

	A neighborhood meeting of the Kalamazoo City Commission was held on Monday, July 20, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. in the Community Room at City Hall, 241 W. South Street.
Roll Call	COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Mayor Bobby J. Hopewell Vice Mayor David Anderson Bob Cinabro Eric Cunningham Barbara Miller Jack Urban COMMISSIONERS ABSENT: Don Cooney Also present were Deputy City Manager Jeff Chamberlain, City Attorney Clyde Robinson, and City Clerk Scott Borling.
Commissioner Excused	Commissioner Cinabro, seconded by Vice Mayor Anderson, moved to excuse the absence of Commissioner Cooney. With a voice vote the motion passed.
Miscellaneous Communications	An opportunity was given for miscellaneous communications, but no communications were offered.
Neighborhood Communications	Representatives from the following neighborhood associations and community groups were present and addressed the City Commission: <u>Community Youth</u> Devyn Abdullah Bush Yasmin Abdullah Bush Callie Mae Kilduff Sierra Ward <u>Parker/Duke Neighborhood Association</u> Bill Hughes, President
Community Youth	The Community Youth representatives: - described their involvement in the Counselors-in-Training (CIT) program and the benefits of being in that program. - described the growth both they and the campers had experienced as a result of the program. In response to a question from Vice Mayor Anderson, the representatives stated the camps were not operating at capacity. Commissioner Urban thanked the young people for informing him about the CIT program. In response to a question from Mayor Hopewell, the representatives described the things they were most proud of: - they had helped campers deal with conflict more constructively. - they had been able to have an impact on the kids. - they had become role models.

In response to a question from Mayor Hopewell, parents of the CIT's expressed support for the program and thanked the City for supporting the program.

Community Youth
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The Parker/Duke Neighborhood Association representative:

- expressed concern about the removal of the stop sign at Old Colony Boulevard and Parker Avenue and reported the Traffic Board had recently reversed the decision of the Traffic Engineer.

Parker/Duke
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Association

Commissioner Cinabro thanked Mr. Hughes for taking the lead on this issue, and he expressed satisfaction that the STOP signs were being reinstalled.

In response to a question from Commissioner Urban, Mr. Hughes stated he did not think the process to appeal the decision of the Traffic Engineer took too long.

Next, an opportunity was given for citizen comments.

Citizen Comments

Jody Dozeman, City resident, presented ideas she had on various topics.

Finally, an opportunity was given for miscellaneous comments by City Commissioners, but no comments were offered.

Commissioner
Comments

The meeting adjourned at 6:25 p.m.

Adjournment

Respectfully submitted,

Scott A. Borling
City Clerk

For City Commission approval on August 3, 2015

Approved by: _____
Bobby J. Hopewell, Mayor
Dated: August 3, 2015