

REGULAR MEETING

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m., Mayor Patricia Krause presiding

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

Moment of Silence

PRESENT: Councilpersons Tracy Bush, Mario DiSanto, Joseph Kaiser, Mark Kandes, Suzanne Moreno and Thomas Murphy

ALSO PRESENT: City Attorney Ed Zelenak and City Clerk Donna Breeding

Mayor's remarks

RESOLUTION 2013-32 Set Study Session

By Council President Murphy, supported by Councilman Kandes

RESOLVED, that a Study Session be held on Monday, February 11, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. in the John A Aloisi Council Chambers, 1355 Southfield Rd. to discuss consolidation of the Fire Department and other Public Safety related issues.

Motion carried.

NO: Councilwoman Bush

RESOLUTION 2013-33 Minutes/Regular Meeting

By Councilwoman Bush, supported by Councilman DiSanto

RESOLVED, that the minutes of the Regular Meeting held under the date of January 22, 2013 be approved as recorded.

Motion carried.

ABSTAINED: Councilpersons Kaiser and Moreno

RESOLUTION 2013-34 Minutes/Special Meeting

By Councilwoman Bush, supported by Councilman DiSanto

RESOLVED, that the minutes of the Special Meeting regarding Appointment of Officials held under the date of January 23, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. be approved as recorded.

Motion unanimously carried.

RESOLUTION 2013-35 Accounts & Claims Payable

By Councilwoman Bush, supported by Councilwoman Moreno

RESOLVED, that the Accounts & Claims Payable as presented by the Finance Director to the Mayor & Council be approved as follows:

Warrant Report: \$1,127,488.15

Motion unanimously carried.

Agenda items #13, 14 & 15 regarding the Finance Director position were pulled prior to the start of New Business

RESOLUTION 2013-36 Adopt/Animal Shelter Agreement

By Council President Murphy, supported by Councilwoman Bush

RESOLVED, that the Mayor and City Clerk are authorized to execute the Animal Shelter Agreement with the Downriver Central Animal Control Agency for a period of two years.

Motion unanimously carried.

RESOLUTION 2013-37 Addendum/Fire Truck Agreement

By Council President Murphy, supported by Councilwoman Bush

RESOLVED, that the Addendum to the Fire Truck Agreement with R & R Fire Truck Repair, Inc. be approved as follows:

A) That changed orders previously undertaken by mutual consent at no further cost be approved *nunc pro tunc*.

B) That the existing fire truck, of nominal value, be traded in to R & R for a \$5000.00 credit on the purchase price towards the City's share of the grant.

Motion unanimously carried.

RESOLUTION 2013-38 Purchase Service Credit/ME Pawlowski

By Councilman DiSanto, supported by Councilwoman Bush

WHEREAS, pursuant to the MERS Plan Document with the City of Lincoln Park, the purchasing of additional service credit for up to three years is allowable for employees of the Defined Benefit Plan and;

WHEREAS, such purchases are to be paid up front at the time of service credit purchase and shared by the Employee and Employer pursuant to the collective bargaining agreement;

WHEREAS, such purchases must be approved by the Governing Body and;

WHEREAS, the cost for Raymond A. Pawlowski is calculated at \$57,096.00 for 3 years of service and the City's portion of this is \$44,349.84 to be paid out of account numbers 202-464-722SC and 203-464-722SC;

WHEREAS, such purchases of service credit requires certain operational resolutions and standard form resolutions of agreement.

NOW BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Lincoln Park hereby approves the following Resolutions as presented by MERS in content and form:

1. **RESOLUTION FOR ADDITIONAL CREDITED SERVICE**

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Finance Director is hereby authorized by this resolution to sign the MERS application for additional credited service and to issue all required letters and documents consistent with the purchasing of service credit along with the check for the cost of the City portion of service credit as required.

Motion unanimously carried.

RESOLUTION 2013-39 Purchase Service Credit/ME Hochberg

By Council President Murphy, supported by Councilman DiSanto

WHEREAS, pursuant to the MERS Plan Document with the City of Lincoln Park, the purchasing of additional service credit for up to three years is allowable for employees of the Defined Benefit Plan and;

WHEREAS, such purchases are to be paid up front at the time of service credit purchase and shared by the Employee and Employer pursuant to the collective bargaining agreement;

WHEREAS, such purchases must be approved by the Governing Body and;

WHEREAS, the cost for Janice Hochberg is calculated at \$193,239.00 for 3 years of service and the City's portion of this is \$180,675.69 to be paid out of account number 101-923-722SC;

WHEREAS, such purchases of service credit requires certain operational resolutions and standard form resolutions of agreement.

NOW BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Lincoln Park hereby approves the following Resolutions as presented by MERS in content and form:

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AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Finance Director is hereby authorized by this resolution to sign the MERS application for additional credited service and to issue all required letters and documents consistent with the purchasing of service credit along with the check for the cost of the City portion of service credit as required.

Motion unanimously carried.

RESOLUTION 2013-40 Solicit Ambulance Services

By Council President Murphy, supported by Councilman DiSanto

RESOLVED, that the Fire Chief, City Management Coordinator, and Finance Director be authorized to solicit bids for the purpose of providing ambulance service to the citizens of Lincoln Park and/or services to neighboring communities. Bid specs to include the options of service utilizing 2 ambulances and service with 3 ambulances.

