

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

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**City Commission Meeting  
January 11, 2022  
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 11, 2022, at 7:30pm, in the City Commission Chambers, Pleasant Ridge City Hall, 23925 Woodward Avenue, Pleasant Ridge, MI 48069. The following items are on the Agenda for your consideration:

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

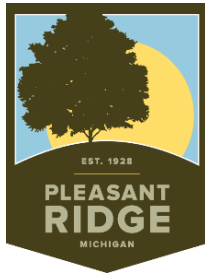
1. Meeting Called to Order.
2. Pledge of Allegiance.
3. Roll Call.
4. PUBLIC DISCUSSION – items not on the Agenda.
5. City Commission Liaison Reports.
  - Commissioner Perry – Planning/DDA.
  - Commissioner Schmier – Historical Commission.
  - Commissioner Budnik – Recreation Commission.
  - Commissioner Lenko – Ferndale Public Schools/HW Library Board.
6. Governmental Reports.
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 Regular City Commission Meeting held Tuesday, December 14, 2021.
  - b. Monthly Disbursement Report.
  - c. SLC Meter Maintenance Agreement.
  - d. Amendment to City Commission Meeting Schedule.
8. 2014 Citizens Advisory Committee Recommendations Follow-up Presentation.
9. Water Infrastructure Funding Citizens Advisory Committee Goals and Objectives Statement.
10. Water Infrastructure Funding Citizen Advisory Committee Member Selection.

11. **City Manager's Report**
12. **Other Business.**
13. **Adjournment.**

In the spirit of compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, individuals with a disability should feel free to contact the City at least seventy-two (72) hours in advance of the meeting, if requesting accommodations. If you have any ADA questions, please call the Clerk's Office (248) 541-2901.



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**City Commission Meeting  
December 14, 2021**

Having been duly publicized, Mayor Scott called the meeting to order at 7:30pm.

Present: Commissioners Budnik, Lenko, Perry, Schmier, Mayor Scott.  
Also Present: City Manager Breuckman, City Attorney Need, City Clerk Allison.  
Absent: None.

**School Crossing Guard Nathan Rizzo recognition**

Chief Nowak, Pleasant Ridge Police department, presented a recognition plaque to Nathan Rizzo, former Ferndale Lower Elementary school crossing guard.

**FY21 Annual Audit**

Mr. Aaron Stevens, auditor from Maner Costerisan, gave a brief presentation regarding the FY21 audit.

**21-3536**

Motion by Commissioner Perry, second by Commissioner Schmier, that the audit of the City's financial statements for the Fiscal Year ended June 30, 2021, be received and filed.

Adopted: Yeas: Commissioners Perry, Schmier, Budnik, Lenko, Mayor Scott.  
Nays: None.

**Public Discussion**

Allison read an emailed statement by Tom Hendrickson, 53 Woodward Heights, regarding traffic on Woodward Heights.

**Governmental Reports**

Chief Teresa Robinson, Ferndale Fire Department, gave an update regarding events related to the Ferndale Fire Department.

Chief Nowak and Sergeant Ried, Pleasant Ridge Police, gave an update regarding events related to the Police Department.

Charlie Cavell, Oakland County Commissioner, gave an update regarding events related to Oakland County. He may be contacted at 248-807-4347.

Budnik gave an update regarding the December events related to the Recreation Commission, Ferndale Public Schools update, Huntington Woods Library update. Scott gave an update on the Ferndale Middle School robotics program. Scott commented on the Historic Museum holiday village display. Schmier commented on centennial homes. Perry commented on next Planning Commission/DDA meeting, January 24, 2022.

## **Consent Agenda**

### **21-3537**

Motion by Commissioner Budnik, second by Commissioner Perry, that the Consent Agenda be approved.

Adopted:      Yeas: Commissioners Budnik, Perry, Lenko, Schmier, Mayor Scott.  
                 Nays: None.

## **Oakland County Community Development Block Grant Program Year 2022 Community Application and Subrecipient Agreement**

Breuckman gave a brief presentation on the 2022 Oakland County Community Development Block Grant program. The City of Pleasant Ridge is expected to receive the minimum allocation of \$7,000. The funding allocation will be programmed to the Senior Services line item, which is allowable under the program.

Mayor Scott opened the public hearing at 8:21pm. With no public comments or further discussion, Mayor Scott closed the public hearing at 8:22pm.

### **21-3538**

Motion by Commissioner Perry, second by Commissioner Lenko, that the Oakland County Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program Year 2022 Application, including the programming of \$7,000 to the Public Services – Senior Services line item, and Subrecipient Agreement be approved, and that the Mayor be authorized to sign the agreement

Adopted:      Yeas: Commissioners Perry, Lenko, Budnik, Schmier, Mayor Scott.  
                 Nays: None.

## **SOZO Marijuana License Application**

### **21-3539**

Motion by Commissioner Schmier, second by Commissioner Lenko, that the City of Pleasant Ridge award a marijuana retailer and provisioning center license to Sozo Health, Inc.

Adopted:      Yeas: Commissioners Schmier, Lenko, Budnik, Perry, Mayor Scott.  
                 Nays: None.

## **Citizens Advisory Committee Facilitator selection**

### **21-3540**

Motion by Commissioner Perry, second by Commissioner Schmier, that James Vettraino be selected as the facilitator for the 2021 Citizens Advisory Committee, at the rate of \$130/hr.

Adopted:      Yeas: Commissioners Perry, Schmier, Budnik, Lenko, Mayor Scott.  
                 Nays: None.

## **Infrastructure Bill Communication**

### **21-3541**

Motion by Commissioner Perry, second by Commissioner Budnik, that the Water Infrastructure project update communication be approved for distribution with the following amendment to page 2, bullet point 3 “We are proceeding with our plan to replace lead service lines as mandated by the State and the water mains, which was developed under the assumption that we would receive no

outside Federal or State funding. Kensington will be replaced during local FY23 (July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023). If we receive outside funding, we will adjust our plans accordingly.”

Adopted:       Yeas: Commissioners Perry, Budnik, Lenko, Schmier, Mayor Scott.  
                  Nays: None.

**Other Business**

Allison announced there are several vacancies on the various Junior Commissions and the Board of Review. Applications are available online or in-person. Contact City Hall with questions or to apply.

With no further business or discussion, Mayor Scott adjourned the meeting at 8:54pm.

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Mayor Bret Scott

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Amy M. Allison, City Clerk

December 2021

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

PAYROLL LIABILITIES	\$	15,862.73
ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	\$	198,391.53
TAX LIABILITIES	\$	202,456.41
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>416,710.67</b>

PAYROLL

December 1, 2021	\$	42,080.45
December 15, 2021	\$	40,478.91
December 29, 2021	\$	41,214.08
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>123,773.44</b>

CHECK REGISTER FOR CITY OF PLEASANT RIDGE  
 PAYROLL LIABILITIES  
 November 2021

Check Date	Check	Vendor Name	Description	Amount
12/1/2021	6410500335	ALERUS FINANCIAL	RETIREMENT CONTRIBUTIONS	\$ 2,267.94
12/1/2021	6410500336	ICMA - VANTAGEPOINT	RETIREMENT CONTRIBUTIONS	\$ 80.00
12/1/2021	6410500337	ALERUS FINANCIAL	HCSP CONTRIBUTIONS	\$ 763.86
12/1/2021	6410500338	FOPLC	UNION DUES	\$ 188.00
12/1/2021	6410500339	ALERUS FINANCIAL	RETIREMENT CONTRIBUTIONS	\$ 32.09
12/1/2021	6410500340	ALERUS FINANCIAL	RETIREMENT CONTRIBUTIONS	\$ 1,976.12
12/15/2021	6410500341	ICMA - VANTAGEPOINT	RETIREMENT CONTRIBUTIONS	\$ 100.00
12/15/2021	6410500342	ALERUS FINANCIAL	HCSP CONTRIBUTIONS	\$ 825.82
12/15/2021	6410500343	ALERUS FINANCIAL	RETIREMENT CONTRIBUTIONS	\$ 2,320.74
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12/15/2021	6410500345	ALERUS FINANCIAL	RETIREMENT CONTRIBUTIONS	\$ 2,074.52
12/29/2021	6410500346	ALERUS FINANCIAL	RETIREMENT CONTRIBUTIONS	\$ 2,241.10
12/29/2021	6410500347	ALERUS FINANCIAL	RETIREMENT CONTRIBUTIONS	\$ 32.09
12/29/2021	6410500348	ALERUS FINANCIAL	HCSP CONTRIBUTIONS	\$ 801.51
12/29/2021	6410500349	ALERUS FINANCIAL	RETIREMENT CONTRIBUTIONS	\$ 2,026.85
12/29/2021	6410500350	ICMA - VANTAGEPOINT	RETIREMENT CONTRIBUTIONS	\$ 100.00
TOTAL PAYROLL LIABILITIES				\$ 15,862.73

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TAX LIABILITIES  
December 2021

Check Date	Check	Vendor Name	Description	Amount
12/16/2021	2868	CITY OF PLEASANT RIDGE-DDA	2021 TAX COLLECTIONS	\$ 3,710.46
12/16/2021	2869	CITY OF PLEASANT RIDGE-GENERAL	2021 TAX COLLECTIONS	\$ 229.70
12/16/2021	2870	CITY OF PLEASANT RIDGE-TAXES	2021 TAX COLLECTIONS	\$ 75,277.94
12/16/2021	2871	FERNDALE PUBLIC SCHOOL	2021 TAX COLLECTIONS	\$ 34,636.87
12/16/2021	2872	OAKLAND COUNTY TREASURER	2021 TAX COLLECTIONS	\$ 88,601.44
TOTAL TAX LIABILITIES				\$ 202,456.41



