

REGULAR MEETING

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 p.m., Mayor Frank Vaslo presiding

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

Invocation by Reverend Mary Tame of First United Methodist Church

PRESENT: Councilpersons Valerie Brady, Mario DiSanto, Mark Kandes, Thomas McPartlin,
Thomas Murphy and Michael Myers

ALSO PRESENT: City Manager Steve Duchane, City Attorney Ed Zelenak and City Clerk
Donna Breeding

Mayor's remarks

RESOLUTION 09-62 Minutes

By Councilman Myers, supported by Councilman DiSanto

RESOLVED, that the minutes of the Regular Meeting held under the date of March 16, 2009 be approved as recorded.

Motion unanimously carried.

(Note: Study Session held March 16, 2009 at 9:10 p.m.)

NOTED: Received and filed Dismissal of Federal lawsuit Opinion and Order – JAMES COZZENS and I-75 Outer Drive Adult Book Store vs. City of Lincoln Park

NOTED: Summons and Complaint received and filed in the matter of M. NASSER vs. CITY OF LINCOLN PARK; Case #09-005877-CZ

RESOLUTION 09-63 Reappointment/DDA

By Council President Murphy, supported by Councilman McPartlin

RESOLVED, that Jim Fox is hereby reappointed to a four (4) year term as a member of the Board of Directors of the Lincoln Park Downtown Development Authority. Term to expire March 1, 2013.

Motion unanimously carried.

PUBLIC HEARING re: ALLEY VACATION – Main Fort St. Sub No. 2 west of Lots 101 through 112, inclusive

CALLED TO ORDER

Discussion

Public Comment

Adjourn Public Hearing

Reconvene Regular Meeting

RESOLUTION 09-64 Alley Vacation/Main Fort St. Sub No. 2

By Councilwoman Brady, supported by Councilman McPartlin

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council having had a Public Hearing on March 23, 2009.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that it is deemed advisable to vacate the certain alley described as:

20 ft alley lying adjacent to and westerly of Lots 101 through 112, inclusive, of Main Fort St. Subdivision No. 2, Liber 63, Page 44 of Plats, W.C.R., as bounded by Lincoln Blvd and Garfield Ave to the south and north respectively.

Full width of said alley to be retained as an easement for the installation and maintenance of public utilities.

And the same is hereby declared VACATED.

Motion unanimously carried.

PRESENTATION by the VFW to the Lincoln Park Police Honor Guard, a check in the amount of \$1271.00

PROCLAIM the month of April as Child Abuse Prevention Month.

RESOLUTION 09-65 Award Bid/Playground Equipment

By Councilwoman Brady, supported by Councilman DiSanto

RESOLVED, that Playworld Midstates be awarded the bid to provide and install playground equipment of VFW Park at a cost of \$24,637.00; as they were best bidder who met all specifications. Per the recommendation of the Parks & Recreation Commission. Funds to come from CDBG Parks & Recreation Projects Account #24933-75506.

Motion unanimously carried.

RESOLUTION 09-66 Lease Agreement/Community Center

By Councilwoman Brady, supported by Councilman McPartlin

WHEREAS, the City of Lincoln Park is endeavoring to cut budgetary cost, and

WHEREAS, the expenditure of funds to operate the Community Center is a strain on the City's Budget.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council agree to lease the Community Center to Family Entertainment Properties, Inc. with the final contract to be drawn up based upon the "Understanding of Agreement", signed by City Manager Steve Duchane on March 19, 2009.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor and City Clerk are authorized to sign all final agreement documents.

Motion unanimously carried.

RESOLUTION 09-67 Prop. Charter Amend./Primary Election

By Councilman Myers, supported by Councilwoman Brady

YEAS: Councilpersons Brady, DiSanto, McPartlin and Myers

NAYS: Councilpersons Kandes, Murphy and Mayor Vaslo

RESOLUTION 09-68 Prop. Charter Amend./Chap. V/Rules & Votes

By Councilwoman Brady, supported by Councilman Kandes

Motion unanimously carried.

