively absent the regulation. These important government interests are in no respect intended to target the content of messages to be displayed on signs but seek to achieve non-speech objectives. Accordingly, it is the intent of this chapter to:

- (a) Ensure that the constitutionally-guaranteed right of free speech is protected and to allow signs as a means of communication, subject to appropriate and legally-permissible time, place, and manner restrictions.
- (b) Protect the safety of drivers, pedestrians, and others by precluding and limiting signs in a manner intended to lessen the diversion or distractions of a driver's attention from the roadway, particularly with regard to larger signs on heavily-trafficked roadways.
- (c) Provide for signage that is adequate but not excessive and that displays a message through use of pictures, symbols and logos for rapid comprehension by the public.
- (d) Prohibit the erection of signs in such numbers, sizes, designs and locations as may create a hazard or distraction to pedestrians and motorists and thus promote safety upon the streets and highways in the city.
- (e) Avoid excessive competition for large or multiple signs, so that permitted signs provide adequate identification and direction while minimizing clutter, unsightliness, and confusion.
- (f) Prevent sign overload and excessively large signs which creates a visually chaotic and competitive situation within the business community.
- (g) Encourage good design in the context of the overall image and visual environment of the city, and prescribe sound practices with respect to size, spacing, illumination, type and placement of signs for the purpose of safeguarding and enhancing properties in each of the

various types of zoning districts.

- (h) Enhance the appearance of the business community, taking into account the nature of the use, and thus stimulate as well as protect the economic vitality of the city and the orderly growth and development of business and industry in the city.
- (i) Protect public investment in public structures, open spaces and thoroughfares.
- (j) Minimize the adverse effects of signs on nearby public and private property.
- (k) Enhance the effectiveness of necessary directional and warning signs.
- (l) Preserve property values.
- (m) Recognize that advertising signs are a legitimate advertising medium in the locations which neither lessen the visual attributes of the city through the placement of such signs, nor cause confusion, safety problems or lessen the ability to identify local businesses through visual clutter.
- (n) Regulate the number and size of advertising signs within the city in the interests of economic prosperity, civic pride, quality of life and general welfare of the people who reside in, are visiting, are employed in or conduct business in the city.
- (o) Avoid or minimize the creation or maintenance of blight or nuisance conditions in the city.
- (p) Preserve landmark signs of historical or community significance

SEC. 54-2. - Definitions.

Words, terms, and phrases that are defined in section 82-3 shall have the same meaning as used in this article. Additionally, the following words, terms, and phrases, when used in this article, shall have the meanings ascribed to them in this section, except where the context clearly indicates a different meaning:

Abandoned or Obsolete Sign means an on-premises sign which has not identified or advertised a current business, service, owner, product, or activity for a period of at least 60 days.

Commercial Business means a business establishment that sells goods or provides services directly to consumers including but not limited to restaurants, offices, grocery stores, pharmacies, convenience stores, retail stores selling clothing, food, and personal items, personal service establishments, dry cleaning services, and similar uses.

Feather Flag means a vertically oriented banner attached to a single pole allowing the fabric to hang loose.

Nonconforming Sign means any sign that does not conform to the current requirements of chapter 82 - Zoning.

Off-Premises Sign means a sign whose message and design relate to an individual business, profession, product, service, event, point of view, or other commercial or non-commercial activity sold, offered, or conducted on property other than where the sign is located.

On-Premises Sign means a sign whose message and design relate to an individual business, profession, product, service, event, point of view, or other commercial or non-commercial activity sold, offered, or conducted on the same property where the sign is located.

Sandwich Sign means a freestanding sign used in connection with a commercial business.

Street Banner Sign means any cloth, bunting, plastic, paper, or similar non-rigid material attached to a.) a building or b.) any single staff, pole, or framing which is anchored on two or more edges or at all four corners. These banners are temporary in nature and do not include flags.

Temporary Sign means a sign intended to display either commercial or noncommercial messages of a transitory or temporary nature. Portable signs or signs not permanently embedded in the ground, or not permanently affixed to a building or structure that is permanently embedded in the ground, are considered temporary signs.

SEC. 54-3. - Noncommercial message permitted.

Anything in this article to the contrary notwithstanding, a temporary sign permitted in this article or in chapter 82, section 82-196 as a permanent on-premises sign or off- premises sign may contain a lawful non- commercial message, except for traffic signs, railroad crossing signs, danger or other emergency signs, and directional signs.

SEC. 54-4. - Prohibited signs.

All signs not expressly permitted under this chapter, or chapter 82, are prohibited in the city. Such prohibited signs include, but are not limited to, the following:

- (a) Beacons;
- (b) Pennants, feather flags, and/or streamers;
- (c) Any strobe, flashing, or oscillating lights either from the interior or exterior of a building.
- (d) Roof signs;
- (e) Flags, except those allowed by Sec 54-76 (b)(9);
- (f) Inflatable signs and tethered balloons.
- (g) Animated signs, including signs containing flashing, intermittent or moving lights or with moving or revolving parts.
- (h) Signs affixed to utility poles or to trees, rocks, shrubs or natural features, provided signs on a rock denoting a site of historical significance or a person being honored may also be allowed.
- (i) Signs which imitate traffic signals, traffic direction signs, or similar traffic control devices or signs which make use of words such as "Stop," "Look," "Danger," or any other words, phrases, symbols or characters, in such a manner as to interfere with, mislead or confuse traffic.
- (j) Any sign which is not an on-premises sign, unless expressly allowed by this article or chapter 82.