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ACCOUNTS PAYABLE  
December 14, 2021

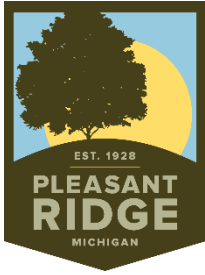
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12/14/2021	25030	21ST CENTURY MEDIA-MICHIGAN	LEGAL NOTICE PUBLICATIONS	\$ 585.03
12/14/2021	25031	ADKISON, NEED & ALLEN P.L.L.C.	ATTORNEY SERVICES	\$ 1,195.25
12/14/2021	25032	BADGER METER, INC.	WATER METER SUPPORT SERVICES	\$ 1,101.80
12/14/2021	25033	BEST CHOICE HOME SERVICES	CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTING EXPENSE	\$ 1,460.00
12/14/2021	25034	BRILAR	DPW SERVICES	\$ 11,975.42
12/14/2021	25035	BRUTTELL ROOFING	MUSEUM BUILDING MAINTENANCE	\$ 1,225.00
12/14/2021	25036	CASEY SIGN COMPANY	CITY SIGN REPAIRS AND REPLACEMENT	\$ 7,124.98
12/14/2021	25037	CITY OF FERNDALE	INSPECTION SERVICES	\$ 2,287.50
12/14/2021	25038	DETROIT EDISON COMPANY	STREETLIGHTING - NOV 2021	\$ 3,961.29
12/14/2021	25039	ERIN GRIGORIOU	RECREATION PROGRAM REFUND	\$ 20.00
12/14/2021	25040	EUGENE LUMBERG	PROSECUTION SERVICES	\$ 540.00
12/14/2021	25041	FAMILY HEATING AND COOLING	PERMIT BALANCE 21-174	\$ 17.00
12/14/2021	25042	GREAT AMERICA FINANCIAL SRV	TELEPHONE LEASE SERVICES	\$ 433.00
12/14/2021	25043	HYDROCORP	CROSS CONNECTION PROGRAM	\$ 125.00
12/14/2021	25044	LEGAL SHIELD	PREPAID LEGAL SERVICES BENEFIT	\$ 51.80
12/14/2021	25045	MANER COSTERISAN	AUDIT SERVICES	\$ 5,800.00
12/14/2021	25046	MEGHAN PERRAULT	RECREATION PROGRAM REFUND	\$ 20.00
12/14/2021	25047	MICHELLE DELACOURT	NEWSLETTER DESIGN SERVICES	\$ 540.00
12/14/2021	25048	MICHIGAN GRAPHICS & AWARDS	RECOGNITION AWARD	\$ 60.00
12/14/2021	25049	MOUNTAIN PAVER CONSTRUCTION INC	CITY HALL MAINTENANCE	\$ 23,865.00
12/14/2021	25050	OAKLAND COUNTY TREASURER	SEWERAGE TREATMENT NOVEMBER 2021	\$ 50,902.58
12/14/2021	25051	PLANTE & MORAN PLLC	ACCOUNTING SERVICES	\$ 5,838.00
12/14/2021	25052	RICHARD M DOYLE	PHOTOGRAPHY SERVICES	\$ 482.50
12/14/2021	25053	SCHEER'S ACE HARDWARE	WINTER SERVICES SUPPLIES	\$ 177.01
12/14/2021	25054	SMITHSHOP	PAVILION CONSTRUCTION PROJECT	\$ 6,927.60
12/14/2021	25055	SOCRRA	REFUSE COLLECTION AGREEMENT	\$ 9,927.00
12/14/2021	25056	SOCWA	WATER PURCHASES-NOVEMBER 2021	\$ 11,084.07
12/14/2021	25057	TOSHIBA FINANCIAL SERVICES	COPIER LEASE AGREEMENT	\$ 953.09
12/14/2021	25058	UNIFIRST CORPORATION	MAT RENTAL AND JANITORIAL SUPPLIES	\$ 225.08
12/14/2021	25059	VOID CHECK	VOID CHECK	\$ -
12/14/2021	25060	W-S CITY OF PLEASANT RIDGE	WATER PURCHASES	\$ 8,881.67
12/14/2021	25061	WETMORE TIRE AND AUTO	VEHICLE MAINTENANCE AND REPAIRS	\$ 209.50
12/14/2021	25062	USZTAN CONSTRUCTION	CITY HALL ENTRYWAY PROJECT	\$ 506.25

TOTAL ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

\$ 158,502.42

CHECK REGISTER FOR CITY OF PLEASANT RIDGE  
ELECTRONIC PAYMENTS  
December 2021

Check Date	Check	Vendor Name	Description	Amount
12/07/2021	2799	MUNICIPAL EMP.RETIREMENT SYST.	RETIREMENT CONTRIBUTIONS	39,889.11
TOTAL ACCOUNTS PAYABLE				\$ 39,889.11



# City of Pleasant Ridge

James Breuckman, City Manager

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From: Jim Breuckman, City Manager  
To: City Commission  
Date: January 5, 2022  
Re: Meter Service Contract – SLC Meter, LLC

## Overview

Attached is as proposed service contract for water meter maintenance with SLC Meter, LLC.

## Background

SLC Meter is the authorized distributor for Badger meters in our area and offers meter maintenance services. With our contract with Royal Oak ending on April 1, we are in the process of securing alternate service providers for water system maintenance. SLC has the capability to provide water meter installation, repair, and replacement services, along with billing and meter reading assistance and support.

Under this agreement SLC will be on-site one day per month to handle any water meter issues we run into. This schedule will be sufficient based on our past meter maintenance needs.

Our immediate plans are to have SLC complete the remaining water meter replacements under this contract. We have about 65 meters that must still be replaced.

The annual cost for this contract will be \$4,786.24.

The City Attorney has sent some minor revisions to SLC meter that will not change the cost or scope of services. It is my request that the City Commission approve the contract subject to City Attorney approval.

## Requested Action

City Commission approval of the service contract with SLC Meter, LLC subject to final approval by the City Attorney.

**AGREEMENT TO  
MAINTAIN WATER METERS AND ENDPOINTS FOR  
The City of Pleasant Ridge**

THIS AGREEMENT made by and between SLC METER LLC, a Michigan Limited Liability Corporation, whose address is 595 Bradford Street, Pontiac, MI 48341 (“SLC”) and the City of Pleasant Ridge whose address is 23925 Woodward Ave., Pleasant Ridge, MI 48069 (“the City”), (“Owner”), for the monthly water meter reading and maintenance of meters and reading equipment services.

**OVERVIEW**

Pleasant Ridge has approximately 1,150 Badger water meters equipped with LTE cellular endpoints on the Badger Beacon Advanced Metering Analytics software. The City desires to contract with SLC to provide on-site maintenance of the water meters and endpoints located at residences and businesses within the city’s meter district. SLC shall provide these scheduled services one (1) day a month. The Agreement shall be for twelve (12) months including a renewable basis for up to ten (10) years, upon the mutual acceptance of both parties.

**PROCESS**

1. Minimum of fifteen (15) business days prior to water billing, the city will provide SLC with a list of addresses where the meter and/or endpoint is not functioning.
2. The City will provide contact names and numbers for SLC to schedule the work to be performed at the service address.
3. The City will provide work orders for each service address through the BS&A system to SLC via email.
4. SLC performs the work of servicing and repairing the water meters and endpoints. SLC will verify the meter/endpoint is performing prior to leaving the service address. SLC will email all completed work orders to the city the next business day.
5. SLC will also assist with implementing new procedures utilizing the BS&A system; for example, creating work order types and comment fields to keep track of work being performed at each service address.
6. SLC will also provide training twice (2) a year as a refresher course on how to utilize the Beacon system with BS&A.

**EQUIPMENT**

SLC shall utilize meters and endpoints furnished by the city of Pleasant Ridge. SLC will supply all necessary labor and additional materials including, without limitation, all plumbing supplies, tools, and any other equipment necessary to complete the job in a timely manner, which includes meter couplings and meter remote wire, these additional necessary materials will be billed separately to Pleasant Ridge. Adequate levels of replacement meters and endpoints shall be maintained by the City.

## **OWNERSHIP**

All water meters and endpoints installed on site are the property of Pleasant Ridge. SLC will check meters and endpoints out of Pleasant Ridge's stock prior to installation.

## **ANNUAL RENEWAL OF THIS AGREEMENT**

Sixty (60) days prior to the expiration of the first twelve-month term of this Agreement and upon mutual agreement of both parties, SLC will continue meter and endpoint services for an additional one-year period. Renewals shall occur annually on this schedule up to ten (10) years. In the event that either "party" desires to terminate this agreement, SLC will not be responsible for providing accurate reading and services for meters and/or endpoints upon early termination or after the expiration date of this Agreement.

## **INSTALLATION**

SLC shall install, maintain, repair, and replace, as necessary and provided for in this agreement, the entire water meter and cellular endpoint system. SLC agrees to perform necessary work on existing plumbing systems to install water meters and cellular transmitter devices and standard adapters required for normal operation at each residence included in the program. The parties shall mutually agree upon the designated work schedule date. SLC also agrees to install any necessary wiring from water meter to cellular endpoints, to connect into existing water line between the inlet and outlet valves in the home/business, install meter and reconnect plumbing as necessary to restore each residence to full water service. It is the intent of the parties that SLC install all water meters and related equipment necessary to commence meter reading for each residence as needed and agreed upon in writing by the City. SLC shall install such equipment in a manner which minimally interrupts water service at residences, as necessary to install and maintain such water meter(s) and endpoint(s).