RESOLUTION 09-69 Prop. Charter Amend./Chap. V/Meeting Times

By Councilwoman Brady, supported by Councilman Kandes

Motion carried.

NAY: Councilman DiSanto

Proposed Charter Amendment regarding Electronic Public Notices HELD

RESOLUTION 09-70 Charitable Solicitation/Exchange Club

By Councilman McPartlin, supported by Councilman DiSanto

RESOLVED, that the Lincoln Park Exchange Club be granted permission to conduct a fundraising drive in the City of Lincoln Park for Child Abuse Prevention Month during the month of April, 2009. All reporting provisions of the local ordinance to be timely observed.

Motion unanimously carried.

RESOLUTION 09-71 Charitable Solicitation/Jr Rails

By Councilman Myers, supported by Councilman Kandes

RESOLVED, that the Lincoln Park Jr. Rails be granted permission to sell flats of flowers and vegetable plants in the municipal parking lot adjacent to 2040 Fort St. on May 10, 2009 from 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. All reporting provisions of the local ordinance to be timely observed.

Motion unanimously carried.

RESOLUTION 09-72 Authorize Crop Walk

By Councilman DiSanto, supported by Council President Murphy

WHEREAS, the 2009 Downriver Crop Walk Committee will be hosting the Annual Walk for Hunger on Sunday, April 26, 2009 from 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. through Lincoln Park, Southgate and Wyandotte on the public sidewalks of the City.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Lincoln Park grants permission to this organization to conduct a "Walk for Hunger" on the designated route within the City limits.

Motion unanimously carried.

RESOLUTION 09-73 Confirm HUD \$1 Home Purchase

By Councilman DiSanto, supported by Councilman Kandes

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council have determined that it is in the best interests of the community to participate in the dollar (\$1.00) home program through the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

WHEREAS, the City was afforded the opportunity of purchasing a property through the program.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council concur with the decision to purchase 2332 Progress at a cost of \$1.00. Funds to come from Account #101.923.975 Land Sales Expenses.

Motion unanimously carried.

RESOLUTION 09-74 Attend Training/Code Enforcement Officer

By Council President Murphy, supported by Councilman Kandes

RESOLVED, that Mayor and Council authorize Code Enforcement Officer Carl Williams to attend the M.A.A.C.O. (Michigan Association of Animal Control Officers) 2009 Spring Training conference in Thompsonville, Michigan. The conference will be held from Tuesday, April 14, 2009, through Thursday, April 16, 2009. The approximate cost of the conference is \$475.81, plus meals and travel expenses. A Police Department vehicle will be used. An expense report will be completed upon return from this training. Funds to come from the Police Department's Training Account – 101.305.960

Motion unanimously carried.

RESOLUTION 09-75 Part-time Employees

By Councilman Myers, supported by Councilwoman Brady

WHEREAS, because of financial constraints resulting from revenue being insufficient to maintain current levels of staffing, it is necessary to commence layoff procedures to discontinue services of all part-time, temporary employees.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, effective June 30, 2009, all part-time, temporary employees will be laid off indefinitely.

Motion carried.

NAYS: Councilperson Brady

RESOLUTION 09-76 Participation/Rehab Loan Program

By Councilwoman Brady, supported by Council President Murphy

RESOLVED, that the following citizen be approved for participation in the CDBG Residential Rehabilitation Program, for a loan not to exceed \$20,000.

#1298 DL Ottis Rhodes – 1531 Pingree

Lead based paint hazard corrections, replace windows, doors, roof, City Sidewalk, City code violations

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, Donald T. Cook, Director of Community Development is hereby authorized and directed to process this application in accordance with the Policy and Procedures Guidelines previously approved. Funds to come from 33rd Program Year CDBG Budget Account Number 24932 720R.

Motion unanimously carried.

CITIZENS COMMUNICATIONS

ORAL REPORTS OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL

CITY MANAGER REPORT

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

FRANK VASLO, MAYOR

DONNA BREEDING, CITY CLERK