SEC. 54-5. - Permanent signs.

Any sign which is not considered a temporary sign shall be subject to the requirements of chapter 82, section 82-196 of this Code.

SEC. 54-6. - Nonconforming and abandoned or obsolete signs.

- (a) *Nonconforming signs.* The lawful use of a temporary sign exactly as the sign existed on the date of the amendment that added this article may be continued, except as otherwise provided in

this article, although that sign does not conform to this article. It is the intent of this chapter, however, to recognize the eventual elimination, as expeditiously as is reasonable, of such lawful nonconforming signs.

- (b) Alterations prohibited. A nonconforming temporary sign, shall not be expanded, relocated, or structurally altered so as to prolong the life of the sign or to change the shape, size, type, or design of the sign, or in any way that would increase the degree or extent of nonconformity of such sign.
- (c) *Abandoned or obsolete signs.* Abandonment or obsolescence of a nonconforming sign shall terminate immediately the right to maintain such a sign. An abandoned or obsolete sign and its supporting structure shall be removed by the property owner or lessee of the premises upon which the sign is located within thirty (30) days after written notice from the city manager or his or her designee.

SEC. 54-7. - Temporary signs.

Temporary signs may be erected in accordance with the use, area, height, and placement regulations of this section.

(a) General conditions.

- (1) No temporary sign shall be located on a utility pole or within, project into, or overhang any public right-of-way, except as otherwise permitted herein. Any sign placed in violation of this section shall be considered a violation of this chapter and may be removed by the city at the expense of the owner. Signs allowed are those erected by or on behalf of a governmental or other public agency to post legal notices, identify public property, convey public information, direct or regulate pedestrian or vehicular traffic.
 - (2) All temporary signs shall be erected and maintained in compliance with all applicable building codes, and other applicable ordinances governing construction within the city. In the event of conflict between this section and other laws, the most restrictive shall govern.
 - (3) All temporary signs shall be so placed as to not interfere with the visibility or effectiveness of any official traffic sign or signal; driver vision at any access point or intersection; or pedestrian movement on any public sidewalk or safety path.
 - (4) No temporary sign shall be erected, relocated or maintained so as to obstruct firefighting or prevent free access to any door, window or fire escape.
 - (5) Temporary signs shall be constructed of durable, all-weather materials and designed to remain in place and in good repair so long as they remain on display.
 - (6) Temporary signs shall be subject to the maintenance standards of this Code.
 - (7) No temporary sign may be placed on private property without the permission of the property owner. Temporary signs placed upon property in the city in violation of this section may be removed by the city, the owner of the sign, or the owner of the property where a sign has been placed, or their designees. A temporary sign that has been removed by the city will be kept for five days, at which time the sign may be destroyed or disposed by the city.
- (b) *Standards for temporary signs.* Except as provided below, each lot may display up to one temporary sign for a period not to exceed one year, and an additional two temporary signs, each

for a period not to exceed thirty (30) days. Each face of a sign shall not exceed six square feet in area. The maximum height of a sign and any supporting structure shall be four feet. In addition, the following types of temporary signs shall be allowed in all districts subject to the specific standards below, and without any durational limit, except as specifically provided below.

- (1) Municipal signs on public property. Signs which are regulated and approved by local, state, or federal government agencies.
- (2) Municipal traffic and safety signs. Traffic or other municipal signs such as legal notices, railroad crossing, danger, and other emergency signs as may be approved by the city manager or his/her designee.
- (3) Pedestrian and traffic flow signs on private property. Incidental signs which are intended to direct, eliminate, or restrict the flow of pedestrian and vehicular traffic on private property. The sign shall not exceed two square ft. in area and four feet in height, shall contain no advertising, and may be illuminated.
- (4) Municipal signs on private property. Federal, state, county, or local required signs on private property, not to exceed six square feet.
- (5) Window Signs. Window signs shall be limited to no more than 25% of the total window area of the side of the building facing the front lot line, or in the case of a corner lot, one of the sides. In a building occupied by more than one individual unit, establishment, or space is limited to 25% of the total window area for that unit, establishment or space facing the front lot line or, in the case of a corner unit, one of the sides.
- (6) Elections. In recognition that there is a need for additional expression of speech prior to a scheduled election, the following applies for a period of sixty (60) prior to until 14 days after a city-designated election day on which there is at least one (1) ballot item:
 - a) the maximum allowable number of temporary signs shall be nine (9),
 - b) the maximum area of each temporary sign face shall be thirty-two (32) square feet for any lot with frontage on Woodward Avenue, and six (6) square feet for all other lots; and
 - c) the maximum height shall be six (6) feet for any lot with frontage on Woodward Avenue, and four (4) feet on any other lot.
- (7) Real estate sales. When all or a portion of a building or land area on a lot is listed for sale or lease, the maximum display time of freestanding temporary signs and temporary signs mounted on building walls shall be for the duration of the time the building or land area is listed for sale.
- (8) Sandwich signs. Only on lots on which a commercial business is located, sandwich signs are allowed in accordance with the following standards. Each such lot may have one such sign, which:
 - a) must be of A-frame construction with a minimum base spread of two feet and a maximum height of four feet.
 - b) may not exceed eight square feet per side.
 - c) shall be kept within fifteen (15) feet of the building entrance to the business to which the sign pertains and shall not obstruct pedestrian traffic or impede maintenance and/or snow and ice removal.
 - d) may be displayed for a period of up to ninety (90) consecutive days.