## **RESPONSIBILITIES - SLC**

SLC will not be responsible for repairing any pre-existing damage to the water service, plumbing or other parts of the water system; provided, however, that SLC shall be responsible for repairing any damage caused by SLC or its installers or agents to the existing water service, plumbing and other parts of the water system. SLC will not be responsible for any water damage of any type due to the failure for any reason of any part of the water system, unless the cause was due to the gross negligence or intentional actions or omissions of SLC, its agents or installers, in which event SLC shall be responsible, at its sole cost and expense, for all necessary repairs. SLC is not responsible for debt collection services, water shut off or legal proceedings for unpaid bills.

SLC will also advise Owner of any codes or violations pertaining to the installation of water meters, so that no local or state codes are violated during the installation process. SLC shall be responsible for completing all the work required herein in accordance with all state, county and local codes, rules, and regulations.

SLC will not be responsible for meters and/or endpoints that are lost, stolen, damaged by vandalism, extreme weather storms, floods, tornadoes, lighting, fire, acts of God, man or animal that renders the equipment inoperable. Any equipment requiring replacement as a result of damage set forth above shall, at the request of the City, be installed by SLC and the cost to be paid by the city of Pleasant Ridge.

A technician will knock on the door to advise the resident that they are there for the scheduled appointment and water may need to be shut off during the meter installation (if necessary) and shall provide each resident at least 24-hour notice prior to water shut off. Nevertheless, in the event of an emergency the notice required hereunder shall not apply and water shut off shall be immediate. (Removed from Responsibilities – city of Pleasant Ridge)

Pleasant Ridge shall be charged by SLC for service calls, frozen meters and/or plumbing as well as damaged transmitters and it is the responsibility of Pleasant Ridge to pursue collection from the individual homeowner(s) for equipment that is not properly cared for.

### **RESPONSIBILITIES - PLEASANT RIDGE**

Pleasant Ridge shall be responsible for all communications with the residents, while work is in progress. The City shall provide a contact name and phone number to SLC for scheduling maintenance/repair work for each residence and/or location. Pleasant Ridge shall address all problems that may occur while work is in progress, (e.g., resident complaints, water system failures, leaks, emergencies, etc.) that is the responsibility of Pleasant Ridge under this agreement. SLC shall only be responsible for problems related to the installation services required hereunder or other issues that are directly related to SLC's responsibilities under this Agreement, at SLC's sole cost and expense.

In the event of "emergency" or after-hours service call, (i.e., frozen water line or meter, burst pipe, leaks or any other disruption of water service to the customer), Pleasant Ridge maintenance personnel shall be responsible to make initial contact to determine the cause and best plan of action to correct the situation, including performing the work themselves or contacting a local contractor to make the repairs and restore service.

### **PAYMENT**

Payment terms for all goods and services are net 30 days. Pleasant Ridge shall pay SLC for the individual service work performed in accordance with this agreement.

### **TAMPERING, REVERSE FLOW AND LOW CONSUMPTION**

The Badger Beacon Advanced Meter Analytics products installed/maintained by SLC provides additional information and reports tampering, reverse flow, high and low usage data. All equipment shall be verified by SLC Meter, LLC to be correct and accurate at the time of installation. In the event one of the aforementioned abnormalities occurs, Pleasant Ridge shall provide SLC a list of addresses that these are occurring. If the issue is determined to be caused by the resident/end user, theft, vandalism, damage by acts of God, man or animal, SLC shall document the abnormality with a digital photograph, make the repairs and provide a work order along with photos to Pleasant Ridge.

### **INSURANCE**

SLC will furnish insurance, workman's compensation, or any other certificates required by Pleasant Ridge.

## **TERMINATION**

In the event that SLC materially defaults under the terms of the Agreement, Pleasant Ridge shall provide written notice to SLC and in the event that SLC does not cure such default within thirty (30) days after the date of such notice, then, in addition to such other rights and remedies as Pleasant Ridge may have available at law or equity (including, without limitation, the right of specific performance), Pleasant Ridge shall also have the right to terminate this Agreement.

In the event that Pleasant Ridge materially defaults under the terms of the Agreement, SLC shall provide written notice to Pleasant Ridge and in the event that Pleasant Ridge does not cure such default within thirty (30) days after the date of such notice, then, in addition to such other rights and remedies as SLC may have available at law or equity (including, without limitation, the right of specific performance), SLC shall also have the right to terminate this Agreement.

## **ASSIGNMENT - SLC**

SLC shall not assign or transfer this agreement to any other entity without prior written permission of the City. In the event of significant transfer of ownership of SLC Meter LLC by sale, inheritance, default, foreclosure or any other such ownership transfer, intentional or unintentional, this agreement is binding and remains in effect for the full term on SLC and/or its owners' successors and assigns.

## **ATTORNEYS' FEES**

In the event any "party" brings an action to enforce the terms and conditions of this Agreement, the non-prevailing party in such action shall reimburse the prevailing party for its reasonable attorneys' fees, court costs and legal expenses incurred in connection therewith as determined by the court.

## **TIME IS OF THE ESSENCE**

Time is of the essence for purposes of this Agreement.

## **WAIVER**

Any waiver with respect to any provision of this Agreement shall not be effective unless in writing and signed by the party against whom it is asserted.

## **SEVERABILITY**

In the event that any portion of this Agreement shall be declared by any court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable, such portion shall be deemed severed from this Agreement and the remaining parts hereof shall remain in full force and effect, as fully as though such invalid, illegal or unenforceable portion had never been part of this Agreement.

## **ENTIRE AGREEMENT**

This Agreement sets forth in full the entire Agreement of the parties in relation to the subject matter hereof and any other agreement, representation, or understanding, verbal or otherwise, relating to the products and professional services of SLC or otherwise dealing in any manner with the subject matter of this Agreement is hereby deemed to be null and void and of no force and effect whatsoever. This Agreement may be waived, changed, modified, or amended only by written amendment executed by both of the parties hereto. If any provision of this Agreement shall be deemed in conflict with any statute or rule of law, such provision shall be deemed modified to be in conformance with said statute or rule of law.

## **AMENDMENTS**

This Agreement may be amended from time to time only by a written agreement executed by the parties hereto.

## **ASSIGNMENT**

This Agreement shall be binding upon Pleasant Ridge and SLC and their respective successors and assigns and this Agreement is assignable by Pleasant Ridge upon written notice to SLC.

## **GOVERNING LAW**

This Agreement is and shall be deemed in all respects to be governed, construed, applied and enforced in accordance with the laws of the state where the Property is located.

## **NO OTHER AGREEMENTS**

This Agreement, which supersedes all prior negotiations, discussions, understandings, and agreements heretofore between the parties relating to the transaction contemplated herein, constitutes the sole and entire agreement of the parties respecting the subject matter hereof.

## **COUNTERPARTS**

This Agreement may be executed in multiple counterparts, no one of which needs to be executed by all the parties hereto, which together shall constitute a single instrument and, regardless of whether it is executed by all parties, shall be binding upon all parties who have executed a counterpart.

**(SIGNATURES ON NEXT PAGE)**



**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, this Agreement shall be deemed entered into and effective on the last date shown below.

**IN THE PRESENCE OF:**

\_\_\_\_\_

Date signed by Owner: January \_\_\_\_, 2019

**OWNER:**

**Pleasant Ridge**

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Authorized Representative

Its: \_\_\_\_\_

**SLC:**

SLC METER LLC.,  
a Michigan Limited Liability Corporation

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
John Traynor

Its: \_\_\_\_\_  
President

Date signed by SLC: January \_\_\_\_, 2019

SLC Meter llc  
 595 Bradford St.  
 Pontiac, MI 48341

Ph. 248-625-0667  
 Fx. 248-625-8650  
 www.slcmeter.com



# QUOTATION

Date	Quote #
12/8/2021	43459

Name / Address
PLEASANT RIDGE, CITY OF JIM BREUCKMAN 23925 WOODWARD AVE. PLEASANT RIDGE, MI 48069

Ship To
PLEASANT RIDGE, CITY OF JIM BREUCKMAN 23925 WOODWARD AVE. PLEASANT RIDGE, MI 48069

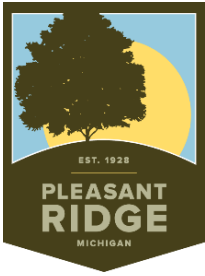
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Expires on	Terms	Rep	Entered by
1/7/2022	Net 30	RE	RE

Item	Description	Qty	Unit Price	Total
MAINTENANCE AG...	SERVICE CONTRACT - SLC METER. LLC WILL PERFORM WATER METER MAINTENANCE WHEN NEEDED AND ASSIST WITH BILLING SUPPORT. THIS SERVICE CONTRACT WILL ALSO COVER TWO ON SITE REFRESHER BEACON TRAINING SESSIONS.  YEARLY MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT FOR FULL METER INSTALLATION OR ENCODER/ENDPOINT INSTALLATION ALONG WITH METER/ENCODER/ENDPOINT SERVICE REPAIR/REPLACEMENT ON EXSISTING SYSTEM. THIS ALSO INCLUDES 2 BADGER METER AND TRAINING REFRESHER SESSIONS PER YEAR.	1	4,786.24	4,786.24
Service Call - Non W...	Service Call, Labor only, Non Warranty, Price Per Hour plus drive time (3 hour minimum for first call would be \$248.40) NOTE: THIS COST IS FOR THE FIRST INSTALL ON THE SCHEDULED DAY - EVERY OTHER INSTALL WILL BE BILLED PER THE COST IN THE BELOW LINE ITEM AT \$95.00 PER INSTALL REGARDLESS OF FULL METER OR ENCODER/ENDPOINT ONLY	0	248.40	0.00
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Please note the purchase and payment terms of SLC Meter llc. Written acceptance of this quotation is needed to order materials. All special order items have a 30% restocking fee. Please go to www.slcmeter.com for further details.	Sales Tax (0.0%)
	<b>Total</b> \$4,786.24

Thank You!