Motion unanimously carried.

RESOLUTION 2013-41 Approve User Fees/Clerk's Office

By Councilwoman Bush, supported by Councilwoman Moreno

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council on July 28th, 1997 adopted Municipal Code Chapter 209 entitled "Service and User Charges", and

WHEREAS, this Ordinance Amendment allows for Mayor and Council to establish User Fees by Resolution.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the following USER FEES as administered by the City Clerk be approved and incorporated into the fee schedule as previously adopted by the Mayor and Council on June 4th, 2012:

BIRTH & DEATH CERTIFICATES

\$20 first copy and \$10 each additional

continued

BUSINESS REGISTRATION

\$40 new business and \$35 for annual renewals
\$10 duplicate certificates

DOG LICENSE

\$10 regular and Senior Citizen Rate \$8

GARAGE/YARD SALE PERMITS

\$10 for 3 consecutive days

GARBAGE & RUBBISH COLLECTORS

\$60 per vehicle & inspections
\$35 per dumpster

SOFT DRINK LICENSE

\$20 annual

SIDEWALK SALES

\$15 (commercial property)

SECONDHAND DEALERS (resale)

\$100 License

USED AUTO SALES

\$100

RESEARCH FEES: Deeds & Vacated Property

\$20 for first copy & \$5 for additional documents

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, that the aforementioned fees be implemented and given effect on MARCH 1ST, 2013.

Motion unanimously carried.

RESOLUTION 2013-42 Approve User Fees/Building Dept.

By Council President Murphy, supported by Councilman Kandes

RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council approve the attached fee schedule for Building Department User Fees. Rate increases to be effective March 1, 2013. (inserted in minute book)

Motion unanimously carried.

RESOLUTION 2013-43 Recreation/Rental Fees

By Councilman Kandes, supported by Councilwoman Bush

RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council approve the attached rental fee schedule for recreation facilities. Rate increases to be effective March 1, 2013. (inserted in minute book)

Motion unanimously carried.

No Action taken on Building Maintenance Fees for the Court

RESOLUTION 2013-44 Joint Resolution/Guard Rails

By Mayor Krause, supported by the Full Council

WHEREAS, the State of Michigan and its Department of Highways and Transportation in the modification and redesign of Fort Street through the city of Lincoln Park into the city of Southgate and from the city of Wyandotte into the city of Lincoln Park, has created a series of gullies/culverts/retention basins that are unprotected by barrier or guard rail, and

WHEREAS, it is the opinion of the City Council of the City of Lincoln Park that said unprotected gullies/culverts/retention basins pose an imminent threat to life and safety and constitute a permanent traffic hazard.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Lincoln Park request the Michigan Department of Transportation and its appropriate Highway and Street Maintenance Division install protective guard rails or barriers around the aforesaid gullies/culverts/retention basins near the intersection of Goddard Road and Fort Street to protect the safety of pedestrians, passengers, drivers and all forms of motor vehicles from crash and other threats to life and safety.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be forwarded to Governor Snyder, State Senator Hopgood, State Representative Clemente, State Representative Kandrevas, the cities of Wyandotte and Southgate, and the Director of the Michigan Department of Transportation.

Motion carried.

NO: Councilpersons Bush and Kaiser

RESOLUTION 2013-45 Reject Comp. Comm.– DIED

By Councilwoman Bush, supported by Councilwoman Moreno
RESOLVED, that the recommendation of the resolution of the Local Officers Compensation Commission dated January 16, 2013 to reduce the salaries of the Mayor, Council President and Council is hereby rejected as it does not include an across the board reduction of 20% to all elected positions.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that with the serious financial crisis that the City is currently facing, that the Local Officers Compensation Commission reconvene for further discussion and application of across the board reductions to the salaries of all of the elected officials.

Councilwoman Moreno withdrew her Support.

Councilwoman Bush withdrew Motion.

Motion died due to lack of support.

RESOLUTION 2013-46 Overtime

By Council President Murphy, supported by Mayor Krause

RESOLVED, that Department Heads make every effort to limit overtime hours and exercise discretion in authorizing overtime.

Motion unanimously carried.

HELD resolution to Suspend Purchases

HELD resolution to Appoint Interim City Manager

RESOLUTION 2013-47 Labor Attorney Directive/Unions

By Councilwoman Moreno, supported by Councilwoman Bush

RESOLVED, that the Labor Attorney is hereby directed to contact all bargaining units to request they open their respective contracts or consider the option of furlough days.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Attorney Shifman file his report within two weeks.

Motion unanimously carried.

RESOLUTION 2013-48 Re-evaluate Vendor Contracts

By Councilman DiSanto, supported by Council President Murphy

RESOLVED, that all Department Heads re-evaluate all vendor contracts and contact those vendors to re-negotiate their current contracts.

Motion unanimously carried.

DISCUSSION of matters relating to Budget Cuts

- 1. Special Assessment – Lighting Millage
- 2. Layoffs
- 3. Medicare Reimbursement

CITIZENS COMMUNICATIONS

ORAL REPORTS OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL

There being no further business before the Mayor and Council, the meeting adjourned at 10:24 P.M.

PATRICIA KRAUSE, MAYOR

DONNA BREEDING, CITY CLERK