- e) may not be illuminated by any means and may not have any moving parts.
- f) may only be in place during the commercial establishment's business hours.
- g) may not be displayed from vehicles parked in front of or adjacent to the lot.
- h) must be stored indoors when not in use or when the business to which it pertains is closed.

(9) Street Banner Signs. Only on lots on which a commercial business is located, street banner signs are allowed in accordance with the following standards:

- a) A lot may display street banner signs for one period of time each calendar year, each period not to exceed twenty-eight (28) calendar days.
- b) No illumination shall be allowed
- c) The sign may not interfere with the visibility of traffic signals or signs
- d) No more than two street poles are allowed per lot
- e) Each street pole may have up to two banners.
- f) Each lot may have a maximum total of four banners, whether attached to a pole or a building.
- g) Each banner, whether attached to a street pole or a building:
 - i) shall have a maximum area of 12.5 square feet.
 - ii) the lowest edge of which shall be at least two feet above the finished grade
 - iii) must be made of lightweight and durable fabrics with wind slits.
 - iv) must not be frayed, torn, or faded so that they are no longer legible.

(10) Flags. Except as otherwise provided in Chapter 82 -Zoning, flags may be displayed as follows:

- a) Each parcel of land may display not more than four (4) flags each not exceeding twenty-four (24) square feet, and
- b) All flags shall be maintained in good repair so as to prevent tearing, fraying or other deterioration. The failure to replace or repair a deteriorated flag within thirty (30) days' notice of such condition shall constitute a violation of this Code.

SEC. 54-8 - Appeals.

- (a) Appeal from the ruling of any officer, department, board or bureau of the city concerning the enforcement of the provisions of this article may be made by any aggrieved party within thirty (30) days of the ruling to the City Sign Committee, which shall be appointed by the City Commission, sitting as an administrative appeal board under this chapter.
- (b) The Sign Committee shall have the same authority to hear and decide appeals and grant variances from the application of this chapter as granted to the Zoning Board of Appeals for zoning matters as set forth in chapter 82 of this Code. In exercising these duties, the Sign Committee shall follow the same procedures and apply the same standards as set forth in chapter 82 for dimensional variances.

SEC. 54-9. - Violations; signs in violation declared public nuisance.

- (a) It shall be unlawful for any person to erect, construct, maintain, enlarge, alter, move, or convert any sign in the city, or cause or permit the same to be done on such person's property contrary to or in violation of any of the provisions of this chapter.
- (b) Any sign which is erected, constructed, maintained, enlarged, altered, moved, or converted in violation of any of the provisions of this chapter is hereby declared to be a public nuisance per se, and may be abated by order of any court of competent jurisdiction.

City of Pleasant Ridge
Ordinance No. ____

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CITY OF PLEASANT RIDGE CODE OF ORDINANCES,
CHAPTER 82 – ZONING

THE CITY OF PLEASANT RIDGE ORDAINS:

Section 1. Intent and Purpose

The City desires to amend its Zoning Ordinance to remove provisions dealing with temporary signs, which are now contained in Chapter 54, and to revise sections of this chapter accordingly

Section 2. Amendment

1. The following provisions of the City's Zoning Ordinance are hereby deleted:
 - Section 82-3. *Sign*, subsection (6), definition of "*Political sign*" and subsection (7), definition of "*Portable sign*".
 - Section 82-196 (k), subsections (6), (7), (10), (11) and (12), and renumber the remaining sections accordingly.
 - Section 82-196 (l), subsection (11), and renumber the remaining section accordingly..
2. Renumber Section 82-3 *Sign*, former subsections (8)-(10) as subsections (7)-(9) respectively, and former subsection (12) as subsection (11)
3. Amend Section 82-3 *Sign*, former subsection (11), *Temporary sign* as subsection (10) and to read in its entirety as follows:

(10) *Temporary sign* means a sign intended to display either commercial or noncommercial messages of a transitory or temporary nature. Portable signs or signs not permanently embedded in the ground, or not permanently affixed to a building or structure that is permanently embedded in the ground, are considered temporary signs.
4. The following definition is added to Section 82-3, *Sign*:

(6) *Permanent sign* means any sign which is not a temporary sign as defined herein.
5. Amend Section 82-196 (d) *Exceptions* to read in its entirety as follows.

(d) *Exceptions.* This section shall not apply to any temporary sign. Temporary signs are regulated by Chapter 54.

6. Amend the title and first sentence of Section 82-196(k) to read as follows:

Permanent signs permitted in all districts. Permanent signs specified in this section are permitted.... (continue as in original)

Section 3. Severability.

Should any provision or part of this Article be declared by any court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid or unenforceable, the same shall not affect the validity or enforceability of the balance of this Article, which shall remain in full force and effect.

Section 4. Repealer.

All other ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed only to the extent necessary to give this Ordinance full force and effect.

Section 5. Savings clause.

Nothing in this Article shall be construed to affect any suit or proceeding pending in any court or any rights acquired or any liability incurred, or any cause or causes of action acquired or existing, under any act or ordinance hereby repealed as cited in Section 3 of this Ordinance; nor shall any just or legal right or remedy of any character be lost, impaired, or affected by this Ordinance.

Section 6. Effective Date.

This Ordinance shall become effective fifteen days after enactment and upon publication as provided by law.

Section 7. Adoption.