## City of Pleasant Ridge

Amy M. Allison, City Clerk/Asst City Manager

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From: Amy M. Allison, City Clerk/Assistant City Manager  
To: Mayor and City Commission  
Date: January 7, 2022  
Re: Annual Meeting Schedule Amendment

Each year, the meeting schedules for the City Commission, Historical Commission, Planning Commission/Downtown Development Authority and Recreation Commission are placed on the City Commission Agenda for approval. The meeting schedule was adopted at the December 14<sup>th</sup> City Commission meeting.

There is a change to one of the City Commission meeting dates. The November meeting normally would be held on Tuesday, November 8, 2022. November 8<sup>th</sup> is also election day; therefore, the November 2022 meeting date would need to be rescheduled to Tuesday, November 15, 2022.

Since the formal meeting schedule has already been adopted, City Commission recognition of the rescheduled November 2022 date is requested. Please feel free to contact me should you require any additional information.



# City of Pleasant Ridge

James Breuckman, City Manager

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From: Jim Breuckman, City Manager  
To: City Commission  
Date: January 6, 2022  
Re: 2014 Citizens Advisory Committee Recommendations Follow-Up

## Overview

The 2014 Citizens Advisory Committee's final report is attached. I will provide a review of the recommendations and actions taken by the City in response to the report and recommendations of the 2014 CAC.

## Requested Action

No action requested.



City of Pleasant Ridge  
Citizens Advisory Committee Report  
to the  
Mayor and City Commission

June 2014

## Introduction

The Mayor and City Commission established a Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) in January of 2014. Fifteen (15) residents were selected at a Special Meeting of the Mayor and City Commission on February 6, 2014. They were given the task of conducting a thorough review of the City's financial position. Their charge included examining the City's current and future revenues and expenses, past cost cutting efforts and future spending needs. Once the CAC had accomplished this task, they were to make recommendations to the Mayor and City Commission as to whether a Headlee Override proposal should be put before the voters or which areas or services should be reduced or both.

Approximately fifty (50) residents applied to serve on the CAC. The Mayor and the City Commissioners took great care to balance the committee with equal numbers of residents that reside on each side of Woodward Avenue, males and females and residents that have lived in the community for some time as well as newer residents. The members of the CAC are as follows: Sharon Barrett, Cindy Willcock, David Carmany, Helene Hemmi, Jake Covert, Jeff Hand, Joe Eggly, Kristi McAuliffe, Leah Summers, Jane Makulski, Marie Haener-Patti, Mike Lindberg, Peter Stenger, Tom Lietz, and Tom Treuter. Please note, the Mayor and the City Commission selected Commissioner Bret Scott to be the liaison to the CAC and Mayor Kurt Metzger to be the alternate liaison.

The Mayor and City Commission entered into a professional services agreement with John J. Zech, to act as the facilitator at the meetings of the CAC. The first meeting of the committee was held on February 13, 2014. A scheduled of eight (8) meetings was established:

February 13<sup>th</sup>  
February 27<sup>th</sup>  
March 13<sup>th</sup>  
March 27<sup>th</sup>  
April 10<sup>th</sup>  
April 24<sup>th</sup>  
May 8<sup>th</sup>  
May 22<sup>nd</sup>

It was agreed that additional meetings could be called if the CAC felt it necessary. In that regard, two (2) more meetings were held: June 5<sup>th</sup> and June 12<sup>th</sup>.

At the request of the facilitator, the committee selected a Chair, Jane Makulski, a Vice Chair, Mike Lindberg and a Secretary, Sharon Barrett, at the February 27<sup>th</sup> meeting. Ms. Makulski chaired all of the meetings except the May 8<sup>th</sup> meeting in which she was ill. Mr. Lindberg chaired that meeting. Ms. Barrett maintained the minutes of the meetings. Ms. Makulski, Mr. Lindberg, Ms. Barrett and Mr. Zech met between the meetings of the CAC to plan the agendas for the upcoming meetings. They received invaluable assistance from Acting City Manager Scott Pietrzak and City Clerk Amy Drealan.

In the early meetings of the CAC, Mr. Pietrzak made several presentations. However, Ms. Drealan and Brian Camiller, of Plante Moran, the firm selected by the Mayor and the City Commission to

handle the accounting duties of the City, also made presentations. Mr. Pietrzak reviewed the 2013-2014 General Fund budget, the Special Revenues funds, the Utility Bills and the Administrative Service Charge. He also discussed Capital Projects, cost cutting measures that had been initiated, the Segregated Capital Asset Fund (SCAF) and deferred maintenance projects. At meetings in April and May, the CAC established a list of quality of life issues in which they felt very strongly. You will find these items in Appendix No. 1. They also developed a list of recommendations for consideration by the Mayor and City Commission. You will find these in the next section after the preamble.

### **PREAMBLE**

The Mayor and City Commissioners of Pleasant Ridge established a Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) to conduct a thorough review of the City's financial position and provide recommendations. The following declarations are submitted after an extensive review of resources and presentations provided by the City of Pleasant Ridge and the City's accounting firm. The CAC has completed their review and anticipates that the Mayor and the Commissioners shall embrace this report as the articulated intent of the members of this Committee

As an advisory body representing the interest of the citizens of Pleasant Ridge, and after much discussion, investigation and debate the CAC does not see an urgent or insurmountable need to increase tax revenue for the city without further examining existing expenditures and possible savings as is suggested in the accompanying recommendations. During the course of the CAC's review, the committee identified significant concerns with the Administrative Service Charge calculation. The recommendations include restructuring this item in the city's budget.

As to the charge of the CAC "to recommend which areas or services should be reduced" in lieu of a tax increase, this document is an endorsement of the existing services provided by the City of Pleasant Ridge. These services are viewed as essential to the "way of life" of our City. Given the careful review of the financial data provided to this committee, it finds no need to reduce existing services. Furthermore, it is the position of the CAC that existing expenditures may be reduced while services are maintained or enhanced as is suggested in the accompanying recommendations.

Based on the information provided to the CAC, the City can achieve long range financial solvency through the implementation of the following recommendations.

### **Citizens Advisory Committee Report**

We believe the City has been fiscally responsible through the current recession and has taken the necessary steps to ensure that we remain a viable and attractive community. We must remain cost diligent to ensure that we continue to provide the high level service to our residents or businesses that make Pleasant Ridge that we love and admire.

Based on the review of the data and the presentations from various experts who met with us, we cannot recommend consideration of any form of tax increase without first exploring the revenue and cost saving recommendations provided below.

- Contractual services such as planning services, treasurer, telephones, internet and consumables should be reviewed and rebid on a regular basis through a sealed bid process.
- Benefits for city retirees and active employees should be evaluated by a professional employment organization (PEO) to reduce costs.
- The defined benefit program should be frozen for active employees and a defined contribution program should be implemented.
- Active employees should be offered a “cafeteria style” program for various fringe benefits.
- Paid time off should be considered to replace the paid sick time payout.
- The activities, services, programs and fee schedule and staffing levels of the Parks and Recreation Department should be evaluated.
- The City should replace the street light system with LED lights and add streetlights, where needed, by borrowing from the SCAF and repaying it through reduced lighting costs.
- The free pool passes program should be evaluated with an eye toward establishing a new fee schedule for guests.
- Create a non-resident rental rate for the Community Center with a priority system for residents that would include the parks by not the swimming pool.
- Refocus the efforts of the Downtown Development Authority (DDA).
- Reconfigure the DDA board to include business owners/managers and separate it from the Planning Commission.
- The existing hours of the Community Center, the wellness center and the swimming pool should be maintained.
- Consider making some changes to the hours of operation of City Hall to include evening hours.
- Initiate the sidewalk replacement program, so as to create a pedestrian and bicyclist friendly community by adopting the sidewalk maintenance proposal provided on next page.



Pleasant Ridge  
Citizen Advisory Council  
Sidewalk Maintenance Proposal

Purpose: To provide a consistent cost effective sidewalk maintenance program on a City-wide basis.

Every two years the city will get pricing through a competitive bid for sidewalk square replacement. The bid should be on a per square basis for those that will need replacement/repair. The city will use an independent inspector (not the replacement contractor) to evaluate all sidewalks throughout the city on a three level scale:

- A) Good condition – no action required
- B) Recommend repair/replacement
- C) Requires repair/replacement

*Note: B & C should have specific definitions like amount of cracking, angle, or size of lips*

The city will be responsible for the following sidewalk conditions:

- Parks
- ADA required conditions
- Sidewalks impacted by City owned trees (we expect these may require more frequent replacement do to lifting)
- Damage caused by other City work (road/sewer replacement activities)

Residents will be responsible for all other conditions on their property. Residents will be required to address all squares graded as C. The City will offer a financial hardship review process for resident to appeal for relief.

The contractor bid should specify the cost for additional work residents may request, such as aprons or other walks. This will allow resident to add work to their property and enjoy the lower costs associated with a large project. Resident will make direct payment to contractor for all extra work.

Other considerations/questions:

- Contract should contain a warranty, as long as possible
- Options for financial assistance or payment plan
- Would resident make direct payment to contractor for required work or pay City?

