

	A regular meeting of the Kalamazoo City Commission was held on Tuesday, September 5, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. in the City Commission Chambers at City Hall.
Roll Call	COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Mayor Bobby J. Hopewell Vice Mayor Don Cooney David Anderson Matt Milcarek Shannon Sykes Jack Urban COMMISSIONERS ABSENT: Erin Knott Also present were City Manager Jim Ritsema, City Attorney Clyde Robinson, and City Clerk Scott Borling.
Commissioner Excused	Commissioner Urban, seconded by Commissioner Milcarek, moved to excuse the absence of Commissioner Knott. With a voice vote this motion passed.
Invocation	The invocation, given by Chaplain Mike Kemple, Lighthouse on Eleventh, was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.
CCTA Annual Report	Linda Teeter, Chair of the Central County Transportation Authority (CCTA), and Sean McBride, Executive Director for the CCTA, distributed and reviewed the CCTA annual report for 2016. Garrylee McCormick thanked Sean and Linda for their efforts.
Adoption of the Agenda	By unanimous consent the City Commission adopted its meeting agenda as presented.
Consent Agenda	Consent Agenda items were presented as follows with a recommendation to approve the items with authorization for the City Manager to sign on behalf of the city: - approval of a contract extension with Republic Services for packer truck rental in the amount of \$135,387. - approval of a change order to the contract with Epic Excavating, Inc. for sidewalk work on Mabel Street in the amount of \$213,681.00; and approval of a funding reallocation from the Foundation for Excellence Fund to the Local Streets Fund in the amount of \$213,681.00. - approval of a contract with Treeworks, Inc. in the amount of \$135,565.00 for Neighborhood Tree Maintenance. - first reading of an ordinance to rezone 565 S. Drake Road from Zone PUD (Planned Unit Development) to Zone RS-5 (Residential, Single-Dwelling District).
Resolution 17-49	- adoption of a RESOLUTION recognizing Kalamazoo in Bloom as a non-profit organization operating in the community for the purpose of obtaining a charitable gaming license.

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">- adoption of a RESOLUTION from the Michigan Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs, Liquor Control Commission, recommending approval of a Micro Brewer License for Wax Wings Brewing Company, LLC to be located at 3480 Gull Road.- authorization for the City Manager to sign a Contract for Independent Contractor Services with Comstock Public Schools to operate the Kalamazoo Regional Education Service Agency, Education for Employment Law Enforcement Program for the 2017-2018 school year.- authorization for the City Manager to sign a Memorandum of Agreement for the Kalamazoo Department of Public Safety to provide School Resource Officer Services for Kalamazoo Public Schools for the 2017-2018 school year.- approval of a request from Western Michigan University to publicly display fireworks at Hyames Field on Saturday, September 16, 2017.- approval of an amendment to the Kalamazoo City Commission's <i>2017 Meeting Schedule</i> to relocate the September 18th neighborhood and business meetings to Hays Park, which is located at 2001 Miller Road.- approval of the following appointments and reappointments to boards and commissions:<ul style="list-style-type: none">- the appointment of Ken Nichols to the Community Development Act Advisory Committee as an at-large member for a term expiring on March 31, 2018.- the appointment of Candice Howell to the Community Development Act Advisory Committee as an at-large member for a term expiring on March 31, 2018.- the appointment of Kayleen Shafer to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board for a term expiring on January 1, 2020.- the reappointment of Chris Flach to the Zoning Board of Appeals for a term expiring on March 31, 2020.- the appointment of Christina Doane to the Zoning Board of Appeals as Alternate Member #1 for a term expiring on March 31, 2020.- the appointment of Jeff Carroll to the Zoning Board of Appeals as Alternate Member #2 for a term expiring on March 31, 2018.- approval of a recommendation to hold until September 18, 2017 consideration of a Buy/Sell Agreement with Carrie Yancer for the purchase of the property located at 1019 East Alcott Street and | Resolution 17-50 |
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authorization for the City Manager, or his designee, to sign all related documents related to the closing of this purchase.

Vice Mayor Cooney, seconded by Commissioner Milcarek, moved to approve the consent agenda requests and authorize the City Manager to sign all documents on behalf of the City.

With a roll call vote this motion passed.

AYES: Commissioners Anderson, Milcarek, Sykes, Urban, Vice Mayor Cooney, Mayor Hopewell

NAYS: None

Citizen Comments

When an opportunity was given for general citizen comments, the following people addressed the City Commission:

Frank Warren, City resident, spoke about a young woman who sold lemonade to raise funds for the Honor Flight.

Nehemiah Scudder, City resident, spoke about the Vietnam War.

Jill Reynolds, City resident, spoke about friends who opened a dance studio in Kalamazoo near South Westnedge Park but who were leaving because of bad behavior by people in and near the park.

Dennis McKee, Area Manager for Governmental and Public Affairs from Consumers Energy, spoke about recent and upcoming utility upgrades in the City of Kalamazoo.

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Next, an opportunity was given for miscellaneous comments and concerns of City Commissioners.

Commissioner Sykes offered condolences to the families of the young people who were killed in a car accident on September 2nd. Commissioner Sykes spoke about the announcement that President Donald Trump would be cancelling the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) program and urged people to contact their federal representatives regarding a permanent solution to this issue.

Commissioner Anderson spoke about the complexities of living life in community and remarked on the opportunity to greet kids on their first day of school.

Vice Mayor Cooney offered condolences to the families of the young people who were killed in a car accident on September 2nd and remarked on his opportunity to greet kids on their first day of school. Vice Mayor Cooney expressed support for the young people in the DACA program and asked people to contact their federal representatives about a permanent solution to this issue.

Commissioner Urban offered comments about the movie *Thirteen*. Commissioner Urban reported the state had not been cooperative with

the City's efforts to get information on incarcerated individuals who would be eligible for release within the next year. Commissioner Urban explained the City wanted the information to enable pre-release contacts with these prisoners for the purpose of lining up support services.

Mayor Hopewell spoke about the car accident that killed five young people on September 2nd and the inappropriate responses and comments by some people.

The meeting adjourned at 7:48 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Scott A. Borling
City Clerk

For City Commission approval on September 18, 2017

Approved by: _____
Bobby J. Hopewell, Mayor
Dated: September 18, 2017

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Adjournment