This Ordinance is hereby declared to have been adopted by the City Commission of the City of Pleasant Ridge at a meeting duly called and held on the ____ day of _____, 202_, and ordered to be given publication in the manner prescribed by law.

James Breuckman, City Manager

Amy M. Allison, City Clerk



City of Pleasant Ridge

Amy M. Drealan, City Clerk/Assistant City Manager

From: Amy M. Allison, City Clerk/Assistant City Manager
To: James Breuckman, City Manager
Date: January 7, 2021
Re: Junior Commission and Board of Review Appointments

Historical Commission

There is one member on the Pleasant Ridge Historical Commission, whose term expired on December 31, 2020, and would like to be reappointed to serve another term. The member eligible for reappointment Mr. Don Daniels. He is eligible for his second full term, which expires December 31, 2023.

On January 1, 2021, there will be two vacancies on the Historical Commission. Both vacancies are for first full terms. These terms will expire December 31, 2023. The following individuals have applied for the vacancies:

Jennifer Woodside Wojtala (also applied for Planning/DDA)
Mary Foreman (also applied for Library Board)
Colleen McKenna
Fred Miller
Rosemary Spatafora

Planning Commission/Downtown Development Authority

There are two members on the Pleasant Ridge Planning Commission/Downtown Development Authority, whose terms expired on December 31, 2020, and both are eligible to be reappointed to serve a second full term. The members eligible for reappointment are Mr. Tom Wilkinson and Mr. Fred McCoy. Both members wish to be reappointed to another term. Both terms expire on December 31, 2023.

On January 1, 2021, there will be one vacancy for a first full term on the Planning Commission/DDA. This term will expire December 31, 2023. Also, there a member that has purchased another home, but has not yet resigned, however, we do expect his resignation sometime in the next few months. Once he formally resigns, there will be a partial term available. The Commission may wish to consider one of the candidates now to fill that vacancy and formally appoint that candidate once we have the resignation letter. The following individuals have applied for the vacancy:

Jennifer Woodside-Wojtala (also appliefd for Historcal)
Susan Burt
Tim Matyas
Mark Bolach
Stephanie Vemula
Jeff Hand
Charles Green
Victoria DeLuce
Meghan Takashima

Recreation Commission

There are three members on the Pleasant Ridge Recreation Commission, whose terms expired on December 31, 2020, all three members are eligible to be reappointed to serve another term. The members eligible for reappointment are Al Kaczowski, Catherine Russell and James Leyerly. These will all be second terms, which expire December 31, 2023.

Library Board

There is an opening on the Huntington Woods Library Board as Mikey Keating-Smith has moved from the City. Therefore, the City Commission will need to appoint another individual to serve on that advisory board. There is no formal expiration date for this position.

There is one application for this board:

Mary Foreman (also applied for Historical Commission)

Please feel free to contact me should you wish to discuss this matter further

HISTORICAL COMMISSION



City of Pleasant Ridge

Candidate Questionnaire

Name: Jennifer Woodside Wojtala	
Date: 1/3/2021	Pleasant Ridge Resident For (years): 2.5 years
Occupation: Patent Attorney	

Commissions On Which You Want to Serve (please check all applicable boxes):

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Board of Review | <input type="checkbox"/> Recreation Commission |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Historical Commission | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Zoning Advisory Committee |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Planning Commission | <input type="checkbox"/> Huntington Woods Library Board |

Interests/Reasons/Qualifications

I have enjoyed the PR home and garden tour for many years and consider myself fortunate to have joined the community in 2018. I think it is important to preserve the unique character and history of our beautiful community as structures are built or updated, while fostering growth. I am particularly interested in the planning commission position, as I have aspired to such a position after watching my mother serve on the Northville Twp. planning commission and ZBA for several years during my childhood and later become township supervisor. I am an attorney and engineer, so regularly deal with laws, regulations, and administrative proceedings in my career.

Boards/Commissions/Committees on Which You Have Served (list municipalities and dates)

This would be my first public service position.

Other Organizations

I belong to many professional organizations, including American Institute of Chemical Engineers, American Intellectual Property Law Institute, Michigan IP Inns of Court, Intellectual Property Owners, Michigan Intellectual Property Law Association, and Women's Bar Association.

Education

I have a B.S.E. in Chemical Engineering from the University of Michigan, and a J.D. from Wayne State University. I am licensed to practice as an attorney in Michigan and as a Patent Attorney before the United States Patent & Trademark Office.

Additional Information

Prior to becoming an attorney, I worked as an Environmental and Process Engineer at a cement plant. In those roles, I interfaced with the public and various administrative agencies, including in hearings for obtaining permits and general questions about compliance with various laws and regulations. I was a project manager on several capital expenditure and environmental projects some of which required administrative agency approval and oversight. I oversaw was a plant beautification project of buildings/structures and surrounding landscaping. I was also involved in several legal matters related to the plant's property, including overseeing negotiation of leaseholds and quieting title, among others.



City of Pleasant Ridge

Candidate Questionnaire

Name: Mary Foreman	
Date: 12/18/20	Pleasant Ridge Resident For (years): 10
Occupation: Office Manager/Legal Assistant	

Commissions On Which You Want to Serve (please check all applicable boxes):

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Board of Review | <input type="checkbox"/> Recreation Commission |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Historical Commission | <input type="checkbox"/> Zoning Advisory Committee |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Planning Commission | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Huntington Woods Library Board |

Interests/Reasons/Qualifications

I love living in an historical community. My home had its 100th Birthday this year and I am fascinated by what I discover about it still. I'm very interested in learning about our City's history and serving on the the Historical Commission seems to be the best way to discover more and, at the same time, play a part in supporting efforts to help preserve and celebrate the historic nature of our town. I'm also an avid reader and would love to learn more about and support our library by sitting on the Board. I can very easily and happily get lost in the library and find them magical places that must be maintained for others to enjoy as well.