It should be noted that at the June 5<sup>th</sup> meeting of the CAC, two motions were passed after much debate.

#### **Motion 1**

A motion was made by Peter Stenger and was supported by Marie Haener-Patti, that the Mayor and City Commission should eliminate the management costs, ie City Manager, department heads and City Clerk in any future Administrative Service Charge calculation. Contingent upon this, the Mayor and City Commission should seek to pass a Headlee Amendment Override in the amount of \$260,000. If passed by the voters, the water rates should be recalculated to reflect 100% of the cost savings. A show of hands vote indicated twelve (12) members of the CAC voted yes and three (3) voted no. Subsequently, Jeff Hand, one of the no votes, asked that it be stated in the report that he voted no.

#### **Motion 2**

A motion was then made by Helene Hemmi and was supported by Jeff Hand, that any park enhancement project, excluding a public safety project, that would exceed one (1) mill in its totality, that would otherwise be paid for through the General Fund, shall be placed before the voters. A show of hands indicated thirteen (13) members of the CAC voted yes, and one (1) voted no. One member of the CAC did not vote on this item, as he had to leave the meeting before this item was discussed.

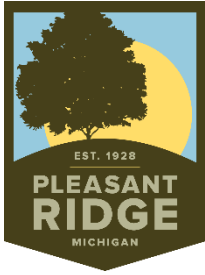
In closing, the members of the CAC wish to thank the Mayor and City Commission for the opportunity to serve the community. It was indeed an honor to be selected and a pleasure to serve. We are available to answer any questions the Mayor and City Commission may have about the report.

It should also be noted that after the last meeting of the CAC, Mike Lindberg resigned from the committee.

## Appendix No. 1

The CAC feels very strongly about the following quality of life issues:

- Maintain the local police department.
- Maintain the fire and rescue service with the City of Ferndale.
- Maintain the tree program and increase it, when possible.
- Maintain the snow removal service on City roads.
- Maintain the autumn leaf collection program.
- Maintain the SOCRRA program.
- Maintain the parks.
- Maintain the swimming pool, the wellness center and the Community Center.
- Maintain the historical integrity of the community.
- Maintain the roads and complete the planned improvements, as schedule.
- Maintain the Dog Park and the Community Garden as long as they are fully supported by user fees.
- Maintain the Ridger newsletter.
- Maintain the Tree Lighting and Memorial Day events.
- Maintain the hours of operation at City Hall, so that residents can speak face-to-face with City staff.



# City of Pleasant Ridge

James Breuckman, City Manager

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From: Jim Breuckman, City Manager  
To: City Commission  
Date: January 5, 2022  
Re: Water Infrastructure Funding Citizens Advisory Committee Objectives Statements

## Overview

Attached is a report from Jaymes Vettrano, CAC facilitator, establishing the objectives of the Water Infrastructure Funding Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC).

## Background

Mr. Vettrano conducted stakeholder interviews with me and each City Commissioner to develop an understanding of the common objectives for the CAC. Mr. Vettrano has developed the attached objectives statements based on those interviews and his understanding of the project.

Mr. Vettrano is asking the City Commission to review the proposed objectives statements, consider any changes, and to formally adopt the statements. These objective statements will serve to guide the CAC in its work as it considers water infrastructure funding alternatives.

## Requested Action

City Commission review and adoption of the CAC objectives statement, including any requested changes.

# Vettraino Consulting, LLC

P.O. Box 82202 ~ Rochester, MI 48308 ~ 248-379-8923 ~ VettrainoConsulting@gmail.com

January 3, 2022

TO: James Breuckman, City Manager

RE: Citizens Advisory Committee – Proposed Objectives Statements

The purpose of this memorandum is to provide proposed objective statements for the Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC). As noted in “Phase 1” of the project Scope of Work, Vettraino Consulting (VC) hosted phone meetings with the City Manager and each City Commissioner (the stakeholders). During the meetings, VC asked questions to understand the common objectives of the stakeholders. Not every objective discussed with each stakeholder has been included in the proposed objective statements, VC has attempted to develop objective statements that best represent consistent themes heard from the stakeholders.

VC requests the City Commission review the proposed objective statements, consider changes to the objective statements, and to formally adopt the objective statements. During the first CAC meeting VC will present and discuss the objective statements with the CAC and the objective statements will be used to guide the work of the CAC throughout its process.

## **Proposed Objective Statements**

1. The CAC has been created to address the specific question of “what is the most appropriate funding option for the City to fund already agreed upon water infrastructure capital projects.” This question is the starting point of work for the CAC. The CAC will not consider or offer recommendations regarding the need, total projected cost, or timing of the water infrastructure projects.
2. The CAC work will focus on developing funding options using sources of funds that are in the control of the city.
3. The CAC should consider and offer a recommendation regarding the question of “if external funding is received (for example grant funding), how should the external funding be applied to reduce the funding required from sources controlled by the city.”
4. City staff or city professional consultants (i.e., city attorney, city engineer) shall provide the CAC with all information necessary for their consideration of the objectives. If additional information is requested by the CAC, it shall be the responsibility of city staff or city professional consultants to acquire the information. Information provided by city staff or city professional consultants will be considered complete and reliable. The CAC shall not

rely on information received from sources other than city staff or city professional consultants.

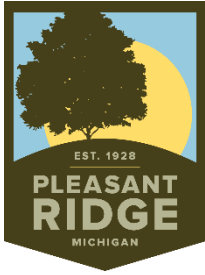
5. It will be a goal of the CAC to work together to develop a single recommendation to be presented to the City Commission. If consensus cannot be reached on a single recommendation the CAC shall:
  - a. Develop more than one recommendation and indicate CAC members' preference regarding each recommendation, or
  - b. Develop one recommendation and indicate the specific dissenting points/opinions of individual CAC members who did not reach consensus with the other CAC members regarding the one recommendation.
6. The CAC is not a policy setting body, is an advisory body. The CAC shall present its recommendation(s) to the City Commission during a public meeting of the City Commission. All power and authority to adopt, authorize, and implement any CAC recommendation shall rest with the City Commission.
7. Each CAC member shall act with respect and civility, during meetings and when speaking publicly about the work of the CAC. If a member of CAC is believed to not be acting with respect and civility, the CAC members may take a vote to report the member to the City Commission. Only a majority vote of the City Commission may remove a member of the CAC.
8. All CAC meetings shall be open to the public. The city will stream and/or broadcast the CAC meetings. Public comment will be heard at all CAC meetings following the same rules and standards as the City Commission meetings.
9. The CAC will have as its goal to present its recommendation(s) to the City Commission between late-March and early-April.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide these drafted proposed objective statements. If you have any questions or if I can provide additional information, please let me know.

Sincerely,



Jaymes Vettraino  
Vettraino Consulting, LLC



# City of Pleasant Ridge

James Breuckman, City Manager

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From: Jim Breuckman, City Manager  
To: City Commission  
Date: January 5, 2022  
Re: Water Infrastructure Funding Citizens Advisory Committee Member Selection

## Overview

Attached are 12 Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) applications that have been selected by the City Commission during the review and evaluation process.

## Background

66 residents submitted applications to serve on the CAC. The applicants were well-qualified and represented a broad cross section of the community. The City Commission reviewed and evaluated the applications in a workshop meeting and identified 12 preferred candidates to serve on the CAC.

## Requested Action

Appointment of Ann Warner, Belinda Peters, Kate Kokotovich, Damian Gyorkos, Eric Wegener, Jay Foreman, John McKenna, Mark de la Vergne, Pat Young, Robert Morris, Thomas Kempa, and Tom Wilkinson to the Water Infrastructure Funding Citizens Advisory Committee

# Citizen Advisory Committee Application

The City of Pleasant Ridge thanks you for your interest in serving on the Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) for water infrastructure funding. The purpose of the CAC is to study funding options and make a recommendation to the City Commission on how to fund the water infrastructure project to the City Commission.

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Your responses to the questions in the remaining sections about your interest, experience, and qualifications will be included in City Commission agenda packets which are published and made available for public inspection on the internet, so please include only information that you are comfortable being on the public record.

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The deadline to apply is December 31, 2021.

Email \*

redacted

Name \*

Mark de la Vergne

Address \*

29 Maplefield Road



Phone number \*

redacted

Education \*

Bachelor of Science, Engineering, University of Pennsylvania

Occupation \*

Lead Project Development at Cavnue, formerly Chief of Mobility Innovation for Mayor Duggan

Length of Time as a Pleasant Ridge Resident \*

4.5 years

Length of Time in Your Current Home \*

4.5 years

Availability

What evenings of the week are you consistently available to meet? Meetings will likely start between 6 and 7 pm. \*

- Monday
- Tuesday
- Wednesday
- Thursday

How many meetings per month could you reasonably attend? \*

- 1
- 2
- 3
- 4 or more

Are you comfortable meeting in person? Appropriate COVID protocols such as required masks and social distancing will be in place. \*

- Yes
- No

Interest and Qualifications

### What is your interest in serving on the CAC? \*

Pleasant Ridge is a great place to live and this issue impacts the financial ability of people that want to continue to live here as well as future residents that are looking to move here and set down roots. I'd like to be part of developing an immediate term solution that helps these folks as well as a strategy for flexibility as new opportunities come in the future.

