

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF BRIGHTON
HELD ON OCTOBER 5, 2017 AT THE BRIGHTON CITY HALL
200 N. 1ST STREET, BRIGHTON, MICHIGAN

REGULAR SESSION

Mayor Muzzin called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. Present were Mayor Muzzin, Mayor Pro-Tem Pipoly, Councilmembers Bohn, Emaus, Tobbe, and Pettengill. Staff: City Manager Nate Geinzer, Attorney Paul Burns, Police Chief Rob Bradford, DPW Director Marcel Goch, Assistant to the DPW Director Patty Thomas, Organizational Relations Manager Michelle Miller, Clerk Pamela Stewart, Management Assistant Jessica Lienhardt, Zoning and Code Enforcement Associate Mike Caruso, Utilities Director Tim Krugh, Communications & Community Engagement Assistant Lydia Macklin-Camel and an audience of three.

Tom Tolen from WHMI also attended.

It was moved by Mayor Pro-Tem Pipoly and seconded by Tobbe to excuse Councilmember Gardner for personal reasons.

AGENDA APPROVAL

Mayor Muzzin changed item 4. Call to the Public to Approval of the Agenda

Councilmember Bohn asked that items 9, 11, and 12 be moved from the Consent Agenda.

It was moved by Councilmember Emaus seconded by Pettengill to approve the agenda as amended. The motion passed 6-0-1.

CONSENT AGENDA

It was moved by Mayor Pro-Tem Pipoly seconded by Emaus to approve the Consent Agenda.

The following items were approved:

Approved the Study Session, Regular Session and Closed Session Minutes of September 21, 2017

Approved Resolution 17-26 for the purchase of service credits at the employee's expense for Officer Sliwa

Approved reappointments of David Chaundy and Russ Gottschalk to the Zoning Board of Appeals

Roll call vote (Yes) Muzzin, Pipoly, Pettengill, Bohn, Tobbe, Emaus (No) none (Absent) Gardner

Motion passed 6-0-1.

METASTATIC BREAST CANCER AWARENESS DAY

The Mayor proclaimed named October 13, 2017 to be Metastatic Breast Cancer Awareness Day in the City of Brighton.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

Mayor Muzzin opened the Call to the Public at 7:35 p.m.

Beth Walker, 1079 Hillcrest, wanted to endorse the selecting of Family Tree Doctor. She had a positive personal experience with the arborist. She commented that if there were a large amount of concrete for the Millpond Gazebo project that it be painted with a labyrinth. She also commented about the lack of crosswalks on Main Street between Grand River and I-96.

Hearing and seeing no additional comment the Call to the Public closed at 7:40 p.m.

CITY CUSTOMER INFORMATION AND BOARD UPDATES

Utilities Director Krugh reported that he had lead two school groups that were part of a LEGO robotics teams that included hydraulics.

Chief Bradford mentioned that Officer Tester was back to work and that another Coffee with a Cop was held at Starbucks in Brighton. He mentioned the Homecoming parade on Main Street on October 6. He also mentioned that the officers would be wearing pink t-shirts in October to support Breast Cancer Awareness.

Assistant to the DPW Director Patty Thomas reported that leaf vacuuming would start next week and that more information would be available in a press release on the City's website. She also said that bags would be picked up every week and there was no limit on the number of bags.

DPW Director Goch mentioned that there would be catch basin repairs this week.

Zoning and Code Enforcement Associate Mike Caruso mentioned that there would be a ZBA meeting on October 12th with three agenda items.

Clerk Stewart mentioned that the last day to register to vote was October 10, 2017 for the November Election.

Manager Geinzer talked about the Comprehensive Master Plan Open House held on October 2, where the Complete Streets Plan and Parks & Recreation Plan were discussed. The event had over fifty visitors. Much of the information is still available on the City website and City's Facebook and input is still being taken from the public. He also noted that Community Development Associate Brandon Skopek met with two FlexTech classes about community development. Mr. Skopek was impressed with the level of interest and knowledge. Manager Geinzer also mentioned that Finance Director Gomolka had been appointed to the Board of Directors of the MGFOA.

DPW Director Goch added that leaves should be put into the street if possible.

Mayor Pro-Tem Pipoly reported that PSD met and discussed how to approach Council concerning the potential renewal of the SAD. He suggested to report on what they have done and what they will do with the money. He also received a call from Robert Lawrence from Eberspaecher USA inviting City Council to come to his facility to tour.

Councilmember Pettengill reported that on September 23 volunteers resealed the Imagination Station in an hour and a half. She recognized Chad Selby and Josh Basha from the DPW department for going above and beyond to help with the project.