Boards/Commissions/Committees on Which You Have Served (list municipalities and dates)

I have never served on a City Board, Committee, or Commission.

Other Organizations

Current - Secretary of Orch Support, Ferndale Schools
Past - Terms as President and Treasurer of Ferndale Elementary PTA - Trustee of the Ferndale Education Foundation - Secretary of Kennedy Parent Advisory Committee (PAC) - President of the Pleasant Ridge Club

Education

B.A. in Russian Language and Civilization from Oakland University 1998

Additional Information

I'd love to have the opportunity to serve on the either the Library Board or Historical Commission. I'm looking forward to meeting new groups of people in our town. For the 10 years I've lived here, there has been so much change and so many new residents, I would be thrilled to meet more people and serve the community I love so much. Thanks!



City of Pleasant Ridge

Candidate Questionnaire

Name: Colleen McKenna	
Date: 12/18/2020	Pleasant Ridge Resident For (years): 4+
Occupation: Information Technology - Sr Data Engineer	

Commissions On Which You Want to Serve (please check all applicable boxes):

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Board of Review | <input type="checkbox"/> Recreation Commission |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Historical Commission | <input type="checkbox"/> Zoning Advisory Committee |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Planning Commission | <input type="checkbox"/> Huntington Woods Library Board |

Interests/Reasons/Qualifications

Long-time history buff - one credit short of a history minor in college
Compiled family genealogy as far as I could in the US (family immigrated in early 1900s)
I find PR and the history within it's boundaries fascinating and have done some research on the ownership, background of our house and all that influenced it's existence. Have managed to find several previous owners via Social Media and connect with them.
Extensive IT qualifications which helps in research, storing (convert to digital) & presenting documents and pictures.
Amateur digital photographer

Boards/Commissions/Committees on Which You Have Served (list municipalities and dates)

Long-term PTO member of Lake Orion's Carpenter Elementary & Scripps Middle School - holding offices of secretary, treasure & president. (1999-2010)
Managed daughters travel ice hockey team (2009-2011)
Served on the Vestry for St Mary In The Hills, LO (2013-2016)

Other Organizations

Parent volunteer for Boy Scout Troop 128, LO
Parent volunteer for 4-H, Oxford

Education

B.A. SUNY @ Potsdam

Additional Information

Now that we've settled into PR, it's time to get more involved in the community at large and not just restrict myself to Millington Rd.



City of Pleasant Ridge

Candidate Questionnaire

Name: Fred Miller	
Date: 12/20/20	Pleasant Ridge Resident For (years): 33 years
Occupation: Attorney, mostly retired	

Commissions On Which You Want to Serve (please check all applicable boxes):

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Board of Review | <input type="checkbox"/> Recreation Commission |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Historical Commission | <input type="checkbox"/> Zoning Advisory Committee |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Planning Commission | <input type="checkbox"/> Huntington Woods Library Board |

Interests/Reasons/Qualifications

I am interested in understanding how Pleasant Ridge fits in the history of the metro-Detroit area and the country, and in using that understanding to help bring Southern Oakland County's communities closer to each other and to our neighbors in the City of Detroit.

Boards/Commissions/Committees on Which You Have Served (list municipalities and dates)

No municipal boards

Other Organizations

State Bar of Michigan, Consumer Law Section - Past Chair and editor of newsletter.
Sierra Club

Education

BA, University of Michigan, 1970
JD, University of Connecticut, 1975

Additional Information



City of Pleasant Ridge

Candidate Questionnaire

Name: Rosemary Spatafora	
Date: 12/18/20	Pleasant Ridge Resident For (years): 45 years
Occupation: Retired Teacher	

Commissions On Which You Want to Serve (please check all applicable boxes):

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Board of Review | <input type="checkbox"/> Recreation Commission |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Historical Commission | <input type="checkbox"/> Zoning Advisory Committee |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Planning Commission | <input type="checkbox"/> Huntington Woods Library Board |

Interests/Reasons/Qualifications

I am interested in learning and preserving the history of Pleasant Ridge and interrogating the history of Pleasant Ridge and this region as it relates to systemic racism.

Boards/Commissions/Committees on Which You Have Served (list municipalities and dates)

Ferndale Youth Assistance Board (1983-2015); The NAMES Project AIDS Memorial Quilt Detroit Chapter Board Member (1992-1996); Ferndale High School PTSA Board (1999 - 2001); Oakland County Youth Assistance Coordinating Council (2013-2017); Prevention Network Parenting Awareness Michigan, Lansing, MI (2004-2016); New to You Resale Shop Board, Royal Oak (2017-2019); St. John's Corporate Mission Chairperson, Royal

Other Organizations

Ferndale High School Red Ribbon Club (AIDS Awareness & Education); National Organization for the Education of Young Children; League of Women Voters Detroit Chapter; Detroit Women's Chorus; Friends of Royal Oak Township, Inc. - Truth Toward Reconciliation

Education

Oakland University - MAT - Early Childhood Education
Michigan State University - BA Education

Additional Information

In 2019/2020 I chaired a planning committee for a pilgrimage to the south to visit historic Civil Rights sites and the Peace and Justice Memorial in Montgomery, Alabama. Unfortunately our trip was cancelled due to the pandemic but as part of our trip preparation we organized many learning activities throughout 2019 and into early 2020. These activities were open and served as public education events.