### List any applicable municipal, community, or professional organizations, activities, or experience (include dates)

I worked for four years (2016-2020) as Chief of Mobility Innovation for Mayor Duggan. I led the development of the 2018 and 2020 plans for regional transit, led the development of a regional fare policy (DART) and development/deployment of the mobile app for transit payment, rebuilt the relationship between the City and SMART that had historically been challenging, led the development of Detroit's Strategic Transportation Plan, worked with our Department of Public Works on annual resurfacing programming, led the winning applications of two highly competitive mobility grant awards (FHWA ATCMD - \$2.18M and USDOT ADAS -\$7.5M), as well as led a number of innovative policies and deployments across Detroit (TOD parking policies, transportation during COVID, scooters, microtransit, etc).

### List any experience/examples of working and collaborating as part of a team, including any experience reconciling differences of opinion or conflicts within a team.

One of the roles that the Mayor had me play at the City was to develop compromises between departments that could not see the whole picture. This was everything from a micro situation like how a bike lane impacted a bus stop or metered parking, to something much bigger like how would we get Oakland and Macomb Counties to negotiate in good faith in 2018 on transit (which they did).

I don't believe there is any magic wand that creates compromise or gets everyone on the same page. There always need to be some common goals/outcomes that people's opinions can be measured against and it's imperative that everyone is heard from. But it's equally important that those that passionately want to be heard from are also able to hear others. This is what is often missing.

### Additional Information

What are your general opinions about the water infrastructure project and funding options to pay for it?

One of the great things about Pleasant Ridge is the state of the City's infrastructure. There are not many communities in the country that have the financial discipline to keep up their roads, parks, and other community assets like this City has. Removing the lead pipes and replacing the water mains are the next necessary step to improve the quality of life for those that live here now and future generations.

This issue has obviously struck a divide among many members of the community. There are so many smart people in this community and the fact that they came out on both sides of the issue during the election shows that there isn't an easy answer on how to pay for this.

I try to look at issues like these from other people's perspectives. For someone on a fixed income who has lived in their house for a long time, the additional mills will have an impact, but not nearly as much as a flat fee on the water bill. For a young family that is stretching to buy a two-bedroom house, the burden of the millage may make the house unaffordable.

The limited options at the City's disposal to use obviously make it a challenge to develop a solution that "works" for everyone. Some people will be impacted more than others. While the \$ amount that the State has announced for water infrastructure and what is in Build Back Better seem enormous, there is so much need across this state and country and most communities do not have the ability to pay for it like PR does. The City has done a great job pursuing and winning grants, but I believe grants should be considered a nice to have rather than the primary strategy.

I believe that the solution is some mix of using the passed millage and additional water fees that don't overburden any one user (new homeowners, lower income residents, seniors who have lived in the same house for 40+ years, etc).

Provide any additional information about yourself, this project, the CAC process, or anything else you would like us to consider.

I am not from the Detroit area - I moved here for my job. I was "recruited" to PR by another resident and we were very lucky to find a house that fit our needs. Like so many others, we love living here and plan to be here for decades. This is my first time becoming active in PR. I avoided anything "political" while I was in the Mayor's Office to avoid conflict of interest. I hope to serve on this commission to give a little back to the community and make sure Pleasant Ridge is a place that is open and available to a diverse group of people.

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# Citizen Advisory Committee Application

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Email \*

redacted

Name \*

Jay Foreman

Address \*

60 Oakdale

Phone number \*

redacted

Education \*

BA in Business Management

Occupation \*

IT / Systems Engineer

Length of Time as a Pleasant Ridge Resident \*

12 years

Length of Time in Your Current Home \*

6 years

Availability

What evenings of the week are you consistently available to meet? Meetings will likely start between 6 and 7 pm. \*

- Monday
- Tuesday
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How many meetings per month could you reasonably attend? \*

- 1
- 2
- 3
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Are you comfortable meeting in person? Appropriate COVID protocols such as required masks and social distancing will be in place. \*

- Yes
- No

Interest and Qualifications

What is your interest in serving on the CAC? \*

I want to help make sure that we get the best funding solution (for the water infrastructure work) for PR residents across the board.

List any applicable municipal, community, or professional organizations, activities, or experience (include dates)

PR City Commission 2013-2017, PR Rec Commission prior (not sure of dates), FPS Bond Committee 2019-present

List any experience/examples of working and collaborating as part of a team, including any experience reconciling differences of opinion or conflicts within a team.

Many relevant experiences when I was on City Commission, but we worked as a group to come up with best plan for General Operating / Parks / Water Infrastructure millages on the ballot, which helped to get the city's crumbled funding back on track, allowed us to rehabilitate Gainsboro Park (and other park spaces) and unbundled irrelevant fixed costs from the variable water rate. We formed a CAC at that time, which I felt it was both necessary and fruitful (just as this next one will be), but as a member of the City Commission I was not able to participate in this group, so I am excited for the opportunity to participate this time. Another big decision, which involved much group discussion and collaboration, was the hiring of our city manager; I believe we came to the best possible result in that case also. On the FPS Bond Committee we worked as a group to come to final amount for the bond proposal on ballot, and continue to give feedback on school improvements and select funding concerns.

Additional Information



What are your general opinions about the water infrastructure project and funding options to pay for it?

In the end, I feel that no matter which residents are selected for the CAC, the group will need to remove "politics" (for lack of a better term) from the task and come up with the best solution for the maximum number of PR residents. I am not biased for or against any specific solution, as to me the process of reaching the group's final recommendation is what is most important (from there, I believe the folks on the CAC will make the best decision). I want to see the CAC come up with good questions, receive prompt, complete, and solid information to answer those questions, and then work together to use that information to formulate the best possible recommendation(s) to the City Commission for moving forward.

Provide any additional information about yourself, this project, the CAC process, or anything else you would like us to consider.

We are all in this together, and will be dealing with this issue for decades to come. I am excited for the opportunity to help come up with the best possible solution (which I feel should include a framework for making adjustments as costs, available funding options, and other factors shift and change over time) for the funding of this massive and historic project.

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Email \*

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Name \*

Damian A. Gyorkos

Address \*

39 Devonshire

Phone number \*

redacted

Education \*

Wayne State Law School

Occupation \*

Sheet Metal Worker/Attorney/Business Owner

Length of Time as a Pleasant Ridge Resident \*

21 years

Length of Time in Your Current Home \*

21 years

Availability

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Interest and Qualifications

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There are different manners in which to address problems, and I am someone who prefers to look at all possible solutions and address the pros and cons. This water infrastructure will be a long-term investment in our cities livelihood. I would like to see the situation addressed and accomplished with an open platform that benefits the whole population of Pleasant Ridge.

List any applicable municipal, community, or professional organizations, activities, or experience (include dates)

American Bar Association, UAW, Pleasant Ridge Pipe Club

List any experience/examples of working and collaborating as part of a team, including any experience reconciling differences of opinion or conflicts within a team.

I have a diversified background that has allowed me to collaborate on many different levels, with a wide range of individuals. For example, as union skilled tradesman and steward for Chrysler (27 years), I have had to deal with the issues of contract interpretation and differences on how the reading would be applied. In addition, I completed law school, while working full time at Chrysler, and have been practicing for 10 years. My experience within the law includes, includes but not limited to: a Personal Injury firm, Lakeshore Legal Aid, a non profit organization that helps the financially deficient population with their legal issues, and as a solo practitioner handling clients issues .

Additional Information

What are your general opinions about the water infrastructure project and funding options to pay for it?

I am not fully versed in all of the options, and I would welcome the opportunity to hear opinions of other individuals that may have ideas or possible solutions. I do understand that there are 2 main ideas on the table individual property tax (2021 millage) and/or assessment on water usage per individual properties. This does not deny other possible programs that could help resolve the situation. However, I would like to be proactive and look to the future on how this could be done in a fluid way that addresses the issues of today and the possible issues of the future.

Provide any additional information about yourself, this project, the CAC process, or anything else you would like us to consider.

I would welcome the opportunity to work with my neighbors to help address this issue and bring a plan that benefits the city of PR. Cheers!

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The deadline to apply is December 31, 2021.

Email \*

redacted

Name \*

Thomas Kempa

Address \*

105 Cambridge Blvd.

Phone number \*

redacted

Education \*

Master of Science in Accountancy (Walsh College), BA in Political Science (University of Michigan, Ann Arbor)

Occupation \*

Accounting Manager (CPA)

Length of Time as a Pleasant Ridge Resident \*

5 years

Length of Time in Your Current Home \*

5 years

Availability



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How many meetings per month could you reasonably attend? \*

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- 4 or more

Are you comfortable meeting in person? Appropriate COVID protocols such as required masks and social distancing will be in place. \*

- Yes
- No

Interest and Qualifications

**What is your interest in serving on the CAC? \***

My interest in serving on the CAC is to help provide guidance to the City Council. I want to provide a service to the community by being a resource. From my career, I have built extensive knowledge on municipal finance and funding sources. I understand the financial framework that municipalities need to work within and the options for financing capital projects.

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**List any applicable municipal, community, or professional organizations, activities, or experience (include dates)**

From 2013 to 2021, I worked at a public accounting firm. My primary industry for those eight years was municipalities and other governmental entities. I provided financial statements audits, single audits and consulting services to many local governments across Metro Detroit.

Here is an example of some of the clients that I served:

Oakland County  
Livingston County  
Livingston Regional Wastewater System  
City of Farmington Hills  
City of Southgate  
Many others

We provided the following varying services to our clients:

Financial statement audits  
Single audits  
Consulting services  
Water and rate studies

I am a licensed CPA and a member of the MICPA.

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List any experience/examples of working and collaborating as part of a team, including any experience reconciling differences of opinion or conflicts within a team.

For my entire professional career, my job has been on project based. I have always worked with a team to get these project/engagements completed.