PRESENTATION FROM GIFFELS WEBSTER

Manager Geinzer said that Ordinance 578 has been reviewed by Staff and is the proper format to approve. He thanked everyone for their involvement and introduced Joe Tangari from Giffels Webster.

Mr. Tangari did a presentation on how the new online zoning ordinance would look and the benefits that would be derived from the reorganization. He said that the review had cleaned up some of the repetition, updated, and clarified some of the language. The ordinance revamp reformatted the information for ease of searching and added useful illustrations, graphics, and hyperlinks.

PUBLIC HEARING FOR ORDINANCE 578

Mayor Muzzin closed the regular meeting and opened up the public hearing. Hearing no comment the Mayor closed the public hearing.

Councilmember Bohn and Emaus seconded the motion to adopt the proposed amendment to Chapter 98 "Zoning" of the City's Code of Ordinances, pursuant to the Planning Commission's August 21, 2017 recommendation.

Roll call vote (Yes) Muzzin, Pipoly, Pettengill, Bohn, Tobbe, Emaus (No) none (Absent) Gardner

Motion Passed: 6-0-1

CONTRACT FOR SIMPLE RECYCLING

It was moved by Mayor Pro-Tem Pipoly seconded by Emaus to untable the discussion on signing a contract with Great Lakes Recycling.

Communications & Community Engagement Assistant Macklin-Camel answered some of the questions that had been posed in the last Council meeting and was joined by Bill Wilk a representative from Simple Recycling. Assistant Macklin-Camel confirmed that all current Waste Management customers would be served and larger pick-ups could be arranged by larger complexes. The Council had concerns about garbage pickers. Mr. Wilk responded that if there was a problem it would be investigated and/or a GPS unit would be used and the police would be called. He also explained that about two weeks before the program begins mailers would be sent to residents explaining the program.

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It was moved by Mayor Pro-Tem Pipoly and seconded by Emaus to approve the contact with Simple Recycling a/k/a Great Lakes Recycling.

Motion passed: 6-0-1

THE 2017 BIENNIAL CITIZEN SURVEY

Management Assistant Lienhardt explained that the survey is done every two years. A postcard will go out to all addresses commercial and residential to offer a link to the survey. Some questions were asked about the order and arrangement of the items individually. The order of the questions on the survey was designed to be random in order to eliminate survey bias.

The information will be sorted and presented to Council to help determine future goals for the City.

It was moved by Councilmember Bohn and seconded by Emaus to approve the 2017 Biennial Citizen Survey.

Motion passed: 6-0-1

BID FOR ARBORIST

DPW Director Goch talked about how an arborist would be used to help evaluate tree health and trimming strategies where needed. Council suggested that an annual limit be put on the amount spent. Staff responded that there was already item is already a line item which would be used for the arborist.

It was moved by Councilmember Emaus and seconded by Pettengill to award the bid for arborist services to Family Tree Doctor.

Motion passed: 6-0-1

BID FOR ELECTRICIAN

Assistant to the DPW Director Thomas mentioned that the City had been using the owner of Bray Electric for seventeen years. DPW Goch spoke about the afterhours and weekend cost being very reasonable and he had been reliable and knew the City.

It was moved by Emaus and seconded by Tobbe to award bid for electrical services to Bray Electric.

Motion passed: 6-0-1

FIRST READ AND SETTING OF PUBLIC HEARING FOR ORDINANCE 580

Code Enforcement Associate Mike Caruso recommended that City Council set a public hearing date of November 2, 2017 to field public comments regarding and consider adoption of the proposed amendment to the City's Zoning Map described in section 98-27 of the City's Code of Ordinances. A rezoning application has been submitted by Paul Mika to rezone 333 N. Fourth Street from R-4, Medium Density Multiple Family to R-3, Low

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Density Multiple Family. The Planning Commission conducted a public hearing for the rezoning request at their September 18 meeting and has recommended approval to City Council.

Some concerns by residents were drainage, the final look of the property, and saving as much green belt as possible which were addressed.

It was moved by Councilmember Emaus and seconded by Pettengill to approve first read of and set the 2nd read and public hearing for November 2, 2017

Motion passed: 6-0-1

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

Mayor Muzzin opened the Call to the Public at 9:06 p.m.

Beth Walker, 1079 Hillcrest, commended the Council on choosing the Family Tree Doctor to be the City's arborist.

Hearing and seeing none the Mayor closed the Call to the Public at 9:07 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Councilmember Pettengill and seconded by Emaus to adjourn the meeting at 9:07 p.m.

Motion passed: 6-0-1

Pamela Stewart, City Clerk

James Muzzin, Mayor