PLANNING COMMISSION/DDA



City of Pleasant Ridge

Candidate Questionnaire

Name: Jennifer Woodside Wojtala	
Date: 1/3/2021	Pleasant Ridge Resident For (years): 2.5 years
Occupation: Patent Attorney	

Commissions On Which You Want to Serve (please check all applicable boxes):

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Boards/Commissions/Committees on Which You Have Served (list municipalities and dates)

This would be my first public service position.

Other Organizations

I belong to many professional organizations, including American Institute of Chemical Engineers, American Intellectual Property Law Institute, Michigan IP Inns of Court, Intellectual Property Owners, Michigan Intellectual Property Law Association, and Women's Bar Association.

Education

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Additional Information

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City of Pleasant Ridge

Candidate Questionnaire

Name: <u>Susan Burt</u>	
Date: <u>1.13.2020</u>	Pleasant Ridge Resident For (years): <u>23 years</u>
Occupation: <u>Pharmacist</u>	

Commissions On Which You Want to Serve (please check all applicable boxes):

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Board of Review | <input type="checkbox"/> Recreation Commission |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Historical Commission | <input type="checkbox"/> Zoning Advisory Committee |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Planning Commission | <input type="checkbox"/> Huntington Woods Library Board |

Interests/Reasons/Qualifications

After living in this wonderful city for many years. I'd like to give back to my community in a meaningful way.

Boards/Commissions/Committees on Which You Have Served (list municipalities and dates)

no City Government experience

Other Organizations

Former Member Southern Michigan Society of Health System Pharmacists
American Society of Health System Pharmacists

Education

PharmD - University of Michigan 1990

Additional Information

My mother served on the planning commission in my hometown and I always respected that. I'd like to give that example to my own kids! I'd be happy to serve.



City of Pleasant Ridge

Candidate Questionnaire

Name: Tim Matyas	
Date: 12/21/20	Pleasant Ridge Resident For (years): 13 years
Occupation: Sales	

Commissions On Which You Want to Serve (please check all applicable boxes):

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Board of Review | <input type="checkbox"/> Recreation Commission |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Historical Commission | <input type="checkbox"/> Zoning Advisory Committee |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Planning Commission | <input type="checkbox"/> Huntington Woods Library Board |

Interests/Reasons/Qualifications

Real Estate, Community activities, Sports and recreation.
I love spending time in the community whether it be playing pickle ball at the park, swimming at the pool with my kids or walking my dog around the neighborhood.
I have a real estate sales background and I enjoy keeping up to speed with the happenings around the Woodward Corridor. I like how the planning commission got involved when Cork came into the neighborhood and I believe that the committee ensured a positive outcome for the neighborhood.

Boards/Commissions/Committees on Which You Have Served (list municipalities and dates)

None yet

Other Organizations

ICSC member

Education

Associates Degree Fort Collins, Colorado

Additional Information

My wife served on the Recreation Commission for 8 years and has shared that it was a very positive experience. I would love to get to know more of the volunteers in the neighborhood and help shape the future of the community.



City of Pleasant Ridge

Candidate Questionnaire

Name: Mark Bolach	
Date: 12/18/20	Pleasant Ridge Resident For (years): 20+
Occupation: Regional Sales Manager	

Commissions On Which You Want to Serve (please check all applicable boxes):

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Board of Review | <input type="checkbox"/> Recreation Commission |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Historical Commission | <input type="checkbox"/> Zoning Advisory Committee |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Planning Commission | <input type="checkbox"/> Huntington Woods Library Board |

Interests/Reasons/Qualifications

I have served on the PR Planning Commission/DDA in the past and feel that it would be good timing to volunteer to serve again.

Boards/Commissions/Committees on Which You Have Served (list municipalities and dates)

PR Planning Commission/DDA 2008-2016

Other Organizations

N/A

Education

BA University of Michigan 1996

Additional Information

I really enjoyed the past time I spent serving PR and working with the various Committees and elected officials. I feel that the being a part of a Committee is the best way to help our city continue to move in a positive direction.



City of Pleasant Ridge

Candidate Questionnaire

Name: Stephanie Vemula	
Date: 12/22/20	Pleasant Ridge Resident For (years): 4.5 years
Occupation: Chief Operations Officer - WambaTech Inc.	

Commissions On Which You Want to Serve (please check all applicable boxes):

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Board of Review | <input type="checkbox"/> Recreation Commission |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Historical Commission | <input type="checkbox"/> Zoning Advisory Committee |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Planning Commission | <input type="checkbox"/> Huntington Woods Library Board |

Interests/Reasons/Qualifications

I have worked in operations management for over 17 years and appreciate the need for buy-in when attempting to resolve problems or make changes. I know that listening is the key first step when trying understand the scope of an issue or situation. And I have been told that my diplomacy when communicating makes me easy to work with but also allows me to get things done.

Boards/Commissions/Committees on Which You Have Served (list municipalities and dates)

Other Organizations

Education

Highschool - Cranbrook
BA - Marketing - Oakland University
MBA - Operations Management - University of Northampton, UK

Additional Information

I look forward to an opportunity to become more involved in the City of Pleasant Ridge while working toward resolving community issues and improving the quality of life.