During my time working at a CPA firm, we would always have to work with the client as a team. There would be times, where the client might not agree with our recommendations or findings. We would work with them to resolve the issues and would ensure that they knew we had their best interest in our minds. Our job was to work with them while providing the best recommendations/options. We overcame the differences of opinion by working together and knowing when to compromise and when not to.

My current job is managing the integration of acquisitions into our accounting and finance system. I am part of a team of 15+ individuals working together to onboarding the acquired companies. Since each acquisition is different, we get differing opinions on how these integrations should go. We stride for the best answer for the entire team while keeping in mind the impacts that it can have on individual team members.

### Additional Information

What are your general opinions about the water infrastructure project and funding options to pay for it?

The water infrastructure project is necessary (since all legal challenges failed) but is a difficult issue for our community in particular. We only have a few good options and we should consider a mix of millage and fixed water fee. A variable water rate is not the best option for funding a capital project since water usage can vary from year to year. Fixed fees and millages provide the best way to ensure that there is funds to cover the project costs. Hopefully, the State and the Federal government will provide assistance. We cannot rely on federal/state funding as of right now, but we can build it into a fee/millage model. If funding does come available, the millage and fixed fees can be updated for the period the federal/state funding is provided.

Provide any additional information about yourself, this project, the CAC process, or anything else you would like us to consider.

I have a strong understanding of the mechanics of municipal financing and how these decisions will impact the current and future citizens of Pleasant Ridge. In addition, I understand the options that the City has and have seen how other communities have implemented large millages/rate increases. I would bring extensive experience and a teamwork mentality to the CAC.

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Email \*

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Name \*

Catherine Kavanagh Kokotovich

Address \*

112 Elm Park Avenue

Phone number \*

redacted

Education \*

BA Political Science University of Michigan, JD University of Wisconsin Madison

Occupation \*

Attorney

Length of Time as a Pleasant Ridge Resident \*

10 years

Length of Time in Your Current Home \*

10 years

Availability

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- Yes
- No

Interest and Qualifications

What is your interest in serving on the CAC? \*

It would be a great way to learn more about water infrastructure which is such a basic and critical public service and how to best to provide sustainable financing to maintain it.

List any applicable municipal, community, or professional organizations, activities, or experience (include dates)

Michigan Bar Association Member 2003-current and Risk Management Association (2004-2010).

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As a transactional attorney I have spent almost 20 years regularly working with clients, their customers and opposing counsel to find solutions to complex problems by addressing the most important needs of the various stakeholders and getting to a mutually agreeable solution.

### Additional Information

What are your general opinions about the water infrastructure project and funding options to pay for it?

I was surprised to see that it was such a controversial (at least on social media) issue. It seems to me that funding large infrastructure projects via taxes makes sense and I trust our elected officials to spend the funds wisely. That said, I can see why someone who recently purchased a home and therefore has a very high taxable value would be dismayed to see taxes (which are already high) go up even higher. I am open to exploring options that might balance the burden differently.

Provide any additional information about yourself, this project, the CAC process, or anything else you would like us to consider.

I hope that in participating on the committee I will be able to help build consensus and understanding around this issue so that we can move forward with this important project swiftly and efficiently.

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Email \*

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Name \*

John P McKenna

Address \*

15 Millington



Phone number \*

redacted

Education \*

Bachelors of Arts (Petroleum Geology) 1988; Masters of Science (Geology) 1991; MBA 2020

Occupation \*

Vice President/Client Director: Arcadis

Length of Time as a Pleasant Ridge Resident \*

5+ years (Sept. 2016)

Length of Time in Your Current Home \*

5+ Years (Sept. 2016)

Availability

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- Yes
- No

Interest and Qualifications

**What is your interest in serving on the CAC? \***

My interest in serving on the CAC is to simply give back to my community using the personal and professional skills that I have developed and honed over the last 30+ years. I bring a professional skill set in looking at issues similar to this in my every day work life while also bringing an empathetic awareness to all the different views because I too am a resident.

**List any applicable municipal, community, or professional organizations, activities, or experience (include dates)**

My work experience for the past 30+ years (since my graduation with my initial Masters Degree in 1991) has been in the direct area of engineering and environmental consultancy. In the work I have performed, managed, and led for many clients, a large part of that (internally and externally) has been communication based. My work experiences have included the need to communicate, interact, and even negotiate with state and federal regulators as well as citizen's groups. The goal is always to listen, while advocating a position, to all points of view brought to the table and be empathetic to all opinions. My prime role for the past 10+ years (2010) has been managing one of my firms global accounts. In this role I have traveled to all corners of the planet (before Covid) to work and interact with my colleagues, clients, and other stakeholders. This has been a challenge because one needs to balance the ultimate goals of the task at hand while recognizing social, cultural, and language challenges. One needs to be a great listener, empathetic, and open and receptive to different points of view to be able to come to a consensus and then implement a path forward. I believe that I have been very successful in this area in my professional life. I have worked/led water projects (although not municipal in nature) and have a strong applicable knowledge of how consultants and contractors work. I can also talk and understand the implementation of these general types of projects.

List any experience/examples of working and collaborating as part of a team, including any experience reconciling differences of opinion or conflicts within a team.

In 2003 timeframe I sat co-chaired a school bond committee in Lake Orion (where we previously lived). The main objective was to get input from as many residents as possible as to what would be included in a school bond that would be voted on. There was obviously not 100% consensus from all the community input as to what should be added. Ultimately, we were able to put together a bond request that fairly represented the needs of the district and was ultimately passed in a vote. I also served a Warden for two years at St. Mary's In the Hills Episcopal Church in Lake Orion (2012-2013). During this timeframe we had to conduct a search for a new Pastor. We (myself and the other warden) had to select a selection committee, create a parish questionnaire, review resumes, interview applicants, and ultimately select a new Pastor that would lead our church. We were successful. In both examples there were definitely very differing opinions. My teams in both cases were successful in coming to a well thought out consensus for a path forward. My management style at work is very much collaborative and not authoritative. I let all my team members give their thoughts and input. After all the data is weighed, a decision is made based on all the information presented to attain the ultimate goal. There will all be differences of opinions amongst people, this is healthy as to come to the best path forward.

**Additional Information**

What are your general opinions about the water infrastructure project and funding options to pay for it?

My general opinions about the water infrastructure project and funding are flexible and open minded at this point. The information presented by the city manager and the city's consultant was very thorough. I realize that we have regulatory milestones set by the state that must be met as well as not an abundance of options for funding. But we also have a bond that just passed. So there are not an abundance of options available to fund the project and still meet the milestones established. No matter what anyone believes there will be a cost to us, the homeowner's, to complete the project. That's not to say that some creative thinking may bring additional options to the surface. I am open minded to exploring as many viable options as there are but also I believe we need to refrain from going down rabbit holes with options that don't make sense. This is an important and critical infrastructure project with a hefty cost and we as a community need to take the best path forward.

Provide any additional information about yourself, this project, the CAC process, or anything else you would like us to consider.

In my professional life I am both a critical thinking and a problem solver. I am trained to look collaboratively with teams at as many viable options as possible, create sound discussions and evaluate paths forward until one is ultimately selected. I understand that no matter path forward is selected for the infrastructure project it will not make everyone in the community happy, that is unfortunate. But as a community we need to come together to look at the viable options with as much input as we can get to create that sound path forward. I believe that with my skill set I would be an ideal candidate to be considered for this CAC.

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Email \*

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Name \*

Robert Morris

Address \*

5 Norwich Rd

Phone number \*

redacted

Education \*

Graduate

Occupation \*

I.T. Consultant

Length of Time as a Pleasant Ridge Resident \*

Three years

Length of Time in Your Current Home \*

Three years

Availability

What evenings of the week are you consistently available to meet? Meetings will likely start between 6 and 7 pm. \*

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How many meetings per month could you reasonably attend? \*

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- 4 or more

Are you comfortable meeting in person? Appropriate COVID protocols such as required masks and social distancing will be in place. \*

- Yes
- No

### Interest and Qualifications

What is your interest in serving on the CAC? \*

Civil service is rewarding, and I hope my ethos; integrity; and pragmatism can benefit our city.



List any applicable municipal, community, or professional organizations, activities, or experience (include dates)

As a consultant I have to be able to learn my customer's business and operations in short order, and my client's diversity provides me with the knowledge base to do so.

List any experience/examples of working and collaborating as part of a team, including any experience reconciling differences of opinion or conflicts within a team.

I work within every size of team daily, from small businesses up to fortune 500 companies. My role requires effective communication, identification and focus on the objectives, to lead by example, encourage cooperation, and motivate for success. Differences of opinion are par for the course in team work, and garnering general consensus is often desired. Compromise is the name of the game.

### Additional Information

What are your general opinions about the water infrastructure project and funding options to pay for it?

The project is necessary, and our residents are collectively responsible for the funding. Obtaining grants is desirable, and so is minimizing costs. There are pros and cons to every option, but I have no preconceived expectations of a specific outcome. It is desirable that everyone can accept the compromise that is necessary, but it is highly unlikely that a wholly united consensus will be achieved.

Provide any additional information about yourself, this project, the CAC process, or anything else you would like us to consider.

I am respected for my ability to jump in to challenging situations, and extract successful outcomes. I am adept at analyzing a situation from multiple opposing perspectives. I am a voice of reason in most things.

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Email \*

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Name \*

Belinda Peters

Address \*

1 Hanover Rd

Phone number \*

redacted

Education \*

Masters Degree in Public Administration

Occupation \*

Retired County Administrator-Livingston Cty

Length of Time as a Pleasant Ridge Resident \*

1 year

Length of Time in Your Current Home \*

1 year

Availability

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- Yes
- No

### Interest and Qualifications

What is your interest in serving on the CAC? \*

Because of my past work experience and finance background, I have a lot to offer the CAC.