City of Pleasant Ridge

Candidate Questionnaire

Name: Jeff Hand	
Date: 12/21/2020	Pleasant Ridge Resident For (years): 17+ years
Occupation: President & CEO of ROSS Controls	

Commissions On Which You Want to Serve (please check all applicable boxes):

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Board of Review | <input type="checkbox"/> Recreation Commission |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Historical Commission | <input type="checkbox"/> Zoning Advisory Committee |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Planning Commission | <input type="checkbox"/> Huntington Woods Library Board |

Interests/Reasons/Qualifications

I'm interested in the local planning and development of Pleasant Ridge for 2 primary reasons:
1. I'm obviously a resident, living very close to Woodward Ave. at 8 Oxford.
2. I run a business that will be moving into Ferndale on Woodward Heights just pass the Pleasant Ridge border.
I've served in not only the PR Historical Commission, but also serve on several Boards for my company, including one not for profit (National Fluid Power Association) listed below.

Boards/Commissions/Committees on Which You Have Served (list municipalities and dates)

Pleasant Ridge Historical Commission (approx 2009 to 2012)

Other Organizations

National Fluid Power Association Board of Directors
Young Presidents Organization (YPO)
ROSS Controls Board of Directors

Education

BBA from University of Michigan - Ann Arbor (1996)

Additional Information

I'm very interested in joining the commission, serving Pleasant Ridge again, and at this point, all the dates in 2021 work in my schedule.



City of Pleasant Ridge

Candidate Questionnaire

Name: Charles Green	
Date: 12/21/2020	Pleasant Ridge Resident For (years): 9
Occupation: Project Manager	

Commissions On Which You Want to Serve (please check all applicable boxes):

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Board of Review | <input type="checkbox"/> Recreation Commission |
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Interests/Reasons/Qualifications

I have had experience building in PR as well as Huntington Woods. Additionally I was electricians helper in College. I have a solid amateur building skill set, but the largest reason for my interested in in maintaining the integrity of my community as well as seeing it grow.

Boards/Commissions/Committees on Which You Have Served (list municipalities and dates)

Other Organizations

Education

BS in Management, Walsh College '91

Additional Information



Candidate Questionnaire

Name: Victoria DeLuce	
Date: 12/19/2020	Pleasant Ridge Resident For (years): one year, eight months
Occupation: Executive Vice President, Success Mortgage Partners	

Board of Review	Recreation Commission
Historical Commission	Zoning Advisory Committee
Planning Commission	Huntington Woods Library Board

I believe it is important to give back to the industries one works in and communities one lives. Being an Executive and board member of several other associations and companies gives me years of ample experience. I also planned and organized our caroling events for Pleasant Ridge this year.

[illegible]

Regularly give time and monetary contribution to Partners Making a Difference. the 501c3 of Success Mortgage Partners

BBA, Major in Finance from Walsh College

Prior to living in Pleasant Ridge I lived in Ferndale for 10 years. Once I discovered Pleasant Ridge I knew I had to live here. Since I've lived here I've truly developed a passion for our community. With my background in finance, economics, and leadership I'm confident I would be a great addition to the Planning Commission.



City of Pleasant Ridge

Candidate Questionnaire

Name: Meghan Takashima	
Date: 1/3/2020	Pleasant Ridge Resident For (years): Nine years
Occupation: Administrator	

Commissions On Which You Want to Serve (please check all applicable boxes):

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Board of Review | <input type="checkbox"/> Recreation Commission |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Historical Commission | <input type="checkbox"/> Zoning Advisory Committee |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Planning Commission | <input type="checkbox"/> Huntington Woods Library Board |

Interests/Reasons/Qualifications

My interest in serving on the Pleasant Ridge Planning commission stems from a desire to be more involved in decisions in my community. I have worked in Detroit for the last 15 years, and for the City of Detroit Housing and Revitalization Department for the past five years as managing approximately \$5.5M in investment in programs for households experiencing homelessness. In this role, I have had multiple opportunities to present the Detroit Planning Commission regarding planned housing development. Based on my experience, I have an understanding of municipal government and a working knowledge of city planning that I believe can be valuable to the commission.

Boards/Commissions/Committees on Which You Have Served (list municipalities and dates)

N/A

Other Organizations

City of Detroit representative on the Wayne Metro Community Action Agency board
2016-present
City of Detroit representative on the homeless planning Continuum of Care board
2016-present

Education

Bachelors degree in Social Relations, Michigan State University
Masters degree in Social Work, Cleveland State University

Additional Information

LIBRARY BOARD



City of Pleasant Ridge

Candidate Questionnaire

Name: Mary Foreman	
Date: 12/18/20	Pleasant Ridge Resident For (years): 10
Occupation: Office Manager/Legal Assistant	

Commissions On Which You Want to Serve (please check all applicable boxes):

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Board of Review | <input type="checkbox"/> Recreation Commission |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Historical Commission | <input type="checkbox"/> Zoning Advisory Committee |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Planning Commission | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Huntington Woods Library Board |

Interests/Reasons/Qualifications

I love living in an historical community. My home had its 100th Birthday this year and I am fascinated by what I discover about it still. I'm very interested in learning about our City's history and serving on the the Historical Commission seems to be the best way to discover more and, at the same time, play a part in supporting efforts to help preserve and celebrate the historic nature of our town. I'm also an avid reader and would love to learn more about and support our library by sitting on the Board. I can very easily and happily get lost in the library and find them magical places that must be maintained for others to enjoy as well.

Boards/Commissions/Committees on Which You Have Served (list municipalities and dates)

I have never served on a City Board, Committee, or Commission.

Other Organizations

Current - Secretary of Orch Support, Ferndale Schools
Past - Terms as President and Treasurer of Ferndale Elementary PTA - Trustee of the Ferndale Education Foundation - Secretary of Kennedy Parent Advisory Committee (PAC) - President of the Pleasant Ridge Club

Education

B.A. in Russian Language and Civilization from Oakland University 1998

Additional Information

I'd love to have the opportunity to serve on the either the Library Board or Historical Commission. I'm looking forward to meeting new groups of people in our town. For the 10 years I've lived here, there has been so much change and so many new residents, I would be thrilled to meet more people and serve the community I love so much. Thanks!



City of Pleasant Ridge

James Breuckman, City Manager

From: Jim Breuckman, City Manager
 To: City Commission
 Date: January 7, 2021
 Re: Street Sign Replacements

Summary

Commissioner Budnik has requested that the Commission consider replacement of the remaining old-style black and gold street signs with the new, reflective black and white street signs.

Background

The City completed a partial replacement of the old signs in the summer of 2019. The signs at street intersections along Woodward were replaced because of the poor condition of the signs. Those signs were the first of the old-style signs to be installed and wore out quickly in the harsh Woodward environment.

The street signs at interior residential street intersections in the City were not replaced because the signs are still in fair to good shape and have life left in them (the street signs at the intersections of Ridge and Poplar Park and Kenberton were run over and have been replaced with the new style signs).

As a refresher, here is a brief summary of the design and cost of the two types of signs:

Design

The old signs are non-reflective, and the letter size is small with narrow spacing, making them difficult to read, particularly at night. The new signs are reflective with a larger font, are more legible during the day and particularly at night, and keep the same decorative form factor as the old-style signs.

Cost

The old signs cost about \$600 each, while the new signs cost \$136 each. The newer signs will be easier and more cost effective to maintain, as we lose a few signs each year as the sign blades are hit by vehicles or the poles are run over.

Replacement Cost and Timing

There are 66 of the old-style street signs remaining. At a cost of \$136 each, it would be about \$9,000 to replace all signs. Tim Shultz would be responsible for changing the signs as he has time available, so I cannot commit to a time frame in which the complete replacement could be done. As a reference, there were about 30 signs replaced during the first batch and it took Tim about 3 months to complete the replacements as he had time.

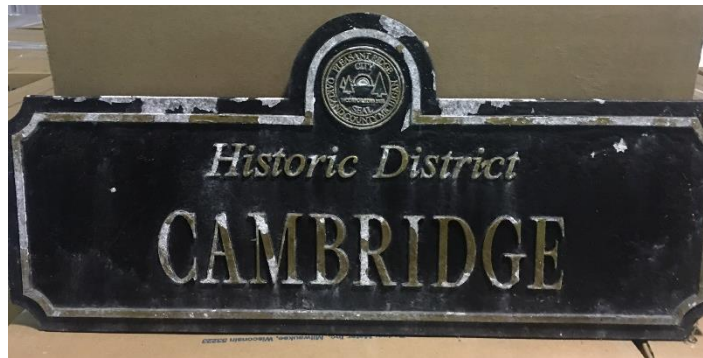
Requested Action

Staff requests that the City Commission discuss this item and provide direction. Options include:

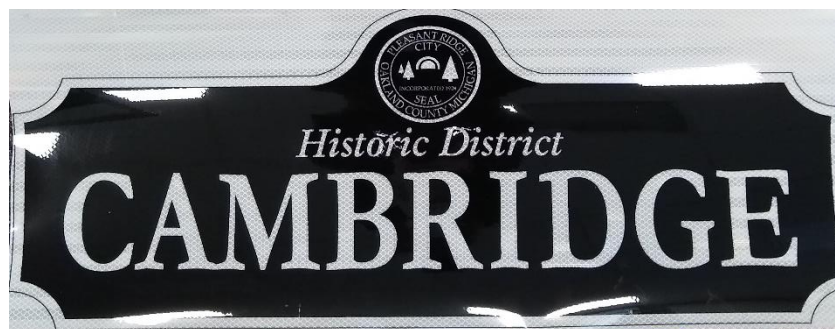
1. Take no action until the remaining old-style signs wear out and replace them when they are worn.
2. Begin replacing some percentage of the old signs each year.
3. Replace all the old signs as soon as possible.

Reference Photographs

The following two photographs are representative of the condition of the signs along Woodward that were replaced.



Following is an example of the new-style sign:





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December 15, 2020

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VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

James Breuckman
City Manager, City of Pleasant Ridge
23925 Woodward Ave.
Pleasant Ridge, MI 48069

Re: Phillips v. City of Pleasant Ridge, et al
Claim No.: 1404488
Date of Loss: 8/11/14

Dear Mr. Breuckman:

Pursuant to the Open Meetings Act, and MCL 15.268 (e) and (h), I would like to meet with the Mayor and Council in closed session on January 12, 2021 to discuss settlement of Phillips v City of Pleasant Ridge, Circuit Court Case No. 17-157620-NZ and materials exempt from disclosure under the attorney-client and attorney-work product privileges regarding finalization of the Settlement Agreement.

Please place this matter on the agenda for closed session on January 12, 2021.

Very truly yours,

CUMMINGS, McCLOREY, DAVIS & ACHO, P.L.C.

/s/ Timothy S. Ferrand

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Enclosure