List any applicable municipal, community, or professional organizations, activities, or experience (include dates)

City of Rochester Hills 1983 - December 31,1999 - Office Supervisor Department of Public Works 2-1988 through August 1991. Experience working on bond issues and water/sewer rate analysis. Financial Administrator August 1992 - December 31, 1999. Livingston County January 2000 - July 2015. Retired as County Administrator.

List any experience/examples of working and collaborating as part of a team, including any experience reconciling differences of opinion or conflicts within a team.

Worked with City Council / County Commission / Department Directors and Elected Officials to create public policy; annual budgets; 5 - 10 year capital improvement plans. Group Pension Plan Trustee and Administrator.

### Additional Information

What are your general opinions about the water infrastructure project and funding options to pay for it?

The water infrastructure is a necessary public health project. I believe there are a variety of funding options (including the recently approved millage) available. It is imperative to find the appropriate mix of funding options to match the needs of the community and meet the State mandate. Timing and staging of the project is also critical to mitigate old lead service lead lines, update aging water mains, and improve water pressure for the residents.

Provide any additional information about yourself, this project, the CAC process, or anything else you would like us to consider.

My under graduate degree is in Finance, with a Masters in Public Administration. I attended/graduated from the Harvard Kennedy School Executive Education - Senior Executives in State and Local Government in 2009. I have experience in funding major capital projects including: water/sewer infrastructure and rates, EMS facility, Jail expansion, roads, etc.

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Email \*

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Name \*

Ann Warner

Address \*

18 Sylvan

Phone number \*

redacted

Education \*

Juris Doctor

Occupation \*

Attorney

Length of Time as a Pleasant Ridge Resident \*

8 years

Length of Time in Your Current Home \*

8 years

Availability

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- No

### Interest and Qualifications

What is your interest in serving on the CAC? \*

Ensuring taxes are wisely spent and infrastructure is of paramount importance to city leaders.



List any applicable municipal, community, or professional organizations, activities, or experience (include dates)

Ferndale Police & Fire Board 2002-2004, Ferndale Arts & Cultural Commission 2001-2003, Ferndale Library Board 2005-2011, State Bar of Michigan Committee on Constitutional Law, Chair 1995-1998, Board of Directors, Community Media Network 1998-2001, Ferndale Education Foundation Board of Directors 2016-Present, Mediator - Wayne County Mediation Tribunal 1996-2006.

List any experience/examples of working and collaborating as part of a team, including any experience reconciling differences of opinion or conflicts within a team.

See above.

### Additional Information

What are your general opinions about the water infrastructure project and funding options to pay for it?

I support the project and will study and consider all funding options.

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Email \*

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Name \*

Eric Wegener

Address \*

50 Maywood Avenue

Phone number \*

redacted

Education \*

MBA

Occupation \*

Senior HRIS Analyst

Length of Time as a Pleasant Ridge Resident \*

4 years

Length of Time in Your Current Home \*

1.5 years

Availability

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- No

Interest and Qualifications

**What is your interest in serving on the CAC? \***

I want to collaborate with my fellow citizens to ensure that our City moves this project forward in a timely fashion, explore all options for additional government funding and to ensure that the economically vulnerable residents are not unfairly impacted.

**List any applicable municipal, community, or professional organizations, activities, or experience (include dates)**

I have been a member of the Society for Human Resources Management (SHRM) since 2017 and a member of the Chartered Insurance Professional (CIP) since 2007. I served on the board of GM PLUS, an employee resource group for LGBTQ employees at General Motors, from 2014 - 2019.

**List any experience/examples of working and collaborating as part of a team, including any experience reconciling differences of opinion or conflicts within a team.**

My experience working and collaborating as part of a team is extensive: University related experience at Northwood University and the University of Michigan. Professional related experience at General Motors during the implementation of Workday and currently at Exact Sciences working on Executive compensation enhancements in Workday (HR system). I am currently leading a project at Exact Sciences to harmonize Executive compensation grades, bonus targets and stock targets globally for the Workday system.

**Additional Information****What are your general opinions about the water infrastructure project and funding options to pay for it?**

Generally speaking I think the water infrastructure project needs to move forward as quickly as possible - especially to replace the lead service lines as this is a public health threat now and for future generations. I think we should try to pursue government funds as much as possible. With a lack of any additional government funds we will need to use a combination of millage and water rate/service charges to fund the project.

Provide any additional information about yourself, this project, the CAC process, or anything else you would like us to consider.

I am originally from the Bay City area and moved to metro Detroit in 2011. I moved to Pleasant Ridge in 2017 when I bought my small 785 square foot house on Maywood. I married my husband Fernando in 2019 and we decided instead of selling his house in Sterling Heights and my house, we would build a new house here in a community we love. We are planning on living in Pleasant Ridge in our forever home for as long as possible. As a 'future' life long resident, I want to be a part of the process that will impact all current and future residents.

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Email \*

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Name \*

Tom Wilkinson

Address \*

130 Maplefield Road, Pleasant Ridge, MI 48069

Phone number \*

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Education \*

BA, Political Science, The College of Wooster, 1974

Graduate school of Journalism, Kent State University, 1979-80

Occupation \*

Retired Senior Communications Manager, GM

Length of Time as a Pleasant Ridge Resident \*

33 years

Length of Time in Your Current Home \*

33 years

Availability



What evenings of the week are you consistently available to meet? Meetings will likely start between 6 and 7 pm. \*

- Monday
- Tuesday
- Wednesday
- Thursday

How many meetings per month could you reasonably attend? \*

- 1
- 2
- 3
- 4 or more

Are you comfortable meeting in person? Appropriate COVID protocols such as required masks and social distancing will be in place. \*

- Yes
- No

Interest and Qualifications

What is your interest in serving on the CAC? \*

I am interested in helping the city find the most equitable way to fund this important project, and to find ways to bring the community back together after a contentious millage vote in November.

List any applicable municipal, community, or professional organizations, activities, or experience (include dates)

Member, Planning Commission and DDA, 2017 to date; chair 2019 to date.

Candidate or PR City Commission, 2021.

List any experience/examples of working and collaborating as part of a team, including any experience reconciling differences of opinion or conflicts within a team.

As a communications manager and director at GM, I participated in a number of multidisciplinary workgroups (know as GMS or Go-Fast) aimed at solving critical business issues.

In my last assignment prior to retirement, I was a leader of one such team that developed new communications processes for safety recalls, which was key to GM resolving a U.S. Department of Justice Consent Agreement resulting from a major ignition switch recall and class action lawsuit.

Almost all other communications activity throughout my 20-plus years at GM also involved working with cross-disciplinary teams to launch vehicles, stage auto show and other reveals, and respond to media queries.

### Additional Information

What are your general opinions about the water infrastructure project and funding options to pay for it?

I believe the project is a critical investment in the future of our city. I am confident we can find a way to fund the project that will seem fair to most residents and strengthen support for this important work.

Provide any additional information about yourself, this project, the CAC process, or anything else you would like us to consider.

I believe a citizens' committee is an important way to engage a broad cross-section of residents, sort through the available funding options, and come up with recommendations that most members of the community can support.

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# Citizen Advisory Committee Application

The City of Pleasant Ridge thanks you for your interest in serving on the Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) for water infrastructure funding. The purpose of the CAC is to study funding options and make a recommendation to the City Commission on how to fund the water infrastructure project to the City Commission.

Please be advised that the information contained in this questionnaire is not confidential and will be reviewed by the Mayor and City Commission. Out of respect for your privacy, the information in the first section, including your address, phone number, email address, education, and occupation will not be made public as part of any City Commission agenda packet or otherwise published or distributed, but that information is subject to Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) requests.

Your responses to the questions in the remaining sections about your interest, experience, and qualifications will be included in City Commission agenda packets which are published and made available for public inspection on the internet, so please include only information that you are comfortable being on the public record.

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Email \*

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Name \*

Pat Young

Address \*

19 Wellesley Dr.

Phone number \*

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Education \*

Nursing School

Occupation \*

Registered Nurse - Retired

Length of Time as a Pleasant Ridge Resident \*

42 years

Length of Time in Your Current Home \*

42 years

Availability

What evenings of the week are you consistently available to meet? Meetings will likely start between 6 and 7 pm. \*

- Monday
- Tuesday
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- Thursday

How many meetings per month could you reasonably attend? \*

- 1
- 2
- 3
- 4 or more

Are you comfortable meeting in person? Appropriate COVID protocols such as required masks and social distancing will be in place. \*

- Yes
- No

Interest and Qualifications

What is your interest in serving on the CAC? \*

I would hope the committee would have a balance of those who were for and against the initial proposition presented. I fear many applying are those interested in overturning the Nov.2 vote. I am willing to entertain the most equitable solutions for all PR residents.

List any applicable municipal, community, or professional organizations, activities, or experience (include dates)

None

List any experience/examples of working and collaborating as part of a team, including any experience reconciling differences of opinion or conflicts within a team.

I seek to resolve differences through collaboration rather than confrontation.

### Additional Information

What are your general opinions about the water infrastructure project and funding options to pay for it?

I agree with the need for service line remediation and concurrent water main replacement and with the taxation approach but am willing to entertain other equitable solutions for funding.

Provide any additional information about yourself, this project, the CAC process, or anything else you would like us to consider.

I would hope the CAC can achieve a balance of those for and against the currently adopted solution. My fear is that those opposed are hoping to, by their numbers, pack the committee.

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